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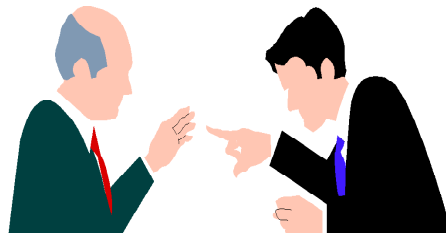
## Contentious Selectmen's Meeting Attended by Many

On Tuesday, January 5, approximately 60 Bradford residents turned out for a selectmen's regular session, a significant number attending a usually staid and quiet meeting. At issue and of concern to those speaking were three topics: the termination of popular town road agent of the past five years, Steve Lucier, followed by a New Year's Eve call to two of Steve's former crew members terminating them from their positions. The second topic that elicited heated discussion was the appropriation of unused town funds for the purchase of a \$28,000 road skidder without a presentation in the venue of the Town Meeting. The third area of concern was the manner in which the current road agent was granted authority to fire staff since this policy decision was made during a closed session. The objection stemmed from the point of view that town policy decisions should be made publicly, not in closed session.

Bradford citizens were warned by the selectmen's chair that no disruptive behavior would be tolerated and that the Bradford police would be present to forcibly remove any unruly attendees. This announcement set the mood for the evening as the Bradford Police Department stood ready to control the potentially rowdy crowds who might endanger the safety of the

town leaders. The expected drama did not occur and the meeting was conducted robustly but without fists or blood.

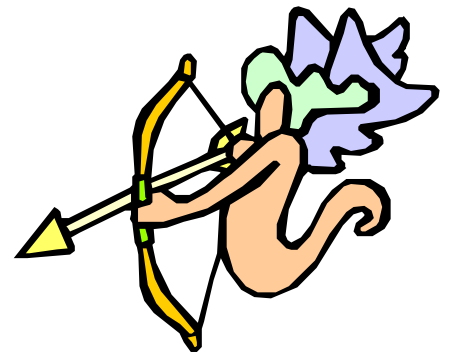
The meeting was contentious and confrontational. Many townspeople asked why the selectmen had taken action against Mr. Lucier and his staff and how a Weare resident had been chosen to fill the position over a Bradford resident. As one selectman is employed by Weare and another was identified as being an acquaintance of the recently hired road agent, some questioned whether cronyism was



at play, but they were told that the Bradford applicant was not as well qualified as the Weare applicant. Unappeased, a town resident suggested that collusion and underhanded tactics seemed to be more in play than better qualifications. The response was a threat of a lawsuit if the references continued. The selectmen said that they could not respond to many of the questions because of "confidentiality" requirements that prevented them from divulging personnel information.

For most of the residents, the sense that they had little say in the expenditure of their tax money was a major issue. The tone and spirit of the meeting seemed to unite angry residents against selectmen who they accused of overstepping their authority and failing to represent the best interests of the people they serve. For their part, the selectmen's collective response was cautious and on many questions, silent, because of confidentiality issues thus leaving some participants dissatisfied with the meeting's content and outcome.

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10 Questions is on vacation and will return next month.

## The Bradford Bridge



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and/or photographs of interest to the commu-  
nity. We reserve the right to edit submissions.

### From The Editor:

We here at the Bridge have been optimistically observing the reaction to our calls to action regarding the deterioration of our downtown area and have been pleased with the growing sense of awareness that many have expressed about our town. We are hopeful that, as more and more people realize the terrible impact of ignoring the problem, still more will work toward reversing the deterioration of our town's infrastruc-  
ture. Many people turned out for a recent selectmen's meeting to question expenditures made without town meeting approval and to protest the firing of our town road crew. It seems to indicate that people are beginning to become more aware of and involved and thoughtful about town business. That's a good trend that we hope will continue until we have our town back on the road to recovery and prosperity.

In this month's Bridge, Laura Hallahan, Realtor and Bradford Business Association President, has presented a few good and basic ideas for getting the ball rolling in the right direction. Her positive energy and unflappable optimism are priceless gifts. The selectmen and the Bradford Improvement Association members have been working together to address issues of blight and to enforce already existing regulations related to zoning and building standards. We hope the selectmen will adopt House Bill 86. This will allow the town to enforce already exist-  
ing regulations via mail or electronic communication rather than having to send officials to deliver documents in person. Blighted areas such as the Ploetner and Solomon properties, absentee landlord buildings, should be cleaned up, at owners' expense, first. HB 86 does not, as rumor has it, require buildings to be painted universally white nor does it impose any standards of decoration on homeowners. It merely allows the use of mail communication to enforce ordinances that have already been passed by townspeople at town meetings.

We want to see growth and positive development in Bradford. We want to see our businesses thrive and be a mecca for young families looking for a safe and wholesome environment in which to raise their families. We want to welcome an eclectic mix of young and old, rich and poor, artists, academics, tradesmen, educators, businesses, entrepreneurs and poets, people of varying views and means who love and take pride in this community. What do you want from our community? What do you want from your town newspaper? Should we highlight a "Blight of the Month" column so you know what effect the blighted properties have on our town? We'd like to hear from you. "Believe in Bradford"

Beth Rodd, February Editor

### Selectmen's Office Hours

938-5900

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1 pm - 5 pm

Tuesday 7:30 am-12 n

1 pm - 7 pm

Selectmen meet 1st and 3rd

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### Town of Bradford Budget Committee **PUBLIC HEARING**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bradford, New Hampshire  
The Budget Committee is holding a Public Hearing  
On **Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at 7:00 pm** at the Town Hall

The Town Hall is handicapped accessible via the back entrance near the police station. Persons needing additional assistance to attend the meeting should contact the town offices in advance to make any other necessary arrangements.

**New Library Art Exhibit:  
J. Ann Eldridge**

The Bradford Art Group announces a new art exhibit, *Prints by J. Ann Eldridge* in Brown Memorial Library, Bradford.

A long time Bradford resident, J. Ann Eldridge was born in Houlton, Maine. She grew up in central Massachusetts in a house she described as “an elderly farmhouse that downsized from raising horses to raising chinchillas, and then to her family of five.” For the past 30 years she has lived in central New Hampshire. She graduated from the Massachusetts College of Art in 1977 with a BFA in printmaking. She has illustrated several books, including a limited edition of hand-made books based on ten of Robert Frost’s poems. She is a contributing illustrator for The Nature Conservancy, NH Audubon Society, The Society for the Protection of NH Forests and is a frequent writer/illustrator for *The Bradford Bridge*. Her technique is a traditional intaglio process, primarily line etching on copper and aquatint—a process that has primarily remained unchanged since the 1400’s.

As a member of the League of NH Craftsmen, Ann’s prints may be seen around the state in League shops, the Sunapee Craft Fair, McGowan Fine Art, Concord, and The Old Print Barn, Meredith.

