



# THE BRADFORD BRIDGE

PROFILE

Connie and Tom Mazol, proprietors of the Bradford Inn

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Community News - By and for our neighbors

October 1992



*Bradford Springs Hotel, ca 1885  
See article on page 5.*

## Facilities Committee schedules hearings for library and kindergarten

Continuing with their charge of reviewing the usage of some of Bradford's buildings, the Facilities Committee met twice during September. The committee met with representatives of town agencies to determine the space needs for these organizations. Such considerations as meeting space, record storage, and library needs, now and for the next five to ten years, are being recorded for each agency. This information will become part of the committee's final report.

Volunteers have been found to survey the conditions of the plumbing, heating, electrical and structural integrity of the three buildings being studied. (These buildings are the Town Hall, Brown Memorial Library, and the old Central School.) Help is still being sought to draw up rudimentary floor plans. Anyone who has some time to help measure the buildings should contact Glen Mayo.

Two dates have been set for public hearings dealing with Brown Memorial Library and the Bradford Cooperative Kindergarten and Preschool. These dates are:

Tuesday, October 13 at 7:30 pm at Brown Memorial Library, to discuss the library

Tuesday, October 27 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall, to discuss the kindergarten

Anyone wishing to submit a proposal related to these two organizations should attend the appropriate meeting. For information about the content and format of a proposal, contact Glen Mayo or plan to attend the committee's next meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, October 6 at 7:30 pm at Mayo's.

The Facilities Committee is anticipating that organizations

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## NH Dept of Safety calls Lake Todd public hearing

On Saturday, October 3 at 11:00 am at the Town Hall, the NH Department of Safety will hold a public hearing on a petition to prohibit and/or restrict the use of ski craft on Lake Todd. The Department requests that those wishing to testify coordinate their testimony to avoid unnecessary duplication of comments.

Testimony will be allowed that is relevant to these issues:

a) The impact of ski craft on the environment, the shoreline and wildlife.

- b) The surface area of the lake.
- c) The uses which have been established on the lake.
- d) The depth of the water.
- e) The amount of waterborne traffic.
- f) The necessity of ensuring access to and use of the lake for all individuals and the right of those individuals to appropriate use of the public waters.
- g) Whether a determination is necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property.

For information, call the Bureau of Hearings at 271-3486.

## Naughton update

"The case is going well," said Selectman Dick Hambrecht. "Thanks, in large measure, to the petition organized by the Bradford Voters Coalition and submitted on behalf of Bradford taxpayers."

Judge Bernard Hampsey was sufficiently impressed by the number of signatures requesting enforcement of the long-standing judgment against George Naughton to conduct a site visit to Bradford in September. He wanted to observe for himself conditions at the illegal landfill on Main Street.

A two-day hearing is scheduled for October 13 and 14 at the Rockingham County Courthouse in Exeter. Residents interested in attending should contact Hugh Keays, 938-5182. Continued visible concern on the part of Bradford taxpayers may be the decisive factor in bringing this situation to a successful conclusion.

On another front, Naughton was arraigned in Belknap County Superior Court on a criminal charge in connection with violations of the State's solid waste regulations for illegal dumping in the Town of Alton.  
--Marcia Keller

*Living in Bradford*

**CANDIDATES' NIGHT**

**Tuesday, October 20  
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## Candidates' Night to be held on October 20

The Bradford Women's Club will again sponsor "Candidates' Night" on Tuesday, October 20. This event will be held at the Bradford Elementary School at 7:00 pm. Free babysitting will be available at the school. The moderator will be Debbie Lammach.

All candidates for statewide and local office have been invited. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet with and question the candidates. Refreshments will be served by the BWC.

For more information, call Mauri Scheffy at 938-2222. —Louise Signorino

## OBITUARY

### Joseph F. Battles

A memorial service was held on September 13 for Joseph F. Battles, who died at his home on Center Road on September 5. Family, friends and neighbors filled the Bradford Center Church to pay their last respects. The Rev. Joyce Ditlevson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the Rev. Robert Bell officiated.

Mr. Battles, father of Selectman Joe Battles, moved to Bradford in 1960 from Brockton, Massachusetts. Battles was a ninth generation farmer and continued to work on his son's farm in Bradford. He and his wife Elsie wintered in Florida for many years.

Survivors include his wife Elsie, son Joe, daughter Nancy Wright of Henniker, 2 sisters, 7 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family has suggested that donations in his memory be made to the First Baptist Church, Bradford; The Lake Sunapee Regional Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice, P.O. Box 2209, New London, NH 03257; the Concord VNA-Hospice, P.O. Box 797, Concord, NH 03301; or the Bradford Rescue Squad.

## Sale of Kearsarge Reel nearing completion

"It's in the hands of administrators and lawyers," said Peter Moyer when asked about the sale of Kearsarge Reel. "It's due to close on or before October 31st, and I don't see any snags at this point." He noted that the grant had been approved and was undergoing a final rewrite to accurately reflect the final terms of the sale.

The Community Development Block Grant application is being revised by Laurance Goss of Northern Economic Planners. He noted that the new project is considerably smaller than that envisioned by Denis Lebreque, the Canadian businessman forced to withdraw his offer to purchase Kearsarge Reel when he encountered problems with his Canadian bank.

