

# The Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS *for* NEIGHBORS *by* NEIGHBORS

## MONTHLY BRIEFING: Town Board Reports

### SELECT BOARD

**Speeding Complaint** Ryan Cilley registered a complaint about speeding vehicles on East Main Street. The record from the digital speed recorder has just recently been made available to the Select Board. The Board encouraged Mr. Cilley to make an appointment with the Police Chief to discuss the results.

**Safety Concerns** Gary Wall came before the Board to make them aware of dangerous trees on Cilley Lane. The Board reported that the trees are scheduled to be taken down in the next two weeks. He also wanted to make the Board aware of the safety issues resulting from the faded lines on the road. The Road Agent reported that the lines are scheduled to be repainted in July.

**Parks and Recreation** Devin Pendleton and Katie Olohan appeared to debrief the July 1 celebration. The Board praised their effort. By all accounts the day was a success. Devin will work with the fireworks company to set a date for July, 2026, the 250th anniversary of 1776.

**BACC Maintenance Update** Plumbing maintenance has been done with an expense of \$457. Generator maintenance has been done with an expense of \$670.

**Fair Poster** Bob Wright presented a framed copy of a 98-year-old poster announcing a Bradford fair. He had two stipulations: The poster will be displayed in a prominent place in Bradford and that the gift be accepted by the Town at Town Meeting.

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## Bradford Celebrates Independence Day!



By all accounts Bradford's July 1st Celebration was a huge success. Estimated evening attendance was between 600 and 700.

Nick's Other Bank played all the favorites, the Fire Department sold 300 Chicken BBQ dinners, and East Main was packed with jump ropes and chalk drawings. The fireworks were brilliant. A very loud shout out to Parks and Recreation members Devin Pendleton and Katie Olohan for your organizational talents, and to Bradford Highway, Fire, Police, and Town Administrator, Karen Hambleton for all the attention all weekend.





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## From The Bridge



*The "Casino" on July 11, 2023*

Bradford fared much better than many towns in the Upper Valley of NH and VT in July. However, properties around Lake Massasecum and along the West Branch and Warner River saw some very high water. After a couple of soggy weeks, this past late-July weekend offered a taste of sunny summer days. We'll take all of those on offer while el nino continues to have its way.

Thank you for picking up or clicking into this August edition. We hope you enjoy:

A collage of images from Bradford's July 1st Celebration.

Another full Monthly Briefing from Devin.

An Energy Trivia Quiz from the Energy Committee.

Flood safety from the Bradford Fire Department.

Updates from our Legislative Representatives Gould and Caplan.

Updates from Bradford Fire and Highway Departments.

Progress at the Town Hall.

Anne's August cartoon.

Who is Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners by yours truly.

Ellen's review of Rules for Visiting in Library Lantern.

And more!

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Also, we're pleased with the growing number of Bridge contributors. Thank you and keep those articles coming!

Gratefully,

Kathleen Bigford, Editor

And everyone at the Bradford Bridge

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**Land Acknowledgement Statement** – We are on the unceded land of Nd'akinna which has long served as a site of meeting for Abenaki people from Pagôntegok (Contoocook), O'quasskikonaquan (Newbury) and beyond for thousands of years. Nebizonbik (Bradford Springs) provided healing waters and people exchanged goods at the village site behind Lake Massasecum, calling this land home. The town of Bradford honors, recognizes, and respects these Abenaki, as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we gather today. In that spirit, today we will begin by acknowledging that we are guests in this land. We need to respect and help protect the lands within our use and share of the bounty with our Abenaki partners today.

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## Mason Hall Committee Activity

The Masonic Hall Building Committee was formed based on interest from a public forum held in May. The group includes Select Board member Mel Pfeifle, Tracey Quigley of the Bradford Historical Society, Bryan Nowell, Chief of the Bradford Fire Department, Anne Kratz, Deputy Town Clerk, Kris Foss from the Economic Development Committee and Bradford residents Bruce Gezelman and Pat Moreland. The group has met three times to begin the work of identifying the options for the building's future, including costs associated with each option, for the purpose of informing the path forward for the building. A tour was conducted of the building and grounds and a brainstorming session was held to identify the best viable options for further research. Meetings are on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 5:30-6:30 pm. Public input is always welcome and can be sent by email to town administrator Karen Hambleton at [administrator@bradford-nh.org](mailto:administrator@bradford-nh.org).

## Town Hall Second Floor Public Forum

The Bradford Select Board invites you to participate in a public forum to be held on Monday, August 7, 2023 from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Bradford Area Community Center. The purpose of this meeting is to identify the variety of ways in which the Town Hall Second Floor could be used. This forum will lead to the formation of a committee to explore the needs associated with the fit-up of the Second Floor for the uses identified. Comments may also be emailed to the Selectmen's Office at [administrator@bradfordnh.org](mailto:administrator@bradfordnh.org). Be part of the conversation!

## Flood Safety from the Bradford Fire Department



### Be Safe in a Vehicle

- Listen to the radio or television for information. *ReadyNH.gov*
  - Turn Around, Don't Drown!® Do not drive into flooded areas.
  - Just 6 inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of water can sweep your vehicle away.
  - Use a stick to check the firmness of the ground in front of you.
  - If floodwaters rise around your car **but the water is not moving**, abandon the car and move to higher ground. **Do not leave the car and enter moving water.**
  - 6 inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars causing loss of control and possible stalling.
  - Most vehicles begin to float in just 12 inches of water. 24 inches of water will sweep most vehicles away, including SUVs and pick-ups.
  - Avoid camping or parking along streams, rivers, and creeks during heavy rainfall. These areas can flood quickly with little warning.
- ### Take Action After a Flood
- Many injuries take place after a flood happens. Flood waters, standing water and flood water residue pose various risks including injuries, infectious diseases and chemical hazards. Steps that you should follow after a flood include:
- Return home only when authorities say it is safe.
  - Stay away from power lines and electrical wires. Electrical current can travel through water. Report downed power lines to the power company.

- Don't use appliances or motors that have gotten wet unless they have been taken apart, cleaned, and dried. Some appliances, such as television sets, keep electrical charges even after they have been unplugged.
- Wait before entering a structure damaged by flooding. Structures that have been damaged by flooding may not be safe to enter. Wait for the building to be inspected before entering.
- Be alert for gas leaks. Use a flashlight to inspect for damage. Don't smoke or use candles, lanterns, or open flames unless you know the gas has been turned off and the area has been ventilated.
- Listen for news reports to learn whether the community's water supply is safe to drink.
- Photograph damage to your property for insurance purposes.

### Avoid Floodwaters

Water may be contaminated by oil, gasoline, or raw sewage. Water may also be electrically charged from underground or downed power lines.

- Service damaged septic tanks, cesspools, pits, and leaching systems as soon as possible. Damaged sewage systems are serious health hazards.
- Clean and disinfect everything that got wet. Mud left from floodwater can contain sewage and chemicals. You can use a solution of 1 cup of bleach to 5 gallons of water to disinfect surfaces, especially those that may come into contact with food or areas where small children play.
- Look out for any mold growth after a flood and learn about the best way to address any issues that you see.





