

# The Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS *for* NEIGHBORS *by* NEIGHBORS

## MONTHLY BRIEFING: Town Board Reports

### SELECT BOARD

**Building Permits** The Board reviewed building permits for Map 16 Lot 79, Map 22 Lot 8, Map 4 Lot 35, Map 12 Lot 6, Map 19 Lot 38, Map 7 Lot 4, Map 6 Lot 70 and Map 11 Lot 56. Mr. Grenier (189 Cressy Road) appeared for clarification of his building permit application. The Board reviewed and approved the application.

**Transfer Station Update** Recycling of aluminum, mixed paper, and plastic netted \$1,286.33. New transfer station stickers are being ordered. Lois Kilnapp, Transfer Station Manager, submitted changes to the Transfer Station ordinance. To officially make the changes requires a Planning Board hearing or vote at Town Meeting.

**Fire Department Update** Since January first the Fire Department has responded to 79 incidents (44 EMS call and 35 Fire calls). Compared to the same time period in 2023, the department had responded to 56 incidents, representing a 26% increase in call volume. Fire permits are required for outside burning. Contact the Fire Warden or the Fire Department to obtain one. As of March 15th, Mark Goldberg retired after 53 years, 34 years as Chief of the Fire Department. The new fire truck is expected to be delivered in June.

**Highway Department Updates** The 2023 budget is now closed with the final expense of the gravel funds encumbered at the end of 2023. 2024 expenses are on track. Fairgrounds Road repaving will go over budget. Consensus of the Board is to finish the project. A mower is available for purchase for \$39K. Contractually the cost is about \$36K to mow the entire town. Consensus of the Board is to pay

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Bradford's Town Hall was built in 1797 as a one-story meetinghouse that stood in Bradford Center. In 1863, it was dismantled, moved to its current location on West Main Street and reconstructed with a second floor added. In the early 20th century, an addition was built onto the rear of the building which allowed a stage to be added on the second floor. The Town Hall was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1980. State grant and municipal funds have made this renovation possible, preserving, protecting and modernizing this historic treasure for Bradford's future.





# The Bradford Bridge

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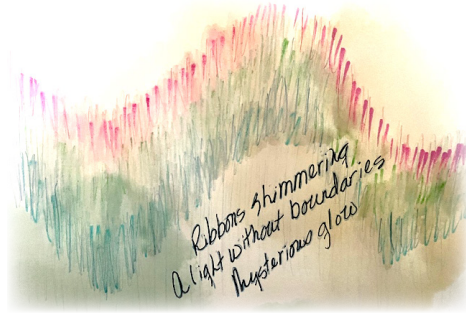
Tuesday: 8 AM – 12 PM/ 1 PM – 4 PM

Wednesday: 12 PM – 5 PM

Thursday: 10 AM – 7 PM

Friday through Monday: Closed

## From The Bridge



Kathleen Bigford

The weekend of May 10th-12th brought us one of the best sky shows in decades. The sun and the earth conspired to dazzle observers with a vivid shimmering glow.

This June edition of the Bradford Bridge brings a constellation of news from May and events for June. I would like to highlight a couple of things you can read about further in these pages.

Ellen Barselle, Brown Memorial Library Director, gives us a book review of *The Film Club* by David Gilmour in "Library Lantern". Her review entices me to read the book. Then, as she often does, she enhances it with personal experience. I'm sure her narrative will strike a familiar note with many readers.

I would like to give a very hearty shout out to Karen Hambleton, our faithful Town Hall reporter for keeping us informed about the progress of the Town Hall renovation. And, again to Karen plus Maureen Brandon, and Erica Gross, who together with volunteers Beth Downs, Evan Miller, and Sterling Gross, spearheaded the packing up and moving of the contents of the town offices at the Community Center to the new/old town hall. In two days they moved mountains of records and office materials. Read more about it in "Town Hall Update – We Did It!" Yes you did.

Many thanks to all who contributed to this edition. Your enthusiasm makes this newspaper shine.

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Enjoy the coming of summer!!

Kathleen Bigford, Editor

and everyone who brings news of neighbors by neighbors

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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 Editor,

I would like to thank Steve Hall and his crew for keeping Johnson Hill Road (dirt road) in good shape during the winter and spring. I travel that road every Tuesday. Great job.

Thanks, Sandie True  
Newbury, NH

Bradford 5K Road Race

The 37th Bradford 5K road race will be held on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 9:00 am, held in memory of Jimmy the Jogger Raymond. Registration information can be found online at *bradfordnh.org* until June 27 at midnight. The fee is \$25. Register by June 22 to receive a t-shirt. Same day registration begins at 7:00 am on June 29 at the Bradford Area Community Center, 134 East Main, Bradford, with a fee of \$30. T-shirts may be available on race day, first-come-first-served.

Thank you and hope to see you there.

Bruce Edwards, Race Director,  
Bradford Parks and Recreation



June 18th, 2024  
early release at noon



# INDEPENDENCE DAY

## CELEBRATION

★ SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2024

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### 5K ROAD RACE

7AM registration ★ 9AM race start  
37th Parks and Rec 5K Road Race- In memory of Jimmy  
"The Jogger" Raymond. Registration opens 7am at the Bradford Area  
Community Center, race starts 9am - info at [bradfordnh.org](http://bradfordnh.org)

### BREAKFAST BUFFET ★ 8-10AM

### CHURCH FAIR ★ 9AM-1PM

Breakfast buffet, games for children, bake table and vendors  
at the Bradford Community Church

### FIRE DEPT BBQ ★ 4-6PM

Available by pre- order, buy tickets ahead of time  
from members of the Fire Department

### CELEBRATION ON

### EAST MAIN STREET ★ 5-9PM

East Main Street will be closed from NH 114 to 150 E Main Street  
Bring your chair or blanket to set up on the lawn at the  
Bradford Historical Society for a great view of the fireworks and fun!

### SQUARE DANCING ★ 5-6:30PM

Demo & audience participation with Bradford Country Squares

### FOOD TRUCKS ★ 5-9PM

Food trucks from the Gravy Train & Pizza Hero

### NICK'S OTHER BAND ★ 7-9PM

High-energy rock 'n roll dance music with local favorites

### FIREWORKS ★ 9PM

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# Fire & Rescue Department Update

The Bradford Fire Rescue has been experiencing above normal calls for service. As of 5/23 we have had 95 calls for service compared to 73 for the same time period in 2023. Emergency Medical Service calls are the primary driving force for these numbers.

EMT Certifications. We have had several employees take additional Emergency Medical training. Overall, we had additional 2 new EMS providers and 3 increased their provider levels. We have taken advantage of a program through State of NH employment security where we get reimbursed for 100% of the cost of the training. We will be reimbursed over \$5,500 for these EMS certifications. This is a huge time commitment of these employees. The hours in the class are volunteer hours. We get reimbursed for the cost of the training.