*Prints by J. Ann Eldridge* will continue at the handicapped accessible Brown Memorial Library, 78 West Main St., Bradford, NH thru March 2010. Library hours are: M. 10 – 8; Wed. 10 – 7; Sat. 10 – 3; and Sun. 11 – 3. Ann Eldridge’s prints may also be viewed at [www.anneldridgeprints.com](http://www.anneldridgeprints.com).

**Bradford Business Association**

The Bradford Business Association enjoyed a meeting and holiday party on December 8th at the Candlelite Inn. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 3rd at 5:00PM at Tall Pines Realty. Members will be discussing the year ahead and the spring brochure and all are welcome to attend.

The next meeting for the Bradford Revolving Loan Fund will be held on February 17th at 3:00PM at the Candlelite Inn. Small business owners are encouraged to take advantage of the program, which works in conjunction with bank participation. There are six active loans currently and money to lend! Contact any of the members if you have questions.

Bradford Revolving Loan Fund  
Laura Hallahan



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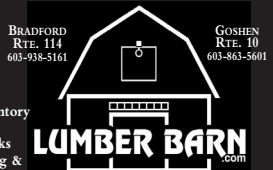


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## Highway Department

The main issues addressed at selectmen's meetings in January involved the Highway Department – firing of two employees and purchase of a skid steer to plow the sidewalks.

Sixty people, including three members of the Bradford Police Department, attended the meeting on January 5, which began with a non-public session where the motion was passed to forward letters of dismissal to two employees of the highway department.

When the public session resumed, Chair Charles Meany advised that the meeting would be run with a maximum of decorum. Anyone not following the rules will be asked to leave and if they do not, will be escorted out by the policemen.

In response to a question concerning the firing, Charles Meany stated that the new Road Agent, Jeff Remillard, had been given the authority some time back to terminate employees if they did not cooperate with the program after being given every opportunity to do so. The termination occurred on New Year's Eve and was affirmed by vote of the selectmen this evening. Select-

## Selectmen's Highlights

men acknowledged that one step out of four in the personnel policy dismissal procedure – suspension without pay - had not been followed.

The positions were posted and the selectmen are interviewing candidates.

The selectmen said they have received numerous telephone calls advising that the roads are in better condition than they have been for years. Members of the audience commented on several roads that recently have not been taken care of either adequately or in a timely manner.

Purchase of the skid steer to plow sidewalks was questioned by many as was the source of the funds to pay for it. Three sources were mentioned at this meeting – excess appropriation for the highway garage bond payment that is not due until January 31, 2010, surplus from the highway fuel budget for 2009, and funds in the Transfer Station Revolving Fund. Eight months of the year, the equipment is slated to be at the transfer station where it will be useful for moving bales and loading trailers. In response to questions, selectmen said the purchase has not gone out for bid, but several calls had been made. They also said that Transfer Station Manager Ken Anderson had not been asked if the equipment would be useful there.

Selectmen stated that the purchase will be reviewed. If they decide to turn it back, it will be sold at a loss. Selectman Peter Fenton said he would like to see any article dealing with the skid steer brought

in by petition.

**Transfer Station** A letter had been sent to Transfer Station Manager Ken Anderson asking for his input on a request to open the station at 8 AM rather than 10:00 AM. He responded that he does not want to open earlier. Staff is there earlier in order to be ready for the public at the scheduled time.

The meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> included further discussion of the skid steer and these other items:

**Main Street:** Selectmen have written letters to Main Street property owners as suggested by the BIA and BBA and they will be mailed. Selectmen are continuing to discuss adoption of HB 86, which would facilitate enforcement of violations of local ordinances.

**Town Clock:** George Cilley and Brian Wilcox reported on their efforts to locate someone to repair damage to the east dial of the clock, which was broken last summer when the person who wound it slipped and fell into it. The town took ownership of the clock in 1916. The clockworks have been in the steeple for 95 years and it has never had any real maintenance done. The cost of replacing the dial is \$7,970.00. Estimated cost of overhauling the clock is \$5,875.00. A Moose Plate Grant and a warrant article at town meeting were discussed as ways to fund the work.

**Planning Board :** Chair Phil LaMoreaux requested the selectmen follow through as outlined by the town attorney in the matter of Carolyn Demers, Mosaic Artiques,

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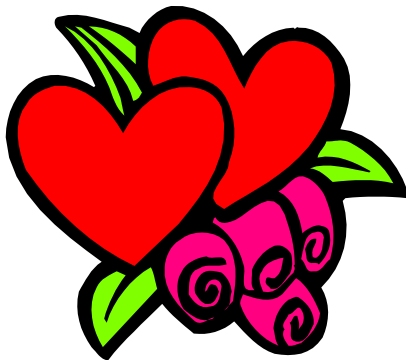


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who failed to attend a planning board meeting to discuss her site plan.

**Road Committee :** Members of this committee were listed as Chris Aiken, David Camire, Sr., Mr. Messer, George Morse, Jack Meaney, Mike Carter, and Trudy Willett.

*Note: Minutes of these meetings are too detailed to be fully covered in the Bridge. All residents are urged to read the complete minutes either at the Town Hall or online at [bradfordnh.com](http://bradfordnh.com)*



### A Culinarian's Column by Caryl Walker

A little decadence is needed for a Valentine's Day dinner. Scallops, I think, are luxurious. Sea scallops can break the bank, but this recipe is made with the succulent, little delicacies—bay scallops. You will be rewarded with great flavor and value if you cook them until just done. My culinary students adapted this recipe from Bon Appetit, Issue 61.82 and presented it on the Valentine's Day menu, 2007. It was a hit!

#### Winter Salad with Sautéed Bay Scallops

4 Servings

**Shopping List:** 1 large naval orange, 1 lime, ½ lb. bay scallops, 1 lb. mixed greens, 12 grape tomatoes. **Pantry List:** Balsamic vinegar, olive oil, sugar, salt, black pepper, Dijon mustard

**Orange:** Cut peel and pith from orange. Segment orange and cut each segment in half. Work over a bowl to collect the orange juice. Set aside.

**Dressing:** In a small bowl, whisk together 2 tablespoons orange juice, 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar, a pinch of sugar, ½ teaspoon Dijon mustard, ¼ cup olive oil, and salt and pepper, to taste. Set aside.

**Marinade:** In a medium bowl, whisk together 1 tablespoon olive oil, 1 teaspoon **each** orange zest, lime zest, lime juice, 2 large pinches of black pepper, and 2 teaspoons Balsamic vinegar. Add ½ pound bay scallops and set aside for 10-15 minutes.

**Prepare:** Heat a nonstick skillet over high heat. Add scallops and marinade. Sauté until scallops are just cooked through, about 2-3 minutes.

