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10 QUESTIONS:

By Phyllis Wilcox

Carol Cullinan was born in Tewksbury, Massachusetts. She attended local schools and her first job was clerk/stenographer at Hanscom Field in Bedford, MA. She married Frank Cullinan and moved with him to Wisconsin where he was doing graduate studies at the University of Wisconsin. Six years and two children later they moved to Forest Street in Bradford, New Hampshire. The house on Rte. 114 was built in 1983 and in 1993 the barn became "Books by the Lake."

Q. "Books by the Lake" opened for business in 1993. You mentioned that the opening coincided with the approaching retirement from New England College of your husband. How did you feel about your own involvement with a book shop?

It was my bookstore at first. He was still an Assistant Professor in the English Department at New England College. Two years later he left his position at the college and it became a joint enterprise. I had worked part time at "Old # 6 Book Depot" in Henniker. I really enjoyed that. It was an ongoing learning experience.

Q. Would you say that a prime requisite for working with books is a love of reading? Would the second most important thing be the ability to work with the public and an interest in seeing that your

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Letter from the Editor

Ahhh Spring. Will it come to stay? After spending several years away from Bradford at this time of year, I realize that it is not only in New Hampshire that the coming of spring is not a smooth continuous process. A few warm sunny days and we think winter is over. Then more cool (or cold) weather with clouds, rain and snow. Reports that Lake Winnepesaukee experienced the earliest ice-out on record and Lake Massasecum is very close to an early record, as well, leads to hope that this year spring may come and stay awhile.

At the same time, other changes are in the works for Bradford. There has been a change in the leadership of the town, both on the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee. Thanks go to those who served in those positions, and welcome and best wishes to those moving in.

Thanks to everyone who ran for local offices this year. Remember that your volunteer service continues to be needed whether you were successful or not. There are many boards and committees and other civic groups who can use your experience and assistance. Of special note is a potential vacancy on the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the need for alternates on the Planning Board.

The snow will melt, the daffodils supplied by Lois and hidden away last fall by Bindy will begin to appear – where will the yellow blooms appear this year? The West Road Bridge will begin to take shape, the sale of Dodge's (Masters) store may be finalized, and AT LAST Bradford will get the good news on the sidewalk grant. Town Administrator Cheryl Behr made the very first presentation to NHDOT in March based on Bradford's receiving the highest grade in its district. DOT will give all applicants an opportunity to make their presentations, then the award is eagerly anticipated on April 20th. Stay tuned....

Marcia Keller
April Editor



Selectmen's Office Hours

938-5900

Mon-Weds-Thurs: 7:30 am-12 n
1 pm - 5 pm
Tuesday 7:30 am-12 n
1 pm - 7 pm

Selectmen meet 1st and 3rd
Tuesday of each month at 5:30 pm

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938-2288

Monday: noon - 7 PM
Tuesday: 7am -11:30 am
12:30 pm - 5 pm

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Wednesday - call 938-2253
for appointment

Friday - Closed

Ice Fishing Derby Winners

The Bradford Fish & Game Club would like to thank everyone who participated in our annual kids Ice Fishing Derby on March 7. With clear skies and temps in the 40's, 51 children and their parents took part in one of the most enjoyable derbies to take place in recent memory.

Although the fishing seemed to be a little slow, many gorgeous fish were brought to the clubhouse to be measured. Special thanks to Morse Sporting Goods in Hillsborough who donated gift certificates that were given away as prizes and to Dennis Hisler who donated trophies. The winners were:

Biggest Fish: Liberty Ruff (age, 5-1/2), Pickerel, 21-3/4"

- Pickerel: 1st Nathan Willett, 20-7/8"
- 2nd Melissa Grasso, 19-7/8"
- 3rd Joe Derby, 19-1/4"
- Perch: 1st Brie von Beren, 11-1/4"
- 2nd Ethan Brooks, 11-1/8"
- 3rd Mathew Strickland, 11"
- Crappie 1st Owen Conway, 13"
- 2nd Lucas Muzzey, 6-1/2"



Finally, we would like to thank Mike and Colleen Hurley for their stupendous effort in the clubhouse kitchen cooking breakfast and lunch for more than 100 people. The next event is the kids Trout Fishing Derby on May 16. For details, visit: www.bfandg.com

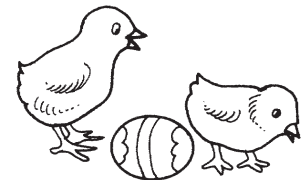
Residents Of Bradford

Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Wednesday April 7, 2010 from 7:00pm-7:30pm at the Bradford Town Hall. This will be for the purpose of registering new voters and updating the checklist. The last day to change or declare a party until the day of the Primary on September 14 is June 1.

Please bring proof of residency and age.
Ann Lucier, Ruth Marden and Judy Marshall

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Bradford News

Bradford Women's Club

Mother's Day Gift Basket Raffle— sponsored by the Bradford Women's Club. Baskets will contain items and gift certificates donated by local merchants. Tickets are 6 for \$5 or 1 for \$1. Look for us near the Bradford Post Office on Saturday, April 17 from 9-12. The drawings will be held on May 7th at the BradfordArea Community Center. Proceeds to benefit Bradford and the surrounding communities. For information, contact Susan Wick at 938-5286.

Bradford Women's Club Meeting - April 13th , 4 p.m. at The Fells Gatehouse. There will be a presentation by the Fells Executive Director, Karen Zurheide. For information, contact Jackye Pehrson at 938-5951 or Susan Wick at 938-5286.

Edward Agoes of Bradford recently completed a customized Volvo Penta training program at NEIT's Marine Technology department entitled "Volvo Penta Catalyst Engine Operation and Diagnosis." Volvo Penta of the Americas, located in Chesapeake, Virginia, has partnered in training with New England Tech in Warwick, R. I. since 2004.