New Fire Engine: The Fire Engine that was approved in 2022 at town meeting was ordered in the fall of 2022. Two Fire Department members will be going down to Florida to do the inspection of the engine before it comes back to New England to have the final items added to it. It is hopeful by July-August the new engine will be placed into service at Bradford FD.

Forest and Lands Grant: Purchases are being made to complete a grant that the FD was awarded from NH Division of Forests and Lands. This was a \$4,000 50/50 grant.

Hazard Mitigation Survey: The town has been working very hard on completing the 2025 Hazard Mitigation plan. Having this plan in place is important for several reasons. First and foremost is that we will have a plan if there is a disaster or weather event that hits Bradford and secondly having a plan in place helps the town to be able to apply for grants.

Address Signs: The Fire Department is still offering the street address signs. Please feel free to contact the FD to get the form to apply for an address sign. The

sign comes at a cost of \$20. Remember if we can't find you, we can't help you.

Fire Permits: Whenever the ground isn't covered with snow an outside fire permit is required. The fire permit is free and only clean wood and brush can be burned. Please contact Forest Fire Warden Steve Hansen or the FD to get a fire permit. These permits include the small campfire permits you have in your backyard.

Chicken BBQ: At the Bradford Patriotic celebration, the FD will be supporting the Parks and Recreation Road race. This year's race is in Honor of Deputy Chief James Raymond. Please register to help celebrate his life and the contributions he made to the Bradford community.

The FD will be doing their Chicken BBQ again this year. We are planning to hold the BBQ later in the day so as you come down for the fireworks, you can pick up your chicken dinner and eat it with your family and friends when you are waiting for dusk and the fireworks to start. We will be selling tickets for the BBQ. There may be some meals that will be available without tickets.

Blood Drive: There will be a Red Cross Blood drive in September. Stay tuned for future Bridge articles to find the specific date and times.

Please like us on Facebook at Bradford NH Fire Rescue to see what the FD is doing and what's up and coming.

*Bryan Nowell  
Fire Chief/Emergency Management  
Director and Health Officer*

## Bradford Hazard Mitigation Committee

### Bradford Hazard Mitigation and Severe Weather Event Survey | January - October 2024 |

The Town of Bradford, NH is updating its 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Hazard Mitigation Committee developed a Survey to obtain your opinions about severe weather events, disasters, natural hazards, and mitigation of these hazards and events in Bradford. Your responses will help make our community more resilient to disasters and severe weather. Individual responses will be kept anonymous and will be compiled for the 2025 Hazard Mitigation Plan's data collection to help direct priorities.

Please fill out our Hazard Mitigation & Severe Weather Event Survey. This 10-15 minute Survey will remain open throughout the planning process, so feel free to enter your response anytime. Tell others about this Survey and encourage them to fill it out too. Find the link at [bradfordnh.org](http://bradfordnh.org) under Recent Posts.

Who should fill out this Survey?

Everyone - from Bradford residents, visitors to Town, neighbors surrounding Bradford, those who commute through Bradford, anyone who works within Bradford or owns a business here - all are invited to complete the Hazard Mitigation and Severe Weather Event Survey.

*Bradford Hazard Mitigation Committee*

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# TRANSFER STATION NEWS

## Road Clean Up!!

Earth Day has officially passed in 2024, however every day is Earth Day at the Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center. The Transfer station has blue New Hampshire the Beautiful bags available all year long for any town resident who would like to use them for roadside and trail clean up.

When the blue bags are used to clean up along state roads, the bags can be securely left (along with larger trash items collected along the state road) for the State to pick up.

When the blue bags are used to clean up along the town roads and trails, the bags can be brought to the transfer station where Ken and I will distribute the recyclable items for you. Whenever and wherever we walk or hike, we bring bags to collect any trash that we may see.

It is rewarding to see that we have left a roadside or a hiking trail more tidy and beautiful than when we first arrived.

*Lois Kilnapp, Manager*

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In WWII, Victory Gardens were started at homes throughout the US to produce food at a time of scarcity, to boost morale, to build community, and reduce the demand on resources needed for the war. In the 1940's, everyone played their part to fight the war. Today we have a different kind of crisis on our doorstep, which is climate change and environmental devastation caused by human activity. How can we all do our part against something that feels at once so enormous and so conceptual? Growing Victory Gardens today is a way to take climate action for many of the reasons folks did so back during WWII.

Growing our own gardens, no matter how small, not only provides us with fresh, nutritious produce, but it can also reduce food mileage, food waste, and our reliance on the global industrial food system. Home gardens have the power to sequester carbon, promote biodiversity, and conserve water. And perhaps most importantly, gardening reminds us of our

dependence on the Earth and our dependence on one another, on our community.

Gardening creates a level of self-sufficiency, but it is, at its root, a practice in community building and a reflection of our interdependence. We need each other and we need the vibrancy of our planet to survive and thrive. We need small-scale efforts that collectively add up to make a big difference in the fight against climate change.

Kearsarge Food Hub is grateful to be a part of two gardening programs, the Abenaki Seeds Project and Tray it Forward, that help plant 450 home gardens in the Kearsarge / Lake Sunapee region. In their 4th and 5th years respectively, these projects have sent hundreds of seeds and thousands of seedlings out into the community. Let the growing begin!

Join us on this gardening journey by joining the KFH E-Newsletter mailing list, just type this web address into your browser: [www.bit.ly/KFHcommunications](http://www.bit.ly/KFHcommunications). We're in it together!

*Hanna Flanders, Kearsarge Food Hub*

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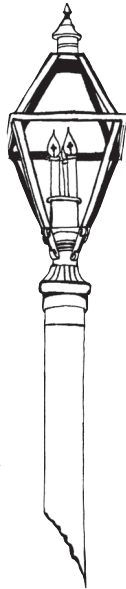
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# Library Lantern



## Brown Memorial Library

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### Library Hours:

Monday 10:00am – 6:00pm

Wednesday 10:00am – 6:00pm

Friday 10:00am – 6:00pm

Saturday 9:00am – 1:00pm

Book Review of *The Film Club*  
by David Gilmour:

I found this gem of a book while weeding our memoir/biography section. The title alone was attractive as I love films, but the idea of a father and son watching movies and talking about them sold me. David Gilmour is a novelist and film critic; he's watched thousands of movies and interviewed many television and movie stars. His memoir takes place during a more difficult time in his life when he was between jobs, underemployed, and searching for his next opportunity. At the same time, his 15yr old son, Jesse, was skipping school regularly and failing in most of his classes. His son wanted to drop out, and David knew he couldn't force his 6'3" son to do homework, so he made him a deal. Jesse could drop out of school for the next year, sleep in until whatever hour he wanted, not get a job, if he watched three movies a week of David's choice and then discussed them. David's thought was that this would be a type of education, albeit informal, and it would allow the two to connect on a topic together.