## Highway Department Update

Not much going on this month. Boy is that far from the truth!! With all the rain we've had trying to keep roads passable, we are going in many different directions trying to maintain some sort of stability working on repairing wash outs, maintenance and trying to get roads prepped for paving following the Central NH Planning suggested approach for Bradford.

We have had some washouts but fortunately not anywhere as serious as some other towns. We did patch in the spots on Jones and attempted to move on up Center Road but got turned around to other spots and projects. We will be back. We have since moved to Fairgrounds Road replacing culverts and again prepping for paving.

Cold River Bridges is in town working on the Center Road bridge making great progress and hopefully pouring concrete next week. Yes, I know there are potholes everywhere and we are trying to address them so bear with us a little longer. We have been putting out gravel trying to get washed areas back into shape, an ongoing project for a while. If you have an area we haven't made it to yet, call us and we will try to get to it as soon as possible. As always, any questions or concerns, please call the shop, 603-938-5916, or Town Office, 603-938-5900.

Steve Hall,  
Bradford Highway Department



*Look at these photos of the work that is happening on the Center Road bridge! Thank you to everyone for their patience and understanding with this project. We will all be returning to our regular routes before we know it! And special thanks to the road crew for all of their communication and hard work through these hot summer months!*



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Tuesday, July 6, 10:00 AM  
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## Fire Department Update

The Fire department had a very active July between EMS, fire responses, and training. The department has been busy testing our fire equipment that is required by NFPA. To date our Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), our Cascade system which fills our bottles was serviced and air quality tested. Our fire alarm system and extinguishers were all tested, serviced, and passed.

We also worked with the Towns of Henniker and Weare and had our primary attack truck pumps tested. Some areas of concern were noted in the testing process, but is completely understandable based upon the age of the trucks.

During July we were able to bring several new Firefighter and EMS providers on. What made this extra special was all three were already fire certified and two had Advance EMS certifications, this helps us begin a higher level of care to patients prior to arrival of Henniker, our contracted ambulance service.

We have been working cooperatively with Henniker Fire Department, in particular the rescue side, in updating Bradford's ambulance contract with Henniker. This contract hasn't been updated since 2014. Hopefully when the contract becomes final we will have a contract that will help us better track costs and stabilize costs for budgeting purposes.

In July the Fire Department took over the responsibility of Emergency Management Director. I currently serve as Fire Chief and EMD for Bradford. The storms over the month have certainly impacted the town, in particular the Highway Department who has worked hard to fix roads that have been impacted by these rain events. I've been working closely with Homeland Security and Emergency Management, tracking costs and requesting State Assistance where and when it is needed.

Several issues have come up with these rain events. One being road closures and adhering to the postings when closed. Depth and speed of the water is never known. We had a few incidents of people trying to drive through water and had to have assistance to make it back to higher ground. The other issue is that due to the rising water, several areas around the lakes and along the larger stream and rivers had their septic systems under the flood water. This brings bigger issues of leaking or failing septic systems. Also wells were under water. The town office has test kits that

you can pick up for testing of your water source. This cost is the homeowner's responsibility.

We also worked closely with Parks and Recreation in helping them with water testing at French's Park so that swimmers could swim safely.

Coming up in August we will be working with Parks and Recreation to do our camp fireman's muster again. The kids really enjoy the fireman drills and it doesn't hurt to have the fire truck make it rain on a hot and sunny day. The Fire Department is working on a touch-a-truck event with 5 Acres Garden Center, stay tuned for further date and information on that event.

We have had several issues in locating the proper house. Please have a visible street number that is visible on the road or visible on your house from the road. The Fire Department is also promoting a street numbering sign program. Questions contact the FD at 603-938-2231 or [firechief@bradfordnh.org](mailto:firechief@bradfordnh.org)

If you need assistance from the Fire Department or Police Department, call 911, calling the FD or PD or not using 911 could delay emergency responders in arriving in a timely fashion.

Thank you to everyone that came to the BFD Chicken BBQ, it was truly a great day for the community and we sold almost 300 chicken dinners. This money goes to the FD Association that buys equipment for the department at no cost to the taxpayers. Last year the association purchased \$48,000 extrication tools for motor vehicle accidents. The association also purchased uniforms for every member of the department.

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*Brian Nowell, Fire Chief  
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## Bradford Historical Society

### This month at BHS!

Firstly, thank you to all in town who made the July 1st event such a success. It was so wonderful to see Main Street and the BHS campus full of people enjoying themselves!

BHS was saddened to learn of the passing of Perry Teele last month. He was such a treasure to Bradford and for the Historical Society he was a constant wealth of information. Perry was always willing to help us solve any mysteries we put to him and nearly always had the answer to questions we couldn't answer about Bradford. He will be sorely missed.

Work continues on the restoration of the Old Post Office interior with hopes it will be open to the public by the end of this month. The work has been interrupted by much needed repairs on my own barn. The sill has been slowly disintegrating and reached the point where it could no longer be ignored. While the barn is lifted, it gave us the opportunity to clean out all sorts that have collected there. My house on High Street was known as the "Stewart House" for many, many years and after Bob and Addie moved, we still had visitors stop at the house looking for them and we would direct them two houses up to the "new" Stewart House!

So, while removing the floor of the workshop in the barn to get better access to where repairs were needed, we discovered that a layer put on top of the wood plank floor and now stained with paint and oil, was made from old Stewart realtor signs! Great recycling on Bob's part! We have pulled some up to save at BHS. The Agency was once run from the house and then moved to

the Tin Shop where it shared space with the barbers. So, the signs will do a full circle.



It's always a surprise where you might find items of

interest that BHS might want to save, if you are clearing out, think of BHS and send a quick email to [bradfordhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:bradfordhistoricalsociety@gmail.com) and see if it is something we can use. Right now, we are concentrating on office or desk items and post office items (mail, wanted posters, bags, uniforms etc.) from 1920-1950's to complete that exhibit, but anything Bradford related is always of interest – as long as we have the space!

Tickets for the Progressive Dinner on August 11th have been selling well but please check on the website to see if any are left at time of publishing if you are interested.

Also, in August BHS will be hosting its first Antique Car and Vehicle Gathering. Sunday August 20th 1-4pm. Bring your prized vehicles along for the afternoon and join the fun. Sunday August 27th 1pm to 4pm will be the backup day in the event of a weather cancellation. Contact Buddy Allen at 603-938-2835 or (c) 727-278-5504 for vehicle show information and participation interest.

See you at a BHS event soon!



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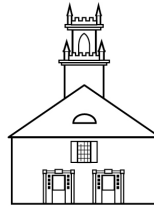
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## Bradford Center Meetinghouse News

What a delight to gather at the Bradford Center Meetinghouse this summer as townsfolk did in the past. Today we arrive by car or e-bike instead of horse and buggy, but the pleasure of meeting up with neighbors or getting acquainted with new friends remains the core experience at Bradford Center. Especially during the summer months when there is so much to offer!