Instructors at NEIT's Marine Technology have been trained by Volvo Penta technicians. They, in turn, present these programs to marine technicians from across the country who use Volvo Penta products.

New England Institute of Technology is a private, non-profit, co-educational technical college accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc.

Jennifer Parmenter of Bradford was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Widener University in Chester, Pa.



2010 Easter Egg Hunt & Story Time
The Friends of Brown Memorial Library are sponsoring the free Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sat. April 3 at 11 am at the library. Story Time by librarian Meg Fearnley, held in the Children's Room is followed by the egg hunt on the lawn (for children ages pre-school thru Grade 3). The Friends thank Jan Riley and KRES 4th graders for stuffing more than 700 eggs. Children are encouraged to bring a decorated basket. Parents are needed to mark the perimeter of the lawn and to help little ones find eggs.

Highlights: 2010 Bradford Town Meeting

Moderator Jon Steiner brought a full house of voters to order for Town Meeting on March 10 in the Bradford Elementary School. The results of the previous days' election were read announcing the election of Harry Wright as the new selectman for this term.

The general municipal operational budget of \$1,816,680.00 was approved by a voice vote without changes. The town approved a \$600,000 sidewalk construction project for East Main Street (that includes culvert and drainage improvements) and is conditional on receipt of a NH Department of Transportation Enhancement Grant (80% of the project). Using funds from capital reserve and surplus would leave \$48,832 to come from current taxes. **Decision on the grant is expected on April 20th.**

Heated discussions involved several highway department warrant articles. Defeated articles were to: purchase a new backhoe; establish a Highway Heavy Equipment Repair Capital Reserve Fund; replace the Bement Bridge's roof; reconstruct and resurface two roads; sell the Caterpillar skid steer; and change a private road to a town road. Also defeated were petitions to specify hours of town office operations, a residency requirement for the road agent, and an article requesting citizens to be allowed to vote on a constitutional amendment defining marriage as between a man and a woman. Approved were funds for Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports and the Nature's Circle Summer Youth Camp. The meeting concluded around 11 pm.



Pictured Above are George Cilley, Budget Committee; Harry Wright, Selectman; Don Jackson, Budget Committee



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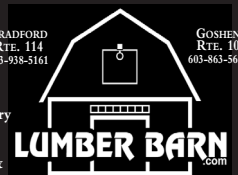
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Area Events

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Friday, April 16 - **Bradford Bog People** perform at Main Street Bookends. Enjoy an evening of foot stomping traditional music from the Appalachian Mountains with the Bradford Bog People. Their performances feature the rhythmic banjo and fiddle (dance tunes), unusual fiddle tunes played in archaic tunings, and ballads. They will be joined by Tii McLane from Vermont, who sings beautiful harmonies with Beth, clogs, and plays fiddle, banjo, and guitar. Admission is \$7 with half of all proceeds going to the Jim Mitchell Community Park Fundraising Project. The concert is at 7:00 p.m., in the Gallery.

The Bradford Bog People have released their new CD "Fully Peated" now available through many local merchants. Visit their bog Web site and find out the latest bog news. www.bradfordbogpeople.com

The Warner Woman's Club:

Annual Flea Market will be held on Saturday, April 10, 2010 in the Warner Town Hall on Main Street from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. There will be two floors of tables, free admission, snack bar, raffle, antiques and crafts. Proceeds to benefit the WWC Annual Scholarship Awards. For more information call 746-5154

Art Class Sign-Up -Exciting EASTER Excellence -Thursday, April 1 Making Easter baskets and enjoying the fun. Easter! Bunnies, Flowers and Spring Time! AGES: 3-7 TIME: 3:00ish (afterschool) at The Gallery in MainStreet Bookends PRICE: \$12 per student. Join Up Now! Meryl Mekeel mmekeel@coa.edu

Mindfulness Meditation - 8 Week Introductory Course, starting Thursday, April 15, 7-8:30pm, every Thursday until June 3, \$135, including an optional day-long

retreat (date TBD). 15% of all proceeds to support the Jim Mitchell Community Park. Contact Martha Mae Emerson at 927-4615 or mmemerson@tds.net

Tai Chi for Relaxation: Tuesdays, Starting April 20th - May 11, 7-8 pm, \$45.00. For more information & to sign-up: Inner Peace Tai Chi 224-5768 or NESAINC@aol.com

Henniker

Rabies Clinic April 17

Sponsored to benefit projects of the Henniker Rotary Club, a Rabies Clinic will be held, Sat. April.17 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at the Henniker Fire Station, Route 114. Cost: \$10. For more information, contact: Ruth Zax, 428-7232.

New England College Students Draft Plan for Bradford

The Town of Bradford is competing for funds under the Statewide Transportation Enhancement Grant program operated by the NH Department of Transportation. As a second initiative, the town is working on a project with New England College students through the Central NH Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) and hopes to leverage grant money and private development to the town's best advantage. Seen here (near projector) are New England College students who presented their plan at Bradford's 2010 Town Meeting. The project is the focus of Associate Professor of Environmental Studies Robert



Seaman's 14-week class entitled "Planning Sustainable Communities," a class made up of upper level students majoring in Environmental Science or Environmental Studies.

Students focused on East and West

Main Streets, the access points of Routes 114 and 103 and the area around the elementary school. They looked at reintroducing the concept of "walkable villages" that once dominated small towns' centers, explored ways to connect the community and recreational opportunities with walkways and nature trails. Of particular focus was the question: "What can be done to entice travelers to stop and visit rather than pass through on the way to somewhere else?" A suggested town motto captured the students enthusiasm for Bradford: "Bradford: Crossroads to Adventure," with a focus on: "Restore Bradford's Past, Present and Future."

