

THE Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS FOR NEIGHBORS BY NEIGHBORS

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Bradford Sidewalk Update



Bradford was notified of the Transportation Enhancement Grant award of \$516,800 towards our \$646,000 side walk project at the end of April. The sidewalk grant now goes to the Governor's Council for final signing. The town has raised the matching funds over the last few years and we are now ready to begin!

In the next few weeks we will be posting a meeting to outline the steps to be taken to prepare for the construction plan. An engineering firm will be chosen, a historic review conducted, right of way investigations completed, wetland permits obtained and a general design identified.

We will be asking citizens to add their input with suggestions for surface patterns, anchors at either end of East Main, information boards or kiosks, bike racks and the placement of cross walks. Working with Safe Routes to School on a planning grant, we will be able to review some of the congestion problems, lighting needs and explore the feasi-

bility of a bike lane. It will be a very busy summer. The state schedule for contract signing with the individual towns is slated for late September. We hope all permits will be obtained

10 QUESTIONS

by Phyllis Wilcox

Cheryl Behr was born in Edison, New Jersey. She has been the town administrator in Bradford since 1997.

Q. You came to Bradford in 1974 and you were born in Edison, N.J. Can you tell me why you came here and about some of the stops along the way?

I graduated from the University of New Hampshire in 1971 with a degree in Business Administration /Economics. I married a New Hampshire resident and we moved here because his family came from Goshen. We found land in Bradford. I have one son here and four grandchildren.

Q Tell me about your work history prior to the present position in town hall? Your studies in business appear to be a good fit for you

I chose to study business because I was good with numbers. Prior to working at town hall, I worked in Claremont for the Department of Employment Security from 1974 to 1987 as a field agent. Next I free-lanced by doing accounting services until 1997 when I came to town hall.

Q. Recently, you were instrumental in obtaining the "side-walk grant" which will begin the process of improving downtown Bradford. What made you decide to put the grant forward? What were the deciding factors that helped us get this grant?

The Transportation Enhancement "TE" program is offered every two years. It's federally funded and this
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1 pm - 5 pm

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pm

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Letter from the Editor

Congratulations Bradford!!! The hours of hard work on the part of so many people, but especially Town Administrator Cheryl Behr, paid off with the announcement that Bradford has received a Traffic Enhancement Grant. Not only was Bradford successful, but the grant application was rated number one of all those submitted. The next steps to be taken are outlined in the article on Page 1. Even though it will be some time before we begin to see that project take shape, the spirit of improvement is evident and Bradford can begin to move forward.

A second positive sign is the purchase of the former Dodge property by the Bruss Construction Company of Bradford. The firm has a state-wide reputation for quality work. The preliminary discussion with the Planning Board about possibilities such as a restaurant or retail space holds great promise for development of this prominent corner of the town.

Some innovative ideas for Bradford's future were presented recently by NEC students. Check out their plans at the Town Hall to see what the next generation proposes for our town.

However, much of what happens in Bradford's future rests with us, its residents. Supporting the request for matching funds for the grant, participating in the Independence Day celebrations, and volunteering our time and talent to the extent that our busy lives permit. It is great to drive down Old Warner Road on a Saturday and see the many sports activities underway and the adults that keep them running. More parents are always welcome to share the necessary tasks.

Several articles in this issue deal with requests for volunteers for local organizations that provide services for townspeople - Parks and Recreation Committee, 4-H, Women's Club pillowcase project, shorewatchers for Lake Massasecum. All of these groups, along with many local boards and committees, depend on volunteers to carry out their tasks. Read the articles, think about your town, and step forward to offer a few minutes, a few hours of time. Everyone benefits and the town continues to move forward.

Enjoy the early summer warmth, hope for just enough rain to keep everything green, and remember that the 4th of July comes to Bradford this year on July 3rd. See you there.

Marcia Keller, June Editor

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Selectmen's Highlights

Transfer Station: Selectmen approved a 25 hour work week for Ken Anderson as Transfer Station Manager. Lois Kilnap's hours will be increased to 30 hours. Compensation for vacation time due Mr. Anderson will be paid over the next few months.

Highway Department: For purposes of liability, Selectmen voted to keep the gate at the Highway Garage locked when the garage is closed.

Road agent Jeff Remillard was advised to keep within the highway budget and specifically to spend only the \$40,000 for road repairs that was voted in under Article 21 at Town Meeting.

Remillard reported to the Selectmen concerning the condition of the Breezy Hill Road Bridge (Route 114 end). The ensuing discussion, which included a preliminary state inspection, resulted in the decision to close the bridge immediately, seek a temporary bridge from the state, and take steps to procure the necessary design for a replacement. The next bridge scheduled for replacement in 2017 is at the other end of Breezy Hill Road. Town Administrator Cheryl Behr prepared a letter to NHDOT asking that

hydrology studies be done for both bridges at the same time to save money.

Independence Day Celebration: Rob Messer from West Meadow Stables discussed using a horse drawn carriage to transport people from the Baptist Church to the Marshall Property during the festivities on July 3. The Stable's insurance will cover the liability. Selectmen agreed that is a great idea.

Marlene Freyler advised that all flags have been received and discussed some additional banners to be placed at the intersection of Main Street and Route 103. She was asked to talk with the Parks & Recreation Committee about its becoming more involved in the annual Bradford 5K Race. Bob Wright who has organized the race for many years wishes to retire from this function .

Planning Board: An adjunct committee made up of members of the Planning Board, Budget Committee, and public members is being formed to prepare an updated Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The plan is to complete the CIP by the end of the summer in order to have it in place before budget preparation begins. Cheryl Behr advised that the CIP and Master Plan are very important when preparing grant requests.

