

# THE Bradford Bridge

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## Challenge for Bradford

The Warner River flows from Lake Massasecum, most of the time! The northern end of our major lake is unique in that the outlet actually flows both ways depending on water height. The bridge over Melvin Brook, Route 114 end of Breezy Hill Road, was closed to traffic by a past Board of Selectmen, acting on State advice. The present Board voted to re-open the historic bridge with a covered structure suitable for a single lane of traffic and whatever other functions a "soon to be created" Committee approves.

Through a warrant item for the 2014 Town Meeting the Town will be asked to cover basic metal structural needs and fix what is there. Estimates run between \$7,000.00 and \$12,000.00. More investigation and efforts will be put into the design of the foundation ... we want to be safe while keeping costs as low as possible. To include many townfolk and control costs, the remaining structure will be built with private donations and 100% volunteer labor - materials provided at no cost by local enthusiasts.



*Circa 1920 Bridge over  
Melvin Brook*

### Contests

Design Contest open to all resident Bradford students from grades one through college.  
Sign Design contest open to any Bradford resident.

### Committees

#### Oversight and Design

Selectman Sonny Harris, members of town departments and an at large member will choose the winners who will receive proportional cash prizes from privately donated funds.

#### Building Oversight

Selectman John Pfeifle and John Mock for lumber and building - Provide Town interface.

**Financial Oversight** Organize donations and spending – Selectman Harry Wright and Chris Frey.

#### Donations

Timber and wood, including standing trees, volunteers to cut and transport logs to local saw mills. Volunteers on tap – Chris and John Mock, Perry Teele, Larry McDonald. Local wood made ready for building by local artisans and for the **Bridge Raising Team**.

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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.

### Selectmen's Office Hours 938-5900

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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  
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Town offices are temporarily  
located at BACC

## Letter from the Editor

Don't panic dear readers. 10 Question's move to inside The Bridge – page 8 - is only for this month. Look for it on page one in November. The Bridge was asked to assist the town by announcing the Design Contest for the Breezy Hill Road north bridge restoration. This editor was more than happy to cooperate. That bridge resides deep in my memory and I look forward to having it back in use.

The Bradford Bridge, as most newspapers, strives to remain current, timely, and provide the information needed by our readers. In our case, most of the material that is printed comes from you, our readers. The Bridge operates with the small staff listed to the left and, as you can see, there are no “reporters” on that list.

Without the monthly submissions from local organizations, our pages might be blank. How can you help? Suggest topics or articles that you would find useful. Send any ideas, suggestions or offers to volunteer to [contact.us@bradfordbridge.com](mailto:contact.us@bradfordbridge.com) and help The Bradford Bridge move on to the next 20+ years.

We note with sadness the recent passing of Alice and “Dick” Violette. They both played active roles in the growth of Bradford. Alice was one of our first telephone operators. “Dick” developed what was one of the finest community telephone companies in the country. Both will be missed.

This past week is what autumn in New Hampshire is all about – beautiful bright days with cloudless blue sky and abundant sunshine. Many years ago, we hosted a high school student who grew up in Malaysia. Even in the depths of a NE winter, it was difficult to convince her that a sunny day was not necessarily a warm one. I hope everyone saw the sunset on the 24th – one of the most spectacular in recent memory.

For now, it is enough to have the sun, watch the leaves turn gold and red and enjoy the lingering days of mild temperatures before the predicted “bitter” winter arrives. Take advantage of all the events listed in The Bridge - Community Center, Brown Memorial Library, KRES Bradford and in our neighboring towns. There is much to do and to enjoy, both indoors and out.

*Marcia Keller  
October Editor*



## Kearsarge Area Preschool News

*a message from the Director: Jessica Hearne*

A warm welcome to all for the 2013-14 school year! It's so great to be back and feel the excitement in the classroom as the children head into another great year! During the first few weeks we will be learning the routines for each day and the use of all the materials at school. In the first month of school we discuss how each of us is special. We will note our similarities, as well as our differences. Starting the fourth week, we will begin our "letter of the week", a letter and its sound will be introduced. We have already begun walking to the Brown Memorial Library for Wednesday story time!

Did you know Kearsarge Area Preschool is a cooperative preschool? Did you ever wish you could be a part of your child's classroom learning experience? A cooperative preschool could be just what you are looking for. KAP is located in the Bradford Area Community Center and serves several area towns. Families have an opportunity to share experiences and expertise with others while working together in a cooperative setting. Children at KAP participate in hands-on experiences in creative arts, music, science, literature and language. Families and children develop a strong sense of community as we work together to provide many opportunities and experiences in the town of Bradford.

KAP will be holding a huge multi-family yard / bake sale on Oct. 5th from 9am - 12 with a raindate of Oct 12. It will be held on the front lawn of the Bradford Community Center and will feature a great selection of children's Halloween costumes.

For more information on our full or part day sessions or an up-coming Open House, please call 938-2442. Joining KAP you will be directly involved in your child's first school experience! We are a community like no other.

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## Pingree Bridge Finds New Home

In 2010, Peter Ladd from Warner acquired the historic 'Pingree' bridge and moved it from West Salisbury repaired and painted and the necessary permits obtained to relocate it over the Warner River.

On September 18th, under State Police escort, the bridge was moved down Breezy Hill Road, along Route 103, then down West Robie Road where a crane lifted it in place.



