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Moon Mountain Arts presents Shaker Play

Moon Mountain Arts presents an original play, *Journey to Heaven: The Shaker Way*, by Portsmouth-based Pontine Movement Theatre on Sunday, March 28 at 4:00pm in the Bradford Town Hall.

In *Journey to Heaven*, Shaker writers provide the text—through letters, diaries and published works drawn entirely from writings by members of the Shaker communities. Shaker music forms bridges and backgrounds. Pontine's co-artistic directors consulted with Lower Shaker Village of Enfield, NH, in researching laboring and dancing. The score includes original recordings by Randy Armstrong of many familiar Shaker songs. Shaker spirit drawings provide visual motifs and Shaker dance and worship provide the action. The actors build a miniature Shaker village of typically unadorned wood frame buildings during the performance.

Journey to Heaven evokes the experience of living the Shaker Way through six views of Shaker experience—Ann Lee, the charismatic founder; the routine of daily life; the constrictions of communal society; the

Town Elections, Town Meeting

The polls will be open from 8:00am-7:00pm on March 9 for voting on Articles 1-4 of the Town Warrant and KRSD ballot voting. Town Meeting will be held Wednesday, March 10 starting at 7:00pm. Both activities take place at the Bradford Elementary School. The warrants to be considered follow.

1. To choose all necessary Town officials for the ensuing year.

2. To see if the Town will vote: "Shall we adopt an exemption for the disabled? The exemption based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers shall be \$10,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years and own and occupy the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$17,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$19,450; and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence." Majority vote required.

3. To see if the Town will vote: "Are you in favor of the repeal of the Bradford Zoning Ordinance as petitioned by Charles Goodale and other registered voters?" The Planning Board disapproves of the repeal of the zoning ordinance. Majority vote required.

4. To adjourn the meeting until Wednesday, March 10, 1999 at 7:00pm...

5. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provision of RSA 261:153, VI-a,b and vote to collect an additional motor vehicle registration fee of five dollars for the purpose of supporting a municipal and transportation improvement fund. Further, to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to RSA35 for the purpose of receiving the additional fees and to raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) to be placed into the fund. The municipal transportation system including roads, bridges, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, parking inter-model facilities and public transportation. The funds may be used for engineering, right-of-way acquisition, and construction cost of transportation facilities, and for operating and capital cost of public transportation only. The funds may be used as matching funds for state or federal funds allocated for local or regional transportation improvements. Paper ballot majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$964,125 for general municipal operation. Majority vote required. (See the Town Report for details).

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000) for the purpose of completing the final engineering drawings/plans, applicable state and federal permitting and bid specifications for the replacement of bridge #064/140 located on Fairgrounds Road. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation pursuant to RSA 32:7,VI; and will not lapse until the funds are used, or on December 31, 2004, whichever occurs first. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for the purpose of the repair and rehabilitation (road grinding, road bed repair, and resurfacing)

Charter School Meeting March 4

The Kearsarge Charter School Founder's Group is seeking new members to help them in their effort to prepare a proposal for a Charter Middle School. A vote at the School District Meeting in January created the opportunity for charter school proposals to be considered in a formal process by the School Board and the Department of Education.

Charter schools are publicly funded schools that operate under a "charter" granted by the School Board and the Department of Education. Public charter schools are exempt from many of the state and local rules and restrictions that govern traditional public schools, and in return are held accountable for achieving educational results.

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Living in Bradford

Meet the Candidates

Informal question and answer gathering sponsored by the Bradford Women's Club

Tuesday, March 2
7:30pm
Town Hall

See page 17 for candidate info

Obituary

MARJORIE MACLEAN RAND

Marjorie MacLean Rand, 81, a former resident of Bradford, passed away on February 12 in North Conway, NH after a long illness. Daughter of Edward MacLean and Francis Cuie MacLean, she was born in Berlin, New Hampshire on February 28, 1917. A 1939 graduate of the State Street Hospital School of Nursing in Portland, Maine, she was an early volunteer for service as an Army nurse during World War II. Serving as a surgical nurse, Lt. MacLean was a member of pioneering surgical reconstruction teams treating wounded soldiers returning from Europe. After the war she continued her nursing career, working in Boston as a surgical and private duty nurse. In 1950, she married Arthur Rand of Portsmouth and relocated to Madawaska, Maine, where the Fraser Paper Company employed Mr. Rand as an engineer. Mrs. Rand was employed as a nurse by Fraser, and also served as Public Health nurse for the town of Madawaska. The couple traveled extensively and Mrs. Rand was active in golf, bridge, the Edmundston Curling Club and the American Legion. The Rands visited Bradford often; staying with Mr. Rand's parents (Madge and Sidney Rand), who had purchased the house next to the Bradford Center Meeting House originally built in the 1790s by Captain John Smith. Following Mr. Rand's retirement, the couple settled permanently in Bradford in 1979, where they spent several years renovating the old house. Mr. Rand passed away in 1983, and in 1992 Marjorie moved to Bartlett, NH. Mrs. Rand is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Betsy A. Rand and David A. Publicover of Bartlett, one brother, Robert MacLean of Derry, and five nieces. Donations in her memory may be made to the New Hampshire Humane Society, 1305 Meredith Center Road, Laconia, NH 03246.

News from the Town Clerk and Tax Collector's Office

January 29. Katelyn Nicole Kent was born to Scott and Gina in Concord.

January 30. Mercedes Alexis was born to Patrick Magistro and F. Camilla Moody in Concord.

February 6. Samuel Gorton was born to Newton Darby and Heidi Landry in Concord.

February 14. Amanda Raiford and Weston Frost were married in Bradford.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2:00-7:00pm; Tuesday, 8:00-5:00pm; Friday, 8:00-noon. Phone 938-2288, 938-2094.

—Sue Pehrson



BNKP News

Open House and registration for the Bradford Newbury Kindergarten and Preschool will take place on Tuesday, March 16 from 6:00-7:00pm at the Bradford Town Hall. Board members will be available to answer questions and accept registrations.

A \$25.00 nonrefundable registration fee ensures a spot for your child for the upcoming school year. Tuition for the 1999-2000 school year will be \$1,000 for Kindergarten and \$550 for preschool.

Children must be five years old by September 30, 1999 to attend Kindergarten or four years old by September 30, 1999 to attend preschool. Kindergarten meets five days a week from 9:00am-noon. Preschool meets Tuesday through Thursday from 1:00-3:00pm. Call Jennifer Wilson at 938-2857 for more information or to register if you are unable to attend on March 16.

Bradford-Newbury Workshop

The Bradford-Newbury Workshop will meet on March 18 at the Friendship House. Please note: this will be the third Thursday rather than our usual second due to scheduling problems of our speaker, Kristen Butreau, who will present a program on her stay in the Netherlands. Also, please arrive promptly at 10:45am as Kristen will present her program at 11:00am. A potluck buffet will follow Kristen's presentation. Recipes from the Netherlands were passed around at the February meeting; anyone who wasn't present at that meeting can either improvise or call Clare Bensley at 938-5482, after the first of March for a copy.

—Clare Bensley

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Milfoil Funding Request

At the March Town Meeting, warrant article # 9 will ask voters to approve a request for \$2,500 for Project Support to assist in this year's efforts to control the milfoil infestation in Lake Massasecum. This is considerably higher than the last two years, but represents a smaller proportion of the budget proposed. The State of New Hampshire, DES, has accepted a budget of \$12,700 for this year's activities, and will provide 70% of the total. The Town and the Lake Massasecum Improvement Association are asked to appropriate the remaining amount. The Association's contribution was approved by the membership at last summer's annual meeting.

No lake in this State has yet successfully eradicated milfoil for more than a year or two and Massasecum is no exception. Our efforts over the past three years have focused on boater education and attempts to limit the growth to the cove at the north end of the lake with minimal attempts at removal. Last summer, with support from state agencies, the cove was closed to boat traffic while Lake Association volunteers scoured other parts of the Lake for new areas of growth. These were hand-pulled either by State divers or association members.

In the summer of 1999, the cove will remain closed to fishing and boating. The remainder of the lake will be carefully monitored while efforts to contain the milfoil within the cove area will continue. A major new thrust will be to harvest and dispose of the milfoil using a new harvester design and labor supplied by the Kearsarge Regional School-to-Work Program. A Project Manager will be on site part-time, provided by DES either through funding or an intern. The boater education/monitoring at the boat ramp will be handled (as it was at the end of last summer) by the Police Explorer Troop.

