



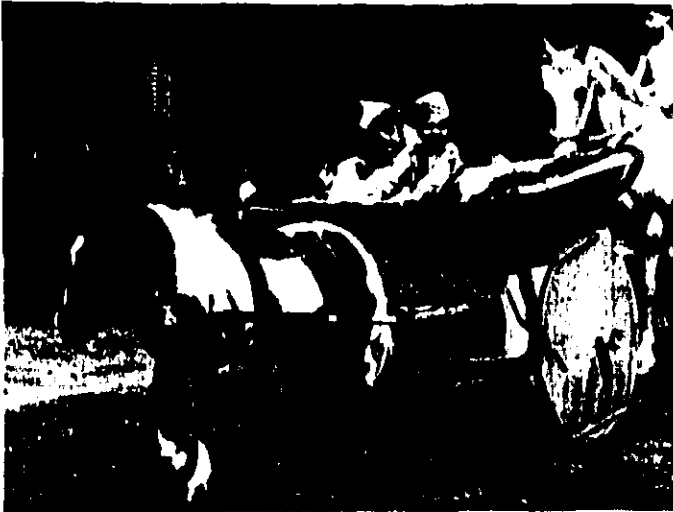
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PROJECT

Jason Lalla
Parade Grand Marshal
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Everyone loves a parade! Barbara Ann Cross and future road agent Andy Anderson in the Merrimack Farmer's Exchange float during WWII.

**Bradford Independence Day Celebration
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New Parks and Recreation Charter approved

Over the past three months, the Bradford Parks and Recreation Committee has developed a Charter and long-range goals and objectives. Selectmen unanimously approved the new Charter and accompanying documents on June 15.

Under the new charter, the Parks and Recreation committee is responsible for developing rules and regulations for parks and recreational facilities, and will coordinate and oversee park maintenance. The committee will also coordinate and oversee activities and events in the parks.

Anyone wishing to use a Town park or recreational facility on a regularly scheduled basis, or for more than a few hours, should fill out a schedule form available at the Selectmen's Office.

The documents detailing the committee's goals and objectives were developed to provide guidelines to help effectively plan and manage our current and future Town parks and recreational facilities. Goals were developed to coincide with the town's Master Plan and BEOC projects. The committee's primary goal is to build and improve upon our current parks and recreational facilities, and to be in a position to take on new projects such as the Bradford Green. A key objective is to make Bradford's parks safer for young people, more aesthetically pleasing, and more useable for everyone, young and old alike.

Long range plans include new park and recreational facilities that can be used by senior citizens. The committee also wants to add more sporting activities. Archery lessons are already scheduled for next month; see page 6 for more information.

—David Blake

Bradford Community Center will be a reality

The NH Office of State Planning has given final approval for the Bradford Community Center grant. The town has received a \$260,000 grant for rehabilitation of the old Central School on Main Street. The grant covers 80% of the construction costs. A capital building campaign will begin to raise the remaining 20% needed to complete the project, with a goal of raising all needed funds by December 1998. The renovations are scheduled to be complete by the spring of 1999.

The Community Center will provide space for the Kindergarten and Preschool, a Youth Center, a Senior Center, and a community meeting room. There will be office space for Parks and Recreation, the Community Center, and family and individual counseling, as well as a community health room. There will be a common kitchen area.

A construction management contract will be signed in July, when the town will be eligible to begin drawing funds from the grant. The Community Center will also hire a consultant to establish governance and program development plans.

The next Community Center meeting will be Thursday, July 23 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall.

Carol Conforti-Adams

Lamach to run for County Commission

Representative Bernie Lamach, R-Bradford, will not be seeking reelection to the House seat he has held since 1994. Instead, he will seek election to the Merrimack County District 3 Commissioner's post. Merrimack District 3 encompasses Newbury, Bradford, Warner, Henniker, Hopkinton, Dunbarton, Epsom, Allenstown, Pembroke and Hooksett.

"Although I have very much enjoyed my duties in the New Hampshire House, I am responding to the encouragement of constituents in my area to seek the higher post. I look forward to the different views and duties required in a more administrative responsibility", he said.

Lamach, who writes a monthly column in several area newspapers and is known for

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Odds Bodkins receives national storytelling award

Storyteller Odds Bodkin of Bradford received national recognition for his talents at the 1998 Awards Ceremony of the Association for Independent Music held recently in Denver. His 90-minute recording, *The Hidden Grail: Sir Percival and the Fisher King*, won the INDIE Award for Children's Storytelling.

Publishers Weekly listed *The Hidden Grail* as one of the top children's spoken-word recordings of 1997 in their Listen Up Awards. Moira McCormick, *Child's Play*, describes it as "one of the best kids' spoken-word recordings we've heard."

Bodkin's *The Hidden Grail: Sir Percival and the Fisher King*, published by Rivertree Productions, joins other winners on independent labels including Smithsonian Folkways,

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Obituary

ROBERT B. WHIPPLE

Robert B. Whipple, 69, of West Road, died on June 9 at the New London Hospital after a long illness.

He was born in Weare, NH on June 29, 1928, the son of Bernard and Edith (Walker) Whipple.

He had lived in Lempster, Dorchester and Bradford.

He began cutting pulpwood with his grandfather at the age of thirteen, and continued to work in the woods for several years in Dorchester and Bradford. He went to work for Kearsarge Reel, now the New Kearsarge Corporation, in 1954 and after retiring as foreman of the assembly department in 1990, continued working in the maintenance department until the time of his death.

He was a member of the East Washington Baptist Church.

Robert enjoyed hunting, and shared his love with his oldest daughter and his wife. He also enjoyed taking his daughters fishing. Robert built his own home, and kept a garden. He loved flowers, especially roses. He also enjoyed working on motors, and rebuilt several.

He is survived by his wife of forty-three years, Annie (Bagley) Whipple of Bradford; five daughters, Nancy Boffitto of Concord, Diane Heath of Weare, Vivian Weaver of St. Petersburg, FL, and Brenda Greenlaw and Sally Welch, both of Bradford; ten grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Police Report

The Bradford Police Department handled 120 calls, including two arrests, between May 19 and June 19. Calls included two accidents, four assists to the ambulance, two fires, three assists to other police, two incidents of criminal mischief, two burglaries, one larceny from a yard, one attempted suicide, one bad check, one civil problem, two false alarms, one bank escort, three found property, one stolen property, two harassing communications, one harassing phone call, two juvenile problems, two noise disturbances, two papers served, two driving under the influence, one bail, nineteen traffic citations, thirty-two traffic warnings, one driving on suspension, one reckless driving, three suspicious persons/vehicles, eight citizen assists, two welfare checks, one unsecured business and ten miscellaneous.

Officer Robert Varley returned to active duty on June 24 after four months on light duty as a result of a broken leg. Greg Martakos will be joining the department as a part-time officer upon completion of the part-time training academy in July.

—Deborah A.B. Blatsdell

Zoning Board news

The ZBA held a public hearing on June 2 for an addition to existing buildings on a Crittenden Road lot that is non-conforming in size and setbacks. The addition, approximately 64 square feet, will connect a barn to a camp. After satisfactory answers to abutters, the Board went into deliberative session and unanimously approved the special exception.

The Board also worked on updating various forms to include the easiest possible instructions for residents to know which board, Planning or Zoning, to consult. Emphasis was placed on meeting personally with either Board for informal discussion.

—Milly Kittredge

News from the Town Clerk and Tax Collector's Office

June 9. Robert Whipple died in New London.
June 6. Maynard Lee Binscheattel II and Tami Pickman were married in Bradford.
June 20. Charles Goodale and Summer Sargent were married in Bradford.

Dog owners will be penalized \$2.00 per month starting July 1, and dog forfeitures (\$25.00) will go into effect early in July for any unregistered dogs.

Interest will start accruing on July 11 for any unpaid real estate property tax bills at the rate of 12%.

Interest will start accruing on July 25 for any unpaid yield tax bills at the rate of 18%.

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Championship Season for youth baseball by Beth Rodd

Bradford Newbury Youth Sports history was made this week as we entered the championship finals for our 1998 baseball season. Skilled, avid young athletes led by dedicated parent/coach volunteers led every Bradford age group team to their finest moment in this, our championship season.

Our 11- and 12-year old team, the Bradford Yankees, met for their finals on June 22 winning over our Warner neighbors in a 19-3 victory.

On June 23, the 9- and 10-year old teams saw the Bradford Red Sox scoring a win over the Bradford Mets in a close 13-14 game. The 13- to 16-year old Bradford Mariners downed Hillsboro in a 2-0 final score.

We commend our great coaches and our super athletes for their dedication to and enthusiasm for youth sports. You are the best! Go Bradford!

For a gripping account of the Mariners' season, see Bradford's Field of Dreams by Odds Bodkin on page 14.

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Letters

To the editor:

Hats off to Liz and Ted Young for meeting a need in Bradford by developing and supporting the Sugar House Market. How good once again to be able to buy fresh produce in town as needed rather than stocking up and hoping it stays fresh until the next shopping trip. Even better when it is open daily and local produce is available!