The New Kearsarge Corporation will continue to manufacture pallets and reels, rather than adding new product lines. Thirty new jobs are expected to be added; fifty jobs would have been needed to increase the products. The initial project total was in excess of \$2 million and the current projection is \$1 million, which is still within the federal guidelines to apply for the maximum grant of \$350,000.

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## News from the Town Clerk's office

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Dogan Gunes & Sheryl Lee Strout were married on September 12.

Peter F. Lawlor & Joyce A. Ditlevson were married on September 19.

Caleb B. Page & Patricia B. Hamilton were married on September 26.

MUNICIPAL AGENT. Effective immediately, motorcycle and trailer plates are available at the Town Clerk's office.

TOWN CLERK. Voter registration cards can be filled out at the Town Clerk's office now through October 23. This will enable you to vote in the general election, if you have not already registered. Absentee ballots should be available soon.

TAX OFFICE. The property assessment booklets have been mailed. If you have not received one, contact the Selectmen's Office.

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Acceptable items include drain and oven cleaners, paints and thinners, antifreeze, household batteries, weed and bug killers. Fliers listing the acceptable and unacceptable materials are available at R.L. Dodge and at the Transfer Station. Do your part to keep these useful, but harmful, materials safely contained. --Marcia Keller

**Lake Sunapee Protective Association program**

The Women's Christian Guild of Bradford cordially invites residents and friends to its open program meeting on Friday, October 23 at 7:30 at the First Baptist Church. Paul Grevstad, Executive Director of the Lake Sunapee Protective Association, will present a program, "Green Shores = Blue Lakes."

Mr. Grevstad, who works closely with the NH Lakes Association and the Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition, will bring a varied program of beautiful photographs, challenges and options for the future of our lakes and an opportunity for questions from the audience.

If you have a friendly feeling for lakes, please plan to meet with us the evening of the 23rd. There is no admission charge. --Shirley Cave

**Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter news**

"The Magnificent Osprey" is the subject of the next meeting of the Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter. Chris Martin, Wildlife Program Manager for New Hampshire Audubon, will present a slide program on the osprey. The monthly meeting will take place on Friday, October 9 at 7:30 pm at St. Andrews Episcopal Church on Gould Road in New London. For more information, call President Gary Stansfield at 763-5652.

The Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter will sponsor a field trip to the "NEW" New Hampshire Audubon Seacoast Science Center at Odiorne Point State Park in Rye on Saturday, October 10. Participants should meet at the Warner McDonalds at exit 9, Route 89, at 8:00 am. There is a small admission fee. Contact person is field trip coordinator Clare Bensley, 938-5482.

On Sunday, October 18 at 1:00 pm, New Hampshire Audubon will dedicate the new Stoney Brook Wildlife Sanctuary trail guide at the western trailhead on Chalk Pond Road in Newbury. Following the brief dedication, a naturalist's hike will be led by Gary Stansfield. Members of the ASNH staff will be on hand to answer questions and refreshments will be served. Rain date is Sunday, October 25. Contact Stephen Walker, ASNH, 224-9909, for information. --Phyllis Curtiss

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**Governor Gregg visits John Hay National Wildlife Refuge**

The John Hay National Wildlife Refuge on Route 103A in Newbury has reached a new phase in its evolution as a public site combining historic preservation, wildlife protection, and land use education. Having been restored with federal funds, the site has now been opened for public use. Guidance for the development of the property and its educational charter will be provided by a newly formed governor's commission.

To announce the formation of the John Hay Commission, Governor Judd Gregg visited the estate on September 16. In his remarks, he noted that the site combines historical, cultural, and nature themes together, all shared by the Hay family. Their deeply held appreciation for the natural world and their love of culture makes The Fells an outstanding resource to be enjoyed by citizens on many levels. He described the site as a "jewel in the crown of New Hampshire state parks."

The members of the commission include Mrs. Judd Gregg, chair, John Hay, Wilbur LaPage (Director, NH Div. of Parks & Recreation), Nancy Muller (NH Div. of historical Resources), William Kidder, Ralph Hough, Edward Moses, Mrs. Franklin Burroughs, Jr., Paul Bofinger, Frank Hammond, Nancy Marachio, Mrs. Wayne

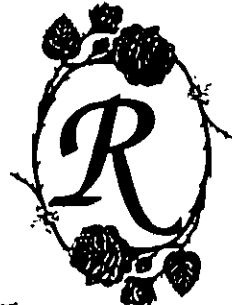
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# Letters

To all our good friends in Bradford:

We can't seem to find words to express the gratitude in our hearts for all the love and support we received during our recent long months of Joe's illness and at his passing. I know he would have been amazed at having so many friends and support, as we also are.

To one and all, we deeply appreciate all you've done.

Sincerely, Elsie Battles; Joe & Nita Battles & family; Nancy (Battles) & Ron Wright & family

To our friends and neighbors:

It is with much regret that I write this letter. Candlelite Inn has closed its doors. Labor Day weekend was the last time for us to entertain guests.

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Two years ago we began serving dinner to the public by reservation. Again, we researched those romantic days and served a leisurely five-course meal. At this time, we were able to touch the lives of local people. We shared your birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, luncheons, and parties. Again, we've enjoyed the wonderful sense of fulfillment that making someone happy can give.

We sincerely wish that someone will continue in our footsteps to make Candlelite a memorable experience. It is with a lump in my throat that we bid all our friends and neighbors a fond farewell.