**More than Just Cookies: Local Girl Scouts
Earn Red Cross Certification**

by Jill Pinard

On February 28 Junior Girl Scouts from the Bradford/Newbury Troop #12579 and from the Warner troop #10282 met at the Bradford Area Community Center to get an introduction to First Aid and work on their Adult, Child, and Infant CPR certification. Jessica R. McAuliff from the Greater Sullivan County Public Health Network spent the afternoon training and testing the girls on how to prepare for and respond to various emergency care situations. By the end of the session all of the girls who participated earned their Red Cross CPR certification. Congratulations girls!



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customers are informed about the books that they are searching for?

The interaction with the public is important and that combined with a love for the printed word is key to running a book store.

Q. You mentioned that you traveled all over New England in search of books for your shop. How much of your business is done online? Do you see a decline in sales since the advent of the internet? Have the chain book stores like "Borders" and "Barnes and Noble" affected smaller book operations?

I enjoy traveling to find books. I do not shop on line. The internet has helped with research but a lot of people don't go to bookstores. People like to shop small bookstores. The larger chains have affected sales but we can still provide the bargains.

Q. How did you find your first book job? Did you immediately decide that this was the type of work that suited you?

I love to read. I also enjoy interacting with the public. My first reaction was that the bookstore suited me. I had more time when the children went off to school. I didn't look ahead to the future and our own bookshop then.

Q. Unfortunately, your husband passed away three years ago and you were left with a functioning business. Did you have a difficult time deciding whether you should continue with the bookshop on your own?

I wanted to go on. I had to re-organize my priorities. I found it difficult to take on Frank's role which was research, pricing and the data base. When we ran the store together I took care of the shipping and the online sales. I never thought of closing the shop.

Q. Do you have help from members of your family or friends who can step in as needed when you are swamped with work? Is your shop open seven days a week? Are you online seven days a week?

My son David is my tech adviser when I have computer problems. I do have a friend who comes in occasionally to help. Otherwise, it is a one woman operation. The shop is open four days a week from Friday through Monday or if I am here. I am online and available seven days a week.



Q. There are so many books in print. Do you see a preference for certain genre whether it is romance, mysteries, historical fiction, etc?

My stock includes 60,000 + books. Mysteries are the best seller but other areas sell as well: history, literature, cooking, children's books, gardening and other forms of fiction.

Q. I wondered what impact "Kindle" had on your sales operation? Has the dustless, colorless, weightless, "E" library on Amazon impacted the real library of books with odor, heft and texture?

I haven't seen an impact with "Kindle." I think it is a cold way to read a book. Most readers like the feel of a book. It may be for the "techno-nerds" but not for me.

Q. Do you have plans to expand

and improve your operation in any way? If you were able to do some costly thing what would it be?

I don't think that there is anything that needs doing or that I would want to do. I'm busy enough as it is. Maybe, I would hire some help if I could afford it.

Q. Do you stock books on tape? There seems to be a growing interest in this type of listening rather than reading a book. What is your opinion on books versus tapes?

I stock books on tape. I prefer to read but listening is great on a long trip. Many people listen to book tapes while driving and some of my clients like to listen while they are cooking.

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Selectmen’s Highlights

Peter Fenton was elected to serve as Chair of the Board of Selectmen for the ensuing year. In other action, the Board signed the MS-2 for the appropriations as voted at Town Meeting, voted to review the personnel policy manual, agreed to continue discussion of hours for the Town Clerk, and discussed the authority for the town website and meshing the two sites currently in operation.

The contract with Atlas Fireworks was signed to provide fireworks for the Independence Day Celebration.

Selectmen signed a letter in support of efforts by TDS to apply for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to strengthen and expand broadband internet access in the Bradford/Merrimack County area.

Non-public session was held for the personnel review of the Deputy Town Clerk.

West Road Bridge Contract for \$373,555.50 was awarded to Morrill Construction. Work will begin on May 1, 2010.

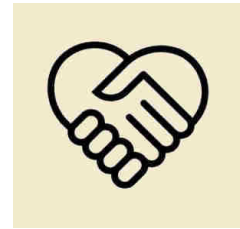
Highway Department Jeffrey Remillard was appointed as Road Agent for one year. New employees of the department are Justin Fitzgerald, Brian Houghton, and Jeffrey Pfeiffer.

Flood Maps Selectmen voted to adopt the new flood plain management maps as prepared by FEMA.

Minutes of all meetings of the Board of Selectmen are available on the website bradfordnh.org.

Bradford Barter

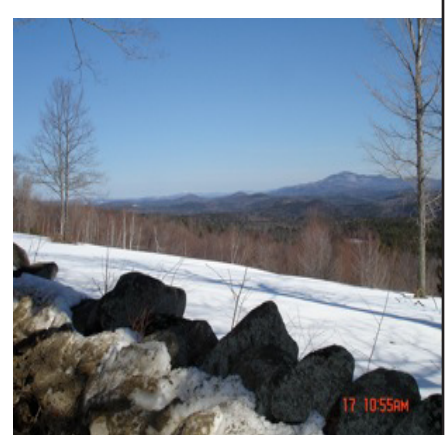
Spring has sprung and Bradford Barter is shooting into action. Please join us for the next meeting on April 10th at 9:30am at BACC. Directly following the meeting at 10am Bradford Barter is sponsoring a CPR with AED class. It is open to the public and will be led by Laurie Brown of the Bradford Rescue Squad. The cost is \$20 per person. Please e-mail bradfordbarter@gmail.com or call 938-2777 to sign up.



Cornerstone – Vistas

Our Cornerstone this month consists of the lovely vistas you see as you drive around Bradford. Many of the open views of the hills and valleys have been obscured as farming has diminished and the forests have returned. One beautiful vista, gratefully left open and pictured here, is of Lake Massasecum from the south end of Rowe Mountain Road.

Others include the view of Guild Hill across Lake Massasecum as you drive along Route 114, the open fields along West Meadow and Fairgrounds Roads, and the pastures of Battles Farm, still a working farm.





Maundy Thursday Service:

Holy Week will include our annual Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m. The service will incorporate the Last Supper, a Responsive Meditation on Jesus' Hands, Readings entitled "The Emotions of the Cross" and there will be sacred dance and special music.