Control and eventual elimination of milfoil is, unfortunately, a long-term task. The efforts this year are to continue to inform the public about the problem, to prevent further spreading throughout the lake by containing it within the cove and to begin the process of eradication. It is hoped that, in time, continued research by the State and its University will lead to a more effective method of milfoil control and eradication for Massasecum and all our other lakes.

Your support is urgently requested for Article # 9 on March 10. If you have any questions about the funding request or the program proposed, contact Brian Carter at 938-5869.

—Marcia Keller

Water and Sewer Update

The Bradford Water and Sewer Committee (BWSC) has recently been established and is slowly gaining momentum. The committee is comprised of five members including Leslie Nelson, Scott Kent, Bob Stewart, Jr., Bill Clinton, and Neil Smith. The committee will have an open forum meeting at 7:00pm the first Wednesday of each month at the Town Hall.

Initial committee meetings have been used to develop a charter agreement between members and the selectmen in order to delineate our purpose and objectives, to define the need for the committee and to outline the committee's basic operational parameters. The defined purpose of the BWSC is to respond to the community's initiative for availability of water and sewer service by providing a format in which to examine and evaluate alternatives. The committee's objectives were established to achieve the following goals: to provide environmental protection to Bradford's groundwater resources and to encourage economic growth within the town for the purpose of increasing tax base revenues.

The BWSC has defined four primary objectives to meet these goals: to be reasonable with respect to affordability to the town and to be expandable in the future to encompass larger areas as the tax base increases; to identify and assist in obtaining federal, state, regional and local sources of project funding; to identify permitting requirements and issues associated with implementing a water and sewer system in the town and to establish and maintain open communication with the town's citizens, landowners, businesses and town boards and organizations in order to keep everyone informed of current progress and to receive feedback on ideas.

Anyone with questions or input pertaining to the BWSC is encouraged to attend our next open meeting March 3 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall. Please also feel free to e-mail your questions/comments to Leslie Nelson at leslie@iamnow.net or Scott Kent at scott@iamnow.net.

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**Repeal Zoning?
Planning Board comments**


At the next Bradford town meeting, Bradford residents will be asked to vote on a petition to repeal the current zoning regulations. As was evident at the Planning Board meeting on January 12, 1999, this petition is driven by the lack of understanding of zoning regulations. If you are considering voting to abolish the current zoning regulations, consider this: without zoning regulations, adult hook and video stores could be located next to schools and churches. Houses, barns, office buildings or any other structure could be constructed one inch from property lines. Slaughterhouses, rendering plants, junk yards, paper mills, manufacturing plants, sewage treatment plants and trailer parks could be constructed anywhere, even in the lot behind, next to, or across the street from yours. You will have no recourse to prevent it from happening.

The zoning regulations in Bradford and every other town in New Hampshire do not, never have, and never will attempt to prevent thoughtful, orderly construction and development beneficial to the owner and the community as a whole. Zoning regulations are in place to help build a well-planned, safe and economically stable community.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment exists to provide the necessary flexibility to ensure the ordinance is applied equitably to all property by special exception, variance or administrative decision. Very often, variances are granted if good cause can be shown and no serious objections are raised by abutters or the Board. The Bradford Planning Board voted unanimously not to recommend the repeal of the Bradford Zoning Ordinance as petitioned.

—Bradford Planning Board

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Letters

To the editor:

I found your article "Wildlife Habitat in Bradford" to be well-written and informative. I also agree the town should form a plan for the protection of the wildlife and habitats. Unfortunately, at this time the Town is responsible for ruining the important "Atlantic White Cedar Basin Swamp" and the "Atlantic White Cedar Stand" located on East Washington Road (the Bog). Many years ago, the Town removed three culverts and the blacktop from the bog section of East Washington Road. Since then, the spring floods have washed the road into the bog each year. The damage that has already been done is not reversible. I can only hope that the Town will wake up and install the three culverts and put back the blacktop before the entire habitat is destroyed by the expensive gravel being washed into the Bog, filling it. When spring floods come, check for yourself. You probably won't be able to cross that section of road with anything other than a 4X4 with plenty of clearance. Please, if anyone has any say about what goes on for repairs in this town, have them finish what they started many years ago. Thanks.

Dave Harling

To the editor:

It is that time again. Vote for town officials, vote for town budgets, vote for the school budget. I want to address the vote for the town and school budgets. We, the Selectmen in Bradford, have worked very hard this past year to hold the line on spending. Several times we called in department heads and reviewed spending limits that we imposed on them. Spending was monitored very closely. New controls were put in place. We were successful to the point that we were able to purchase a much-needed truck for the Highway Department with 1998 funds. That truck was slated to be purchased

in 1999 which would have increased our taxes for this year. Our taxes actually went down \$1.95 for 1998.

What is so frustrating is that school spending continually goes up! This means that our taxes will go up in 1999. We cannot keep cutting the town's portion of taxes to offset the school budget increase. The town has expenses and things must be done. Bridge repairs, road repairs, police protection, fire protection, plowing and sanding are just a few of the costs that we deal with.

There are three school budgets being presented to us, the voters. The one with the most votes becomes the budget for the year. I recommend that we vote for the Municipal Budget Committee's budget. They have done a good job and I am sure that it will not affect the quality of education just because it is below the School Board's budget. We need your help.

Vote for the lowest number you see on the ballot. That is the only sensible thing to do.

Dick Vitale, Selectman

To the editor:

I am taking this admittedly unusual step of endorsing Mark Fairbank for Bradford School Board Representative due to the commitment I feel to our town and school district. The job of school board representative requires a great deal of time and energy due to the demands of the position. The board is responsible for not only the budget but for the course of the entire educational enterprise which means readings, workshops and discussions on the current best practices in each of the disciplines. Education has its own language that must be learned as the board annually evaluates each school's improvement plan and sets the district educational priorities. The board also negotiates all the salaries with teachers, drivers, custodians, paraprofessionals etc. It is responsible for all appeals from students, parents and staff for numerous reasons; it interviews, hires and evaluates all of the leadership team. The subcommittees

composed of board members direct the transportation of students, management of buildings and facilities, internal and external communications and the business of running a \$17,000,000 business. Most importantly, each board member acts as a facilitator for townspeople who have difficulties within the school system.

So besides the twice monthly board meetings there are budget meetings, subcommittee meetings, emergency meetings, meetings for interviews, negotiations, appeals, joint meetings with selectman, events within the schools like visitations, meetings with staff, parents etc. etc. You get the picture. I have a full time job and had a very difficult time keeping up with the amount of time it took to do the job responsibly. Mark Fairbank, an experienced businessman, has flexibility with his job so that he can give the School Board Representative position the time it takes to do it well. I encourage you to give him your consideration. Thank you.

Mike Hague, retiring Bradford School Board Representative

To the editor:

The "Residents of Blaisdell Lake Road" are very wise to caution everyone about travel on the road in the winter and on into "mud season" as well, when ruts can be carved in the soft surface making travel difficult for residents and non-residents alike. By State law "roads not maintained in winter" specifically are Class V roads which the town has an obligation to maintain for travel except during a specified time period in the winter. In other words, they merit the same care as any other Class V road in Town except for the duty to plow. The non-maintained period is set by state statute.

Class VI roads, on the other hand, are public rights-of-way that the town not only does not, but legally, cannot maintain with regular highway funds. The establishment of road classifications is governed by state law, but can be modified or changed by voters at Town Meeting and, in some cases, by action of the Board of Selectmen. The distinction between Class V and VI may appear complex, but it is important, not only for residents but for budgetary purposes as well. A Town Highway map, posted in the Town Hall, delineates the status of roads in Bradford.

Marcia Keller

To the editor:

I encourage Bradford voters to vote no on the \$295,000 Library Warrant Article. I served on the Library Building Committee from 1993 to 1996. In 1994, we visited other Libraries and saw examples, both good and

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bad, of other library addition projects. The project now proposed for Bradford reminds me of one of the bad examples. I am not opposed to creating additional library space, but I am opposed to the current proposal for the following reasons: It makes no sense to build a \$295,000 building with no potable water. The proposed plan puts the septic system over the current well. The library site is too small for the proposed building, well, and septic system. There is inadequate parking at the present library site and no space for more parking. The current 0.24 acre site is just 70 x 150 and has no room for future expansion. The current location is not the best option for the location of our town library. The proposed two level project is less desirable than a one floor facility. I believe we can find a wiser way to spend our money. I believe alternative sites offer a better solution for our library space needs.