David knew he was taking a big chance, that perhaps Jesse wouldn't return to school, or would find some menial job that he would stay in for too long, and he would remain in the family's basement and David would forever lament his decision. David also knew that Jesse was intellectually curious, and that perhaps, movie watching would entice other interests. Movies inspire conversation,

they broaden perspective, they teach history, they immerse you in a time and place and allow you to lose yourself within them for several hours. When you watch a good movie, it stays with you, it changes you. One of the biggest pleasures of reading this book was to read about the types of films David chose and the conversations that followed. "We talked about the sixties, the Beatles (too often but he indulged me), drinking badly, drinking well, then some more about Rebecca ("Do you think she'll dump me"), Adolf Hitler, Dachau, Richard Nixon, infidelity, Truman Capote, the Mojave Desert, Suge Knight, lesbians, cocaine, heroin chic, the Backstreet Boys (my idea), tattoos, Johnny Carson, Tupac (his idea), sarcasm, weight lifting, French actors, and e.e. cummings."

I struggle in my relationship with my son, now, who is 14 years old. He is a bright, funny, interesting boy who now prefers to stay in his dark bedroom, coming out to have meals, and then retreating back. Our relationship feels more tense and less affectionate, and I yearn for a deeper connection. He is a teenager and I know it is natural for him to be finding his way towards independence. We talked recently about his grades, and what they mean for college, and he said to me, quite confidently, "Who says I'm going to college." Sometimes books find your way into your heart at just the right time.

Jesse Gilmour is a successful adult who is filming his first documentary about the effects of prison on the male psyche and is writing his first novel. He also has a podcast called, The Gilmour Podcast.

David and Jesse watched 111 movies during their film club and here is a list of a few of them.

*Absolute Power, Basic Instinct, Bicycle Thieves, The Big Sleep, High Noon, Chinatown, The Dead Zone, Dr. No, Fast Times at Ridgemont High, Full Metal Jacket, Giant, Internal Affairs, Jungle Fever, Last Tango in Paris, Manhattan, Mommie Dearest, Plenty, Psycho, RoboCop, Roman Holiday, Scarface, The Stepfather, Thief, Tootsie, Unforgiven, and Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf.*

## June's list of events:

Wednesday, June 5th @ 6:00pm / UFO's and Spy Balloons in the News

Friday, June 7th @ 10:30am / Fiber Arts Circle (will break for summer and resume on Friday, October 4th).

Saturday, June 8th @ 11:00am / Kathy Lowe's Family Program: Book Reading of *Tommer's Earthly Friends* with visual aids for reflection and Nature Songs with instruments for all to play and join in with rhythms and singing.

Saturday, June 15th / Drop-In Crafts: Dried flowers on candle votives & bell jars.

Summer Reading Logs will be available the week after school is out on Monday, June 24th.

## Summer Reading Programs for July:

Monday, July 8th @ 2:00pm / Wildlife Encounters

Monday, July 15th @ 1:00pm / Talewise: Adventure of the Lost Treasure (science and storytelling)

Monday, July 22nd @ 1:00pm / Art with Anne

Monday, July 29th @ 1:00pm / End of Summer Reading Celebration with Raffle Prizes & Games.

Junior Book Group & Adult Book Group will break for the summer. Both groups will resume in September. Books for both groups will be available in August.

The library will be closed on June 19th in observance of Juneteenth.

*Ellen Barselle, Library Director*



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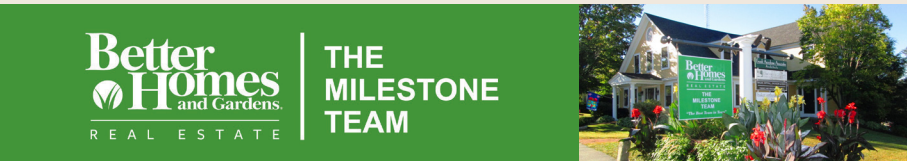
The Bradford Conservation Commission will be hosting a silent auction to fund participation of one or two (or more!) kids to an environmental summer camp in 2025. New Hampshire Audubon's Nature Camp looks like an exciting summer program that would inspire and ignite any young person's interest in the outdoors and perhaps an enduring interest in environmental studies.

Dozens of generous Bradford residents have offered dozens of interesting items for this silent online auction. We will be letting you know how to locate the website and will have some of the bounty on display at the Fourth of July Celebration on June 29. Get ready to bid on all sorts of items for a good cause!

If you'd like to make a donation, anonymous or otherwise, or if you know someone who might be interested in the summer camp program, let us know! For more information: [bcc@bradfordnh.org](mailto:bcc@bradfordnh.org) or <https://www.nhaudubon.org/education/nature-day-camp/>



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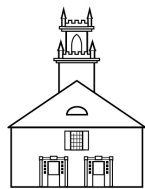
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As always, the mission of the Friends of the Bradford Center Meetinghouse is to provide enjoyment and education to all of our community, while maintaining the historic buildings that make up Bradford Center. This summer, the Center School will get a fresh coat of paint from local expert, Al



LeBlanc. We invite you to come on by whenever you want a picturesque place to picnic, or soak up some history in the Center Burying Ground, or frolic on the Town Green.

The Summer Music Series starts with North River Band on July 12 at 6pm. Then, we welcome Nick's Other Band on July 26th at 6 pm, followed by the Lettvin

Classical Concert on August 10th at 7 pm. Our annual Ice Cream Social will feature the Kearsarge Community Band on August 25th at 4pm and our final concert will host Hot Skillet Club on September 21st at 5 pm. See details about our schedule of events in the Summer Music Series flier on page 24.

Tickets are available online now. Visit [bradford.center](http://bradford.center) and make your donation today. We'd sure appreciate it.

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# Obituaries

## Helen Lynam



Helen L. (Bagley) Lynam, 98, of West Road, died at Granite CRVNA Hospice House in Concord on April 29, 2024.

She was born in Bradford, NH, on May 16, 1925, the daughter of Horace F. and Lena L. (Heselton) Bagley.

Helen spent her early years in Bradford and later met her future husband, George H. Lynam. They married and moved to Massachusetts where she worked in a New Bedford, MA, factory making men's suits. She moved back to Bradford in 1985 to care for her mother.

