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Kids and Adults in Elections



Photo by Audrey V. Sylvester

Kearsarge Elementary First Graders voted on Election Day to decide how to spend money raised in their student-run snack shop during February when they raised more than \$500. Each child worked one day in the shop. The ballot items were: "Donate to a Neighbor," 25 votes; "Donate to an Animal Shelter," 14 votes; and "Donate Children's Books to Other Schools," 1 vote. The Snack Shop was part of the Money Unit in the Math Curriculum.



New elected town officials take the oath of office

10 QUESTIONS:

by Phyllis Wilcox

CARYL ANN WALKER

This is a continuation in a series of Bradford Bridge interviews with people in Bradford.

Caryl Ann Walker was born in Westwood, Mass. She attended public schools there, then earned a BA at Colby in New London and a MS in Home Economics from Simmons College in Boston. She taught Home Economics in Avon, Mass. and then moved to Bradford in 1976. Her career veered in different directions for ten years. She started a needlepoint design business, worked as a pastry chef for Millstone restaurants in Concord and New London, and was a caregiver for a 92 year old woman on weekends.

Her next venture was working for Public Service of New Hampshire teaching an electrical safety program to 4th and 5th graders throughout New Hampshire. Two more teaching jobs followed in Hopkinton and Salem High Schools. Ten years ago she found her dream job teaching culinary arts at Plymouth High School. Caryl lives in Bradford with her husband, Alex Spiliotis.

Q. You have been teaching Culinary Arts to teenagers for ten years at Plymouth High School. Do you still enjoy your work?

I love it. There's always something challenging and different to do. I truly love teaching Culinary Arts. It's very popular now in the media with all the cooking shows and celebrity chefs

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Bradford Election Results

Selectman (1 seat, 3 year term)	
Don Stumph	32
Peter Fenton	211
Jane Johnsen	142
Planning Board (1 seat, 2 year term)	
Carol Meise	142
Delbert "Sonny" Harris	222
Planning Board (1 seat, 1 year term)	
Barry Wheeler	195
Jeffrey Aarons	159

Buyer for Town Hall

Donald Trump, New York developer and multimillionaire, has placed a bid on the Bradford Town Hall. "I feel I should be diversifying my portfolio into rural areas and I think this building would make great luxury country condos." The amount of the bid is confidential but it known that Mr. Trump has had concerns about how much the mandated sprinkler system will cost, especially since he prefers it in gold.

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From The Editor

Recent town elections across the state have signaled bad news for big ticket municipal projects. For our own town, the warrant articles for new town facilities failed to win enough support to pass for the third year in a row. In spite of the admirable work of several NAC committees in developing and presenting comprehensive plans for municipal buildings, the multi-million dollar price tags have been denied time after time. The new county jail, nursing home and middle school projects have pushed taxes to the breaking point for our citizens, many of whom see property taxes and gas prices skyrocketing while salaries and incomes remain unchanged. The sinking economy and lack of confidence for improvement in the foreseeable future is a detriment to keeping up needed infrastructure maintenance throughout the state. For a state budget based on increasing property assessments and taxes, the squeeze can be felt for each citizen whether financially flush or not. For low wage earners, single parents, elderly on fixed incomes, disabled and average families living paycheck to paycheck, paying the fuel bills and putting food on the table are priorities that are getting more difficult to manage every year. Speaking with neighbors and town residents, there seems to be agreement that whether the town facilities are on the upper or lower site, whether a new road is needed or the old will do was not at issue in voting on facility proposals this year. People generally agreed that facilities are sorely needed, long overdue in fact, but this year, they're voting with their pocketbooks and for many, their pocketbooks are empty. Let us hope that next year is better so we can finally give our town what it needs.

Beth Rodd

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Needs Assessment Steering Committee Update

Town Meeting was held on March 12th. The votes for the third time failed to pass the much needed Highway Garage and Police Department buildings. The warrants needed two-thirds majority vote to pass. Warrant for Highway Garage (2/3 -159/136) lost by 23 votes. Police Department warrant (2/3 -152/124) needed 28 votes to pass. We thank the community for their support and input during the last ten months of working to bring forth a new Highway Garage and Police Station buildings for our dedicated town employees.

