



The Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS *for* NEIGHBORS *by* NEIGHBORS

MONTHLY BRIEFING: Town Board Reports

BOARD OF SELECTMAN

Trash Compactor The Board approved a quote in the amount of \$1,468.50 to grind and paint the corroded compactor at the transfer station.

Fire Department The Board approved a motion to accept the resignation of Fire Chief Jeff LeBlanc. His last day was September 21. Selectmen Andrew Pinard met with members of the Department and discussed how they would like to proceed following the Chief's departure. Eleven of fourteen active members of the volunteer Fire Department unanimously agreed to ask the Select Board to appoint James Raymond to serve as interim Fire Chief until a permanent Fire Chief can be appointed. The Board approved a motion appointing James Raymond as interim Fire Chief.

ARPA Funds The Board approved a motion to accept unanticipated revenue from ARPA in the amount of \$89,352.61 per RSA 31:95-b. This is American Rescue Plan Act funding for pandemic proofing our community. Andrew Pinard suggested using the funds toward a new well for the highway garage. Town Administrator Karen Hambleton said final guidance on how the funds may be spent has not been issued and to have a discussion about potential projects once that guidance has been released.

Cow on Town Property Andrew Pinard said they were made aware that there is a cow on Town property. Dan Cilley said they put the cow on Town property occasionally and apologized for not getting prior permission. Dan asked if they could continue to put the cow out

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Bradford was vibrant on September 25th with rich history, honorable tributes, family fun and brilliant fireworks to defy the Big Dipper overhead.

Pictured here is the Nate Herrick family unveiling the new Lafayette Trail Marker as well as the Sons of the American Revolution color guard.

Thanks to Parks and Rec for reminding us there is always something to celebrate in our town.



TRICK-OR-TREAT



OCTOBER 31ST IN BRADFORD

OCTOBER HAIKU

Costumes everywhere!

Shrieks and laughter fill

the air.

Toilet paper tree?

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From the Bridge

As autumn arrives so has an increase in the spread of COVID19. After months of zero new cases, Bradford has several in the past week. The NH Department of Health and Human Services continues to provide information on measures to prevent the spread of COVID19. In addition to getting vaccinated, they recommend:

- * Continuing mask wearing in public indoor places or in large groups (outside and inside).
- * Cleaning your hands.
- * Maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet when in large group settings.

These measures are critical to ensure everyone's safety, especially that of children and adolescents who are not yet able to get the vaccine. For the latest NH COVID19 information visit covid19.nh.gov.

Controversy continues around the topics of human health, the economy and lifestyle choices.

On a brighter note, Bradford Celebration Day took place on a cloudless, cool early autumn day. Many thanks to Bradford Parks and Recreation for pulling together a parade and lively time in Brown Shattuck Park capped off with brilliant fireworks.

We've got a great, larger than usual October edition for you. Here's some of what's included:

- Photos from Bradford Celebration Day from various cameras around town.
- The Monthly Briefing, a summary of Town Board activity by Devin.
- Recent real estate happenings by Marilyn.
- Steve's third installment of the history of the Bradford Community Church, 1920-1970.
- My interview with Kyla Hamel, owner of The Bradford Junction Restaurant and Market.
- How to support local food pantries with a wreath purchase by Alison.
- ROCKIN' impressions from Bradford Elementary School parents by Anne and Leah.

And as always find ads from local businesses whose loyalty supports our monthly efforts to bring local news and articles by local authors. Please visit these neighbors whenever possible.

With Best Wishes and a Special Invitation from the Trees to Enjoy Their Show,

Kathleen Bigford, Editor

And our entire crew who bring you monthly neighborly news

Sweet Beet Café is now open in Bradford, NH

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Seasonally inspired baked goods prepared fresh in our kitchen with locally sourced ingredients, including crullers, scones, and muffins (with gluten free options!). Locally grown herbal teas and locally roasted coffee and espresso drinks available. Sit out on our porch and enjoy your jalapeño cheddar scone, cappuccino, and conversation with your neighbor. The café is working alongside Sweet Beet Market to expand access to affordable, locally grown and sourced food in a place of comfort and welcome to all. We look forward to growing our offerings alongside the community in service to this central mission!

Find Sweet Beet Market & Café at 11 West Main Street in Bradford NH, just ½ mile from Route 103 - follow the signs!

A Wonderful Celebration of Life Gathering for a Long Time Bradford Resident

A Celebration of Life was held for Marion Hamilton Hall on the second Saturday in September. Family and friends gathered at the Appleseed Restaurant on High Street in Bradford. The indoor seating was full and others sat out on the deck overlooking the water of Lake Todd. While everyone enjoyed the delicious buffet and visiting you could hear people reminiscing about Marion’s many years of work at the bank in Warner, being very involved in the Bradford Eastern Star Chapter, and of course her many years of dedication with the Bradford newspaper, The Bradford Bridge.

Upon leaving the gathering I heard someone say, “Marion would have had a great time here today as would her husband, Vernon.”

*Marjorie R. Cilley,
A Lifelong Friend*

Senior Center Exercise Class



The Mountain View Fitness Group has started their 19th year of classes at the Senior Center in Bradford.

Help Wanted

**Bradford Highway Department
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Part-time, Year-round**

Town of Bradford Highway Department seeks a part-time, year-round, laborer. The hourly wage ranges from \$16.00 to \$18.00 dependent on qualifications, experience, and a successful background check. Valid Driver’s License is required and knowledge of plowing and general road maintenance is helpful. This position does not receive benefits. Interested candidates should send resume and letter of intent to: Town of Bradford Highway Department, PO Box 436, 134 East Main Street, Bradford, NH 03221. Applications will be reviewed upon receipt. The Town of Bradford is an equal opportunity employer.

John Hay Outstanding Volunteer Award

Congratulations to our neighbor, Sharon Kenrick for receiving “The Outstanding Volunteer Service Award” during the John Hay Estate at the Fells Volunteer Appreciation Awards Dinner held at the Education and Community Events Pavilion on September 19, 2021. Sharon was recognized for her “volunteer commitment over decades, quietly behind the scenes making a positive significant difference in everything she touches, thus making the John Hall Estate at the Fells a better place”.