Barbara Cotter



## Pastor Joyce's marriage a "church family" event

Joyce Aileen Ditlevson, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Bradford, and Peter Frederick Lawlor of Moultonboro were married on Saturday, September 19 before her congregation. The Rev. David Svenson of Nashua was the Officiant in the double ring ceremony. The maid of honor was Roxann Ditlevson, sister of the bride. The best man was Paul Conner, a friend of the groom.

Music was provided by Mrs. Deborah Lamach, church organist, and the Baptist Church choir. In addition, the groom sang to his bride and the best man sang to the couple, each providing their own guitar accompaniment.

A reception, provided by the church family, was held at the Parsonage following the ceremony. After a week's honeymoon in northern New England, the couple will make their home in Bradford.

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**Library Lantern**  
by Maggi Ainslie

**Brown Memorial Library celebrates 100 years of library service**

Tuesday evening, September 22, Brown Memorial Library celebrated 100 years of library service. Maxine Kumin of Warner, the 1992 recipient of the Sarah Josepha Hale Award honoring a distinguished literary figure whose work reflects the literary tradition of New England, was the guest speaker. Ms. Kumin gave us a look inside her work, explaining that a poem may require 30 to 40 drafts before being completed. She read a varied assortment of her poems, ending with THE LEGEND from the Inuit of Alaska.

BML has many of her works. Treat yourself to her Pulitzer Prize winner, *Up Country*, or her latest collection, *Looking for Luck*. Everyone enjoyed a special cake made by Jackie MacLeod! It was a special evening, one we will long remember.

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*Thanks and Stars in the  
Crowns of all those who so  
cheerfully drove Bob and  
Ray over the last six weeks.*

★ ★

**Bradford - Minus Ninety-Five**

The following advertisement appeared in THE VISITOR June 21, 1898:

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Address, Henry McCoy, Proprietor. E. Washington, NH

The public is invited to join the Conservation Commission and the Historical Society in a "clean up" day at the site of the Bradford Springs Hotel, located next to the Bradford Bog on East Washington Road. Come on Saturday, October 31st 9:30 am, with clippers, brush saws, gloves and enthusiasm to help retrieve this famous Bradford landmark. Mrs. Sarah Alice Keating has granted permission for the Conservation Commission to erect an historical marker on the site.  
--Marcia Keller

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## Conservation Commission begins survey of Bradford wetlands

What are "wetlands"? Wetlands is a term used to describe wet places such as marshes, bogs, swamps, wet meadows, and tidal flats. Wetlands lie between permanently flooded waters, such as lakes, rivers and the ocean, and drier land areas.

Wetlands are among the most fertile ecosystems in the world. Wetlands make up 6% of the earth's total land surface. In the past, wetlands were considered insect-ridden wastelands, whose best use could only be attained through filling and draining for agricultural, industrial and residential development. As a result of this view, more than half of wetlands in the United States have been lost forever. In recent decades, however, wetlands have been recognized as valuable natural resources that provide many important benefits to people and their environment.

Wetlands are essential life support systems. They play a vital role in the water cycle and provide many other useful functions, including:

- flood control
- water quality improvement (sediment trapping, nutrient removal, removal of chemical and organic wastes)
- habitat for wildlife and fish
- erosion control of shorelines
- recreation and education

The Bradford Conservation Commission recognizes the increasing threat to wetlands by urban development, road construction, and pollution. The Commission is taking the first steps to protect Bradford's wetlands by evaluating them using a method specifically designed for New Hampshire towns. Six volunteers have attended a workshop to learn what is re-

ferred to as the "New Hampshire Method" of wetland evaluation. Maps showing soil and vegetation types and wetland locations have been gathered. Work has begun.

The goal of this evaluation is to produce a report to the town showing the comparative value of Bradford's wetlands. The town could then vote to designate certain wetlands as "prime." The prime wetlands could be registered with the NH Conservation Commission, which would then require a special permit to develop.

There are approximately 25 distinct wetland areas in Bradford. Volunteers are needed to help evaluate these wetlands. No special skill is needed, other than a desire to spend part of a few days in a beautiful setting. If this sounds interesting, please contact Amy Blitzer at 938-5952.

--Kathleen Bigford

## A brief overview of free library service in Bradford

Town Meeting in March 1892 voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 8, Section 21-26 of the public statutes of NH relating to the establishment of a free library ... and voted \$25 for that purpose.

The Library Trustees secured a room in the house of Frank Peaslee (which burned in 1969) at an annual fee of \$40. The Trustees received \$100 worth of books from the state. In addition, a gift of 360 books was given by the Bradford Library Association. (This was a private association formed in 1873. To join the Bradford Library Association required an annual fee of \$1.00 and anyone over the age of 12 was eligible to join.) The Selectmen made a special appropriation of \$50 for the purchase of books. 90 volumes were added that first year. The first librarian was Frank Peaslee. In 1895, Nellie Peaslee was formally appointed librarian, holding that position until 1901.