Selectmen were given copies of the application for a sign permit that is now required for all new commercial signs based on the Sign Ordinance approved by voters at Town Meeting. Responsibility for administering the permit system belongs to the Building Inspector or whomever the Selectmen designate.

Sidewalk Grant: Selectman Harry Wright spoke about the approval of the sidewalk grant and thanked everyone who worked on it, especially Town Administrator Cheryl Behr.

French's Park: A meeting was held at the site to find a solution to the Fire Department's need for access to Lake Massasecum at French's Park, while maintaining the integrity of the recently completed infiltration steps, funded by a Mooseplate Grant. Attending were members of the Fire Department, Parks & Recreation, NH Lakes Association, road agent, concerned citizens, and two selectmen. The proposed solution to create ramps on either side of the existing steps at the width of the fire truck wheels from gravel or a pervious material will be further explored then presented to the Selectmen to review and authorize action and expense.

Joint Board of Selectmen: Selectmen from five of the seven towns in the Kearsarge Regional School District attended a meet-

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Did You Know...???

June is National Home Safety Month!!

Caregiver Tips

These are easy no- or low-cost fixes you can do to keep yourself or a loved one safe at home.

Keep an emergency contact list: The list should have all the numbers you use every day, from pharmacy to family to emergency numbers. Everyone in the family should get a copy of the contact list and keep it in a place that's easy to access.

Try using a picture phone: A picture phone prompts a one touch dialing with an image of the person or place.

Make sure smoke detectors are working and have a fire drill – it really helps to prepare everyone in the event of an actual fire.

De-clutter and simplify. Get rid of unnecessary items. Pair the amount of clothing in drawers down to what is regularly worn. In the kitchen get rid of items that aren't regularly used.

Set regular routines: Standing appointments should be made for the same time on the same day. Make a fixed schedule for errands such as grocery shopping or the gym.

Keep a digital audio calendar: You can make notes on the recorder and use it to refresh your memory about tasks that need to be done.

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Residents of Bradford,

Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday June 1, 2010 from 7:00pm-7:30pm at the Bradford Town Hall. This will be for the purpose of registering new voters and updating the checklist. This is the last day to change or declare a party before the Primary on September 14. You will not be able to change your party the day of the Primary. Please bring proof of residency and age.

Supervisors of the Checklist:

Ann Lucier
Judith Marshall
Ruth Marden

Kearsarge Area Preschool News



Braden with Tinker Toys

By Karen Lynn Hambleton and Heather Smith

Children wrapped up their exploration of the alphabet with letters Y and Z in May. For the letter Y, the class learned about our big yellow sun and why the sun is important to us. Next, the class discussed zoos and the different animals that live in zoos. Children learned that zoos house animals from many different places. This gives us the opportunity to see and study animals we wouldn't normally encounter. For Mother's Day, the class engaged in a weeklong celebration of their mothers. Preschoolers shared with each other what they love about their moms. Each day, the children created a different Mother's Day gift and or card. The project for the day incorporated fine-motor skills, literacy development and creativity. At the end of the month, preschoolers celebrated those who have served our country as well as those serving now. The class made different patriotic crafts and talked on a very basic level about the job of people in the armed forces.

To wind down the school year, preschoolers will be doing author studies. The class will begin with Dr. Seuss and the variety of rhymes he wrote in his books. Children will create their own storybooks that follow a Seuss-like pattern and draw their own version of Dr. Seuss's characters. Next, the students will learn about author Eric Carle. Modeled on the story *Brown Bear Brown Bear What Do you See?*, the class will go outside and draw what they see around them. In celebration of Father's Day, we will talk about our Dads. Children will discuss why we love them and make them very special Father's Day gifts. The last week of school will be all about fun in the sun. We will be focusing on activities to do outside that are fun and safe. Preschoolers will discuss the many things that they can do to be safe (drink water, use bug spray and sun screen, stay within sight of an adult, etc). The last week of school, the children will take a walking field trip to the Bradford Pines Scenic Area.

As the school year comes to an end, we celebrate our accomplishments this year and wish our graduating preschoolers good luck in Kindergarten. Each day, we are awed and inspired viewing life through the eyes of preschoolers. Thank you for sharing your children with us!

Is your 3 or 4-year-old interested in joining our class in September? Applications are currently being accepted for the 2010-2011 school year. For more information on our full or part-day sessions, please call Karen at 938-5787.

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**Zoning Board of
Adjustment**

The ZBA accepted an application from IAMNOW, Inc. for a special exception to construct a wireless repeater facility on property owned by Jeff Renk (former Mountain Lake Inn) on Route 114. The purpose is to provide high speed internet service to homes in an underserved area around Lake Massacum. A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 1 at 7:15 PM

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HIGH SPIRITS 4-H

Organized in 2009 by Marie Hasey from Bradford, the High Spirits 4-H Club offers programs for girls and boys, ages 6 to 18.

The club meets monthly in Bradford at the BACC. Spring activities have promoted teamwork, leadership and acceptance of others by the kids planning field trips, playing lots of games, and designing and making a club banner. Mike Bellino who introduced the subject of aerospace, led a 5-day free Rocketry Class. Students made rockets that were launched successfully on the last day of class. Organizational 4-H Leader Marie Hasey said, "Thank you Mr. Bellino for taking the time to be one of our dedicated



4-H leaders! The kids learned a great deal of hands-on information with your help. It was a blast for all who participated."

Over April vacation more than 25 Bradford area kids roller-skated in Enfield. Hasey said, "Members are looking forward to our Upper Valley Aquatics Center field trip where they will have a water safety review and then just plain fun in the water. The Club always welcomes boys/girls to join. We are looking for volunteers for projects such as: cake decorating, sewing, basketry, bicycle safety, theater, arts & crafts, and wood-working. You provide your time; we provide the literature and teaching materials." For more information, contact: Marie Hasey, 938-5538 or email: mhasey@tds.net.

