

THE Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS FOR NEIGHBORS BY NEIGHBORS

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August 2012

BRADFORD'S 225TH CELEBRATION CONTINUES

August 5 - 2:00 PM. Kearsarge Community Band Concert and Ice Cream Social - Lively Music and Sweets for the Whole Family!! Rain or Shine - Bradford Center Meetinghouse.

August 11 - 10:00 AM-4:00 PM. Antique Quilt Show and Meetinghouse Tour. If you have an antique quilt to show, call Mary at 938-2930 - Bradford Center Meetinghouse

August 19 - 7:00 PM. Historical Photo Show and New Book Release. Come see newly discovered photos of Bradford a century ago. For information, call Laurie at 938-5372 - Bradford Center Meetinghouse

Mark your calendars for next month's events:

September 1- 10:00 AM -2:00 PM. Blacksmith and Carpenter Demonstrations and Antique Flea Market ***Anyone who wants to reserve a space to sell antiques or hand-made products, call Harriet at 938-5314. Smithy on Main Street.

September 7 - 12 noon. Bradford & Warner, an illustrated book talk on "Businesses & Hotels" with authors Laurie Buchar & Rebecca Courser. Mountain View Senior Center.

September 17 - 7:00 PM. Bradford & Warner, an illustrated book talk on "Farms" with authors Laurie Buchar & Rebecca Courser. Brown Memorial Library.

September 27 - 7:00 PM. Steve Taylor's One-Room Schoolhouse Talk. This marks the exact 225th anniversary of our town's incorporation. Bradford's First Schoolhouse in Bradford Center. Raffle winners will be announced!!! Refreshments will be served! Don't miss it!

10 QUESTIONS

by Phyllis Wilcox



Our August interview is with Dick and Phyllis Whall, two special people who arrived in Bradford in 1984 ostensibly to retire and enjoy a life of boating and gardening after Dick's 33-years with Exxon. Within months they dove into town affairs as volunteers with practically every organization in town. In 1994 the Bradford Voters Coalition presented the Citizen of the Year award to them and most recently they were honored as Grand Marshals of the July Independence Day Parade. This is a couple who envisioned a quiet life in a small town but almost immediately their lives were filled with community service.

Q. Some people see retirement as a time to play and relax. This was not the way it happened to both of you. What decided your move to Bradford and caused you to so totally involve yourselves with helping and giving?

We chose Bradford because it was a beautiful town and Lake Sunapee was an attraction since we enjoyed boating. Then the perfect property to buy came along on Pleasant View Road. In addition our daughter was going to University of Vermont at that time. Our family lived 70 miles away and it all seemed to fit our needs. We had been living in Brookside, Mendham Township in New Jersey and when Exxon offered me retirement after 33 years, we decided the time and location were perfect for us.

Q. How did you meet? Was it a high school romance? You both attended Athol High School in Athol, Massachusetts. Was it a romantic love at first sight?

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Submissions

The Bradford Bridge is written by neighbors, for neighbors. Anyone is welcome to submit articles and/or photographs of interest to the community. We reserve the right to edit submissions.

Letter from the Editor

Everyone enjoys a good celebration and this summer Bradford has experienced two – the annual Independence Day festivities and the ongoing celebration of Bradford's 225th Anniversary of the signing of the town charter. The connecting links are the grand marshals of the parade, Phyllis & Dick Whall, who played such a major role in the 200th birthday of Bradford in 1987. The Annual Report for 1987 has many pages devoted to the activities of that year and photographs highlighting the many events. Copies of the report can be found at Brown Memorial Library and the Historical Society's Old Post Office. Well worth a look.

Marlene Freyler and her committee once again outdid themselves with organizing the parade and activities at Brown Shattuck Field. The mover and shaker for 225th events is Laurie Buchar, who with friends and cohorts helped to plan concerts, ice cream socials, commemorative t-shirts. Laurie co-authored, with Rebecca Courser of Warner, the new Bradford Warner pictorial history book. Come to the Bradford Center Meetinghouse on August 19 at 7 pm when the book will be released.

The 225th continues, culminating on September 27th the exact anniversary of our town's incorporation. This will be celebrated with a talk by Steve Taylor at Bradford's first Schoolhouse in Bradford Center.

It has been said many times and can be repeated as often as possible, Bradford cannot function without its many volunteers. Attend events, enjoy the festivities, thank those involved, and consider offering some of your time and talent to your community.

Marcia Keller,
July Editor



Selectmen's Office Hours 938-5900

Mon - Thurs: 7:30 am - 5:00 pm
Friday: 7:30 am - noon
Selectmen meet every Monday
from 5:30 pm - 7:30 PM
Special Meetings will be posted
24 hours in advance

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Monday: noon-7:00 pm
Tuesday: 7:00 am-11:30 am
12:30 pm-5:00 pm
Friday: 8:00 am-11:30 am and
12:30 pm-5:00 PM
Saturday: (2nd & 4th) 9-Noon

Planning Board Circuit Rider
Wednesday
call 938-2253 for appointment

Town offices are temporarily
located at BACC

Town Hall Restoration

Architect Richard Monahon presented a preliminary schematic design for the renovation of Bradford Town Hall, outlining two phases for the complete project. Phase one would include structural work on the lower floor, renovation of the main floor to accommodate town offices, ADA access to the building, and code compliant stairways from the basement level to the second floor. Proposed is a new full foundation for the rear third of the building with minor repairs to the under side of the remainder of the structure.

Phase two would refurbish the large meeting room on the second floor for a seating capacity of 240 with sprinkler system, elevator, and toilets necessary to upgrade the use of the area.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7 PM on August 27 when costs estimates will be presented along with several options for consideration.

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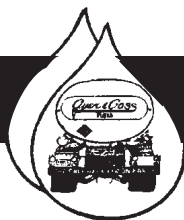
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Bradford and Warner Book Published

You may not know the origins of that old stone foundation you found in the woods by your house but chances are local historians Laurie Buchar and Rebecca Courser do. They have collaborated on and published a book entitled Bradford and Warner. Part of the Images of America Series, the book features a collection of over 200 vintage photographs from the Bradford and Warner Historical Societies, which offer a look into the past.

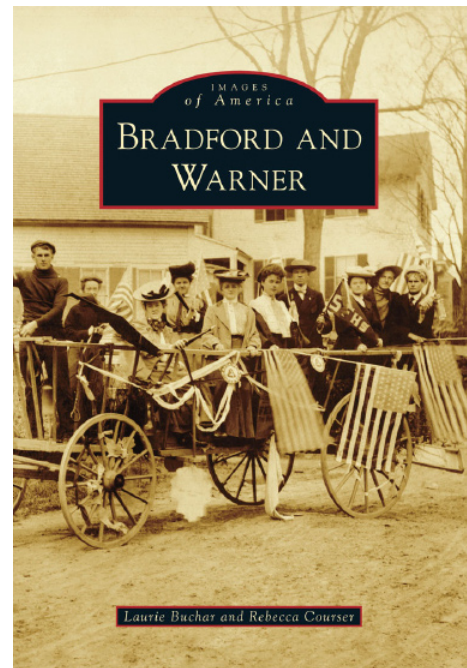
Buchar, a direct descendent of Paul Revere and archivist for the Bradford Historical Society, along with Courser, Executive Director of the Warner Historical Society scoured diaries, historical records and listened to stories to paint vivid images using old photographs as a road map to our mutual towns historical development starting in the late 1700's.