**Assembly:** Toss orange segments, 6 cups mixed greens and tomatoes in a large bowl with enough dressing to coat. Divide salad among plates. Place scallops atop salads. Serve salad dressing on the side for those who want extra.

#### Notes:

1. Rinse the orange and lime well.
2. Zest orange and lime before juicing or cutting.
3. To peel and pith an orange, cut off both ends of the orange. Stand orange on one end and using a knife you feel comfortable handling, cut off the pith following the contour of the orange. Cut the orange between the membranes to make segments.
4. Do NOT overcook bay scallops. They will be elastic-band chewy.

Happy Valentine's Day!

Enjoy!



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## Community Cornerstone Soda Fountain

Several of the Cornerstones first selected by town residents in 1991 have changed over the years, but this, number 14 in the series, is the first that is no longer part of Bradford – the first one that has been “lost”. A highlight of this writer’s childhood in the 1940’s was the enormous banana split that cost all of twenty-five cents. That, too, is gone. This is the description of the soda fountain as written in 1991.

A soda fountain was established in the late 1930’s by Mrs. Vera (Coffrin) Cressey in the building on Main Street now occupied by the R. L. Dodge Company. (Most recently Masters Store.)

The fountain counter and the fountain itself are the original equipment used for serving ice cream sodas, cones, frappes and sundaes.

The ice cream parlor originally occupied one half of the front portion of the building and had “ice cream chairs and tables” as well as the four stools at the fountain. The fountain was open regular business hours, we understand, and Thursday evenings!



*The soda fountain at Dodge’s store on East Main Street.*

We hear many reminiscences by those who sat at the counter of “days gone by” at the soda fountain. And there are a few stories that are not all that old! One young man came into the store during the summer of 1992 with his girl friend, pointed to the fountain and said, “See! I told you there was a fountain!” They stood and looked at the fountain for a moment, turned on their heels, and walked out the door!

The penny candy jars that line one side of the counter have served in

a pleasant way for local children to learn arithmetic. And each summer, the Girl Scouts from Camp Wabasso walk down for candy, postcards, and ice cream. Some of those children have never seen a soda fountain!





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**First Baptist Church News**

by Lynne Hubley

**Focus Factor a/k/a Youth Group:** (Grades 6 and up) Sunday February 7 (4:00 - 5:30 p.m.) -- Beatitudes Kickoff; Sunday, February 14 (4:00 - 5:30 p.m.) Valentine's Party -- Continue Beatitudes; Sunday February 21 (4:00 - 5:30 p.m.) Bring a friend -- continue Beatitudes; Friday February 26 - Saturday February 27 -- 30 hour famine at the church; Sunday February 28 (4:00 - 5:30 p.m.) Ice Cream Sunday party -- continue Beatitudes.

**Spaghetti Dinner:** On Saturday February 13, we will have Spaghetti Dinner to be hosted and served by our children. There will be 2 seatings: 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. The cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for 12 and under. Children 3 and under eat for free.

**Ash Wednesday Service:** We will have a Praise, Worship and Prayer Service on Wednesday February 17 at 7:00 to begin the Lenten Season.

**Food Pantry:** The Food pantry will be open on Wednesday February 17 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Food can also be obtained by calling the church office at 938-5313.

**Men's Fellowship:** The men will meet at the home of Fred Hubley on Wednesday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m. for devotions, refreshments and pool.

**Famine Sunday:** On Sunday, February 28 (10:00am.) our youth will give testimonies about the 30 Hour Famine that they did. Our Missions Committee will put on a "Hunger Dinner" for coffee hour which will consist of home-made soups, bread and water. A free-will offering will be received to support the 30 Hour Famine.

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Many area people are aware of the town-owned Bradford bog with its boardwalk, observation platform, and unusual plant life. Totalling 178 acres including the historic Bradford Springs Hotel site, a conservation easement held by the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) is now part of the deed, protecting the bog and picnic area at the hotel site for future generations.

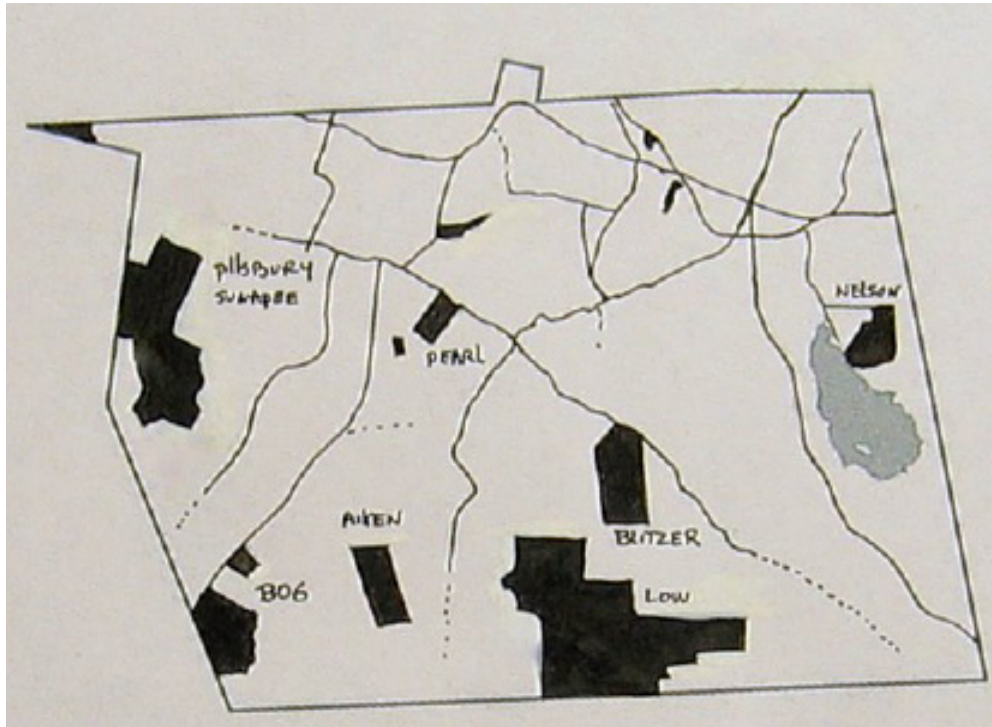
Other residents are more familiar with the Low State Forest. This 900 acre landscape is not technically protected and could be sold in the future.

It is a high, wooded area in which the state has created a few openings to encourage a greater variety of wildlife.