Volunteers for Parks and Recreation

Are you new in town and/or looking for a way for you and your family to become involved in the community? Why not check out Bradford Parks and Rec? We are a fun group of people trying to come up with activities to get families and friends of all ages interacting with each other. We want to show our young people that our community is what we make it and we should take pride in being part of the foundation. We are always looking for ways to get people involved and we are always looking for fresh ideas.

These are hard economic times and everyone is busy with their own lives, but if we all chip in, the load is lighter for everyone. None of us can do everything but we can all do a little.

The next event is the annual 4th of July Beef Roast and Street Dance, which will be held this year on July 2nd at the BACC from 5:00 - 8:00 PM. We also sponsor the Bradford Batonettes and along with the Bradford Women's Club offer swimming lessons for the youth of Bradford. Most of these events can be enjoyed by all ages and are either free or affordable.

Volunteers are needed for all of these events. Won't you please join us? Come to a meeting to find out more. Beginning in June we will meet the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Bradford Area Community Center at 4:30. For more information on individual events and/or how to become involved call Kate at 938-6228.

Bicycle Safety Day



A bicycle safety day was held on May 20th at the Bradford Elementary School. In an effort to promote bicycle safety with our children Outspokin Bicycle and Sports Shop and the Bradford Police Department conducted a bicycle inspection and rodeo. Will Hurley from Outspokin arranged an inspection and service station for each bicycle. Members of the Police Department, along with members of the Safe Routes to School Committee from the town hall, conducted a rodeo where young bicyclists had an opportunity to show their skills. The Police Department secured a number of helmets for the young bicyclists that did not have them and the kids were given reflective stickers to personalize their helmets.

MAGIC PILLOWCASES

Tuesday, June 8th
Bradford Area
Community Center
1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.



Come join us for an afternoon of making handmade cheerful pillowcases for children, nursing home residents, and members of our communities that are in need of some tender loving care.

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Pillowcase Kits will be available both free and for purchase. Completed FREE pillowcases will be delivered to Quilted Threads in Henniker for donation to local charities: Antrim Girls' Shelter, Veteran's long term care facilities, Crotched Mountain Foundation, and The NH Coalition against Domestic & Sexual Violence.

It's a free event but requires registration as space is limited, so sign up NOW to reserve your spot! For reservations call: Susan Wick at 938-5286

Sponsored by the Bradford Women's Club, Stitches from the Heart, and the Mountain View Senior Center

NEC Presentation



(NEC students flanked by Selectmen Harry Wright and Jack Meany. Also pictured Professor Robert Seaman, Laura Hallinan and Town Administrator Cheryl Behr)

On the evening of Wednesday, May 5th at the Bradford Town Hall, approximately 30 attendees enjoyed the final presentation of Professor Robert Seaman's Environmental Science class on "Planning Sustainable Communities" from New England College. Students took turns presenting their ideas and the program was well received and appreciated. Highlights included a review of West Main Street and how it could become an historic district, commercial ideas for East Main Street, a nature path connecting the elementary school to the downtown area, using our wetlands for environmentally-sound waste disposal, cleaning up the Naughton site with EPA funds, the idea of a roundabout to slow traffic and finally two teams each looked at open space near town to develop a planned community with common areas and walking trails. Students seemed to enjoy this challenge and it is now up to town officials and concerned citizens to keep the ideas alive and have some of them come to fruition. A copy of the presentation, "A Vision Plan for Bradford, NH" is available at town hall and the poster boards will be on display at the library as well as during 4th of July festivities.

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was our second application. The sidewalks are important to the people. All the studies we did here contributed to our eligibility. We had a lot of technical information from the engineer who worked on our bridges. We could prove to the federal government that we had good figures for this grant.

Q. You mentioned that volunteers were extremely important to the life and health of a small community like Bradford and the paucity of young people's involvement in the volunteer effort in town. You also said that all the volunteers were sixty plus. Do you have any thoughts on ways to entice younger residents to become involved in volunteer efforts?

Projects like the "TE" grant will benefit the children and people of all ages in town. We'll have a safer town with the new sidewalks. The children coming from school won't be walking in the road. We're hoping for a bicycle lane and to combine this road with a "safe route to school program" grant.

Q. One of the things you mentioned was that the most important part of your job was to provide accurate information to the selectmen. That must be difficult because the selectmen serve for only three years and then are replaced if they don't get re-elected or choose not to run again. Would the town be better served by a town manager or are we too poor and small for this type of leadership?

The difference between a town manager and an administrative assistant is a different type of government. A town manager would be over all departments while the administrative assistant reports to the selectmen. It also depends on the size of

the town and a manager would have to be voted in by the people. If we were a little bigger, I think it would be a good idea.

Q. Recently, you were instrumental in setting up a partnership with New England College. A professor and his students brought their ideas for the improvement of Bradford to the townspeople. It was interesting and thought-provoking. Are there plans for more of this type of interaction and cooperation?



I sincerely hope that Professor Seamans will continue to be a resource for us. If these types of studies are ongoing it will show that we have the proper background for grants of all kinds. We continue to pursue the "safe route to school" and possibly we can implement some of the ideas of their study for safe trails in town? We're trying to clean the "Naughton-Brownfield" property. There was a study done ten years ago to remove everything from the field and cap it. If we get this federal money from the Department of Environmental Services (DES), it amounts to \$200,000 - 350,000 a year and there is no matching grant required from the town.

Q. Tell me about the challenges the town is facing in view of the worsening economy. The town recently changed and limited hours of the town clerk and your

office. Some of these changes were not popular. Are there other plans to work more efficiently and save money?

We apply whenever there is available state money. We've received an offer of a generator from Homeland Security. This will be in place soon and the people will be able to reach us when we lose power. This should be in place by the fall. There's not much else that can be done. Town taxes went down this year but the school and other taxes went up.