Bradford and Warner opens with the story of a local resident. "When Dorcas Presbury fell gravely ill in her log cabin in Bradford, her husband climbed Goodwin Hill and fired his musket. Their nearest neighbor, Israel Morrill, heard the shot in Warner, and his wife, Sarah, went on foot through the forest to offer help. Such was the scope of community and communication in the 1770's."

Residents of Bradford and Warner will delight in this book. The old adage, a picture is worth a thousand words holds true in Bradford and Warner. All profits from the book will be donated to the Bradford and Warner Historical Societies.

In addition, a beautiful companion map of both towns is available showing historical locations drawn by Bradford resident Bill Duffy. You can hear Buchar and Courser talk about their book at the Bradford Center Meeting House on August 19th at 7pm or at the Warner Town Hall August 17th at 7pm. You can purchase the book at either of the historical societies or attend a book signing in August or September.

Pre-order your copy by visiting the Bradford Historical Society on Saturday mornings from 10:00 am - noon or by calling 938-5372.



Meet the Authors

August 19
Bradford Center Meeting
House 7pm

September 7
Bradford Area Community Center
Senior Center Noon

September 19
Brown Memorial Library 7pm



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Town Boards

Budget Committee

The Second Quarter Report was reviewed; many questions were asked and answered. It was noted that one person is out on short term disability from the Executive Department and one on administrative leave from the Highway Department. .

New Budget Committee Worksheets were presented for the Board's comments before they are handed out with a letter of explanation to Department Heads. Another form for reimbursement was discussed, which needs to be approved by Department Heads. Chair Dick Keller handed out a Warrant Article Projections sheet for 2013, showing what is available now and what is needed for 2012 through 2015.

The next Budget Committee meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2012 at 6:30PM.

Planning Board

A site walk was held at O E Trucking, 10 Breezy Hill Road Map 3, Lot 74 - location of a proposed Automotive Recycling Center. Jon Warzocha, Horizon Engineering, represented owner Martyn Chivers, and presented a revised plan as he guided members of the Planning Board and Conservation Commission as they walked the premises.

Discussion followed at the public hearing concerning required state permits, finalizing the SWPPP (Solid Waste Pollution Prevention Plan), which must be filed with EPA, fencing of the site, and a proposed Lot Line Adjustment.

The Public Hearing was continued to August 14, 2012. At that time copies of the updated site plan and the lot line adjustment will be presented for the Board's action. If approved at that time and the appropriate state permits are in place, the Board of Selectmen will address the request for a permit to operate the facility.

Site Plan Approved The Board granted several requested waivers and approved the site plan application from Jesse Singh, represented by Laura Hallahan, to operate a commercial retail business at the location of the former Dodge's Store - Map 17, Lot 2 - East Main Street.

Access to Planning Board Files Based on legal advice, the Board unanimously approved the motion: **The Planning Board shall make records available for inspection and copying within five business days of request.**

RSA 91-A:4, I. gives the Board custody and control of its records. RSA 91-A:4, V. allows 5 business days when necessary. The decision will be forwarded to the Selectmen.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Board approved the application for a variance from Michael and Gisele Fournier, Map 22 - Lot 18 - East Shore Drive. The proposed building did not meet required setbacks.

The Public Hearing for a variance from the lot size requirements for a subdivision for Autumn Rose- Map 2, Lot 61 - Johnson Hill Road will be held on August 1, 2012 at 7:00pm.

Minutes of all Board meetings are on file at the Town Office and online at bradfordnh.org.



BHS FLOAT AMONG WINNERS

The Bradford Historical Society's float was one of the first prize winners for this depiction of a vivid scene from Bradford's past.

Brackett Scheffy portrayed Deacon William Presbury, reciting the Town Charter from 1787. Priscilla Parmenter portrayed Dorcas Presbury who left a life of leisure to follow her husband on snowshoes into the wilds of Bradford with her first child George in tow. Gregert Johnson gave a lively performance as the bear who fought Dorcas for her hogs. Bravo!

Happy 225th Anniversary, Bradford! Keep on the lookout for upcoming events at Bradford Center.

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Bradford 5K Results**Top Ten Men**

- 1 Connor Terhune, 17, Wilmot NH - 17:10
- 2 Tristan Amaral, 18, Warner NH - 18:10
- 3 Josh Haizdor, 19, Grantham NH - 18:10
- 4 Josh Werbenjagermanjense, 19, Shelton CT - 18:55
- 5 Jim Angell, 48, Contoocook NH - 18:56
- 6 Kevin Coyle, 22, Manchester NH - 19:33
- 7 Perry Seagroves, 59, Concord NH - 20:01
- 8 Jordan Vidal, 19, Shelton CT - 20:13
- 9 Dan O'Shea, 26, Norfolk MA - 20:16
- 10 James Westgate, 49, Sutton NH - 21:15

Top Women

- 1 Christin Doneski, 41, Hopkinton NH - 18:46
- 2 Catherine Chapin, 29, New London NH - 21:23
- 3 Lindy Heffernan, 18, Sutton NH - 21:31
- 4 Jane Chitkara, 43, Wayland MA - 21:42
- 5 Leslie Krichko-Townsend, 53, Ridgefield CT - 21:49
- 6 Bianca Schwarz, 27, Sunapee NH - 23:09
- 7 Felicia Mingrone, 19, Shelton CT - 23:44
- 8 Bridget Sweeney, 26, Philadelphia PA - 23:53
- 9 Sandy Staiti, 45, Wayland MA - 24:09

Other Local Star Runners**Bradford:**

Ellen Hersch, 77- 35:15 March Lebourdais, 28-26:08
 Ed MacLeod, 70-26:40 Justin Marr, 18-22:09
 Bob Wright, 72-29:27 Heather Labelle, 37-27:27
 Taryn Hubley, 11-28:42 Beth Fenton, 40-27:57
 Jacob Long, 10-27:42 James Raymond, 57-25:02
 John Pfeifle, 63-25:53 Mike Beaton, 52-24:36
 Peter Lebourdais, 63-27:49

Sutton: Mike Heffernan, 51-24:14

Newbury: Matthew Noyer, 11-28:45

Kathy Seidel, 50-28:45

Holly Von Svoboda 51-25:37

Manchester, NH: Tim McKenna, 34-30:13

Laura McKenna, 32-40:03

Holland, MA: Erin McKenna 36-39:57

Computerized timing and scoring provided by Granite State Race Series. For a complete listing go to coolrunning.com.

**Letters to the Editor****With sincere thanks**

Nita Battles would like to thank family, friends, neighbors, and the community for 53 years of loyal support to the Battles Farm. She extends sincere, heartfelt gratitude to the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust and to all those who generously donated their time and resources to the easement placed on the farm in October, 2011. Your hard work and dedication preserved and protected the farm from any future development, insuring the community and successive generations ownership of valuable farm land for perpetuity.