A few years ago the town voted to permanently protect the 136 acre Aiken Pasture Town Forest (which sounds like an oxymoron) with a conservation easement also held by the ASLPT. Historically known for an early settler, 'Aiken's pasture' has grown back to trees. The long-term plan is to create a public recreational trail connecting the Bog area and the Low State For-

### Conserved Land in Bradford

There is a trail constructed by the Conservation Commission that connects the Low State Forest and the Class 6 Dunfield road to the private Blitzer family easement. Views peer out from the height of this wooded 136 acre highland. A 5 acre potential house lot has been reserved at the frontage on Rowe Mountain



Road. John and Amy Blitzer purchased the land the day they saw it in 1969. "We really love this land. We wanted to protect it." they said.

Another privately protected landscape well known to travelers of Route 114 is Guild Hill. This is the steep hillside looming over the eastern shore of Lake Massasecum. Comprising 88 acres, it will never be topped with vacation homes or sprout cell towers. Obtaining consensus among 32 Nelson Farm descendants sends a strong message

about how important conservation is to this family.

Snowmobilers zipping through may not be aware that their trails pass through 451 acres of privately held easement on the western edge of town. Partially funded through a federal grant, the Pillsbury/Sunapee Highlands

is owned by a timber company and will remain viable for forestry with public access. Connecting to the trails of the nearby state parks, it adds to a huge unfragmented landscape for the wildlife and human life that needs it.

There are other, smaller parks and

parcels in town available to the public but which are not permanently protected, for instance the West Meadow Wetland and the Pearl Town Forest. For a complete map, check the draft maps of the Conservation Commission on the town's website at [www.bradfordnh.org](http://www.bradfordnh.org). Paper maps are available at the Brown Memorial Library and at the Bradford Area Community Center office.



**Letters to the Editor**

To the Editor,

Reading December's Bridge, I'm curious as to why in the entire one page "Conservation Commission News" there was absolutely no mention of my neighbor's (Will Krantz) land clearing on Deer Valley Road for habitat for woodcock? I'd like to know how much it cost (since he did not pay for it) and exactly what organization did pay for it and how much it cost us taxpayers? Especially since it does mention that Bradford already harbors a large percentage of "highest rank for priority wildlife habitat" in the State, I'm wondering why his privately owned land was cleared and paid for by possibly our tax dollars and why it was even necessary?

Don't get me wrong, Will took advantage of "something" available and I have no ax to grind with him personally. I just think that this item may have been purposely left out since it seems to be very relevant conservation news in our town and it should have been reported by the Conservation Commission. It rightfully makes me very suspicious of the Conservation Commission in town and makes me wonder what else they're not reporting that's relevant.

Judy Paris  
938-2738

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To the Bradford Selectmen:

As a property owner who loves Bradford and as a taxpayer with a financial stake in the town, I am writing to challenge you to do your duty for this beautiful place and its residents.

It is painfully obvious that Bradford has fallen on hard times. On Main Street and beyond, so many homes stand vacant, so many businesses sit shuttered. That alone is no crime. But too many structures have been allowed to become blights on the face of the town, and when these dilapidated or falling-down structures violate ordinances and codes, that is a crime. They create a derelict image that drags down property values and drives away residents and businesses.

It's time for you, our elected officials, to take action. You have the power to reverse the downward spiral if you have the courage and the energy. Target the eyesores and insist that they meet mandated standards. Some improvements might seem superficial, but once we change the image of Bradford from complacently shabby to proudly handsome – in the finest New England tradition – good things will follow. Do not let us be the shame of the Sunapee Region. Lead the way so that everyone will know that Bradford is a pretty, positive place to live and a prosperous place to do business. The revitalization of Bradford must begin with you. We all will be grateful, and we all will reap the benefits.

Sincerely,

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## From the Bradford Fire Department

### Winter Driving Safety

Be cautious when driving on the roads during the winter season.

- Snow covered roads and ice covered roads can be very treacherous even for all wheel drive vehicles.
- Black ice could be present, be extra cautious even when the roads seem to be clear.
- Keep a safe distance when following other vehicles.
- When in doubt, take it slow.

### Things to Remember

Motor Vehicle laws pertaining to Emergency Vehicles:

**Did you know...**It is a New Hampshire state law that you must not follow closer than 500 feet to any fire apparatus that is responding to a fire alarm.

It is also a New Hampshire state law that if you are approached by an emergency vehicle with the siren or flashing lights in operation you will turn immediately as far as possible toward the right-hand side of the road and will bring the vehicle to a standstill until the emergency vehicles have passed.

*It could be your home or your relative that we are responding to.*

### Candle Safety

**Did you know?** During 2005, an estimated 15,600 home structure fires started by candles were reported to local fire departments.

#### *Here are a few tips:*

- Extinguish all candles when you leave the room and prior to falling asleep.
- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything flammable.
- Place candles on a sturdy flat surface
- If oxygen is being used in the home, *never* use candles or open flames.

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*-Melanie Steiz Bradford Fire and Rescue*

## Planning Board Notes

**Solar Towers** The Planning Board held a lengthy discussion with Bill and James Thompson of IAMNet, Inc. concerning the possibility of constructing a series of solar-powered towers around the town to provide high speed internet access in areas of the town that are now un-served. A number of people have made inquiries and requests for such service. Last summer, IAMNET ran technical trials looking at the hill on Lake Massasecum and are currently looking at what can be done without towers at all. The technology under consideration is a solar powered radio, sitting on a tripod that is on a pole about 8 feet high. This is portable and virtually invisible, and there is no wiring.

Discussion ensued regarding the applicability of Article IX of the Bradford Zoning Ordinance "Wireless Communication Facilities" that was written for cell towers rather than something of this stature. Chair Phil LaMoreaux advised that if IAMNET does want to follow through on this project, the process would be to file a Site Plan. A special exception would be required in either the residential business district or residential rural district. The Planning Board should be contacted if anyone has questions concerning this topic.

Neither Carolyn Demers, Mosaic Artiques, nor Doug Webb, Lumber Barn, attended the Planning Board meeting as had been requested to discuss site plans.

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## The Computer Column

by James Thompson,  
*Iamnow.net*

### Where can I look for good computer support and assistance? Often the manuals are no help at all or I can't understand them. I often don't know what questions to ask?

The most important part is how to ask the question. If you don't know what to ask it is quite difficult to find what you are looking for. Many times a computer comes to me for repair with a description such as; "It has pop-ups, my antivirus gave me a warning, or I get some sort of error..."

Let's take the "some sort of error" as an example. First we need to know the error. Maybe it was written down. Sometimes the error disappears too quickly to write down. The majority of the time people close the message hoping it won't come back. (If the error disappears too quickly windows does create a log that can be viewed later. This will help you or a technician understand your problem versus waiting for the error to happen again so don't despair if it doesn't happen when you bring your computer in for service.)



When I see the error the first thing I'll do is cut and paste or type it word for word into a search engine such as Google.com or Yahoo.com. This will give me a list of forums and people talking about exactly that error. I have now formed my question just by doing that and have a wealth of information in front of me. Now I just need to skim through several sites to determine a fix or answer to what the error

was, should I be concerned and how do I fix it.