Good Friday:

The sanctuary will be open on Friday, April 2 from 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m. for anyone who wishes to come in and pray or reflect on the meaning of the day. Meditative booklets and music will be provided.

Easter Sunrise Service:

The Easter Sunrise Service will be held on Sunday April 4 at 6:30 a.m. at Keyser Lake in North Sutton. An Easter breakfast will be served at the First Free Will Baptist Church in North Sutton immediately following the service. A free-will offering will be received. The service is sponsored by the First Free Will Baptist Church, First Baptist Church of Bradford and the United Church of Warner.

Easter Worship Service:

Our Easter service will be held on Sunday, April 4 at 10:00 a.m. We will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ through singing our favorite Easter hymns, hearing the Resurrection story from the Gospel of John, as well as special music and a presentation by our youth.

First Baptist Church News

by Lynne Hubley

Focus Factor:

Our Focus Factor group, a/k/a youth group will meet the following Sundays from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. in the youth room at the church: Sunday, April 11 -- "Fun Night" and begin the "Worth the Wait" program; Sunday, April 18 -- "Bring a Friend" and continue the "Worth the Wait" program; Sunday, April 25 -- "Ice Cream Sundae Party" and continue the "Worth the Wait" program.

Italian Buffet:

We will have an Italian Buffet Dinner on Saturday, April 17 at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children age 12 and under. Proceeds will benefit our Building Fund.

Food Pantry:

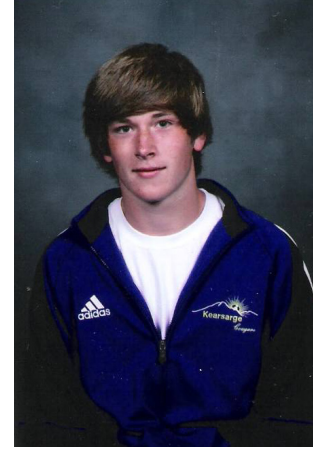
Our Food Pantry will be open on Wednesday, April 21 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Food can also be obtained by calling the church office at 938-5313. We are also happy to deliver food to anyone who is unable to pick it up.

Men's Fellowship:

Our men will meet at the home of Fred Hubley on Wednesday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. for devotions, refreshments and pool.



Local Snowboarder to Compete in USASA National Competition



Owen Dayton, a sophomore at Kearsarge Regional High School, will compete in the 2010 USASA National Championships at Copper Mountain, Colorado in knowboarding, April 4th and 5th. Dayton, a Bradford resident, who rides at Mount Sunapee, has qualified to compete in Halfpipe and Slopestyle.

This national competition brings together the top 60 riders from each of the 32 snowboard series across the country to compete in halfpipe, slopestyle, boardercross, slalom and giant slalom. The United States Snowboard Association (USASA) is the organization that governs local and national amateur snowboard events.

In order to qualify, Owen has competed in New Hampshire Snowboard Series events at Waterville Valley, Loon Mountain and Ragged Mountain. He is the NH Series winner in halfpipe for youth men ages 14 and 15 and has had top 3 finishes in slopestyle as well. Owen has competed in the New Hampshire Snowboard Series since 2006. In addition to snowboarding, Dayton also enjoys playing soccer, alpine ski racing and playing lacrosse.

U.S. Census Underway

The U. S. Census began in March 2010 when census forms were delivered to every residence in the United States and Puerto Rico. The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States and is required by the Constitution to take place every ten years.

There are 10 short questions to answer (10 questions in 10 minutes). A postage-paid envelope is provided and residents are required by law (Section 221, of Title 13 of the U.S. Code) to return the forms. A census taker may visit a residence if the form is not returned and will ask only the questions that are on the census form.

The 2010 Census will help communities receive more than \$400 billion in federal funds each year for things like: hospitals, job training centers, schools, senior centers, bridges and other public works projects and emergency services. The data collected also helps determine the number of seats your state has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Federal law protects your identity and the information you provide. Title 13 of the U.S. Code protects the confidentiality of information and violating this law is a crime with severe penalties. It is against the law to disclose or publish any of the following information: names; addresses including GPS coordinates; social security numbers; telephone numbers. The penalty for unlawful disclosure is a fine of up to \$ 250,000 or imprisonment of up to 6 years or both.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Citizens of Bradford:

My thanks, of course, to everyone who voted for me and participated in the successful campaign. Beyond that, my sincere thanks to everyone who took the time to discuss issues with me over the last few weeks.

At the Post Office or the Dump, a large number of people voiced opinions, concerns, and hopes for the Town of Bradford. Subjects ranged from the care of cemeteries to a major treatise on the meaning of democracy.

Some of the input was from people who would vote for me, some from people favoring one of the other candidates. All of the input was valuable and will help shape my thinking in the best interest of the Town going forward.

Again, thank you. I look forward to continuing this dialogue and to doing the best job I can for the Town of Bradford. Feel free to contact me at 938-2203 or by e-mail to: handswright@tds.net

With respect,
Harold Wright, Selectman

To the Editor

I am writing to invite individuals to consider an open invitation to any Bradford residents interested in serving as an alternate to the Planning Board. As you may or may not know, the Planning Board consists of six elected members and one representative from the Selectmen. Alternates are appointed for three year terms by the members of the board and fill in when elected members can not be present. We currently have one alternate, but more alternates are needed on a regular basis

The Planning Board is the body responsible for hearing applications for Site Plans and Subdivisions of Land. This board is also responsible for proposing changes to the Zoning Ordinance like those that just went before the voters in last month's election. Further information regarding the roles of the Planning Board can be found at <http://www.nh.gov/oep/resourcelibrary/referencelibrary/p/planningboard/documents/pbhandbook.pdf>.

If you would like to become involved, you may attend any Planning Board meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month.

Please feel free to contact me at 938-6467 if you are interested or have questions regarding the planning process.