Town of Bradford School Scholarship

To apply, high school students should meet the following requirements:
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Next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 1st, Town Hall, 7:30 PM.

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Bradford Happenings

Bradford Parks and Recreation Department

On Friday, April 18th put on your dancing shoes, and come to the Bradford Community Barn Dances! Sarah Nelson and Tom Moreau will entertain the dancers with their old-time tunes at the next barn dance. Alice Morris will call the dances. Meet new friends and neighbors – have fun. The LAST dance of the season will be on Friday May 16th with the Sugar River Band and caller Alice Morris. Dances take place at the Kearsarge Regional Elementary School, 7 to 10:30 pm. Beginner dances will be from 7pm to 8:30 pm followed by a potluck snack/ intermission and raffle drawing. More complex dances follow the break. Admission is \$5.00, seniors and students \$3.00. Children under 5 are \$2.00. Bring a potluck snack or dessert to share

Fisher Cats Baseball Tickets

For the Eastern League All-Star game on July 16, 2008 at 7 PM. Tickets are available for \$8.00 each at the Bradford Area Community Center, 938-6228 (Kate) Tickets will go fast, so reserve yours now.

Bradford Country Squares

On Saturday, May 17, The Bradford Country Squares will host their monthly square dance at the Kearsarge Regional Elementary School in Bradford, NH. from 8:00 to 10:30 pm with Mainstream and Plus tips. Visiting Bradford from Maine will be Caller Skip Brown and his wife, Betty Ann Brown, who will be cueing. Admission for the dance is \$6 per person. Spectators are free and always welcome. For more information call 603-763-0187.

Creating a Better Relationship with Your Dog

On April 12th, 9 am-3 pm, Tom Wilkins will teach this workshop on

Tellington Touch, a specialized approach to the care and training of our animal companions developed by internationally recognized animal expert, Linda Tellington-Jones. This method is based on cooperation and respect and offers a positive approach to training, can improve performance and health and presents solutions to common behavioral and physical problems. It also helps establish a deeper rapport between humans and animals through increased understanding and more effective communication. Cost : \$35.00. BACC. Call 938-6228 to register for the class

Fitness Walk

Men, women and teen agers in the area are invited to join a group meeting on Tuesdays at 5:30 PM for 45 minutes of walking and 15 minutes of hints for healthful

living..The walking offers a chance for group fitness and hints for healthful living will be given by Lorna Young, a Certified Fitness Trainer and Nutrition Specialist. Cost: \$5.00

Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, April 19, Spaghetti Dinner, First Baptist Church of Bradford First seating, 5:00PM, second seating, 6:00 PM. Adults \$8, children under 12, \$5, under 3, free. Dinner will be served by the youth of First Baptist. Proceeds to benefit the Church Building Fund.

AARP Driver Safety Program

April 7 & 8 - AARP Driver Safety Program will be held at the Mountain View Senior Center on Monday, April 7th and Tuesday, April 8th from 9 am to 1 pm. Please contact the Mountain View Senior Center, 938-2164 or Tom Riley, 938-5539 to sign up for this driver safety program.

VNA

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ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Departing Trustees Recognized:

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Michele Holton

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Michael Wood

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Selectmen's Highlights

Organization: The Board of Selectmen made the following appointments: Peter Fenton – Chair; Charles Meany – Planning Board representative; Andrew Pinard – Budget Committee representative. Pinard is the designated alternate to the Planning Board; Fenton the designated alternate to the Budget Committee.

Highway Garage: Following a non-public session, the Selectmen announced they have decided to pursue a special Town Meeting in regards to the town shed.

Many members of the public were in attendance to discuss the future of the highway buildings. Brewster Caswell suggested that the existing sheds could be renovated and improved with volunteer assistance to provide the needed work space at a lower cost than for a new structure. Several others offered suggestions and assistance with such a project.

A public meeting will be held on Saturday, April 19 at 9:00 AM at the town sheds on Cilley Lane for anyone interested in viewing the facility.