*Pingree Bridge leaves Bradford*



*Spanning the Warner River*



*Peter Ladd and daughter Lindsay on the bridge*

## Area Events

### Warner

**August 1 - October 31 Exhibit: Reading Native Art** Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum 18 High-lawn Rd, Warner. See the many ways symbols and stories are incorporated into all types of art in the Contemporary Art Gallery. Admission to the art gallery is free. For more information: 603-456-2600, [info@indianmuseum.org](mailto:info@indianmuseum.org), [www.IndianMuseum.org](http://www.IndianMuseum.org)

**October 19, 6:30pm. Fundraising Auction and Social.** Live and silent auction, music and refreshments. Tickets \$10 members, \$15 non-members. Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum.

**Sunday, Oct. 6 @ 1 pm** Main-Street Bookends welcomes NH author Edie Clark to present her newest book *What There Was Not to Tell*- the story of her parents and the lasting impact WWII had on their lives, and all of our lives.

**October 11, 12, & 13 Warner Fall Foliage Festival**

**Bookends 15th Anniversary!**

**Saturday mornings, starting October 19 Music & Movement at MainStreet** Val Blachly will be offering classes for children. Pre-registration necessary

**Sunday, October 20 @ 2:30 pm Annual Saxophone Concert in The Gallery**  
Join Darlene Nevins for her annual concert!

### New London

**Sunday, October 20 at 3pm. Annual Meeting of the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust** - New London Historical Society on Little Sunapee Road. Proposed Bylaw changes, and installation of new Trustees. Social hour following. Any questions call the office at 526-6555 or visit [www.ausbonsargent.org](http://www.ausbonsargent.org)

### Newbury

**Saturday October 12 Sunapee Ragged Kearsarge Greenway (SRK) Fishersfield Trail above Chalk Pond**  
Help and learn how to move a large rock safely on trail.  
Contact: Nathan Richer ([nricher@ruger.com](mailto:nricher@ruger.com) or [ngricher@excite.com](mailto:ngricher@excite.com))  
Instructors: Appalachian Mountain Club AMC (Joe Dodge Camp staff).  
Hosts: Newbury Conservation Commission & SRKGC.

**The Fells** Historic Estate and Gardens, 456 Route 103A, Newbury, NH. 603-763-4789 x 3 or visit [www.thefells.org](http://www.thefells.org) <<http://www.thefells.org>>

**Saturday, October 5, 1-4pm Fungi Foray for Beginners**

**Sunday, October 6, 2013, 1:00-3:00pm** Bird Talk on the Veranda: Bird Songs for Beginners

**Sunday, October 13, 2013, 1-2pm** Poetry at The Fells: Readings by New Hampshire Poets, Patricia Fargnoli and James Fowler

### Concord

**October 4 - December 11, 2013 Members' Juried Exhibition** at the Gallery at The Craft Center and League of NH Craftsmen Headquarters.

Opening Reception: Friday, October 4, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
Awards Presentation: 6:00 pm.



### Leadership

### Opportunity for Girls

High-school age girls with an interest in government service and advocacy are invited to apply for Girls Rock the Capitol, a legislative internship led by Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains. No Girl Scout experience is needed.

This intensive program links girls to female legislators who act as mentors, while girls learn about and work on issues affecting the future of New Hampshire from inside the State House. Through GRTC girls become critical thinkers, work as a team to advocate for themselves and others, prepare for leadership roles in their schools and communities, and have a rich understanding of the Granite State democratic process.

To apply, contact Nicole Nolan toll-free at 888-474-9686 x142 or [nnolan@girlscoutsgwm.org](mailto:nnolan@girlscoutsgwm.org). Applications are due Oct. 31, 2013.

Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains serves more than 14,000 girls across New Hampshire and Vermont, thanks to 5,500 trained and dedicated volunteers. See [www.girlscoutsgwm.org](http://www.girlscoutsgwm.org) or call 888-474-9686 to register or join. We are a chartered council of Girl Scouts of the USA, celebrating 101 years of building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.



## Bradford News Notes

### Selectmen

By unanimous vote, the Selectmen discharged North Branch Company from the Town Hall Restoration Project.

### Town Hall Restoration

The committee is continuing its work with architect Dave Drasba to modify plans; has applied for grants and will undertake additional fund raising. Watch The Bradford Bridge for continuing updates.

### Bradford Independence Day Committee

Marlene Freyler submitted her resignation from the committee as of September 9 saying it is time for 'new blood' to assume the responsibility.

### Highway Department

Paving has been completed on Fairgrounds, Sunset Hill and Rowe Mountain Roads. Funds were appropriated at the March 2013 by warrant article and through the road bond approved by voters.

Roads to be shimmed this year include parts of West Main and Water Streets, parts of Center, Jones, Dump Roads, and others not yet identified.

### Safe Routes to Schools

Surveys will be sent to complete travel plans, which will be used by CNHRPC to develop plans to move the project forward. Volunteers, especially parents of students at KRES Bradford, are urged to contact Town Administrator Cheryl Behr at 938-5900 for more information.

### KRSD Budget Committee

Joe Conway recently submitted his resignation as Bradford's representative to the KRSD Municipal Budget Committee. Joe stepped in when Bernie Lamach resigned in 2003 and has ably served the Town since then. He has been Chair of the Committee from 2008 until the present.

The Bradford Board of Selectmen recommended Jim Bibbo to fill the remainder of the term until March 2014. The KRSD School Board confirmed the appointment on September 26.



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## Outside

by J. Ann Eldridge

By the time of this October publication, frost and powdery mildew will have ended the exuberance of the squashes. At this time of year my exuberance for the overly prolific summer squashes will have ended as well.