Audrey V. Sylvester



Eastern Star Annual Wreath Sale to benefit local Food Pantries

The Bradford and Warner Masonic Lodges may have closed, the buildings have been sold, the Masons consolidated with the Concord & Boscawen Lodges, the Bradford-Warner Eastern Star Chapter consolidated with Claremont, but Eastern Star continues our work to serve the Bradford – Warner communities.

Eastern Star is a charitable organization, and a branch of the Masonic Orders. Our goal is to support programs serving those in need. Our local support is to our area Food Pantries, (Bradford, Newbury, Warner, Contoocook, Newport & Claremont), First Responders and those affected by local disasters such as floods and fires. We have been giving each a donation in December and March. In 2020 with schools closed and children & families learning and working from home, we doubled both the December and March donations and sent an extra donation to Bradford when we heard about the July flood.

Our major fund-raiser to support local food pantries is with the sale of Christmas wreaths. It seems really early to be thinking about Christmas Wreaths as the leaves are just beginning to change color as we enter a beautiful season of the year. But, we need to have all orders collected by October 30th. Then we can have them decorated and available by Saturday November 20th so you can hang them out the day after Thanksgiving. This year the town of Bradford has graciously let us use the front lawn and porch of the old Masonic Hall for wreath pick up.

We offer a variety of wreath sizes that includes: 12 inch (\$20.00), 18 inch (\$28.00), 24 inch (\$40.00), 36 inch (\$60.00) and 48 inch (\$89.00), all wreaths are double faced Balsam. We also offer a 10 yard Balsam Garland (\$70.00). Bow choices are: Red, Plaid, Burgundy, and Gold, (and we have two diehard traditionalists, Red Velvet!) Some folks prefer no ornaments, pinecones or bows – your choice.

You can place orders with any member of Serenity Chapter #26 or with Alison Kinsman, 938-2700. We greatly appreciate your support in our efforts to support our Local Food Pantries.

Alison Kinsman



So, what's happening with local real estate?



Marilyn Kidder
BROKER/OWNER

The market conditions have not changed dramatically, but there are beginning to be some subtle signs of a bit of normalcy: not every listing sells for an amount dramatically over listing price. Some in fact have sold at or slightly above or under asking price. Not every listing jumps off the market. But still, generally speaking across our market, over the last number of months, listings new to the market have continued to go under contract in a matter of days, often with multiple offers for the Seller to choose from. It is a challenging market for all: Sellers, Buyers, and their Agents. I will honestly say that I feel my agents are working harder than ever on behalf of their clients and facing new challenges frequently. It may seem a simple matter to put a property under contract, but that is when the real work can begin; familiarity with all aspects of a real estate transaction is essential to bringing sale to closing.

Since June 15th there have been 7 sales in Bradford:

- 24 Massasecum Avenue. – A 4-bedroom Seasonal home, listed on 7/8 for \$145,000, U/A on 7/19, and sold 8/13 for \$125,000
- 81 Marshall Hill Road – A 2-bedroom ranch, listed on 7/12 for \$169,000, U/A on 7/14, and sold 8/12 for \$155,000
- 18 Old Warner Road – A beautiful antique cape, listed on 6/3 for \$299,900, U/A on 6/21, and sold 8/16 for \$279,000
- 36 West Main Street – Classic NE cape, 3Br, 2BA, listed on 3/11 for \$290,000, U/A 8/19, and sold 8/20 for \$290,000
- 132 Sunset Hill Road – 3 BR, 2BA colonial ready to move right into, listed on 3/31 for \$285,000, U/A of 4/6, and sold on 6/29 for \$321,000
- 172 East Shore Drive – 1920's cabin w/ 160' of waterfront, listing on 5/20, U/A on 5/26 and sold on 7/16 for \$375,000
- 145 East Main Street – 1880's cape completely updated and in great condition, listed on 6/22, U/A on 7/7 and sold on 8/26 for \$385,000

At the moment (9/21), there are 7 active listings ranging in price from \$375,000 to \$729,000. They are:

- 296 Rowe Mountain Road
- 82 Breezy Hill Road
- 114 East Main Street
- Lot 20 South Ridge Road
- 311 Fairgrounds Road
- 2623 State Route 114
- 19A Center Road

There are 6 properties Under Contract, ranging in price from \$175,000 to \$469,000. They are:

- 63 West Road
- 15 Maple View Drive
- 312 Rowe Mountain Road
- 119 Fairgrounds Road
- 509 West Road.
- Lot 1 North Ridge Road



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The Benefits of Recycling Paper

It is well known that paper is of vegetable origin. Millions of trees are cut down to produce paper as we know it. Conserving trees improves air quality, reduces greenhouse gas emissions by 74%, and helps to stabilize our planet's temperature.

Recycling is defined as the transformation or reconstruction based on waste materials. It can also be defined as a process where raw materials such as paper, glass, plastic, or metal are converted into new materials. An important fact about paper is that it can be recycled up to seven times until its fibers deteriorate and become too short to process. Tons of water are used for making paper from scratch. By using recycled paper to make new paper water consumption can be reduced by up to 86%. Manufacturing paper from recycled materials reduces the number

of intensive processes reducing energy consumption by up to 60%. Recycling paper also reduces waste that litters and pollutes our environment.



The Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center has a baler designated for mixed paper (aka, "anything that rips"). Food boxes, magazines, newspapers, paperback books and junk mail can be recycled. Waxed boxes are not included in the mixed paper recycling program. The town of Bradford saves on municipal waste tipping fees when clean paper discards are placed in the mixed paper baler. Ken and I can answer any questions you may have about recycling paper.