Sincerely,
Phil LaMoreaux
Chair - Bradford Planning Board

To the Editor,

I want to thank the voters who took the time to vote for me.

I have decided to run for Selectman again next year and will continue to campaign for that position. Your support will be appreciated again next March when you vote.

Barry Wheeler

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Cost is \$140 / week non-residents \$130 / week for residents Day to day spots are \$35 and will be filled if there is space available on a first come first serve basis. Camp begins July 5th and runs weekly through August 13th - Hours are 9am to 5pm.

Please call Kate at 603-938-6228 or stop by the Community Center to register. Scholarships are available based on need.



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BUBBA HERE:..Unbelievable weather...Spring Skiing at its best!...(Of course, when you're reading this we probably just had another "pain in the butt" spring snowstorm!) The ice is moving quickly...the pot holes are filling in...and I even think I spotted a few pansies poking their heads up...what a great time of year!

March's Line up:

3/25/10...The SHRIMP BUFFET and a little **PETE MERRIGAN...** a perfect combination to head into April!
Buffet: 5-8pm.....Merrigan: 6-9pm

4/1/10...The CARD READERS are back...ask them some really personal questions...they love to SHOCK you! Readers are available starting at 5:30 pm in 20 minute increments (it's only \$20 bucks)!

4/1/10...The FISH FRY NIGHT...\$13.95...a great deal!

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APRIL CALENDAR

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Thurs. April 1st

12:00 Noon - Senior Dining followed by the Kearsarge High School Ensembles

Fri. April 2nd

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
11:30 PM - 1st Friday Brunch with music, 50/50 raffle, and door prizes Call for reservations.
7:00 PM - Book-to-Movie *The Snapper*, BML

Sat. Apr. 3

9:00-11:00 AM - Writing Group
11:00 AM - Easter Egg Hunt, BML
11:00 AM - Bunny Brunch

Sun. Apr. 4

Brown Memorial Library closed
1:00 -4:00 PM - Girl Scouts - 10178

Mon. April 5th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
10:00 AM - Ceramics Class
1-4 PM - Bridge Group
5:00 PM - Girl Scouts - 12579

Tues. April 6th

9:00 AM - Noon - Fuel Assistance — call 456-2207 for appointment
10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart
12:00 Noon - Senior Dining
6:00 PM - Yoga Class - call Fran at 456-3099 for information

Wed. Apr. 7

3:00 PM - Brownies

Thurs. April 8th

12:00 Noon - Senior Dining

Fri. April 9th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness

Sat. Apr 10

9:00 AM - Bradford Barter
10:00 AM - 4H - Rocketry
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Road side cleanup - all roads & Transfer Station

Mon. April 12th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
10:00 AM - Ceramic's Class
1-4 PM - Bridge Group
7:00 PM - Rural Heritage Connection

Tues. April 13th

10:00AM Stitches From the Heart
12:00 Noon Senior Dining followed by a presentation by ServiceLink's Anita Oelfke on new Medicare opportunities for qualifying seniors.
6:00 PM - Yoga Class - call Fran at 456-3099 for information

Wed. April 14th

1:00 PM - Humorist Rebecca Rule at Warner Town Hall
4:30 PM - Bradford Area Community Center -Committee Meeting
6:00 PM - Girl Scouts 10178
7:00 PM - Library Book Group, *A Lost Lady* by Willa Cather, BML

Thurs. April 15th

10:30AM - 12 Noon - Blood Pressure Clinic at Mt. View Senior Center provided by Lake Sunapee VNA - Free
12:00 Noon - Senior Dining
1:00-3:00 PM - Foot Care Clinic at Mt. View Senior Center by Lake Sunapee VNA Call for appointment 526-4077 or 1-800-587-3382
5:30 PM - 4 H - meeting
5:45 PM - Parks & Recreation -committee meeting

Fri. April 16th

8:45 AM -Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
9:30-11:30 AM - Foot Care Clinic by LSRVNA at North Ridge Senior Housing. Call for appt. at 526-4077 or 1-800-587-3382
10:30 AM - Friday at the Movies Feature: *Shall We Dance* with Richard Gere, Jennifer Lopez, Susan Sarandon
7:00 PM - International Movie (Israel), BML

Sat. Apr. 17

9:00-11:00 AM - Writing Group
10:00 AM - 4 H Rocketry
2:00 - 4:00 PM Rabies Clinic - Henniker Fire Station
5:30 PM - Italian Buffet Dinner BBC

Mon. April 19th

8:45 AM -Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
10:00 - Computer Help Group
1-4 PM - Bridge Group
6:30 - 7:30 PM - Belly Dancing. Call 938-6228 to register

APRIL CALENDAR

Tues. April 20th

9:00 AM – Noon – Fuel Assistance –call 456-9200 for appointment
 10:00 AM - Computer Class for all ages
 10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart
 12 Noon - Senior Dining
 6:00 PM - Yoga Class

Wed. April 21st

10:30AM – 12 Noon Blood Pressure Clinic - LSVNA at Warner Senior Room
 12 Noon - Banquet for MVSC Volunteers at Interlakes Senior Center in Meredith
 12:30 PM – Introduction to Homeopathy - free
 6:30 PM – (repeat) – Introduction to Homeopathy -free

Thurs. April 22nd

12 Noon - Senior Dining

Fri. April 23rd

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness

Mon. April 26th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness
 10:00 AM -Computer Help
 10:00 AM - Ceramics Class
 1-4 PM - Bridge Group
 6:30 – 7:30 PM - Belly Dancing. Call 938-6228 to register

Tues. April 27th

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 Noon - Senior Dining followed by a presentation on homeopathy with Amanda Richards
 6:00 PM - Yoga Class

Wed. Apr. 28

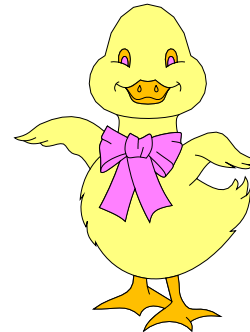
3:00 PM – Brownies
 6:30 PM – Girl Scouts 10178

Thurs. April 29th

12:00 Noon - Senior Dining followed by an entertaining Wii demonstration by Kearsarge High students.