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Kearsarge Area Preschool News

by Karen Hambleton

In March, we talked about our town. We identified the various businesses and services provided by our town and discussed the idea of community. We marked the location of our own homes on maps of our town. The children



One proud builder beside his structure.

also designed and built a town of their own.

Spring, at long last, will be our theme in April. Children will be encouraged to notice all the changes in the outdoors. We will talk about how the earth and its animals awake from winter. When the snow melts, we'll have use of our playground again, and we'll see the first spring bulbs sprouting around our fence. Children will plant seeds and learn what plants need to grow healthy. We will also talk about the animal babies that come in Spring, both in the wild and on the farm. We will have a visitor showing us some of the creatures that can be found in vernal pools and ponds.

Outside of the classroom, we are very excited to announce that the preschool's program

will be extended to include full-day activities for the 2008-2009 school year! In addition to our established preschool program, early morning and afternoon sessions will be offered for families who prefer a full or partial day of age appropriate, child-oriented activities.

We are currently accepting applications for the 2008-2009 Preschool Plus program. We also have a few spaces available in both the three and four year old classes this spring. For more information, please call 938-2442.

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featured on television.

Q. Let's talk about the courses that you teach. Is your course an elective or required in the school syllabus?

I teach Culinary 1 and 2. The proper title is Career Technical Education (CTE.) I like having the Juniors in Culinary 1 and Seniors in Culinary 2. This makes these students "concentrators." We get Perkins Grant money (Federal money) for these courses. It's really not part of the curriculum. The courses are electives and run five days a week with two and one half hour sessions. The students get two credits for each course and over the two year period that is a lot of time spent studying an elective course. The best part for me is that 85 to 90 percent of my students go on to careers in culinary arts. This year's graduating class will be going to some of the finest culinary institutes on the East coast. They will attend Johnson and Wales, New England Culinary Institute and one student will be interning at the Balsams.

Q. Are you teaching males and females together? Do you feel that these courses will set a pattern for future careers or long term patterns in providing interesting meals for themselves and their families?

Together. There are some kids who take the courses with no interest in culinary arts. Many change their

minds and become interested in a career. There's a lot of problem solving involved and they learn the science of cooking. They learn math skills with the ability to change amounts involved. They also learn challenging work skills.

Q. Do you enjoy cooking and baking? Did you come from a



family where meals were aesthetically pleasing, interesting, palatable and nutritious?

I do enjoy cooking and baking. I prepare a meal every night. I rarely buy prepared food. Yes, I did come from such a family. We always had dinner together at 5 pm and it was planned and colorful and delicious. My mom loved cooking, loved holidays and decorating the table. Food always looked beautiful. My mother was first generation Swedish. Her family worked as cooks and tailors. Home Economics was definitely in the family.

Q. You came to Bradford 32 years ago and renovated a wonderful historic building on West Main

Street. Are you pleased with the results and how long did the renovation take?

I bought the Old Grange Hall which was originally FH Messer Carriage Repository built before 1900. It was a carriage dealership the early version of a car dealership. I am pleased with the results so far. The renovation began when I moved in. I designed the kitchen and bathroom, refinished the floors and painted. It's an ongoing project. I still have two floors to complete. The building is large with three and one half stories.

Q. You appear to have an interest in preservation and bought a rather dilapidated building to restore rather than a newer dwelling with less maintenance. Have you always nourished a passion for architectural preservation?

I looked at it in late September. I remember going into the Grange Hall floor. There was a huge Beech tree next to the windows and the tree reflection made the entire room glow with a golden color. I can still see the windows flooded with golden light. I grew up in old houses and love the history inherent in an older building.

Q. As a resident of Main Street do you have any thoughts on what can be done to spruce up the area and restore Town Hall?

I would love to see Town Hall restored. Any building that was treasured and moved from its first location deserves attention. It would be nice to have home type small business on Main Street.



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Area Happenings

Q. You have a long commute to Plymouth every day and a stressful job. Do you find time for other interests?

Unfortunately, my day is wrapped up in school from the end of August until mid-June. I have no time for anything else. My job involves planning and correcting papers, My classes cater all the functions at the school. We provide food for the school cafeteria and from now on there are large school functions where we provide food for large groups. Culinary Arts teachers do a lot of this type of catering.