She was an incredible seamstress making all of the clothing for her children, quilting and using up every piece of scrap material around. Sewing them into potholders, table runners, wall hangings and so much more. She had several sewing machines and used them all well into her 98th year. Often she would make things by hand. She was generous with the finished products and might give someone something after coming for a visit.

Helen was a member of the East Washington Baptist Church and was the holder of the Boston Post Cane for being the oldest resident in Bradford. She was a former member of the Grange and Rebekahs.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband, two sons, Gordon and Gary, a granddaughter, Lisa, and all of her siblings. Helen is survived by three daughters, Gloria Cynar of Fairhaven, MA, Judith Yearly of Gulf Breeze, FL and Debra Charpentier of Bradford, NH; daughter-in-law, Pam Lynam of Bourne, MA; nine grandchildren; many great grandchildren and nieces and nephews.. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bradford Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 436, Bradford, NH 03221.



## Raymond Memorial



Members of the Bradford Fire Department together with firefighters from several surrounding towns held a memorial for Deputy Fire Chief Jimmy Raymond on Saturday, April 27, 2024.

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For tomorrow may rain, so I'll follow the sun  
Some day you'll know I was the one  
But tomorrow may rain, so  
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And so my love I must go  
And though I lose a friend  
In the end you'll know  
Oooh  
One day you'll find that I have gone  
But tomorrow may rain, so  
I'll follow the sun  
Yes, tomorrow may rain, so  
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# Town Hall Update – We Did It!

With the construction behind us and a Certificate of Occupancy in hand, our stunning Town Hall was ready to be reoccupied. In the span of three days, the Town Offices were packed and moved into the newly renovated Town Hall. Unpacking is proving to take a bit longer.



On Wednesday May 15th, the Town Offices were closed and quickly became a maze of open cabinet drawers and packed

boxes. File cabinets, bookcases, and bookshelves together with miscellaneous items were packed into boxes. Pictured below on the left is Beth Downs with boxes labeled with brightly colored masking tape to correctly direct them to their new location.

The next day everything was loaded onto a truck and moved down the street to the Town Hall. By the end of the day, the truck had been unloaded and office staff began unpacking.



On Friday, the moving truck returned and the four movers put in another long day emptying the Masonic Building of the historic records, additional office furniture and remaining Town-owned items into the Town Hall's basement. The good humor, strong backs and care taken by the four young men is deeply appreciated. In the above picture they are moving the safe upstairs because it was too heavy for the elevator.

While all this was happening, there was another team working on the first floor. TDS, Certified Computer Solutions, Town Hall Streams, New London Copy Service and Electronic Security Protection were busy moving and connecting computers, phones, data lines, copiers, the streaming service and security operations.

Without the long, dusty hours put in by Town Clerk Erica Gross and Bookkeeper Maureen Brandon, the move would not have happened as smoothly and as efficiently as it did. They were joined by volunteers Beth Downs, Select Board Chair, Evan Miller and Sterling Gross who helped pack boxes on Wednesday. Special acknowledgement and appreciation are due to this hardworking, very organized group. Thank you, team!

Lastly, thank you Bradford, for your patience while offices were closed to move and for your understanding while we continue to unpack and settle in.

Let's celebrate! Please join us on Saturday, June 1st from 12:00 to 2:00 pm for an Open House event in Town Hall. There will be music, light refreshments, a review of the project and an appreciation event for the many, many contributions that brought this project to its very successful completion. Come enjoy our beautiful Town Hall!

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

*Karen Hambleton,  
Town Administrator*



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## Bradford Historical Society

The Tin Shop is now open for the season until October every Saturday morning 10am-noon. Come along and see what new and old treasures are on display from Bradford.

We look forward to being part of the town wide independence celebrations on Saturday June 29th. Bring your chairs and blankets for the best band listening and firework viewing spot on East Main Street!

Next on our calendar, Bradford Historical Society will host its second annual classic vintage and antique car and truck show on Saturday, August 17th 10am to 1pm.



All participating vehicles will be eligible for a "popular vote" contest with prizes



awarded for top three favorites.

Grounds will open at 9:30am at 152 East Main Street Bradford

for participating vehicles. Public entrance from 10am.

Suggested donation for registered vehicles is \$5.00. Café One East is bringing their coffee trailer, Crumb to Mama, with refreshments for sale during the event.

Please contact Buddy Allen at 603-938-2835 or (c) 727-278-5504 for vehicle show information.

MEMBERSHIP - Please send your membership for 2024 if you haven't done so already! We appreciate your support! This can be done by visiting our website [www.bradfordnhhistorical.org/membership](http://www.bradfordnhhistorical.org/membership), or by mail to BHS 162 East Main Street, Bradford NH 03221, a membership form can be printed from the website or email [bradfordhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:bradfordhistoricalsociety@gmail.com).



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## PUBLIC NOTICE Lake Todd Village District 2024 Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 29h, 2024 @ 9:00 AM  
Bradford Area Community Ctr.,  
134 East Main St., Bradford, NH

The Lake Todd Village District will be electing the following positions:  
Commissioner (3 yr Term)  
Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer  
and Auditor (1 yr terms).

We invite volunteers who can serve in one of these capacities. Description of duties will be emailed upon request.

We encourage all LTVD residents and non-residents to attend.

Questions? Please contact:  
Stephen Snyder (603-235-5301)

Website: [www.laketoddvillagedistrict.us](http://www.laketoddvillagedistrict.us)  
E-mail: [info@laketoddvillagedistrict.us](mailto:info@laketoddvillagedistrict.us)

Address: LTVD, PO Box 169, Bradford, NH 03221-0169





# Log Cabin Pattern Quilt - Raffle!



Mary Derry from the Bradford Quilters is seen here with the stunning log cabin pattern quilt being raffled to purchase a commercial dishwasher for the Bradford Area Community Center. The quilt appears here at the Brown Memorial Library. It can be found at various other sites around town during the coming months.

Tickets at \$1 each or 6 for \$5 are available at the Library, wherever the quilt appears, and tickets by mail at PO Box 94, Bradford, NH.



## Library Planning Survey

Thanks to those of you who have already responded to the library's strategic planning survey. As of May 24th, we have gotten 75 responses towards our goal of 250.

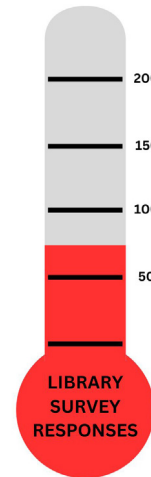
Haven't taken the survey yet? We want to hear your thoughts! The survey only takes a few minutes and is completely anonymous. Help us reach our goal and plan for the library's future by taking the survey one of the following ways:

- Scan the QR code and take the survey on your phone or ipad
- Go to [brownmemorallibrary.org](http://brownmemorallibrary.org) and take the survey online
- Pick up a paper copy of the survey at the library

Thank you for your participation!