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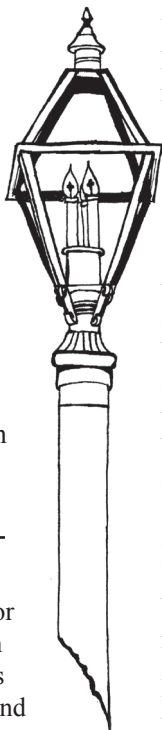
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Library Lantern



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Wednesday 11:00am – 7:00pm

Friday 10:00am – 6:00pm

Saturday 9:00am – 1:00pm

From the Director's Desk:

September was a great month for returning to a schedule: back on track with eating out less, sports for the kids, regular bedtimes, and hallelujah - school! I am lucky to get a few days off during the week, and I truly value my alone time. I connect with who I am outside of being a mom, a wife, and a caregiver. I have had to ask my husband to work less often from home, as his lurking around the house just doesn't give me a feeling of being by myself. What are my hobbies? Well, besides reading, I take walks with my silly dog, putz around the house and occasionally clean, listen to music, and catch up with friends and family on the phone. I'm not particularly industrious, although I do like a good "to do list." I love this time of year, everything smells good, the sun is at a lovely height in the sky, and we're holding on to the last feeling of real warmth on our skin before the snow flies.

My favorite book this month was *Rapture* by Susan Minot and *Bad Behavior* by Mary Gaitskill. Both were lovely, small books but big in character.

Where I have been industrious, is working hard, along with the staff at the library, on finishing our digital catalogue!

Welcome to our online catalog!

I am very excited to announce that Brown Memorial Library's online catalog, through Apollo/Biblionix, is ready to use! The benefits to an online catalog are numerous: you can view our new books, search for an author/title/subject, and reserve books online. You'll be able to access your account to determine what books you've checked out and when they are due. We are asking patrons to make sure they provide us with an updated email address. Patrons can receive their log-in information by calling, emailing, or by stopping by the library to pick up their new number/library card.

Here is the link to check out our catalog: www.brownmemoriallibrary.biblionix.com

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Staff: Debra Gregory is on a wonderful six-week cross country trip. Please welcome Kate Cusick, from Bradford, who will be working here during the interim times when staff are out on vacation/sick/etc! She commented recently how much she enjoyed the "peaceful productivity" of a library job. Right on, Kate!

Programs: Halloween this year is on Sunday. We will be giving out books this season, outside. So come on by and show us your costume!

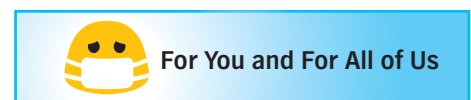
Sunday, October 31st, from 5-7pm.

Book Group: Our group is reading *A*

Farewell to Arms / Ernest Hemingway on Wednesday, October 27th at 7pm. I think we'll all find Hemingway's straightforward literary style relieving after Saul Bellow's wacky, *Henderson the Rain King*. Please join us to discuss this story that takes place during the Italian campaign of World War I, it is both a war novel and a love story.

Library closed on Monday, October 11th for Indigenous People's Day.

Ellen Barselle
Library Director



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Resolution to Take Action on Climate Change



In August an event was held at the NH State House to celebrate the associated accomplishments of dozens of climate-concerned citizens across the state. Pictured here are representatives of the voters in 33 NH towns (including Bradford) that passed a Resolution to Take Action on Climate Change warrant article at 2021 Town Meetings.

Milkweed & Monarchs 

Pods of milkweed are sought for the State of New Hampshire's "conservation corridor" plantings along Granite State highways. They will be sown (along with other native varieties of perennials) by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation. Milkweed decline is responsible for an 80% decline in the Monarch Butterfly's population across America.

Milkweed is a necessary plant for the Monarch Butterfly's life cycle: to establish home for the eggs; to provide food for emerging caterpillars; and home for the chrysalis's final stage of development.

To remedy this and to find out how to participate in the new state program tasking residents to collect and send milkweed seed pods for "conservation corridor" plantings, contact the New Hampshire Cooperative Extension: extension.unh.edu/milkweed. Donations of milkweed pods are needed by October 30th. To find out when and how to harvest seed pods and where to send or deliver them, contact Haley Androzzi at haley.androzzi@unh.edu or call: 603-862-5327.

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Bradford Community Church 1920 - 1970

This is the third of four articles by Steve Pierce chronicling the Bradford Community Church's 200-year history.

A clock in a church steeple is expected in a New England town. Technically, the clock is town property and the church steeple 'hosts' the clock. It is not owned by the church. History records are limited but having it on good authority (long time town resident) the clock has a brief history. During the "teens" (1910-1920) the railroad station master initiated a campaign to raise funds and provide a public timepiece visible from the train station. Trains and time were the norm of the era and knowing the time was important in the railroad business. The funds were raised and a 'used' clock was purchased and donated to the town. Then, by agreement, installed in the church steeple.



The clock is a mechanical unit. It has three faces. The back side of the steeple facing the cemetery and woods does not have a clock face. The clock is activated through weights. This tension keeps the mechanism moving. It needs to be wound once a week, is very accurate and rarely needs adjustment.

Kudos to the machine tool industry which was prevalent in the Claremont NH and Springfield VT area.

Rev. George and Mrs. Hibbard served in Bradford from 1923 to 1933. Mrs. Hibbard, in particular, was very well liked by many people in and out of church. She evidently had a manner and personality that brought people together.



er. People were very willing to take on service tasks and projects that Mrs. Hibbard thought needed to be done. She passed away suddenly at a church event. A sudden death is quite 'jarring' to most of us. The front porch, constructed in 1928 is the Hibbard Memorial Porch.

Rev. Hibbard served the Bradford Church and the Center Church. This shared ministry continued into the 1970's. The Center Church joined the Union Congregational Society in 1939. A list of the ministers during the mid 20th century. Each shared a ministry at the Center church.

Rev. George Hibbard	1923 – 1933
Rev. George Duke	1933 – 1939
Rev. Clinton Condict	1940 – 1943
Rev. Marshall McKinnie	1944 – 1947
Rev. Samuel Lowe	1947 – 1952
Rev. Carl Bartle	1957 – 1971

The Bradford – South Newbury Parrish was organized in 1953 which continued for over two decades. These ministers had three churches for services. Commonly the South Newbury Church

met at 9:30am and Bradford Church met at 11:00am. Today the South Newbury Church is separate and maintains its own ministry and outreach. It still maintains a Sunday Service time of 9:30am.


An offshoot of the church during the early 20th century was the Church Players. Many community theater products came out of the Bradford Church during these years.

WCNL radio (Newport NH) carried a broadcast ministry from 1957 to 1971. Rev. Carl Bartle initiated this outreach and for 14 years the Sunday Service was broadcast live.