Q. If you had the opportunity would you change anything in your life?

I sometimes wish I could have been an architect or probably something in botany. I love where I live. I would like to have more time for other things.

Q. Do you feel that people as individuals can make a difference and make life better? Are you someone that looks at the glass half full or half empty?

My glass is always half full. I think people can make a difference one at a time. I'm an adviser to the national Technical Honor Society. One of the things we do is called "Adopt-a-Platoon." My classes write letters to a platoon in Iraq once a week. We send cookies. We don't know where they are and we never hear back from them. I think there is hope. There has to be.

Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter Program

Sunday April 6, 2008, Soo-Nipi Chapter field trip to Merrimack River and Concord area hot spots. Meet leader, Peter Newbern, at Warner Park & Ride exit 9, I-89 at 8:00 am. Bring snacks, water, binoculars. Half-day trip. More info? Call 763-4308. Inclement weather cancels trip.

Friday, April 11, 2008, "My Favorite Birds around the World" Fred Sladen, our local world traveler, will take us to places he has lived and worked; the Azores, Australia, the coast of Spain, Central and South America, to name a few. Tracy Library, New London, NH. Refreshments at 7 pm, program at 7:30 pm. 526-4321 or 526-6790 for more information.

Warner

Fri. April 4 @ 7 pm, A Slide Show and WWII Recollections from Warner's own historian, Dick Violette.

Fri. April 11 @ 7 pm, McArthur Fellow, artist & naturalist David Carroll to discuss vernal pools - "Out of Hibernation, Finally!"

Fri. April 18 @ 7 pm, a fun evening of music with Bradford Bog People - historic & contemporary tunes from Ky, the Virginias, the Ozarks, & NC, \$5. For more info on the Bradford Bog People and samples of their

music, visit:

"www.bradfordbogpeople.com" Fri. April 25 @ 7 pm, WHS & Rebecca Courser with a "Surprise Talk" on Warner's History.

Newbury

April 12, 9 - 11 am, Rabies Clinic for dogs & cats (rain or shine). Registration in the parking lot of Friendship House in South Newbury at the corner of Village and Sutton Roads. Dr. Claire Timbas will be administering rabies shots to dogs and cats. Fee: \$12 per shot. Bring a previous rabies clinic or dog license, if available. The event is sponsored by the South Newbury Union Church. Call: 938-2064.

April 19, 5 - 7 pm.: "Turkey Dinner and All the Fixings". South Newbury Union Church, \$10 per person; \$5, ages 6 - 12; free, 5 & under. Great raffle items. Call: 938-2064.

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Planning Board Notes

Organization: The Board welcomed new members to the Board – Sonny Harris and Barry Wheeler. Phil LaMoreaux was elected as chair, Bill Glennie as vice-chair. The Board also voted to appoint Jane Johnsen as an alternate member of the Board. Jeff Aarons and Carol Meise continue as alternates.

Ledgewood Pines: Mark Brunnel of Maplewood Development updated the Planning Board on the status of conditions that must be met before subdivision on Old Warner Road can be finalized. The boundary adjustment and voluntary merger plans will be submitted along with the final revised plan. In order to meet NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) requirements the number of lots, based on soil groups, has been decreased from 24 to 22. DES will approve an initial 16 building lots based on the current well proposed; the remaining units will require another well. The Board voted to approve an extension for Ledgewood Pines until June 15, 2008, and to place the proposed revocation of the subdivision at this time.

Preliminary Consultation: Barry Wheeler discussed how the recently adopted gravel pit regulations affect his application for renewal of his gravel pit operation on Center Road. Wheeler stated that the pit has been in operation for 13 years, a revolving bond is in place for restoration, and the permit currently runs through this month. He was advised that a new application must be submitted and abutters notified. The application and approval could be addressed at the same meeting and waivers may be requested if he feels they are necessary. A Public Hearing will be held at the Town Hall at 7 PM on April 8 regarding this application.