The other items on sale add to the flavor and convenience of this new enterprise on our thriving Main Street. Thanks, Ted and Liz for this effort and for your confidence in Bradford.

Marcia Keller

To the editor:

As chairman of the Parks and Recreation committee, I would like to mention how fortunate we are as a town to have a number of diverse and talented part-time residents among us. Our part-time residents serve to enrich the quality of life that we enjoy here in Bradford. To all our part-time residents, please continue to show your interest and involvement, not only in our parks, but in all town functions and activities. We need you and we enjoy your being here.

David Blake

To the editor:

The family of Robert Whipple would like to thank everyone who sent cards and gave flowers, food, hugs and support during his sickness and passing.

We will miss our husband and father, but find comfort in the Lord, our family and friends.

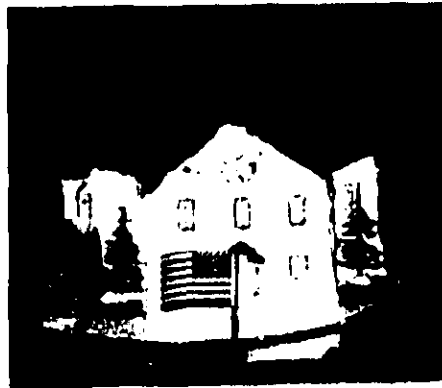
Annie Whipple and daughters Nancy, Diane, Vivian, Brenda and Sally

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Historical Society news

If Town Hall could speak, it would surely have said "Thank you for my 200th Birthday Party; it was just wonderful to have so many of my former students and town officials here again."

Former Selectmen, Treasurers, Secretaries, students of the Village School and dancing classes, amateur thespians and politicians were among the attendees. Many of them wondered how we sat through plays in the very warm hall!

One highlight was the chance to see the original door handle from the Meeting House with its angels and the engraving, "While Truth and Benevolence reign within, angels keep the door." It was wrought by Richard Cressy, and is now in the keeping of one of his descendants, Richard Cressy, nephew of Esther Cressy Spaulding.

Another highlight was a cake, a very accurate replica of Town Hall, made by Jackie MacLeod.

A welcome surprise was the help of the Police Explorer Scouts, who cheerfully and efficiently helped move all the refreshment equipment upstairs.

Upcoming Historical Society events include the Berry Festival and Band Concert on July 24 at 5:30pm at Old Bradford Center, and the Lettvin Concerts on July 31 and August 1 at 7:30pm at the Bradford Center Meeting House.

—Milly Kittredge

Ausbon Sargent sponsors walkathon/bikeathon

The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) is sponsoring their tenth annual 10K walkathon and bikeathon on Saturday, August 22. Pledges raised by walkers and bikers will benefit ASLPT, a non-profit group dedicated to preserving the rural landscape of the Kearsarge-Sunapee area, including Bradford.

The course is a 10-kilometer loop around Pleasant Lake in New London, starting at Elkins Beach. Entry categories include individual, team, family and youth. Registration is free. Participants are encouraged to enlist pledge sponsors. For more information and pledge forms, call the ASLPT at 526-6555.

South Newbury church fair

Plans are being made for the South Newbury Union Church Eighth Annual Fair on Saturday, August 15. There will be a white elephant table, tag sale, flea market, vendors, hot dogs, children's games, music and more, including a chicken barbecue from 5:00-7:00pm. There is still time for anyone who would like to rent a space. Please call Jim at 763-4276.

The Church and the Newbury Police Department are hosting a Project KidCare Photo ID event at the fair as part of a national effort to provide parents with personal safety ID's of their children.

Project Kidcare, developed by Polaroid Corporation in conjunction with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, is a program designed to raise awareness of child safety and provide parents with an effective tool to aid law enforcement authorities in the search for a missing child.

From 10:00am-1:00pm parents attending the fair can obtain free, high quality photographs and optional fingerprints of their children for their KidCare ID booklet, in which they can also record and maintain current vital statistics of their children.



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"Two Gramps," Roy Parsons and Roger Hamilton, display some of the items they have made for sale at the First Baptist Church Fair on July 4. "Two Grandmas," Mabel Parsons and Allene Hamilton, will also be selling antiques at the fair.

Donald Hall poetry reading to benefit Library Building Fund

The Friends of the Brown Memorial Library are sponsoring *An Evening with Donald Hall*, New Hampshire Poet Laureate, on Wednesday, July 29 at 7:30pm at the First Baptist Church in Bradford. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Library Building Fund. Friends President Audrey Sylvester said, "We are honored that Donald Hall will come to Bradford to help us raise funds for the library's expansion. That we had to schedule the event in the church points out the need for more space at the library. We look forward to a festive, literary evening."

Donald Hall, an internationally renowned poet and writer, and his wife, poet Jane Kenyon, came to Danbury, New

Hampshire in 1975 to live at Eagle Pond Farm, a house where Hall's great-grandparents had lived. The farm inspires his writing as a subject matter for poetry (*Old and New Poems*), prose (*String Too Short to be Saved*), and stories for children (*Lucy's Christmas* and *The Farm Summer 1942*).

Hall is the author of more than thirteen books of verse, nineteen books of prose and anthologies, and editor for numerous publications. Hall has received numerous awards for his writing: a National Book Critics Circle Award; Robert Frost Medal of the Poetry Society of America; Sarah Josepha Hale Award; New England Book Award in non-fiction; and in 1994, the Lily Prize for Poetry. One of his children's books, *The Ox-Cart Man*, illustrated by Barbara Clooney, won a 1980 Caldecott Award.

In 1995, he was recognized as a "Living Treasure," Governor's Awards in the Arts,

for "being a gifted and giving man who celebrates New Hampshire through his poems and writings of the hills, stone walls, Eagle Pond, the church fairs—with tenderness, wit and shimmering precision—for sharing that gift so generously with the New Hampshire community."

A reception and book signing will follow the reading. Book sales by Gibson's Bookstore will benefit the Library Building Fund. Admission is \$10 (tax deductible), \$5 for seniors, students and poets. The First Baptist Church, located on West Main Street at Route 103, is wheelchair accessible. To reserve tickets or for more information, contact Audrey Sylvester at 938-5908.

Road Committee meets with Selectmen

At a June 10 meeting, Selectmen met with the Road Committee to address personnel shortages and to try to get the highway department back on schedule. The Selectmen expressed their confidence in Andy Anderson, the Town Road Agent, and want his input on hiring and resolving problems. It was agreed that Selectman Vitale and Road Committee Chairman Keith Stebbings would meet with Anderson to continue working towards solutions.

In a subsequent meeting, the Road Committee offered suggestions concerning the final design plans for the bridge replacement on West Road. Bids for that project are to be opened on July 17.


—Milly Kittredge



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Church News From Lynne E. Hubley

On July 2, the Men's Fellowship group (and their families) will meet at 4:30pm to travel to Fenway to see the Red Sox play Montreal at a 7:00pm game.

There will be an all-Church Fourth of July Fair. Please see the complete schedule in this issue of the Bridge.

A sub-committee of the Board of Christian Education will meet at the home of Karen Way on Tuesday, July 14 at 7:00pm to set goals for the Sunday School.

The Food Pantry will be open Wednesday, July 17 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. As always, people can call the church at other times for food needed in an emergency.

Vacation Bible School will be held the week of July 20-24 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. We have changed the time hoping more children will be able to attend and more adults will be able to help. The theme for the week is "Lighthouse Adventure: Jesus Lights the Way." Day One will be the "Great Boat Float," the story of Noah. Day Two will be "A Baby Life Preserver," the story of baby Moses. Day Three will be "A Wild Wave Wonder," the story of Jesus stilling the storm. Day Four will be "A Resurrection Remedy," the story of Jesus resurrecting Jairus' daughter. Day Five will be "Breakfast with a Provider," the story of the great catch of fish. Vacation Bible School is for children aged four through the

sixth grade (going into the sixth grade in September). To register, please call the church office at 938-5313.

The House Committee, which is responsible for keeping the physical parts of the church in good repair, is planning a Band Concert and Fried Chicken Boxed Lunch Social as a fundraiser. It will be held August 1 at 6:00pm on the church grounds. The concert will be sponsored by the E. Warren Smith Fund, with proceeds going to the House Committee. Tickets are \$7.

July services will be as follows: July 5, Communion Sunday; July 12, Prayer Request Sunday; July 19, Invite a Friend Sunday; July 26, Hymn Sing Sunday. Please join us.

Ray Lacasse to speak on Medicare at Senior Rally

We are pleased to announce our speaker for the July 18 meeting. Ray Lacasse, state planner for the Division of Elderly and Adult Services will speak on "Everything You've Always Wanted to Know about Medicare, But Were Afraid to Ask." Mr. Lacasse will discuss Medicare, Medicare supplemental insurance and managed care. This forum is open to all area seniors and senior advocates. Take advantage of the opportunity and come with questions!