The fourth 'Great Awakening' occurred from 1960 to 1980. Some of us may remember first hand the 'hippie' era of the 1960's and may recall the ardent 'Jesus Freaks.' Not to diminish the good work of many Christians we also note the long running theater shows – Godspell and Jesus Christ Superstar. These venues opened up the Bible and its meaning to many young people.

Steve Pierce

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Bradford Junction Business Profile

Have you noticed that the OPEN sign is out at the Bradford Junction Restaurant and Market? I recently enjoyed an “Old Warner” lunch panini while chatting with Kyla Hamel, owner of the newly renovated Bradford Junction Café & Market.



BB: What do you do?

Kyla: We serve café style breakfast and lunch sandwiches, wraps, paninis, burgers, children’s items, and serve yourself drinks including, coffee, tea and refrigerated soft drinks. Also available are local pastries from Wicked Sweet Cakes and Treats.

We also have a Market with empty shelves, a refrigerator and freezer and are looking for local providers to sell food items.

BB: When did you start the business?

Kyla: (Smiling) This time around? Our first restaurant was in Tilton. My brother, father and I worked there until we bought this restaurant in 1987.

BB: Why did you start the business?

Kyla: I had the building and it’s all I’ve ever done. I have two sons that show an interest. One is the cook and the other, who is still in school, helps one day a week and is being trained by his older brother.

BB: What is your background?

Kyla: I was born and raised in the restaurant business.

BB: What is your favorite part of being a business owner?

Kyla: Being able to talk to the community. I hear a lot of good stories. I love the ones about my dad.

BB: Who helps you run the business?

Kyla: My oldest son Greg and I run the restaurant.

BB: Who are your customers?

Kyla: Mostly locals, however, people all over the planet know about the Bradford Junction.

BB: What is your most popular service/product?

Kyla: Our burgers are very popular. Gregg makes a great burger.

BB: What are your plans for the business?

Kyla: We want to fill the Market and are hoping to open an ice-cream shop in the caboos. There is a deck in back of the caboos for outdoor seating.

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and was told they can so long as they get approval from the Historical Society.

340 Fairgrounds Update Andrew Pinard is requesting the Code Enforcement Officer be allowed access to the property to determine if this is a home business. Property owner Michelle Turco said she will think about it and get back to the Select Board.

French's Park Resident Jon Steiner sent some feedback regarding the attendant at French's Park. He says he thinks this has been very helpful in controlling the area. Jon would like to suggest the Town plow the road in the winter for residents who like to use this area during the winter months.

Intent to Cut signed for Map 6 Lot 8 and Map 5 Lot 79.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ERZ Extension The Committee voted to approve extending the West Economic Revitalization Zone (ERZ), which covers East and West Main Street, to include all properties fronting on East or West Main; previously, some had been excluded, for reasons that we now decided made little sense. The ERZ application will now be passed to the Planning Board, and thence to the Select Board.

Naughton Property Mike James spoke to the Committee about his work with the Historical Society and a nonprofit foundation on this property. The Committee generally agreed to let the Historical Society take the lead on this, and to support their efforts.

PLANNING BOARD

Subcommittees The Selectboard submitted a letter to the Planning Board requesting that they draft a noise ordinance to be prepared to present at Town Meeting. Committee member Pam Bruss will draft and put together a subcommittee. Another subcommittee will be

formed to come up with a Lake Massachusetts Lake District building restriction guide as requested by the Zoning Board.

Print and Embroidery Shop The Board motioned to approve the site plan submitted by Trask Pfeifle for property located at Map 17 Lot 2 with the condition a description of any waste generated from the business and must comply with EPA and state regulations. The proposed use for the building will be used for a print/embroidery shop.

Bakery The Board motioned to approve the site plan submitted by the Town of Bradford/ Sal Magistro for property located at Map 16 Lot 87. The proposed use is for a bakery.

Subdivision The Board motioned to approve the Subdivision application submitted by Scott McCaskill for property located at Map 2 Lot 9.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Tax Impact Committee member Pam Bruss gave a recap of the updated spreadsheet with all submitted projects. If all departments got what they asked for in the year they asked for it, the tax impact would be \$3.96 per thousand.

Bond Rates Town Administrator Karen Hambleton will get information on borrowing so that the Committee can weigh the options of funding larger projects.

Furnace The furnace for the Community Center should be removed from the CIP spreadsheet. We have funding in the 1997 Town Facilities Fund should the furnace need to be replaced. This is a gas furnace, which unlike fuel furnaces, should last several more years.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Home Business The Board answered questions regarding home businesses in the Residential Rural district and explained procedure and requirements for submitting application for a special exception to Michael Dillon, Cressy Road.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Abandoned Vehicle There is a disabled vehicle on Butman Road in the Pearl Town Forest. Commission Member Ann Eldridge spoke with the owner earlier this spring and requested that he remove it. No attempt has been made. Ann will contact him once more before turning the matter over to the Bradford Police.

Pleasant View Road Culvert Ben Nugent, NH Fish and Game Fisheries Biologist, will get in touch with Steve Hall, Bradford Road Agent, to discuss replacement of this failing culvert. Ben would like to pursue obtaining a grant to help with the cost.



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ENERGY COMMITTEE

Energy Audits The energy saving recommendations for the library have been approved and the work is scheduled for January 2022. The three other buildings, fire station, BACC, and Highway Dept. will be examined separately by two contractors, approved by NHSaves, on October 5 and 7. Town Administrator Karen Hambleton and Energy Committee member Sandra Bravo will attend.

Solar Proposal Committee member Kathleen Bigford will contact the Select Board to arrange a date for the BEC to attend a Monday meeting in October and present the proposal from Revision Energy to develop a group net metering solar installation on town owned land, at no cost to the town. Town receives an income stream from lease. 3 MW needs 15 acres leased at \$1,000-\$1,200 per acre/\$15-20,000 annually.

KRSD SCHOOL BOARD

Bus Driver Shortage Mr. Cancio Bello spoke to the Board about his discussion with the manager at STA. The bus company cannot recruit drivers. Buses are at capacity. Attempting assigned seats on the bus. Suggests that all superintendents get together and discuss the possibility of requesting assistance from the National Guard to help drive buses as the state of Massachusetts has just done.