Don't miss the exquisite musical extravaganza that the Lettvin Classical Music Series is sure to deliver on **Saturday, August 12th at 7:30 pm**. Highly acclaimed performers from all over the world will be there in honor of Joan Lettvin, Bradford's life-long supporter of fine music. Leone Buyse on flute, Michael Webster on clarinet, and Chris Keis, Xun Pan, James Winn and Jonathan Shames all on piano will perform selections from their professional repertoires. The acoustics of the Meetinghouse will astound you. And all of this is available in your own neighborhood for only \$15.00.

Due to pesky thunderstorms, we had to reschedule our popular Nick's Other Band concert last month. The many local fans of NOB will be pleased to know that they are going to rock your socks off once again at Bradford Center Meetinghouse on **Friday, August 18th from 6-8 pm**. If you haven't heard their show, be sure to come on down and join this family-friendly event.

Our final concert for the season will be **Saturday, August 26th from 5-7 pm** featuring North River Band. They have an Americana sound with strong harmonies and expressive musicianship and play covers of rock, bluegrass and country songs with something familiar for everyone. Enjoy the music of the Eagles, Dylan, Indigo Girls and Grateful Dead to name a few. Bring your friends and a picnic dinner. Tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids. If the weather is iffy, we will hold this concert inside the Meetinghouse.

Also, we still have a few Meetinghouse t-shirts for sale! Sizes Youth Small – Adult XL for \$15.00.

All of these efforts help the volunteers who comprise Friends of Bradford Center maintain the historic buildings. We rely solely on donations and attendance from people like you! Contact [603bcm@gmail.com](mailto:603bcm@gmail.com). Find us on Facebook as Bradford Center Meetinghouse and check out our website at [www.Bradford.Center](http://www.Bradford.Center).



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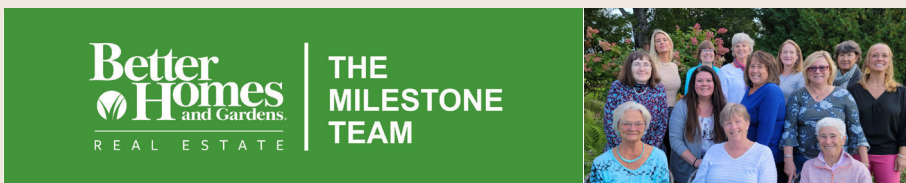
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Making paper products from reclaimed paper saves trees, cuts our solid waste, and reduces the number of times Bradford must pay tipping fees for municipal waste disposal. Let's clean up our planet! When we all work together, we make a contribution towards restoring and maintaining the health of the environment in which we live.

*Lois Kilnapp, Manager*

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## Why is there a Housing Shortage?

Anyone looking to purchase a house right now is acutely aware of the lack of homes for sale. The U.S. is experiencing a shortage between 5.5 and 6.8 million units, with the gap widening every year. Here are the primary reasons.

- The US has been underbuilding since the 2008 financial crisis. Before 2008, the rate was 1.3 to 1.5 million units per year. After 2008, there were a glut of unsold homes on the market and construction dropped to about half a million homes. Builders became much more conservative.
- Compounding the building issue is the rising cost of materials, delays in getting these materials in, the lack of available labor, and regulations over land use and zoning. Fewer homes are being built and at a higher cost.
- Current homeowners are reluctant to sell and give up their low mortgage rates. 62% of homeowners have mortgage rates below 4%.
- Demand is going up with millennials in their peak home buying years. They make up the largest demographic of the population at 21.6%.

The housing shortage is a complex issue and requires a multi-faceted approach to address. Whether buying or selling, contact me for the latest information on our housing market.



Donna Forest  
BROKER ASSOCIATE

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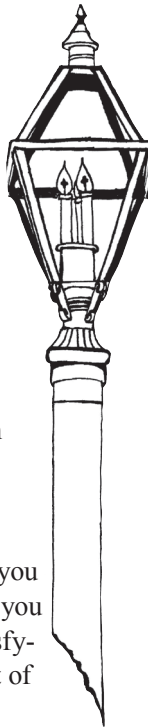
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 Friday 10:00am – 6:00pm  
 Saturday 9:00am – 1:00pm



Do you ever finish a book and you can't pick up another one until you have time to digest, linger satisfyingly with the story for the rest of the day?

*Rules for Visiting* by Jessica Francis Kane was pure pleasure from start to finish. The main character, May, a gardener at a nearby university, who is close to forty years old and lives with her 80 year old father, is a unique character. She comes off initially, as sort of prickly, at times more interested and tender to the trees she prunes and the plants she tends, than the human beings she interacts with. But she knows this about herself and thoughtfully ruminates on how she needs to work on being a better friend. So, she sets out to see four friends she has neglected over the years. Two from childhood, one from college, and another from graduate school, who are spread across the country. She stays with these friends

in their homes and acknowledges what it takes to have a visitor; generosity, patience, and the allowance of having your life really be seen. One is a better host than the others, another is struggling through a divorce, her last visit is easy and intimate, both women passing the time having deep conversation and being in each other's presence.

I savored this book as I loved May's observations about people, her discussion about plants and trees (she hates the stickiness of petunias and the boredom of mums) and their importance in her life, and the risk she took of re-investing in friendships that could have easily wilted and died. This book allowed me to get to know May slowly, and revealed an ordinary woman with a rich mind and a kind heart.

Here are May's *Rules for Visiting*:

- Do not arrive telling stories about the difficulties of your trip. • Bring a gift.
- Make your bed and open the curtains. A guest room is not a cave just because it's temporary.
  - Help in the kitchen, if you're wanted.
  - Unless you are very good with children, wait until you hear at least one adult moving around before getting up in the morning.
  - Don't feed the pets.
  - Don't sit in your host's place.
  - If you break something, admit it.
  - Say good night before bed.
  - Always send a thank-you note.

Library News:

Thank you again to the volunteers who helped with another successful plant/book sale. Your contributions to the library that include museum memberships and programming are very appreciated.

While writing this, we are amid the summer reading program, and I have been delighted in kids' enthusiasm and reading prowess. Keep encouraging your

kids to read daily to avoid the summer slump, but also, it's a good habit!

August Programming:

Wednesday, August 9th, 6:30 pm: *Digging into Native History in New Hampshire* with Robert Goodby.

Monday, August 14th, 7:00 pm: New York Times best-selling author, Joyce Maynard, will be here to discuss her newest book, *The Bird Hotel*.

Wednesday, August 23rd, 2:00pm: Wildlife Encounters / Tiny Creatures (armadillo, chinchilla, tarantula, may be some of the tinies included in the program).

Wednesday, August 23rd, 7:00pm: Book Group resumes with discussion of Percival Everett's *The Trees*. Books are available now.