The proposed solution is short sighted and, in my opinion, a waste of our money. The driving force seems to be the fact that the proposed project can be accomplished without additional taxes for construction funds. The town now has about \$129,000 in savings for Library Expansion. But just because we have enough money in our savings account to pay for something does not mean we should spend our money unwisely. I believe it makes sense to hold on to our funds and demand a better solution to the Library's space needs. Let it go another year. The expansion funds will earn another \$15,000 in interest and the Library Trustees can come back with a proposal far superior to what is now planned. I urge the voters of Bradford to carefully consider how your money should be spent. Please come to Town Meeting on March 10. Again, I encourage voters to vote no on the \$295,000 Library Warrant Article.

Bliss Dayton

To the Editor:

I was going to wait until Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2-8) to write this letter, but I feel that it would be better to write it now with the school budget coming up to

be voted on.

It is a difficult job to educate children today. I feel the Kearsarge Regional School District is dealing with the multiple educational issues that they are not only mandated to do, both by the state and federal government, but that it feels are necessary to provide our children with the necessary skills to enter the adult community, extremely well. There is always room for improvement and we must support our school system in seeking these improvements.

Our students, whether college or work bound, need not only a good school system supporting them, but a good community. This statement is undeniably true. We cannot depend on the school system to do all the work. If a school system is going to be successful, parents need to possibly start doing a better job parenting.

We are all busy people. We sometimes forget that teachers and administrators are busy people too, with other lives outside the school. It is wonderful how involved the teachers and administrators are in this district with "out of school" activities. They really do care.

The KRSD has consistently tried to improve itself by keeping up with new and innovative means of educating our youth. We need to continually support these programs financially with our tax dollars and by becoming active members in the school system. The high quality, caring student body that I see in the schools today will enhance the adult community that they join tomorrow.

The KRSD doesn't work for everyone. What system can meet all the needs of all the people? However, for the majority of the people it does work, and works well

As my children are fast approaching the end of their educational experience with the KRSD, I would like to thank all the teachers and those involved in the administration of the district for helping me raise my children to become part of the next great generation in America. I appreciate all that you have done for not only my own children, but for all the children of the district. Keep up the

good work and remember that you are the best, the B-E-S-T best. Thanks again for a job well done.

Susan Grace

Letters to the editor should be no more than 400 words and may be edited for length, clarity and content. All letters must be signed and include a telephone number for verification.

SPNHF Maple Celebration

The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) will lead three, two-hour long "Maple Celebration" tours at the Meech Farm in Canterbury on Saturday, March 13 at 10:30am, 1:00pm and 3:00pm. The program fee is \$5 for the general public and free to SPNHF members. To register or for more information contact Trish Churchill at 224-9945.

The tours will include a hike to a beautiful sugarbush where participants will learn the year-round value of maple trees. Maple twigs and buds provide winter food for rabbits, deer, moose, and porcupine, while maple seeds are eaten by birds and squirrels. Participants will discover how the maple is appreciated by all kinds of creatures, including humans. The tour will end at the Meech sugarhouse where sap will be boiling and a tasty sweet syrup treat will be on hand.

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Church News From Lynne E. Hubley

The American Baptist Women's Ministry will meet on Tuesday, March 2 at 7:00pm for a business meeting followed by a program entitled "Prepare for Victory: A Lenten Service." Refreshments and fellowship will follow.

On Friday, March 5, the Women's Christian Guild will meet at the Church at 11:00am. Members are asked to bring a sandwich—dessert and beverages will be provided. After lunch, the Guild will travel to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in New London for Church Women United's World Day of Prayer service entitled "God's Tender Touch." The service begins at 1:30pm.

On Sunday, March 14, Youth Groups (grades 4 through 12) will meet at the Vestry from 2:00-4:00pm for a program entitled "Winter Olympics." Bronze, silver and gold medals will be awarded to youth that excel in a number of events, many of which will be quite comical. The message behind this event comes from Paul's words to Timothy, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith" (2 Timothy 4:7).

On Friday, March 26 from 7:00-9:00pm, Youth Groups (grades 4 through 12) will meet

at the Vestry for *An Evening of Drama and Comedy*. Youth will have a chance to work on their abilities in costumes, props and acting by putting on the following skits for each other: *The Two Complainers*, *A Question of Love*, *Long Time No See*, and *The Party*. Each skit has a wonderful message that we will discuss afterwards. Popcorn and soda will be provided.

The Food Pantry will be open Wednesday, March 17 from 6:00-7:00pm. People who are in need of food at other times can call the church office at 938-5313 to make other arrangements.

The American Baptist Women's Ministry will hold a retreat in March. Ladies are invited to Camp Sentinel March 19-20 for a Spiritual Retreat with the Rev. Harry Woodley. The theme of the retreat will be "Jesus as Spiritual Mentor." The cost will be \$35.00 per person.

A church meeting will be held immediately following the worship service on March 21 to vote on the Board of Deacon's recommendation to extend the Right Hand of Fellowship to eight new members.

Our Palm Sunday Service will be on Sunday, March 28 at 10:00am. Our congregation will celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem by greeting Him with palm branches (rumor has it that Jesus might come on a live donkey). We will celebrate His arrival with a short worship service entitled "Make a Joyful Noise"—lots of music, prayer and a mini-message. After the worship service, parishioners will be invited to join our "Palm Sunday Parade" through the Jerusalem Marketplace. Our Sunday school children have been working all year to create this wonderful re-creation of the marketplace that would have existed during Jesus' day. The Vestry and Sunday School rooms will be transformed.

LINEC Spring Courses

The Learning Institute at New England College (LINEC) has announced a spring term of six courses to be offered over a six-week period beginning on Tuesday, March 30. LINEC courses are tailored to the varied interests of adults and are held on the campus of New England College. Membership in LINEC is affordable and open to all. LINEC provides an opportunity to continue learning with others who share the same enthusiasm.

The spring curriculum includes courses on the United Nations led by Dr. Mountford Sayce, Shakespeare's *The Life and Death of King John* and *Measure for Measure* with Herb Church, the poetry of Wordsworth led by Bonnie Riley, Understanding Islam in the 20th Century with Tom Pond, How to Listen to and Understand Great Music (a peer-led video course), and others. For further information on LINEC membership, you may contact the Registrar, LINEC at NEC Box 75, New England College, Henniker, NH 03242.

Alternative Health Workshop: Crystal Healing

On Wednesday, March 3, the Alternative Health and Personal Growth Workshop presents "Crystal Healing." Mary Lamenza, M.Ed. will introduce participants to the healing properties and therapeutic uses of crystals. This will include a combination of lecture and hands on experience. Please feel free to bring any personal stones or crystals. The workshop will be held at The Gathering Place, 128 East Main Street in Bradford (behind Bowie's Market) from 7:00-9:00pm with a suggested \$5.00 donation at the door. Call 938-5790 for more information.

—Peg Leighton

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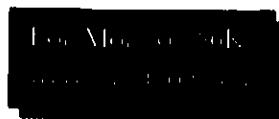
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of a onehalf mile of an ongoing plan to restore East Washington Road to acceptable standards. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation pursuant to RSA 32:7, VI; and will not lapse until the funds are used or on December 31, 2004, whichever occurs first. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for the purpose of project support for the ongoing milfoil management program on Lake Massasecum in 1999. Said project is in conjunction with the coordinated efforts of the Town of Bradford, State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the Lake Massasecum Improvement Association. This represents 20% of the total project cost with the Lake Massasecum Association assuming 10% and the State of New Hampshire Biology Bureau accepting the remaining 70%. Said appropriation is subject to the receipt of the 70% portion from the Biology Bureau and approval of the request by the Governor and Council. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed in the existing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed in the existing Repair Town Building Capital Reserve Fund. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in an existing Town Facilities and Building Capital Reserve Fund. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise

and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the existing Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the existing Fire Dept. Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this existing Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Majority vote required. (Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend).

16. To see if the Town will vote to retain ownership of lots 11-167,100 and 11-400,210 and 11-376,213 comprising a total of eight (8) acres located in the former Penhallow development off the East Washington Road as per RSA 80:80,V and place these lots under the supervision of the Bradford Conservation Commission in order to further the development of a trail system linking Town held conservation lands. Majority vote required.

17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a conservation easement, as defined in RSA 477:45.I, to the Aushon Sargent Land Preservation Trust on the Aiken Town Forest, 136 acres, tax map 4, lot 604,431 to preserve this Town resource for recreational use and as a forest management model. Majority vote required.

18. To see if the Town will endorse gradual development of the Town land formerly known as the Marshall property (tax map 32 lot 839,054) fronting on Main Street including the large back lot, totaling 24 acres, more or less, for the Bradford Green, to be used for social, recreational and cultural activities beneficial to the area community of the Town of Bradford.