COVID Vaccination Clinic KRSD will host a COVID Vaccination clinic on Oct 1, 2021, for anyone 12 years old or over in our seven towns and beyond. It will be held at KRMS from 4-6pm. Sullivan County Health Network is assisting. Thank you to Amy Holobowicz, KRMS Nurse, for helping to organize.

Minutes of all meetings are on file at the Town Office and online at the town website. Some meetings are now streamed live! bradfordnh.org

Selectmen's Office

Recording Secretary Position

The Selectmen are accepting applications for a Recording Secretary. This position currently serves the Planning Board, Zoning Board, Select Board and Budget Committee; however, the position could be shared by two people. Responsibilities include minute taking and transcription in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and applicable state laws, posting notices and agendas, written and verbal correspondence, keeping financial records, purchasing supplies, filing, tape recording and assisting Town officials and the public with access to the Boards' files.

The skills necessary to be successful in this position include attention to detail and deadlines; effective customer services skills; ability to juggle several projects at the same time; strong written and verbal communication skills; desire to become familiar with Town Ordinances and related RSAs. The successful candidate will also demonstrate computer capability with Word and Excel.

Position averages between 2 and 7 hours per week, though there will be weeks where as many as 15 hours are worked. Availability in the evening is required.

Prior related experience preferred but not necessary for the right candidate. Interested candidates should submit their resume to: administrator@bradfordnh.org or Selectmen's Office, PO Box 436, Bradford NH 03221.

Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled. The Town of Bradford is an equal opportunity employer.



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Kearsarge Regional Elementary School — Bradford Rocks!



School is back in session! The buses are rumbling by and the kids are buzzing with excitement to find their friends. The newness of our fall routines settles quickly and the school community builds strength – yet again. Our kids are so lucky that they get to learn in the close-knit environment we have in Bradford. If you’re tuned into school news, you’ve heard Mr Chouinard’s catch phrase, “Bradford Rocks!”. Bradford does ROCK, and IS our rock that keeps on going and keeps on caring. The foundation of support that this school offers our kids will forever be a part of their lives. I know it, because thirty years later, I am still grateful for the grounding experiences that I had at this same school. And now my son is a first grader there!

I caught up with my friend Anne Kratz to see how her family’s first week was and we both were just gushing about how special it is to live in a small town like ours. We were giddy! Okay maybe it was the natural high a mom feels when our kids are out of the house — for the first time in way too long. But either way, we decided it was special enough to write about! Here are our windows into the world of the Bradford school experience.

Anne tells her story here: On the first day of school at KRES, there was a special drop-off section reserved for kindergarteners. We were greeted warmly by staff. My son was a little hesitant but quickly joined his class. Julie Allen was moving through the parents and offering words of encouragement. She asked who my little one was and said some supportive things. Mid-morning, I received a text from her saying that she had done a walk around and that my son was doing great! This thoughtful, unexpected gesture spoke volumes about the care and humanity of the KRES community. My son is loving school, and we feel very grateful to be a part of this community!

And this from me (Leah): My first grader isn’t riding the bus this year. And I have to admit I was dreading the pick-up and drop-off routine. But as it turns out, they’re actually my favorite times of the day! There’s certainly that morning rush and some waiting in line in the afternoon. But it’s really a pick ME up! I get to see a glimpse of the vibrant, friendly and personalized community that makes Bradford so special. Mr Chouinard, our principal, literally jogs around, keeping our kids up to pace by setting the example himself. And he welcomes each and every kid BY NAME! He knows us parents too. The stage is set for a very supportive and individualized school environment. The teachers are already in their rooms, carefully preparing ways to entertain, educate and enliven our children all day long. It wouldn’t be the same without our brick and mortar providing support for our future.

We couldn’t be more grateful! Are you psyched to be a part of the Kearsarge community too? If you’ve got a story to share about the gem that is Bradford Elementary we’d love to hear it. Because good news inspires good feelings!

Help us celebrate our educators and tell us about your special experiences too. Email Leah at 603Leah@gmail.com.

Leah Cummings



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October 7, 9:30 - 11:30 am
Kearsarge Council on Aging,
New London

October 12, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Wilmot Town Hall

October 12, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
South Newbury Union Church

October 19, 9:30 - 11:30 am
The Center at Eastman

October 21, 9:30 - 11:30 am
Kearsarge Council on Aging,
New London

October 26, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
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- Appointment required.
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Bradford Center Meetinghouse Revitalization



Concerts, movies, pageants, website wonders, garden makeover, window restoration, holiday haunts and ice cream socials? That's what the rejuvenated board of the Bradford Center Meetinghouse proposed at its annual meeting Sept. 16. With the influx of newly elected members Laura Beaton, Christian Kirsch and Carol Troy, existing members Laurie Buchar, Leah Cummings and Sue Moss generated a brainstorm of ideas to spruce up and revitalize the historic Meetinghouse and Schoolhouse.

And we need your help! Our most pressing goal is to raise \$1000 by Thanksgiving in order to avoid a shortfall of our stretched-thin budget. The lack of fundraising events due to Covid has hit the Friends of the Meetinghouse

hard, and we are asking community members to break open their piggy banks and give what they can to keep this iconic landmark alive and vibrant with arts, music, social, historic and community events.

We would like to extend a special thanks to long-time board members Pam and Nathaniel Bruss as they step back from their positions. The time, energy and hard work they've given to the Meetinghouse over the years has been so generous and helpful!

Please visit our Historic District on Rowe Mountain Road. While there, note the stunning exterior paint job and relax at our picnic tables, both accomplished this year by local businesses.

Consider submitting a donation to The Friends of the Bradford Center Meetinghouse in care of Sue Moss at 433 Center Road, Bradford, NH 03221 or reach out to any others on the board, including board members Beth and Carey Rodd. We appreciate donations of any size or in-kind help (gardening, upkeep, etc). To become a Friend of BCM, contact lbuchar@gmail.com.

Thank you and stay tuned for exciting offerings in the future!