We really have only ourselves to blame for this gardener's bane of too much summer squash no matter how few plants we sow. Left to itself, a squash's intent is to set just a few fruit as quickly as possible. The plants will continue to flower as a sort of catastrophic insurance, but all energy is intended for those first big babies. The point, of course, is continuation of the species – i.e. seed production. We subvert this plan by frantically harvesting the tender things before their seeds ripen and their rinds harden. This causes the alarmed squash to set more fruit – which we then compulsively harvest. We are caught in a relationship of mutually escalating panic with opposing goals.



Farmers in Central America began intentionally breeding squash at least 9000 years ago. The progenitors of today's squash and melons were probably small, bitter, and valued for their seeds that are rich in oils and protein. The family *Cucurbitaceae* includes all squashes, cucumbers, melons, and gourds. The word 'pumpkin' has no botanical significance. It has historically been used to describe any inordinately large, round squash. The common garden varieties of squash can be further divided into four main groups – most easily distinguished by the characteristics of stem that is attached to the fruit. Our categorizing 'summer' and 'winter' squash is casual and cultural. ALL squash are edible (though some are not very palatable) at their

tender beginnings and also at the end of season in their thick-skinned, mature bulk. By October, an old growth zucchini that was overlooked is more frightening than anything Halloween could offer.

The behavior within each of these squash groups is incestuous. If two or more varieties within a species group were grown in the same season, cross-pollination by insects may cause next year's volunteer vines growing in a compost heap to produce highly imaginative results. The recommendation for producing pure seed is one half mile distance between similar varieties unless pollinating laboriously by hand. The earliest horticulturalists must have understood this.

The squash, corn, and beans of Central and South American origins passed from tribe to tribe and were well established in New England by the time the European colonists arrived. The newcomers instantly took to them as any starving people presented with strange food might. The Italians had acquired the zucchini by mysterious means very early on and they loved it. 'Zucchini' translates as 'sweetest'. However, squash were not so easily accepted in northern Europe where food neophobia prevailed. Squash was introduced in the 16<sup>th</sup> century or earlier by explorers but was initially grown only as a curiosity or fed to cattle, which, very like the colonists, would eat anything.

John Gould, renowned British gardener turned famous ornithologist was not a squash fan. In the mid 1800s he wrote "The first zucchini I ever saw, I killed it with a hoe." I am ready to give up on the summer and start on the heartier winter squash.

### Harnessing History: On the Trail of New Hampshire's State Dog, the Chinook



This program will be presented at the Brown Memorial Library on Thursday, Oct. 10th at 7:00 pm. It explores the development of dog sledding in New Hampshire and the major role that the Chinook breed played in this story. Explaining how man and his relationship with dogs won out over

machines on several famous polar expeditions, Bob Cottrell covers the history of Arthur Walden and his Chinooks, the State Dog of New Hampshire. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the New Hampshire Humanities Council, it is free and open to all!

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## Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

Thank you to Seth Benowitz and George Beaton for volunteering their time and talent to install a second bulletin board in the Children's Room. We appreciate it!

Join us on Friday, October 4 at 7pm for our next Book-to-Movie selection *The Company You Keep* by Neil Gordon. Which will tell the better story, the book or the movie? On the first Friday in December we will compare the novel *Bless Me Ultima* by Rudolfo Anaya with the movie adaptation. Copies of the book will be available after November 13.

On Thursday, October 10 at 7pm we present *Harnessing History: On the Trail of New Hampshire's State Dog, the Chinook* with Bob Cottrell. This program looks at how dog sledding developed in New Hampshire and how the Chinook played a major role in this story. Explaining how man and his relationship with dogs won out over machines on several famous polar expeditions, Bob Cottrell covers the history of Arthur Walden and his Chinooks, the State Dog of New Hampshire. Bob will bring one of his sled dogs to the program! Thank you to the New Hampshire Humanities Council for supporting this program.

Play chess at the library every 3rd Monday of the month. On Monday, October 21 from 6:30-8pm join your friends and neighbors in a game! Open to all abilities.

Now that our summer book sales have ended, the library book sale area is again open upon request during library hours. Lots of hardcovers, paperbacks, audiobooks, videos, and vinyl records are waiting to be taken home and enjoyed!

A selection of the new books added in September:

### Adults:

*The Longest Ride* / Nicholas Sparks

*After Her* / Joyce Maynard

*Deadline* / Sandra Brown

*W is for Wasted* / Sue Grafton

*Lawrence in Arabia* / Scott Anderson

*Thank God it's Wednesday : an American*

*family in Saudi Arabia* / Maralyn G. Doyle

*How the Light Gets In* / Louise Penny

### Children & Teens:

*The Boy on the Bridge* / Natalie Standiford

*The Lord of Opium* / Nancy Farmer

*City of Bones* / Cassandra Clare

*City of Ashes* / Cassandra Clare

*City of Glass* / Cassandra Clare

*Journey* / Aaron Becker

*Ghost Hawk* / Susan Cooper

*The Fall of Five* / Pittacus Lore



### Library Hours

Monday, 10-8  
 Wednesday, 10-7  
 Saturday, 10-3  
 Sunday, 11-3



Jennifer Critch & Rick Wright, both of Newbury, were married on July 20th by Pastor Lynne Hubley, surrounded by family & friends at the Loon Lake Lodge in Croydon.



### Bradford Historical Society Annual Meeting

Giddy up to the Annual Meeting of the Bradford Historical Society to be held at the Old Post Office building, at the intersection of Rtes 103 and 114, on Wed. October 23rd at 7:00 pm! Everyone is welcome. This historical post card advertises Roy's Log Houses that featured cabin accommodations and trail rides on the shore of Lake Massachusetts in the mid 1900s. More postcards are featured in the brand new, full-color 2014 BHS Calendar that is for sale now at Pizza Chef for \$10.00 each or three for \$25.00. For information call 938-5372.