The meeting will be held on Saturday, July 18 from 1-3pm at Hallahan's Real Estate, Route 103 and Center Road in Bradford. The meeting will begin promptly to allow plenty of time for questions.

For more information, please call Lynne Smith at 938-2664.

Family Archery lessons offered

The Parks and Recreation Committee is sponsoring a Family Archery program for ages seven through adult. Marcia Wymann of the New England School of Archery, a certified Level Four national archery coach, will teach the four-week program.

Classes will be on Mondays at 6:30pm from July 20-August 10. The cost is \$24 per person. Equipment is provided. Class size is limited to 20, and the registration deadline is July 13. Please call 938-2570 for more information or to register.

BBA news

The new Board of the Bradford Business Association met for the first time in June. Starting in July, we will open meetings with a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The Cow Flop Bingo is up and running. Members, remember to sell your tickets.

Andrew Pinard is getting our brochure done. He could also use more information from BEA members for the Web site.

It was suggested that each member bring a member who has not been attending meetings. At our July 20 meeting, Don Johnson will fill us in on the Plan NH Charrette. We will meet at the church vestry. We hope to see you there!

—Marlene Freyler

Moon Mountain Arts news

Moon Mountain Arts will hold its Second Annual Good Old Fashioned Barn Dance on Saturday, August 22 from 8:00-11:00pm. The Walter Heath Band will provide music for the dance at the Lake Massasecum Casino. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$2 for children twelve and under. For more information, call Marcia Strout at 938-2716.

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BOOK REVIEW

by Pauline Dishmon

I COULD DO ANYTHING IF I ONLY KNEW WHAT IT WAS

Barbara Sher
Delacorte Press, 1994.

This book is designed to help you determine what you really want out of life and how to claim it. Through mental exercises, Sher helps readers find the place they belong. All you need to participate are a pencil, paper and a willingness to explore elements of your present life while allowing them to lead you to a new, more fulfilling one.

Among the questions Sher asks readers to consider are: Do you take a negative attitude? Do you have difficulty finding subjects of interest to you? Do you like or hate your job? Do you live in the past? Are you able to carry memories and lessons learned so that they can be a part of today?

In one exercise, Sher asks the reader to sit in an easy chair with the goal of day-dreaming. This, she says, will lead you to a "touchstone, a delicious core of all the things wanted." Sher's exercises may take time to digest, but the results become learning tools for discovering more about oneself.

Sher teaches that self-esteem plays an important role in helping an individual find his or her special slot, and says a lack of self-esteem may impede progress.

Some of the topics Sher considers include fear of success, staying in a negative situation or trying to get out, wanting something you shouldn't, burnout and boredom, and handling culture shock.

While this book is directed towards readers of many ages, I particularly recommend it for high school and college students who are considering where they want their lives to go.

I Could Do Anything is available at the Brown Memorial Library.

Report on Kearsarge Regional School District

by Mike Hague, Bradford School
Board Representative

BUDGET TIME AGAIN

Soon the budget process will begin for the school year 1999-2000. Your School Board and MBC will again work together to try to fashion a common budget. There has been much discussion about how to do that. School enrollment is climbing (about 4%) and difficult choices will have to be made. The budget for the next school year (1998-1999) has necessitated cuts in several areas outlined in last month's article. I invite and need feedback from Bradford residents as we go through this budget process. This is a \$15,000,000+ business whose product is the education of developmentally complex, dynamic, carbon based units called "children." Comparisons with other businesses, therefore, are only partially valid due to the uniqueness and value of the product. That makes this a very enigmatic task and I need all the help I can get. Please call, write or email with concerns, questions or input (121 Marshall Hill Rd., 938-2722, lovmts@aol.com). I will, as always, try to keep you informed as we wend our way through the numbers.

END OF THE YEAR

The graduating eighth grade class took its class trip to Montreal after raising its own money for the trip. (As part of the fund raising the principal was forced to shave his

head.) They came back to the middle school for activities and a sleepover, generally called a "lock-in." Apparently, the kids slept on the bus ride back from Canada so the adult volunteers had to stay up all night for the activities.

Bradford's fifth grade overnight trip was a success, complete with environmental learning activities and cabin camping at Camp Hillsborough. My son came home and showed me how to use a compass.

New London Elementary and Kearsarge High School were both first runners up in the New Hampshire Excellence in Education Award for 1997-98.

There was a "Kiss the Pig" assembly at the high school which raised money for the Environmental Concerns Organization. The Project CLIMB club had a very successful canoe trip and received a donation of five canoes from a New London family.

The Superintendent of Schools and various School Board members have met with all the Boards of Selectmen to update them and receive input about the kindergarten plan. The Bradford Selectmen favored contracting with private kindergartens (as opposed to building a district program) to retain local control and parental choice.

To help cut costs, a new program, the Gateway Program, will be developed at the middle school to provide services for students who would otherwise have to go out of the district. This will save money for the Special Ed. budget because of the high cost for out-of-district placements. A new classroom will be constructed and a new teacher hired for the program, paid for with the savings earned by keeping these students in the district.



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BEHIND THE BOOKS

An update from the Brown Memorial Library Trustees

The library thrift shop at the old Central School is now open for its third summer season and so far this year has raised nearly \$2,000 for the building fund. Hours of operation are Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10-1 and we invite you to come in, browse around and perhaps find a bargain! Donations are welcome and may be dropped off at the Central School or at the library. Thanks to your continuing support of this project we have raised over \$19,000 for the building fund in the last three years.

Brown Memorial Library has submitted a grant proposal to the New Hampshire State Library for funds for an Internet access computer. The Trustees extend their sincere thanks to Randy Thomas for her help in reviewing this proposal, and to all those who wrote letters of support for the project. Grant awards will be made in September, and if we are successful our new computer will be installed this fall. This will be an invaluable addition to our library, providing access to the vast resources the Internet has to offer.

Watch for the library's entry in the Fourth of July parade. We will be represented by a vintage truck built about the same time as our library building. Be sure to wave as we go by!

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The 2nd annual Texas Barbecue will be held August 11th at the Thistle and Shamrock Inn. The menu will feature genuine Texas BBQ beef, two kinds of beans, salads, breads, beverages and homemade desserts. Check next month's Bridge for all the details.

The annual Book/Bake/Plant Sale will be held on the library lawn (inside if it rains) on Saturday, July 18 beginning at 9am. We welcome all donated books, baked goods and house or garden plants for this event. All proceeds benefit the library building fund. For more information call the library at 938-5562.

As part of the trustees continuing effort to provide quality library service to our community, this month we begin a question and answer forum to address important topics concerning the library. This month's question is an important one:

Q: Why do we need a new library?

A: If you haven't visited the library in a while, please stop by, and when you come through the door keep that question in mind. We think you will immediately see the answer in many forms. The library is extremely overcrowded, with the book shelves filled to overflowing, books stacked on the floor and books stored unused in the basement for lack of space upstairs. There is no area for quiet reading or study, no adequate space for computer access (and our new Internet computer will require even more space), no handicapped access to the building or restroom and the list goes on and on. A new library will allow us the much-needed space to continue to provide quality library services to every resident of Bradford, both now and for many years to come.

This month's book quote:

"All that Mankind has done, thought, gained or been, it is lying as in magic preservation in the pages of books. They are the choicest possessions of men."

—Thomas Carlyle

Blaisdell Lake benefit yard sale

The Blaisdell Lake Property Owners' Association will hold their second annual Yard Sale on Saturday, July 11 from 9:30am—2:30pm at Estelle Rooney's Dog House on Route 114 in Sutton. Proceeds will be put in a fund to be used for dam maintenance and to address future environmental problems (such as milfoil) that the lake may face. Rain date is Sunday, July 12.

Donations of clean articles in good condition are welcome, and leftover items will be donated to the Bradford Library Thrift Shop. Please call 938-5216 or 938-2358 for more information.

Cemetery Commission News

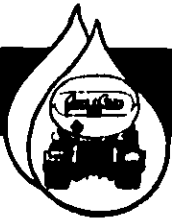
There are standards for the Town cemeteries that are meant to ease maintenance and care. One of them pertains to the placement of shrubs. A visit to one of our older cemeteries will demonstrate what roots can do. Shrubs are not to be larger than headstones, and are to be placed by headstones for an orderly appearance and so that they do not infringe on other lots. There is a foot between lots for walking. Please be aware that care funds do not provide for trimming shrubs, and you are responsible for keeping shrubs small and trimmed. The more things the sexton has to mow around, the less time there is to care for each lot. Please keep in mind, when you place flowers for your loved ones, that there are neighbors there to consider also. The Rules and Regulations are available at the Town Hall and from the Cemetery Trustees. They are also posted at the cemeteries now in use.

Bradford Country Squares dance July 11

The Bradford Country Squares will host a Plus square dance on Saturday, July 11 from 8:00-10:30pm at the Town Hall. Red Bates is the caller and Phil Gatchell will cue. Admission is \$4 per person. For more information, call 927-4956.