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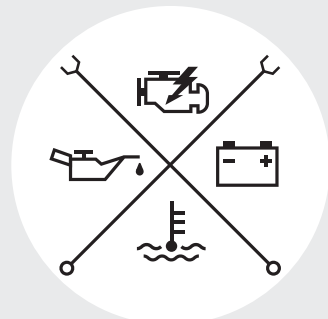


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Health is not a fixed entity; it varies for every individual, depending on their circumstances. When an individual engages in nature for their health, several positive changes can occur. These health benefits can lead to positive changes in emotional and cognitive functions.



By embracing creativity and nature, individuals can tap into a wellspring of inspiration, healing, and growth.

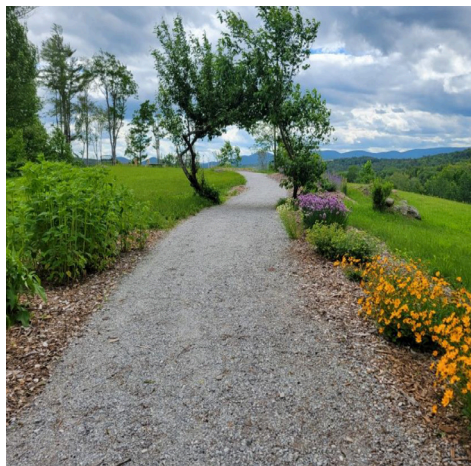
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June 18, Tuesday 6-8pm\* with Val Blachly

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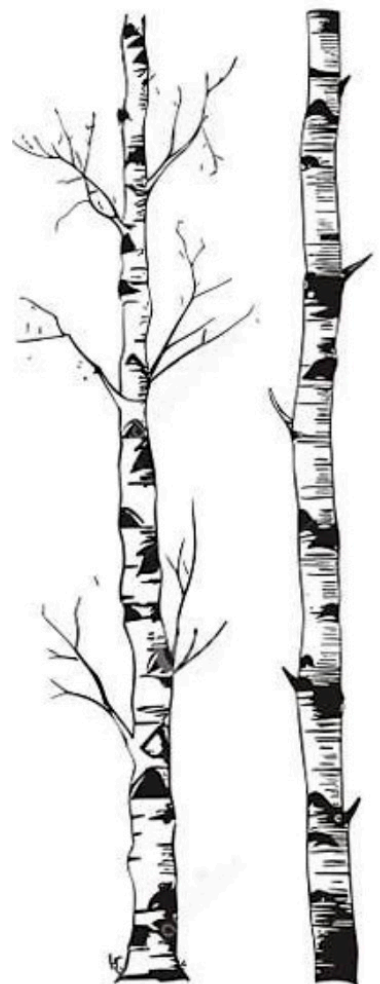
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**Legislative Update**

**Representative Tony Caplan**

The current biennium is rounding the final curve with results showing the Democratic caucus' hard work in the minority. Democrats in the House have defended the party's priorities of managing the economy to benefit working families, protect our rights as Americans and protect the environment for future generations. Now it's up to us to get the word out on how those results translate into improvements in our towns and the state as a whole.

In my own work this session, I am proud to have been the prime sponsor of HB 1431 that sailed through the chamber in a unanimous voice vote, passed the Senate with minor modifications, and seems destined for the Governor's desk once we concur with the Senate version. HB 1431 establishes the need for our electric utilities to engage in a public process of proposing 10 year plans every 5 years that take into account expected electricity demand along with all the benefits of including all possible energy efficiency projects, added renewable resources, grid modernization and other ways to reduce the need for building out physical infrastructure. This plan will also save money, and spare our children from the worst effects of climate change. Working in a bipartisan fashion with the Republican head of my committee, Rep. Michael Vose, to get this across the line has been an education in political wrangling. I hope that Gov. Sununu will want this as his legacy and put his name to it.

We are at the stage of the session where we are now voting on Senate bills and they are voting on our bills, and this is known as silly season. The results can be revealing and may give voters a clue on who is taking care of business and who is letting the Concord crazy get to them. What jumps out to me is the way Democratic priorities have become the focus of bipartisan bills, which shows we are winning the larger argument. For instance, yesterday's session saw Rep. Kelly Potenza, R, defending the House's bill to place a moratorium on new landfill siting, which had been killed in the Senate, by adding it back on to a Senate bill for disability pensions for victims of violence. It was a success. Senators take note: the people care about the environment again. Another big example – Rep. Terry Roy, R, defending the House bill, which had been killed in the Senate, to add gun restrictions on people adjudicated as mentally ill, by adding it back onto a bill for a new state prison. It was a huge bipartisan success, although it sparked a literal floor fight as Roy was accosted and chewed out by a spitting mad fellow GOP rep.

But by continuing to vote down common sense measures yesterday such as SB 456 to expand rural health care and SB 217 to incentivize educators in underserved areas of the State, Republican representatives showed they are more than willing to let ideology stand in the way of progress for real people.

*Representative Tony Caplan*



## MONTHLY BRIEFING: Town Board Reports

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the contractor and consider purchasing a mower at another time.

**Brown Shattuck** Devin Pendleton shared a bid to remove a dead tree at Brown Shattuck. Before moving forward, the Board requested that the property line be verified to determine ownership. The Board also asked for additional bids for taking down the tree.

**Unanticipated Revenue** The Board approved a motion to accept \$265.32 in unanticipated revenue per RSA 31:95-b from the State of NH as reimbursement from the Highway Safety Grant #24-002.

**Intent to Cut** signed for Map 4 Lot 15.

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

**Special Exception** A public hearing was held on May 1, 2024 for the application for a special exception by Beata Bzura, Map 11, Lots 14 and 18. The applicant proposes a project to build a seasonal wellness camp for 20 adults in two phases. Phase one will span three years with phase two starting in year four. Opponents of the camp stated that they are concerned about increased traffic in an area zoned for rural residential and already poor road conditions on Massasecum Avenue. In a 3-1 vote, with Nathaniel Bruss voting Nay emphasizing that this is a property on a class VI road, the board approved the application for a special exception with the following conditions: 1- All state and local requirements must be met for septic, water quality and stream crossing. 2- All requirements of the Bradford Fire Chief and NH Fire Marshall must be met. 3- This is approval only for a wellness retreat as presented to the Board on May 1, 2024. Any change in use or expansion would require

another application. 4- This approval is for five cabins holding a total of 10 people in phase one, and ten cabins holding a total of 20 people total in phase two. Phase one cabins will no longer be in use during phase two.