Q. Do you have advice for college students who might be interested in business administration or economics?

I've gotten satisfaction from working for the municipal government. Kids have to look further than money and find a rewarding job that they can be happy with.

Q. One of your wishes was to see the residents putting forward their views but you mentioned that it should be done in an organized and respectful way.

It's important for people to come to town meeting and express their opinions but they can also e mail or telephone if there is something that they need to discuss. We are here for them and will do what we can whenever it's possible.

Q. Would you be willing to share your interests away from your busy life at the office?

I have a new interest. My eight year old granddaughter and I are taking piano lessons. We began about five months ago. I always wanted to learn to play and we are both enjoying this experience. I do like to read and enjoy the performances at the New London Barn during the summer season.

Planning Board Notes

Site Plan A Public Hearing was held on the application from IAMNOW, Inc. to construct a solar powered tower on land owned by Jeff Renk on Route 114 (former Mountain Lake Inn) for the purpose of providing high speed internet service in the Lake Massasecum area where such service is currently not available. The Board approved waivers from the site plan requirements based on there being no building involved in the proposal and no staff on site. Public comments were presented in favor of the application. The plan for long range wireless service was explained and a sample of the equipment to be used was displayed.

The Board voted to approve the application conditional on receipt of required special exceptions from the Zoning Board of Adjustment, which will hold a public hearing on June 1.

Conceptual Consultation Jim Goldee discussed plans for the former Dodge's Store recently purchased by Bruss Construction Company. The preliminary plans are to retain the existing block building and the storage units. The wooden structure on the adjoining lot would be demolished and the space used for parking. Potential uses for the building include a restaurant or retail space. Well and septic considerations would depend on the eventual use.

Boundary Line Adjustment

Roger Rodewald represented Jane Lucas with a plan for a boundary line adjustment on property located on Old Mountain Road. Mr. Rodewald will file an application and abutters will be notified.

Minutes of all Planning Board meetings are on file at the town Hall and online at bradfordnh.com



The bridge at the north end of Lake Massasecum over Melvin Brook on Breezy Hill Road the Route 114 end) is closed to vehicular traffic until further notice. A report from the State DOT will help determine the next steps to be taken to repair the bridge.

Bradford Senior Gets Award



Anna Buchar, a member of the KRHS Class of 2011, was recently awarded the Dartmouth Book Award at a reception at the Hanover Inn. She was selected to represent her school at this annual event that recognizes the achievements of high school juniors in the Upper Valley, based on her academic record and leadership qualities.

Anna is involved in various local and global community service projects, but she is best known for her American Sign Language interpretation of high school concerts.



First Baptist Church News

by Lynne Hubley

Church Dinner: On Saturday, June 5 from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. we will have an "All American Buffet". The menu will include American chop suey, meat loaf, home-made macaroni and cheese, shepherds pie and apple pie. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children age 12 and under. The proceeds will benefit our Building Fund. The dinner is being sponsored by Bruce's Auto Repair, Inc.

Focus Factor: Youth will meet on the following Sundays during the month of June from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. at the church: June 6 (Kick-off to the Ten Commandments); June 13 (Fun Night); June 20 (Bring a Friend); June 27 (Ice Cream Sundaes).

New Members Gathering: People interested in becoming members of the church will meet on Monday, June 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the church office building.

Children's Day: All of our children will lead the Worship Service on Sunday, June 13 at 10:00 a.m. The theme will be The Ten Commandments.

Food Pantry: The Food pantry will be open on Wednesday, June 16 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. and food can also be obtained by calling the church office at 938-5313.

Service of Baptism: We will be having a Service of Baptism during the Worship Service on Sunday, June 20 at 10:00 a.m.

Vacation Bible School: We will hold our annual Vacation Bible School the week of June 21-25 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Children ages 4 through 12th grade are welcome to come. The theme this year is: "The High Seas".

Men's Fellowship: This group will meet at the home of Fred Hubley on Wednesday, June 30 at 6:30 p.m. for devotions, refreshments and pool.

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BRUSS CONSTRUCTION RECEIVES AWARD

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This was the first time that a company, rather than an individual, was given this honor.

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Free Introductory class June 10th at 5pm at Bradford Area Community Center. Sign -up now at 938-6228 or bacc@mctelecom.com Sponsored by Parks and Recreation.

Lake Todd Village District

Annual meeting on June 26th 9:30AM at the Bradford Area Community Center 134 East Main Street Bradford.

Summer Fair at First Baptist Church of Bradford

Sat. July 3, 8 AM - to 2 PM in conjunction with Bradford's town-wide Independence Day Celebration. Coffee, donuts and baked goods starting at 7. Many outside vendors. Hand made quilt raffle. Silent auction of many items and services, winners need not be present. Kids Fun Run: registration starts at 9, race starts at 10:30. Children's activities booth 9-1; family entertainment 11-12. Musical entertainment throughout the day including the Kearsarge Community Band. 12-1- luncheon booth and home made desserts. 10-2 - ice cream treats. 11-2- barn sale and many booths selling antiques, collectibles, children's toys, crafts, jewelry, books and plants.

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*For more information, please contact Steve Hansen, Forest Fire Warden, at 938-2634.



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Area Events

South Sutton

Fundraising BBQ:

June 12th – 2 PM to Benefit

Justin Willett who was seriously injured in a 4-Wheeler accident on May 2nd. To be held at Justin's parent's house 110 Jolly Farm Road in South Sutton. Bullzeye, the band, will be playing. Raffles. Pot-luck of side dishes. Please call if you would like to bring a dish to share. Please contact Chris St.Cyr with questions at 491-5170.

Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway:

June 19 (Sat): Trek the east side of Ragged Mountain, up the Bulkhead Trail. Difficult, 6 miles. Lee Carvalho, 735-5719.

June 26 (Sat): Bye-Bye to Black Fly Hike to Aaron's Ledge in Springfield. Moderate, steep; 3 miles. Susan and Michael Chiarella, 763-4661.

All hikes are free to the public. Please contact the leader a day before to get details on start time and location. Bring water, sun screen, hat, and a snack. The SRK Greenway Coalition is a non-profit volunteer organization that promotes hiking and land conservation in the Sunapee-Kearsarge region. Its 75 miles of trails are open to all. For information, visit www.srkg.com

The Fells: New England Hooked Rugs as Art: 1850-1975 Open every weekend from May 29 through June 20, from 10am -4pm in the Main House Gallery, 456 Route 103A, Newbury, NH For more information call 603-763-4789 x3 or visit <http://www.thefells.org>

Bradford Fire Department News

June is National Safety Month

Did you know that most accidents that occur in and around the home are preventable?

Here are some helpful tips and reminders to help keep your families safe this summer season.

Home Outdoor Safety

Right around the corner is the 4th of July, and with that comes fireworks. Each town in New Hampshire is different, but here is what applies to Bradford:

- *Consumer fireworks are permitted in our town; however please use caution and know and take heed to what the fire danger rating is for that day. (The fire danger rating is posted on our Facebook page daily)

- *You must be at least 21 years old to purchase and possess fireworks
- *You must be the home/land owner or have written permission from the home/land owner in order to shoot off fireworks in the town of Bradford.

- *Only State approved fireworks are permitted.

- *Always have a form of fire suppression nearby. Bucket of water, hose or a fire extinguisher

For more Fireworks safety tips, please visit <http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/firesafety/fireworks/index.html>

Home Indoor Fire Safety

Did you know...Only 23% of homes have an escape plan in place and practiced. Be sure there are working smoke detectors and CO alarms installed in your home. Many times these are your first line of defense against home fires and CO poisoning. Make sure your entire family has planned and practiced your fire escape plan.

- *Do you have multiple exit points in case one is blocked by fire or heavy smoke?

- *Do all your family members know where to meet together outside the home?

- *If you have pets, do you have a safety plan in place for them?

- *If there are elderly or disabled people in the home, designate a helper to get them to safety.

- *Make sure to do the door knob test for heat prior to opening a door by tapping the door knob quickly with the back of your hand. If the knob is hot, the fire is right outside the door, find a safer way out.

Home Child Safety

Did you know...

- *Some types of vertical blinds can be dangerous for children. There are free child safety kits available on the internet from various companies to make vertical blinds safer. Don't let your child become a statistic.

- *Be sure to keep all chemicals out of reach of children. Lock all cupboards

that contain chemicals, cleaners, medicines, etc.

Visit http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/applications/cpsc/kid_recalls.jsp

This has a list of Children specific fire safety recalls. For example: DVD players recalled by Wal-Mart due to the unit overheating and causing fire and burn hazards.

****Check us out on Facebook****

We have all of our previous Bradford Bridge articles posted, along with the Daily Fire Danger Rating and lots of other great information. Go to www.facebook.com and search Bradford Fire & Rescue.



Shorewatchers Gather

A meeting will be held on June 12 at 10:00 am at the home of Ann Lucier, 22 Massasecum Lake Road. Anyone interested in helping with the vital piece of keeping Lake Massasecum free of the invasive plant milfoil is invited. Come and be refreshed for another year on our beautiful lake. Please RSVP at 938-5940 to be sure there are enough refreshments for all.

If you have new neighbors let them know that the Lake Massasecum Improvement Association welcomes new members and help with shorewatching. Check out the LMIA facebook page.

Thank you!
Ann Lucier

The Bradford Bridge welcomes letters to the editor. Word limit is 250 and all letters are subject to editing for style, grammar and taste. Anonymous letters will not be printed. Please include name and daytime telephone number. Space limitations do not allow for back & forth letters from the same writers. Send letters to Contact. us@bradfordbridge.com or P.O. Box 463, Bradford, N.H. 03221

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Rent a \$25 space if you preregister by June 19 to sell your fine arts, crafts, jewelry, small furniture, or homemade products. Space is available on a first come basis. You will need to provide your own table, chairs, and awning if desired.

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June's Line up

- 6/3....The Shrimp Buffet....all you can eat for just \$17.95
- 6/3....ENTERTAINMENT!!!! Annie Law will be here from 6-9pm....She's terrific.
- 6/4-5...."Choice" cuts of Prime Rib....12oz cut...\$17.00....16oz cut...\$21
- 6/10....Southern Style Fried Chicken....a.y.c.e...\$13.95
- 6/10....ENTERTAINMENT!!!! Pete Merrigan...6-9pm...he's on top of his game these days!
- 6/17...The Shrimp Buffet
- 6/17 ENTERTAINMENT...Kane Koby...acoustical guitar at it's best!
- 6/24...Deep Fried Haddock, FF's and Slaw....a.y.c.e. \$13.95
- 6/24....ENTERTAINMENT...Annie Law....she really has gotten better with age (and she's still so young!)