### What about just looking for a cooking recipe or items on Ebay, or Amazon.com?

The more specific your search words are the better your results. Websites will add in words to be bumped up in the search results. If you were looking for a "stone master" and just typed in the words "stone master" you would get results all over the country. If you now searched for "stone master Bradford NH" you would find much more specific and local results. Any words you can think of to make you search a little more specific will help. Search for deviled egg recipes instead of egg recipes.

### Is there anywhere locally where I can go to receive computer training?

Several people are working to make this a reality in Bradford. House calls and one on one tutoring has been difficult for us at IAMNet to make happen from a time and staffing standpoint. However, next month we are beginning to work with the Bradford Area Community Center and the Mountain View Senior Center to provide a computer support and assistance time. This time is geared towards creating at least a monthly place where seniors and camp kids can come together in a question/ answer session with examples and demonstrations of things such as computer building. We hope to create an environment where people can bring questions that will benefit a group and that we can use to help foster computer learning in a relaxed environment. Feel free to contact Kate Dobrowski at the BACC or myself for more information.

Deadline for the next edition of the Bradford Bridge is February 15. Submissions after that may not get published. Submissions can be sent to us by email at [contact.us@bradfordbridge.com](mailto:contact.us@bradfordbridge.com) or through the Bradford Bridge site at <http://bradford-bridge.com>

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## Area Events

### Bradford

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On Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, President Lincoln will be in town to educate and entertain the local populace with appearances in Bradford and Warner.

Well-known Lincoln presenter, Steve Wood, who portrays our 16th president for groups and organizations throughout the region, will appear first at Bradford Elementary at 10:30 AM for students, parents, and the public.

At 11:30 AM Steve will lunch with seniors and guest at Mountain View Senior Center and talk about the rewards of his exploits as a Lincoln presenter.

Honest Abe will speak next at 1:15 PM at Simonds Elementary School before students, parents and the public.

Lincoln's visits are cosponsored by American Legion Post #39 of Warner and the Mountain View Senior Center and are made possible through a grant from the N.H.

Humanities Council. These events are free and the public is invited and encouraged to attend.

### Community Center Vacation Activities:

**Ski-Archery:** Family clinic on Friday February 19<sup>th</sup> noon to 2 pm  
Ages 6 to Seniors

Ski-Archery combines cross-country skiing and target archery. It's a real yin-yang sport. One minute adrenaline is coursing through your veins, and the next you have to be completely calm and steady and shoot your arrow between heartbeats. Clinic participants will learn proper shooting and skiing techniques as well as participate in a "fun tournament". Ski-arc, as it is often called, was reborn as a sport in Italy in 1983. In 1991 it was officially recognized by FITA (the International Archery Federation), and in that same year, the first US Nationals were held. Archery equipment is provided. Participants need to bring cross-country skis or snowshoes.

Fee: \$15.00/ person

### Warner

Ongoing Events in The Gallery @ MainStreet BookEnds

2nd Tuesdays - February 9, March 9 ~ Kearsarge Quilters ~ 1-3 pm  
Last Tuesdays Jan. 26, Feb. 23 ~ Kearsarge Area Wool Spinners 10-3pm

Wednesdays Yoga @ 6 pm - Call Fran Vainas @ 456-3099

Reading by the Fire with Simonds School Teachers - Bring the little ones for a bedtime story by the fireplace! Starting @ 6:30 pm

News from MainStreet Warner, Inc.

### Scholarship Books

Cleaning up? Getting organized? Consider donating those books to benefit the ongoing fundraising efforts for the annual Jim Mitchell Scholarship and the Jim Mitchell "Local Hero" Book Award. About the Scholarships and Book Awards Spring! Much more news and details are forthcoming from the nonprofit, MainStreet Warner, Inc.

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**LCHIP Grant**

The Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) announced the results of the most recent grant funding in mid-January. Grant funding had been temporarily postponed due to budget cuts guaranteeing stiff competition for Round 8 of this popular program. **The Bradford Conservation Commission** applied for a grant to assist in placing a conservation easement on the forests and fields of Battles Farm. One of the oldest farms and one of the last working landscapes in town, it has been consistently cited by residents over the years as important to the community for a variety of reasons including the view, recreation, flood control, wildlife habitat and hunting opportunities and as a potential resource for locally grown food. A conservation easement would ensure that these values remain available to the town no matter who owns the property. The Conservation Commission did not win a grant in this round but has been encouraged by the LCHIP board to reapply in the summer of 2010.



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- *Eat breakfast.*
- *Put less focus on the food and more on conversation at holiday parties.*
- *Limit alcoholic drinks as they inhibit your body's fullness signals*
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## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

### Mon. Feb. 1

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness  
 1-4:00 PM - Bridge Group  
 3:30 PM – Watercolor Painting Class  
 5:30 PM - Girl Scouts #12579

### Tues. Feb. 2

9:00 AM –12:00 noon - Fuel Assistance – Call  
 456-2207 for appointment  
 10:00 AM - Stitches From the Heart  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 5 PM - DEADLINE FOR PETITION  
 ARTICLES FOR TOWN MEETING  
 6:00 - 7:30 - Yoga Class - call Fran at 456-3099  
 for information

### Thurs. Feb. 4

12 Noon - Senior Dining

### Fri. Feb. 5

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness  
 11:30 AM - 1st Friday Brunch with pianist Steve  
 Manley.  
 7:00 PM – Book-to-Movie *Wuthering Heights*,  
 BML

### Mon. Feb. 8

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness  
 1-4:00 PM - Bridge Group  
 3:30 PM – Watercolor Painting Class  
 7:00 PM - Rural Heritage Connection

### Tues. Feb. 9

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
 12:00 Noon - Senior Dining  
 6:00 – 7:30 PM - Yoga Class  
 7:00 PM - Budget Hearing - Town Hall

### Wed., Feb. 10

3:00 PM - Brownies  
 5:00 PM - Bradford Area Community Center –  
 Committee meeting  
 6:00 PM – Girl Scouts  
 7:00 PM – Library Book Group, *The Attack* by  
 Yasmina Khadra, BML

### Thurs. Feb. 11

12 Noon - Senior Dining with “The President”-  
 Steve Wood, Abe Lincoln presenter will be our  
 guest. Reservations strongly recommended  
 4:45 PM – Parks & Recreation meeting  
 5:30 PM - 4 H

### Fri. Feb. 12

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness

### Sat. Feb. 13

9:00 AM - Writing Group

### Mon. Feb. 15

Mt. View Senior Center Closed for Presidents’ Day  
 1:00 PM - Bridge Group  
 Brown Memorial Library Open