Fri. April 30th

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness



Abbreviation Key

BBC - Bradford Baptist Church
 BML - Brown Memorial Library
 FGC - Fish & Game Clubhouse -Gillingham Drive
 KAP - Kearsarge Area Preschool
 KRES - Bradford Elementary School
 MVSC - Mountain View Senior Center
 TH - Bradford Town Hall
 ZBA - Zoning Board of Adjustment

All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted.

Please call to confirm dates and times in case there has been a change to the submitted information.

Ongoing Events

Bradford Barter - 3rd Saturday at 11 am at BACC
 Children's Storytime - Wednesdays at 10:30 am BML
 Cemetery Commission - 2nd Thursday at 6 PM. Call 938-5539 for information
 Conservation Commission - 3rd Tuesday 7 PM, Town Hall or BML
 Fish and Game Club - 1st Monday of each month - 7 PM, Fish and Game Club
 First Friday Bunch - 11:30 am MVSC, reservations appreciated, call 938-2104 for information
 Historical Society - open most Saturdays, 1:30 - 3 PM, or call 938-5386
 Library Trustees Meeting - 1st Wednesday, 6:00 PM - BML
 Planning Board - 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 7 PM, Town Hall
 Rural Heritage Connection - 2nd Monday, 7 PM, BACC
 Selectmen's Meeting - 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 PM, Town Hall

FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

With the recent warmer temperatures the snow and the ice are melting. There are a few things to remember to keep your families safe this spring.



Ice Safety:

The ice is melting which makes the lakes unsafe for people and vehicles. Please use caution around lakes and bodies of water, never guess about ice thickness and safety. Know before you go.

Falling through the ice:

Don't try to climb out using your whole body- this may break the ice even more. Lay both arms on the surrounding unbroken ice, and kick hard with your legs and then roll to safety.

Burn Permits:

With the snow melting, burn permits may be required. Please contact the local Forest Fire Warden, Steve Hansen at 938-2634. He will give more information on the rules and regulations regarding burn piles, and issue a fire permit if the season requires it.

With the spring thaw, remember that the ground and vegetation may be dry. In conjunction with the windy days, this makes brush fires inevitable. Please be cautious when grilling and burning brush. Not only is throwing cigarettes out your car window illegal, it is also dangerous to the environment. The slightest spark can be the leading cause of a brush fire. If you see a brush fire, please call 911 so it can be extinguished as quickly as possible.

Be sure to check us out on our facebook page where we have all of our previous Bradford bridge articles posted, and offer fire safety tips to help keep your families safe. www.facebook.com and search Bradford Fire & Rescue.

Police Department News

The following items were taken from the Police Department News filed at bradfordnh.org. The full minutes are available at that site.

During December and January two motor vehicles were taken without authority. One has been recovered in the state of Florida and the person of interest in that matter charged. The second vehicle was recovered in Nashua, New Hampshire. There two youths who are persons of interest in this matter were taken into custody and charges may be pending in the City of Nashua.

Two issues that have been tolerated in the past were brought to the attention of the police department recently. Unattended vehicles left with the motors running and parking on sidewalks along Main Street.

RSA 265:72, I says "No person driving or in charge of a vehicle shall permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition, removing the key and effectively setting the brake thereon..."

We have over the past few months expressed concern over the vehicles parking on the sidewalk along Main Street. We did begin to issue citations and I am happy to say that the number of violations is now non-existent.

We are asking anyone who knows of either senior residents or special needs residents to call us and we will add those citizens to our list of residents that we contact during periods of concern like the recent power outage. During that period we were able to contact and check on 35 to 40 households. Thank you.

Police Chief, Jim Valiquet

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Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

Don't forget the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 3 at 11:00am! Will we have bare ground this year? The library will be closed on Easter Sunday, April 4.

Thank you to Bradford voters for supporting your library at Town Meeting. We try our best to offer all Bradford residents quality library materials. Please stop in with any requests you may have for books, audio-books, videos or magazine articles. If you have an idea for a service or program we could offer, please let us know.

A big thank you goes out to KRES Bradford fourth-graders from Mrs. Sweet's and Mrs. Perkin's classes. They worked tirelessly to stuff a huge number of Easter eggs for our annual hunt. We appreciate their community spirit!

This month's book-to-movie discussion Friday, April 2 at 7:00pm is on *The Snapper* by Roddy Doyle. In May we will compare the book *Goodnight, Mr. Tom* by Michelle Magorian with the movie version. Copies of the books are available at the desk. The International Movie series continues in April with a selection from Israel.

The Library Book Group meets on April 14 to discuss *A Lost Lady* by Willa Cather. Copies of the book are available at the desk.

Here are some of the books added to your library in March:

For adults:

Making Toast by Roger Rosenblatt
The Postmistress by Sarah Blake
The Routes of Man by Ted Conover
The Sheen on the Silk by Anne Perry
Walking to Gatlinburg by Howard Frank Mosher

For children and youth:

The Easter Egg by Jan Brett
Strawberry Hill by Mary Ann Hoberman
Northward to the Moon by Polly Horvath
Fang by James Patterson
Dirty Little Secrets by C.J. Omololu



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Did you Know????? April is Occupational Therapy Month...

What is Occupational Therapy?

Occupational therapy is skilled treatment that helps individuals achieve independence in all facets of their lives. Occupational therapy assists people in developing the “skills for the job of living” necessary for independent and satisfying lives.

About OT Practitioners

Occupational therapy practitioners are skilled professionals whose education includes the study of human growth and development with specific emphasis on the social, emotional, and physiological effects of illness and injury.