*Ellen Barselle, Director*



*Doreen Michalak and her dog Neko gave a thrilling presentation about their work with New England Search and Rescue for Brown Memorial Library recently by finding Bo Cummings who volunteered to be the lost boy. Fifty children in attendance learned all about being safe in the woods: Always carry your own pack with a whistle and safety supplies and don't leave the spot until you are found!*

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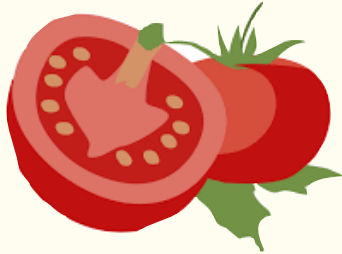
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# Energy Trivia

Here are some moments of Zen brought to you by the Bradford Energy Committee.

How energy aware are you? Find out with these trivia questions.

**For each question, choose all the answers that apply.**

The amount of energy each North American uses per year is roughly equivalent to  
**a**, 13 one-kilowatt heaters operating continuously **b**, The amount of gasoline to drive a car 72,000 miles. **c**, 200,000 lbs. of coal.

Compared to people in many developing countries, North Americans use about  
**a**. 5 times as much energy **b**. 15 times as much energy **c**, 50 times as much energy.

Which country gets the highest percent of its energy from clean sources?  
**a**. Germany **b**. United States **c**, Iceland **d**. Canada.

In the USA, the most widely used energy resource is  
**a**, Oil **b**. Natural gas **c**. Coal.

In the USA, the least abundant energy resource is  
**a**. Coal **b**. Natural gas **c**, Oil.

Which of the following products are produced from oil?  
**a**, Gasoline **b**, Plastics **c**, Medicines **d**, Pesticides **e**, Cosmetics **f**, Paints **g**, Fabrics.

Solar, geothermal, wind, biomass, and hydropower are considered renewable because they:

**a**. Can be converted directly into heat and electricity **b**, Are replenished by nature in a relatively short amount of time **c**. Are free to use **d**. Do not produce pollution.

Which renewable energy source provides the most energy in the US?  
**a**, Wind **b**. Solar **c**. Geothermal **d**. Wood-derived fuels.

Which of the following are nonrenewable forms of energy?  
**a**, Coal **b**, Kerosene **c**, Oil **d**, Uranium **e**, Natural gas.

What percentage of energy in the USA comes from nonrenewable fossil fuels?  
**a**. 50 to 60% **b**. 70 to 80% **c**, More than 90%.

In the typical home, what is responsible for the largest amount of energy consumption?  
**a**. Lighting **b**. Cooking **c**, Heating the house **d**. Water heating **e**. Electronic devices

Of the following, the most impactful action you can take to reduce your carbon footprint is:  
**a**. Turn off lights when not in use **b**. Drive a hybrid or electric car **c**, Eat a plant-based diet **d**. Air-dry your laundry.

Which of the following laundry strategies saves the most energy?  
**a**. Washing full loads **b**. Using high-efficiency detergent **c**, Line-drying your laundry **d**. Washing in cold water.

What energy saving method could save you the most on your heating and cooling bills?

**a**. Turning back your thermostat 7 to 10 degrees for 8 hours a day **b**, Seal uncontrolled air leaks **c**. Swap LEDs for incandescent bulbs in the five lamps you use the most **d**. Lower the temperature of your water heater by a few degrees.

*Find the key to the answers in this edition of the Bradford Bridge.*

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## “The Visitor” Newspaper February 10, 1898

“The New Bradford” built on old Bradford Hotel Site

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It is a frame building, well construction, 72 x 40, with an ell 12 x 24, the lower containing the office, a spacious pleasant room, sample room dining room, and the two large parlors. The upper story contains 26 sleeping rooms. All are large and well lighted. The heating apparatus is the latest pattern Walker combination hot air and hot water and was furnished by the Bradford Power and Light Company; some 65 or 70 lights being used about the house.

The furniture and carpets are of the latest design and furnished by Whitney of Newport. Harvey Perkins, the proprietor, has personally taken charge of the construction being ably assisted by John Hoyt, who has charge of the carpenter work.

The Bradford will open about April first, under the management of a gentleman quite well known among the men of the State. The new building, we hope, is only a forerunner of other enterprises and, if we are not mistaken, signs indicate that we shall have other business improvements before the close of the year.

“The Visitor” Newspaper June 21, 1898

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	12:30-3:00	<b>Mahjong</b> and other games
Wednesdays	1:00-2:00	<b>Therapeutic Yoga</b> and Balance Class (\$5)
Thursdays	12:30	<b>Dominos</b>
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3rd Wednesday of every month	9:00-11:00	<b>Wellness Check</b> (free)
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Thursdays	11:30	<b>Lunch</b>
1st Friday every month	9:30	<b>Brunch</b>
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*Key to Energy Trivia Questions: Correct answers are the ones with a comma after the letter. For example, notice that all of the choices in the first question are correct as all have commas after the letter choices.*

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**MONTHLY BRIEFING:  
Town Board Reports**

*(Continued from page 1)*

**Fire Department Update** July 1 chicken BBQ sold 300 chicken dinners. Lots of volunteers helped grill and serve the dinners. The fireworks went off without any issues. Year to date incidents: 45 EMS; 35 Fire. As of 6/30/23 Fire Department has 60.26% of budget remaining; Rescue has 88.85% remaining; combined remainder of 61.90%. The new pumper truck has about a year to go before delivery. Chief Nowell will reach out to Greenwood for pictures and status.

**Henniker Rescue Contract** Chief Bryan Nowell and Town Administrator Karen Hambleton have had several meetings with Henniker Safety to review the contract for Bradford’s ambulance service. Bradford and Henniker Select Boards will review the proposed changes before the revised contract is shared with legal counsel. Overall, Bradford is paying approximately 15% of Henniker Safety operations. Bryan estimated that the cost of an ambulance per year is about \$500 per resident. In Bradford, that would equal about \$80,000. Last year’s contract was \$95,000. The goal is to reduce that sum for the coming year.

**Bridge Funding** The Board approved a motion that the expenditure for the repair of the Center Road Bridge come from 2019 Roads and Bridges Expendable Trust Fund.

**Town Hall Update** Painting is almost complete. Sheet rocking in basement is nearly done. Tree work will happen next week; this will permit the excavation to go forward. The Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) is insisting on preserving the look of the tin ceiling. This presents an unanticipated \$11K expense. The cost will be less to deal with it before the lighting is installed.

**Local Emergency Operation Plan Agreement** The Board approved a motion to enter into a grant agreement

and accept funds toward the completion of the Local Emergency Operation Plan project if approved by the Governor and Executive Council, and further, that Karen Hambleton, Town Administrator, be named the authorized official to do all things necessary and make all arrangements for the acceptance and execution of the Local Emergency Operation Plan grant. The grant is through the Department of Safety, Homeland Security. The total outlay for the program is \$8K; \$4K from the grant and \$4K match from Bradford which is achieved through hours of volunteer participation.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Meeting Schedule** The committee decided to move their meetings to the first Thursday of the month.