As of March 5, 2012, neither Nita Battles nor any member of the Battles Family have any affiliation with the Battles Farm and its business operations located at 328 Center Road, Bradford, NH.

It is with great expectation that Nita Battles gives thanks and closure to a long and rich past at Battles Farm and to look to the future to new beginnings.

Gentlemen,

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Cheryl

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Newbury

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Warner

Tuesday Evening Farmers' Market every Tuesday from 4 pm to 7 pm in the Jim Mitchell Community Park (or in The Gallery if raining) for the best of locally grown produce and products. Spread the Word!

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MainStreet BookEnds is proud to be the booksellers for the annual summer Reading Stories sponsored by the Warner Historical Society, showcasing locally and nationally known authors reading and talking about their books and personal experiences. Each event in the series is followed by a dessert reception with live music, a book signing and an opportunity to meet with the author.

August 11 - Addison Wiggin

August 18 - Donald Hall & Deborah Brown reading from the works of Maxine Kumin

August 25 - Howard Frank Moshier

A Fellowship After God's Own Heart is a new church that meets each Sunday at 10:00 AM at 22 East Main Street in Warner (downstairs at the NH Telephone Museum). The Reverend Andrew C. Gosnell is the Senior Pastor and Michelle Gosnell is the Music Director and worship leader.

The website, "www.fellowshipagoh.org", gives more information about a Fellowship After God's Own Heart and its ministry. A warm welcome is extended to all. Pastor Andy can be reached by email at agoh@tds.net.

Springfield

Thursday, August 16, 2:30 – 5:30 pm
Star Lake Farm – Pitcher Hill Hike
Join ASLPT Land Protection Specialist Beth Mc Guinn for a hike up the new Pitcher Hill Trail, opening in the summer of 2012 as a result of the Star Lake Farm Conservation Easement. The hike will be about 1 mile round trip, with some steep ledgy areas. Participants should wear sturdy hiking boots and carry a water bottle. Refreshments will be provided. Please let us know you plan to attend by contacting Nancy Smith at the Ausbon Sargent office – 526-6555 or email nsmith@ausbonsargent.org. Co-sponsored by the Springfield Conservation Commission

Georges Mills

Wednesday, August 22, (rain date 8/29), 2:30 – 5:30 pm
Join Andy Deegan for a canoe/kayak tour of Otter Pond. The tour will begin at the Otter Pond Beach and follow the northern shore of the pond. We will be highlighting the several conservation easements that Ausbon Sargent holds on properties that surround the pond. Please bring a canoe or kayak if you have one, as well as life vests. Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to Nancy Smith at the Ausbon Sargent Office at 526-6555 or e-mail nsmith@ausbonsargent.org and we will send along detailed parking information.



Bradford 225th Anniversary t-shirts are modeled here by two local girls, Anna Buchar and Elizabeth Forgiel. Show your town spirit and get your commemorative t-shirt while supplies last! \$10.00 each. Stop in at the Bradford Historical Society any Saturday from 10 am - noon.

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Kearsarge Community Band



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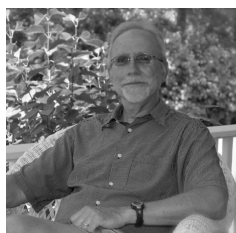
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Geoffrey Hirsch is a resident of Bradford and a former resident of Henniker. He is a retired educator and businessman – the owner, along with his wife Sarah, of Old Road Antiques in Bradford. Geoffrey has served on the Henniker Planning Board as a resident of that town and now owns a home and business in Bradford. He understands how legislative action in Concord affects the people of Bradford and Henniker. He is the only candidate from Bradford, a town unrepresented for the past two years. Geoffrey will represent the citizens of Bradford and Henniker with the experience and insight gathered from his residency in both towns and with the reasonable, compassionate and inclusive values that define his values and character.

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Vote on **Tuesday, November 6, 2012** (General Election)



Tom Riley led Cemetery Tours on Saturday mornings in July to an interested group of a dozen local folks. Seen here is a cannonball tribute to lost Civil War soldiers in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Original Bradford Town Hall Door Latch



Made in 1796 by blacksmith Richard Cressy and engraved with images of angels and the wording "While Truth and Benevolence Reign Within, the Angels Keep the Door"

All profit from sale of this limited edition of solarplate etchings by J. Ann Eldridge will be donated to the Rural Heritage Connection's Cornerstone Fund for the restoration of the Bradford Town Hall. Prints are 10" x 14" and are \$70 framed and \$55 matted but unframed. For more information, call Ann at 938-5266

Note: anyone with information on which member of the Cressy family had the latch last, please contact the Bradford Historical Society at 938-5372.



First Baptist Church News

by Lynne Hubley

Our youth group, a/k/a Focus Factor, has a lot to look forward to during the month of August. Ten of our youth will be traveling to Soul Fest, a Christian Worship Festival, on Friday and Saturday August 3rd and 4th. On Sunday August 12, they will be joining our church family at the home of Tom and Judy Marshall on Lake Massasecum for a Beach Party immediately following our worship service. Our youth will be helping with the Car Hop held on Saturday, August 18 and on Sunday August 26, they will meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. and travel to the Austin Home in Webster, NH for an hour of singing and visiting with the residents.

Beach Party/Cookout: On Sunday August 12, immediately following the Worship Service, we will travel to the home of Tom and Judy Marshall for a Beach Party/Cookout. Everyone is asked to bring a salad or dessert to share and their own meat to grill.

Bible Studies/Discipleship Classes. We have several Bible Studies and Discipleship classes going on during the summer. Please call the church office at 938-5313 to find out dates, times and study topics.

Food Pantry: Our pantry will be open on Wednesday, August 15 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Food can also be picked up at other times by calling the church office at 938-5313 to arrange for a more convenient time.

Car Hop: Our Board of Christian Education is putting on a Car Hop on Saturday, August 18 from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. You can eat in your car or at a table underneath a tent. Hot dogs, hamburgers and all kinds of ice cream treats will be sold. There will be live 50's music provided by Molly's Classy Klassics.

Bradford Center Meeting House: Our annual Bradford Center Meeting House worship service will be held on Sunday, August 26 at 10:00 a.m.

HAVE A MUSICAL SUMMER!



Summer is a great time to start or continue piano lessons. Experienced, local teacher has limited openings for summer lessons in piano or guitar. Beginners of all ages welcome! For details call: 938-2964 (Bradford)

Local Food Guide



The third annual Merrimack County Food Guide is now available. If you did not receive a guide distributed by the Concord Monitor please email the Merrimack County Conservation District at info@merrimackccd.org or call us at 223-6023 and we'll get one out to you in the mail. Copies available at BML. Visit your local farm and farmers' market this summer!