Grants: Brooks McCandlish discussed a grant the Conservation Commission is seeking that would provide GIS mapping as part of the updated Natural Resources Inventory. The Board voted to write a letter of

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During the week of March 5 - 9, KRES at Bradford celebrated Read Across America Week. This week was set aside as a tribute to Dr. Seuss, an American children's author, who has done so much to help generations of children (and adults) love to read! As part of this week long celebration, Sheila Sabo and her certified pet therapy dog, Calypso, visited classrooms in order to introduce staff and students to the PAWS to READ Program. Calypso enjoys listening to Jonathan Richter, a 2nd grader in Mrs. Corbyn's class, read his dinosaur report.





Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

Thanks to everyone who helped with this year's Easter Egg Hunt. And a special thanks to the 4th grade classes at KRES Bradford for helping prepare the eggs. We appreciate the generous donation of your time helping with this community event.

April's book-to-movie discussion on *Sweet Land* by Will Weaver is on Friday, April 4 at 7:00pm. In May (Friday the 2nd at 7:00pm) we will consider *The Snow Walker* by Farley Mowat, a favorite author here at the library. Copies of the book are available at the library circulation desk. Continuing the International Movie series is a selection from Korea (Friday, April 18, 7:00pm) and in May a film from Morocco. See the list of titles at the library.

We strive to offer a wide range of material for you to borrow from the library and are always glad to receive requests and recommendations from you, the library user.

Here is a list of some of the new books added to the library in March:

For adults

An Incomplete Revenge by Jacqueline Winspear

Betrayal by John Lescroart

Physics of the Impossible by Michio Kaku

Mudbound by Hillary Jordan

Change of Heart by Jodi Picoult

The Friday Night Knitting Club by Kate Jacobs

Killer Heat by Linda Fairstein

For children and young adults

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney

The Arrival by Shaun Tan

Faerie Lord by Herbie Brennan

Un Lun Dun by China Mieville

The Titan's Curse by Rick Riordan

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support for the grant application. Ian Thomas said that the CNHRPC could assist with that grant application and also with one for sidewalks under the State's Safe Route to School program. It was stated that students who live within a mile of the school are not picked up by the bus. It is a mile from Route 114 to the school via Old Warner Road and with the school buses now traveling in both directions on Old Warner Road, more safety issues are involved. The Planning Board voted to request that the selectmen apply for this grant.

Minutes of Planning Board meetings are on file at Town Hall

Selectmen Notes -cont'd from page 5

School District: Superintendent of Schools: Thomas Brennan met with the Board to discuss the district's new mission statement and the participation sought from each town in the district.

Highway Department: Road Agent Steve Lucier reported that a representative from the Local Government Center will visit the highway garage to evaluate compliance issues to be addressed.

Junk Yards: Selectmen signed a license renewal for a motor vehicle junkyard. Code Enforcement Office Ed Fowler discussed junkyard conditions on Route 114 and Bradford Center.

Conservation Commission: The Board has been requested to sign the grant application to redo the town wetlands maps. They will meet again when the application is complete.

Grant: The Town has been awarded a grant by the NH Department of Safety for an emergency management base radio to replace the current one.

Sprinkler Ordinance: Notice will be posted for a public hearing on the proposed ordinance. The Fire Chief will be asked to conduct the hearing.

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Design Tips for Selling Your House

by Laura Hallahan

As we welcome in the spring season after a long and snow-filled winter, I thought I would discuss a more pleasant topic than short sales, foreclosures and credit scores. With the coming of warmer weather, everyone's mind turns to sprucing up and possibly getting a house ready to put on the market. Over the years, this column has addressed tips for getting your house show-ready both inside and outside. This month I was inspired by a recent article in REALTOR® Magazine discussing the four fundamentals of good design. The top three are core principles that are timeless and can help transform an average home into a buyer's dream.

Balance. Think of this as achieving a visual symphony where each note is pleasing and appropriate. Balance means using furniture and other objects to make each part of an arrangement roughly equal in visual weight so that one area harmoniously complements the other. You can achieve this more than one way. For example, you could have one side of the room match the other side exactly with furniture and decorative pieces of the same size and shape, or you can have asymmetrical balance by using one larger piece of furniture offset with several smaller pieces of furniture or objects.