## 10 Questions

by Phyllis Wilcox

*This month we talked to Erica Lynne Gross, Bradfords town clerk. She is someone who looks at life with enthusiasm, her glass is half full not half empty. She moved to Bradford with her husband of 19 years and found the perfect town and house for them on Rowe Mountain Road. When there was a need for a deputy clerk she got the job and discovered that she liked the work. When the position of clerk opened, she applied and found that she enjoys the work.*

### **Q. Would you like to talk about your early life?**

I was born in Boston. When I was one year old my parents divorced and my father got full custody of the children. I was raised with my brother and sister. Dad was a good father to my brother, sister and me. He raised us with a fair but firm hand...

**Q. You said that you attended school at John Ward Elementary, Bigelow Junior and then Newton High School but your education was enriched with art classes at the Museum of Fine Arts, Writers Digest workshops, ERA real estate school, Boston Bartending School and finally the New Hampshire Town Clerk /Tax Collectors Joint Certification Program in 2013.**

I had a number of jobs including bartending, real estate and bookkeeping but when the town clerk advertised for an assistant I applied. I liked the work and when the job as clerk opened up I saw that this was what I wanted to do.

**Q. You and Paul have been married for 19 years and have one son, Harry. How did that happen?**

This is a good story. My sister had a good friend. I knew her

and most of her family but had never met her brother Paul until we were in our thirties. He was one year older and we were both unattached when the two families decided that we would get along. We did get along and married nineteen years ago. They were right - we hit it off right away and nineteen years later are still together. Then I discovered that I was pregnant and we discovered that I had a blood disorder which was not a good thing.



### **Q. Would you like to talk about that?**

After the ultra sound the doctor told me that the pregnancy would be difficult and the baby might not make it. We decided to go ahead with the pregnancy and Harry was born and weighed one pound seven ounces.

"Parents Magazine" followed the entire pregnancy as he was the first healthy Micro Preemie to be born in America. He came home from the hospital at age two months. Now he is 17 and we are looking at colleges for him.

### **Q. What made you decide to move to Bradford?**

We looked at homes everywhere, but then the perfect house came along on Rowe Mountain Road. My dream was to live in a small town and we knew this was the right place for us. We decided to enlarge our family with two Percheron horses, two dogs, one cat and two fish. The horses pull a wagon and we enjoy driving around the countryside.

### **Q. Prior to your present position you were an enthusiastic volunteer in town. Do you have time for volunteer work now?**

I enjoyed the volunteer work, but my life is too busy now. Bradford is a good town, but unfortunately they can not compromise on some issues. We have an amazing group of diverse people here. I like a quiet town and hope it never gets too big. We left the Massachusetts area because it was so big and heavily populated. I love the fact that people are friendly. You don't have that in a big town.

### **Q. What were your areas of volunteer work?**

I was a trustee at Brown Memorial Library, a board member of Parks and Rec. And President of the Bradford Women's Club.

### **Q. Do you have any regrets about your path in life? Would you change any part of it if the opportunity came along?**

I don't believe that I would change much but I enjoy writing and have three stories available on Amazon.com

### **Q. What kinds of other interests do you have?**

I love to read. I like all kinds of games and movies. I love books and enjoyed working at Borders and was one of their top sellers.

### **Q. I understand that your birth mother moved to Bradford?**

Yes, she and my step father live close by. It is nice to have them near by. My dad passed away four years ago. I still miss him. He was a good father.





## Church Happenings



### Focus Factor

Oct. 6 4-5:30 pm in the office Building

Oct. 13 No meeting

October 20 1-5 pm in the Office Building, Rocker-a-thon to raise money for Rise Again.

October 27 4-5:30 pm Meet in the office building

**“Go Fish” Program** (embracing our faith) - 4 small groups held at leaders’ homes - continues through the month of October. Call church office for more info

**Mom’s Group** - Tues at 10 am in the office building, “Power of a Praying Parent”

Oct. 5 Men’s Breakfast 8 am in the office building

Oct. 6 Annual Meeting following the worship service

Oct. 12 Women’s Breakfast 8 am in the office building

Oct. 16 Food Pantry open 5:30 -6:30 pm

Food items needed: Juice, Cereal, Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti Sauce

Oct 30 Men’s Fellowship 6:30 pm at the home of Fred Hubley

## Community Builders Award



At a special recognition luncheon, George and Marge Cilley were presented with the Community Builders Award. This is presented by the Grand Lodge of NH on recommendation from St. Peter’s Masonic Lodge. It is given to those who make a significant contribution to improve their community.

The Cilleys were recognized for the many years they have served on town and church organizations and for seeing what needs to be done and making sure it gets done.

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## Magic Moments

Bradford magician, Andrew Pinard, will perform his magic show, *Discovering Magic*, at Red River Theatres in Concord this fall, on Wednesdays, Oct. 9, November 13, and December 11 at 8 pm. He will take patrons on "a guided tour of the impossible and absurd". His form of magic is deeply rooted in magic history and in the best of vaudeville tradition. For ticket information, call Red River Theatres at 224-4697, or visit: redrivertheatres.org.

