

# The Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS *for* NEIGHBORS *by* NEIGHBORS

## MONTHLY BRIEFING: Town Board Reports

### SELECT BOARD

**Community Power Agreement** The Board approved a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to enter the “Joint Powers Agreement” of Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 53-A for the purpose of supporting member municipalities and counties in developing and implementing electric aggregation plans, pursuant to RSA 53-E, as well as related statutory authorities.

**Electric Aggregation Committee** The Board approved a motion to establish an Electric Aggregation Committee and appoint Jenny Locke Howley and Kathleen Bigford to the Electric Aggregation Committee pursuant to RSA 53-E:6 to oversee the development of a plan for an electric aggregation program.

**Computer Aided Dispatch Contract** The Board approved a motion to authorize the Fire Chief to enter into a contract with Image Trends LLC of Minnesota for the purpose of fire reporting, computer aided dispatch system. The cost is \$1,000 per year and is available in the department budget.

**Henniker Perambulation** Henniker has requested Bradford’s participation in walking our shared town line. Representatives from Bradford are needed to do the walk. Andrew Pinard and Laurie Buchar have volunteered.

**Masonic Building Porch/ Lawn** Eastern Star Wreath requested use of the Masonic Building porch and front lawn for wreath distribution; the Board agreed to allow it.

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## Town Hall Update

It’s like waiting for the birth of a child. Things drag on and on, and just when you think it’s never ever going to happen, it finally does.

Painters have continued to work applying second coats, touching up scratches etc. The tin ceiling on the first floor has been painted and while tin is not the finished product we hoped for, it does look nice. The final mechanical work has been completed and minimal heat is on in the building. The counter in the office kitchenette, the handiwork of Jason Allen, has been installed and the sink’s plumbing has been connected. Wiring for the eventual fit-up of the audio and visual facilities in the second-floor auditorium has been completed. The railings for the accessible ramp have also been installed.

By mid-October, we reached the point where there was no longer a need for Trumbull-Nelson to be on-site daily. The few subcontractors that had minor tasks to complete wrapped up their tasks and the site quieted waiting for the installation of permanent power. Attempts to get a sense of when that might be from Eversource were frustratingly vague.

Then today, October 23, Eversource appeared and began working on our permanent power! This kicks our final phase of construction into gear. Once permanent power is in place, tests for the sprinkler system, mechanical system, elevators and alarm system can be conducted. The telephone lines and data infrastructure can also be connected. The installation of blown-in insulation

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*This Halloween “face in the hole” board was made at KRES-Bradford Fall Craft Days organized by the KRES-B PTO. The PTO would like to thank everyone involved in making the Fall Craft days a huge success! Organizers, volunteers and participants, you ROCK! We’re looking forward to our Winter Craft Days coming up in December!*



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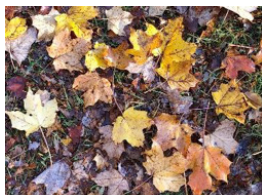
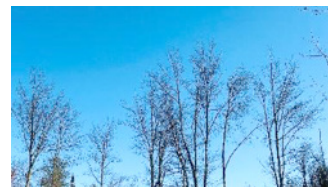
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## From The Bridge

### Urge for Going

*I awoke today and found the frost perched on the town  
It hovered in a frozen sky, then it gobbled summer down  
When the sun turns traitor cold  
And all trees are shivering in a naked row  
I get the urge for going but I never seem to go . . .*



*I'll ply the fire with kindling and pull the blankets to my chin  
I'll lock the vagrant winter out and I'll bolt my wandering in  
I'd like to call back summertime and have her stay for just  
another month or so  
But she's got the urge for going so I guess she'll have to go  
She gets the urge for going when the meadow grass is turning  
brown*

*And all her empires are falling down  
And winter's closing in . .*

*Songwriter: Joni Mitchell. Popular performance by Tom Rush  
Urge for Going lyrics © Universal Music Publishing Group, Crazy Crow Music / Siquomb Music Publishing  
Photos: Kathleen Bigford*

I'm bringing this one back from 2019 with the same request that wherever your urges find you as winter closes in, settle into a comfy place for a while with the Bradford Bridge. This November 2023 edition brings:

- Karen's news of the final stages of Town Hall renovation.
- Devin's excellent summaries of Town board meetings.
- Ellen's thoughts about finding creative traditions as the holidays approach, plus exciting library events.
- Laurie's Bradford Center flashback.
- Ed's reminders about winter and holiday safety.
- Ann's trademark wit as she tells of woodland conversations in Outside.
- Assorted October images.
- And ads that make the Bradford Bridge a free publication. Please buy locally whenever possible.

We hope you enjoy the Bridge as much as we enjoy bringing it to you. As Thanksgiving approaches, I would like to extend my warmest appreciation to all who make Bradford a wonderful place to stay.

*Kathleen Bigford, Editor*

*And everyone who makes this publication possible*

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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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Letters to Our Editor:

To the person who owns the billboard between Rt. 114 and 103, Thank you!

Sue McKevitt

## Volunteers Needed

The Kearsarge Window Dresser (WD) Project, a collaboration between Kearsarge Climate Action (KCA) and Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners (KNP) needs volunteers during the week of Nov 10-15 at the Kearsarge WD Community Build. Window inserts will be fabricated at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 52 Gould Rd, New London. Jobs are taught and easy to do. All ages 8 and above are welcome. Our customers, who all volunteer, are from Andover, Bradford, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot.

Help your neighbors to reduce heating costs with warmer homes during the coming winter, while helping the environment through reducing fossil fuel use. Non-profit WD of Maine has been supporting local non-profit volunteer groups in Northern New England since 2010, by providing supplies, and techniques for this important project.

For more information contact local coordinator, Lori Cox, [lorilaicox@outlook.com](mailto:lorilaicox@outlook.com).

**FALL BACK**

**Sunday, November 5, 2:00 am**

## Carol Conforti-Adams



Carol received New Futures 2023 Health and Wellness Scholarship for her commitment to the health and well-being of New Hampshire's older adults. This past legislative session, Carol testified for Medicaid reimbursement rate increases before both the House and Senate Finance Committees. During her testimony, she shared her personal struggle to hire in-home care – a service she relies on to live independently – because of low reimbursement rates.