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Union Congregational Society summer service

An informal Worship Service and Hymn Sing will be held at the Bradford Center Meeting House on Sunday, July 12 from 11:15am-noon.

All ages are welcome at this service. It will be conducted by Mr. Ed Condict, a certified lay minister and son of Reverend Clinton Condict, who was pastor in Bradford in the early 1940's. Join us as we "make joyful noise" with old and new favorites.

—Edythe Craig

BWC Update

The lazy summer months are here, but the Bradford Women's Club is always busy doing things.

We've had plenty of rain lately, but when the time comes that everything is dry, we need the help of our members. The gardens and barrels will need watering. I'm sure that some where along the way, you'll pass one of the gardens. If you can help by watering one of them, please let me know. It doesn't take up much room to carry a few empty milk cartons filled with water. The flowers will appreciate it and it helps to keep our gardens looking beautiful.

The Red Cross Swim Program is still being administered by the BWC, even though Bradford Parks & Recreation now sponsors it. The Swim Program will be held July 13-24 at French's Park.

July Fourth will be here before we know it. Bradford is, as usual, planning a fantastic day. After the parade, please come visit the BWC booth in Brown-Shattuck Park. We're serving sausage, pepper and onion subs and meatball subs.

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Lettvin & Friends Concerts celebrate fifth year

The Bradford Historical Society and The Union Congregational Society announce their summer concert series, "Ted Lettvin and Friends," to be held on Friday, July 31, and Saturday, August 1 at the Bradford Center Meeting House at 7:30 pm. Produced by Bradford summer residents Joan and Ted Lettvin (members of the Rutgers University Music Department in the Mason Gross School of the Arts), the concerts showcase performances by accomplished graduate students from Mason Gross. Proceeds will benefit the Bradford Center Meeting House restoration project. The concerts have become a yearly gift from the Lettvins to the Town.

Friday night's concert will be an all-Schubert program, featuring pianist Theodore Lettvin in a solo performance, and The Dorian Piano Trio in ensemble. On Saturday evening, the members of The Dorian Piano Trio will play again, but in solo performances. Theodore Lettvin will also give another solo piano performance on Saturday.

The specific program for both evenings is to be announced. Tickets are \$6.50 in advance, available at Dodge's Store and from members of the Bradford Historical Society and Union Congregational Society. At the door, tickets will be \$7.50.

Moon Mountain Players planning fall theatrical production

On Monday, July 13 at 7:00pm, Moon Mountain Arts will hold an organizational meeting of the Moon Mountain Players in the second floor of the Town Hall. This meeting is to determine interest in a theatrical production to be performed tentatively the first weekend in November. Moon Mountain Arts hopes to produce two local shows each year and is interested in developing a local community theatre group.

Moon Mountain Players are looking for actors, costumers, directors, musicians, designers, dancers, artists, carpenters, play-readers and more. Plays currently under consideration for the fall include: *Heaven Can Wait, Deathtrap, Wait Until Dark, The Mousetrap, The Foreigner, Dracula, The Nerd, Not Now Darling, Cactus Flower,* and *I'll Be Back Before Midnight.*

Plans for the July 13th meeting include organizing a play-reading group to help select shows for production, meeting with past participants to develop a member list, and soliciting additional members interested in helping to develop independently produced theatre in the area. Future plans include a vaudeville festival, youth activities, and production of a musical. If you are unable to attend this meeting and wish to be included, call Lu Signorino at 938-2608.

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Jason Lalla by Audrey V. Sylvester

On the Fourth of July, Bradford's Parade Marshal and honored guest, Jason Lalla (now a resident of San Diego) anticipates coming back to his former home town for the holiday celebrations. Jason earned the town's recognition for being a world-class athlete, winner of a Gold Medal in the Giant Slalom at the Paralympic Winter Games in Nagano, Japan. Although there was little American television fanfare about these games, Jason became a celebrity in Japan, where ordinary sports enthusiasts surprised him by asking for autographs and photo opportunities.

The Paralympics was Jason's first competition as a member of the U.S. Disabled Ski Team. As a newcomer, he knows that he will have to prove that his victory was more than a fluke. Following the Nagano games, Jason competed in Canada, where he did very well. "Very well" meant that he won first place in every event. Downplaying his success, he said, "A couple of top guys were not competing." In spite of a modest demeanor about winning, Jason is a tough competitor who wants top honors.

Jason simultaneously accepts and questions the rigors of racing. He said, "Everything in skiing is so quick. Your race is about one minute long, yet there is so much training for that minute." Training begins in October on the snows of Mount Hood and continues through April. During a seven-month period last year, Jason was at home in Vail, Colorado for only a month

and a half. While training, he travels extensively, living out of a duffel bag and working hard to secure financial backing for his sport's budget. He said, "It doesn't matter whether you are standing, sitting, able-bodied or not; competing is a life style that you become accustomed and dedicated to." During training, he is fully



engaged and unable to take a "regular" job. He joked about a fantasy scenario with a potential employer: the employer asks, "When can you start work?" Jason responds, "I can be there two days in October. I'll be back for four days in December. You can fit me in." Off-season, he competes in able-bodied downhill mountain bike races to keep in shape.

Jason began skiing after surviving a motorcycle accident nine years ago when

he was eighteen. One leg was severed. In high school he had thrived on physical activities and competition as an athlete on the hockey, lacrosse and soccer teams. As he recovered from the accident, he tackled the unimaginable questions: "Now what," "Where do I start," and "Where do I go from here?"

A former high school coach created a vision of possibility by offering to set him up with ski equipment. Curious to know if he could ski, Jason attended the "Chapstick Challenge," an event for people with disabilities held at Mount Sunapee. After a half-day skiing lesson using one ski and outriggers, he was able to make turns and stop. Rapidly becoming proficient, he was soon out on the slopes skiing with friends. Although he wears a basic carbon fiber artificial limb during everyday life, Jason prefers to compete on one ski. He discovered that skiing without a limb could bring recognition, especially if fifty skiers coming down a hill are behind a skier without a limb who is going faster than everyone else. In a strange twist, the novelty that makes a disabled skier visible is also good for attracting sponsorships and employers.

His new employer, R.G.P. Prosthetics of San Diego, spotted Jason at a Waterville Valley skiing event. The company is now one of his sponsors. After the racing season, Jason works for them as a technician fitting artificial limbs and as a marketing consultant. R.G.P. uses semi-flexible plastics and carbon fiber shafts as the base for fabricating finished prostheses. Today's artificial limbs offer more customer comfort and variety than older technology. Shoe shapes can be ordered to fit cowboy boots, high heels and running shoes. Jason works with customers to design a finished product that meets their special needs.

A modern day pioneer, Jason challenges perceptions about disability and ability as he challenges himself to be tops in his sport. Congratulations, Jason, and best wishes. Keep your old hometown posted. We know your win was more than a fluke.



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Since this is a family-oriented business, you'll be sure to get satisfaction when you shop. If we don't have the item you're looking for, just ask for the Bowle Express, and we will try to have it in the store for you the next day. If you have any questions, problems, or orders you would like to place, please feel free to call us at 938-5533 or send us a FAX at 938-2609. We aim to please!

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June 29 _____ Opening Day
July 4 _____ Fourth of July Specials
August 16 _____ Get a slice of Marykate's Birthday Cake
September 2 _____ Back-to-School Specials

Date: _____



DAIRY

- _____ Eggs
- _____ Milk
- _____ Butter
- _____ Margarine
- _____ Sour Cream
- _____ Whipped Cream
- _____ Yogurt
- _____ Cottage Cheese
- _____ Cream Cheese
- _____ Parmesan Cheese
- _____ Other Cheese

MEAT, FISH & POULTRY

- _____ Bacon
- _____ Sausage
- _____ Deli Meat
- _____ Hot Dogs
- _____ Chicken
- _____ Turkey
- _____ Beef
- _____ Pork
- _____ Ham
- _____ Fish
- _____ Shellfish

FRUIT

- _____ Apples
- _____ Bananas
- _____ Berries
- _____ Grapefruit
- _____ Grapes
- _____ Lemons
- _____ Limes
- _____ Melon
- _____ Oranges
- _____ Pears

VEGETABLES

- _____ Broccoli
- _____ Cabbage
- _____ Carrots
- _____ Cauliflower
- _____ Celery
- _____ Cucumbers

- _____ Garlic
- _____ Lettuce
- _____ Mushrooms
- _____ Onions
- _____ Peppers
- _____ Potatoes
- _____ Radishes
- _____ Spinach
- _____ Tomatoes

BREADS

- _____ Bagels
- _____ Bread
- _____ Buns
- _____ English Muffins
- _____ Rolls

DRY GOODS

- _____ Cereal
- _____ Oatmeal
- _____ Cookies
- _____ Crackers
- _____ Pasta/Noodles
- _____ Beans/Lentils/Peas
- _____ Rice
- _____ Bread Crumbs
- _____ Flour
- _____ Sugar
- _____ Cake Mix
- _____ Pancake Mix
- _____ Gelatin
- _____ Potato Chips
- _____ Tortilla Chips