Laura Beaton



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Sunday, October 3

9:30 am Town Green Cleanup Day -
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Monday, October 4

1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

Tuesday, October 5

10:00 am Quilting Group
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

Wednesday, October 6

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

Monday, October 11

Holiday - Town Offices Closed
Library Closed
1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR
6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting

Tuesday, October 12

10:00 am Quilting Group
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR
7:00 pm Planning Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 13

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

Thursday, October 14

5:30 pm Parks & Rec

Monday, October 18

1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR
6:00 pm Eco/Dev Committee

Tuesday, October 19

10:00 am Quilting Group
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR
5:00 pm Energy Committee
7:00 pm Conservation Committee, BML

Wednesday, October 20

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

Thursday, October 21

6:30 pm Budget Committee

Monday, October 25

1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR
6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting

Tuesday, October 26

10:00 am Quilting Group
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR
7:00 pm Planning Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 27

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR
7:00 pm Book Group, BML, A
Farewell to Arms – Ernest Hemingway

Sunday, October 31

5:00 pm Halloween Book Trick
or Treat, BML

All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted. Call to confirm dates and times in case any changes have been made.

Calendar Abbreviations

BACC	Bradford Area Community Center
BCC	Bradford Community Church
BCMh	Bradford Center Meetinghouse
BHS	Bradford Historical Society
BML	Brown Memorial Library
FGC	Fish & Game Club
KLC	Kearsarge Learning Center
LSVNA	Lake Sunapee Visting Nurses Assoc.
LR	Learning Room
MVSC	Mountain View Senior Center
SR	Senior Room
YR	Youth Room
ZBA	Zoning Board of Adjustment

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It's a crazy quilt! And beautiful. The Bradford Gardeners thanks Bears Head Greenhouse, Five Acres, and all the generous Bradford townsfolk who've donated so many plants.

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October Happenings

Our Sunday Services start at 10am. The first Sunday each month is our Communion Service.

This month we will resume our Free community meal of soups on October 15 at 5pm. Option of take-out or eat in.

On Sunday, October 31 we will be serving free hotdogs and cocoa for trick or treat on the church steps.

Our 200th anniversary of joining the American Baptist Association on December 12th is still in the planning stages, final plans next month.

The food pantry will be open on Wed. October 20 from 5:30-6:30pm. If you would like more information, please call 938-5313.



NEWBURY

**Blessing of the Animals -
 South Newbury Union Church**

Saturday morning, October 9 at 10am, Outside on the lawn of the church - no rain date. All God's Creatures are Welcome. Bring your loved one or two or three. Please have your pet on a leash or in a suitable container. For more info call 938-2064.

WASHINGTON

Washington Area Artisans Annual Art Event

Take a break from the news this fall and stroll the Washington Area Artisans annual arts and crafts show at the East Washington Mill Pond. Fourteen area artisans will be showing their works outdoors under tents and indoors at the historic Purling Beck Grange on the first two weekends from 10am to 4pm October 3-4 and October 10-11 rain or shine.

Bradford is well represented with four exhibitors – Faye Graziano with oil cloth and laminated cotton creations, Michelle Marson with baskets and jewelry often made from found objects, Ann Eldridge with handprinted etchings, and Elizabeth Parys with quilted items.

From Bradford, take West Road to East Washington Road past the Bradford Bog four miles to the stop sign just over the town line. There will be signage along the way. You'll see the picturesque Purling Beck Grange on your right and the Mill Pond just ahead. Watch for the tents.

All Covid-19 protocols will be observed for safety of participants and visitors. Expect nice foliage!

For updates and further information, look for Washington Area Artisans on Facebook. Or contact Ann Eldridge, 938-5266.



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- Bradford Market
- Lumber Barn
- Transfer & Recycling Center
- Sweet Beet Market
- 5 Acres Garden Center & Pet Supply

In Warner

- Warner Pharmacy
- Sugar River Bank
- MainStreet BookEnds
- Pillsbury Free Library

In Newbury

- Meg's Cut Above
- Bubba's
- Bar Harbor Bank & Trust
- Newbury Library

In Sutton

- North & South Sutton Post Offices
- Sutton Free Library

In Henniker

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Building Community Resilience in the Kearsarge Region



Pictured above are students from the Community Nursing Class at Colby Sawyer College. An example of a Kearsarge Community Network sponsored community collaboration, students helped a neighbor with an abundance of apples that would not be harvested. Students picked the apples, the harvest was stored by the Kearsarge Food Hub and the apples were pressed into cider during Bradford Celebration Day.

What does resilience mean?

Resilience is the ability “to bounce back” - to adapt to change and recover from difficulty. The communities and the individuals who live and work in our region have certainly changed due to the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19.

Focus on Kearsarge

Within the past year the UNH Cooperative Extension team has received a grant from the US Department of Agriculture to implement rural health and safety programs with a focus on the Kearsarge, Mascoma and Haverhill areas.

In March of this year community organizations in the Kearsarge area came together with the UNH team to target our region’s priorities. Adopting the label Kearsarge Community Network, the collection of Kearsarge partners is working collaboratively to increase resources and decrease duplication of services while creating opportunities for individuals, families, and community businesses to build resiliency and thrive in a changing, challenging environment.

The Kearsarge Community Network is prioritizing efforts in the following areas:

Community Gatherings – The team’s goal is to cultivate a community environment that can decrease the sense of individual isolation and increase individual connection to community.

Workforce Development – The group’s long-term goal is to involve Kearsarge organizations and the UNH team to plan and implement programs to address life and job skills for youth, young adults, and career exploration for adults to improve their income and employment options.

The UNH Cooperative Extension professional team will be providing ongoing virtual training opportunities for community members and professional training to enhance our knowledge and encourage positive wellness skills. The upcoming online October trainings are:

- **Take Charge of Your Health!** Beginning Tuesday, October 19, 1-3:30pm, this workshop consists of six weekly sessions (participants should commit to attending all or most sessions for full benefit). Participants will gain support and practice tools for living a healthy life while managing chronic

health conditions.

- **Mental Health First Aid**

Friday, October 22, 9am-3pm. For adults to learn important skills to help other adults who may be experiencing a mental health challenge or crisis.

- **Youth Mental Health First Aid**

Friday, October 29, 9am-3pm. For adults who want to learn important skills to help youth ages 12-18 who may be experiencing a mental health challenge or crisis.