**Tall Pines** The bridge at the Pines needs to be resurfaced. The Regional Forester for our area has the supplies and is ready to resurface the bridge but would like some reassurance that the property owner is aware and okay with the work. The bridge is on a sliver of a parcel owned by the business owners at Bradford Market. Joe Torro knows the owner and will check in with him so that Libby can get back to the Forester.

**Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Applications** Matt

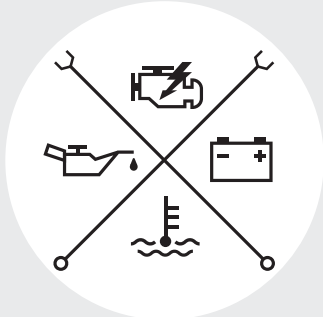
Monahan from Central NH Regional Planning, and committee member Jim Bibbo updated the group on the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) application process. Evaluations should be completed by July 18th. The two projects submitted both scored well. The project that included the upstairs theater of the Town Hall and expanded parking scored number one in its category of Community Facilities. The West Main paving and sidewalk project ranked in the middle among many submitted transportation projects.

**Economic Development Administration Application** Matt Monahan walked the group through the Economic Development Administration (EDA) application process. It is a rolling application process with no deadline and awards made ranging from 100,000 to 30 million dollars until funds are exhausted. The fiscal year runs from October 1st through September 30th. Selectwomen Mel Pfeifle suggested that we submit one application that combines both CEDS projects – making it a complete downtown/main street revitalization project with the theatre, parking, road, and sidewalk improvements.

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

**Forms** The Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements Application Form,

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which has been unused by the Board in the recent past, is related to mistakes made in good faith regarding building beyond boundaries. It should be added to the other forms. Zoning Board forms need to be updated with new fees.

**PLANNING BOARD**

**Meeting Procedure** The committee voted to accept the updated procedures to reflect RSA 91-A-2 (attending meetings via Zoom).

**Shoreline Protection Overlay District** Committee member Carol Meise recommended that a sub-committee be established to review the draft with comments from the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The sub-committee would be charged with streamlining the regulations and editing the language to make its purpose clear and understandable and preparing a draft. Presentation of the draft will take place at the August meeting. Decision on final document to be made at the September meeting. Sub-committee membership to be com-

prised of two Planning Board Members, one Conservation Commission member, one Zoning Board of Adjustment member. Carol will meet with Karen Hambleton to determine the procedure to set up the sub-committee.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

**Project Proposals** Department heads are invited to the August 16 CIP meeting. Project proposals are due by August 10 to give the committee time to review ahead of the meeting.

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Trail Maps** The Board approved a motion to allocate \$100 to Bill Duffy for updating the Bradford trail map.

**Wetlands** Commission member Ann Eldridge submitted a records request to NH DES for property located at 493 Center Road. A restoration plan is in place, which entails removing piles of stuff and replanting areas with native

plants. There is no timeline in place.

**Shoreland Permit** The shoreland permit for 0.3 acres property at 58 Davis Road was approved for a house rebuild and addition of an off site septic. The owners of the property are aware of the need for Zoning Board approval.

**ENERGY COMMITTEE**

**Municipal Weatherization Updates** Shakes to Shingles to meet with Chief Nowell to ensure the Fire Station is prepared prior to start of work sometime in September. A representative from Distinctive Door, subcontracted to weatherstrip around overhead doors and manways at the highway garage, is meeting with Road Agent Steve Hall to put together a plan to make sure each door is properly sealed.

**MASONIC BUILDING COMMITTEE**

**Election of Officers** The committee elected Kris Foss as Chair and Tracey Quigley as secretary.

**Meeting Schedule** Committee plans to meet on Wednesday's twice a month to start and will revisit later in the year.

**Committee's Charge** To identify the options for the Masonic Hall's future, including costs associated with each option, for the purpose of informing the path forward for the building.

**Site Visit** The committee conducted a site visit on July 12. The condition of the building observed by the committee was noted along with the possibility of asbestos being present in some floor tiles, maybe not an issue in the ceilings and lead paint. Abatement of the asbestos would have to take place whatever option was chosen to move forward. All these items would need to be investigated by an environmental company to get up to date correct information about what is present in the building. Discussion about how many quotes are needed for due diligence.

*Minutes and recordings of all meetings are on file at the Town Office and online at the town website. [bradfordnh.org](http://bradfordnh.org)*

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# Obituaries

Roger A. Binette



Roger A. Binette, 85, of Newbury, NH, died June 20, 2023, at his home, surrounded by the love of his family. Born in Goffstown,

NH on September 10, 1937, he was the son of Alfred and Angelina (Saucier) Binette. He was raised in Manchester and resided in Hooksett and later New Boston for thirty years, before moving to Newbury, NH.

He attended Bishop Bradley High School. During the Vietnam War, he served with the United States Army. Roger was a member of the American Legion Henry J. Sweeney Post #2. A talented plasterer, he enjoyed the day-to-day operations of owning his business, Roger Binette Plastering Company, for forty years. An avid outdoorsman, Roger enjoyed spending time farming and gardening in his yard. He loved animals and liked to play cards. His family was the center of his life. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather. His family was a source of great joy to him, and he was especially fond of his four grandchildren. His marriage of fifty-nine years was filled with faith, love, and compassion for others. Those who knew him will never forget his kind and gentlemanly ways. Roger will be profoundly missed by his family, friends, and anyone who had the pleasure of knowing this remarkable man.

Family members include his beloved wife, Alice (Sarrette) Binette; three daughters, Donna Courchesne of Alberta, Canada, Susan Carl and her husband, Peter, of Newbury, NH, Jane Binette and her husband, Brian Allard, of New Boston; four grandchildren, Sarah, Nicole, Angelina, and Nathan; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by three sisters, Lorraine, Jeanne, and Pauline; and a son-in-law, Denis Courchesne.

A funeral service was held on June 28. Urn encryment, with military honors, will take place on Thursday, July 6, 2023, at 2 PM in New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery, Boscawen, NH. Memorial donations may be made to Newbury Fire Department, 952 Route 103, Newbury, NH 03255. For more information visit: [www.connorhealy.com](http://www.connorhealy.com).

## Mentorship Program is Coming to Kearsarge Area Schools

It takes a community of many positive role-modeling adults to assist children in developing healthy behaviors and confidence. All children need attention and relationships with adults in their lives, and some children need an extra dose of adult attention beyond family and school. There is a need today to build mentorship relationships for all children.

Recently Kearsarge Neighbor Partners (KNP), the DHMC-Community Health Partnership Coordinator, and the Windsor County Mentors program have collaborated to bring Windsor County Mentors to the Kearsarge Regional School District (KRSD). Windsor County Mentors has successfully been in the mentor business for 50 years. In an agreement with KRSD Windsor County Mentors have established an agreement to start up a mentorship program with 4th and 5th graders in the fall of 2023.