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AUGUST CALENDAR

Wed. August 1st

10:30 AM-Yoga with Fran
6:00-7:00PM-Night Magic,
Summer Reading Program, BML
6:00PM-Yoga
6:15 -8:00PM-Bible Study
7:00PM-Zoning Board of Adjustment

Thurs. August 2nd

12 Noon-Senior Dining
1PM-Mahjong Group
3:00-6:00PMFarmer's Market
call Michelle at 938-2055 or
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Fri. August 3rd

11:30AM-First Friday Brunch raffle,
music, door prizes. Reserve early!
7:00PM-Book-to-Movie, BML

Sun. August 5th

2:00PM-Band Concert and Ice Cream
Social Bradford Center Meetinghouse

Mon. August 6th

1:00PM-Bridge Group
5:30-7:00PM-Selectmen's meeting

Tues. August 7th

9:00-Warner CAP
10:00AM-Stitches from the Heart
Quilting Group
12 Noon-Senior Dining
1 PM-Watercolor class

Wed. August 8th

10:00AM-Yoga with Fran
6:00-7:00PM-Night Magic, BML
6:00-Yoga
6:15 -8:00PM-Bible Study

Thurs. August 9th

12 Noon-Senior Dining
1PM-Mahjong Group
3:00-6:00PM-Farmer's Market
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Sat. August 11th

9-11:00AM Writing Group
10:00AM-4:00PM-Antique Quilt Show
Meetinghouse Tour
5:00-7:00PM-Library Fundraising Din-
ner St. Peter's Masonic Lodge

Mon. August 13th

1PM-Bridge Group
5:30 PM-Selectmen's Meeting
7:00 PM-Rural Heritage Connection

Tues. August 14th

10:00AM-Stitches from the Heart
11:30AM-BBQ Picnic at Winslow State
Park. Call to reserve your spot.
4:30PM-BACC Governance Board
7:00PM-Planning Board

Wed. August 15th

9:00AM-Warner CAP
10:00AM-Yoga with Fran
10:30AM-Depart for Field Trip Lake
Sunapee Cruise
6:00PM-Yoga
6:15 -8:00PM-Bible Study

Thurs. August 16th

10:30AM-12 Noon-Blood Pressure
Clinic LSVNA
12 Noon-Senior Dining followed by
"How Safe Is Your Home"
1:00PM-Mahjong Group
1:00-3:00PM-Foot Care Clinic
LSVNA Call 526-4077
3:00-6:00PM-Farmer's Market
call Michelle at 938-2055 or
bradfordfarmmarket@gmail.com
4:30PM-Parks & Rec. Committee

Fri. August 17th

9:30-11:30AM Foot Care Clinic by
LSVNA at North Ridge
10:00AM-Movie: "Money Ball "
12 noonish-Café Bienvenue
7:00PM-Third Friday Movie, BML

Sun. August 19th

7:00PM-Historical Photo Show &
Book Release Bradford Center Meet-
inghouse

Mon. August 20th

1: 00PM-Bridge Group
5:30PM-Selectmen's Meeting

Tues. August 21st

9:30-11:30AM-LSVNA Foot Care
Warner Pharmacy
10:00AM-Stitches from the Heart
12 Noon-Senior Dining

Wed. August 22nd

10:00AM-Yoga with Fran
10:30AM-12 Noon Blood Pressure
ClinicWarner Senior Rm.
6:00PM-Yoga
6:15-8:00PM-Bible Study
7:00PM-Library Book Group @BML
"Labor Day" by Joyce Maynard

Thurs. August 23rd

9-Noon-Warner CAP
12 Noon-Senior Dining
1PM-Watercolor class
3:00-6:00PM-Farmer's Market
call Michelle at 938-2055 or
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Fri. August 24th

7:00PM-Understanding Bobcats in
New Hampshire, Senior Room

Sat. August 25th

9:00AM-Writing Group

Mon. August 27th

1PM-Bridge Group
5:30PM-Selectmen's Meeting

Tues. August 28th

10:00AM-Stitches from the Heart
12 Noon-Senior Dining
1PM-Watercolor class
4:30PM-BACC Governance Board
7:00PM-Planning Board

Wed. August 29th

10:00AM-Yoga with Fran
6:00PM-Yoga
6:15 -8:00PM-Bible Study

Thurs. August 30th

12 Noon-Senior Dining
1PM-Mahjong Group
3:00-6:00PM-Farmer's Market
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For scheduling activities at the BACC,
please call 938-6228 or 938-2522

All events take place at the Brad-
ford 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

BACC-Bradford Area Community
Center
BBC-Bradford Baptist Church
BML-Brown Memorial Library
FGC-Fish & Game Clubhouse
Gillingham Drive
KAP-Kearsarge Area Preschool
KRES-Bradford Elemen. School
MVSC-Mountain View Senior Ctr
TH-Bradford Town Hall

Parks & Recreation Update

Parks and Rec thanks all who helped with the Fourth of July Celebration. The wonderful donations of time and food for the Beef Roast, It was definitely enjoyed by all who attended. The 5K road race was wonderful again this year! Check our face book page for pictures as the runners came in. There were 153 runners with Coner Terhune 17 of Wilmot NH 1st place in 17:10. Christin Doneski 41 of Hopkinton NH 1st in female division in 18:46. Taryn Hubley, 11, was 1st in her age division age 10-14 with 28:42.

The Red Cross Blood Mobile was a success again with 38 presenting and 33 accepted donors (including 5 first timers), exceeded the goal by 5. Our Batonettes were once wonderful and took 2nd place in the parade! Special thanks to Joni and Debbie and Miss Donna for the time spent putting this together. Super Special thanks to Pickman and Son's for the trophies! Turnout for swimming lessons has been great - almost 40 preregistered and 22 more by the end of day two. We apologize for the confusion and change in dates.

Again thanks for all the support. Anyone interested in joining Parks and Rec, please leave a message at 938-6228 or come to a meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month - 4:30 at the BACC. WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING NEW MEMBERS/VOLUNTEERS.

Town Clerk Update

I would like to extend my thanks to all those who helped make signs and the miniature office for the Town Clerk Float. We had a lot of fun being in the parade.

Just a note that on August 17th, Boat Registrations will not be able to be processed in our office. If you need to have it done that day and are unable to wait till Monday, August 20th, please feel to go to one of our neighboring towns.

We will again be opening our windows for the following Saturdays in August: August 11 and August 25 from 9:00 to Noon.

Remember the State Primary Election will be held on September 11, from 8:00am – 7:00pm at the Kearsarge Regional Elementary School on Old Warner Road. Absentee Ballots are now available.

It will be Mandatory for all Ballot Clerks to take the training course on Monday, September 10, for either the 10:00 am or 7:00pm class. Counters will also have a mandatory training class. Date that class will be held is still to be determined.

Erica Gross, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Ongoing Events

Bradford Barter-2nd Saturday at 10AM at First Baptist Church/call 938-2777 for info

Children's Storytime - Mondays at 10 am and Wednesdays at 10:30AM at BML

Cemetery Commission - 2nd Thursday at 6PM/Call 938-5539 for info

Conservation Commission - 3rd Tuesday at 7PM, BML

Fish and Game Club -1st Monday 7PM at Fish and Game Club

First Friday Bunch -11:30AM at MVSC, reservations appreciated/ call 938-2104 for info

Historical Society - Saturdays, 10 am-noon, or by appointment, call 938-5372

Library Trustees -1st Wednesday at 6:00PM BML

Planning Board - 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7PM, BACC

Rural Heritage Connection - 2nd Monday, 7PM, BACC

Selectmen's Meeting - Every Monday 5:30PM, BACC

Zoning Board - 1st Wednesday, 7:00PM, BACC

Finally There

At long last all of the old issues of the Bridge are online at:

Bradfordbridge.com.