## Community Involvement Fair

Have you been thinking about getting more involved in Bradford but are not sure where to start? Want to learn more about available town board positions or volunteer opportunities? Bradford Parks and Recreation is hosting a Community Involvement Fair on **Thursday, November 9, 2023, from 6-8pm at the Bradford Area Community Center.** Learn about available opportunities, chat with current serving Board members, learn how to declare your candidacy, and more. Light refreshments will be served. Free on-site childcare available for participants.



## Town Hall Update

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in the attic will be done after all systems testing is successfully complete. This way, the insulation will not be disturbed should additional work in the attic be

necessary as a result of the testing. The final step will be a thorough cleaning of the entire building.

A couple of important Town Hall acknowledgements are overdue.

Andrew Pinard has donated countless hours of his time to design and to help install the infrastructure for the audio/visual functionality in the auditorium and first floor common areas. He has helped to run wires and install the pipe structure that will support future lighting equipment. His comprehensive approach assures us that the Town Hall is appropriately prepared to be outfitted for the variety of uses it will see in the coming years.

Nate Kimball, of Valley Excavating, has also donated time and effort to the Town Hall renovation project. Nearly 10 years ago, Nate Kimball offered to do the site work and install the new septic system as a donation to the project. He was true to his word (no surprise) and in August, fulfilled his promise. The Town is deeply grateful to both these men.

Stay tuned for information about the grand reopening celebration! 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).

Karen Hambleton,  
Town Administrator

**→ NEW FEATURE! CHECK OUT:**  
"Community Resources" on page 20.  
Food, energy, and healthcare resources.



## Fire & Rescue Department Update

Now that it is the start of heating season now is the best time to check on your home's safety systems.

Every home should have smoke detector and CO detectors on every floor to protect the occupants. You should also test the detectors several times a year and at a minimum change the batteries twice a year even if they are hardwired as many detectors have battery back-up when we lose power.

Only one heating device can be vented into a flue. Have your chimney inspected and cleaned annually. Make sure all heating devices are serviced according to manufacture guidelines. These include, oil and gas furnaces, pellet stoves and woodstoves.

Remember to clean around heating vents and dryer vents that are close to the ground for buildup of snow and leaves. This could lead to fires and could lead to CO levels increasing in your home.

Any questions please feel free to contact the Bradford FD at 603-938-2231.

We also want to continue to remind Bradford Citizens of our Fire Department Street number application. Remember we or other town services or vendors can't help you if we can't find you.

*Brian Nowell,  
Bradford Fire Chief*

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## Police Department Update

The holiday season is quickly creeping up on us, and with that season also comes winter which means cold temps and snow. Here are some reminders that could greatly help us out during these seasons.

Let's start with the Holiday Season. The holidays are a time where typically friends and family get together to hangout and celebrate. If hosting a large gathering please have a parking plan. Some roads in town do allow for on-street parking. If you do plan for on-street parking please limit it to one side of the road only with vehicles facing the correct direction. This ensures that emergency vehicles can safely get by and pedestrians can safely cross the road with a clear line of sight for themselves and vehicles to see them. Also, if

consuming alcoholic beverages, please have a designated driver at the ready. Making an arrest during the holiday season is not something we set out for, yet some still call us Scrooge when it happens, but our #1 priority remains ensuring the roads are safe.

The Winter season in NH typically means colder temps and snow, ice, or some combination of the two. Here are a couple helpful hints heading into that season. Please make sure your driveway and walkway are shoveled out. This helps first responders when responding to an emergency. If they are not, please let dispatch or 911 know if you are calling in an emergency. It's also nice to know if the driveway is icy so no people fall or vehicles slide or get stuck. Also, if you would like to add yourself, a close friend or a family member to our inclement weather call list please contact the station. We will need the name, physical address, phone number and heat source of the person you are adding.

The Town of Bradford also has a town ordinance for parking on town roads during a snowstorm. Specifically, the ordinance states, "No vehicle shall be parked on a public way in the Town of Bradford during and after a snowstorm until the said public way has been plowed and is suitable for proper vehicle traffic. It shall be the responsibility of the owner to remove said vehicle should said snowstorm occur during the midnight hours. This shall include all public ways throughout the Town." This helps ensure that our roads get plowed out properly. The penalty for violating this ordinance is a fine between \$25-\$50 and your vehicle can be towed at your expense. If the weather forecast is calling for some sort of precipitation, please plan to move your vehicle off the roadway before going to sleep. I get it, most weather people are wrong a lot of the time, but help us out and move those vehicles to be on the safe side.

The Bradford Police Department would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. If, at any time, we can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to call us.

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## Kudos for KRES-Bradford and KR-PreSchool

Stress is possibly the most common buzz word of our time. We all feel stress in different ways and gradually learn to differentiate between constructive and destructive responses to the challenge. We are basically learning, experimenting and growing all the time.

Imagine the excitement and effort that vibrates in a Kindergarten classroom. Better yet, volunteer at KRES-Bradford to see the magic unfold. On his daily rounds, Principal Andy Chouinard says “At times, I really wish we could bring in parents and community members to just sit in the back of a classroom and observe the creativity, enthusiasm, and pedagogical skill that is evident in the lessons the teachers in Bradford are providing each day.”

Recently, some local figures who provide service to our town got to do just that as part of the Kindergarten Curriculum Community Helpers unit that featured visits from the Fire and Police Departments, the Library and more. Other opportunities for volunteerism were offered at the Haunted Happenings event and the Fall Art Activity afternoons sponsored by the PTO. The Fun Run also gave community members a chance to witness the exhilaration of youthful energy on display. Perhaps cutest of all was the annual Costume Parade on Halloween, where adults and children alike could strut their silly side with friends and co-learners.

Kindergarten teacher Shannon Tower soaks up the positive energy of her class. “They are so funny, friendly, and consistently show excellent manners to everyone they encounter at school. They should feel very proud of themselves.” The Kinder team is comprised of a remarkable group of educators this year, including the other classroom teacher, Beth Hubbard, and three paraprofessionals Georgia Anne Brown, Sydney Tucker, and Destinee Gadbois, plus two student teachers Sarah Babb and Mag-



*Staff, students and volunteers ran laps around the field during the PTO Fun Run last month, earning beads on a bracelet at each turn. Together they raised funds to support student activities, field trips and programs throughout the year.*

gie Garcia. They start with the basics, using something as seemingly simple as working on the finger isolations skills needed for fine motor practice in writing a word or a name. They are learning every day, one tiny yet important gesture at a time. As we all are.