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$295,000 (gross budget) for the construction of an addition

and alterations to the Brown Memorial Library and for the original equipping thereof, upon land previously acquired adjacent to the Library, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$127,430 from the existing Library Addition Capital Reserve Fund with accumulated interest in an additional amount not to exceed \$1,739, with the balance of \$165,831 to come from the library expansion funds now currently held by the Board of Library Trustees, with no part of this appropriation to be raised by additional taxation. The selectmen have designated this appropriation as non-lapsing until December 31, 2001. By petition. Majority vote required. (Selectmen do not recommend; Budget Committee recommends).

20. To see if the Town will vote to urge the General Court of New Hampshire, U.S. Congress and the President of the United States to support and pass meaningful laws reforming electoral campaign financing. Meaningful reform will: a) return the political process to the will of the people; b) encourage participation by qualified candidates with limited means; c) reduce the influence of moneyed special interests on elections and lawmaking; d) and restore the principal of "one person, one vote" to selections. By petition. Majority vote required.

21. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers.

22. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.



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Roger & Bunny Herman

by Audrey V. Sylvester

When Roger Herman won the Carlisle Award for Excellence for the best maple syrup in New Hampshire for 1998, he was shocked. When the honor was announced on January 30 by the NH Maple Growers Association, he thought the judges had made a mistake. After 13 years of vying for the coveted silver trophy bowl, he savored the pleasure of being tops while, at the same time, he experienced disappointment for his fellow competitors. He said, "I don't want anybody to think I'm going around with a swelled-up head. I am a representative of the people of the sugar community, period." His wife, Bunny (whose taste buds choose the batch of maple syrup Roger enters in competitions), added, "That's the part about feeling bad for the others that didn't win. We know how hard everybody works to make quality syrup."

To be eligible to enter the competition, sugar makers must have won top place ribbons at well-established agricultural fairs held throughout the state such as the Hopkinton, Hillsborough, Sullivan and Cheshire County Fairs. Maple syrup is

judged for color, flavor, density and clarity. Syrup must meet U. S. Grade specifications with the highest grade being U.S. Grade A—Light, Medium, and Dark Amber. Grade B is lower quality and sub-grade the lowest. As



Chairman of New Hampshire Maple Promotion for the Maple Producers Association, Roger is committed to educating the public about the differences in quality. For more information, call the *Maple Phone Line*, 225-3757.

Roger began making maple syrup in the backyard when the family lived in Hopkinton. He boiled his first sap in a 20-gallon wash-tub ("Not very safe," he admitted), which he placed above a fire burning in a 55-gallon

barrel stove (probably not very safe either) inside a shed where the stovepipe was aimed outside. (This was long before he became a Claims Adjuster or Loss Prevention Specialist for an insurance company.) Bunny and Roger agreed, "The syrup was okay." Now the Hermans delight in using as-near-to-perfection-as-possible-syrup on pancakes, waffles, French toast, vanilla ice cream, and their favorite—tapioca pudding. Roger recommends maple milk (a few tablespoons of syrup shaken with milk) or better yet, eating it by the spoonful.

Sugaring operations depend on old-fashioned bartering. Neighbors allow him to tap their trees, while others bring truckloads of wood slabs and scrap pine. Roger trades in maple syrup. Before drilling taps this year, Roger will take a good look at the trees' health; last year they were battered by ice, suffered from a too-wet spring, mold, insects, and scorch. In spite of all the work in gathering, boiling sap and tending equipment, Roger loves to make good syrup even as he calculates a 75-cent hourly wage.

Bunny has her own passion: quilt making. A fourth generation quilter, she jokingly said, "My specialty is needles," an eerie claim when one discovers that her full-time job is drawing blood samples at the Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital lab. Knowing that neither of their passions (quilt making and sugaring) will make them rich, Bunny said, "You do it because you love to do it. Now, that's an addiction. We have SOME addictions on this farm."

Roger recently started a new business, *Safety 1st*. He consults with clients in the forest products industry (sawmills, planer mills and furniture factories) to help them develop, implement and run safety programs to comply with New Hampshire's safety laws. With 18 years of experience as a Loss Prevention Specialist, he is well qualified for the job.

Anytime now, the days will be warmer. Chickadees are announcing the change in weather with their lyrical call, "fee-be." Roger will sweep out cobwebs, stack wood and wash the evaporator in the sugar shack. It is the beginning of the 1999 sugaring season.

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Selectman's Meetings in February

February 1. The warrant article to adopt an exemption on assessment for disabled residents was discussed, and an agreement was reached on the guideline for the Disabled Tax exemption. Selectmen voted unanimously to use the 1997 Merrimack County Low Income Guidelines to determine income eligibility for individuals meeting the social security definition of disabled.

The Bradford Economic Opportunity Committee has requested the Selectmen place an article on the warrant to authorize the use of the former Naughton property for development as a recreational area known as the Bradford Green. The article will be submitted to the town attorney for wording.

Selectmen reviewed the Library Warrant article to vote on recommendation. It will be forwarded to the town attorney for further review of procedures for placing this article on the warrant.

Dick Vitale attended the NH Municipal Association seminar on the Claremont Decision, where legislators discussed the effects it would have on communities. Mr. Vitale outlined the time line for resolution of the matter; the courts have given lawmakers until April 1, 1999 to resolve the funding issue.

A resident met with the Selectmen regarding his property on East Washington Road. He has pursued the issue through the abatement process and the matter is currently in appeal. The resident presented a property assessment from a local bank. Selectmen will review the information and make a decision on the possibility of compromising outside of Land Appeals Court.

February 8. A Public Hearing was held for the warrant article on adopting an exemption on assessment for disabled residents. The warrant, if passed, will be effective April 1, 1999. This article will appear on the ballot voted on Tuesday of town meeting.

A Public Hearing was also held for the

warrant article on adopting an additional Motor Vehicle fee to fund a capital reserve fund for transportation related improvements. This reserve fund could serve to provide monies toward state matching grant requirements for bridges or to make future sidewalk improvements. The additional Motor Vehicle fee is proposed at \$5.00 at the time of registration. Farm tractors, motorcycles and trailers would be exempt.

The Budget Committee, represented by Bob Stewart, met with Selectmen to discuss wording for the Milfoil warrant article.

The Bradford Business Association, represented by Andrew Pinard, has requested the Selectmen designate the Bradford web page a municipal site. By contacting MCT, the fee will be eliminated for the town. The web site will have a town calendar and town information available on it.

Selectmen voted on the recommending of warrant articles for the town meeting. They did not recommend the release of capital reserve funds as requested by the Library Trustees (Warrant Article #19), with Joe Conway and Dick Vitale voting not to recommend and Marvin Rich voting to recommend. Mr. Conway and Mr. Vitale both felt the wrong site was being developed. Selectmen voted to recommend all other warrant articles

Library Trustees requested a letter from the Selectmen with the Town's Federal Identification number for the purpose of library grant applications. The library does not currently have a non-profit 501(c)3 classification but this letter will identify it as a non-profit municipal entity.

A resident requested a decision from the Selectmen on property assessment. The matter is due to be presented to the Bureau of Tax and Land Appeal court in April. Selectmen have reviewed but have not yet

reached a decision.

A resident spoke about concerns that the road conditions on West Road have been very dangerous due to insufficient sanding.

February 22. Funding for the sewer project was discussed with a visit from Arthur Astarita from NE Rural Community Assistance Program. Leslie Nelson of the Water and Sewer Committee presented a detailed statement about the committee and its objective of taking information from the town study and reducing it to an affordable and expandable system (See page 3 for a statement from the committee).

Dan Coolidge spoke about Year 2000 ("Y2K") issues. Kearsarge Research Group has been newly formed (for Sutton, Warner and Bradford) with the objective of preparing a flyer to help residents plan ahead in case of temporary disruptions, such as power outages or shelter needs.

Perry Teele reported that the 911 map is still in the hands of the state.

Debbie Lamach and Bunny Herman discussed their plan to hold the Summer Quilt Show at KRES Bradford on July 31 and August 1, with over 100 quilts on display. The committee hopes to put any proceeds toward a Bradford Green Bandstand in memory of Betty Cilley.

—Sarah Harvey

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Report on the Kearsarge Regional School District by Mike Hague, Bradford School Board Representative

Vote! Your School Board is asking you to vote for its budget which will be the middle number (17,284,423) on article #1. The lower number (\$17,088,997) is the MBC budget based upon their priorities and the higher number (\$17,429,723) is the amendment from the Annual School District Meeting that restores some cuts made by the School Board. The School Board figure would add \$.25 per \$1000 valuation for Bradford. This budget increase of 3.8% expands our reading programs for middle and high school students which amounts to \$.06 per \$1000; adds one additional computer station for each elementary classroom (they now have only one fairly up-to-date computer per classroom) for \$.05 per \$1000; and adds teachers for enrollment increases in elementary, high school and special education as well as allowing each elementary student two classes of physical education per week for \$.14 per \$1000. The MBC number is a 2.63% increase and the amendment is a 4.6% increase. The MBC number does not include computers and makes program cuts in reading, special education and physical education by cutting requested personnel. The amended number restores an elementary foreign language program, one additional computer station per elementary classroom and a part time business teacher and art teacher at the high school. All of this information is presented for

comparison purposes only because the way we pay for public schools is going to change drastically in the near future.