Some of the earlier issues are not that clear so if there is a specific issue that you would like re-entered, just let us know and we will re-scan it . We have hard copies of almost all the old issues. Take a look at our town's past history and reminisce.

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Meetings of all Town Boards and Committees

will be held at the
Bradford Area Community Center
until further notice.



Monday and Tuesday Art
Lessons. For information,
contact Becky Darling
rdarling@mcttelecom.com

10 Questions from pg 1

We met in Sunday school. Phyllis said that she always liked Dick and when he was away in the army she began to write him letters during the three years he was overseas. Phyllis explained that it was a long courtship since Dick did not want to marry until he had finished college. They were married in 1951 and recently had their 61st anniversary.

Q. Were you surprised when you were chosen as grand marshals in the July parade? What were your reactions to this honor?

We were really surprised and pleased. We had no idea that we would be chosen to ride in a convertible in the parade. It was wonderful to ride down Main Street and hear the sounds of our neighbors wishing us well. "It was really gratifying," they both said with a smile.

Q. Your history is embellished by many experiences with travel, awards, and certificates for both of you. How did you find the time to live a normal life and raise your two daughters?

"I grew up in a family that did community things so it seemed natural to give back. I had a sense that after working for so many years that the next years would be ones of commitment," Dick explained. Phyllis was also a person who enjoyed so many volunteer efforts. She loved her church work and enjoyed community theater.

Q. Phyllis, you mentioned that your early education did not include plans for college. You graduated from high school and then went to work. Money was not available to pursue your education but the dream was always there.

I always wanted to go to college. There was no money for it. I worked in a bank after high school. I did enjoy my job and worked for seven years for the Athol Bank. I did all the computer work without a computer. I kept books and greeted customers. It was a great job. It was nineteen years after high school that I had the opportunity to study again. It took me many years but I finished college with a Bachelor of Science (BS) from William Patterson University in Com-

munity Health Education. I did it over the years both part time and full time since we traveled for Dick's job and I had two daughters to raise. It was a period of time when there was only one other student who was older, the rest of the students were normal age college kids.



Q. Phyllis you mentioned the fact that you are a Mayflower descendent. Would you like to tell me about that?

I had known about my ancestry and discovered that I was a descendent of John Alden, Priscilla Mullin and Miles Standish. It's been exciting to get to know other descendents and it was interesting to compare notes with people at the various meetings I attended.

Q. Dick, what was your reaction to Phyllis and her historical background?

I was totally impressed. I wondered why Phyllis married a recent immigrant whose family arrived here in 1860. I was very pleased and proud to be married to a Mayflower descendent.

Q. Dick, your contributions to Bradford are so numerous. It seems that you have boundless energy. You coordinated the 1987 Bicentennial celebration and won the governor's award for that effort. You were involved in the relocation and restoration of the Old Schoolhouse #1 at Bradford Center. You worked a number of years with various multi-town groups researching the correlation between how district monies were spent and the quality of education received by the students. I would need another article to include all your volunteer efforts.

What was the most satisfying effort for you?

I believe that the most satisfying was the Bi-Centennial in 1987. It was a time of cooperation and people working together for a common cause. Governor Sununu attended and that was another highlight for me. The Fly-Over from Pease Air Force Base was magnificent.

Q. You have both done so much in your lives. It is difficult to pin down the most productive and satisfying time. Phyllis can you answer the question first and then Dick?

When we came to Bradford I was a mother and my children were all important to me. I wanted to do and give them everything. Early on, I plunged in and joined the Baptist Church, then The Women's Club. I very much enjoyed working as a board member while the Bradford Area Community Center (BAAC) was organizing. We all worked so hard to get things moving and operating. It was a wonderful time and to see the Center begin to operate was thrilling. We all worked together and the goal was accomplished.

Dick: When I began my career after college, I was an ordinary engineer. By the time I retired I did start-ups all over the world. My job was to check all of the plant starts. The highlight for me was when the jobs went well. It was a satisfying feeling not to have messed up. Exxon was a good employer and an interesting company to work for.

Q. What are your plans for the years ahead? Life goes by both quickly and slowly. Do you have ideas that you want to pursue either here or elsewhere? Do you have unfulfilled desires ahead?

We've been doing some soul searching. Our thoughts were that we would leave here for somewhere else. Our conclusion is that we would like to stay in our home and live here as long as we can manage. We love this town, our home, and the idea that our family can visit and we can enjoy our daughters and grandchildren. There aren't any unfilled desires. We do both wish for good health and a good life.

LETTVIN CONCERTS:

A review
by Marilyn Zifrin

On Friday, July 6th and Sunday, July 8th, Bradford and neighboring communities were privileged to attend the 20th anniversary of the Lettvin concerts at the Bradford Meeting House in Bradford Center. Friday's program was presented by "Trio Clavino" whose members are Doris Hall-Gulati, clarinet; Simon Maurer, violin and viola; and Xas Pan, piano. They gave a varied program with works by Mozart, Khachaturian, Robert Schumann, and contemporary works by John Carbon, Ping Jin, and Peter Schickele. One of the more interesting works was "Trio Kinetica" by Carbon who was born in 1951. The first two of this three movement work uses only the viola and bass clarinet which changes the tone of the ensemble and makes for a delightful variety of sound. The "Three folk songs from Blue Lake" by Ping Jin were written for this group and they too, were very interesting.

Most of the second half of the program consisted of music by Robert Schumann with one of the works "Machenbilder (Fairy Tales)" opus 113, for viola and piano alone. The final work was a set of fun pieces by Peter Schickele. And in response to the enthusiastic applause of the grateful audience, they performed the "Hoedown" from Rodeo by Aaron Copland. It was a very warm evening and doubtless the heat kept some people from attending; but those who did were treated to a fine and varied program performed by superb musicians.

Sunday's afternoon concert was presented by Ronald Lantz, violin; and Laura Kargul, piano. The opening piece was a New Hampshire premiere, the "Sonata for Violin and Piano" written in 1913-1914 by the French composer Jacques de la Presli who died in 1969. It is an interesting work written just prior to the start of the first World War in which he served. This was followed by a short work written by Lili Boulanger, the younger sister of the famous composition teacher, Nadia Boulanger.

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Internet in the Wild

Bill Thompson

It's an interesting job - building and maintaining a network where no one else has gone. The famous commentator Paul Harvey used to end each piece with the familiar phrase, "And now you know the rest of the story." The effort to bring Internet to the south and east shores of Lake Massasecum is a "rest of the story" kind of story. Most of the time you'll find me in my shop bent over a dead computer. But my tool kit also includes snowshoes and a rifle.