Perhaps American author and minister Robert Fulghum says it best in his book *All I Really Need To Know I Learned in Kindergarten*. His collection of essays includes a list for us to contemplate. Read the excerpt below and see if any of them resonate with you. And think about offering your unique set of talents to the children in our community. Contact the school office at 603-938-5959 for information about becoming a volunteer. A visit to KRES-Bradford is sure to relieve stress and make you smile.

Excerpt from *All I Really Need To Know I Learned in Kindergarten* by Robert Fulghum, 1986

1. Share everything.
2. Play fair.
3. Don't hit people.
4. Put things back where you found them.
5. Clean up your own mess.
6. Don't take things that aren't yours.
7. Say you're Sorry when you hurt somebody.
8. Wash your hands before you eat.
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10. When you go out into the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands, and stick together.

*Laurie Buchar*

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We are a group of 12-20 women (so far) who meet every Tuesday morning from 10am-noon, year-round. The group is led by Mary



Derry, a former quilt shop owner in Florida and current instructor at Quilted Threads in Henniker, who provides helpful suggestions as we work on our own projects, comes up with clever seasonal projects that teach us new techniques, or gets us all working on hand-sewn blocks to put together into an annual raffle quilt, coming next spring. As we sew, we share life experiences, laughter, and friendship. Plus, someone always brings a delicious treat! We’d love to have you join us. No previous quilting skills are required.

Pictured on the left are the quilters at work and on the right is this year’s Thanksgiving project.

*Please see **Bradford Community Events** in this and every edition of the Bradford Bridge for dates and times of all Mountain View Senior Center activities. To make an appointment for a wellness check or footcare on the third Wednesday of the month, call 603-748-1731.*

# Bradford Center Flash Back

Sometimes, it's fun to reflect on what life was like in the past. Sometimes, new insights can be gained and the present might make more sense in the context. Bradford Center Meetinghouse is one of those places that may provide some perspective. Because the building was never repurposed, it retains all of its original features and architectural integrity and it's easy to let your mind imagine what it was like long ago. Here's a glimpse inside.



One hundred and eighty-five years ago, neighbors were hard at work building this stunning, yet simple, edifice, trying to beat the winter weather. Money had been raised in advance by the sale of pews. Each family wanted to claim their spot and each row was designated by an ornate number. There is a chart still hanging on the wall that lists names like Cressy, French, Presby, Shattuck, Howlett, Davis, Bagley... demonstrating who were the key players in the community by their proximity to the pulpit. The bell, yoke and wheel in the belfry were purchased from subscriptions paid by the parishioners and hauled up from Boston that same year. It still rings today as an invitation to gather for community events.

So, three hundred folks gathered here on a cold December day to hear sermons and appreciate what they had accomplished in creating a community

of immigrants working together. Other than the Abenaki, they all had come from away. They warmed their feet with wrapped bricks brought from their hearths, as there was no heat in the building. Some sixty musicians raised their strings and voices in praise and hope and good will. The walls in the hall still resound with their music every time a visiting performer remarks on the exquisite acoustics inside. You can hear this for yourself at our annual Christmas Eve pageant.

The Center is where our town began. The Meetinghouse that still stands here replaced the building that was dismantled, moved to the village near the new railroad line and reframed in 1863. You now know this rebuilt structure as our magnificent Town Hall. The renovation of which is nearing completion! After many years of planning, hard work and patience, townspeople will once again enter an edifice that represents who we are as a community. We have countless viewpoints to negotiate, just as they did when the Bradford Center Meetinghouse was built. (At that time, there were many different denominations sharing the space for worship.) We have climate and politics and hardship to navigate in order to reach our goals, just as our predecessors did. But we also share a sense of the fortitude and compassion that propelled them to make Bradford their home. Let's celebrate our commonality this coming holiday season.

*Laurie Buchar*

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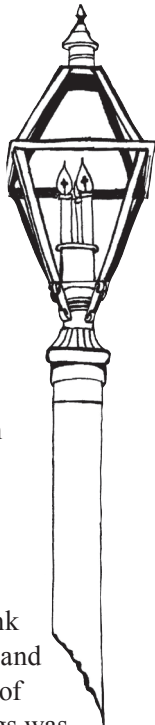
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 Friday 10:00am – 6:00pm  
 Saturday 9:00am – 1:00pm

## From the Director's Desk:

As the holidays approach I think about how I can skirt tradition and do something alternative. One of my most favorite Thanksgivings was when we drove to NYC and had turkey dinner in a diner and then headed into the city. I have a small family, my children have no cousins, and I'm not a good cook, so I'm rarely inspired to do something at home just for our family. I love movies that feature big holiday family gatherings, where people are



laughing, kids are playing games, the adults are enjoying each other's company, a big, loving family with a table full of delectable food. I want that experience! Of course, it's the movies. And I know with a large group of people come all different types of personalities, backgrounds, resentments, etc.

My family has been lucky enough to be invited to Friendsgiving, which is lovely, but I never want to presume this will happen every year. Does anyone else feel amiss during holidays? There's a pressure for them to feel a certain way, and I'm still searching to find the tradition that works best for me and mine. Maybe I should host Thanksgiving for misfits? Whatever you do this holiday, I hope you can do it with less stress and more joy.

## Programs in November:

Saturday, November 4, 10:00am, Build-wave Enrichment Program – Grades K-7. Participants are led through waves of high energy building activities using materials like Lego®, PlusPlus®, Kapla®, and more. The entire experience is hands-on from start to finish, and

participants will leave with a renewed sense of creative confidence.

Monday, November 6, 6:00pm, The Survival Story of Moose in New Hampshire. You're invited to join us as a NH Fish and Wildlife Steward shares information about moose in the state. Learn about the natural history of moose, where they are most likely to be found in the state, and how climate change is impacting their survival in New Hampshire.

Monday, November 20, 4:00pm, Junior Book Group. We had a great first book group with six kids and me. Crossword puzzle/quiz, discussion, lots of laughing, and snacks. Doesn't that sound like fun! We will be reading the beloved and classic, *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

Wednesday, November 29th, 7:00pm, Book Group, Inspired by historical events. *This Other Eden* tells the story of Apple Island: an enclave off the coast of the United States where castaways, in flight from society and its judgment, have landed and built a home.