Harmony. Expand on balance by creating a pleasing whole with the furniture arrangement, accessories and wall color all coming together to create a pleasing whole. Repetition works well here, using color, texture or shape to your advantage. Picture a green chair, green in your window treatments

and green accent pillows on the sofa. You can change color intensities from deep to light and still create harmony. Be careful, however, not to have too much of a good thing.

Emphasis. I learned this from asking a designer friend to help me pick out a paint color for a bedroom. Every well-designed room needs a focal point. It could be a fireplace, a painting, a wonderful quilt for the bed – that draws the eye into the space. If you have a large room, you may need several focal points. Use these focal points to create interest within the space. This also works well when you have a combination room, such as a dining/living room. Create a different focal point to highlight and separate the rooms visually.

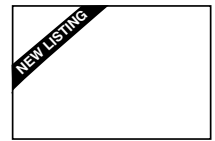
Functionality. While great design can transform a home, don't forget that you have to live in that home, too! If you create a room for the kids to play in, make sure the furniture has durable fabric and that you have fun chalkboards or cork boards on the wall and lots of neat storage areas so everything is off the floor. Also, don't make buyers wonder what a room is being used for by using the office to fold and store laundry or the living room as a kid's play room.

Recent Sales in Bradford

- 14 Pleasant Valley Road, 1950 Ranch on 3.10 acres for \$155,500
- 171 West Road, 1985 Single-wide Mobile Home on 11 acres for \$160,000

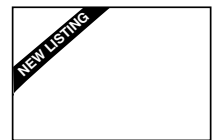
There are 20 active and 3 pending residential listings, 25 active and 1 pending land listings, 1 active and 0 pending commercial listings and 1 active and 0 pending multi-family listings in Bradford.

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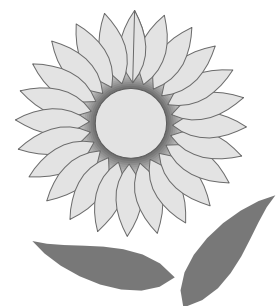
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KEARSARGE DISTRICT NEWS

School District Report

Jon Steiner

Thanks to all of you who came out to vote on the municipal and school ballots on March 11th. All school articles passed including the budget, capital reserve funds, the new well for the high school (which the state was going to require regardless of the vote) and the approval to transfer funds to cover our unexpected special ed increases.

For both the taxpayers and the board, these unexpected special education costs are difficult to plan for and to pay for. As a member of the NH School Boards Association I had a chance last month to travel to D.C. and meet with staff from our congressional delegation to tell them how much these unfunded mandates that are created in Washington really affect the people back home in small towns like Bradford. Hopefully they will listen.

If you have not been able to visit the new middle school, all I can say is Wow! It is a great building and a great investment in both our kids and the value of our communities. It will serve us for many many years to come.

To date we have had 8 snow days and contrary to rumors, there is no plan to cancel April vacation, institute Saturday school or extend the school day. We built extra days into the calendar and we are still okay.

A topic you may hear about soon is two-tier busing. What this means is basically having the middle & high schools open at one time and all the elementary schools open at another. This means we can separate the younger and older kids and have

shorter ride times for all. I will advocate for the high school and middle school opening earlier and the elementary schools opening later...very much like we have now in Bradford.

KRES at Bradford

Mary Keegan-Dayton

Fitness and Nature Trail

Ready for a short walk (or snowshoe) this spring? Students at the Bradford School have been getting some of their exercise and learning on the new Fitness and Nature Trail behind the school. The school sits on 26 acres of land. Look behind the school playground and there's a new sign that marks the trailhead and shows a map of the four trails. There's a loop.

The trail is a "work in progress," according to PE teacher, Cathy Robjent. Work on the trail began in 2005 as part of the HNH Grant project. Steve Patten surveyed the land. Many parent volunteers like Steve Newman helped Patten cut the trails. Mr. Spadaro and Mrs. Robjent named the trails. Credit goes to Mr. Robjent for the new trail signs, and there are now four trails. Go for the Gold Trail, Blue Ridge Trail, Bradford Rocks Shortcut and Patten Path (in thanks to Steve Patten).