Two summers ago the first wireless customer at Lake Massasecum came on-line. We had learned how to harness solar energy, focus an antenna, and manage remotely. Heavy components had been walked up the steep trail - all without government grants, but I won't go there. Then came our year of discovery. Solar-powered means only when the sun shines on the east side of the hill on a clear day. Low-voltage disconnect means the controller was designed to save the batteries not serve the load. Outdoor cabling was not moose-proof. Near-line-of sight (NLOS) means it just won't work where most people want to live. The 100-meter limit for ethernet protocol does not permit 101. Low-temperature-rated means zero degrees Centigrade (merely freezing to most of us.) And power-over-ethernet (POE) means most of it is wasted in the wire.

Probably I've confused everyone by now except the IT guys with the corner office whose budget is more than our net worth. But those guys have to drive to work because you can't telecommute on 768K, or on a foggy day at the lake. Nor is it for day traders. The frequent 5-second drops could ruin a day's work. But it actually works... pretty well...in the middle of the night...after facebook primetime. One soul reported he actually streamed a movie and enjoyed it!

Now when on-site maintenance is required it's a different kind of job. Lace up tall boots, load the network laptop in a backpack with test equipment, water bottle and rifle shells. The cell phone is in case you break a leg on the granite face or need to call a day trader to run a speed check. I guess I skipped over the rifle shells too quickly. This year so many bear have been sighted in the area that a rifle is a necessary piece of safety equipment - you know, just like Grizzly Adams. But bear are not my only concern. One day while hiking down from a maintenance trek I inadvertently got too close to a group of turkey chicks. I didn't see or hear them in the tall underbrush but a noise behind me caught my attention. I turned to face a mad mother hen coming at me with outstretched wings. I think she intended to peck my belt buckle

but I used my hiking stick to fend her off about 4 feet. I backed off a little and she stopped lunging toward me. One of the chicks ran across the path behind me and then I knew what the mayhem was about. That mother made it perfectly clear that she had no use for the Internet man and that her chicks would not waste their summer months on Skype or YouTube. I didn't expect any customers on the western side of the lake, anyway.

I forgot to mention the solar panels are in a waist-high field of raspberries. One hot day I went up with short sleeves for comfort and came down the mountain with arms scratched and bleeding from my routine cable inspection. I get back to my office and listen to my voice messages while I pick the ticks out of my hair, "Hello Bill, this is XXXX. Can you give me any more speed." Sure, I said under my breath, "Over my dead body."

Public Notice



Attention Boaters & Fishermen

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fishing lures and paddles
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Milfoil areas on Lake Massasecum
are marked by milk jugs, labeled
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Lake Massasecum Improvement
Association

Selectmen's Highlights

Transfer Station: Request from Lois Kilnapp to dispense with charges for refrigerators, microwaves, appliances with Freon and propane tanks was approved. They are picked up at no cost to the town.

Highway Department: Weekly reports are filed detailing completed and upcoming work by the department. Check minutes at bradfordnh.org. An outbuilding near the highway garage was repaired. David Camire Jr. was thanked for his help.

Residents of Fairgrounds Road have complained about vibration and black oily dust since the pavement was ground. Calcium chloride has been spread and the road will be watered as needed. The crew is working to replace culverts and remove rocks, but re-paving is not scheduled for this year. Police will be asked to keep travel speed slowed down.

The grader has been serviced with special oil being used. New tires have been purchased. No additional problems are anticipated.

In response to a letter of concern about highway department personnel, Chair Harry Wright said the situation is transient and not a long term issue.

Health Officer: Selectmen approved the appointment of Rob Steiz as Bradford's Health Officer.

Agenda: Administrator Behr said the agenda for selectmen's meetings will close on Fridays at 11 am and be put online as soon as possible after that.

Minutes of all meetings are on file at the Town Office and online at bradfordnh.org.



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Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

LIBRARY DINNER. Our pals, the Masons of St. Peter's Lodge, have once again generously offered to host a Library Fundraising Dinner on Saturday, August 11. Come along, bring your friends and family for a ham and chicken dinner with fixings and homemade desserts. Alan "Doc" Rogers and his guitar will provide musical entertainment. The dinner is from 5 to 7pm and costs \$8 for adults, \$5 for children 10 and under; children under 5 eat for free!

SUMMER READING. The Summer Reading Program for ages 6-12 continues from 6-7pm on Wednesdays, August 1 and 8. Children may attend any or all programs. Library Story Times with children's librarian Laurie Buchar continue all summer Mondays at 10am and Wednesdays at 10:30.

BOOK-TO-MOVIE. This month we read *Treasure of Green Knowe* by L.M. Boston and compare it to the movie version on Friday, August 3 at 7pm. In September it is time to revisit a classic. We will read *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee and watch the movie masterpiece on Friday, September 7 at 7pm.

THIRD FRIDAY MOVIE. On Friday, August 17 at 7pm we will watch a movie by Finnish director, Aki Kaurismäki. Reviewer Louise Keller writes "There's something extremely pure about this simple yet beautiful film in which ordinary people do extraordinary things." In September (Friday, the 21st at 7pm) we will show a documentary that traces the history of *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

LIBRARY BOOK GROUP. The library has plenty of copies of Joyce Maynard's Labor Day for our August 22 (at 7pm) book discussion. Join us in welcoming Joyce to our library as we explore the book's themes of motherhood, redemption and coming of age.

BOOK SALE. Our next book sale is on Saturday, September 1 from 9am to 2pm. New donations are always coming in!

Some of the books added to your library in July:

For adults

The Fallen Angel - Daniel Silva
Porch Lights - Dorothea Benton Frank
Summerland - Elin Hilderbrand
The Sandcastle Girls - Chris Bohjalian
Creole Belle - James Lee Burke
I, Michael Bennett - James Patterson
The Case of the Deadly Butter Chicken - Tarquin Hall
Life Everlasting : the animal way of death - Bernd Heinrich
The Ocean of Life: the fate of man and the sea - Callum Roberts
Overdressed: the shockingly high cost of cheap fashion - Elizabeth L. Cline

For children

Libby of High Hopes - Elise Primavera
The False Prince - Jennifer A. Nielsen
Divergent - Veronica Roth
Sweet Dreams - Rose A. Lewis
Horsefly and Honeybee - Randy Cecil
Ghost Knight - Cornelia Funke



Lake Massasecum Flare Night

Lake Massasecum Improvement Association's flare night is Sept 2nd at 8:00pm. Flares are available at the Casino. Proceeds from the flares (\$4.00 each) help to keep our lake healthy with water quality testing. Join us around the lake and at French's Park.

We hope you will come to see the lake light up for the last time this season. The lake is a source of pride for all of Bradford to enjoy.

LETTVIN CONCERTS (continued from page 13)

Two other short pieces followed by Liszt and Faure. The main work on the program, the "Sonata in A Major" by Cesar Franck was beautifully performed after intermission and concluded this very fine concert.

Everyone who attended these excellent programs must feel deeply grateful to Bradford and the Lettvin committee for bringing such superb musicians for the community. It is a rare treat to hear such fine performers, and may the tradition continue for many years.



Bobcats!