## Library Closures:

Friday, November 10th / Veteran's Day;  
 Friday, November 24th / Thanksgiving

*Ellen Barselle,  
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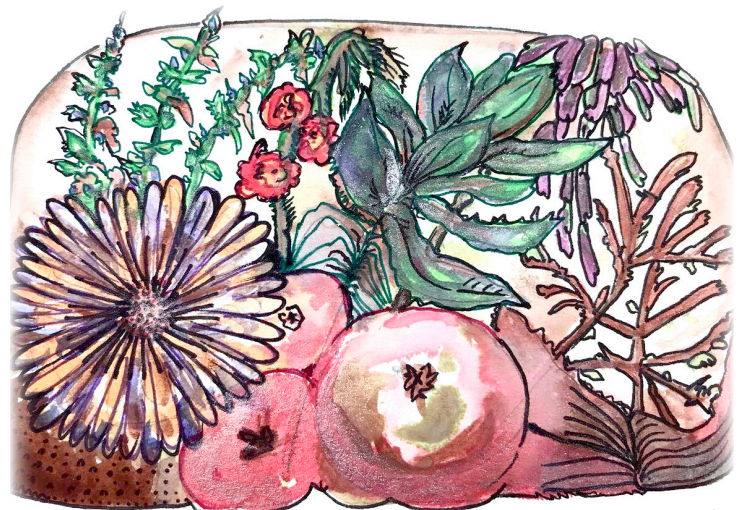
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## Bradford Community Power Moving Forward

The town of Bradford has joined the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire! Being a member of the Coalition has no cost or obligation to the town, but Bradford is now able to access the many resources that the Coalition has to offer for pursuing community power. A community power program will give the town the ability to buy electricity for residents instead of the traditional utility companies, giving customers options for lower prices as well as options for renewable energy.

The Select Board has appointed Jenny Locke Howley and Kathleen Bigford to serve on the newly approved Electric Aggregation Committee to oversee the development of a plan for an electric aggregation program.

Next step: Stay tuned for the date, time, and place of the two required public hearings to ensure Bradford residents understand the plan and process. We're planning the first hearing for early December and the second one in January 2024.



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## Advice to Buyers

Our ad back in April of 2022 had a message very similar to this one. Unfortunately, the state of the real estate market has not changed dramatically since that time. **Inventory is still scarce, and demand continues to be strong.** So, as a buyer, what can you do to improve your chances of success?

- **Get pre-approved for a mortgage**, and, because “cash” offers dominate, examine any possibilities which would allow you to make a cash offer. If you can't do a full cash purchase price, consider putting as much as you can down, to reduce the amount of the mortgage which could help to avoid any potential appraisal issues.
- **Look for houses under your budget**, then you have room to bid up. Many properties are still selling at over asking prices, but, generally, not by as much as they have in the past.
- **Expand your search area.** Don't let a few miles limit your possibilities for success.
- **Don't overcommit emotionally to one house.** Even though the number of bids on one property may not be as many as in the past, the competition can still be very stiff. Be prepared to move onto the next, and...
- **Don't give up!** Your house is out there somewhere!
- **Work with an experienced real estate agent.** An excellent one can be your secret weapon. Interview before committing. Get references and read reviews. Ask questions.
- **It's a lot about the price...** but not ALL... your agent can gather information from the cooperating agent about other terms which are really important to the sellers. If you can work within their special wants, that can help advance the standing of your offer.



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# Pigs to the Rescue: Who knew they could help the climate?

The Bradford Energy Committee (BEC) and Kearsarge Climate Action (KCA) have worked together on a number of issues affecting the climate – weatherization, solar energy and energy efficiency, to name a few. We generally don't delve into food waste but were recently approached by Hannaford's supermarket and the Center for Ecotechnology (CET) to help. Hannaford and CET received a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant to investigate "Business Food Waste Diversion in the Kearsarge Area". The purpose of the grant project is to engage with local businesses and schools to promote best practices and provide guidance on affordable food waste diversion options.

Our task was to identify businesses and schools in the Kearsarge area that generate food waste. I spoke with seven

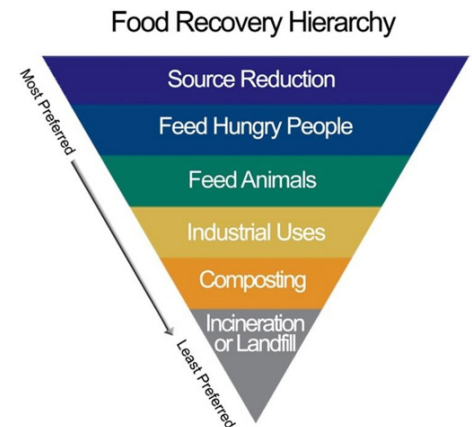
organizations in the Bradford area and found that a portion of food waste from five of them is fed to pigs. One location composts its food waste, and one organization disposes of their food waste in the trash.

First a few facts:

According to the USDA's estimate, in the US, between 30-40 percent of the food supply is wasted, as are the resources to produce food not consumed by humans. These wasted resources include land, labor, energy, and other inputs used in producing, processing, transporting, preparing, storing, and disposing of discarded food. When food is buried in a landfill it rots producing methane gas, which according to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is more than 25 times as potent as carbon dioxide at trapping heat in the atmosphere. This amounts to almost 8% of the total man made greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.


Pigs to the rescue:

Below is a food recovery chart prepared by EPA listing the best ways to manage food waste.



According to the Food Recovery Hierarchy, reducing the amount of food waste produced followed by diverting that excess food to food pantries, etc, are the number 1 and 2 best ways to minimize GHG emissions from the food chain. Feeding animals is the third best way and this is where pigs come to the rescue. Feeding animals with excess food keeps that waste out of landfills.

Stay tuned for more updates and information about business food waste diversion in the Kearsarge area.




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**MONTHLY BRIEFING:  
Town Board Reports**

*(Continued from page 1)*

**BACC Update** Selectwomen Beth Downs and Town Administrator Karen Hambleton met with Suzanne Demers of the Community Action Program to discuss what is possible for the future when the Town Offices move out. Plan: Calculate the cost of using the building, put together a group to formulate a plan after January 1, 2024.