"It's a good ten minute walk in the woods," according to Kris Lee who takes her fifth grade out on the trail.

PE classes have been snowshoeing around the trail last month with snowshoes that were acquired as part of the HNH Grant. The third graders made fairy houses with Mrs. Nadeau and Mrs. Castor this fall and the second graders did tree identification. "We went out to identify evergreen vs. broadleaf trees," said Mrs. Bewersdorf, "followed up by additional walks to do leaf and bark rubbings." The third graders also used the trail for descriptive writing and poetry and are planning to do some animal tracking as part of a science unit.

Trail help is needed. Mrs. Robjent has always dreamed of a Nature and Fitness Trail for the school and community and got it in her 27th year. She's now looking for some volunteers this spring to do some drainage work and some "30 year old backs" to dig out some stumps. Call the school 938-5959, or see Mrs. Robjent if you can help. And please, come take a walk on the trail. It's open to the public.

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Obituaries

Karen Blackman

Karen M. (Scheufele) Blackman, 51, of West Road died Feb. 19, 2008 at her home.

Karen was born in Natick, MA, Jan. 1957, to Robert F. Scheufele and Carol (Corr) Scheufele. She graduated from Needham High School and received an associate's degree in animal science from the University of Massachusetts.

She lived in Bradford for the past 25 years and worked at Mount Sunapee for several winters. Karen enjoyed the outdoors, dog sledding, loved animals, and even trained seeing-eye dogs.

Survivors include her companion, John Belanger of Bradford; her mother, Carol Scheufele of Newbury; a sister Patricia A. Scheufele of Newbury; brothers, Paul G. Scheufele of Weston, CT, Robert J. Scheufele of Talkeetna, AL, and Stephen J. Scheufele of Plymouth, MA; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Upper Valley Humane Society, 300 Old Rte. 10, Enfield, NH 03748.



Robert F. Digilio

Robert F. Digilio, 79, died Tuesday, March 25, 2008 at the New London Hospital.

He was born in New London, NH on March 30, 1928, the son of Dominic and Joan (Piro) Digilio. He graduated from Towle High School, Newport, NH in 1946. Mr. Digilio served in the US Marines during WWII and then attended New England College, Henniker, NH.

Years ago he worked for W.T. Grant and also for a shoe shop. For many years he owned and operated Sugar River Barber Shop in Newport and lived in Bradford, NH. Mr. Digilio enjoyed skiing and golf and was a member of the John Cain Golf Club.

He was predeceased by his parents and a brother, Carl A. Digilio. Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Clara (Heselton) Digilio of Bradford, NH; a sister, Rosina Stark of Needham, MA; three brothers, Joseph A. Digilio of Newbury, NH, Dominic J. Digilio of Lebanon, NH, and Richard W. Digilio of Newbury, NH; nieces and nephews.

A service will be held on Sunday, April 13, 2008 at 2:00 P.M. at The First Baptist Church of Bradford, NH with The Rev. Lynne Hubley, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Pond Cemetery, Bradford, NH in the spring. *In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association, P.O. Box 2209, New London, NH 03257. Chadwick Funeral Service of New London, NH is assisting the family with arrangements. To sign an online guestbook please visit www.chadwickfuneralservice.com.*

Letters

To the Editor,

I would like to thank so many people in the community for the outpouring of sympathy we have received in the wake of Karen Blackman's passing. Karen lived in Bradford for 25 years. Initially she brought with her a pack of Alaskan Malamutes, that she raised, raced and won many awards in women's sled dog racing and dog shows. She also worked on the MV Mt. Sunapee and at Mt Sunapee's ski area for many years where she was well known and loved.

I will miss her, as she was my best friend for the last fifteen years of her life.

Many thanks.

John P. Belanger and the Family of Karen Blackman

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First Baptist Church News

From Lynn E. Hubley

Camp Sentinel: On Sunday, April 6, the director of Camp Sentinel (our American Baptist church camp in New Hampshire) will be joining us for worship to share a DVD. Children and parents will be able to see the different camps and ministries available this summer.