Friday August 24 at 7:30 PM at the Bradford Area Community Center, the Bradford Conservation Commission will host a presentation by the NH Fish and Game Department titled Understanding Bobcats in New Hampshire. It will explain the natural history of the bobcat in the northeast and cover current research on their lives in NH in particular. (Did you know that the 15-35 pound bobcat is capable of killing a deer in deep snow?)

Light refreshments will be served. The program is free and all are welcome to attend.

Obituaries

Robert "Bob" Joseph Steiner, 83, of Hooksett and Manchester, died June 24, 2012, after a long illness. Bob was born November 8, 1928 in Bridgeport, CT, and was the son of Ruth and Gilbert Steiner. He served as a member of the Counterintelligence Corps in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was recently recognized by General Robert Cone for his 35 years of dedicated work with students seeking admission to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY.

Steiner was a member and a clerk of the Manchester School Board through the 1970's. He was a Trustee of the Eastern States Exposition and judged the Martha's Vineyard Agricultural Fair for 25 years. He is a lifelong member of the Southport, CT, volunteer fire department and was an avid collector of both American Flyer Trains and milk bottles. Locally, Steiner was active in the Friends of Stark Park Association; Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, the Leather Helmets Society and was a member of the Hooksett Conservation Commission.

Steiner received a Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture from the University of Connecticut and was a trainer for the UCONN Husky Dog. Steiner received his Master's Degree in Education from the University of Rhode Island.

Steiner spent a career working in the field of education. In New Hampshire he helped start the Merrimack Valley Branch of the University of NH (now UNH-Manchester). He later served as Director of the Extension Division for Hawthorne College, Chairman of the Animal Science Department for Essex Agricultural and Technical Institute, and was an instructor in veterinary technology at Alvirne High School. He was appointed by President George Bush as the Northeast Regional Director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farmers Home Administration.

He is survived by his wife, Norma Haines Bolduc Steiner; three children, Jonathan Steiner and his wife Robin Ryan Steiner of Bradford, NH &

Lexington, KY; R. James Steiner and his wife Theresa of Concord, Martha "Marti" Steiner Jones of Manchester; three step-sons, Michael Bolduc and his wife Karen of Auburn, Jeffrey Bolduc and his wife Debra of Manchester, and Thomas Bolduc of Port St. Lucie, FL; five grandchildren and four step grandchildren.

Bob was predeceased by his first wife, Lee Anne Schnizer Steiner in 2007. Memorial contributions may be made to Friends of Stark Park, PO Box 1485, Manchester, NH 03105. Visit: www.goodwinfh.com to sign an online guestbook.

Earl B. Webb, Jr. died June 30, 2012 in Bradford, at his family summer home on Lake Massasecum, after a courageous year-long battle with lung cancer.

He was predeceased by his parents, Earl and Blanche (Cutler) Webb of Natick, MA; his sister, Betty Jane (Webb) Snyder; and the best real dog, German Shepherd Sadie.

His family will miss his strength, dry humor, wisdom, kindness and love. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Susan; daughters, Heidi, and her husband Drake Lessard Sr. of Concord; and Wendy and her husband Tracey Sopinsky Sr. of Pembroke; grandchildren, Heather and Drake Lessard Jr. and Step-grandchildren Tracey, Jr. and Vincent Sopinsky and his partner Leigh Hofmeister and their daughter Ashleigh; his sister, Martha (Webb) Willis and her husband Robert; and nieces & nephews and their families.

Born in Natick, MA, on Jan. 21, 1943, Earl graduated from Natick

High School in 1961 and entered the U.S. Coast Guard as soon as he turned 18. Earl served on the USCGC Humboldt during the Cuban Missile Crisis and was honorably discharged in 1965.

In November of 1963 he married the love of his life, Susan. In 1965, they moved to New Hampshire to raise a family. He worked for Star Market in Stoneham, MA until 1972 when he fulfilled a lifelong dream of becoming a police officer. He proudly served the City of Concord as a Patrolman from 1973 until his retirement in 1993. Not one to sit idle for long, he worked a number of years for Leighton Logging and for the last 10 years at the Lumber Barn in Bradford.

He loved the outdoors, was a great storyteller, and loved to hunt and fish (was proud of his life-time hunting and fishing license). Every summer he planted a garden just like his father did. The most special time for him was his summers on the lake. There was nowhere else he wanted to be during his final days.

Earl loved to ride his Harley and was a 25-year member of the NH Blue Knight's Chapter serving as its treasurer for three years. Donations can be made in Earl's name to the Concord Police Patrolmen's Association,

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August is recognized as National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM). The goal of NIAM is to increase awareness about immunizations across the life span, from infants to the elderly.

August is the perfect time to remind family, friends, co-workers, and those in the community to catch up on their vaccinations. Parents are enrolling their children in school, students are entering college, and healthcare workers are preparing for the upcoming flu season.

Why are immunizations important?

Immunization is one of the most significant public health achievements of the 20th century. Vaccines have eradicated smallpox, eliminated wild poliovirus in the United States and significantly reduced the number of cases of measles, diphtheria, rubella, pertussis and other diseases. But despite these efforts, people in the U.S. still die from these and other vaccine-preventable diseases.

Vaccines offer safe and effective protection from infectious diseases. By staying up-to-date on the recommended vaccines, individuals can protect themselves, their families and friends and their communities from serious, life-threatening infections.

Who should be immunized?

Getting immunized is a lifelong, life-protecting community effort regardless of age, sex, race, ethnic background or country of origin. Recommended vaccinations begin soon after birth and continue throughout life. Being aware of the vaccines that are recommended for infants, children, adolescents, adults of all ages and seniors, and making sure that we receive these immunizations, are critical to protecting ourselves and our communities from disease.

When are immunizations given?

Because children are particularly vulnerable to infection, most vaccines are given during the first five to six years of life. Other immunizations are recommended during adolescent or adult years and, for certain vaccines, booster immunization are recommended throughout life. Vaccines against certain diseases that may be encountered when traveling outside of the U.S. are recommended for travelers to specific regions of the world.

Lake Sunapee VNA and Hospice has or can easily obtain most vaccines and will conduct numerous seasonal vaccine clinics beginning in October 2012. If you have any questions about what vaccines you should have or if you have any questions about vaccines in general, please give us a call and one of our knowledgeable staff will speak with you.

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Bradford Business Association

The Bradford Business Association continued the same slate of officers and directors at its Annual Meeting in June. Membership renewals and new member applications will be mailed out shortly. In August the BBA will start a "Meet and Greet" with local businesses after hours. Watch for fliers announcing the dates. Also in August, the BBA will begin selling a wonderful ornament depicting three town landmarks with a push in the fall as a great holiday gift.

Look for a new quarterly newsletter and a new business brochure to be out by the end of the year. Laura Hallahan, President

More Area Events

Newbury

Saturday, August 18, 10am-3pm
Hay Day Family Festival

Face painting, petting zoo, Animals of New England, games, live music, children's art projects, scavenger hunt and delicious food. Members free, nonmembers pay site admission. The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens on Lake Sunapee, 456 Route 103A, Newbury, NH. For more information call 603-763-4789 x 3 or visit www.thefells.org.