**Town Hall Update** The sitework is done. The Community Gardeners have done some work pruning and defining the garden spaces. The painters are working on the finishing touches. The hardwood flooring in the up and downstairs hallways is refinished. Since delivery of the pad transformer is not expected for quite a while, Eversource has approved the installation of temporary-permanent power and installation is being scheduled. The Board approved a motion that the Town Hall Expendable Trust Funds be drawn down to \$100 and funds used for the Town Hall renovation. (2015 Town Hall Restoration Trust Fund and 2019 Town Hall Repair and Renovation Trust Fund).

**Intent to Cut** Signed for Map 4 Lot 21-1

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE**

**Town Website** Kris Foss reported she and Karen Hambleton, together with Fire Chief Bryan Nowell and Maureen Brandon sat through demonstrations

from Revize, Civic Plus, and Munibit. The pricing proposals received so far are reasonable and have the features we are looking for. Kris reported that Ridgelight Studios has offered to take photos this Fall around town for no charge to use photos and aerial shots for website and EDC use.

**Budget for 2024** The group discussed submitting a budget for the EDC for the first time. Items on the list include membership in Main Street America, which provides resources for Economic Development as well as funding opportunities; Additional photo shoots/media to promote Bradford, and Bradford businesses and recreation opportunities, and supplies. Kris Foss to submit the budget request to Karen Hambleton to be included in the process.

**ZONING BOARD  
OF ADJUSTMENT**

**Budget** The Board approved a motion to include \$1,200 for secretarial services; \$180 for seminars; \$50 for supplies, other line items remain unchanged from 2022-23.

**PLANNING  
BOARD**

**Subdivision** Kathie Messer came before the Board for a preliminary conceptual consultation for Map 5 Lot 114 for a 13-acre subdivision.

**Consultation** Nick Vertefeuille from Horizons Engineering came before the Board for a preliminary conceptual consultation for Map 22 lots 29/30. Lot line adjustment is necessary to accommodate a driveway. An application for variance will be needed.

**Master Plan** Subcommittee Board member Carol Troy suggested that the board review the previous master plan survey sent to residents to determine how to structure the next survey. The current master plan is seven years old. Renewal is scheduled every 10 years. Topics discussed that could affect Bradford's future are levels of commercial zoning, cluster housing, tiny homes, and agricultural uses.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS  
PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

**Transfer Station** Lois Kilnapp discussed a possible tractor replacement and described repairs that have been done to the current tractor and possible future repairs. An arbitrary place holder for tractor replacement in 2034 was

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added to the plan.

**Highway** The engineering costs just for permitting for the culverts on Deer Valley Road and West Road will cost \$131,000.

**Fire Department** Chief Bryan Nowell explained the need for hoses and nozzles replacement and the timing for that need. He estimated that cost would be between \$5,000 to \$10,000 in the next year or two, then staggered after that so there is a replacement cycle. Bryan suggested saving for this so there is not a huge amount at one time.

**ENERGY COMMITTEE**

**Municipal Weatherization** Waiting for incentive payment of \$4,316.65 for the Highway Garage. Work at the Fire Station is expected to be completed in October. The Fire Department has done an incredible job prepping the firehouse to be ready for this work.

**Food Waste** Update on Business Food Waste Diversion Program in the Kearsarge Region. Results of outreach to the following businesses and schools located in Bradford: Pizza Chef – solid waste, Wicked Sweet Café – pigs, Sweet Beet Market – production of organic compost, Dunkin – some to pigs, Rosewood Inn – pigs, Appleseed restaurant – pigs; Kearsarge Regional School District (7 schools) – there is no uniform policy on management on food

waste. At some schools food waste goes to pigs.

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Budget** The Board approved a motion to submit the same budget as this year (\$1000) for next year.

**DES Complaint** Blaisdell Lake Rd, Map 3, Lot 36: Homeowners have removed trees on both sides of the stream on the property, and there are no erosion controls in place. This stream has native Brook Trout and runs directly into the Warner River. Commission member Ann Eldridge will pursue the filing of a complaint form with DES.

**Restoration Plan** The four corners (County Rd., West Rd., Rowe Mtn Rd., and Center Rd.) restoration plan has been submitted and approved. However, the deadline of 9/30/23 has passed. Becca suggested that we ask the Department of Environmental Services (DES) for a status report.

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

**Water Tank** The hot water tank in the Library broke. A new one was purchased and installed.

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

**Community Involvement Fair** Thursday, November 9, 2023, from 6-8pm at the BACC.

**Christmas Event** The committee discussed partnering with the FD, Library,

and Bradford Community Church to host a Christmas event together on the same evening. Ideas discussed include Jingle Bus, community dinner, tree lighting, story time with Santa, food drive, Christmas photo booth and more. Looking at December 8 for event.

**Polar Plunge 2024** The committee discussed hosting a second annual Polar Plunge at French's on New Years Day.

**KRSD SCHOOL BOARD**

**Sprinklers** The Board approved the purchase recommendation for wet and dry NFPA 13 sprinkler coverage at KRES New London in the amount of \$282,700.00 from John L. Carter Sprinkler Company, Inc. to be paid across two fiscal years (\$150,000.00 from FY 23-24 and \$132,700.00 from FY 24-25).

**Budget Reductions** Superintendent Feneberg presented the Board with reductions to the 2024-25 budget as requested. He stated that the District is prepared to propose slightly over \$500,000.00 worth of reductions. He said that each principal was involved in making the reductions. Additional reductions were discussed which include removing \$100,000.00 from the New London Playground line, removing \$75,000.00 for pavement sealing and striping at Simonds, and removing \$25,000.00 by cutting back on the number of interactive monitors to be purchased to replace aging projectors. School Board member Ken Bartholomew stated that a number of these reductions are only deferrals. He said that deferred replacements catch up. He stated that by the end of the 2024-25 school year, when this budget runs out, things may be in critical need of replacement.

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# Obituaries

## Alexander George Spiliotis

Alexander George Spiliotis died peacefully at home on September 9, 2023 in Warner, NH, at the age of 85, surrounded by his daughters, Beth Spiliotis and Dayna Kanelakos, his wife of 40 years, Caryl Walker, and his beloved dog, Teddy.

Alexander was born on March 27, 1938, in Boston, MA, to George Alexander Spiliotis and Katherine (Kanelos). He graduated from Cambridge High and Latin, and Boston University with a BS in Business Administration. After serving four years in the Army National Guard, he returned home to run the family business, Apollo Linen Supply.