For more information or to register for these virtual events, contact UNH Cooperative Extension Melissa.Lee@unh.edu

Carol Conforti-Adams has been hired under the UNH-CE grant as the Kearsarge region coordinator/liason serving as the local contact and facilitator of Kearsarge Community Network’s action plans. All local individuals, community groups, businesses, or organization that wish to be involved with the Kearsarge team in any capacity should contact Carol at 938-2562 confortiadams@gmail.com

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My Latest Swap Shop Find

Several weeks ago while at Lois's Workplace I spotted a great homemade bench tool that someone dropped off at the "Swap Shop". My wife Cathie and I have brought many items there and have also found some nice items ourselves that others have passed on.

The Transfer Station is one of our favorite things about our town. We always look forward to trips there. Lois and Ken do a great service for us all. It is clean and well organized. One day I was there and saw Lois up on a ladder painting the main building. Another day she was painting one of the recycling compactors. She's always at work cleaning, sweeping, and organizing to keep it neat for all of us. That is true dedication. I hope she is well compensated for what she does for all of us in town.

My latest find was this old USA made GE motorized Dewalt bench grinder multi purpose tool. It also has a buffing wheel and slow speed rotator sharpening stone all mounted on a sturdy home-made table. It looked like it needed a new drive belt and some adjusting and cleanup, but I had a feeling it would be fine with some restoration and possible modifications. I like to repair and restore old items like this and it would be a great addition to my garage workshop



area. So Lois and I lifted it up into my pickup for the ride back to the garage.

Upon inspection I found a few loose screws holding the pulleys and the drive belt was tattered, but after a few minutes it was running again. However, it needed several adjustments and I wanted to make some modifications. To make these I first visited the Lumber Barn, my favorite local business where I venture often and find a great staff that are always willing to help with projects. I came up empty for this project so I took the suggestion to try Edmunds Hardware in Henniker, another great and fun place to visit. When I got there Rick Edmunds helped me locate the perfect items for my modifications.

After a few adjustments the grinder now works perfectly. I sharpened a few tools on the grinding wheel and sharpened some chisels on the circular sharpening stone. I can also change the buffing wheel over to a wire wheel for small parts rust removal and tested it on some rusted bolts and it works great. I'll add a rear guard to the wire wheel side for safety, so another trip to Edmunds for some sheet steel will be in order. Any excuse to go back there is fine with me.

Again special thanks to Lois and Company, and to the "Giver" of this fine tool now added to my garage shop space.

Greater Tuna: Two Actors - Twenty Characters

Local audiences will have multiple opportunities to see the comedy *Greater Tuna*, October 1-10 at Hatbox Theatre and on October 16 at the Claremont Opera House. Tickets may be purchased at www.hatboxnh.com or www.cohnh.org respectively.

Greater Tuna was written by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears, and Ed Howard and is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. www.concordtheatricals.com

For performers Andrew Pinard and Eric Stanley, this is not their "first time at the rodeo", stepping into the roles they previously played in 1991 at the Annicchiarico Music Theatre in Concord. "We had always hoped to revisit *Tuna*," Pinard says, "After Hatbox Theatre opened, Eric and I worked together on a couple of shows, and we would talk about how much fun it was. Things progressed from there."

In this two-act comic play, Pinard and Stanley, take on twenty roles - men, women, and even small animals - and along the way introduce audiences to the wacky citizens of *Tuna, Texas*. *Greater Tuna* is a celebration of small-town life, full of contradictions and conflicts that confront us with our own struggles. While definitely a comedy, many significant issues are portrayed: racial inequities, cultural ignorance, neighbor relations, and the challenges of parenting. Irreverence is the rule of the day, and outrageous characters reflect very real issues in a very, very funny way. To portray the many characters requires many, many quick costume changes by the cast and very creative timing and choreography. Director Toby Paul, a founding member of Queen City Improv helms this production.

Jill Pinard

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Obituaries

Christine Westerberg



Christine G. "Kris" Westerberg of Pittsfield, died August 30, 2021, at age 80.

Born in Ottawa, Illinois, Christine was the daughter of the late Charles F. and Dorothy

M. (Singer) Grover. Kris was a longtime resident of Bradford, where she raised her children and in later years, relocated to Pittsfield.

She was a devoted mother who spent many years volunteering as a PTA member in the Kearsarge School District. Kris was the driving force that started the Ski School Program at the Bradford Elementary School.

After relocating to Pittsfield, she enjoyed a long career as a seamstress with Globe Manufacturing. She was an accomplished seamstress both professionally and privately, crafting wedding gowns for brides and products that she and Gerry enjoyed taking to area craft shows.

Kris served as an EMT member of the Center Barnstead Rescue Squad for many years. She enjoyed camping, traveling, gardening, and following NASCAR racing. Her kindness, playful sense of humor, work ethic and perseverance were an example to all who knew her.

She was predeceased by her daughter, Christine Yeaton and her brother, Fletcher Grover. Christine is survived by her longtime companion, Gerald J. Gilman of Pittsfield; daughter, Leona Westerberg Leist and husband Greg of Cincinnati, OH; son, Scott Westerberg of St. Petersburg, FL and loving grandchildren, Eric and Katie Leist.

A private burial will take place at a

later date. Donations in her memory may be sent to the Payson Center for Cancer Care, 250 Pleasant St. Concord, NH 03301 or the Granite VNA Hospice House, 30 Pillsbury St. Concord, NH 03301. Assisting the family with arrangements is the Still Oaks Funeral & Memorial Home in Epsom. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please visit www.stilloaks.com.

Lois Lynn (Perkins) Loomis

November 7, 1942 - August 22, 2021

Mrs. Lois Loomis was born in Waterbury, CT to Carlton and Hazel Lynn Perkins. She moved with her family at a young age to Sunshine Farm in Bradford, NH where she grew up, with her three brothers and two sisters. After graduating from Symonds Free High school in 1960, she went on to excel at Concord Hospital School of Nursing graduating in 1963. In the early seventies, Hazel Perkins combined families with Classen Perkins of who had four boys and they became a joyous family of twelve.