Sunday, August 26, 4-7pm President Theodore Roosevelt Returns

Joe Wiegand, world-renowned Teddy Roosevelt repressor, presents the consummate "Rough Rider" through a one-man theater show. Cocktail reception and dinner. \$60 per person. Reservations required by August 20. Call 603-763-4789 x 3 or visit www.thefells.org.

Warner

August 11th, 5 to 6:30 pm Church Supper United Church of Warner Barbeque served outdoors (weather permitting) chicken, burgers, hot dogs, corn, salads, homemade dessert.

Outside

by Ann Eldridge

I forgot to write this article. If I had written it, it might have been about potatoes – or perhaps used the potato as a literary device - a background for other stories...

I might have written about the four-toed salamander, for instance. I had not seen one until an autumn a few years ago while digging potatoes. The smallest terrestrial vertebrate to be found here at 2 – 3.5", they live in forested swampy wetlands. They also, apparently, live with well-mulched 'yellow Finn' potatoes grown near forested swampy wetlands.



I would have explained why I was digging so many potatoes by hand, which would have digressed into a story about an early hibernating toad that I stabbed completely through the head with a spading fork while digging potatoes. This horrific event – for both the toad and myself – surprisingly, ended with both of us surviving and reappearing the next spring. However, I dig slowly by hand now.

The year of the salamander was the same year that bears harvested 45 hills of my potatoes. If I had carefully crafted an article, I would have been able to describe what an exemplary job they did. There were no 'volunteer' potatoes the following spring

after their efforts as there were in the part I had dug which was full of missed spuds. The bears came for the sunflowers I grew that year - the potatoes were just a starchy side dish. Surely it was more than one bear?


It takes much longer to write a short article than a long one. A rushed version would end up too long to mention that in the same year of the toad-induced hand-digging I hit upon an explosion of red-bellied snakes. Some snakes lay eggs, red-bellied snakes use the 'live birth' method. Why so many maternal-minded snakes chose the potatoes as a nursery is puzzling to me. At first I carefully air-lifted them out of harm's way, but there were so many that I eventually began to unceremoniously but gently toss them as I crawled down the rows.

And this was how I found the four-toed salamander – the subject I would have limited this article to if I'd had time to think about it. Most salamanders have four toes on the front and five on the rear. Why this salamander with nearly microscopic toes would be named for a feature that is so very overlookable is also baffling.

The more obvious features of this salamander are the white belly with black speckles and the odd constriction at the base of the tail. If a predator, a bird or a snake for instance, grabs the tail, the tail disconnects with no gore involved. The flailing tail might distract the threat long enough for the front end to escape to eventually re-grow the tail. Tails are useful appendages – both as handy 'pantries' for fat and as motion stabilizers

Without time to carefully craft an article, I might not figure out how to succinctly describe how this salamander builds nests in sphagnum moss and guards its eggs, cleaning and turning them to prevent algal buildup. Sometimes several females will nest communally. The eggs hatch and the diminutive larvae fall into the waters below. That is, except in years like this when a heat wave has vanished much of that water...

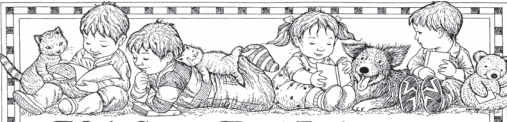
This is perhaps what I would have written about if I hadn't forgotten.



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Recycling Tips

by Lois Kilnapp

1. More than 3 billion aerosol cans are made in the U.S annually. Theoretically, if everyone recycled these containers there would be enough extra steel to manufacture about 400,000 automobiles.
2. Recycling 1 soda can saves 96% of the energy used to make a can from ore.
3. Recycling two 64 oz. laundry detergent bottles saves 1/2 cup of crude oil.

Sidewalks are Coming!!!

The sidewalk bid opening is July 31, 2012 at 10:00am in the Bradford Area Community Center – Youth Room. The bids will be read and the Engineering firm Kleinfelder Consulting Engineers will evaluate them for the apparent low bidder. The figures will then be forwarded to the State of NH Department of Transportation for approval. This should take approximately two weeks. Mobilization should begin within two weeks after the approval is issued by the state. The project is anticipated to be completed in 14 weeks.

Pulpits and Politics: Seven Meetinghouses, Seven Stories

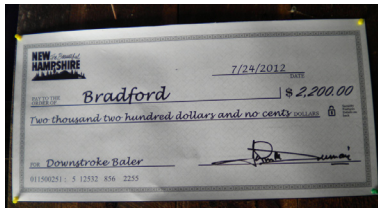
A Self-Guided Tour of Meetinghouses in the Lake Sunapee/Mount Kearsarge Region (Bradford, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sutton, Warner, Wilmot) Saturday, August 11, 2012 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Tour tickets are \$10.00 in advance, available at Lake Sunapee Savings Bank, or \$15.00 that day. Don't miss the Antique Quilt Show!

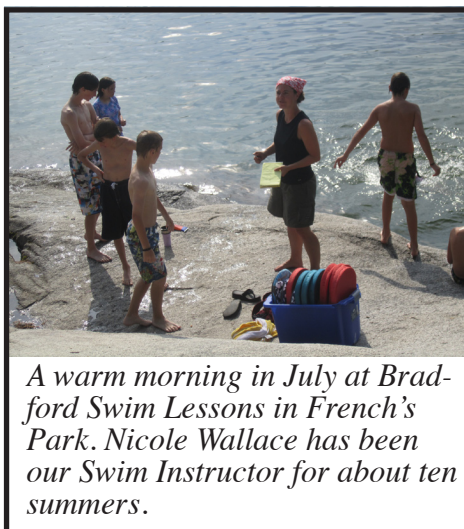


Magic at BML

Magic will prevail at Brown Memorial Library on August 8th at 6:00 pm when local children will perform an adaptation of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" as part of their Summer Reading Program. Don't miss a glimpse of fairies flitting about the grounds!



Grant check from NH the Beautiful to help fund a new baler at the Transfer Station



A warm morning in July at Bradford Swim Lessons in French's Park. Nicole Wallace has been our Swim Instructor for about ten summers.

Classified Ads

For Sale: Woodstove - \$100.00, Treadmill - \$ 50.00, Futon Couch - \$85.00 Call : 938-2831

For Sale: Sm. child's rocker - \$2.00, Lge. Bowling ball - \$5.00, Xmas tree ornaments, lights, etc. - \$25.00, Girl's Baver ice skates size 3 - \$3.00

Boy's Seneca Striders roller blades size 6, almost new - \$5.00
Knee pads - \$2.00, Metal tray table set - \$5.00

Taylor Smith – Taylor USA antique dish set, serv. for 12 - \$25.00

Wooden gun rack - \$5.00

Other things too numerous to mention. Please call: 938-2675.

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Ad copy should be sent in PDF format by the 15th of each month
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Call 938-5372 for details.

Aug. 5, 2 pm Kearsarge Band Concert - refreshments

Aug.11, 10-4 Meetinghouse Tour/ Quilt Show - set-up, hosts

Aug.19, 7 pm Bradford Book Launch Party - refreshments