I believe it is important to support the School Board number because with three numbers to choose from, only a small plurality of 34% could win. Last year the MBC budget was passed and your district had to cut \$93,000. This year the figure we stand to lose is \$195,000. With the Middle School enrollment up an average of 2.4% a year for the last five years and the high school enrollment up an average of 7.9% each year for the last five years, we cannot sustain these kinds of cuts and maintain quality education for our students. Detailed information can be obtained from the Annual Report and local newspapers and from me at 938-2722 or lovmts@aol.com. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

ADIEU! This is my last article as your School Board Representative. I have taken your votes for me very seriously. I have missed only four School Board meetings in my three years of service and struggled long and hard on the balancing of quality education with reasonable taxation (which is always the distinctive characteristic of NH education) as well as on the other tasks of the Board. But volunteerism has its own rewards and this has been a very positive, energizing experience from which I have gained much through the struggle. People are generally very supportive and understanding and I would recommend service to our town to anyone as a very enriching experience. Thank you for your trust. It has been my honor to serve you.

Reading Course for Teachers

A Multi-Age Reading Across the Disciplines course for teachers of grades three through twelve will be offered at the Kearsarge Regional High School. This course is open to all teachers in the private and public sector including home school providers. Adjunct professors from Plymouth State College will conduct four sessions after school during March and April. Teachers at all grade levels will be given many useful strategies that can increase students' ability to read for information. Participants should plan to bring specific instructional materials from their classrooms for planning lessons. For more information, please contact Therese at SAU#65 (526-2051) before Friday, March 19. This course is supported by a grant from the New Hampshire Department of Education under the provisions of Title II, Dwight D. Eisenhower Professional Development Program.

—Kathy McKenna

Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter News

Chris Martin, Senior Biologist for the Audubon Society of New Hampshire (ASNH) will present a slide program entitled "Stalking the Pipit" on Friday, March 12 at 7:30pm at St. Andrews Episcopal Church on Gould Road in New London. The American Pipit is a ground dwelling songbird. Led by Chris Martin, members of ASNH, staff and volunteers have been studying the bird in habitat atop Mount Washington. An Arctic tundra nesting bird, the first documented nest of the American Pipit in New Hampshire was on Mount Washington in 1991. For more information, contact Bob Vernon at 526-6216. This program is open to the public.

—Phyllis Curtiss

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This warrant article *must* be passed to make library expansion possible.

Your YES! vote will make it happen!

Jaime McLeod

"Jaime MacLeod, Bradford, NH" flashed across the TV screen during the X-Games competition in Colorado last month as she took a Bronze in the Big Air snowboarding contest. She is described in *Snowboarder* magazine as Most Stylish and with a "guy style" of riding. Jaime missed getting into the Olympics by one place last year. She broke her tailbone while attempting a backside 360° snowboard maneuver in Breckenridge about two months before winning her Bronze at Colorado this year.

Daughter of Rick and Jill (Carbone) MacLeod, Jaime spent her summers in Bradford with her grandparents, Dick and Jackie ("Your grandparents?" "Very, very very rad!") She thought boarding looked like fun when her dad took her and Ricky skiing the first times at Sunapee and Pat's Peak. She spent two years at Kearsarge and then got serious about snowboarding. Jaime has also been a first class equestrienne, winning a table full of awards including one as the short stirrup champ in Connecticut one year. This year she's working at Sunapee between competitions. Now that we know she's out there, we'll watch her future.

—Milly Kittredge

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From the kitchen of Lesley Marquis

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MAPLE MOUSSE*

1 tablespoon plus 2 teaspoons unflavored gelatin
½ cup cold water
4 eggs, separated
1 cup maple syrup
½ cup light brown sugar
2 cups heavy cream, whipped

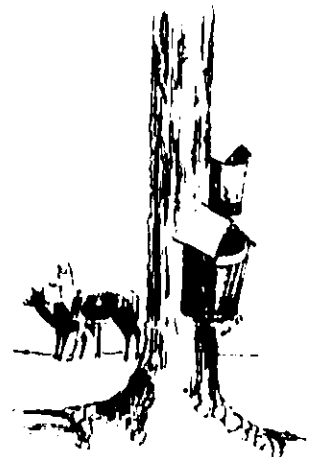
Sprinkle gelatin over cold water and let stand for 5 minutes until it softens. Place in the top of a double boiler with 4 egg yolks and the maple syrup. Over medium heat, cook and stir with a wire whisk until smooth. Add the brown sugar and continue to stir and cook until thickened.

Remove from heat and allow to cool slightly. While it is cooling, beat the egg whites until stiff but not dry. In a separate bowl, heat the cream until it mounds softly. Fold the beaten egg whites into the gelatin mixture, then fold in the whipped cream. Transfer to stemmed champagne glasses and chill until ready to serve.

Serve with a dollop of whipped cream.

Makes 6-8 servings

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Fortunately or unfortunately, depending on your point of view, one of our proofreaders noted that this recipe calls for uncooked egg whites in the finished product. The NH State Department of Health recommends proper cooking of eggs as raw eggs may contain harmful bacteria.



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Legislative Report

By Representative
Barbara Conner French



Hello to all of you and I hope that my report finds you well. At present, we find ourselves amid great legislative challenges and there is indeed much information for me to relay to all of you.

The session began with the majority of our attention focused on resolving the Claremont lawsuit. With the April 1 deadline looming, the House Finance Committee met in extended sessions for most of the first six weeks of this year. Particular appreciation should go to the legislators who served on House Finance Subcommittee Division IV, the subcommittee chartered with hearing all Claremont related bills. The legislators have worked long and hard on appropriate solutions for our State and for that, I commend them.

The work in the Finance Committee began with a hearing on House Bill 125. This bill sought to declare a dollar figure of \$3,300 per pupil as representative of an adequate education. This paltry number is far less than the amount spent by any school district in New Hampshire. In fact, this figure represents about half of what our district is presently spending. While I do not expect the state to fully fund our education, "adequacy" in our schools certainly represents more than the figure proposed by this bill. Fortunately, the House defeated this bill.

At present, several worthwhile proposals remain before the House, including a combined income/property tax, two versions of a statewide property tax, and a consumption tax. The House ignored a self-imposed deadline when a number of bills were sent back to the Finance Committee for further review. The original timeline called for all education funding bills to be passed over to the Senate by February 19, but the return

of these bills to committee pushed the date for voting on the proposals into the first week of March.

Although we did not pass major funding bills to the Senate, the House did pass a 25-cent increase in the cigarette tax. Not only does the increase represent a significant funding source, more importantly, this is a positive health measure as the increased cost of cigarettes is closely related to reductions in teenage smoking. Even more significantly, this bill will go over to the Senate and allow the Senate to craft its own proposal. This proposal and the bills emerging from the House will likely serve as the backbone of the eventual solution we will arrive at when members of the House and Senate meet in a Committee of Conference.

We are certainly involved in more than just education funding. One bill of particular interest is House Bill 421 which adds teeth to our existing legislation banning exotic weeds. Although Rep. Bernie Lamach helped to pass legislation banning exotic aquatic weeds, the legislation lacked the ability to assign penalties to those who violate the law—a provision that our new proposal will seek to change.

One other bill of note establishing a statewide wellness and prevention council is in its final draft stages and will likely be heard sometime during the month of March. This council will lead a significant statewide program chartered with promoting coordinated services at the local level around issues of wellness and prevention.

In conclusion, I am busily at work on issues of importance at both the state and local levels. Feel free to contact me at any time with any questions or concerns.

NEHSA Auction

An auction to benefit The New England Handicapped Sports Association is being held on Saturday March 6. If you missed last year's auction at Mount Sunapee, you missed lots of great deals! This year's line up is packed with lots of great stuff—and it's not all just for ski enthusiasts. How about round-trip air fare to San Francisco? Or a new snowboard or shape skis? Or get-away hotel packages, from the Maine coast to Boston to the mountains? For the smaller spender, there are ski lift passes and restaurant gift certificates, gourmet foods and a private boat ride (with cocktails) on Lake Sunapee, goggles and glasses... the list goes on. Also, there are some beautiful items donated by members of the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen.