### PLANNING BOARD

**408 Fairgrounds Road** The Board approved a motion for a subdivision and lot line adjustment of Map 5 Lots 12 and 114 for applicants Kathie and Roy Joseph Messer of 408 Fairgrounds Road.

**Condos** Peter Weeks of J.E. Belanger of Dunbarton appeared to discuss the conversion of Fisherfield Apartments on West Main from rental property to condominiums. The proposed plan is to convert 32 rental units to 32 condominiums. Property consists of three lots. Consensus of the Board is that a site plan will be necessary.

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**Culverts** Ben Nugent of NH Fish & Game and Greg Swick of Trout Unlimited were present to report on their efforts to obtain culvert replacement grants through the BRIC (Building Resilient Infrastructure for Communities) program. Four culverts in Bradford have been identified as in serious need of replacement: on Deer Valley Rd., Davis Rd., West

Rd. and West Main St. Ben is trying to put together a package that would include other towns including Newbury. He is looking for other partners to support the grant request.

**Fundraiser** Over 30 items have been donated for an auction or raffle fundraiser to support the Summer Camp Scholarship Program. The BCC will have a booth at the Bradford Independence Day Celebration on Saturday, June 29, 2024 to display items and publicize the scholarship program.

**Adopt a Road** Doug Southard reported on the Adopt a Road Program for monitoring Class VI roads. It was noted that although the Selectboard and Road Agent have been kept abreast of the program, it is not widely known about in town. It was proposed to reach out to the Fire Chief and others, and to GIS map road conditions and problem areas.

**Turtle Crossing** Signage has been procured and is in place. Total cost for signs was \$108.



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**CEMETERY COMMISSION**

**Landscape Contract** The single bid received (from Jim Lord), for the landscaping contract, was reviewed and rejected. Marlene Freyler will work with Karen Hambleton to have an additional ad posted in The Messenger, for this work.

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

**Museum Passes** The Library has added passes for Canterbury Shaker Village and Squam Lake Science Center.

**Policy Updates** The Board did a first read on proposed changes to the library’s internet usage policy. Updates will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**KRSD SCHOOL BOARD**

**Security cameras** The Board approved the installation of exterior security cameras at KRHS, KRMS, New London Elementary, Simonds, and Sutton as part of the SAFE Grant. These are additional

cameras where needed, not replacements. The total cost is \$51,449.00.

**Laptops** The Board approved a motion for annual staff laptop replacement from Eastern Data in the amount of \$25,074.00.

**Chromebooks** The Board approved a motion to purchase chromebooks from Eastern Data for a total of \$52,170.00. These are for 6th and 9th grade and replace the current ones which are about five years old. The Board also approved a motion to purchase Chromebooks for the 1st grade from vendor CDW-G in the amount of \$34,620.00.

**Line Striping** The Board approved a motion for D & M Striping to repaint lines in all parking lots for every facility within the district for a total of \$18,745.25.

*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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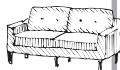
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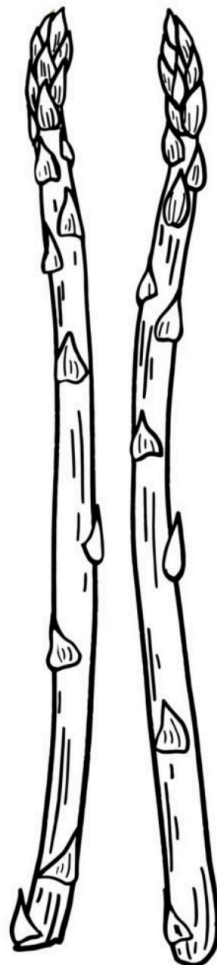
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## The Bradford Community Food Pantry

Open on 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.

## The Warner Food Pantry

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. (603) 456-2053.

## Kearsarge Lake Sunapee Community Food Pantry

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## South Newbury Union Church Food Pantry

**NEW**

South Newbury Union Church (corner of Village and Sutton Roads) has opened their updated food pantry. Open Tuesdays 4:00pm-6:00pm and Thursdays 1:00pm-3:00pm. For appointments or more information call (603) 938-2064.

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 KRES-Bradford**

Springtime is full of wonders and lots of learning occurs. At KRES-B this is when the teaching goes beyond the classroom and broadens the student’s horizons with field trips to educational sites in our community and beyond. In May, the entire school went to both Sunset Hill Educational Institute Retreat and Fisherfield Park for special activities arranged by the KRES-B staff for a day of social/emotional learning. The second grade also explored historical landmarks in both Bradford and Newbury as part of their community curriculum studies. They have been invited to participate in the reopening of the Bradford Town Hall on June 1st, as well.

This June will be bursting with field trips and events to mark the conclusion of yet another productive year at KRES-B. Kinders will take an educational outing to the Montshire Museum of Science. First graders will be treated to a cruise on the MV Lake Sunapee, followed by a visit to Lake Sunapee Protective Association’s Center for Lake Studies. This annual first grade event will have a special twist this year when the current fifth graders (who missed out on this trip due to the pandemic) join their younger schoolmates.

Third graders have enjoyed recurring visits to the Baby Beet Farm where they have been willing participants in managing all aspects of plant life. They will also visit Musterfield Farm this month to round out their agriculture studies. Fourth graders are looking forward to a local field trip to the Fells as well as an excursion to visit Minuteman National Park and other historic sites in the Boston area.

Spring is also all about transitions. A Meet and Greet for incoming Kindergarten students will be held at KRES-B on June 13th. The annual Step-Up Day for fifth graders to tour Kearsarge Regional Middle School will be held on June 13th, too. The culminating event of their elementary career will be held on June 17th at 6 pm at the annual Fifth Grade Celebration.

Field Day will wrap up the school year on June 17th with lots of fun activities. (If rain is predicted, Field Day will be held on June 14th instead.) To volunteer, contact [achouinard@kearsarge.org](mailto:achouinard@kearsarge.org)

LAST DAY will be a half day on June 18th. Then, it’s time to shift to a summer schedule, relax with friends and family, and refresh all those young minds. HAPPY SUMMER TO ALL!



This bench was dedicated to the memory of

Bradford alumna Morgan Patten at the PTO’s Community Cook-Out held on May 24th. This was sponsored by a foundation that has been established in Morgan’s name to assist children in the Kearsarge area who want to pursue their own interests in extracurricular activities. Contact Steve Patten for more information about the foundation. As he says “The bench is meant to be a place to sit when you need a friend, but, more importantly, a place to be a friend.”

Laurie Buchar



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“Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners (KNP) is a non-profit dedicated to building a community where neighbors help each other flourish. We collaborate with over 40 community partners serving ten towns in the Kearsarge region, matching the needs of neighbors with committed volunteers who can help in short-term or longer-term situations.”