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## OCTOBER CALENDAR

### Tues. October 1st

9:00 – noon – Community Outreach  
 10:00 AM -Stitches from the Heart  
 Quilting Group  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 7:00 PM – Joint meeting - Main St  
 Revit. and Economic Devel. Comm

### Wed. Oct. 2nd

5:30 PM - CIP  
 6:00 PM – Yoga

### Thurs. October 3rd

12 Noon- Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM - Mahjong Group  
 7:00 PM – Journey Continues Group

### Fri. October 4th

8:45 AM – MVSC Sr. Ctr. Fitness  
 11:30 AM - First Friday Brunch  
 Pianist Will Ogmundson  
 Raffle and door prizes!  
 Call for reservations please!  
 7:00 PM - Book-to-Movie  
*The Company you Keep*, BML

### Sat. Oct. 5th

9:00 AM–12 Noon - KAP yard/bake  
 sale Rain date Oct 12.

### Mon. October 7th

8:45 AM - Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness  
 1:00PM - Bridge Group  
 5:30 PM – Selectmen’s meeting

### Tues. October 8th

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM - Watercolor class  
 5:00 – 8:00 PM – Bradford Police  
 7:00 PM – Planning Board

### Wed. Oct. 9th

6:00 PM – Yoga

### Thurs. October 10th

12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM -Mahjong Group  
 4:30 PM – BACC/P&R Committees  
 6:00 PM – Bible Study  
 7:00 PM – Journey Continues Group  
 7:00 PM – ZBA  
 7:00 PM - *Harnessing History:*  
 Chinook -NH state dog , BML

### Fri. October 11th

8:45 AM - Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness  
 9:30–11:30 AM - Foot Care Clinic  
 LSVNA at North Ridge

### Sat. Oct. 12th

9:00 AM – Writing Group

### Mon. October 14th

8:45 AM - Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness  
 1:00 PM - Bridge Group  
 5:30 PM – Selectmen’s meeting  
 7:00 PM – Rural Heritage

### Tues. October 15th

9:00 – noon – Community Outreach  
 10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM – Watercolor Class

### Wed. Oct. 16th

6:00 PM – Yoga

### Thurs. October 17th

9:30 AM - Carpool Mt. Kearsarge  
 Indian Museum. Lunch - School  
 House Café  
 1:00PM - Mahjong Group  
 4:30 PM – Friends of BACC  
 7:00 PM – Journey Continues Group  
 7:00 PM – Town Hall Restoration

### Fri. October 18th

8:45 AM - Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness  
 10:00 AM - Movie: “42”  
 12 noonish - Senior Dining

### Sun. Oct. 20th

9:00 AM - Bradford Bog build and  
 maintain the trail.

### Mon. October 21st

8:45AM - Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness  
 1:00 PM - Bridge Group  
 5:30 PM – Selectmen’s meeting  
 6:30-8:00 PM - Chess at the Library,  
 BML

### Tues. October 22nd

9:30-11:30 AM -LSVNA Foot Care  
 Warner Pharmacy  
 10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM - Watercolor class  
 7:00 PM – Planning Board

### Wednesday October 23rd

10:30 –12 PM - Blood Pressure  
 Clinic, LSVNA -Warner Senior Room  
 6:00 PM – Yoga  
 6:30 PM – Budget Committee  
 7:00 PM - BHS Annual Meeting  
 Old Post Office

### Thurs. October 24th

12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM - Mahjong Group  
 6:00 PM – Bible Study  
 7:00 PM – Journey Continues Group

### Fri. October 25th

8:45 AM -Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness

### Sat. Oct. 26th

9:00 AM – Writing Group  
 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM - Household  
 Hazardous Waste Collection Day  
 Henniker Highway Garage  
 11:00AM -4PM Park s & Rec Fun  
 Day KRES

### Mon. October 28th

8:45 AM - Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness  
 1:00 PM - Bridge Group  
 5:30 PM – Selectmen’s meeting

### Tues. October 29th

10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
 12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM – Watercolor Class

### Wed. Oct. 30th

6:00 PM – Yoga

### Thurs. October 31st

12 Noon - Senior Dining  
 1:00 PM - Mahjong Group  
 4:00-7:00 PM Halloween Events

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

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

### Town Clerk Update

As some of you may have read, this office is getting ready to add the use of debit/credit cards. Right now we are in Stage 1, which means the signing of all contracts and getting all our current software lined up and ready for the changes. Stage 2, will be a six week process of hooking up our computers to the new programs, and Stage 3 will be the big announcement that we are accepting the cards. We are hoping to have this all completed by the end of this year.

Just a heads up, the State has requested that when renewing or processing new registrations we ask for your driver's license. This is not a law as of yet, but a recommended request, to help stop fraud. So we will ask for your ID but you may refuse to show it.

We will be open on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 9am-Noon.

We will be closed on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> for Columbus Day.

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### Ongoing Events

- Children's Storytime - Mondays at 10 am and Wednesdays at 10:30 am 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 938-2119
- 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

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Several years ago six or eight Simonds alumni ladies met every so often at the Foothills Restaurant in Warner to enjoy a chance to get together. Evie Davis invited Janet Moulton to attend and since her husband Bob knew the ladies and was also an alumni, he attended as well.

News traveled and the group began to grow and became too large for the restaurant, so the group moved to Alan's Restaurant in Boscawen. Alan's provides a large function room all to ourselves with as many round tables as required and a delicious buffet luncheon with a different entree each meeting. There have been up to 98 in attendance at some meetings, coming from Arizona, Missouri, and even England. The last meeting held September 9 was

attended by a former teacher and members of classes 1941 through 1966.