The library moved to Almira Hall's millinery shop on Main Street in 1901 (Francis Page's house). Mr. Peaslee ceased to be a trustee and Nellie resigned as librarian. Evidently there was a great deal of controversy over the move. Almira Hall served as librarian from 1901 to 1915. In 1923,

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**Learning Institute of New England College opens fall term**

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The courses are open to all dues-paying members, \$35 per person or \$50 per household. Registration for the fall term is \$10 and members may take as many courses as they wish for that one fee. Fall courses include: Reading Finnegans Wake; Classical Rome; Geography; What Happens in Hamlet? Exploring The Book Farm; and Gender Identity. Classes begin in mid-October. It is possible to register by telephone and then pay at the first class. For information on membership and course registration, call 428-7252 (Sheila Evans), 938-2683 (Erin DiBello) or 428-7064 (Marvin Braiterman).

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**First Baptist Church news**

"Growing Through the Life Cycle," a three-part workshop series sponsored by the American Baptist Women's Ministries, continues this month.

Session II -- Spirituality and Mid-Life -- will take place on October 4. This workshop will deal with the unique pressures which persons in mid-life experience. Special focus will be on the "sandwich" experience of standing between two or more generations. The need for evaluating one's life and for facing one's mortality will be discussed. The spiritual challenges of becoming vulnerable and using power creatively will be reviewed.

Session III -- Journey to the Essential Self, Spirituality and Aging -- will be offered on October 11. This workshop will focus on issues of change, loss and growth as faced by older adults. Special focus will be on loss and the process of grief as a path to wisdom and meaning. Particular issues of aging, such as retirement, as well as suggestions for successful aging, will be discussed.

Both sessions will be held in the Bradford Town Hall from 7:00 to 8:30 pm on Sunday evening. Led by The Rev. Dr. Richard B. Haines, they are open to the public and free of charge. For more information, please contact Pastor Joyce at 938-2899.

The "Christian Walk" Spiritual Growth Series begins Week One of its journey on October 7. The series, which explores Christian discipleship and pilgrimage, continues through November 18.

"Pizza! Pizza!" is the theme of the Youth Group 1992-93 kick-off event. All youths in the community enrolled in grades 6 through 12 are invited to gather at the parsonage at 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 11 for a "Make Your Own Pizza" party. Contact Pastor Joyce for details.

The Fourth Annual Progressive Dinner, which has become a popular new tradition in our church, will be held on Saturday

evening, October 24, beginning at 6:00 pm. Jean Corbett will host the appetizers. Tom and Judy Marshall will serve salad. Marcia and Perley Strout are providing the main meal. And the location of the dessert remains a mystery. A \$5.00 donation is requested to help cover expenses. Reservations are recommended, though not mandatory. A sign-up sheet can be found on the bulletin board in the vestry.

On October 25, the church will observe American Baptist Women's Sunday. Building on the year's program theme, "Rooted in Ministry," a variety of women will lead the congregation in worship. Please join us as we glorify God, are challenged to grow roots of love, service and ministry, and celebrate the gifts of all God's people.

Following ABW Sunday, the church body is invited to reconvene in the vestry for our Annual Meeting. At that time, Board and Committee Reports, as well as the upcoming year's budget, will be presented, discussed and approved. Clark Phillips will moderate.

Finally, Mr. Peter Fredrick and The Rev. Joyce Ditlevson Lawlor wish to thank everyone in the community who shared in the joyous occasion of their wedding. The outpouring of well-wishes, the expressions of love, and the generosity of spirits and hands made the day unforgettable! Words simply cannot adequately capture the depth and breadth of gratitude felt.  
--Pastor Joyce

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The Bradford Historical Society and the Union Congregational Society are in constant need. They are the protectors and nurturers of our treasured buildings. The members of these two groups are becoming endangered antiques too. There is an urgent need for younger members to take up the baton and carry on into the next century.

The Community Cornerstones questionnaires indicated that Bradford Center was the number one priority for preservation. This will be gratifying to the two societies, but it won't be worth a plug nickel if new folks don't join up and help with the preservation, use, and protection of Bradford's legacy. These buildings were built to be used. They need to be a part of our lives, maintained and loved by all of our generations.

The Center belongs to ALL the town's people and, like the mind, if it's not used, it will become useless. And, like the body, it will deteriorate. The bicentennial celebrations will be for everyone, so we can all become acquainted with each other and with our heritage. The time has come to become involved. --Luanne Mayo

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## THE COZY CORNER

by Mildred Schmidt



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1 C cottage cheese	8 oz cream cheese
1/2 C sour cream	

Brown onion and pepper in margarine. Add meat and brown. Add tomato sauce. Cook noodles and grain. In a large bowl, combine cheese and sour cream. Put half the noodles in a buttered 2-qt. casserole. Spread cheese mixture over this. Top with remaining noodles and cover this with meat mixture. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes.

### FACILITIES, continued

other than town agencies will have proposals for facility usage. Now is the time to contact the committee so that special meetings or public hearings can be scheduled. Again, Glen Mayo (938-5425) is the person to contact for further information. -- Kathleen Bigford



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- \* help with daily classroom activities, such as a math group
- \* work on special projects and events
- \* share a special talent of your own.

If you are interested, please join us at our "no obligation" VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2 AT 10:00 AM. The meeting will be in the art/music room at the elementary school.

Orientation will include a slide show by Brenda Abbott of the NH School Volunteer Program, a tour of the school, and a review of the volunteer work needed this year. Refreshments will be served.

If you would like more information, please feel free to call Megan Hunt-Szymkowitz at 938-5152 or Claire Pozniak at 763-9025.