Not only is the entire community healthier when everyone has enough to eat, but gardening provides a connection to nature, can be a shared activity, and adds to gardeners’ personal well-being! Five area organizations are now sponsoring the 5th Annual TRAY IT FORWARD vegetable seedling program to help folks learn to garden AND to produce some of their own fresh food all summer. KNP volunteers have been hard at work each week, helping Spring Ledge Farm seed and transplant vegetable seedlings! If you live in one of the 10 towns served by KNP and would benefit from receiving a tray of garden seedlings, or if you would like to sponsor a tray of garden seedlings for a neighbor to receive at no cost, please

click the “Tray it Forward” button at [KNPnh.org](http://KNPnh.org)

KNP and Kearsarge Climate Action partnered last year on the first Window-Dressers community build. We provided 209 low-cost custom insulated storm window inserts, keeping 29 area homes warmer, saving heating costs, and lowering CO2 emissions. This year the goal is to build 250 inserts (almost half of which are already reserved by hopeful customers!) We need folks to measure windows this spring and summer, as well as shift supervisors and workers for 4-hour stints during the build week, which will occur this fall at St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church. All training is provided, and we promise you will have fun working with your neighbors on this fantastic project. Please email [info@KNPnh.org](mailto:info@KNPnh.org) if you are new to Window-Dressers and would like information on participating.

KNP is honored to have such wonderful community partners! The Andover Hub offers an amazingly wide array of programs to the Kearsarge region. KNP representatives have been inspired by meeting regularly with The Hub to brainstorm ways we can partner by spreading their offerings to area residents, particularly seniors who can most benefit from opportunities to socialize and stay active.

*Nancy Allenby*



**Bradford Community Church Events**

88 W. MAIN ST., BRADFORD, NH, 603-938-5313  
[bradfordcommunitychurch@gmail.com](mailto:bradfordcommunitychurch@gmail.com)  
[bradfordcommunitychurch.org](http://bradfordcommunitychurch.org)

**June Happenings**

We worship every Sunday morning at 10:00 am and have Sunday School for children after Time with God’s Children during the service. Coffee Hour happens after church with delicious food and connecting with one another.

Wednesday Night Bible Study on the Book of Daniel 6:30-7:30 pm in the Friendship Room.

Sunday Morning Bible Study 8:45-9:30 pm in the office building.

Men’s Breakfast meets Saturday, June 1 at 8:00 am in the Friendship Room for a delicious breakfast and devotion.

Sister to Sister will meet on Saturday, June 8 at 8:30 am in the Friendship Room. Bring your morning beverage and enjoy encouragement, support, and a devotion: “What’s the big deal about your SHAPE?”

The Bradford Community Food Pantry will be open on Wednesday June 19 between 5:30-6:30 pm located in the Church Office Building. Call the church office if you need help during the month.

Children’s Sunday June 9. Our Children will do the Time with God’s Children during the Worship Service. Children will share memory verse and teachers will give out certificates sharing what they appreciated about each child. Special Coffee Hour celebrating our children will be served following the service.

Church Fair June 29 to include:

- 8-11am Breakfast Buffet in the Friendship Room
- 9am-1pm Craft Vendors and Church Bake Sale
- 11am-1pm Old Fashioned Children’s Games, hot dogs, popcorn, and cotton candy

Our Sanctuary will be open, prayer box inside for anyone that would like to leave a prayer request.



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**Call for volunteers**

Roberta Hixson, Director of the Mountain View Senior Center (MVSC), has made a special request for additional volunteers this month. In particular, she is looking for the following:

- One or two drivers for the Meals on Wheels program. These drivers are required to deliver meals to approximately 20 home-bound seniors in the Kearsarge area who would otherwise not get nutritious meals on a consistent basis. Meals need to be delivered twice a week. This is a particularly important job because it allows the Center to keep track of our elderly residents who might not have anyone else to look in on them. A small stipend plus mileage is offered. Roberta is currently covering a delivery route in addition to all her other responsibilities and she could sure use some help. **EVEN PART-TIME OR TEMPORARY HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED.**

- You could also help Roberta with a variety of her fundraising efforts. These include making phone calls to local businesses to get monetary or in-kind donations to be used for everything from a district-wide raffle to the support of a summer BBQ. You could also look through your own belongings and bring items to the Center for a fall yard sale Roberta is planning.

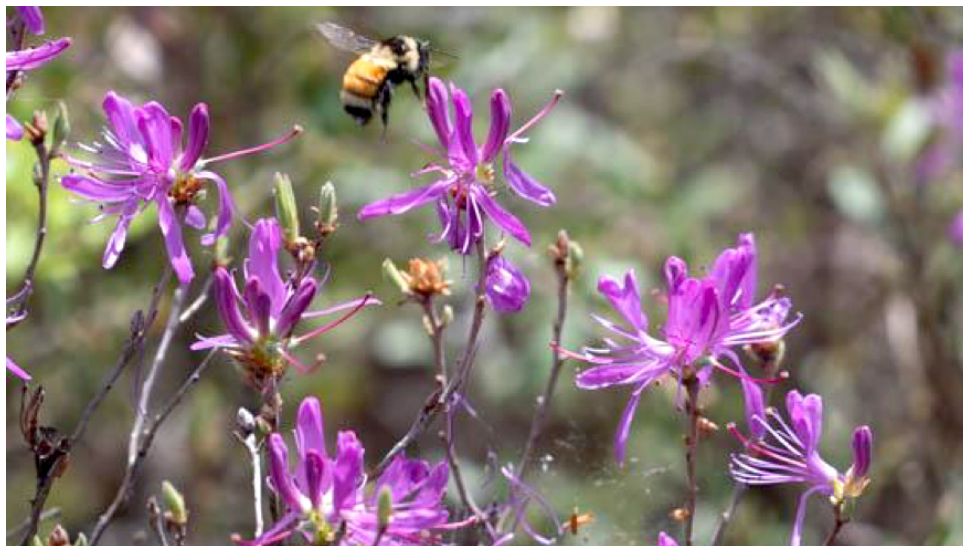
- And, of course, you could make a donation directly to MVSC to help fund its activities in support of our seniors.

IF YOU CAN HELP WITH ANY OF THESE EFFORTS, PLEASE CALL ROBERTA AT (603) 938-2104.

THANK YOU!