This mentorship program will also help accomplish goals of the Kearsarge Community Network (KNC) set forth by the Workforce Development Subcommittee where discussions with KRSD explored work readiness and how KNC could help. It was determined that working with younger students by building positive relationships and communication skills, while providing positive adult role-models, would be a good starting point.

Research has shown that a child who has a mentor tends to have higher

self-esteem and confidence because a mentor can help a child recognize their own strengths and successes. Mentor relationships promote: positive thinking, reduction in anxiety, forging strong relationships with others, learning methods to cope with stress, learning to set goals and work towards them, and overcoming obstacles and challenges.

In addition, adult mentors can find rewarding personal benefits in assisting children. They may gain a sense of purpose in their lives, gain appreciation for their own advantages, and overcome their own disadvantages.

**Would you like to be a mentor?**

**What is required to be a mentor?** You'll need to complete an extensive background check, even if you have completed one in the past.

**What is the time commitment?** You will meet with a student once a week in their school, during the school year.

**What if I go on vacation?** A one or two-week vacation can be accommodated. You do have to be available to meet with your student for a majority of the school year.

**How do I sign up to be a mentor?** Call: (802) 674-5101 or email: [info@wcmmentors.org](mailto:info@wcmmentors.org). If you'd like to talk with the KCN coordinator, Carol, you can reach her at: [kcnworking2gether@gmail.com](mailto:kcnworking2gether@gmail.com).

We are open to establishing a mentor program in Sunapee and Andover schools, too. **You can make a difference in a child's life.** Please sign-up to be a mentor today.

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## Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners

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**Who is “KNP”, Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners?** In 2018, a group of caring neighbors in the Kearsarge region realized that much of the charity available to our neighbors deals with meeting a crisis.



They began to look into the root causes that lead to the need to seek emergency help again and again. Funding to help during a crisis is absolutely necessary, it’s often the first step, and we’re thrilled to partner with organizations who help in that way. But they began to envision a non-profit where we could try to understand the bedrock issues at the base of people’s emergencies. They wanted to create the type of organization where neighbors help each other flourish; where neighbors in need have hope of moving away from crisis, and toward wholeness and stability in their lives.

**Our Geographical Focus.** KNP works with neighbors in the towns in and around New London including, Andover, Bradford, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner

and Wilmot. (At times we are able to help neighbors in Danbury and Newport depending on available staff).

**What Makes KNP Unique?** Their principles. KNP is based on developing supportive interpersonal relationships among our neighbors. They help guide neighbors toward a more stable place in life, and we try not to do for them what they can do for themselves. They also recognize the value of reciprocity, and they look for ways that neighbors seeking help can eventually be in a position to serve others.

### How Does KNP Help?

#### Helping Hands

Mail pick-up, gardening, trash to dump, small home repairs, occasional snow shoveling/plowing, yardwork.

#### Transportation

KNP can help with rides to appointments in the Kearsarge area. And to DHMC or appointments in Concord.

#### Emergency Firewood

KNP provides pickup or delivery of split firewood for those who use wood for heating and are experiencing heating emergencies.

#### Homemade Meals

It’s important that everyone has adequate food, both short- and long-term. KNP can: cook and deliver a meal for those unable to do so; pick up a deliver groceries.

#### Friendly Phone Check-in

Feeling lonely and isolated? There are volunteers who are happy to regularly chat with you by phone.

Kearsarge.

### KNP Advocates

KNP Advocates walk alongside Neighbors to help connect them to the right resources and support them through the process of moving to a more stable and sustainable place in life. Advocates provide ongoing support through phone check-ins and/or personal contact. Any of the following challenges are likely to make someone a good match for KNP Advocate Services: Budgeting and changing spending habits, applying for services (i.e. housing, utilities), locating sources for debt relief, connecting to resources for benefits, alleviating food insecurity, accessing reliable transportation, creating social connections and/ family support.

For those in need a phone call to **603 317 5900 Extension 1** will connect you to Beth or voicemail to leave a confidential message. Or fill in a confidential contact form at [knpnh.org/request-for-help](http://knpnh.org/request-for-help).

Recently I had the pleasure of speaking with Beth Greenawalt, Volunteer Coordinator for KNP. When I asked what she would like Bradford Neighbors to know about KNP she said, “I would like people to know that when a neighbor is in need, KNP tries our best to meet the needs of neighbors, but we cannot guarantee that we will be able to meet every need. Neighbors interested in helping others will receive emails about volunteer opportunities based on your interests. If able to help, respond to the email. If not, delete. No guilt.”

Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners volunteers have made a huge difference for many in Kearsarge Communities. Bradford residents can benefit greatly from this organization dedicated to neighbors helping each other flourish and giving everyone the opportunity to experience material, spiritual and relational wholeness.

*Kathleen Bigford*

### Community Partner Support

KNP works with other service organizations in the Kearsarge area to support community projects and help meet community needs: Kearsarge Food Hub, Kars for



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Thank you voters of Bradford for believing in me to represent YOU in the NH Legislature. The first year is a wrap! I have worked to make thoughtful and meaningful votes on the thousands of bills that came before us. Two of my most meaningful stands that seemed to matter were to ensure that farmers would not be felons if a child stole a gun from our farms, which we need to protect our livestock from predators. The other was to approve the new treatment center for adolescents from the detention model by pushing beyond opposition to sell the land the Sununu Center sits on.

The support and interest of the voters in our district has been wonderful. The bipartisan spirit in the House is very strong. I'm told that is likely driven in part by the very close numbers of Representatives from each side of the isle. Our outcomes were not all perfect; they were as balanced to the needs of people in New Hampshire as we could get them. I will continue to uphold the values of rural New Hampshire, especially farms, the environment, and mental health to the best of my ability.

I will continue to move the needs of Abenaki people in NH along in the legislative consciousness. As tumultuous as that aspect was this year, it did open the door to meaningful conversations and I think we will continue to make progress. The support that YOU, the residents I represent, have shown me in regards to my interest in moving legislation along that supports Abenaki people has been amazing. My colleagues in the house have said that I must be doing something right to get the attention that has come. If you are not doing anything, they ignore you.

In Service,

*Sherry Gould, Representative,  
Merrimack District 8, 603-938-2613*

## Update from Representative Tony Caplan

New Hampshire Legislators, like many in our state, are taking these summer weeks to recharge energy levels and take stock of what has been accomplished for our constituents. Top of the list is a bipartisan budget which bodes well, not just for funding levels on priority issues such as housing and social services, but also on a return to consensus norms of legislative action and working on issues of concern across the aisle.

New Hampshire Republicans seem to have acknowledged the danger of extremism in our state and renounced unpopular policies such as bans on reproductive choice in the last session. However, pockets of ideologically driven radicalism remain when it comes to where they would take us on education, for example, defunding our public schools with the expanding voucher program for private school students. On a national level, and to a lesser extent here at home, the GOP seems committed to standing with their anti-democratic, extremist wing, which will put many moderates in the Sununu mold in uncomfortable positions going forward.