The auction follows NEHSA's Corporate Challenge Race, which is sponsored in part by Lake Sunapee Bank. A team of four may register by calling the NEHSA lodge. The \$260 per team (tax deductible) includes lift tickets and prizes. The live and silent auction, which benefits the New England Handicapped Sports Association, begins at 4:30pm in the upstairs of the main lodge at Mount Sunapee Resort. Come support the organization that started Jason Lalla on his road to the Gold Medal in Nagano, Japan at the 1998 Paralympics. Also, support the organization that allows all students, no matter what their ability, to ski with the Bradford Elementary School. For a complete list of items, or if you wish to donate to the auction, call Debbie Bruss at 938-2979. Credit cards accepted.

—Debbie Bruss



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The show will offer a quilt raffle (Double Irish Chain made by Charlene Harris), AQS quilt appraisals, vendors and the best selection of quilts. Among these will be area town quilts. For more information please contact Debbie Lamach, (Co-chair) at 938-2095 or Lynn Horigan, (Publicity) at 938-5553.

4th of July Committee News

Fourth of July? It doesn't seem possible, but it will be here before we know it. The Fourth of July Committee has begun planning for this year's celebration which will take place on Saturday, July 3. Nominations are now being accepted for Grand Marshall for the parade. Letters of nomination should be addressed to the Town Hall, P.O. Box 436, Bradford or left at the Selectmen's Office. Nominations close May 31. This year's theme for the parade is "Our Town." Registration forms for floats will be available beginning late May. If you would like to be a part of planning for the 1999 celebration, please join us at the Town Hall on Wednesday, March 3, at 7:15pm.

—Debbie Lamach

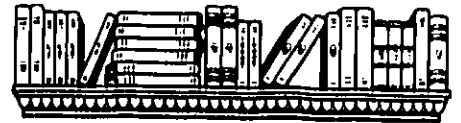
Police Report

The Bradford Police Department handled 263 calls for service between January 16 and February 16, 1999. The breakdown is as follows: two alarm activations, three ambulance calls, six animal complaints, three assists to the Fire Department, 15 assists to other police departments, one public works assist, two bad checks, two checks on welfare, seven citizen assists, one civil standby, two cases of criminal mischief, two instances of damage to property, one family offense, one found property, three incident/services, two larcenies, four motor vehicle accidents (with no injury), one case of operating after suspension, two parking violations, three possessions of a controlled drug, one reckless driving, nine stranded motorists, two suspicious persons/vehicles, one telephone harassment, three thefts, 42 traffic citations, three traffic complaints, 47 traffic warnings, 89 vacation house checks and two weapons permits.

—Pennie Spooner

Bradford Country Squares

A Hint of Spring—The Bradford Country Squares will host a square/round dance on Saturday, March 20 at the Bradford Town Hall. A-1 level dancing will take place from 7:00-8:00pm, plus dancing from 8:00-10:30pm. Norm Poisson is the caller and Marilyn Rivenburg the cuer. Admission is \$4.00 per person. For more information call Norma Burns at 927-4454. Spectators are welcome.



BOOK REVIEW

by Pauline Dishmon

JOEY'S WORK

Joey Potter
Peter E. Randall Publisher
1990

Living with Multiple Sclerosis (MS) for many years, Joey Potter yearned to do something of merit for the rest of her life. She longed to express herself and decided to write about her everyday world. This book, one of three, features brief essays.

Joey was born and reared in Canada. She trained to become a nurse at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. Later, as wife to Dr. Benjamin Potter and mother to three children, she joined the Concord (NH) Visiting Nurse Organization and later served at St. Paul's School Infirmary. Also, to her credit, she organized a daytime MS support group providing patients with opportunities to get out.

I never met Joey Potter, but her words helped me tie into her heart. Her strength and courage was admirable. Joey's days began with looking out of her window and determining what nature had in store for her. She saw sunshine as "an element producing energy." At other times she tracked cloud formations as they drew pictures gliding across the sky.

Knowing MS victims often encounter blindness, Joey was thankful for her continued eyesight. According to the family member I met recently, her "positive attitude" and "Irish sense of humor" allowed her to find beauty in all nature—trees blowing in the wind, flowers having fragrances and colors, and birds talking or making music. In one essay titled *The Sky* she writes of being discouraged yet feeling better after concentrating on "God's beautiful world." Some other titles include *Happy Days at Rye Beach*, *The Coast*, *The Color Yellow*, *Birds are My Music* and *Rambling*. In 1994, at age 64, Joey "quietly slipped away," advised one of her family members who, at my request, provided a copy of *Joey's Work* for Bradford readers.

Joey's Work is available at the Brown Memorial Library.



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Then and Now

by Milly Kittredge

This building goes back to the days of Samuel Bement, built around 1815 or maybe earlier. This has always been a busy site. It's a nice location beside the bridge, with an arm of the river swinging into the back yard. It also had the railroad track almost in the front yard. The brick section, now a pleasing entry, was a blacksmith shop for many years, a harness/shoe shop, a cooperage, a residence, and is now Ann Hallahan's real estate office. The garage has blackened beams, a brick fireplace, and is still recognizable as the blacksmith shop it once was. There is paperwork identifying the shop section as a building Henry Ford wished to move to his colonial village in Michigan. He would have reinstalled it as a working shop. The biggest change has been the closing and remodeling of the front porch section and dormer. Good fortune and good tenants keep another of the town's old buildings useful and attractive.



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A charter can be revoked if the school fails to achieve its goals.

The Kearsarge Charter School Founder's Group is working to complete a proposal for a Charter Middle School by September 1, in hopes that it will be approved by the School Board and the Department of Education and presented to voters in March of next year. Their goal is to open the school in September of 2000. According to their mission statement, the school would provide an interdisciplinary, thematic curriculum in a small school environment.

The Founder's Group will hold a meeting on Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00pm at Main-Street BookEnds in Warner. It is open to all who would like to become involved with the project. Refreshments will be served, and participants may sign up to help in numerous areas including, but not limited to: site/building, publicity and community outreach, fundraising, standards and methods of accountability, insurance, transportation, budget and physical education.

The group will also be participating in a "Celebration of Education" conference at MainStreet BookEnds of Warner on March 20 and 21. For more information, contact Mary Mead, telephone 456-3262, e-mail: m_lennon@conknet.com.



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experience of personal religious ecstasy; the spiritualist aspect of Shaker worship; and the eternal quest for union.

Tickets, at \$7.50 each, are available at Bowie's Market, Dodge's Store, the Merrimack Farm Store or at the door. Shaker refreshments will be served. The performance is made possible through a grant from the Samuel P. Hunt Foundation and the NH State Council on the Arts. For more information, call Debbie Lamach at 938-2095.

South Newbury Union Church News

Plan to attend our "First Day of Spring" flea market and bake sale on Saturday, March 20 from 9:00am-2:00pm at the Friendship House, rain or shine.

Next month we are planning a Turkey Dinner with all the fixings and homemade pies. This will take place on Saturday, April 24 from 5:00-7:00pm at the Friendship House. The dinner will cost \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children six to eleven and children under six may eat for free.

For more information about either event, call 938-5369.



Glimpses

March 9, 1899...

Albert Choate of Bradford has expanded his business opportunities by buying out a half of the E.K. Cogswell store in Henniker.

March 30, 1899...

The trees are tapped, but weather has not permitted a good supply of sap for making syrup. South Newbury is experiencing the same hardship.

—Amanda Edwards

Friends of the Library

The Friends of Brown Memorial Library's Spring Literary Series, *A Woman's Place* begins on Tuesday, March 2 at 7:00pm in the Library with discussion of *The Yellow Wallpaper* (with short story and film). Discussion leader is Dr. Patrick Anderson from Colby-Sawyer College. The series continues on March 16 and March 30. Multiple copies of the books are available in the library.

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Friends, will be on Saturday, April 3 at 10:00am on the library lawn. This event is free and open to all children.

The Library of Congress has initiated the Favorite Poem Project. Send a letter about your favorite poem and become part of Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky's National Audio and Video Archive. Include the title and poet and at least a sentence or two about why the poem is meaningful to you. Provide your name, return address, phone number and age (optional) and occupation. Please include e-mail address and fax number if available. Send your letter to The Favorite Poem Project, Creative Writing Program, Boston University, 236 Bay State Road, Boston, MA 02215 (or e-mail at favpoem@bu.edu). You may pick up a submission form at the Library. The deadline for submission is April 30.

The Friends will hold a planning meeting on Wednesday, March 17 at 7:00pm. Please join us to plan a summer fundraiser and program for the Annual Meeting on May 19.