*Maria Storm*

# Out & About



**The Rhodora Is in Bloom on the Bradford Bog**

Rhodora has been slowly moving out further onto the bog mat. A relative of rhododendron, it flowers before the leaves appear. Along with many kinds of bees and tiny wasps, it's being visited, and pollinated, by a tri-colored bumblebee. The queens have overwintered and they must start their nests on their own without workers. They are much larger than their offspring who will appear in a few weeks. *From Ann Eldridge.*

*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 (938-5900), the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) or the Town Hall 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) Live Streamed meetings are indicated with this icon:  Go to [bradfordnh.gov](http://bradfordnh.gov) for login links.*


**Saturday, June 1**

12:00 pm Town Hall Renovation Celebration and Open House, 75 W. Main


**Monday, June 3**

8:30 am Balance & Strength, MVSC  
 10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 10:00 am Bingo, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Tuesday, June 4**

10:00 am Quilting Group, MVSC  
 12:00 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
 11:30 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 7:00 pm Supervisor of the Checklist, TH 

**Wednesday, June 5**

4:30 pm Girl Scouts, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm UFO's and Spy Balloons in the News, BML  
 7:00 pm Zoning Board, TH 

**Thursday, June 6**

11:30 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC  
 6:00 pm Economic Dev. Committee, TH 


**Friday, June 7**

8:30 am Balance & Strength, MVSC  
 9:30 pm First Friday Brunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC  
 6:00 pm Fiber Arts Circle, BML


**Saturday, June 8**

11:00 am Kathy Lowe's Family Program: Reading of "Tommer's Earthly Friends", BML

**Monday, June 10**

8:30 am Balance & Strength, MVSC  
 10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 10:00 am Bingo, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, TH 


**Tuesday, June 11**

10:00 am Quilting Group, MVSC  
 11:30 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:00 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
 5:00 pm Energy Committee, TH   
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Wednesday, June 12**

1:00 pm Therapeutic Yoga, MVSC  
 4:00 pm Cemetery Commission  
 4:30 pm Girl Scouts, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 7:30 pm Open Mic, @11 West Main

**Thursday, June 13**

11:30 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Parks & Rec, TH 


**Friday, June 14**

8:30 am Balance & Strength, MVSC (last session until September)  
 12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC


**Saturday, June 15**

9:00 am Drop-In Crafts, BML

**Monday, June 17**

10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 10:00 am Bingo, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, TH 


**Tuesday, June 18**

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


**Wednesday, June 19**

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

**Monday, June 24**

10:00 am Storytime, BML  
 10:00 am Bingo, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, TH 

**Tuesday, June 25**

10:00 am Quilting Group, MVSC  
 11:30 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 7:00 pm Planning Board, TH 

**Wednesday, June 26**

9:00 am LSVNA Wellness Clinic, MVSC  
 11:30 am Footcare Clinic by appointment, MVSC  
 5:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
 7:30 pm Open Mic, @11 West Main

**Thursday, June 27**

11:30 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC

**Friday, June 28**

12:15 pm Lunch, MVSC  
 12:30 pm Dominos, MVSC

**Saturday, June 29**

BRADFORD CELEBRATION DAY  
 8:30 am Lake Todd District Mtg., BACC

**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>TH</b>	Town Hall
<b>ZBA</b>	Zoning Board of Adjustment







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**Wednesday, June 5, 6:00 pm. UFO and Spy Balloons in the News.** Join us for a talk all about UFOs at Brown Memorial Library. More information, <https://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org/upcoming-events.html>

**Friday, June 7, 10:30 am. Fiber Arts Craft Circle at Brown Memorial Library.** Join us for our last Fiber Craft Circle before we take a break for the summer! More information, <https://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org/upcoming-events.html>

**Saturday, June 8, 11:00 am. Story and Song with Kathy Lowe at Brown Memorial Library.** Kathy Lowe will do a reading from her children's book, "Tommie's Earthly Friends." More information, <https://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org/upcoming-events.html>

**Sunday, June 9 th , 4-5 pm. Women's Sing-Along at Bradford Center Meetinghouse.** Light refreshments too. Totally FREE! We will learn simple rounds by ear and make the walls of the Meetinghouse resound with friendship and female voices. For more info, email [bcm@gmail.com](mailto:bcm@gmail.com) or call/text Laurie at 603-748-5145

**Wednesday, June 12, 7:30 pm. Open Mic night at 11 West Main Street.** Come to open mic night; join us to participate or listen. More information, [lwestmainbradfordnh@gmail.com](mailto:lwestmainbradfordnh@gmail.com)

**Saturday, June 15, 1:00 pm. Family Nature Day: Climate Cafe at Sunset Hill Education Institute.** The Family Nature Day series is a hands-on program that will engage children in exploring the environment through nature, art, and music. More information, and to register, [www.sheinh.org](http://www.sheinh.org)

**Saturday, June 15, 11:00 am. Dried Flower Votive Craft at Brown Memorial Library.** More information, <https://www.brownmemoriallibrary.org/upcoming-events.html>

**Wednesday, June 26, 7:30 pm. Open Mic night at 11 West Main Street.** Come to open mic night; join us to participate or listen. More information, [lwestmainbradfordnh@gmail.com](mailto:lwestmainbradfordnh@gmail.com)

**Saturday, June 29, 7:00 am - After Dark. Bradford Celebration Day.** See schedule in this edition on page 3.

**BRADFORD - SAVE THE DATES**

**July 8-19th, Monday through Friday, 8:30-11:55am. Outdoor swim lessons at Lake Massacum, French's Park.** More information, YMCA Concord, 603-228-9622, [www.granitemca.org](http://www.granitemca.org)

**The Bradford Center Meetinghouse Summer Music Series.** Save the dates and enjoy the local entertainment right here in Bradford! There's something for every music taste included, starting **July 12th** with North River Band providing rock, bluegrass, and country tunes. Next up, Nick's Other Band on **July 26th** with dance and party favorites. Then on **August 10th** the Lettvin Classical Concert will feature virtuoso stringed instrumentalists. Kearsarge Community Band will return with big band and show tunes for our annual Ice Cream Social on **August 26th**. We will wrap up with sizzling vintage jazz by Hot Skillet Club on **September 21st**. Find full details below. Looking forward to seeing you there! More information, [www.bradford.center](http://www.bradford.center)

**SURROUNDING TOWNS**

**Friday & Saturday, June 7 & 8, 9 am to 4 pm, "The River Runs Through" at Kemp Park in Hillsboro, NH.** Abenaki culture and history, railroad history, Antique Mack Trucks, and much more. More information at [historyalivenh.org](http://historyalivenh.org).

**Saturday, June 22, 7 pm New London, Colby-Sawyer College. Summer Music Associates opens the season with the 75-piece Boston Civic Symphony.** Tickets and information are available online at [www.summermusicassociates.org](http://www.summermusicassociates.org)



**Save the date, Saturday, July 13, 10:00 am. MKIM 23rd Annual Pow Wow at the Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum in Warner.** More information, <https://www.indianmuseum.org/events>

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