Moving into the fall and the second year of the current biennium, Democrats will continue to fight for the issues that we have identified as key to progress, with the hopes of passing significant legislation and building support with allies and friends in the GOP. Those policy issues are:

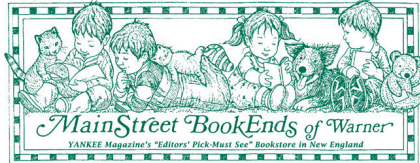
- Growing the NH Economy - expanding access to affordable housing, childcare, and continued workforce development;
- Lowering Costs for Granite Staters - stopping the downshifting of costs to towns, shoring up the NH Retirement System, implementing electric rate design reforms and increasing electric generation diversity;
- Protecting Rights and Freedoms - standing up for LGBTQ youth and protecting women's bodily autonomy;
- Healthy Communities - protecting our natural resources including the climate;
- Bolstering Public Education - defense of public schools and adequate education funding pre-K through college.

*Representative Tony Caplan,  
Merrimack District 8, 603-428-7042*

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# Town Hall Update

Town Hall is really beginning to look like a Town Hall again. Painting is almost done on the second floor and about 80% complete on the first floor. Lighting, with the exception of the specialized stage lighting, is nearing completion on the second floor and is well underway on the first floor. The installation of interior doors and hardware is nearing completion as well. Mechanical work (the heating and cooling systems) continues to progress nicely. On the second floor, the hardwood floors of the meeting/auditorium space have been sanded down and refinished. They look fabulous!



*Town Hall Theater, East view with fresh paint and floors.*

LCHIP (Land and Community Heritage Investment Program) did not approve our request to forgo installation of tin on the first-floor ceiling. The tin ceiling panels, despite being carefully removed, are in rough shape and there are not enough salvageable pieces to do the job. Thus, new tin must be purchased.

The threat of thunderstorms prevented the tree removal necessary before excavation could begin in the parking area. Tree removal and subsequent excavation work in the parking area is planned to be completed in August. The installation of the sprinkler cisterns, septic system and electrical conduit can then be done.

Construction of the new main entrance, portico, and accessible ramp has begun. On the west side of the building, the old concrete retaining wall and rusted railing have been removed. The area has been graded and prepped for the installation of the underground propane tank.

The pump for the sprinkler system will be hooked up, refinishing of the wood flooring will continue, installation of the carpet and tile will begin, and the fit-up of the bathrooms (toilets, sinks, partitions) will take place. The storm windows are expected to arrive mid-August and the elevator should arrive before the end of the month.



*Town Hall Theater, looking toward main entrance.*



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**[pjheffner@gmail.com](mailto:pjheffner@gmail.com)/908.217.3297**

A forum to identify potential uses for the Second Floor of the Town Hall in the future has been scheduled for Monday, August 7 at 6:00 pm in the Bradford Area Community Center. This forum will lead to the formation of a committee to explore the needs associated with the fit-up of the Second Floor for the uses identified. Come be part of the conversation!

If you have any questions about the renovation, please reach out to the Selectmen's Office (938-5900) or [administrator@bradfordnh.org](mailto:administrator@bradfordnh.org).







## Summer Squash Casserole

Serves 6

2 pounds summer squash, sliced, about 6 cups

Can be a mixture of yellow and zucchini

¼ chopped onion

1 can cream of chicken soup

(Substitute 1 ½ cups white sauce made with chicken or vegetable broth instead of milk)

1 cup sour cream

1 cup shredded carrot

½ cup butter

8 ounces herb stuffing mix

Cook the squash and onion in boiling, salted water for 5 minutes. Drain and set aside. Combine the soup (or sauce), sour cream, and carrot. Fold into squash. Melt the butter and mix with the stuffing. Spread half the stuffing on the bottom of a 8"x8" pan. Cover with vegetables and top with remaining stuffing. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes.

Louise Clark



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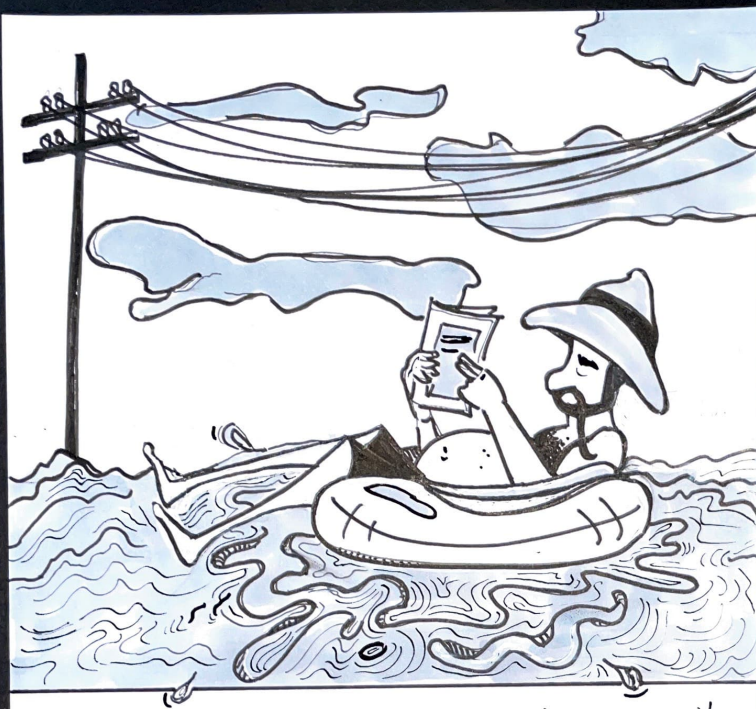
Experience and understand the interconnection of nature to our sense of wellbeing.

- Kathy Lowe will gather everyone to actively participate in drumming and nature songs.
- Linden Rayton, environmental educator, will engage everyone in a learning activity that cultivates a feeling of discovery, and joy.
- Karla Salathe, art teacher, will invite each person to create a nature art project to take home.

Two different programs being offered. Come to one or both.

Saturday, August 19th or Sunday, August 27 from 2-4  
Must pre-register at [www.sheinh.org](http://www.sheinh.org)  
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This program was funded by Honre Foundation and is free to you!



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## Out & About: Sparrow's Nest



Laurie Buchar captured this sparrow's nest in Bravo's Vineyard.

Sparrows are very small birds. They can reach 4 to 8 inches in length and 0.8 to 1.4 ounces in weight.

Sparrows can survive between four and five years in the wild.

Source: softschools.com

*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.*

*Kathleen Bigford*



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# BRADFORD COMMUNITY EVENTS

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.

**Tuesday, August 1**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Wednesday, August 2**

1:00 pm Yoga  
4:30 pm Girl Scouts  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
7:00 pm Zoning Board

**Thursday, August 3**

6:00 pm Economic Development Cmte.