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JUNE CALENDAR

Tues. June 1st

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 Noon - Senior Dining
 6:00 PM - Yoga Class – call Fran at 456-3099

Wed. June 2

3:15 PM – Baton Twirling - class
 4:30 PM – Friends of BACC meeting
 4:30 PM – Parks & Recreation meeting

Thurs. June 3rd

12:00 Noon - Senior Dining
 3:00 – 6:00 PM - First Farmer's Market of the Season
 3:15 PM – Baton Class
 4:30 PM – 3 mile Walk NH Event – register at BACC

Fri. June 4th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
 11:30 AM - 1st Friday Brunch - Click Horning, 50/50 raffle, and door prizes Please call for reservations.
 7:00 PM – Book-to-Movie (A Gathering of Old Men), BML

Sat. June 5th

10 AM - BIA meeting, BACC

Mon. June 7th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
 10:00AM - Ceramics Class
 10:00 AM - Yoga with Fran
 1-4 PM - Bridge Group
 3:15 PM - 4 - H

Tues. June 8th

10:00AM - Stitches From the Heart
 12:00 Noon - Senior Dining - ServiceLink's Medi care expert Anita Oelfke
 1:00 – 4:00 PM - Women's Club
 6:00 PM -Yoga Class

Wed. June 9

3:00 PM - Brownies
 3:15 PM – Baton Class
 4:30 PM -Bradford Area Community Center -Committee Meeting
 6:00 PM – Girl Scouts
 7:00 PM – Library Book Group (Brazzaville Beach by William Boyd), BML

Thurs. June 10th

12 Noon - Senior Dining - Games Day organizing meeting
 3:00 – 6:00 PM –Farmer's Market
 5:00 PM – Weight Watchers

6:00-8:00 – Esoteric Discussion Group

Fri. June 11th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness

Sat. June 12

9:00 AM - Writing Group
 9:00 AM – Bradford Barter

Mon. June 14th

8:45AM -Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
 10:00 AM - Ceramics Class
 10:00 AM - Yoga with Fran
 1-4 PM - Bridge Group
 7:00 PM – Rural Heritage Connection

Tues. June 15th

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart
 12 Noon - Senior Dining - Christine Stockwell speaking on senior health topics
 6:00 PM - Yoga Class – call Fran at 456-3099 for information

Wed. June 16

3:15 PM – Baton Class

Thurs. June 17th

10:30AM – 12 Noon Blood Pressure Clinic by Lake Sunapee VNA
 12:00 - Fathers Day Lunch - "Container Gardening" by Master Gardener from UNH
 1:00-3:00 PM - Foot Care Clinic by Lake Sunapee VNA Call for appointment at 526-4077 or 1-800-587-3382
 3:00 – 6:00 PM – Farmer's Market
 5:00 PM – Weight Watchers
 5:30 PM - 4 - H

Fri. June 18th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
 9:30–11:30 AM - Foot Care Clinic LSVNA at North Ridge Senior Housing in Warner Call for appt. at 526-4077 or 1-800-587-3382
 10:30 AM - Friday at the Movies: Invictus with Morgan Freeman and Matt Damon
 7:00 PM – International Movie (Japan) BML

Mon. June 21st

10:00AM - Ceramics Class
 10:00 AM -Yoga with Fran
 1-4 PM - Bridge Group

Tues. June 22nd

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 Noon - Senior Dining - vision expert Rose Prescott on low vision issues
 6:00 PM - Yoga Class

JUNE CALENDAR

Wed. June 23rd

10:30AM – 12 Noon Blood Pressure Clinic by LS
VNA at Warner Senior Room
3:15 PM - Baton Class

Thurs. June 24th

12:00 Noon - Senior Dining
3:00-6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market
5:00 PM – Weight Watchers
6:00-8:00 – Esoteric Discussion Group

Sat. June 26

9:30 AM – Lake Todd Village meeting -BACC
9:00 AM - Writing Group

Mon. June 28th

10:00 AM - Computer Help Group
10:00 AM -Yoga with Fran
1-4 PM – Bridge Group

Tues. June 29th

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart
12:00 Noon - Senior Dining - LSVNA’s Judy Thack
aberry - vertigo among seniors, fall prevention
techniques. Call for more info at...938-2104.
6:00-730 PM - Yoga Class

Wed. June 30

3:15 PM - Baton Class

Town Clerk Announces Friday Hours

Town Clerk Susan Pehrson has resumed Friday hours and will be open 8:00 – 11:30 AM and 12:30 – 5:00 PM.

Tired of our old beige paper? Try getting the Bridge online and enjoy the pictures in vibrant color. Go to the new Bradford Bridge web site, <http://bradfordbridge.com> and download the latest Bridge as well as some of the older ones which are being put on line.

Servicelink

Servicelink is a Merrimack County resource that provides information about various programs in the state that can help with certain costs. Programs are based on income eligibility. You may be eligible for help paying for doctor’s visits, hospital stays and/or deductibles for pharmacy costs. Contact ServiceLink for more information at 866-634-9412 (toll free) or 228-6625

Abbreviation Key

BBC - Bradford Baptist Church
BML - Brown Memorial Library
FGC - Fish & Game Clubhouse -Gillingham Drive
KAP - Kearsarge Area Preschool
KRES - Bradford Elementary School
MVSC - Mountain View Senior Center
TH - Bradford Town Hall
ZBA - Zoning Board of Adjustment

All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted. Please call to confirm dates and times in case there has been a change to the submitted information.

Ongoing Events

Bradford Barter - 3rd Saturday at 11 am at BACC
Children’s Storytime - Wednesdays at 10:30 am BML
Cemetery Commission - 2nd Thursday at 6 PM. Call 938-5539 for information
Conservation Commission - 3rd Tuesday 7 PM, Town Hall or BML
Fish and Game Club - 1st Monday of each month - 7 PM, Fish and Game Club
First Friday Bunch - 11:30 am MVSC, reservations appreciated, call 938-2104 for information
Historical Society - open most Saturdays, 1:30 - 3 PM, or call 938-5386
Library Trustees Meeting - 1st Wednesday, 6:00 PM - BML
Planning Board - 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 7 PM, Town Hall
Rural Heritage Connection - 2nd Monday, 7 PM, BACC
Selectmen’s Meeting - 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 PM, Town Hall