**Youthful Activities**

*by Mary Keegan-Dayton*

It was one of those memorable autumn mornings. The sky was a surrealistic shade of blue; hats and sweaters were needed to brave the chill. The tip of my nose felt cold as I sensed the start of the autumnal season. As we drove up Gould Hill Road to the orchard, the morning mist was still settled amid the mountains across the Contoocook Valley. We were 28 strong with 18 young sprouts (under the age of six) destined for some apple picking.

If you haven't been to Gould Hill Orchard in Contoocook, you're missing a rare New England treat. The Leadbeaters' orchard sits high on a knoll with a 180 degree view looking eighty miles clear to the White Mountains. Acres and acres of well pruned, healthy looking trees laden with apples graced the hillsides of this beautiful orchard.

Apple picking is an activity for all ages. I remember picking apples at Focastle Farms in upstate New York as an adolescent and being richly rewarded with a slice of warm pie at the orchard store. The children on our trip picked some McIntosh apples and participated in an informative tour available to small groups. We made cider the old fashioned way with Marsha, our guide, and drank a delicious cup. It's nice to know this orchard does its best to use organic farming techniques to keep control of fruit pests. It does only one spraying of insecticide pre-season. The apples were free of that toxic odor, which isn't always the case at orchards today.

Several apple varieties are available for picking at Gould Hill until late October, seven days a week from 9:00 to 5:00. A PYO peck of McIntosh sells for about \$6.00 and about \$7.25 in their store. Call ahead at 746-3811 to make sure they are picking the apple of your choice.

In Henniker, Peak Orchards also offers apple picking daily from 9:00 to 5:00 and they can be reached at 428-7350. McIntosh pick-your-own are 42 cents a pound; bagged apples may be bought at Pats Peak Lodge, located near the orchard.

It's cheaper to PYO and the trip to Gould Hill was really a delight. We like to make pies, and occasionally applesauce, at home. And if you want to get in on the good eating of apple muffins or pie, make sure you help with the picking.



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# GARDENING

by Fred Winch

Late August and early September provided better growing conditions than the earlier part of the year. With good rainfall in August (about 5 inches), most plants responded well. Lawns especially so and weeds proved that they could get a jump start on everything else. Corn was late in ripening, but generally did well. Most folks indicated that it is "not as flavorful as usual." When the first frost came on September 24, tomatoes and peppers were ripening very well.

So it's time now to look at putting the garden to bed. As many plants, such as carrots, beets, cabbage and other veggies, continue to produce, such areas should be left in production till last. Clear the bean areas by clipping off the bean plants and raking out the weeds. The nitrogen fixed by the bean plants should be preserved by planting grain rye or rye grass, which will capture such fertility and hold it until the area is rototilled or plowed in the spring. The green vegetation also holds soil in place. Rye is easily planted by raking the soil, loosely covering the sowed seeds, and if the fall rains follow the usual pattern, the seed will sprout and quickly supply a good cover, which will continue to grow till the ground freezes. Needless to say, the earlier you do the job, the better.

The debris from the garden should be cleared off and composted. Such debris left in place shelters insects and disease that will be ready to spring forth next season. Composting reduces such populations and, if properly done, destroys most weed seeds. Another way to reduce insect and disease is to rotate the crops. If you have not already done so, make a reasonably detailed diagram of the garden, indicating the areas where specific crops are grown in 1992. If you can avoid it, do not grow the same crop on the same site for at least two years - and three is better.



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Fall is the time to get the new bulbs in the ground. Tulips, jonquils, hyacinths, crocus, scillas, and grape-hyacinths are plantable right up until the ground freezes. But it is best to plan them early in October so that they root and get a foothold early. The later these bulbs are put in the ground, the later they will bloom the first year. Many bulbs will do well for at least two years, but often the plants seems to "run out" or decrease in size and vigor. Probably for largest and best bloom, it is best to dig the bulb bed after the third bloom and discard the bulbs, replacing them with new the following fall. In areas where jonquils and daffodils are planted for naturalizing, this is not done, of course. Use "bulb fertilizer" when planting.

There are several herbs that may be dug and potted up for kitchen use this month, including parsley, thyme, and mints. Parsley is the one most frequently brought in. Select a small but vigorous plant and carefully dig it up. Parsley has an extensive deep root system, so do the job carefully. Select a pot that will care for the root system and fill it with loose fertile potting soil. Plant the parsley carefully, spreading roots well and cutting off cleanly any that are damaged. Pot carefully and water adequately, keeping the plant well lighted for at least a couple of weeks. Then set in a sunny window where it will supply fresh snippets of flavor all winter and may be reset in the garden in the spring.

At this time, it would be well to check such potted herbs as rosemary which have been outside for the summer. Repot them using a slightly larger pot with fresh soil. The rewards of such treatment are that the fresh flavor of the green leaves will be available the winter through.

Many folks bring in choice geraniums and begonias, potted in fresh soil. Cut back the top growth and treat as the parsley described above. Geraniums may also be pulled up, the soil from the roots removed, and the plants hung upside down in the dark old vegetable cellar. There humidity and temperature are nearly constant throughout the winter. In many cases, surprisingly, these plants will send out shoots in early spring and can be planted out to supply new blooms for summer.