**Monday, August 7**

10:00 am Storytime, BML  
1:00 pm Bridge Group  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
6:00 pm Town Hall 2nd Floor Forum

**Tuesday, August 8**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Wednesday, August 9**

1:00 pm Yoga  
4:30 pm Girl Scouts  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
5:30 pm Masonic Building  
6:30 pm Digging into Native History in NH with Robert Goodby, BML

**Monday, August 14**

10:00 am Storytime, BML  
1:00 pm Bridge Group  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Monday, August 14**

7:00 pm NY Times best-selling author, Joyce Maynard, discusses her newest book, *The Bird Hotel*, BML

**Tuesday, August 15**

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

**Wednesday, August 16**

1:00 pm Yoga  
4:30 pm Girl Scouts  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
6:00 pm CIP

**Thursday, August 17**

5:30 pm Parks and Rec

**Monday, August 21**

10:00 am Storytime, BML  
1:00 pm Bridge Group  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Tuesday, August 22**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Wednesday, August 23**

9:00 am Footcare Clinic, MVSC  
1:00 pm Yoga  
2:00 pm Wildlife Encounters/Tiny Creatures (armadillo, chinchilla, tarantula, may be some of the tinies included in the program), BML  
4:30 pm Girl Scouts  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
5:30 pm Masonic Building  
7:00 pm Book Group resumes discussion of Percival Everett's *The Trees*. Books are available, BML

**Monday, August 28**

10:00 am Storytime, BML  
1:00 pm Bridge Group  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Tuesday, August 29**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
7:00 pm Planning Board

**Wednesday, August 30**

1:00 pm Yoga  
4:30 pm Girl Scouts  
5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Calendar Abbreviations**

<b>BACC</b>	Bradford Area Community Center
<b>BCC</b>	Bradford Community Church
<b>BCMh</b>	Bradford Center Meetinghouse
<b>BHS</b>	Bradford Historical Society
<b>BML</b>	Brown Memorial Library
<b>LSVNA</b>	Lake Sunapee Visting Nurses Assoc.
<b>LR</b>	Learning Room
<b>MVSC</b>	Mountain View Senior Center
<b>SR</b>	Senior Room
<b>YR</b>	Youth Room
<b>ZBA</b>	Zoning Board of Adjustment

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## Bradford Community Church Events

88 W. MAIN ST., BRADFORD, NH, 603-938-5313

### August Happenings

Pastor, Rev. Lynne Hubley. Office hours are Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:00 am to noon.

We worship at 10:00 am every Sunday with songs, prayers, and a Biblical message from God's Word. We have a Time with God's Children during the service, after which the children go to Sunday School for Biblical lessons, activities, and crafts.

Men's Breakfast August 5 at 8:00 am in the Friendship Room, devotions, food, and fellowship

Sister to Sister, August 12, 8:30-9:30 am in the Friendship Room, devotion, fellowship and prayer, bring your favorite drink and your bible.

"Make a Joyful Noise" Mini Camp August 12 from 10:00 am - noon for ages 4-12. Free singing, playing instruments, making musical crafts and snacks.

Communion will be celebrated on August 13th instead of the 6th.

Potluck Dinner and "Trip Down Memory Lane" August 14 at 6 pm. Bring a dish to share and a picture of yourself when you were young. We will try and guess who is who and share some memories from childhood.

Food Pantry will be open on August 16, 5:30 -6:30 pm.

Hymn Sing August 20 at 9:50 am come early and sing your favorite hymns before our Worship Service.

Prayer Gathering on August 27, 8:30-9:30 am in the pastor's office.

Bible Study-, "Genesis" Wednesdays August 9, 16, 23, and 30, 6-7 pm.

Bible Study, "The Word of God" Thursdays August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 7 pm.



### BRADFORD EVENTS

**Thursday, August 3, 9:30-10:30 am, Yoga with Val Blachly at Evergreen Healing Arts.** Develop compassionate self-awareness about your body's limits and needs. Join Val in practicing postures that fit your comfort level using chairs or other props to support you. Beginners welcome! Drop-ins welcome! Contact Val: [vblachly@gmail.com](mailto:vblachly@gmail.com), 603-620-0241.

**Wednesday, August 9, 6:30 pm, Brown Memorial Library, Digging into Native History in New Hampshire.** Join Robert Goodby as he reveals archaeological evidence that shows deep native presence here, inches below the earth's surface." <http://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org>

**Friday, August 11, 5:00-9:00 pm, Bradford Historical Society Progressive Dinner.** As of July 24 plenty of tickets are still available at [bradfordnhhistorical.org](http://bradfordnhhistorical.org). Contact: Patty Heffner, [pheffner@gmail.com](mailto:pheffner@gmail.com), 908-217-3297.

**Monday, August 14, 7:00 pm, Brown Memorial Library, Book Chat with Author Joyce Maynard.** We are so excited to have New York Times Bestselling Author Joyce Maynard visit and discuss her most recent book, *Bird Hotel*, with us. <http://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org>

**Wednesday, August 23, 2:00 pm, Brown Memorial Library, Wildlife Encounters: Tiny Creatures.** Join us for this hands-on experience; all animals in this program are under 3 pounds. <http://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org>

**Sunday, August 20, 1:00 pm. Brown Memorial Library, Bradford Historical Society is hosting its first Antique Car and Vehicle gathering.** Bring your prized vehicles along for the afternoon and join the fun. Rain date, Sunday August 27, 1:00 pm. More information, contact Buddy Allen at 603-938-2835.

### SURROUNDING TOWNS

**Tuesday, August 1, 7:00 pm, Loons: Their challenges and successes at LSPA's Center for Lake Studies, Newbury, NH.**

<https://www.lakesunapee.org>.

**Thursday, August 3, 9:00 am, 97th Annual Hospital Days at New London Hospital.** More information, <https://www.newlondonhospital.org/events-classes/hospital-days-event-schedule>.

**Saturday, August 5 - Sunday, August 13, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Mt. Sunapee Resort, 90th Annual Craftsmen's Fair.** Info at [nhleague@nhcrafts.org](mailto:nhleague@nhcrafts.org) or 603-224-3375 x 0.

**Monday, August 7 at 7 pm, Center Meeting House, Newbury, NH, Summer Speaker Series, *Hard Times in the Granite State*.** Mary Kronenwetter, the author of the historical novel, *Pauper Auction* will focus on a different method of dealing with the poor. It is co-sponsored with the Newbury Library and the Newbury Historical Society and is free and open to all.

**Thursday, August 10, 7:00 pm, Rollicking Jazz and Blues! at the First Baptist Church in New London.** More information and to purchase tickets, [www.summermusicassociates.org](http://www.summermusicassociates.org)

**Friday, August 11, 6:30 pm, Main-Street Warner Summer concert series with The Luggnuts at Jim Mitchell Community Park in Warner.** Info at: <https://www.facebook.com/warnerstage>.

**Saturday, August 12, 10:00 am. 2nd Annual Warner Palooza at Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum.** More information at <https://www.indianmuseum.org/calendar>

**Friday, August 25, 7:00 pm, Seeing the World in Black and White: The Bobcat at The Telephone Museum in Warner.** More information and to register, <https://www.nhtelephonemuseum.org/calendar-of-events.html>.



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