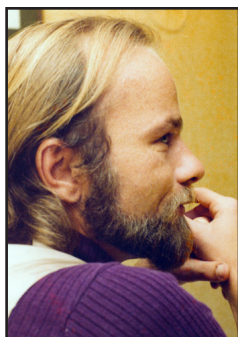
In 2004 it became more organized when Janet and Bob Moulton took over making arrangements not only for the use of Alan's Restaurant but also putting a list of alumni on the computer and notifying them of the next meetings as well as anything of interest from alumni - births, deaths, special occasions. Reunion meetings are held four times a year: April, July, September and December on the second Monday of those months, from 11:00am with lunch at noon. After a luncheon meeting, Janet Moulton also forwards an e-mail list of who was in attendance and their graduation year.

Christmas meeting is gift swapping time if one wishes, and some other meetings a raffle is held to help defray expenses for the Moulton's.

Simonds Free High School was an early regional high school, drawing in students from Warner, Webster, Sutton, Newbury and Bradford. Several alumni of Simonds still live in the Bradford area and enjoy the reunions where one never knows who may attend from the past.

Anyone who attended Simonds or has an interest in the school is welcome and encouraged to attend and/or to receive an email. Contact could be made by e-mail to: [remoulton@myfairpoint.net](mailto:remoulton@myfairpoint.net). Hope to see you at the next get together.

## Obituaries



**Roderick K. Jones**, 68, son of the late Robert T. Jones of New York City and Newbury, NH and the late Natalie Jones, of Delray Beach, FL, died Wednesday, September 11 at The Seasons of Summercrest, Newport, NH.

Rod was raised in Westfield, New Jersey, attended private boarding schools and graduated from Westfield Senior High School in 1964. He

received his BA in History from College of Emporia in 1968 and continued his graduate studies at Glassboro State College.

Rod began his lifelong passion of owning his own bookstore, Kalonbooks in Bradford, NH, in the 1970's where he amassed a fine collection of rare and out of print books. He was a member of the New England Antiquarian Book Society and former treasurer. He was a devoted Trustee of Brown Memorial Library in Bradford, NH for 16 years.

He is survived by his sister, Meg Ames of New London, NH and nephews, Peter Ames of Litchfield, NH and Bryan Ames of Cambridge, MA.

Rod started each day with long walks around Bradford and surrounding towns, preparing himself to go out and find that rare book to add to his collection. He will be remembered as a true gentleman, a generous friend, and a bibliophile at heart.

Grateful loving support was given to Rod and his family from the staff at The Seasons, and Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice. Memorial contributions can be made to Brown Memorial Library, 78 West Main St. Bradford, NH 03221.



Challenge for Bradford (continued from pg 1)

**Schedule**

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|-----------------------------|--|
| <b>November 18</b>          | <b>Designs submitted to Oversight Committee</b>  |
| <b>November 25</b>          | <b>Winners announced at Selectmen's Meeting</b>  |
| <b>December 16</b>          | <b>Oversight Committee publish timber needs</b>  |
| <b>January 13</b>           | <b>Standing trees donations accepted</b>         |
| <b>January 24</b>           | <b>Committee advise of cut list</b>              |
| <b>Feb. 1 - April 18</b>    | <b>Volunteer cutting</b>                         |
| <b>March 11</b>             | <b>Town Meeting approval of structural needs</b> |
| <b>March - April</b>        | <b>Sawing activities</b>                         |
| <b>Late April/Early May</b> | <b>Structural steel work performed</b>           |
| <b>May 24, 25, &amp; 26</b> | <b>Memorial Day weekend - Bridge Raising</b>     |

There will be much to be done; planning and co-ordination will be important. We must always remember to be safe, conscious to involve all those who choose to volunteer, careful to treat everyone's property kindly, meet timelines and, most importantly, have fun while we create a lasting jewel for Bradford!

Full contest details are on the town web site [bradfordnh.org](http://bradfordnh.org).



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**Oct 12 (Sat): Newbury:** Fishersfield Trail above Chalk Pond Road (SRK Greenway).  
Help & Learn: Build Rock Structures safely with hand tools. 1 mi., 3-4 hrs.  
**Contact:** Nathan Richer (nricher@ruger.com ; or trails@srkg.com)  
Instructors: Appalachian Mountain Club Trails Dept. staff.  
Newbury Conservation Commission & SRKGC.

**Oct 20 (Sun): Bradford:** Beautiful Bradford Bog on East Washington Road.  
Help & Learn: How to build and maintain a Bog Boardwalk & trail. 3-4 hrs.  
**Contact:** Seth Benowitz (ph: 938-5201 or sbenow@gmail.com)  
Bradford Conservation Commission and SRKGC.

**Oct 26 (Sat): Wilmot:** Over Bog Mountain from 4A to Wilmot Center on SRK Greenway.  
Hike a well-maintained trail on a fabulous Fall day. Hilly 4.4 mi., 3-4 hrs.  
**Contact:** Lee Carvalho (735-5719 or leecarvalho6@gmail.com)

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"As people age, their immune response isn't as robust," says Dr. Stefan Gravenstein, a professor of medicine at Brown University who specializes in geriatrics and basic biology. "The pieces of the immune system that need to be able to work are still functional, but they're just not as peppy as they used to be." Below is a guideline for routinely recommended vaccines and for those recommended less often.

#### Routinely recommended vaccines:

- Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Td/Tdap)
- Influenza (Flu)
- Human papillomavirus (HPV)
- Pneumococcal (Pneumonia)
- Zoster (Shingles)

Vaccines recommended only when indicated for certain chronic conditions, occupations, lifestyles, or travel.

- Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)
- Varicella (Chicken Pox)
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Meningococcal (Meningitis)

Check with your Healthcare Provider about any vaccines you may need.