POLICE LOG

APRIL

Call Type	Totals
Burglary	1
Theft - Unauthorized Taking	2
Criminal Mischief	1
Firearms - Unauthorized Use	1
IEA - Mental Health	1
Dis. Con Neighborhood Dispute	2
MV - Citation Violation	9
MV - Citation Violation Speed	5
MV - Warning	35
Parking Violation	1
Business Check	27
Alarm Response - Business	2
Alarm Response - Public Building	1
Alarm Response - Residential	1
Assist - Ambulance	4
Assist - Citizen	5
Assist - Fire	2
Assist - Motorist	1
Assist - Police	3
Animal Nuisance	2
Dog - At Large	6
Fingerprinting - Volunteer Service	4
Civil Standby	1
Welfare Check	5
Property - Found	3
Missing Person	3
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	3
Police Information	7
Paperwork Service	6
Arrest Warrant Service	2
Pistol Permit	3
Followup Investigation	1
Total	150



Selectmen (continued from pg 3)

ing in Bradford. Topics related to the school district that were discussed included the funds to cover employee pay raises that were not in the budget approved by voters that have since been found; proposed use of the former middle school for SAU offices, a culinary class, and a charter school, when the reason for closing the building was that it was no longer safe for students.

Motion was approved to meet with the School Board to discuss these and projections for the next 18 month period. It was suggested that these projections would be very helpful as each town updates its CIP.

The next meeting will be hosted in September by Wilmot.

Minutes of all Selectmen's meetings are on file at the Town Hall and online at bradfordnh.com.

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Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

Thanks to everyone who came to our Memorial Day book and plant sale. We are especially grateful for all the great donations that came in and infused the book sale with new goodies.

For families that are already making summer plans, the Summer Reading Program, run by Lyn Betz, will tailor the four Saturday (11am) sessions in July for elementary school-age children. During July, the usual Wednesday (10:30am) story time will be expanded to include a craft activity. I am looking for volunteers to do the craft component of story time. Please let me know if you can help.

This month, we say farewell and thanks to Paige Newman who is moving on to a job with more hours. We welcome Missy Callaghan as the new library page. You may also notice some shifting around of staff as we are pleased to welcome Barbara McCartney back to the library. Barbara will be working alternate Wednesdays and Saturdays until the snow flies!

Library activities in June

Friday, June 4 at 7:00pm, Book-to-Movie Discussion of *A Gathering of Old Men* by Ernest J. Gaines (next month: *Out of Africa* by Isak Dinesen)

Wednesday, June 9 at 7:00pm, Library Book Group discusses *Brazzaville Beach* by William Boyd. The group will take a break and reconvene in September to tackle *The Glass Room* by Simon Mawer

Friday, June 18 at 7:00pm, International Movie from Japan (next month, Kazakhstan)

A sampling of new books added to your library in May:

For adults:

Hannah's List by Debbie Macomber

Private Life by Jane Smiley

Hubble: A Journey Through Space and Time by Edward Weiler

A Question of Belief by Donna Leon

Remembering Survival by Christopher Browning

Tinkers by Paul Harding

For children:

Wag! by Patrick McDonnell

Twenty Boy Summer by Sarah Ockler

My Heart is Like a Zoo by Michael Hall

Cloud Tea Monkeys by Mal Peet



Don't forget Father's Day on Sunday, June 20

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New Lead-Based Paint Requirements

By Laura Hallahan

The Sunapee Region Board of REALTORS® recently offered a course on the new federal Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair and Painting requirements which took effect in April, 2010. If you are a general contractor, renovation contractor, property manager, painter, plumber, carpenter or electrician, take note! Anyone who is paid to do work that disturbs painted surfaces in housing or child-occupied facilities built before 1978, including remodeling, painting, carpentry and window replacement is subject to the requirements. Failure to comply is a violation of the law and penalties can be significant. The new requirements include notification to property owners and occupants before work begins of the potential hazards from lead-based paint disturbed during the project, certification of renovation companies, training and certification of workers, implementation of work practice standards for controlling lead-based paint dust, post-renovation cleanup requirements and post-renovation cleaning verification. Record-keeping is also an important part of compliance. All firms, regardless of number of employees, must be certified. To become certified, you must complete an EPA or authorized state-approved training course conducted by an EPA or state-accredited training provider.

Approximately three-quarters of the homes built before 1978 contain some lead-based paint. When properly maintained and managed, contaminated paint poses little risk. However, lead-based paint that peels or deteriorates is especially risky. Exposure to lead may occur through paint chips, flakes and dust. Lead is a highly toxic metal and is particularly dangerous to children. Even low levels of lead in children can reduce IQ, cause learning disabilities, behavioral problems and retard physical development. Lead poisoning in adults can increase blood pressure, cause irritability, poor muscle coordination and damage the kidneys, nerves and brain.

For more information, the EPA has published a compliance guide and brochure and both are available at the links below. The application form is available from the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-5323.

www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/sbcomplianceguide.pdf

www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/renovaterightbrochure.pdf

Recent Sales in Bradford

2068 Route 114, 1942 Log home on .47 acres for \$140,000

102/104 East Main Street, 1920 Retail building, 2nd bldg. & storage sheds on .88 acres for \$139,900

There are 44 active and 3 pending residential listings ranging from \$69,900 to \$1.2 million, 29 active and 0 pending land listings ranging from \$25,000 to \$500,000, 3 active and 0 pending commercial listings ranging from \$490,000 to \$725,000 and 2 active and 0 pending multi-family listings ranging from \$299,000 to \$339,900 in Bradford.

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New Library Exhibit

The Bradford Art Group announces a new exhibition, *The Neighborhood: Landscapes and Environmental Portraits*, by photographer Audrey V. Sylvester. Containing black and white portraits of Bradford neighbors including poet Donald Hall and color photographs of Mount Kearsarge, the exhibit continues thru July 2010 in Bradford's Brown Memorial Library.