CANNED GOODS

- _____ Baby Food
- _____ Applesauce
- _____ Fruit
- _____ Chili
- _____ Mushrooms
- _____ Soup
- _____ Spaghetti Sauce
- _____ Stewed Tomatoes
- _____ Tomato Paste
- _____ Tomato Sauce
- _____ Tuna
- _____ Vegetables

FROZEN FOODS

- _____ Apple Juice
- _____ Orange Juice
- _____ Ice Cream

- _____ Potatoes
- _____ Vegetables
- _____ Frozen Dinners
- _____ Frozen Pizza
- _____ Frozen Waffles

BAKING GOODS

- _____ Baking Soda
- _____ Baking Powder
- _____ Corn Starch
- _____ Salt
- _____ Pepper
- _____ Chocolate Chips
- _____ Nuts
- _____ Raisins
- _____ Vanilla
- _____ Dried Herbs
- _____ Spices

CONDIMENTS

- _____ Oil
- _____ Vinegar
- _____ Ketchup
- _____ Mayonnaise
- _____ Mustard
- _____ Olives
- _____ Pickles
- _____ Relish
- _____ Salads
- _____ Salad Dressing
- _____ Shortening
- _____ Soy Sauce
- _____ Honey
- _____ Jelly/Jam
- _____ Peanut Butter
- _____ Syrup

BEVERAGES

- _____ Cocoa
- _____ Coffee
- _____ Tea
- _____ Fruit Juice
- _____ Soft Drinks
- _____ Mineral Water
- _____ Beer
- _____ Wine

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- _____ Dishwasher Soap
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- _____ Glass Cleaner
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- _____ Shampoo
- _____ Toothpaste

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Legislative Report

By Representative
Barbara French



In recent years, the Legislature has completed its work by the end of June, but the 1998 session has been anything but normal. Without a doubt, the number one issue has been education funding and the State Supreme Court's ruling that the current method of funding public education in New Hampshire is unconstitutional. Before delving into that issue, however, I would like to let you know about a particular piece of legislation I have been working on this year. Senate Bill 360, which I co-sponsored with a number of other legislators, established a child and family resource group to study and make recommendations concerning the development and coordination of wellness and primary prevention programs. After a great deal of work, Governor Jeanne Shaheen signed the bill into law on June 2. This new law requires that the study group report its finding to the Legislature by November 1 with its recommendations for a statewide plan and further legislation for the 1999 session. In Vermont, a similar law has resulted in reduced school dropouts, teen pregnancy, welfare rolls, and child abuse and holds great potential for a drop in juvenile delinquency rates.

As for the education issue, the Legislature continues to work on compromise legislation that will meet the Supreme Court mandate that as a state tax, the property tax must be administered in a manner that is equal in valuation and uniform in rate throughout the state. Earlier in the session, the House passed to the Senate a modified version of Governor Shaheen's "ABC Plan" to address the Supreme Court ruling. The Senate referred the legislation to the Supreme Court for a constitutional opinion, and on June 23, the Court responded that a controversial abatement section of

the bill remains unconstitutional and that the Legislature must go back to the drawing board. As of this writing, the legislation is pending in the Senate. With a constitutionally mandated date of July 1 for the Legislature to conclude its work, there remain few options, including a House-Senate resolution within a week, a special session in the Fall, or waiting until January when the new Legislature elected in November is sworn in to office. The Court has mandated that the issue be resolved by April of 1999.

Although the abatement section of the "ABC Plan" remains in limbo, the House Education Committee should be lauded for its work on defining an adequate education, and for developing standards and an accountability process. Once the abatement section is resolved, either sooner or later, the Legislature will have put together an excellent piece of legislation that will carry us well into the next century.

Other issues that may be of interest include a new law to better protect loons from poisoning by banning lead fishing sinkers from the state's waterways starting in 2000. Unfortunately, efforts to protect people from the dangers of sludge were not as successful. The Legislature defeated measures that would have prohibited land application of treated sewage if it contained certain amounts of harmful metals and required agricultural products from sludge-treated soil to be labeled.

I continue to work on the osteoporosis prevention and education council and will be working on health insurance issues the remainder of this term. As always, residents of Henniker and Bradford are encouraged to contact me about issues pending before the Legislature or any matters involving state government.

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his accessibility, stated "I would like to extend the same effort in keeping my constituents informed of County issues as I did with State issues."

Bernie Lamach is a registered Professional Engineer and co-owns the R. L. Dodge General Store in Bradford with his wife, Deborah. He also serves on the Budget Committee for the Keursarge Regional School District.

Sutton Historical Society offers Cornerstone walks

The Sutton Historical Society will lead walks through Sutton's Cornerstones on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm in July.

July 7, North Sutton Village. Meet at Smiley Grove in the center of the village. Leaders: Don Davis and Dick Reilein.

July 14, Sutton Mills Village. Meet at Pillsbury Town Hall. Leaders: Don and Lucille Chadwick.

July 21, East Sutton Village. Meet at the cemetery on East Sutton Road (up off Route 103). Leader: Jack Noon.

July 28, South Sutton Village. Meet at the Common. Leader: George Wells.

Glimpses

July 1978—Marvin Rich recaps his first year as Police Chief in Bradford; he found it a change from his previous position where there was a population of 60,000 and a police force of 172. One of his first duties was urging a cow huck into her pasture, a problem he hadn't encountered on the city force.

July 1988—Paul and Gwen Kennedy held a Grand Opening of the Village Mart and Sandwich Shoppe of Bradford.

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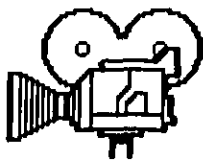
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To be eligible, the film or video must be produced or directed by a New Hampshire resident or shot in New Hampshire (only New Hampshire residents are eligible for Arts Council cash awards). The works may be of any length. Documentary, animation, fiction and experimental genres will be considered. Advertising and training productions are ineligible. Entries will be judged for creativity, treatment of content, and technical execution.

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Library Lantern by Maggi Ainslie

School's out, but there are lots of opportunities for reading and fun at the Library this summer. Our "Wednesdays at One" Summer Reading Club for children under seven starts on July 8. We will be sharing stories and activities each week through August 12, and this year it's all about New Hampshire. Also for our youngest audience, we will offer "P.J. Bedtime Tales" on Mondays from July 13-August 3 at 6:30pm.

For children ages 7-12 (entering grades 2-6), we recommend "Wheel of Fiction," a reading program sponsored by Friends of the Brown Memorial Library. This program will meet on Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00pm from July 8-August 12. Participants will read one book each week. Children who may be away for some of the weeks are still welcome to participate. Pre-register for "Wheel of Fiction" at the Library, or call Donna Marr at 938-2319.

The BML Thrift Shop has reopened and we are off to another great season. Unfortunately we were heavily vandalized during the time the shop was closed for the winter, and many items were destroyed. Trustees and volunteers worked hard to clean up the damage for opening day. We would be interested in any information connected with the vandalism.

Recent additions:

Ghost Country, Sara Paretsky
The Pilot's Wife, Anita Shreve
Nature Walks in New Hampshire, Julia Older
"N" is for Noose, Sue Grafton
Swimming to Catalina, Stuart Woods
Snowboard Maverick, Matt Christopher
Raising Dragons, Anne Nolan
Mickey Mantle, Mark Gallagher
Cal Ripken Jr., Jim Campbell
Elvis Presley, Tony Gentry



From the kitchen of Lesley Marquis

Well, the summer is in full swing! Bradford's Fourth of July celebration has become a tradition here at the Inn. The time between the parade and the firemen's barbecue is spent in the cool shade of our gazebo, sharing Key Lime Pie and raspberry iced tea with our guests. Have a happy Fourth!

KEY LIME PIE

36 vanilla wafer cookies
1/4-cup unsalted butter, melted
1/2-teaspoon plus 1 tablespoon grated lime peel
14-ounce can condensed milk
1/4-cup fresh lime juice
2 large eggs
lime slices
fresh raspberries

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Finely grind vanilla wafers in food processor. Add melted butter and 1/2-teaspoon grated lime peel. Process until moist crumbs form. Transfer to 9-inch glass pie dish. Press crumbs onto bottom and sides of dish. Bake just until crumbs begin to turn golden brown, about 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, whisk condensed milk, lime juice and 1 tablespoon lime peel in medium bowl to blend. Whisk in eggs.

Pour filling into warm crust. Bake until filling sets, about 20 minutes. Cool. Refrigerate until well chilled. Best prepared one day ahead. Cover and keep refrigerated. Garnish with lime slices and fresh raspberries.