The occupational therapist enters the field with a master’s or doctoral degree. The occupational therapy assistant generally earns an associate degree. Practitioners must complete supervised clinical internships in a variety of health care settings, and pass a national examination. Most states also regulate occupational therapy practice.

OT Services: How Occupational Therapy Benefits You

Services typically include

- Customized treatment programs to improve one’s ability to perform daily activities
- Comprehensive home and job site evaluations with adaptation recommendations
- Performance skills assessments and treatment
- Adaptive equipment recommendations and usage training
- Guidance to family members and caregivers

Some of the health conditions that benefit from occupational therapy include

- Work-related injuries including lower back problems or repetitive stress injuries
- Limitations following a stroke or heart attack
- Arthritis, multiple sclerosis, or other serious chronic conditions
- Birth injuries, learning problems, or developmental disabilities
- Mental health or behavioral problems including Alzheimer’s
- Burns, spinal cord injuries, or amputations
- Broken bones or other injuries from falls, sports injuries, or accidents
- Vision or cognitive problems that threaten the ability to drive

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The Computer Column *by James Thompson.* *Iamnow.net*

How can I make a safe password?

In December of 2009 there was a major password breach that resulted in a hacker stealing and posting 32 million passwords online. Only the passwords were posted, not the usernames. This gave a first time opportunity to study password usage. In the past password security was only studied through volunteer surveys. These were 32 million actual passwords which revealed some interesting things.

What are some of the most common passwords?

The Imperva Application Defense Center (ADC) analyzed the hacked passwords and compiled the following list of the top 20 most used passwords. They are, in order: 123456, 12345, 123456789, Password, iloveyou, princess, rockyou, 1234567, 12345678, abc123, Nicole, Daniel, babygirl, Monkey, Jessica, lovely, Michael, Ashley, 654321, and Querty.

What do you recommend for a good password?

First: your password should be at least eight characters. Second: It should contain a mix of four different types of characters – upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters such as !@#\$%^&*;,;" If there is only one letter or special character, it should not be either the first or last character in the password. And third: It should not be a name, a slang word, or any word in the dictionary. It should not include any part of your name or your e-mail address.

Sounds difficult to do. How can I accomplish all of that?

The easiest way to create a strong password is to take a sentence and turn it into a password. Create an acronym like "This little piggy went to market" might become "tlpWENT2m". This keeps you from using dictionary words and creates a nine character password that will be quite difficult to hack.

Also use a different password for different sites. If you can't remember it write it on a piece of paper. Don't

save it on your computer. Write down the sentence you used to create your password just like the above or write down just part of the sentence but enough to jog your memory. Be sure you don't leave the piece of paper taped to your monitor or on your desk. Many times I've been to business service calls where strong passwords are used but people are careless about where they write them down. This defeats the purpose of a strong password.

Don't trust a third party with your passwords. Sometimes you need

to give out your password to a tech working on your machine or while receiving online support for applications etc. To combat this security issue, change passwords every few months or change your password to a temporary one before bringing your machine in for service. A good password rotation strategy will help add to your protection.

How are passwords hacked or stolen?

There are many viruses that will infect your machine and harvest your keystrokes. These keystrokes, for example, could be you typing in your login at a website. Another way hackers get your credentials are through spoofed emails that look like they came from a legitimate site, Ebay for example, telling you that you need to change your password. The link in the spoofed email could be a link to a fake site which upon putting in your info sends it to a hacker. Never follow an email link to a site asking for private information. If you feel you need to change your Ebay password, type in the Ebay address yourself to access the site. Don't trust a link in an email to take you to the actual Ebay site.

As always if you have questions feel free to contact me. I recently built a computer at the Bradford Community Center for a small group which was a fun experience. Later time was spent with the seniors, which provided a forum for questions and demonstrations.



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Kearsarge Regional School District News

by Andrew Pinard

Thanks to all the voters for stepping up and supporting education in the district. All of the articles passed district-wide with the exception of the Resource Officer at KRMS and the School Board Budget (the Municipal Budget Committee's recommended budget passed). The Energy Article passed, and voters will be glad to hear that the energy grant applied for by the collective towns of the district has been approved and fully funded at \$335,000. Planned infrastructure upgrades are scheduled to begin soon and we will begin to benefit from the energy upgrades as early as the fall. The Board and School Administrators are reviewing the extremely lean budget to find a way to reduce it to meet the requirement of the voters, hopefully without sacrificing the quality of our student's education.

At Town Meeting, Bradford approved funding for the Sidewalk Grant article. Hopefully, we will receive funding and can begin planning an upgrade to our existing sidewalks to make them safer for both children and adults who walk or bicycle along Main Street.

On March 16th, I attended the district-wide Chorus Festival in the high school gymnasium. Fourth-graders from all the elementary schools spent the day at the high school working with the middle school and high school music faculty and chorus students. This culminated in the evening with performances by each chorus and a combined number sung by a choir of well over two hundred students from the fourth-graders up through the seniors at the high school. By my rough count, over 1,500 people attended! My congratulations to all the students and thanks to all faculty members (music and other) who worked together to make this event a great success.

March 18th saw the first meeting of the new KRSD School Board. I would like to thank retiring members John O'Connor from Wilmot and Mark Christiansen from New London for serving our district. I also wish to welcome Alison Mastin from Wilmot and Gary Markoff from New London as the new representatives to the Board.

ChPS' 2nd Annual Spaghetti Dinner was again a big success this year, serving two seatings. While this is a great fund-raiser, it is even more important as an opportunity for busy parents to have an opportunity to rub elbows and get caught up as we all begin to come out of hibernation.

Speaking of ChPS (Children, Parents & School), they also serve an important role sponsoring a part of Winter Activities and providing over \$13 per child towards field trips or other educational activities throughout the year. This winter saw a new program established across the district, a "Blizzard Bag" which is enacted in the event of a "snow day" or emergency closure. Approved as a pilot program by the State Department of Education, the activities contained within keep children focused on learning and count as a day of school attendance. So far, we have had only one opportunity to experience the Blizzard Bags, but word on the street has been positive and a second set of activities have been distributed in the off chance we have another snow day (it has been known to happen, even in April!).