### Tues. Feb. 16

9:00 AM -12:00 noon - Fuel Assistance – Call  
 456-2207 for appointment  
 10:00 AM – Computer Class with JamesThompson  
 sign up with Kate at 938-6228  
 10:00 AM - Stitches From the Heart  
 12:00 Noon - Senior Dining  
 6:00 PM - Yoga Class

### Thurs. Feb. 18

10:30AM – 12 Noon - Blood Pressure Clinic at  
 Mt. View Senior Center provided by LSRVNA  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining -Valentines Day  
 reception with entertainment, 50/50  
 raffle, door prizes. Reservations required.  
 1:00-3:00 PM- Foot Care Clinic at Mt. View Senior  
 Center by LSRVNA. Call for appt. at 526-4077 or  
 1-800-587-3382

### Fri. Feb. 19

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 Friday at the Movies Feature: *Monster in  
 Law*  
 12:00-2:00 PM – Ski/Snowshoe – Archery  
 Event for families  
 7:00 PM – International Movie, BML

### Sat. Feb. 20

10:00 – Bradford Improvement Association  
 11:00 AM – Bradford Barter Group

### Mon. Feb. 22

8:45AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness  
 10:00 AM – Computer Class with James  
 Thompson – sign up with Kate at 938-6228  
 1:00 PM - Bridge Group  
 3:30 PM – Watercolor Painting Class



## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

### Tues. Feb. 23

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 6:00 - 7:30 - Yoga Class – 6:00 – call Fran at 456-3099 for information

### Wed. Feb. 24

10:30AM – 12 Noon - Blood Pressure Clinic provided by LSVNA at Warner Senior Room  
 3:00 PM – Brownies  
 6:00 PM - Girl Scouts

### Thurs. Feb. 25

12 Noon - Senior Dining

### Fri. Feb. 26

8:45 AM - Mountain View Senior Center Fitness

### Sat. Feb 27.

9:00 AM -Writing Group

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.

#### 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

## February Vacation Week (16th-19th) Special Happenings at the BACC, hosted by Bradford Parks and Recreation:

**Tuesday – Safe Surfing Habits for Kids** at 10AM - Free James Thompson , director service div of Iamnow.net will answer questions on just about anything kids may want to know about the web, computers, gaming, etc. Kids of any age will have the chance to ask questions that may lead to future workshops. Using the computers at the BACC, James will demonstrate what to watch for in infected web-sites, how to clean your (or your parents) computers up to keep them running efficiently and lots more. If you have a lap top with wifi – bring it along . Please call 938-6228 to register – refreshments will be provided

**Wednesday – Outdoor Activity / Snowshoe hike – Cost \$5.00/** There will be a snowshoe hike / outdoor activity for elementary age children at the BACC from 10 to 12 pm . Please dress for cold weather. Ali Cline will lead the hike which begins at the BACC.

### **Thursday – Afternoon at the Movies – FREE**

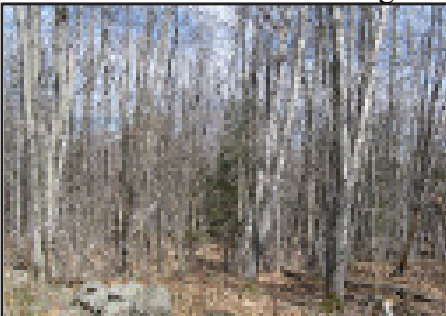
Make use of the large screen – surround sound theater at the BACC. Call the BACC with your recommendation for a family movie to be shown from 3 to 5pm at the Community Center – it will be a surprise! Popcorn and drinks will be served. Children must be accompanied by an adult or responsible party. Bring your own comfy pillow.

### **Friday– Ski-Archery: Family Clinic 12 to 2 pm - \$10.00**

kids \$15.00 adult. Ski-Archery combines the fast pace of cross country skiing (or snowshoeing), with the slow, methodical shooting of an arrow at a target. Participants at the Clinic will be timed on speed of skiing/snowshoeing and their accuracy at hitting the bulls eye. Information on the sport, practice runs and the history will also be presented. A set course will lead skiers/snowshoers to an archery range, where they will stop and shoot before continuing to ski/snowshoe the course. Light weight bows will be provided. No compound allowed. Bring your own skis/snowshoes. All ages and abilities welcomed. Cost: \$10.00 children \$15.00 adults  
 Space limited. Pre-registration required: BACC: 938-6228 Questions on the program: NE School of Archery: 224-5768.

## Ongoing Events

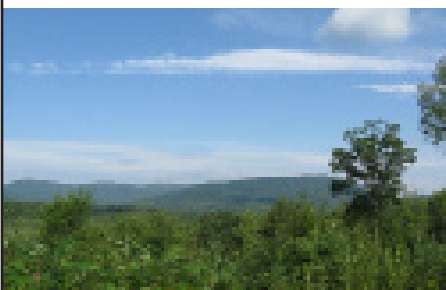
Children’s Storytime - Wednesdays at 10:30 am BML  
 Cemetery Commission - 2nd Thursday at 6 PM. Call 938-5539 for information  
 Conservation Commission - 3rd Tuesday 7 PM, Town Hall or BML  
 Fish and Game Club - 1st Monday of each month - 7 PM, Fish and Game Club  
 First Friday Bunch - 11:30 am MVSC, 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  
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## This is Our Town

Town Clerk and Tax Collector

The next stop in our tour of Bradford is at the office of the Town Clerk and Tax Collector. As allowed by State law, voters combined the two positions at the 1990. Town Meeting and the term of office is three years. Salaries for the positions are set each year at Town Meeting. A bond at town expense in the amount determined by the Department of Revenue Administration is required for both of these positions to indemnify against any loss due to failure to faithfully perform the duties.

According to the "Local Officials Handbook" published by the New Hampshire Municipal Association, the town clerk . . . "is generally responsible for keeping all town records, certifying the actions of selectmen and other town officials, making official reports, collecting fees, and serving as an election official."

The brief outline barely covers the extent of the services provided by the clerk's office. Among them are motor vehicle and boat registrations, dog licenses, fish and game licenses, and keeping of vital records (births, deaths, marriages) for the town. Serving as an election official has become a more detailed function with changes in state law and the town clerk now provides training for anyone wishing to work as checker or ballot clerk at any election or town meeting.

Town Clerk Susan Pehrson is also a Justice of the Peace and a Notary Public and provides the services of these offices to town residents at no charge. In this capacity, she swears out warrants for the police department and notarizes signatures of job applicants, which must be done before background checks are carried out.

The tax collector is . . . "responsible for collecting all the (town) taxes and keeping a complete and accurate account of taxes due, collected and abated and all property sold for non-payment of taxes." Tax bills must be sent out in a timely manner. The tax collector may also help taxpayers set up a payment schedule when deemed appropriate.