Alex is survived by his sister, Evelyn Genes of Braintree, MA and his brother, Theodore Spilotes of Fort Lauderdale, FL, and a large extended family.

Alex moved to Grantham, NH, in 1981 and worked as a real estate agent and salesperson. In 1983, Alex and Caryl married and lived in Bradford, NH, for 30 years before moving to Warner. Alex will be remembered for his smile and great sense of humor.

There will be a gathering to dedicate the family bench on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 11:15am in Sunny Plain Cemetery, Bradford, NH with a celebration of life to follow at the Appleseed Restaurant, Bradford. Everyone is invited to attend.

Please send donations to Granite VNA and Granite VNA Hospice, 30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH, 03301 or a charity of your choice. To sign an on-line guestbook, please visit [www.chadwickfuneralservice.com](http://www.chadwickfuneralservice.com).



## Beth Ellen Spiliotis Perry

Beth Ellen Spiliotis Perry died on Sept. 22, 2023, unexpectedly of hypertensive/coronary heart disease in Manchester, NH at the age of 56.

Beth was born on Jan 3, 1967 to Alexander Spiliotis and Nancy (Rasimas) in Framingham, MA. She grew up there and in So. Riverton, UT, where she studied Computer Science at PACE Institute of Technology.

After returning to NH, Beth furthered her education in Business Administration at Southern. NH University and worked in the Manchester area in the business sector. For the past 2½ years, she worked in financial services at Havenwood Heritage Heights in Concord, NH. She loved this job, especially when she got to interact with the residents.

Beth is predeceased by her parents, Alexander Spiliotis, 9/9/23, of Warner, NH, and Nancy (Rasimas) Nelsen, 10/17/12, of Mesquite, NV. Beth is survived by her sister, Dayna Kanelakos of Nashville, TN, step-mother, Caryl Walker of Warner, NH and a large extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins of MA, FL, RI, and Canada. She will be remembered for her bubbly personality, her enthusiasm and curiosity about life, and her love of animals.

There will be a gathering to dedicate the family bench on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 11:15am in Sunny Plain Cemetery, Bradford, NH with a celebration of life to follow at the Appleseed Restaurant, Bradford. Everyone is invited to attend.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to an animal shelter, ie. Pope Memorial SPCA, 94 Silk Farm Rd, Concord, NH 03301 or Manchester Animal Shelter, 490 Dunbarton Rd, Manchester, NH 03102, or a charity of your choice. To sign an online guestbook, please visit [www.chadwickfuneralservice.com](http://www.chadwickfuneralservice.com). Chadwick Funeral Service of New London is assisting the family with arrangements.



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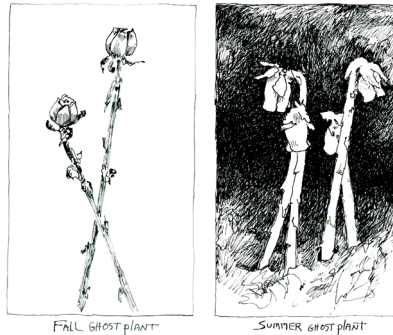
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# ~ OUTSIDE ~

It's late October, Halloween time. Trees are tossing off their spent leaves. Fans of manicured landscapes would say it's a mess out there. The dying upright stems of *Monotropa uniflora* – 'ghost plants' or 'corpse flowers' – are standing in stiff, dry bunches like shaggy straws protruding from the duff.



In summer, ghost plants were, in a sculptural and slightly macabre way, quite attractive. They appeared bent-necked, white and waxy with subtle tones of pink. At that time, they looked like a clump of tiny septic field vents, or more poetically, like a band of lost saxophonists supine in the leaves and blowing soft tunes. These pale plants looked and felt like mushrooms. They know a lot about mushrooms... because they must.

Ghost plants were once 'normal' green plants properly photosynthesizing – using their leaves to assemble their food with sun and air and with minerals and water added from roots sensibly planted in the ground. Surprisingly, they are most closely related to rhododendrons and are included in the Heath family. Somehow and for some reason, ghost plants changed course and changed life-style. They still have tiny, translucent vestigial leaves, thus retaining membership cards in the kingdom of plants. Long ago they sidled up to other plants and traded in their chloroplasts for raiding the supply lines between trees and their fungal partners. Scientists have eavesdropped into the conversations, hoping to translate the interactions. We are a nosy species.

Less than a foot tall, the unassuming

ghost plant settled our raging debates over the importance of the underground connections between plants and fungi. In the late 1980s, these plants demonstrated that some organisms have total dependence on the 'wood wide web' – the massive circuitry out of our sight between plants, fungi, and soil organisms. Ghost plants served as the 'periscopes into underground relationships.'

Perhaps 10% of plants have made this same radical departure from direct photosynthesis to complete dependence on mycorrhizal (fungal) connections. This includes all of the huge family of orchids each of the 25,000 species needing at some point in their lives to resort to theft. Upon germinating, ghost plants send out feeding tubes from their seeds that insinuate themselves into the partnership of fungi, usually a species of *Russula* and trees, often beech. There is, of course, a name for these freeloaders – mycoheterotrophs. Perhaps they perform some unseen function for the mushrooms and the trees. Perhaps they supply something from the air or can tell a good joke. We can't stand the thought of someone getting something for nothing.

Ghost plants are ephemeral and fast-growing in the right conditions – a dry spell after rain will do. Their flowers are five petals fused into a cup. Once they have been pollinated, often by bumblebees, their now-blackening flowerheads turn upwards and they toss their tiny seeds hopefully into the wind. Getting all their nutrients from others, they can, and do, grow in the dark.

The soil disturbance of extensive or repeated logging and the introduction of some invasive plants and imported animals such as earthworms can doom the below-ground connections. Thus, the presence of ghost plants and other fungal reliant plants indicates a still-healthy forest.

Another common name for the ghost plant is Indian pipe – so named for a resemblance to some native American tribe's peace pipes. We could use more peace pipes right now.

## → NEW FEATURE!

### Community Resources

**Food For Thought NH, Inc.** Any child in the Kearsarge region can have free healthy food for weekends or school breaks by signing up through their school's nurse or by contacting [FoodForThoughtForKids@gmail.com](mailto:FoodForThoughtForKids@gmail.com). Website: [FoodForThoughtNH.org](http://FoodForThoughtNH.org). Registered 501(c)(3) non-profit, 100% volunteer run.