## School standards, by Ellen Hersh, KRSB Rep from Bradford

Over the past several months, the issue of state standards in education has occupied newspaper space throughout New Hampshire. After a brief period of public testimony, the State Board of Education voted unanimously on September 25 to retain current limits on class size, but to change other requirements to guideline status. These include per student staffing numbers for principals, guidance counselors, library aides, etc. These changes are subject to a final vote later this year.

What do these changes mean for Bradford and the Kearsarge Regional School District? A greater responsibility on the part of board members, school personnel, citizens, and town officials to maintain quality services to our students, at affordable levels, with or without mandates.

What the KRSB is doing: establishing firmer curriculum guidelines for all the grades, working with teachers and administrators to redefine exit skill standards in all the disciplines from entry level through 12th grade, approving a study center for the high school, staffed by teachers, to give students additional help in free periods. We are paying close attention to math skills, reading and writing skills; we are aware that our SAT scores should be better.

What the teachers can do: maintain consistent reasonable expectations for their students, correct papers painstakingly with attention to grammar, spelling, and articulate expression in all subject areas, not just English. Above all, continue to encourage appropriate behavior, self esteem and good work.

What all citizens (not just parents) can do: learn about what is going on in our schools. Read the District's news page in The Kearsarge Shopper every other week. Read to and with young children. Let all children see that you read, that knowledge matters, that you are proud of what you know, what you can do, and how you can talk about it. Get involved! All schools need volunteers. Attend our sports events, plays, performances.

What town officials can do: understand that we are trying to educate future taxpayers in a shrinking economy, trying to turn out the competent and self-supporting citizens of tomorrow.

Any citizen who has concerns or would like to help is welcome to contact me at 938-2196.

## Warner Fall Foliage Festival runs October 10 & 11

The Warner Fall Foliage Festival will provide its gala events during Columbus Day weekend, October 10 and 11. This annual event has been a regular event for over forty years.

Both days begin with a country breakfast at the United Church, beginning at 7:00 am. The farmers market, arts & crafts, and flea market open at 9:00. The midway opens at 10:00. Lunch both days is a chicken barbeque and lobster dinner. A grande parade will march through town on Sunday at 1:00.

Entertainers performing this year include Becky Graber, storyteller and musician, Saturday at 1:30; the Granite State Cloggers, Saturday at 3:00; the Memie Mac Morris Dancers, Sunday at 11:30; and Lester Hirsh, troubadour guitarist, Sunday at 2:30.

The proceeds of the Festival are distributed to community organizations and projects. Last year over \$7,000 was donated to organizations such as the Warner Headstart and Kearsarge Children's Center, the Warner/Bradford Friends Program, 4-H Club, and Girl Scouts.

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# At Work ~ At Home

by Audrey V Sylvester

Innkeepers Tom and Connie Mazol don't really work at home; they live in their place of business. Since a very memorable Labor Day Weekend in 1984, the Mazols have owned and operated the Bradford Inn on Main Street.

Their innkeeping philosophy allows them to enjoy a special relationship with their place of business. Although they live in the inn, they do not consider it their home. They consider it a public place, open to everybody.

Connie appears to be poised and unperturbed as she describes the unexpected antics of guests. She commented, "Situations follow Murphy's law: anything that can go wrong, will go wrong. The busier you are, the more inconvenient it would be, the higher the odds that something unexpected will happen."



She remembered one particularly busy evening. The dining room was full. A daughter waiting in the parlour for a ride noticed smoke seeping from the cupboard behind the chimney. She informed Connie, who thought something in the cupboard had ignited. When Connie investigated, she found a guest busily stoking seven "perfectly-beated-glowing-red-logs" which he had stuffed into the tiny fireplace. She was about to call the Fire Department when a fireman driving home saw the flaming chimney and appeared to put out the fire. The guest who had caused the commotion was totally oblivious to what had happened. Connie quietly chuckled, "We had to replace that chimney." Now that's hospitality!

Then there was the guest who double locked his door and found himself stranded in the hall in a towel. While Connie went for the key, the guest took matters into his own hands. Connie found him clad in towel and borrowed boots standing on the snow covered porch roof in full view of Main Street.

Born in New York City, Tom has lived in Morocco (on active Navy duty), Virginia and Florida where he supervised four different dining rooms in a prestigious Miami hotel. After substantial restaurant experience, Tom attended the Johnson and Wales Culinary Institute in Providence, Rhode Island. Connie trained in library science and worked for many years for the Civil Service in Washington, D.C. She left the federal government to work in the hospitality industry.

The Bradford Inn is featured in more than 20 inn books including *Historic Inns of the Northeast*. Guests, who come from all over the United States, dine in J. Albert's Restaurant, named after the original owner, J. Albert Peaslee. Peaslee, a mill owner and organizer of the Bradford/Newbury Fair, built a modern facility for its time in 1898, which had electric lights, indoor plumbing, and central heating.

The menu at J. Albert's features historically accurate foods of New England at the turn of the century. Mazols chose this period because they enjoyed the uniqueness of American cooking at that time. Tom's original specialties include Molly Stark's Chicken, Boston and Maine Casserole and Veal Cabot. In 1991, the Bradford Inn received the Crystal Apple Yankee Magazine Award for the Best Apple Pie in New Hampshire. J. Albert's will feature German food during the Inn's Oktoberfest.