State law provides for the appointment of a deputy for both of these offices by the town clerk and tax collector with the approval of the Board of Selectmen. The current deputy is Erica Gross.





## Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

### Library Lantern February 2010

As part of the *nhsaves* initiative, the library has a Cut the Carbon kit available for checkout. The kit includes energy-saving tips and a Kill A Watt Meter. Plug in the meter and find out exactly how much electricity each device in your home is using.

The Library Book Group meets on Wednesday, February 10 at 7pm to discuss *The Attack* by Yasmina Khadra. Copies of the book are available at the library.

The library will be open on Monday, February 15 (Presidents' Day). This month's Book-to-Movie discussion is on *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte. Join us for the movie on Friday, February 5 at 7pm. The next discussion on Friday, March 5 will compare the movie *Heartland* with the book that inspired it *Letters of a Woman Homesteader* by Elinore Pruitt Stewart. Copies of the book are available at the library. The international movie series continues at 7pm on Friday, February 19 with a visually stunning movie that spans the globe.

Please note that the Library Trustees now meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm.

Some of the new books added to your library in January:

#### For adults

- Kisser* by Stuart Woods
- Remarkable Creatures* by Tracy Chevalier
- Alice I Have Been* by Melanie Benjamin
- 13 1/2* by Nevada Barr
- Satchel* by Larry Tye
- Wife of the Gods* by Kwei Quartey
- Then Came the Evening* by Brian Hart



#### For children and youth

- Storm in the Barn* by Matt Phelan
- Alvin Ho* by Lenore Look
- Maze Runner* by James Dashner
- Flash Burnout* by L.K. Madigan

### Bradford Police Report

Police Service Calls -  
12/1/09-12/31/09

Unauthorized taking	1
Auto Theft	1
Assault-Criminal Threatening	1
Criminal Mischief	2
Sex Offender Registration	1
Harassment	2
Runaways	2
MV Crash -non reportable	1
MV Crash -Property Damage	1
MV Crash - personal injury	2
MV - Citation Violation	1
MV - Citation Speed	12
MV - Warning	54
MV - Complaint	2
Vacant Building Check	1
Business Check	20
Vacant House Check	1
Alarm Response - Business	1
Alarm Response - Residence	1
Assist - Ambulance	2
Assist - Citizen	2
Assist - Motorist	1
Assist - Police	4
Dog - At Large	3
Civil Standby	1
Property - Found	2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	1
Police Information	6
Paperwork Service	4
Arrest Warrant Service	2
Relay	1
VIN Verification	1
First Report of Injury	1
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**Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports  
2009 Annual Report**

**Who is BNSYS?** Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports (BNSYS) is an all-volunteer, 501(c)3 non-profit organization that provides quality athletic opportunities for the local youth. Warren Brook Park, located on Old Warner Road in Bradford (where most of our baseball, softball and soccer games are played) is owned and maintained by the organization (BNSYS). It is not town property. We are very fortunate to also be allowed use of the fields at the Bradford Elementary School and Brown Shattuck Park in Bradford, in exchange for maintaining those fields during the sport seasons.

**Who benefits from the BNSYS organization?** In the spring and summer of 2009, BNSYS facilitated baseball and softball activity for some **147 youngsters** comprising 12 T-ball, Baseball and Softball teams, including children from the age of 4 all the way up to high school. In the fall, BNSYS facilitated soccer activity for **134 young players**, comprising 11 teams made up of players from the age of 4 through 12.

The Kearsarge School district baseball, softball, and soccer programs begin at the middle school level. There are no elementary school sports teams. BNSYS provides the opportunity for these children to begin playing the sports at a much younger age. Our goal is to provide the best quality sports opportunities to our area youth while teaching and reinforcing the concepts of sportsmanship and team participation.

**Who runs the BNSYS Program?** The BNSYS Program is run entirely on volunteer labor. The 9 members of the Board of Directors (listed below) are all volunteers, the coaches are all volunteers, the fundraising is all done by volunteers, and the facilities and fields are all maintained by volunteers.

**What are the program expenses?** Insurance and equipment are the biggest expenses. After that, there are uniforms, porta-potty rentals, PSNH bills, grounds maintenance items like hard pac, mower fuel and repairs, grass seed, etc., not to mention fencing, field lime and paint, background checks on the coaches, and advertising.

**How is the BNSYS Program financed?** Players are charged a nominal fee to sign up each season. BNSYS provides financial aid scholarships to those that cannot afford the

fee. In 2009, 9 baseball scholarships, 1 softball scholarship, and 8 soccer scholarships were provided by the organization, to ensure that every child who wanted to participate could do so.

In addition, the organization volunteers spend a lot of time and energy on fundraising. Each Spring, including 2009, we host a "100 Inning Game" to kick off the baseball/softball season. Our parent volunteers run a "snack shack" at all games, as well as at the Bradford 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration and the Newbury Old Home Days celebration. In the fall of 2009 we hosted our 9<sup>th</sup> annual benefit golf tournament (special thanks to Jill Firstbrook for coordinating!) at the Country Club of New Hampshire.

We are fortunate (and very grateful!) to receive donations from local individuals and local businesses.

And last, we ask each of the three towns (Bradford, Newbury and Sutton) for a small contribution at the annual town meetings. In many towns, the youth sports program is a function of the Parks and Recs division, and is fully funded by the town tax payers. In Bradford, Newbury and Sutton, it is handled by volunteers, and we ask for only a small portion to be funded by the town tax payers.

**A recap of some of the BNSYS accomplishments in 2009:**

Last year BNSYS continued to upgrade the infrastructure at the Warren Brook Park facility, as well as making improvements to the Elementary School field and the Brown Shattuck field. Some of the improvements accomplished were:

- ❖ Improvements to the new storage and maintenance facility
- ❖ Resurfaced Warren Brook Park entrance

- ❖ Refurbished the sign at Warren Brook Park
- ❖ Maintenance and upkeep on the dug outs at the Bradford Elementary School and at Brown Shattuck Field
- ❖ Maintenance and upkeep at the Snack Shacks at Warren Brook Park, Bradford Elementary School and Brown Shattuck facilities
- ❖ Various new equipment and uniforms purchased for baseball, softball and soccer.
- ❖ Major repairs to the lawn mowing equipment
- ❖ Aeration and fertilization of all the fields at Warren Brook Park and the Bradford Elementary School

In addition to the regular season team play, BNSYS hosted a special Softball Skills Clinic and the U10 Kearsarge Mountain South League Softball Tournament in the spring, the annual Major League Soccer Camp in the summer, and the U12 Merrimack Valley Soccer League "B Division" Girls and Boys Soccer Tournaments in the fall.