**The Bradford Community Food Pantry** is open the 3rd Wednesday of every month, 5:30-6:30pm in the church office building (located to the right of the church), if you need help between our open times, please call the church office (603-938-5313) for an appointment.

**Community FREEdge at Sweet Beet Market**, open and available to all 24/7/365. 11 West Main, Bradford. Stocked three times per week with fresh produce, meat & eggs, pantry items, and prepared meals from Sweet Beet Café.

**The Warner Food Pantry** 603-456-2053. Tuesday 4:00-6:00pm and Thursday 11:00am-1:00pm. The Fresh Vegetable Cart is on Thursdays 11:00am-1:00pm, in the upper parking lot.

**Kearsarge Lake Sunapee Community Food Pantry.** Housed in the First Baptist Church, 461 Main Street, New London. Hours of service: Wednesdays 4:30-6:30pm, Saturdays 10:00-11:30am. Info at the First Baptist Church office 603-526-6511.

**Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice** Located in New London, NH serving individuals of all ages in parts of Grafton, Merrimack and Sullivan counties. Services include hospice, palliative care, personal care, and wellness programs. Call for help 24/7: 603-526-4077, website: [lakesunapeevna.org](http://lakesunapeevna.org), email: [info@lakesunapeevna.org](mailto:info@lakesunapeevna.org).

**Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners** provides the Kearsarge area with a wide variety of services for all: Help with chores, transportation, emergency firewood, home cooked meals, phone check ins, and much more. They also recognize the value of reciprocity, and they look for ways that neighbors seeking help to eventually be in a position to serve others. <https://knpnh.org/>, [info@KNPnh.org](mailto:info@KNPnh.org), 603-317-5900.

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## Bradford Community Church Events

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### November Happenings

Sunday Worship Service begins at 10am. We offer Sunday school every Sunday for children ages 5-5th grade. Children worship with the adults until “Time with God’s Children” and then go and enjoy a biblical lesson, activities, crafts, and a snack.

Bible Study on the Book of Revelation will meet the following Wednesdays in November from 6-7pm. November 1, 8, 15 and 29.

Beginners Bible study meets on Sunday mornings from 8:15-9:15pm in the office building.

Tuesday Bible study meets at 9am in the office building, studying the book of Psalms.

Men’s Breakfast will meet Saturday, November 4 from 8-9am. After a hearty breakfast, there is a biblical devotion geared toward men.

Fall Clean Up: On Saturday, November 4 at 9:30am we will be cleaning the church inside and outside.

Young Adult Gathering: Young adults will enjoy a Mexican dinner and a time to connect on Saturday, November 4 at 5pm.

Sister to Sister will meet Saturday, November 11 at 8:30am for a time of sharing, devotion, and prayer.

The Food Pantry will not be open on the 3rd Wednesday, instead Thanksgiving baskets will be handed out to families on Saturday, November 18, 9:30-11am. This will include the regular food basket and items to make a Thanksgiving meal.

Christmas Shoeboxes. We are making Christmas shoe boxes for Samaritan’s Purse who deliver them to children around the world. If you would like to participate, please call the church office at 603-938-5313. Deadline is November 12.

One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Our church is taking donations to help with humanitarian aid in Israel. If you would like to help, please make your check out to Bradford Community Church, under memo: OGHS and mail it to P.O. Box 57, Bradford, NH 03221

Thanksgiving Sunday potluck. On Sunday, November 19 we will enjoy a church family potluck after our worship service thanking God for our church and allowing us to be a light to our community.

Dessert Auction. On Sunday, November 19 after our potluck lunch, we will be auctioning off yummy homemade desserts to help support our missions.

Hanging of the Greens. After our worship service on Sunday, November 26, we will decorate our church for Advent and Christmas.

## TRANSFER STATION NEWS

### Assurances of Recycling

To bring a Bradford approach to a question at hand, more recently than usual the Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center has been asked if most of what is recycled in Bradford is actually being recycled!

This question is understandable, because in some cases the media says that recyclables are simply being thrown away. Due to the state of the economy and to the sheer volume of things now being recycled, it has been more difficult for us to find vendors who are actually in the business of selling their recycled product and therefore, will buy the materials that we collect in Bradford’s recycling programs. The Northeast Resource and Recovery Association (NRRRA), which was covered extensively by the Bradford Bridge staff, markets most of Bradford’s recyclables and they are committed to selling these commodities to environmentally responsible companies. We have been most appreciative of their integrity and help with our recycling programs and issues.

Through research and relationships with other transfer and recycling centers, state agencies, and associations, we have been able to locate and secure other vendors to receive our recyclables to potential vendors. We also consider the overall environmental impact of the recycling process of our selected vendors.

Ken and I appreciate that the town of Bradford has supported our recycling programs, has been patient as we have had to change what materials we are able to efficiently and economically recycle, and has worked well with the various vendors we have been able to secure.

*Lois Kilnapp, Manager*

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# BRADFORD COMMUNITY EVENTS

*All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-5900) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted. Call to confirm dates and times in case of any changes. For town boards and committees, check the Town's website calendar for up-to-date times: [bradfordnh.org](http://bradfordnh.org)*

**Wednesday, November 1**

8:45 am Strong Living, MVSC  
 10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 1:00 pm Therapeutic Yoga, MVSC  
 4:30 pm Girl Scouts, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, MR  
 7:00 pm Zoning Board, SR

**Thursday, November 2**

12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC  
 6:00 pm Economic Dev. Committee, SR

**Friday, November 3**

8:45 am Strong Living, MVSC  
 9:30 pm 1st Friday Brunch, MVSC

**Saturday, November 4**

10:00 am Buildwave Enrichment Program, Grades K-7, BML

**Monday, November 6**

8:45 am Strong Living, MVSC  
 10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 1:00 pm Bridge Group, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm The Survival Story of Moose in New Hampshire, BML

**Tuesday, November 7**

10:00 am Quilting Group, MVSC  
 12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, SR

**Wednesday, November 8**

1:00 pm Therapeutic Yoga, MVSC  
 4:00 pm Cemetery Commission, SR  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 5:30 pm Masonic Building, SR

**Thursday, November 9**

12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Parks & Rec., SR  
 6:00 pm Community Involvement, SR