—Audrey Sylvester

BWC Update

The Women's Club regular meeting will be held in the Vestry of the First Baptist Church on March 16 at 1:00pm. With only a small apology to PBS, Bradford's own *Antiques Roadshow* will be presented by Robin Sunborn who has operated "Robin's Magikal Eggs", an antiques shop on Main Street, for the past few years. Members are invited to bring an antique for "show and tell" and perhaps an evaluation.

Five Steps to a Debt-Free New Year: Part 2

Last month I showed you how to examine your expenses and set up separate accounts in order to assure payment. This month we will cover steps two through five (2. Dip into your savings. 3. Use credit cards to your advantage. 4. Make a habit of using cash. 5. Start saving for the future). So let's get started.

Step 2. Dipping into your savings may not sound so appealing. Remember you may only be earning 2%-3% in a savings account and paying out 12% or more on a credit card. By using some savings you may save on the interest you are paying out to that credit card company. But it is not wise to exhaust your entire savings. Leave some in case of an emergency. The professionals suggest at least three months worth of living expense. And try not to touch long-term savings such as retirement or college funds for the kids because you incur hefty withdrawal penalties.

Step 3. It is easier to shed debt when you only have to make one payment. You may want to consider consolidating your debt. Roll some balances of debt onto a credit card with a lower interest rate (beware: some introductory rates are for a limited time. Read the fine print carefully). Then cancel and cut up the high rate cards. If you don't feel comfortable with the introductory rates then look for a credit card with a lower fixed rate.

Step 4. One of the best ways to stop overspending is to use cash. Let's face it, it hurts a lot more to pull cash out of our pocket than to pull out that credit card. But remember your budget only allows for so much pocket money (see Step 1).

Step 5. Once the debt is under control, you can start saving the money you were using to pay down the debt. If your employer offers direct deposit, set up a savings account or a money market fund and have the excess automatically deposited. It is also suggested to set up a savings account for gifts to family and friends. This helps to enjoy the Christmas season without dreading the bills.

I hope the information I have offered is helpful. If your debt problems are more involved, don't forget you can always seek help of a local financial advisor or a tax accountant. Good luck and don't sweat the small stuff.

—Diane Gadoury



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Candidates for Town Offices and KRSD School Board

To provide the community with information on this year's candidates for town and school board office, the Bridge asked each candidate to answer four questions: 1) Why do you want to serve? 2) What are the most important issues you will have to address? 3) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of office? 4) What are your qualifications?

Peter Fenton, Budget Committee

I have lived in Bradford for the past 22 years with my wife Mary Beth and children Peter and Tim. We own and operate Applesed Restaurant and Catering.

Having been a member of the Bradford Budget Committee for several years, I can tell you that it can be interesting and challenging.

The Budget Committee "works" the numbers with the Selectmen (often with spirited discussion) to bring you the lowest workable budget possible to run the town. It is then your turn to decide whether we have made the right decision.

Ultimately, I would like to see the school and county control their budgets the way Bradford's budget committee attempts to control the Town's. For all the effort that is made, the Town's portion is approximately 15-20% of your total property tax bill.

Diane Gadoury, Budget Committee

1) I have participated on the BEOC for two years and am currently the Chairman of the Bradford Revolving Loan Committee. I have decided to further my knowledge of the Town's financial outlook.

2) I believe the most important issue is to be sure the Capital Reserve Fund has enough funds to accomplish all anticipated goals set.

3) To gain more knowledge of our Town's Budget so that we can possibly keep taxes from rising unnecessarily without adding any additional services.

4) My professional background is in accounting. Specifically in maintaining budgets with limited working capital. I know the importance of the need to put freezes on spending when necessary and when to spend in order to maintain or advance the status quo.

David Pickman, Budget Committee

1) I enjoy taking an interest in the Town.

2) The town budget.

3) I will make sure our tax money is used wisely

4) I have served on the Budget Committee for 13 years and as Selectman for six years.

Thomas Riley, Cemetery Commission

1) To give my knowledge of cemetery management to benefit the Town of Bradford.

2) Unknown

3) To continue the good work that the Cemetery Commission has done to date.

4) Worked with and helped manage two cemeteries in the Boston area.

Joe Conway, Selectman

1) My reason to serve our community remains the same. I find that much needs to be done to improve the economic and social climate within our community and at the same time much needs to be preserved to maintain the quality of life that we have become accustomed to in our town. It's a delicate balance where both moral and fiscal responsibility must be assumed in order for one to honor commitments and follow through to the logical consequences.

In the last three years I have worked extremely hard for our community, many initiatives are underway due to this and much more needs to be done. I want to continue this commitment, follow through with the many initiatives that have begun, and complete the challenging tasks before our town.

2) Many of the issues that we face have been before us time and time again: A lower tax rate? Highway projects? Space requirements? New capital equipment? These are all part of the normal operation of a town, they're ongoing. But how we put systems and controls in place so that we become more effective in delivering our services can effect the cost of our services and how we can pay for these matters.

The single most important item that we can effect is accountability for how we plan and spend your money. Accountability for the sources of new funds we seek out to pay for these items. Accountability for the money that can be wasted without proper controls. Accountability for the use of available resources. Accountability for capital planning or lack thereof. Accountability in representing you.

3) During the past three years I've accomplished being a catalyst in moving forward many of the initiatives presently underway. I've pushed forward revising our personnel policies, worked to improve our budgeting process, initiated efforts to restore our reserve fund balance and consistently requested accountability from all departments. Most importantly, I've never compromised this town.

To this end, we have experienced a reduction in our tax rate, our fund balance is now at a State of NH recommended level (this will enable tax relief in the future), we've experienced a budget surplus and our community

center will open in the fall of 1999.

I would like to continue to refine our financial planning and controls, press to institute/ implement, with concurrence of the Planning Board, a Capital Improvement Planning Program, marshal forward the initiatives currently under way, seek out added sources of funding and maintain a stable tax rate.

4) My qualifications encompass all the corporate financial, managerial and operations background and experience necessary to properly carry out the duties of managing the prudential affairs of our Town. In addition, the last three years have provided the much-needed insight to the needs, disparities and potential of our community.

Managing the affairs of this community is more than just showing up for the Monday night meetings, it's a commitment to the community, a willingness to make the difficult decisions, the ability to be sensitive to the needs of the community, the courage to demand accountability and the desire to have a vision of its future. I've made this my platform. I would like to continue to be your Selectman.

Christopher Frey, Selectman

1) I am a lifelong resident of Bradford who has volunteered extensively over the years. I have a working knowledge of most Departments, the budget process and dealing with State agencies. I want to help Bradford expand its business base and stabilize its tax rate at a lower level while providing a more congenial atmosphere for residents when dealing with town government.

2) The most important issues that I feel I will have to address will be Growth or lack of it. In many scenarios of the Claremont II settlement, there will be an equalization of property taxes in the area which may cause a huge influx of building in the rural areas and could stretch portions of our infrastructure to the limit. To negotiate the better deal for the Town and its citizens when electric deregulation occurs. To complete a short-term Capital Improvement Plan with realistic time lines and cost projections until the Planning Board can provide the residents of Bradford with a long term Capital Improvement Plan. To assist in bringing the community center and library addition to fruition.

3) During my term of office I hope to accomplish an equipment replacement schedule for the Highway Department. Redraft some of the current town ordinances. Utilize some portion of the potential property tax savings to improve current or planned physical infrastructure deficiencies, while seeing citizens enjoy tax relief. A Y2K compliant and prepared community.

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4) I have attended New England and Franklin Pierce Colleges with majors in Political Science and Accounting. I have served 15 years on the Budget Committee with three years as chairman. I also have been a member of the Bradford Fire Department for 32 years. I was the founder and member of the Bradford Rescue Squad. In addition, I have been a member and served as chairman of the Dump Study Committee.

I have always been honest in my dealings in town affairs, and I have a true desire to see this town thrive economically and socially while retaining its rural charm, but without having a tax rate which drives hourly wage earners and the elderly out. Being recently retired, I have the time to be a full-time selectman.

Sue Buntis, Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library

1) My first year as a library trustee has been a challenging and rewarding experience as part of the team that worked to develop the library expansion plans. I would like to serve as trustee again to help develop the expanded programs and services our new library will now be able to offer to the Bradford community.

2) The most important issue for Brown Memorial Library is a constant...how to offer the best free library service to everyone in Bradford, especially our children and youth.

3) After library construction is finished, I would like to work to develop ways to offer increased and improved library services to all Bradford residents...especially our children. I would also like to help develop an endowment fund to be used for library maintenance and enhancement in the years to come. This fund could be supported in part by the reestablishment of the thrift shop in the basement of the new library and I look forward to volunteering time and effort to that purpose.