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GARDENING

by Fred Winch

Gardeners have had an adverse season—too dry or too wet, too cold or too hot—but the “frost free” date of May 30 arrived, and lo and behold, those who were brave enough to put out the leggy tomatoes hit the jackpot. I put out several varieties on the 31st. As usual, I dug a spacious hole, dropped in generous amounts of crushed egg shells saved over the winter to supply lime and a handful of compost. Then I settled the leggy plants deep in their holes and replaced the soil, sprinkled a soup spoon of Epsom salts on top of the soil, watered them in with a Miracle Gro solution and hoped for the best. This preceded our more-than-adequate rains, and now the plants are staked or caged and tied where necessary. The Sweet 100 and the Early Cascades are blooming, about a week to ten days earlier than Celebrity, Better Boy and four other varieties. Mulching follows in early July.

I'm a bit late seeding my main crop of broccoli and cauliflower, but because of the wet, humid weather I have delayed my late planting. I find my two good fall veggies do best if seeded directly in the garden in the last week of June. I put them in a spot of rich soil where I can water them easily, and then transplant the seedlings to their area between July 15th and 20th. I plant two varieties of cauliflower and four of broccoli, selecting varieties that mature early. Snow Crown cauliflower and Packman broccoli have worked well for me. Since broccoli is more resistant to cold than cauliflower, I choose a couple of later-matur-

ing varieties. They normally stand the cold until Armistice Day, and I can freeze all the surplus for winter use. Fall kohlr crops are not attacked heavily by the cabbage worms, and a couple of light dustings will take care of them.

Normal gardening has taken a back seat this month while I try to keep up with lawn care. If you, like I, fertilized the lawn during the dry weeks, you found that the expected growth did not occur. Many then re-fertilized, and when the rains came, the grass put on a week's worth of growth in a couple of days. The dry time will come and lawns should revert to a normal seven to ten day mowing schedule.

For many years, the Bradford area has been free of the Gypsy moth and the resulting defoliation of maples, oaks and hemlocks. It looks as if the moth is making a comeback this year. If you see a brownish caterpillar humping its way across the yard to one of these trees, put a stop to her. It will reduce the population next year, as the feeding season is over now. Caterpillars will now find spots in crevices of bark and pupate. In a few weeks, the moths will hatch out and look for places on your oaks and maples to lay the eggs that are next spring's caterpillars. If you see the caterpillars, stomp them! If you find moths laying, dispatch them also. And if you miss these opportunities, look this fall for egg masses on rocks and trees between ground level and eight feet up the trunk. Paint the masses with used crankcase oil. These measures will help prevent defoliation next spring.

SPNHF field trip to view ice storm aftermath

The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) will explore the effects of last winter's ice damage to the Ossipee Mountain region forest land owned by the Chocorua Forest Lands Ltd. Partnership (CFL) in Moultonborough. The field trip will be on Saturday, July 25 from 10am to 3pm and is free to SPNHF members and \$5 for others. For more information or to register contact Trish Churchill at 224-9945.

CFL's 12,000 acres on the Ossipee Mountains, the little-known wild side of the Lakes Region, experienced some of the worst ice damage in the state last winter. The company has undertaken ambitious timber and wildlife habitat improvements while cutting low-grade hardwood for kiln-dried campfire wood markets. Trip participants will view first hand the aftermath of the ice storm and learn about the vigorous plans of one company to restore order on their woodlands.

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BRADFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Bradford's Field of Dreams by Odds Bodkin

Sometimes, even on local fields of dreams, universal stories appear. This is one of those stories.

This '98 season Bradford's baseball teams swept every championship in the league—one of those seemingly small accomplishments that grows larger than life, the closer you look.

The little town of Bradford sits south of Mt. Sunapee. There's not much here at first glance. A stoplight. A Baptist church. But there's something in the air here that has to do with children and athletics. Something that in a nation weeping for its wayward young says that at least these children—the ones who played baseball in the spring of 98—have the wind at their backs.

It was plenty—maybe more than enough—that the championship game for the 3rd and 4th graders was between two Bradford teams. That game concluded with a 14-13 score. The entire town turned out. Parents. Teachers. Coaches. Scores of children.

Maybe it was plenty, too, that the 5th-6th graders had won their championship against the Warner team the previous evening by a stunning margin.

But this story is about of a ragtag bunch of remarkable thirteen-year-old boys who traveled, in one brief season of rainy games,

from the obvious losers of everything to the winners of it all.

The Bradford Babe Ruth team—in the 13 to 15 year old division—lost their first game to Warner 15-1. It was a devastating start. Bear in mind that this was most of these players' first season on a full-sized baseball field. On the big diamond, first base is ninety feet from home, not sixty. It's a long throw. Bradford, the youngest team in the league, could barely throw that far.

At least the boys' minds couldn't throw that far. Their coaches knew their bodies could, but that learning to do it would take a revolution in their thinking. During that opening debacle, Bradford's throws fell short of the mark. And so they lost to their old Warner rivals, who stole them blind.

At Bradford's first practice after the defeat, the coaches instituted rules. They told their players that if they didn't want to be the Bad News Bears, and to be trounced every single game by older boys, they'd have to climb a very steep learning curve. Climb it just to stay alive in the league.

The rules: any player who threw short, did five push-ups. Any player who threw wide, did a lap around the infield. Harsh, some might say. But those naysayers might not have stayed long enough to watch these same boys win the championship on June 23rd.

Within two practices, the boys were throwing hard to the bases, and doing far fewer pushups. And to their credit, they were good-natured about it. The next game, Bradford lost by seven runs. The next game they tied. And then, a win by seven runs.

Then Warner came to town, the same team that had trounced them so badly. And in a downpour during the rainiest spring in memory, Bradford defeated their rivals a stinging 20-0. The big diamond was theirs. It was a man's diamond. And these boys had conquered it.

They beat other teams. Weare. Hopkinton. New London. Warner again. Al-

ways older boys. Bigger boys. But they lost to Hillsboro. Because Rob, before June 23rd acknowledged by his peers as the best pitcher in the league, threw the ball for Hillsboro. Rob pitched fast and true. When he had to, he could always throw a devastating strike. A strike so fast, most players stood mesmerized at the plate, almost unable to swing, as the baseball hurtled by.

Hillsboro was 10-1-1 by the time Bradford came to the championship game at Hillsboro's home field. Bradford was 6-5-1. Not much of a record. Not the record, you might say, of champions.

But Hillsboro had never faced Jon, Bradford's thirteen-year-old pitcher, for an entire game. Who threw sixty percent curveballs for seven straight innings without a run scored, backed by an alert, skilled infield. It developed into classic pitching duel, fought by two young swordsmen of the mound. Fastballs. Curve balls. Changeups. Sliders. The full arsenal of accomplished pitchers. Adults, parents and coaches alike, stood in a state of disbelief as inning after inning passed with these two fine pitchers striking players out like clockwork.

There was a hit here or there. A few walks. Some fine pickoffs at the bases on both sides, and a brilliantly executed pickle. But the speed of the pitches rattled every batter. In the entire game, only two hits were given up.

The regulation seven inning game ended, scoreless. The championship game went to extra innings.

But it was here that Hillsboro showed its lack of pitching depth. Within the space of five minutes, their coach brought out three different pitchers, but nothing could stop the walks. It was the top of the eighth, and Bradford loaded the bases. One run was a walk-in. The next, an RBI. At last, the interminable tie had been broken. Bradford led 2-0.

But the home team had last ups; and Jon moved to shortstop, his legal innings used up.

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Bradford's coaches were abuzz. Who should they put out? They needed speed. Fastballs. Otherwise Hillsboro would start hitting to the outfield. Ricky was excellent, but ran hot and cold. So cold in the game with Warner two days before that he had to be taken out halfway through the first inning. Then there was Mike, ace catcher, who could also pitch, but who said his arm hurt. There was Benji, who'd pitched masterfully during the first half of the season, but who didn't throw quite fast enough. And Ryan, very fast, but sometimes wild.

So Ricky warmed up. To the coach's eye, the strikes were coming in. So, in the bottom of the eighth, Ricky went out and pitched faster and better than he had ever pitched. Two strikeouts. Then a man to second. Then Benji Eaton made an astonishing backward catch of a red-hot ground ball to third, and threw a bullet to Ryan at first base. The game was over. The young kids from Bradford beat the first-place Hillsboro team 2-0.

So if you've ever seen one of those Hollywood movies about the team in the basement who comes back to win it all, where there's music playing and people cheering and close-ups of hugging adults and all the magic of skilled cinematographers working to grease your emotions, know this: our Bradford Newbury Youth Sports baseball teams didn't just watch the story this year, they lived it.

John "Odds" Bodkin is a Mariners' coach and proud father of Jon Bodkin.