Tom and Connie promote more than the flavor of New England cooking when they share their place of business with the public. They use Bradford's special character to enhance a relaxed atmosphere for visitors seeking a respite from frantic, rushed lives. Connie remarked, "Living up here we forget what a refreshing change it is for people who are living in the rat race. Our guests can enjoy a ride up the ski lift at Mount Sunapee, picking apples, or just going for a quiet walk. We're into such a low key life style here."

**FELLS, continued**

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Throughout the fall, the grounds are always open for the public to walk through. The Fells, the Hay home, is open on Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 to 6:00. For more information, you may call David Anderson, Hay Estate Program Coordinator, at 763-5958.

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# TECH TALK

## by Howard Brooks

Interlaced or non-interlaced, that is the question. Whether it is nobler to have every line scanning or every other line scanning on their computer monitors is a matter of about \$100 difference in price. But monitor selection requires a bit more knowledge than this.

Interlaced Virtual Graphics Array (VGA) technology means that one horizontal line is skipped as the screen is drawn from top to bottom. A second pass draws the skipped line thus the term interlaced. This results in lesser scan frequencies, in the area of 35 Hz, while the non-interlaced monitor will enjoy the faster 72Hz scan rate. This means that the non-interlaced VGA is virtually flicker free with rock solid colors.

The SVGA monitor (the 'S' means Super) has a dot range of 1074 dots horizontally and 768 dots vertically. The dot size can range from .25 to .41 millimeters and may be interlaced or non-interlaced. The higher the dot pitch number (i.e., .31 or .41) the lower the resolution and the lower the costs.

Most of the VGA cards today will drive the non-interlaced, 72Hz, monitors. The cards will automatically, or can be manually adjusted, according to the type of monitor that you are using. Check with your supplier to see just what is the capability of your VGA card when thinking about upgrading your color monitor.

Also, radiation proof (although difficult to prove) is another feature to consider. Most every monitor in use today gives an acceptable (according to the FCC) amount of radiation especially if you stay back more than 27" according to one study I recently reviewed. But you may be concerned about hour after hour of close viewing in your office, so do consider lower radiation models. They are maybe \$75 more than normal VGA monitors.

VGA cards vary basically in three ways: One, the amount of memory that they hold or the amount that they can be expanded to hold; two, whether they have the new faster chip sets on board; and three, as mentioned earlier, whether they are super VGA (1024X768) or not. Memory on the VGA card will affect display speed especially when used in graphics software activity. The new faster chip sets actually include processors on the card which mean increasing graphic display rates of up to 25 times the normal SVGA card. Such cards will cost three times as much as a 1 meg SVGA card for example.

Like printers, VGA cards require drivers written by the software vendor for the particular cards. Most of the better known software products include VGA drivers for a variety of cards, but you should be sure that the VGA card that you select is in wide use just to better your chances of getting the best from whatever software products you use. Trident, Paradise, and Tseng Lab's standards are some of the widely accepted models at this time. Also, the cards themselves come with diskettes to drive the more popular software products such as Windows, Word Perfect, AutoCad, etc. Using these drivers in your Config.sys file can double your screen productivity. I recommend at least a minimum 15" non-interlaced monitor. NEC offers one of the few monitors that fills the complete screen area edge to edge and is great for viewing.

So be sure on your next computer or monitor purchase that you find out all about the various possibilities when selecting monitors and SVGA cards. Your taste, your need for computing power, your feelings about good health and last but not least, how you plan to use your machine are the governing factors.

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In 1927, John E. French left \$2,500 for the construction of a new library. Carrie Peters was librarian at this time, with Clara Nolan as assistant.

A building committee was formed at the 1931 town meeting. Members were John Flanders, Chairman, Lester Hall, Secretary, Roy A. Messer, Mrs. Maude Hubbard, Mrs. Gertrude Couch, and Mrs. Mary Carr. Natt Simons of Concord was hired as architect, and Arthur Crawford, contractor. (To be continued.)

--Maggi Ainslie

# Sports News

By Laurie Buchar

On the KRHS playing fields, you may see aggression and strength, but that's one place where the bully doesn't burst in and end the game. As a matter of fact, it's when the ball just starts rolling in the dynamic sport of field hockey. "Bully" is the name for the face-off in this sport, which varsity coach Nancy Brook describes as a combination of lacrosse and ice hockey.

Field hockey is played all over the world by both men and women, although at KRHS it's a female sport. Its origins date back over 4000 years. Carvings found in both Greece and Egypt depict players holding the distinctive curved snagging sticks in bully position. It is the national sport of India and India won all Olympic levels of play for a period of three decades. Since that streak was broken in the 1960s, Olympic gold has been awarded to Palestine, New Zealand, Zimbabwe, Netherlands, and Australia. The highest international score to date was recorded in 1932 at the Los Angeles games, when India smeared the USA 24 to 1.

Field hockey is a relatively young sport in the States, having been introduced during the early 1900s by a British teacher, Constance Applebee. But if local play is any indication, the USA may not always be the underdog. One KRHS player who should know is Isabelle de Cambry, who has transferred here from Belgium. "Here there is more competition. In Belgium we

play for fun, but here it is to win. As a team, Kearsarge is very good."

The game is played on a field 90-100 yards long by 50-60 yards wide, with a 7X12 foot goal at either end. Played on astro-turf, it's a very fast game. But our Kearsarge team has to contend with rough terrain that cuts down on the speed. As J.V. coach Karin Heffernan says, "You can't really dribble or the defense will be all over you. This makes it a passing game with no real superstars. You have to rely on each other."