Since childhood, photographs were ever present in Audrey's life. Her dad made amateur movies. Her mother filled scrapbooks with baby pictures and relatives posed in photographer's studios. Using a Brownie camera, she added snapshots of her teenage friends. When she and her husband moved to the University of New Hampshire in 1963, they became friends of portrait photographer Lotte Jacobi whose Deering studio was a gathering place for New Hampshire photographers and photo exhibitions. She said, "I looked, listened and learned." In 1969, she bought her first "real" camera—a Nikon. At UNH and later at New England College, she found the black & white darkroom irresistible.

Within two weeks of retiring as a program coordinator for the NH State Council on the Arts, Audrey began courses at the NH Institute of Art in Manchester and earned a Certificate in Photography in 2004. Encouraged by teachers and colleagues, she began exhibiting her work. Audrey now "captures" images digitally in color, develops them in the computer's darkroom and prints all her own photographs.

As a member of the NH Society of Photographic Artists, NH Art Association and the Women's Caucus for Art, Audrey has exhibited photographs at the Exeter Town Hall (NH), Exeter Guildhall (England), Currier Museum of Art, UNH-Manchester, League of NH Craftsmen's Fair at Sunapee, AVA Gallery, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital and the Library Arts Center in Newport, NH, where she currently is included in the juried 2010 Regional Exhibit that concludes on June 17.

BBA Annual Meeting

The Bradford Business Association held its Annual Meeting at the Candlelite Inn on Wednesday, May 12th at 6:00PM. Members enjoyed a pot luck supper and old and new business was discussed. A moment of silence for Bob Stewart, Sr. opened the meeting and the slate of Officers and Directors for 2011 was elected. These include:

President, Laura Hallahan, Tall Pines Realty
 Vice-President, Marlene Freyler, Marlene's His & Hers Salon & Marlene's Florist
 Treasurer, Marilyn Gordon, Candlelight Inn
 Secretary, Dawn Rich
 Director for 3-years, Maryann Plass, Tall Pines Insurance
 Director for 2-years, Woody Pringle, Bradford Bog People
 Director for 1-year, Susan Binette-Carl, Newbury Electolysis

Members cleaned up Route 103 from the NFI-Midway Shelter to the Warner town line on May 20th. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 28th at 5:30PM at Tall Pines Realty.



BRADFORD BARTER WORKING AND PLAYING

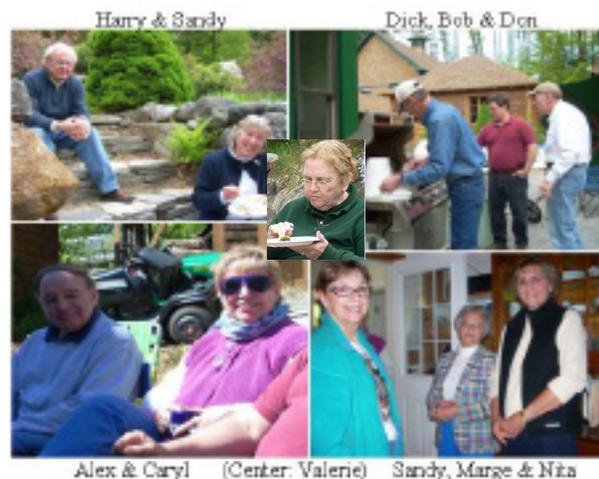


Sandy, Sandy, Hal, Caryl & Sandy

Above: Members of Bradford Barter recently made nearly 100 sets of mattresses, blankets and pillows for Hal Liberty's doll cradles. Hal makes wooden toys for underprivileged children all over the state. The cradles are just one of his many designs.

Below: The group also had a spring BBQ meeting at the home of Hal and Valerie (Owen) Liberty. After a brief meeting and lots of good food, the group toured Hal's workshop where he designs and makes his toys. He is equipped to have groups of people all working at the same time. Hal is especially interested in working with pre-teen and teen groups so that he may teach them the art of woodworking.

Bradford Barter is based on the time bank system which pools talents and abilities. It is open to the community of Bradford and its close proximities. There is no fee to join, just a desire to share your abilities and talents with others. If you have a need, we may be able to fill it. For mor information visit our website at <https://sites.google.com/site/bradfordbarter>. Also look for us at the 4th of July Celebration in Bradford on July 3rd.



CORNERSTONE CEMETERIES

Bradford has seventeen cemeteries within its boundaries. Most (Pierce, Marshall, Howlett, Eaton, Durrell, Ames, Jonathan Baley, and Offin French) are small family plots no longer in use. The larger ones are slightly more accessible and serve as destinations for history buffs. These include Burial Hill, where Dorcas Presby is buried; Union near Blaisdell Lake Road; Pleasant Hill off West Main Street; and Old Pond, New Pond, and New Pond Extension on the Henniker Road. The old Burial Yard at Bradford Center is now part of the Bradford Historic District. The largest cemetery in town is Sunny Plain located on the Old Warner Road.



Pictured is the Presby Cemetery, less than a mile from Bement Covered Bridge on Center Road. It was transferred to the Town in 1875 by the Union Congregational Society of Bradford Center. Its earliest grave: "Phoebe" wife of Ebenzer Cheney, died in 1848. The photograph was taken amid spring blooms by Luanne Mayo.



Congratulations to all the Graduates

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Spring's twin lambs in a Bradford pasture
(photo by Audrey Sylvester)

BACC Community Garden

The Bradford Area Community Center has two small flats available for use by the community. Perhaps you've always wanted a garden, but have no space for one. Here's your opportunity! They may be used to plant vegetables, herbs or flowers. We do, however, ask that it be kept organic. If anyone is interested in using this space, please call Sandy at 938-2777 or Kate at 938-6882.