She met her husband Ernest Loomis, and they were married at the Bradford Baptist Church, September 8, 1963. The couple had two children, son Michael and daughter Kelly. She followed her husband where the State Police transferred him, finally settling in Concord, NH where they lived for forty-nine years. She retired from the Hitchcock Clinic after the birth of their first grandchild, so she could do what she loves most and care for her grandchildren.

Lois had an extensive history as a Registered Nurse at Concord Hospital, Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center in Greenfield, Camp Union in Greenfield and Dartmouth Hitchcock Clinic, Concord where she ultimately retired.

She is survived by her husband of nearly fifty-eight years, Major(Ret), Ernest Loomis. Their son Michael, his wife Annie and their two daughters, Tay-

lor, and Parker. Their daughter Kelly Durling, her husband Nathan, and Kelly's children Sydney Nicholson, Sean Nicholson and his wife Maya. Nathan's children, Heather Horn and her daughter Olivia, Jonathan Durling and his wife Maria, Cameron Durling and his fiancé Mikaela.

Lois also left behind her brother John Perkins and his wife Carol, sister Joyce and her husband Perry Teele, brother Gary Perkins and his wife Jarna as well as her step-brothers Charles Perkins and wife Trudy, Donald Perkins and wife Rose, Robert Perkins, Thomas Perkins and wife Kathy, Brother-in-law James Loomis and his wife Gail. She was predeceased by her sister Nancy Battles, her brother William Perkins and sister-in-law Fran Perkins.

Lois was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was a loyal friend and nurturer to all. She loved tending her gardens, reading many novels, and spending time making memories with her family.

Service was held on September 9, 2021 at the Bradford Community Church. Burial as the New Hampshire Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen, NH. Arrangements are entrusted to the Bennett Funeral Home of Concord. Fond Memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.Bennettfuneral.com for the Loomis family.

Leonard Brown

Leonard D. Brown, 83, formerly of Newport, died in Melbourne, FL, August 6, 2021. He was born in Hanover, April 7, 1938, the son of Everett and Olive A. (Rickard) Brown.

Leonard had been a welder for Joy Manufacturing and worked for Holsoms in Claremont. He did maintenance work at Sturm Ruger for over 10 years retiring in 2003. He lived in Newport for over 40 years, moving to Florida in 2009.

Leonard was predeceased by his wife of

39 years, Mauna L. (Morey) Brown in 2002 and a sister Carol Cote. Members of his family surviving include children: Leonard Brown Sr. of Newport; Ellen Manning of Bradford; John Brown of Sunapee; and Melissa Lique of Chester, VT; grandchildren: Angela, Leonard Jr., Becky, Mark, Corrine and Andrew; brother Cedrick Brown of Newport; sisters Constance Brown of Claremont and Carmen Henault of Newport; nieces, nephews and cousins. Services were held and burial will be in Elkins Cemetery, Elkins.

Chadwick Funeral Service of New London is assisting the family with arrangements.

Anne Louise Ross

Anne Louise Ross (Ward), 83, died at home in Concord, NH, July 20, 2021. She was born on September 24, 1937, to Winthrop D. and Cecelia J. Ward, of Andover, MA.

Anne was a long time resident of Andover (Ballardvale), MA, and attended Punchard High School. She drove school buses for many years and managed Parent Bus Co. in Andover. She loved her family and was a dedicated mother and grandmother. She enjoyed cooking, and was well-known for her spaghetti dinners and apple pies. She spent 30 summers at her camp in Warner.

Anne is predeceased by her sons Bruce W. Laspesa of Warner, and Michael A. Laspesa of Bradford. She is survived by her son Mark D. Laspesa of Concord; daughter Elizabeth A. Ruel of Warner; brothers Dean W. Ward of No. Andover, MA, and Dale Ward of Hampstead; grandsons Bruce W. Laspesa Jr. of Hopkinton, Robert Anthony Laspesa of Bradford, Joseph Castro of Methuen, MA, Jonathan C. Ruel of Warner; Christopher M. Ruel of Warner; granddaughter Marina Desmaris of California; and numerous great-grandchildren.

A Tribute to “Bud” Thompson

Charles “Bud” Thompson, 1922 - 2021, founder of the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, died August 12, 2021, at age 99. From the time he was a young boy, Bud cultivated a love for all things Native American. At the age of 70, he turned his passion into the Mt Kearsarge Indian Museum, with his extensive personal collection of Native artifacts serving as the foundation for this award-winning museum. Through his leadership, the museum has grown and thrived over the past thirty years.

Bud’s contributions were not limited to the museum. He was also instrumental in preserving the Canterbury Shaker Village, and received numerous awards and commendations for his contributions to preserving New Hampshire’s heritage, culture, and history. Bud’s energy and ideas for the museum will be missed. Sincerest condolences are sent to his wife, family, and the many people whose lives were touched by him. The museum is honored to be stewards of Bud’s vision and will safeguard his legacy for generations to come.

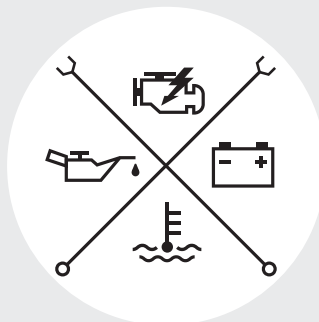
Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum Beading Display



The Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum in Warner is featuring a new display on beading in the lobby, which includes a timeline of historical beads by Brian Robertshaw, as well as elaborately beaded attire. The display will be on exhibit until the end of October. More information may be found on the museum’s website: indianmuseum.org.

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Out & About: Kids with Carrots!

With a one-year interruption for COVID, for the past six years first graders have hiked from the Bradford Elementary School to the Sweet Beet Farm field to help with some farming tasks and enjoy fresh-picked veggies. On a glorious September morning this year's classes held high the carrots they picked, cleaned, munched and came back for more!



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Many of you are enthusiastic about recording the beauty that surrounds us. Therefore, I'd like to invite photographers to share images to be included in this article. An accompanying caption would be nice. Please submit the images in .jpg or .jpeg format.



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When she isn't working, Devin loves spending time with her family, playing softball, snowboarding, skiing, hiking, fishing, and gardening.

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