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Planning Board Notes

Completion of Applications A notarized copy of a deed restriction on the two lot subdivision for Dan Kraft was received and filed. All outstanding escrow funds were returned.

An "As Built" was received from Skip McKean, as requested by the Planning Board for the site plan modification approved last summer for the Ayer & Goss operation on Route 114.

Selectman Jack Meaney inquired about the extension granted to the applicants for the Ledgewood Pines development on Old Warner Road. He was informed that the extension expires on June 8, 2010.

Gravel Pit Permit Bruce Edwards discussed a gravel pit permit required for the operation on Pleasant Valley Road to replace one that expires. He requested two changes to the current permit: 1. Saturday hours be allowed

from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. (If any neighbors complained, he would oblige their requests.) 2. Permit be granted for four years rather than three to coincide with required state forms.

Following a public hearing, the Board voted to approve the permit with the two requested changes contingent on receipt of corrected copies of the permit application.

Annual Spring Training Conference The date for the spring training offered by the NH Office of Energy and Planning is May 8 at the Radisson in Nashua. Registration will be done online.





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A Culinarian's Column

by Caryl Walker

This time of year, I am just like those bears coming out of hibernation—just waking up and HUNGRY for a bright bite on my plate. I know it's too early, but I want fresh strawberries—not frozen or jam..... FRESH STRAWBERRIES! Here are two solutions to my craving.

Jicama, Strawberry, and Toasted Pecan Salad

(Adapted from Fancy Fruits and Extraordinary Vegetables by Sandra C. Strauss)

Yield: 4 Servings

¼ cup chopped pecans
2 cups baby spinach

¾ pound jicama
1 cup sliced fresh strawberries

1 bunch watercress

1. Preheat oven to 400° F. Place chopped pecans in a pie tin and toast in the oven 3-4 minutes. Set pecans aside to cool.
2. Peel and cut jicama into julienne slices. Wash watercress, discard thick stems and pat dry. Wash baby spinach and pat dry. Divide spinach and watercress among four salad plates (the salads look fabulous on white plates). Mound julienne of jicama (about ½ cup per plate); arrange strawberries on top of jicama; and 1 tablespoon pecans over each salad. Serve with **Poppy Seed Vinaigrette**:

3 tablespoons mild (rice, strawberry, champagne) or white balsamic vinegar
2 tablespoons sugar 1 tablespoon grated onion ¼ teaspoon salt
1/3 cup vegetable oil 1 teaspoon poppy seeds

In a blender, whirl vinegar, sugar, onion, and salt until smooth. Add oil and whirl until thickened. Stir in poppy seeds.

Notes:

1. Another cure for my fresh strawberry craving is to spread poppy seed bread (I use a mix and bake in tea loaf pans) with strawberry cream cheese (store-bought) and sliced strawberries garnished with a sprig of watercress. Serve open-faced and cut in half. Pretty and delicious.
2. Jicama (pronounced *hee-ka-mah*) is not found everywhere, but you can find it at Hannaford's. Look for smooth, thin-skinned, blemish-free tubers.
3. To julienne the jicama: Cut crosswise into 1/8 inch slices. Stack slices and cut crosswise into 1/8 inch sticks. Cut sticks into 2-3 inch lengths.

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Roofing Materials

by Laura Hallahan

One of the warrant articles at Town Meeting asked for funds to replace the roof on the Bement Covered Bridge with a corrugated metal roof and a discussion ensued about other roofing options. I wanted to research this further and discovered that while the shape and pitch of a roof are important clues to a home's architectural style, just as important is the material used to build it in terms of character, duration and cost to maintain. Here are some pros and cons to eight common roofing materials:

Asphalt or composite shingles. The most widely used choice, shingles meld with almost any style house. The lower-end three-tab shingles last 15-20 years, while heavier architectural shingles with a three-dimensional look can survive up to 40 years.

Clay tiles and concrete. These styles are found more often in warmer climates and look best on certain styles of homes such as Spanish or Mediterranean. These materials require a seasoned contractor to install because of their fragile nature, but may last 50 to 100 years.

Metal. This choice can look modern or ruggedly farmhouse-chic, coming in many colors and shapes from shingles to panels and seen today on every type of building from an antique home to a factory. Corrugated metal roofing is the original metal roofing, roll formed into corrugated sheets and used frequently in agricultural applications. A standing seam metal roof is a side by side formation of vertically standing metal panels secured in place by concealed fasteners. Panels can be aluminum, stainless steel, copper, stone coated steel or a blend of zinc, aluminum and silicon coated steel. Metal can be noisy when it rains unless a sound-abatement material is installed and is one of the more expensive choices, but a lifespan of 50 to 100 years is typical.

Synthetic. Many new polymer products have come on the market and can resemble a variety of roofing materials from slate to cedar shake. They are still pricey, and many have not been around long enough to stand the test of time.

Slate. Among the most expensive choices, slate involves a time-consuming installation process, yet it is hard to beat aesthetically, especially on high-end homes and can last 50+ years.

Planted "green" materials. Used more today in commercial applications, planted roofs offer ecological promise and work best on flat roofs. Installation and maintenance can be costly and the weight of the plants and dirt must be taken into consideration.

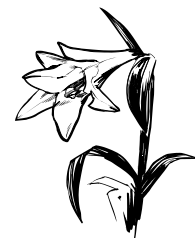
Wood shakes and shingles. These natural materials look terrific on most homes and can last up to 50 years. But they must be treated to withstand fire and can be as pricey as the best slate.

Solar shingles. Dow Chemical Co. will soon introduce the PowerHouse Solar Shingle, which can be incorporated into home roofing systems along with standard asphalt shingles, a cost savings over traditional solar panels.

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