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Selectmen's meetings in June

Topics covered by the Selectmen over the course of the month included:

Class VI roads. Two issues dealing with development on sections of Class VI roads were before the Board at several meetings in June. Robert Stewart, Jr., representing Peter Isham, reported on their consultation with the Planning Board concerning Isham's plan to subdivide two lots on a portion of Alder Plains Road that was declared Class VI by the Board of Selectmen after more than ten years of non-maintenance. Subdivision regulations prohibit subdividing land on Class VI roads. By state law, the Town cannot spend any funds for Class VI road maintenance. Isham proposes to upgrade, at his own expense, a portion of Alder Plains Road to provide access to the lots. State law allows the Selectmen to act to upgrade the road to Class V through a petition process with a public hearing. When Stewart asked if the Selectmen would be willing to proceed with the petition process, Joe Conway expressed a need to review the process and to visit the site before answering. It was also pointed out that the Selectmen, with assistance from the Road Committee, had adopted standards in 1994 that must be met to bring a Class VI road up to acceptable Class V condition before the change could be made. At a subsequent meeting, Stewart was asked to prepare the petition.

The second Class VI road item dealt with a request from Peter Nicholas Schneider who was contemplating purchasing a lot and building a home on County Road, 3/10 of a mile from the town-maintained Class V portion. The only remedy allowed by state law is for selectmen to issue the building permit, after consultation with the Planning Board and after adopting a policy allowing building on a Class VI road or a portion thereof. In addition, the property owner must file a waiver with the county registry of deeds acknowledging that the town does not have any responsi-

bility for maintenance of the road nor any liability for damages resulting from use of the road. The Planning Board had expressed its approval of the project.

Prior to making a decision, selectmen visited the site and, on June 15, held a public hearing to solicit comments. In support, Peter Isham pointed out that power lines already extend to the lot in question. Jane and Bill Lucas stated that they have lived on a class VI road, which they maintain themselves, for thirteen years. In that time, they have had assistance when needed from both the Fire Department and the Rescue Squad. Bill Lucas said they built prior to zoning, pay taxes on three houses, and should receive the same services as anyone else in town. Joe Conway responded that it is state law, not local zoning that prevails in this situation.

Speaking as a retired planner and a member of the Road Committee, Marcia Keller spoke in opposition to granting the building permit. She provided some history of the adjoining 3100' of County Road where several homes were built even though that section, too, was Class VI at the time. In addition, the Town mistakenly continued to maintain the road out of good will. The result was that in 1995, Town Counsel advised the selectmen to request Town Meeting to approve a change of classification from Class VI to Class V. Keller pointed out that there are several other lots on the section of road under discussion that could request similar approval if the permit were granted. She suggested that the selectmen consider upgrading the road and using a betterment assessment, where abutters would be charged for a portion of the cost to bring the road up to Class V standards.

Milly Kittredge said that it is necessary to balance the needs of individuals with the needs of the town. Class VI roads occur in undeveloped areas, allowing tax dollars to be spent where need is greatest.

Everett Kittredge said that the language of the RSA raised questions about how the zoning ordinance would apply to this property. In the Selectmen's discussion of the

issue, Conway said he shared Kittredge's zoning concerns and stated, "On a planning basis, I have objection to it." However, he noted that the road was in better condition than some Class V roads and said that he would prefer to develop a policy for the one lot so that other lots could be handled on a case-by-case basis. Peter Schneider then informed Selectmen that because the decision-making process had taken so long, he is no longer able to purchase the property. The matter was tabled until such time as a formal request is issued.

Parks and Recreation. David Blake is the new chair of the Committee. Deborah Bruss has joined as an alternate member, and Marvin Rich is the Selectmen's representative. At the June 22 meeting, Selectmen unanimously approved the new Charter, goals and objectives and mission statement prepared by the Committee. It was noted that Town Meeting must approve the designation of the group as a "department" rather than a committee. The Selectmen expressed appreciation for the group's work.

David Blake and June Lucas asked the Selectmen's approval to accept the donation of a small shed, which will be moved to French's Park for use as a snack bar. Discussion of installing an aluminum swim raft raised safety concerns, including the depth of the water and the absence of a lifeguard. The Committee will investigate these issues further. Joe Conway outlined plans to extend the swim line to address concerns about boat traffic entering the swim area. The boundary between Town and private property will be researched using information from the recent sale of abutting property.

The Parks and Recreation Committee is working on developing standards for signage in the parks and offered to work with other town groups to ensure consistency. They were referred to Chief Sims, who is also working on signs.

The committee asked for Selectmen's approval to use the Jones Road gravel pit for archery lessons. Citing concern about heavy traffic at that site because of summer road work, the flat area at the former Naughton property was suggested as a possible alternative.

Lake Massasecum. Marcia Keller asked the Selectmen for help in speeding the process of getting State approval for efforts to control the spread of milfoil in Lake Massasecum. She is concerned that delay in implementing control measures will result in further contamination of the lake. A new law requires cooperative action by three state agencies. Selectmen agreed to



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sign a letter of concern to the agencies involved. On June 22, Keller introduced Beth Hoberly, a Research Assistant from the Student Conservation Association, who will be working at the Lake Massasecum boat ramp to educate boaters about the milfoil problem. She will also do research on the lake's rare aquatic wildflower.

Kindergarten. Representatives from the Kindergarten Study Committee gave Selectmen a draft of their interim report and sought feedback. Superintendent Jean Richards, School Board Chairman Dean Bensley, Bradford School Board Representative Mike Hague and Municipal Budget Committee member Bernie Lamach were present. Bensley reported that public input since the vote last March supporting publicly funded kindergarten has tended to favor a model in which the District contracts with private kindergartens. The cost of building space to house kindergarten at the elementary schools was discussed. The state is currently offering liberal building aid for kindergarten space, but Joe Conway and Bernie Lamach both expressed concerns about the state's record of not fully funding its programs. Lamach pointed out that the state is constitutionally obligated to operate under a balanced budget, which could result in a situation where money promised would not be available. Conway said that Bradford voters' opinions would be strongly affected by the outcome of school funding changes at the state level. Bensley agreed that the Kindergarten Committee has a lot more work to do so that a proposal can be brought to voters. Selectmen and committee members expressed positive feelings about working cooperatively while developing the plan.

Revolving Loan Fund Committee. Joe Conway reported that recommended changes to the Revolving Loan Committee bylaws were approved. New bylaws establish micro loans of \$10,000 or less, making loans more accessible to small businesses in the area.

Diane Gadoury is the new chair of the committee.

The Concord Regional Development Council asked the Revolving Loan Committee to appoint a Bradford representative to their advisory board. Conway asked his fellow Selectmen for suggestions of potential candidates.

Other business. Selectmen advised Amy Blitzer and Brooks McCandlish, co-chairs of the Conservation Commission, that state regulations require all Town funds to be

held by the Treasurer. The Commission was concerned that the ability to use small monies from fundraisers would be lost through a cumbersome process. Selectmen assured them that the Commission would retain full control over the spending of those funds.

On June 15, Selectmen announced that they would return to a weekly meeting schedule until further notice due to a heavy workload.

Selectmen accepted a high bid of \$1500 for a retired police cruiser.

George Naughton gave the Selectmen a new contract for service at the Transfer Station. Costs remained the same except for a \$5 increase per container trip (\$20 per month). Selectmen will review the contract.

Building Inspector Chip Meany spoke with the Selectmen about residents' concerns about permanent porches being installed on seasonal trailers at the Lake Massasecum Campground. Meany suggested that the Selectmen visit the site with tax records in hand.

Selectmen approved a hardship abatement of fees and interest on taxes for a resident in failing health.

Isabel Sheehan spoke to Selectmen about a water quality problem that she felt was being caused by runoff from a logging or construction area near her property. She reported that a culvert that should divert the runoff from the stream that supplies some of her household water is clogged, and asked if the Highway Department could clear it.

Bernie Lamach announced his candidacy for Merrimack County Commissioner in the upcoming election, and asked for the Selectmen's support.

Milly Kittredge updated the Selectmen on work that will be done in Town cemeteries this summer.

A resident inquired if the town has a noise ordinance that would apply to early morning logging activity. Selectmen were not aware of any, but will research the matter.

Bradford successfully met the requirements of the Office of State Planning to qualify for the Community Center grant. The town will be eligible to draw funds starting on July 1.

Following each of the three meetings in June, Selectmen met in non-public session to discuss personnel issues.

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Weaver Linda High recognized

Linda High of Rowe Mountain Road was named one of the top 200 traditional craftsmen in the nation by *Early American Homes* magazine. High makes handwoven textiles for the home, and will be listed in the August 1998 issue's *Directory of Traditional American Crafts*.

Planning Board news

RCS Design presented a site plan revision for 126 East Main Street, the former Bradford Marketplace, at the June 9 meeting. The plan was for a one-unit business similar to the previous convenience store and gas pumps. After discussion, the Board determined that the application qualifies as a revised site plan, which does not require a public hearing, and granted a conditional permit. An accurate, updated site plan must be submitted within thirty days, and state documents pertaining to the resolution of the gasoline contamination problem and a state permit to resume pumping gasoline must be provided before that operation can begin.