**Friday, November 10**

Veteran's Day Observed

**Monday, November 13**

8:45 am Strong Living, MVSC  
 10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 1:00 pm Bridge Group, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Tuesday, November 14**

10:00 am Quilting Group, MVSC  
 12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Wednesday, November 15**

9:00 am Wellness Clinic, MVSC  
 11:30 am Footcare Clinic, MVSC  
 1:00 pm Therapeutic Yoga, MVSC  
 4:30 pm Girl Scouts, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Thursday, November 16**

12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC  
 6:00 pm Budget Committee, SR

**Friday, November 17**

8:45 am Strong Living, MVSC

**Monday, November 20**

8:45 am Strong Living, MVSC  
 10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 1:00 pm Bridge Group, MVSC  
 4:00 pm Junior Book Group, BML

**Tuesday, November 21**

10:00 am Quilting Group, MVSC  
 12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
 5:00 pm Energy Committee, SR  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 7:00 pm Conservation Committee, BML

**Wednesday, November 22**

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

**Thursday, November 23**

Thanksgiving Holiday

**Friday, November 24**

Thanksgiving Holiday

**Monday, November 27**

8:45 am Strong Living, MVSC  
 10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 1:00 pm Bridge Group, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, SR

**Tuesday, November 28**

10:00 am Quilting Group, MVSC  
 12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 7:00 pm Planning Board, SR

**Wednesday, November 29**

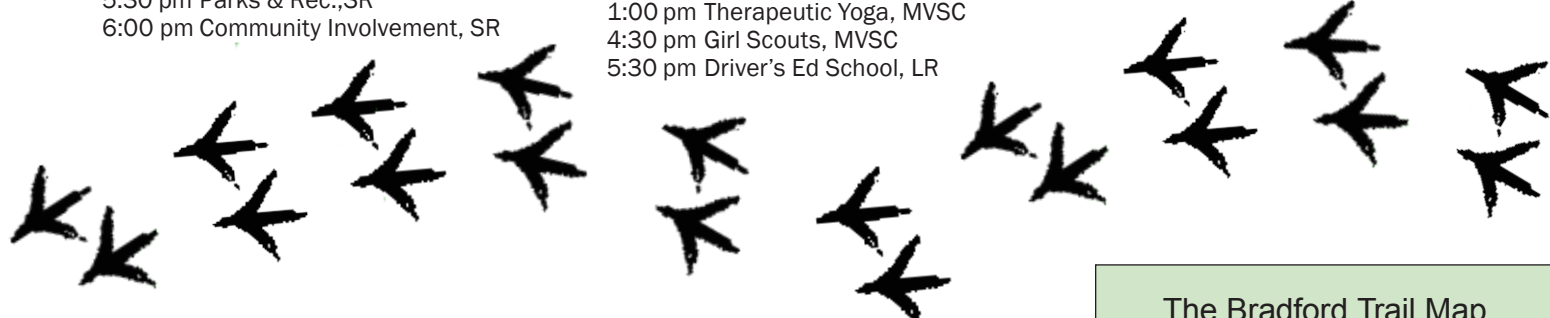
1:00 pm Therapeutic Yoga, MVSC  
 4:30 pm Girl Scouts, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 7:00 pm Book Group, *This Other Eden*

**Thursday, November 30**

12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC  
 6:00 pm Budget Committee, SR

**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>	Streaming Room
<b>ZBA</b>	Zoning Board of Adjustment



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**AREA EVENTS**  
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**Wednesday, November 1, 7:30 pm.**  
Open Mic night at 11 West Main St.  
Come to open mic night. Join us to participate or just listen. More information, [11westmainbradfordnh@gmail.com](mailto:11westmainbradfordnh@gmail.com)

**Saturday, November 4, 10:00 am.**  
Buildwave Enrichment Program - Grades K-7. Participants are led through waves of high energy building activities using materials like Lego®, PlusPlus®, Kapla®, and more. More information, <http://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org/programs-passes--events.html>.

**Thursday, November 9, from 6-8pm,**  
Community Involvement Fair at the Bradford Area Community Center. Learn about available opportunities, chat with current serving Board members, learn how to declare your candidacy, and more. Light refreshments will be served. Free on-site childcare available for participants.

**Thursday, November 9, 6-7:30 pm**  
Kearsarge Food Hub Love Local Event. See ad in this issue for information and registration.

**Wednesday, November 15, 7:30 pm.**  
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**Thursday, November 30, 4:00 pm.**  
Meet the Maker Series at Soul Source. More information, <https://www.facebook.com/SSI02EMain>.

**SURROUNDING TOWNS**

**Sunday, November 5, 11:00 am.** Bark Basket Making with Jenifer Lee at Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum in Warner. More information, <https://www.indianmuseum.org/calendar>

**Monday, November 6, 2:00-4:00pm.** Landscape History Guided Hike. Walk the northern trails of Sawyer Brook Preserve with Ausbon Sargent and the Grantham Conservation Commission to see evidence of how people and wildlife have relied on this landscape over time. The walk will be approximately 1-2 miles over well-established walking paths. More information, [stewardship@ausbonsargent.org](mailto:stewardship@ausbonsargent.org) or 603-526-6555.

**Tuesday, November 7, 10:00 am.** Loons at LSPA's Center for Lake Studies, Newbury. More information, <https://www.lakesunapee.org>.

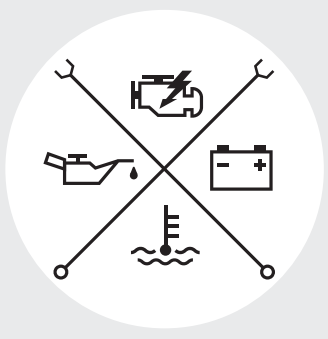
**Sunday, November 19, 2:00 pm.** Thanks For Giving, Environmental Stewards: Lands, Lake, and Lore at the Center Meeting House of Newbury. More information, [centermeetinghousenewbury.org](http://centermeetinghousenewbury.org)

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Kathleen Bigford



Over 400 pounds of crookneck squash from the Abenaki Seeds project and the Abenaki Trails Project, grown under the guidance of professor Leon Malan in the Colby-Sawyer College Main Street garden, harvested with the help of students, and delivered to the Kearsarge Food Hub to distribute to the Abenaki Food pantry.



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