Our U12 Boys Soccer team took home the 1<sup>st</sup> Place trophy in their tournament, and the U12 Girls Soccer teams took home the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place trophies. In Softball, our U10 "Purple Rox" team took home 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the league championships. In Baseball, BNSYS had 11 players earn spots on the 10 year old and 12 year old Cal Ripken League Allstar teams, and some of our 10 yr old players won the Corcoran tournament held in Claremont for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row. Both the 10 and the 12 year old teams placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in districts.

In closing, we would like to thank the Lucas family for their very generous donation of a new flag pole and garden at Warren Brook Park in honor of their beloved Wil-



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liam “Wacky” Lucas who was a great supporter of the youth sports organization.

We very much appreciate the generous support of the towns, individuals, and businesses helping us to provide a great environment for our kids to participate in youth athletics. **We especially thank all those who provided financial support, materials and labor to help accomplish our goals – those that give their time and expertise as coaches, referees and umpires, as well as those behind the scenes mowing, organizing equipment, making repairs, fundraising, and running the snack shacks, are an indispensable part of the program.**

**It is our continued goal to provide the best quality sports opportunities to our area youth, while reinforcing the concepts of sportsmanship and team participation.**

The current Board of Directors includes:

- Rod McConnell-Field Maintenance Director
- Tina Desfosses - Softball Director
- Linda Brockmeier - Soccer Director
- Dennis Heiner - Baseball Director
- Steve Bailey - Equipment Director
- Holly Vance-McKellar - Fundraising Director

- Jen Dow - Treasurer
- Ed Andersson - Secretary
- Jay Tucker - President

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Tucker  
 President - Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports



by Laura Hallahan

### Call For Action

One of the challenges I face in discussing today’s real estate market is being honest about expectations without coming across as sounding negative. Prices are down and time on market is longer, but houses are selling. There are positive signs for a modest improvement with the spring market, but it is still a buyer’s market and sellers need to be patient and realistic. I feel the same way about my recent discussions about Bradford and the state of our town. I want to be truthful about how the look of the downtown area impacts the entire town, but I don’t want to come across as negative because I do have great hope that change is possible and the future of our town is bright.

With that said, I am sending out a call for action to my readers and all townspeople to come up with a slogan or statement about Bradford that we can use on bumper stickers, signs, etc. to show our pride in this community. It dawned on me during my recent vacation that it is like the movie, “Field of Dreams”, where the famous line of “build it and they will come” translates to using this slogan to inspire change. We don’t have to be there yet, but if we say it, read it and believe it, it will come to pass. Look at what Warner did with the simple phrase, “Something wonderful is happening in Warner.” The last BBA brochure had the simple words, “A great place to live” under the main photo.

Some others to start the ball rolling include:

- It’s Better in Bradford
- Believe in Bradford
- Bradford Renewed
- Bradford – A Friendly Town

You get the idea. Now, please send me your slogans and suggestions and I will solicit the same from the BBA, BIA and town officials and we’ll publish the list next month and ask people to vote for the top three and then we’ll pick a winner. I will work on raising prize money to give to the person with the winning slogan and we will be well on our way to taking back our town. My contact information is: P.O. Box 525 for regular mail; [laura@tallpinesnh.com](mailto:laura@tallpinesnh.com) for email submissions. Thank you in advance for your support!

### Recent Sales in Bradford

- 20 Fairgrounds Road, 1979 Saltbox on 2.50 acres for \$160,000
- 135 East Main Street, 1940 Cape on .70 acres for \$152,000
- 89 Pleasant View Road, 1767 Cape w/dairy barn on 4.0 acres for \$190,000
- 0 Route 114, 120 acres of raw land for \$250,000

There are 31 active and 1 pending residential listings ranging from \$99,000 to \$1.2 million, 29 active and 0 pending land listings ranging from \$25,000 to \$500,000, 3 active and 1 pending commercial listings ranging from \$490,000 to \$815,000 and 2 active and 0 pending multi-family listings ranging from \$259,900 to \$339,900 in Bradford.

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## Sharing The Roads With Horses

*Kimberley Brown Edelman & Carol Meise*

Yes, it is winter and most people who enjoy horseback riding and don't have an indoor arena are out on the roads on their way to passable trails. Horseback riders and horse-drawn carriages are allowed on the roads in New Hampshire. While most people understand how to share the road with tractor drivers, plow operators, motorcyclists, bicyclists, joggers, dog walkers, mothers with baby carriages, skateboarders, and even Segway riders, many lack a basic understanding about the nature of horses which can enable safer sharing of the roads with these big animals. As horsewomen, allow us to offer some insights which should help everyone.

### What Vehicle Drivers Should Know About Horses

Although domesticated over 6,000 years ago, horses are still very much a prey animal. Their natural programming keeps them alert to the ever possible presence of predators. And size of the predator doesn't matter. A cute fuzzy little kitten can spook a 1500 pound horse right out of his skin.

When approaching a horse on the road, the safest thing to do is to slow down. Then, observing both the horse and rider, pass slow and wide. Watch for signs indicating the horse and rider may need you to take extra care. These may include:

- Rider using hands signals to indicate "Please Slow Down" or "Please Stop"
- Rider tightening the reins, possibly trying to gain better control of the horse
- Horse suddenly changing his position or angle on the road
- Horse stopping, moving sideways, stepping backwards, bucking, or rearing
- Horse suddenly lifting his head and neck quite high, possibly snorting
- Horse speeding up (instead of slowing down) as you approach

### Advice for Horse Riders on the Roads

## Town of Bradford, NH

### Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling cooperative, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2009	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Aluminum Cans	8570 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a television for 872,083 hours!
Paper	140.7105 tons	Saved 2,392 trees!
Plastics	12.2 tons	Conserved 18,300 gallons of gasoline!
Scrap Metal	64 tons	Conserved 63,613 pounds of coal!
Steel Cans	11920 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 309,920 hours!

### Classified Ads

4' x 8' Billboard for lease on busy Rte 103 in Bradford. Low rates and excellent visibility for your business. Available mid-March. Call for details 938-2833

Horse riders : First and foremost, BE VISIBLE! Despite their size, horses are not always easy to see. When riding on the road, horse riders should wear high visibility and reflective clothing.

When planning to ride out on the roads, consider the weather and the position of the sun. Vehicle operators are less likely to notice you easily and quickly if it's raining or snowing, or when they are driving directly towards a rising or setting sun. Also, for safety sake, stay off the roads altogether when the snow plows and sand trucks are doing their jobs. If your horse is not yet reliable on the roads, ride with other horses who are.

*Kimberley has been riding, training, and showing horses since 1970. While living in the United Kingdom, she received Road Safety training from the perspective of the equestrian as well as the perspective of a Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) driver. Kimberley and her husband Georg immigrated to Warner in 2005 and own and operate Kearsarge Meadows, the horse boarding and training facility on Kearsarge Mountain Road.*