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The lower end of West Meadow Road Intersecting with Fairgrounds Road will be closed for the duration of this drill, not to last more than 3 hours. Please use alternate routes during this time.

Three water sources in the area will be utilized for the drill: The bridge at the intersection of Fairgrounds and West Meadow Road, the pond located adjacent to the Rosewood Bed & Breakfast, and the pond at the corner of Fairgrounds and Solitude Ridge road.

Please use caution near these area from 6:00 am to 9:00 am.

We invite you to come see the drill and watch all the neighboring towns work together.

If you have any questions please contact: Lt. Rob Steiz Ph: 938-2271 or [rob@valleyfireequipment.com](mailto:rob@valleyfireequipment.com)

**An Outreach  
to Young Adults**

The young adults of the Kearsarge Area have begun meeting as THE CORE at A Fellowship After God's Own Heart. Young people of high school and college age are invited for fellowship, fun, and finding God each Saturday at 6:00 PM in the community room downstairs at the New Hampshire Telephone Museum, 22 East Main Street, in Warner.

A Fellowship After God's Own Heart is a nonaffiliated, Spirit-controlled body of Christian believers. The website, [www.fellowshipagoh.org](http://www.fellowshipagoh.org), gives more information about A Fellowship After God's Own Heart and its ministry. Pastor Andy Gosnell can be reached by email at [agoh@tds.net](mailto:agoh@tds.net) or by calling 456-2723.

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## Forestry in Bradford

*an abridged chapter of the Natural Resources Inventory  
Bradford Conservation Commission*



Today, 90% of Bradford is covered with forest – but 200 years ago, much of this forest was cleared for grazing and agriculture. By the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century about 2/3 of Bradford's forestland was gone. After the Civil War and through most of the 20<sup>th</sup> century the land reverted to forest as farming and grazing declined. In the last few decades forest land has again been disappearing for residential development.

Forest cover in Bradford occurs in five broad habitat types.

- The Hemlock-Hardwood-Pine habitat type, the most extensive, covers nearly 75% of the town.
- Lowland Spruce-Fir habitat found on the rocky hilltops in the southern and western part of town at elevations above 1,400 feet.
- Northern Hardwood-Conifer habitat found on deeper soils on the upper slopes of the hills to the west and south at elevations above 1,300 feet.
- About 1,185 acres of Appalachian Oak-Pine habitat type can be found on dry, south-facing hillsides in the northeast part of town at elevations below 900 feet.
- Along the Warner River and the outlet from Lake Massasecum are about 160 acres of Flood Plain Forest.

Forestry has long been an important part of Bradford's economy. The woodlands produce many products and also attract tourists. The forests protect watersheds and groundwater by holding soils in place and reducing runoff, thus supplying clean water to our ponds, rivers, streams, and aquifers. They also reduce flooding by slowing the release of stormwater and snowmelt to downstream areas. And of course they supply wildlife habitat.

Bradford currently has two town forests managed by the Bradford Conservation Commission:

- 'Aiken Pasture' was named for an early settler and this former pasture is now entirely wooded. The 136 acre parcel is located between East Washington and County Road in the southwestern corner of Bradford.

A southeast-facing hillside runs south to north with gentle to moderately steep terrain. The forest is mixed conifer and hardwood with a small but impressive grove of older red oaks located near the central western border. Hunting is allowed. This property has been protected since 1999 with a conservation easement held by the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust. All future forestry operations will follow a management plan overseen by the town.

- The Pearl Town Forest was donated to the town for conservation purposes in 1980 and is a tract of about 37 acres, located on the south side of West Road about 1/2 mile west of Bradford Center. This forest includes excellent stands of white pine of different ages. An improvement harvest was conducted in 1993.
- Low State Forest is 1,760 acres managed by the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands. Approximately 900 acres are located in Bradford on the south-central edge of town with the remainder in Hillsborough. In recent years, the State has created openings to increase wildlife diversity. Motorized vehicles are not allowed, all other uses are encouraged.
- The Knights Hill Trail runs from the Dunfield Road, through part of Low State Forest, and through private land ending at Rowe Mountain Road. Trail signs have been posted to guide hikers.

The Bradford Conservation Commission urges all landowners considering a timber harvest to contact a certified forester to ensure that their goals for the land are met. Two places to find a directory of licensed foresters:

<http://www.nh.gov/jtboard/forlist.htm>  
<http://extension.unh.edu/fwt/dir/index.cfm>

Some sources for more information:

New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association: [www.nhtoa.org](http://www.nhtoa.org)  
New Hampshire Tree Farm Program: [www.nhtreefarm.org](http://www.nhtreefarm.org)  
UNH Cooperative Extension: "Good Forestry in the Granite State"  
<http://extension.unh.edu/goodforestry/index.htm>  
Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests: [www.forestsociety.org](http://www.forestsociety.org)



## Big Trees in Bradford

*by Seth Benowitz*

On September 4<sup>th</sup> of this year, Bob Lyon of Loudon, NH came to Bradford to accompany George Beaton and myself for a day of hiking in Bradford's beautiful woodlands. Bob is the Merrimack County coordinator of the NH Big Tree Program. We set out to do official measurements of several trees that George had previously identified for possible inclusion in the NH Big Tree Register.

The NH Big Tree Program is sponsored by the UNH Cooperative Extension Service and the State of NH Division of Forests. It maintains a register of the largest trees, by species, in each county and in NH overall. It is affiliated with the national Big Tree Program of the American Forestry Association. The measurement of a big tree follows rules and guidelines set out the Association. It uses three different measurements – circumference, height, and crown spread – blended in a formula resulting in an overall points score.