And it's just this type of teamwork that commands attention when Bradford students Heather Beaton, Jody Lalla, and Erin McKenna take to the field. These three assist the goalie with the strongest defense Kearsarge has seen in years. Coach Brook says "The girls have drive and great goals for this year." Their recent victory over defending state champs in Laconia was proof positive.

Girls who are interested in joining these stalwart ranks can begin field hockey play in seventh grade. Coach Jen Simonds, who prepares the KRMS team for its 5-game season, says, "It's good to start young." She and the other coaches are hoping to expose students in grades 1-6 to the sport through a series of four Saturday clinics, but they need some volunteers to help. Anyone who has even minimal knowledge of the game and would be willing to assist should contact Nancy Brook at 938-2802. Meanwhile, GO COUGARS!!

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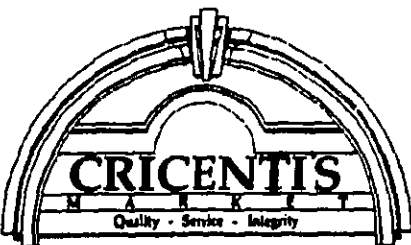
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# OCTOBER CALENDAR

## Friday, October 2

Volunteer orientation for Bradford elementary school, art/music room, 10:00 am

## Saturday, October 3

Household hazardous waste collection, State Highway Garage, Warner (next to Warner Recycling Center), 9:00 am - noon

State public hearing on ski craft on Lake Todd, Town Hall, 11:00 am

## Sunday, October 4

"Spirituality and Mid-life" Workshop, Town Hall, 7:00 pm

## Monday, October 5

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

Order of the Rainbow for Girls, Warner Lodge, 7:15 pm

## Tuesday, October 6

Facilities Com., Mayo's house, 7:30 pm

Zoning Board of Adjustment Public hearing for special exception for Doreen and Paul Fomier, Town Hall, 7:30 pm

Bradford Fish and Game, Lake Todd Clubhouse, 8:00 pm

## Thursday, October 8

Masons, St. Peters Lodge, 7:30 pm

## Saturday, October 10

Warner Fall Foliage Festival, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

## Sunday, October 11

Warner Fall Foliage Festival, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

"Journey to the Essential Self, Spirituality and Aging" Workshop, town hall, 7:00 pm

## Monday, October 12

Columbus Day, no school

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

## Tuesday, October 13

Kindergarten Coop Parents Meeting, Kindergarten Room, 6:45 pm  
For child care, call 938-5480.

Planning Board, 7:30 pm

Facilities Committee, at Brown Memorial Library to discuss the library, 7:30 pm

## Wednesday, October 14

Eastern Star, St. Peters Lodge, 8:00 pm

## Friday, October 16

No school, NHEA convention

To list events for the month of November, call the Scribners at 938-2286.

## Monday, October 19

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

Road Committee, 7:00 pm

## Tuesday, October 20

Candidates' Night, Elementary school, 7:00 pm

## Friday, October 23

Lake Sunapee Protective Assn program sponsored by Women's Christian Guild, First Baptist Church, 7:30 pm

## Monday, October 26

Selectmen's meeting, 7:00 pm

## Tuesday, October 27

Planning Board, 7:30 pm

Facilities Committee, at the Town Hall to discuss the kindergarten, 7:30 pm

## Wednesday, October 28

Historical Society Annual Meeting, Old Post Office, 7:30 pm

## Friday, October 30

Young children's Halloween Parade. Come in costume; meet at Post Office at 10:00 am.

## Saturday, October 31

Clean-up day at Bradford Springs Hotel site, East Washington Road, 9:30 am

## Classified Ads

FOR SALE. Antique wood shutters; stripped and ready for paint or stain. \$2.50/pair. 24 gallons of Benjamin Moore oil-based barn red paint. \$100 for the lot. Call 938-2608.

FOR SALE. 1973 Super Beetle Volkswagon. New 2L engine, new brake system, \$1850/BO. Phone evenings, 778-8572 or 472-3848.

SPACE AVAILABLE in the Bradford Coop Preschool Program. Program runs Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 1:00-3:00 for 4-year-olds. For more information or to register, call Debbie at 938-2621.

YOUR DREAM BOAT? 21' Venture sailboat with sails and accessories. Good condition; with 7.5 HP Merc Thunderbolt long-shaft outboard and Trail-Rite trailer. Cabin with bunks and sink; sail cover. Call 938-5352 or answering machine, 938-2650.

YARD SALE. Saturday, October 10, 10:00-4:00. RAIN OR SHINE. at the Wilcoxes, Marshall Hill Road. It's the second white house on the right after the bridge on Water St. 2 working woodstoves, twin maple beds, picture frames, books, and bric-a-brac.

FOR SALE. Yamaha "Portatone" keyboard. Never used. Best offer. 938-5352 or answering machine, 938-2650.

LOST. O'Brien gyro kneeboard, on Lake Massasecum 8/24. Reward. Call 938-2735 or 938-2336.

RENTAL. 3 2-bedroom year-round cottages. \$350/month. First month and security required. No pets. Located in Bradford. Call 529-7200.

WANTED. Local crafts shop looking for consignment crafts. Call 938-2222.

To place a FREE classified ad, call Mary Mitchell, Classified Rep, at 938-5268.