Hunger Dinner for Heifer: Our Mission Committee is putting on a soup luncheon immediately after the worship service on Sunday, April 6 to help raise money for Heifer project International. A free-will offering will be taken.

Youth Group: Youth who are in grades 5-8 are welcome to come to our youth gatherings on Friday, April 11 and April 18 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in Fisk House.

Food Pantry: The Food pantry will be open on Wednesday, April 16 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Food can also be obtained by calling the church office at 938-5313.


Leadership Planning Session: On Saturday, April 19 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, our boards and committees will meet for worship, sharing and planning.

Mens Fellowship: On Wednesday, April 23, at 6:30 p.m., the men will meet at the home of Fred Hubley for devotions, outreach planning, pool and refreshments.

Bradford Police Desk

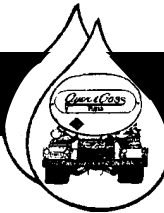
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Service	Total
Criminal Trespass	3
Theft-Unauthorized Taking	1
Theft-of services	1
Fraud on Depositors	1
Sex Offender Registration	1
Runaways	3
Motor Vehicle Crash-Non Reportable	3
Motor Vehicle Crash-Property Damage	3
MV-Citation Violation	4
MV- Citation Speed	15
MV-Warning	58
Parking Violations	1
Business Check	84
Vacant House Check	2
Alarm Response Business	2
Assist-Ambulance	8
Assist-Citizen	11
Assist-Fire	3
Assist-Motorist	2
Assist-Police	8
Animal-Nuisance	1
Civil Standby	1
Property-Found	1
Property-Return to Owner	2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	1
Road Hazard/Obstruction	2
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Plastics Recycling Begins!

by Ken Anderson

Lois and I would like to thank the residents of Bradford for helping us realize over \$31,000 in gross recyclable revenue for 2007. Now, with our new plastics recycling program, we hope to supercede last year's gross income through the sale of the recycled plastics and the resulting reduced trash compactor tipping fees.

For now we are accepting #1 and #2 plastics. The stamped numbers can be found inside the triangular "chasing arrows" recycling logo, generally found on the bottoms of the plastic containers and bottles. The numbers indicate the type of plastic resin used, but do not necessarily mean that the item is recyclable due to the manufacturing process and/or additives used in the manufacturing of the container or bottle. Generally, #1 and #2 plastics include many beverage bottles, milk jugs, dish and laundry detergent bottles, and peanut butter jars.

The #1 and #2 plastics that you recycle will be turned into beverage and shampoo bottles, fleece, pipes, fencing, deck planks, and gutters. Recycling five #1 plastic soda bottles yields enough material for one square foot of carpet or fiberfill for a ski jacket.

Many residents would like to recycle all of the plastic that they discard and some day we hope that the plastics industry will find a way to recycle all of the plastics that are manufactured. In the meantime, we all can reduce our plastic waste. Buy products with minimal packaging in containers that can be recycled or in concentrated forms. Reach for the lotion in a recyclable container, the tomatoes sold individually, the concentrated detergent in the smaller bottle, and so on. Bring along a washable travel mug for the daily latte and a refillable water bottle for drinking water. Pack lunches in reusable containers versus disposable plastic bags. Tote a cloth bag to the store to carry purchases home.

We encourage all residents to shrink their carbon footprint. Please start bringing your #1 and #2 plastics to the Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center. Lois and I are glad to help you to understand and participate in our new plastics recycling program.

Classified Ads

WANTED: Donations of very good gardening items/tools to be used in the Multigenerational Community Garden planned for the spring at the Bradford Area Community Center. Wheelbarrow/garden cart, rototiller, lumber for raised beds, aged composted manure and soil, rakes, hoes, spades, trowels, composter, hoses, trellis, etc..Call Kate 938-6228 .



Back Then



April, 1898, The "New Bradford Hotel" has been constructed on the site of the old one, and the plumbers are at work. The upper story contains 26 sleeping rooms, the heating apparatus is the latest from C.H. Marshall, and the current is furnished by the Bradford Power and Light Co. A good all around pastry and meat cook from Boston has been engaged and all the arrangements of the hotel will be of first class order.