4) As a member of the board of library trustees for the past year, I have taken an active role in fundraising for the library by co-managing the library thrift shop at the old Central School, grantwriting for our first public internet computer and helping to establish

the capital campaign and other fundraising activities for library expansion. I am familiar with and support all the current policies and goals of the board of trustees.

Jane Lucas, Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library

1) I have always loved the Library and the building it makes its home in.

2) I want to help see that the addition is completed and set up for the best use for our community.

3) I would like to see the Library offer as much as it possibly can to the community with even more interesting programs offered to all ages.

4) I guess you could say that I have a great interest in the words, thoughts, imagination, history and pleasure that may be found in one location. I am an active member of the Bradford Women's Club, the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Governance Committee for the Community Center. I have a very large interest in the growth of our town.

Brooks McCandlish, Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library

1) Bradford's public library is a true gem, and I would like to help keep it strong.

2) Successfully building the much-needed addition is the most important issue for the coming year.

3) I hope to be able to help complete this project.

4) I am committed to our library, and willing to work with others for its benefit.

John Fergiel, Trustee of the Trust Funds

1) To assist in managing Bradford's trust funds.

2) Safeguarding of assets and prudent investment decisions.

3) I want to maintain accountability and increase the value of the trust funds during my term in office.

4) I have over 15 years of public accounting experience and work closely with many small business owners to assist them with their accounting and financial matters.

Erin O. DiBello, Zoning Board of Adjustment

1) I am a candidate for the Bradford Zoning Board of Adjustment because I believe that

continuity is important and I have been a member since the Zoning Ordinance was adopted.

2) As the Ordinance has evolved over the years, the ZBA has studied each case and most requests have been approved.

3) In the years to come, Bradford residents must make the decisions which combine orderly growth and maintenance of the values we have held as enumerated in the Master Plan.

4) It is important that caring and knowledgeable residents make the decisions when landowners feel the need to use their property in a manner not exactly as described in the Ordinance.

Joe Conway, School Board Representative

1) Three years ago I found myself answering these same questions but with a far different perspective than I have today. The reason to serve our community remains the same. I find that much needs to be done to improve the economic and social climate both within our community and school district and at the same time much needs to be preserved to maintain the quality of life that we have become accustomed to in our Town. It's a delicate balance where both moral and fiscal responsibility must be assumed in order for one to honor commitments and follow through to the logical consequences. This perspective holds true whether serving at the local level or representing our Town within the school district.

In the last three years I have worked extremely hard for our community. Many initiatives are underway due to this and much more needs to be done. I believe it is time to take this commitment, representation and point of view to the School District as the Town's representative.

2) Many of the issues that we face have been before us time and time again: Our school tax rate? Cost of Education? Space requirements? Programs? Transportation costs? These are all part of the normal operation of a school district, they're ongoing. But the manner by which we improve systems and controls so that we become more effective in delivering our services can affect the cost of our services; effectiveness of programs and how we provide a quality education that everyone can


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The direct and hard questions need to be asked, differences of opinion need to be discussed, communication must be forthright and openness must become a priority.

3) The next few years will see the manner in which we pay for education change dramatically. With this change comes new and immense challenges for our school district. Attitudes among the district towns will be altered due to this and the willingness to provide a quality education for our children may also be interrupted. To this end it will be necessary to build a cohesiveness, understanding and sensitivity to the effects within the member towns in order to maintain the quality we have in our district and at the same time improve the standards for our kids. How the various components (school board, MBC, selectmen and citizens) within the district work together will determine the future successes or failures we achieve. My goal as a board member will be to achieve a level of communication, trust and open representation that assures we achieve the outlined goals of our district at no one's undue expense.

4) My qualifications encompass all the corporate financial, managerial and operations background and experience necessary to properly carry out the duties of representing our town. In addition, the last three years as selectman have provided the much-needed insight to the needs, disparities and potentials of our community. Managing the affairs or representing this community is more than just showing up for the nightly meetings, it's a commitment to the community, a willingness to make the difficult decisions or challenge decisions, the ability to be sensitive to the needs of the community, the courage to demand accountability and the desire to have a vision of its future. I've made this my platform. I would like to bring this kind of representation of our town to the School Board.

Mark Fairbank, School Board Representative

1) I want to serve because I believe in contributing to the community and especially to our children's sense of community. Our school system needs to reflect the priorities and concerns of Bradford. My family in-

cludes two young children; one of whom attends Bradford's elementary school I am committed to developing consensus in Bradford and bringing one message to the School Board. I also want to serve because friends and neighbors have encouraged me to be a candidate.

2) The Kearsarge Regional School District must prepare for whatever resolution is found for the statewide school-funding dilemma. This means that plans for the future must include best and worst case scenarios. Of primary concern should be the preservation of quality fundamental academic services in the face of such uncertainty. Citizens of Bradford should expect significant returns on any investment made toward education. The School Board by communication and sound management can balance the concerns we share as parents and taxpayers.

I would also hope to address ways to reduce risky behavior amongst our student population. I would work to ensure that a balanced system of education is achieved so that students are best served whether their plans are to go on to college or join the work force after high school. I believe it is the mission of public schools to succeed in both of these challenges.

3) I hope that my term as Bradford's School Board Representative would result in policies and an education program that strongly reflect the priorities and best qualities of our town. As I have spoken to townspeople about the school district, I have sensed serious concern over Bradford's ability to afford our school system. Although Bradford's property taxes are very likely to be cut by the funding proposals under consideration, other towns in our district may well suffer significant tax increases. This will surely result in new challenges to the present system and threaten critical elements in our schools. I hope to make sure that our children are well served, that any investment is a wise investment, and that Bradford's voice is heard.

4) I have a wide range of experience as a manager of service operations and budgets. I have worked hard to develop the skills of analysis and planning, the creativity and interpersonal qualities necessary to achieve consensus and to build strong working relationships based on trust and respect. I value consensus and teamwork and can lead when necessary. I am a proud parent who has volunteered at the kindergarten and Bradford-Newbury Youth Sports and I am a taxpayer.



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MONDAY, MARCH 1

Bradford Cemetery Commission, 9:00am, call 938-5386 for information

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 2

Annual Library Buffet, Appleseed Restaurant, 5:00-8:00pm

Spring Literary Series, BML, 7:00-9:00pm

ZBA, Town Hall, 7:00pm

Meet the Candidates Night, Town Hall, 7:30pm

Bradford Fish and Game Club, Gillingham Drive, 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

Bradford Community Center Governance Board Meeting, Church Vestry, 9:00-11:00am

Library Trustees Meeting, BML, 7:00pm

KRES at Bradford PTC Meeting, Bradford Elementary School, 7:00pm, Dr. Richards to speak about the proposed budget

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

Live and Silent Auction to benefit New England Handicapped Sports Association, Main Lodge, Mt. Sunapee, 4:30pm

MONDAY, MARCH 8

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

Vote at the Bradford Elementary School from 8:00am-7:00pm

Bradford Revolving Loan Committee Meeting, Candlelite Inn, 7:00pm

Planning Board, Town Hall, 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

Town Meeting, Bradford Elementary School, 7:00pm

Country Capitalist Meeting, Call 938-2787 for information

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

BEOC Meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

KRSD School Board Meeting, KRHS, 7:00pm

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

Bradford Community Corporation Meeting, Town Hall, 7:00am

March Calendar

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

BNYS Baseball and Softball sign-up, Bradford Fire Station, 9:00am-noon

MONDAY, MARCH 15

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

BBA Meeting, Church Vestry, 7:00pm

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

BWC, Church Vestry, 1:00pm

Spring Literary Series, BML, 7:00-9:00pm

Conservation Commission, Town Hall, 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

Bradford Community Center Governance Board Meeting, Church Vestry, 9:00-11:00am

Road Committee Meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

Library Trustees Meeting, BML, 7:00pm

Friends of the Library, planning meeting, BML, 7:00pm

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

Parks and Recreation Meeting, Town Hall, 7:00pm

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

Spring Fling Craft Fair to benefit the Junior Class, KRHS, 10:00am-3:00pm, for information call 927-4143

MONDAY, MARCH 22

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

Planning Board, Town Hall, 7:30pm

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

KRSD School Board Meeting, KRHS, 7:00pm

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

Bradford Community Corporation Meeting, Town Hall, 7:00am

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

Journey to Heaven, the Shaker Way, original play, Town Hall Stage, 4:00pm

MONDAY, MARCH 29

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



TUESDAY, MARCH 30

Spring Literary Series, BML, 7:00-9:00pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Library lawn, 10:00am

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