--Milly Kittredge

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BEOC news

At the June 11 meeting of the Bradford Economic Opportunities Committee, Diane Gadoury updated members on her subcommittee's progress in developing a Friendly Town Procedure. They received materials developed for the town of Wilmot from the Central NH Regional Planning Commission to be used as a guide. The Zoning Board has submitted comments. Bob Stewart Jr. was invited to join the group so that they could benefit from his experience working with the Planning Board on behalf of his clients. The group plans to complete their project in August.

Carol Adams told members about funding sources being researched by her subcommittee. Gary Wall said they would create a chart to show the funding already available for the Community Center project. Joe Conway suggested applying for funding available from PSNH. The Community Center building project has been adjusted to be feasible with the \$280,000 available, but the group hopes that additional fundraising will allow the original plans to be carried out. A non-profit corporation, the Bradford Community Corporation, has been formed to help with fundraising and strategic planning. The new corporation's by-laws and a board of directors will be in place by September.

Don Johnsen reported that the Bradford Green project is on hold until the final report from the Plan NH Charrette is available.

Joe Conway reported that the Water and Sewer project is still working on putting together a financial plan that will use outside funding sources to minimize the impact on taxpayers. A higher percentage of

the cost might be covered through the Rural Development Office than would be available with a Community Development Block Grant.

Dick Keller told members that the Trustees of the library have most of their funding but still have a problem of a site for a new library facility. The Trustees are still interested in the front of the Marshall property but are continuing to look for other alternatives. The Trustees would like library to be on Main Street. They have also reduced the size of the new building plan to 3,000 square feet. Don Johnsen noted he had talked to a number of people in Bradford about the library, and the result was that most did not understand the need or the plans for a new facility. He said they had essentially four different questions: why do we need a new library at all; why can't we expand the one we have now; why not combine it with the new Community Center and why is the Marshall property so important as the location for a new building? Johnsen went on to say that there seems to be significant differences of opinion among townspeople on what they want for the library and mixed support for each approach. He suggested that identifying just what the townspeople are willing to support at the next Town Meeting would be a worthwhile undertaking. He said that the BEOC's charter includes communicating issues of common interest and seeking consensus for an approach that will be supported. The Committee could help clarify the situation by holding a public meeting, in conjunction with the Library Trustees, on the library alternatives, discussing the pros and cons of each approach and obtaining input from the voters on their views. This would enable the Library Trustees to prepare an approach for the next Town Meeting that would have broad support.

When David Blake commented that as an average citizen, he did not understand the need for a new facility, Keller replied that the library needs more space for a growing book collection and additional computers, bathroom facilities and handicap access. Parking is also a concern. Some members felt it would be more economical for the Library and the Community Center to be connected or very close so that operational expenses could be shared, and to provide easy access for children and seniors using the Community Center. Joe Conway strongly reminded those present that the voters will decide at Town Meeting where the building should go and how the money raised for construction will be used. He said it is not solely a decision of the Library Trustees. A motion was made and passed to table further discussion until the Plan NH report is available.

Members discussed the idea of a public meeting to update summer residents on what has been happening in their absence.

The next BEOC meeting will be held July 9 at 7:30pm at Town Hall.

Benjamin Ainslie graduates from Proctor Academy

Benjamin Ainslie, son of Donald and Margaret Ainslie, Route 114, graduated from Proctor Academy on May 30. During his three years at Proctor, he had a part in *The Miracle Worker*, played lacrosse, participated in cross country and was a member of the snowboarding, cycling and soccer teams. During his junior year, he spent one term off-campus with Mountain Classroom, a travel-study program that brought him to Colorado, New Mexico, Texas and Mexico. Ben was Dorm Leader at Morton House his senior year. At Proctor's Senior Dinner, he received an award for Artistic Progress in the Applied Study of Music. He was instrumental in forming the first chorus at Proctor. Ben will enter Keen State College in the fall, studying music and business.

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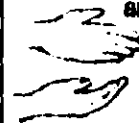
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| 8:30-9:45am | 5K Road Race registration, Town Hall. Fee \$8 in advance, \$10 on July 4. For information, call 938-2532. |
| 10:00am | 5K Race Start |
| 9:00am-3:00pm | Church Fair, First Baptist Church. |
| 9:00am-4:00pm | Crafters, Vendors and Yard Sales, Main Street. Petting Zoo, Merrimack Farm Store. Fish and Game Club stand, next to Lake Sunapee Bank. Learn more about our Club! Collectibles, hot dogs and hamburgers. Kiddie Bounce and Super Slide, Old Central School. Cow Flop Bingo, Old Marshall Property. |
| 10:30am-2:00pm | Quilt exhibit, Thistle and Shamrock Inn |
| 11:00am | UNH "Red Wagon Caravan" Children's Show, Baptist Church. |
| 11:30am-2:00pm | Luncheon, Baptist Church. Snack Bar open until 3:00pm. |
| 2:00pm | Square Dance demonstration, across from Merrimack Farm Store. |
| 3:00pm | Quilt Raffle drawing, Baptist Church. |
| 3:15pm | Parade line-up, Post Office parking lot. |
| 4:00pm | Firemen's Parade, "Children, Our Future" theme, Main Street. |
| 5:00pm | Midway opens, Brown Shattuck Park. |
| 5:30pm | Firemen's Chicken Barbecue and Raffle |
| Dusk | Fireworks |

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

Library Trustees, Brown Memorial Library, 7:00pm

FRIDAY, JULY 3

Selectmen's office closed.

SATURDAY, JULY 4

Bradford Historical Society, Old Post Office, 1:30-3:00pm or by appointment, call 938-5386

MONDAY, JULY 6

Selectmen's meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

TUESDAY, JULY 7

Zoning Board of Adjustment, Town Hall, 7:00pm

Bradford Fish and Game Club, Gillingham Drive club house, 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

Revolving Loan Committee, Town Hall, 7:00pm

THURSDAY, JULY 9

BEOC, Town Hall, 7:30pm

SATURDAY, JULY 11

Blaisdell Lake Benefit Yard Sale, The Dog House, Route 114, Sutton, 9:30am-2:30pm

Bradford Historical Society, Old Post Office, 1:30-3:00pm or by appointment, call 938-5386

SUNDAY, JULY 12

Old Bradford Center Meeting House Church Service, Worship and Hymn Sing, All ages, 11:15am-noon

MONDAY, JULY 13

Moon Mountain Players organizational meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

TUESDAY, JULY 14

Planning Board, Town Hall, 7:30pm

SATURDAY, JULY 18

Library Book Sale, Library, 9am-1pm
Senior Rally, Ann Hallahan's Real Estate Office, 1-3pm

Bradford Historical Society, Old Post Office, 1:30-3:00pm or by appointment, call 938-5386.

MONDAY, JULY 20

Parks & Recreation Family Archery, 6:30pm, for location and to register, call 938-2570.

Selectmen's meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

TUESDAY, JULY 21

KRSD School Board, Sutton Elementary School, 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

Road Committee, Town Hall, 7:00pm

FRIDAY, JULY 24

Berry Festival and Band Concert, Old Bradford Center, 5:30pm

SATURDAY, JULY 25

Bradford Historical Society, Old Post Office, 1:30-3:00pm or by appointment, call 938-5386.

MONDAY, JULY 27

Parks & Recreation Family Archery, 6:30pm. Call 938-2570 for info.

TUESDAY, JULY 28

Planning Board, Town Hall, 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

Friends of the Library, Evening with Donald Hall, Baptist Church, 7:30pm

THURSDAY, JULY 30

Bradford Community Center meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

FRIDAY, JULY 31

Lettvin Concert, Old Bradford Center Meeting House, 7:30pm

To list events for the next issue, call Betty Hague at 938-2722.

Bradford Bridge Deadlines for August issue

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*If you would like to submit an article covering an event occurring after July 20, please call Lyn Betz at 938-5029.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE. Chrysler New Yorker, brown, 1982. Tip-top with lots of extras. Has catalytic converter problem. Drive it away or use for parts. \$250 or b.o. 938-5282, leave message. **5182**

FOR SALE. 3' wide aluminum combination screen/storm door, \$25; 5 HP electric chipper/shredder, \$100; Panasonic fluted image scanner, 16 gray level with software, \$20. 938-2876.

FOR SALE. Loam. Delivery available. 938-2623.

FOR SALE. Oversized aluminum windows, perfect for hot box or greenhouse construction, \$10 each. Vermont Casting "Defiant" wood stove, excellent condition, \$450. Vintage Roto-tiller, excellent running condition, not for the faint of heart, \$75. 938-2608 or stop by 330 Cressy Rd.

LAWNS AND YARDS maintained, including trimming, mowing, etc. Oddjobs, reasonable. Call 938-5514.

AVAILABLE, shared office space, Main Street, Warner. 938-2222.

ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR. July 4th, weather permitting. Seven local artists. Fritsch Arts (across from Lake Sunapee Bank), Main St. Bradford. 10am-4pm.

YARD SALE. July 11, 8:00am-noon. Huge multi-family sale also includes items from two estates. Route 114, Lake Massasecum across from Books by the Lake.

To place a FREE classified ad of 40 words or less, please call Beth Rodd at 938-2692.