On this pleasant September 4<sup>th</sup>, we first journeyed over to the backcountry of the Bradford Bog on East Washington Road to look at several spectacular Atlantic White Cedar trees. We spent considerable time slogging around the wet forest to compare trees. When the official measurement was done, there were high-fives all around. We had found a tree that will reign as the NH co-champion and the Merrimack County champion.



Watch for Bradford's traditional Halloween tree

Then Bob, George, and I traveled over to the eastern edge of Bradford, near the Warner border, to a property owned by the Cersosimo Lumber Co. There we hiked through the woods following George, to a huge old White Ash that he had previously located. In the beautiful midday sun we did our measurement and found that the ancient giant we were standing before was also a Merrimack County champion (though this tree did not match the current state champion.)

Incidentally, as you may know, one of the Bradford White Pines along the west branch of the Warner River is also listed in the NH Big Tree Register. This tree is the tallest white pine in NH (though it is not the champion in overall points score.)

The Big Tree Program is fascinating. It's fun and educational to hike our woods identifying species and looking for exceptional specimens. If you would like to learn more, I would be happy to send you links to the NH Big Tree Program, the NH Big Tree Registry, and the American Forestry Association. Just send me an e-mail at [sbenow@gmail.com](mailto:sbenow@gmail.com).

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### **Saturday, October 12, 2013**

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 251 Route 10, North Grantham  
 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

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## Bradford Parks & Rec

Please join Bradford Parks & Rec for our annual Spooky Diner at the Community Center on Thursday, October 31st from 4 pm until 7 pm. There will be lots of nutritious food and snacks and other fun stuff going on. If you have a favorite Halloween treat you would like to share, please feel free to bring it.

Bring your carved or decorated pumpkin to be judged. We'd love to light up the front lawn with jack-o-lanterns!

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help out at this event please call: 938-6228 and leave a message.

## Focus on Bradford Businesses

*The Bridge begins a new series on local businesses – new, expanded, changed – bringing new life to our town. We salute them and encourage you to support them. This month we feature Eco Manufacturing, located at Valley Fire Equipment on Route 114, Dockside Hair Design on Old Sutton Road, and West Meadow Stables.*

### Eco



Eco specializes in the manufacturing of polypropylene products. Polypropylene is a plastic polymer with the chemical formula C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>. It is used in many different settings, both in industry and consumer goods, and it can be used both as a structural plastic and as a fiber. All of the polypropylene products are hand welded to customer specifications and to create a water tight seal that will keep liquids from getting into or out of your products. Eco has polypropylene vehicle bodies as well as OSHA standard acid containment cabinets and polypropylene dock lockers. Polypropylene will never rust or corrode. Eco's polypropylene is strong and durable.

Please visit Eco at 2345 State Route 114 Bradford, NH. If you have an idea of a product that you would like Eco to build for you please come and visit or call (603) 938-2271. Eco looks forward to speaking with you.

### Dockside Hair Design

After several years on Route 114 in Bradford, Jennifer Wright (Critch), owner of Dockside Hair Design, purchased property at 17 Old Sutton Road just off Route 103. The building was remodeled and Dockside Hair Design is now open for business at the new location. Walk-in on Wednesdays or call 603-938-0090 for an appointment.



### West Meadow Stables

West Meadow Stables (WMS) was opened in July of 2007, as a small farm offering riding lessons. Just five years later it offers boarding, training and lessons to over 30 riders. This summer a major expansion took place and an indoor riding arena was built with an attached 14 stall barn. The new airy, spacious indoor is 80 x 180 feet with a 72x60 barn. The facility has another 14 stall barn and an outdoor riding arena. The new indoor arena has great ventilation with big windows in each stall and five functioning cupolas with fans in each to help circulate the

air in the barn. The barn has two tackrooms and a 12 x 24 viewing room for guests to watch the ring from an upper level with a great view.

West Meadow Stables has recently become the host barn for the Colby-Sawyer College Equestrian Team and the WMS AEL Riding Team. Also being hosted out of the barn is the Kearsarge High School Equestrian Team, starting winter of 2013-2014. The barn will be hosting its first ever horse show for the college program on October 19 with roughly seven other colleges attending, including Dartmouth, UNH, UVM, Endicott and Middlebury College.

West Meadow Stables is owned by Robert and Kendra Messer. Kendra runs the riding program and has been teaching for over 20 years. She is currently pursuing her USHJA Trainer certification, coaches roughly 30 of her own students, coaches part time for Colby-Sawyer College as the assistant coach, is head coach for both WMS AEL and the Kearsarge Equestrian Team. Equestrian life is a full time job!

The farm is currently home to 30 horses, ten from CSC, many boarders, and Messer's personal horses used for her lesson program. Pam Payson is the head coach for Colby-Sawyer and runs the program out of WMS facility. Payson and Messer have worked together for four seasons now and are very excited about the upcoming year and the possibilities that the new facility will offer to the team.

## What's New at the Transfer Station

The Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center's program of collecting discarded food donations for the chicken farmers in town has expanded to include the pig farmers --and, now, the pet owners! Discarded breads, cakes, crackers, cookies, and cereal, etc ,for the chickens has expanded to still edible (for farm animals) vegetables and fruits for the pigs.

According to the National Resources Defense Council, the average American throws away up to \$43.00 worth of food every month! And, at least some of this food can be donated to the farmers instead of being discarded into individual garbage disposals (and into the septic systems) or into the town's compactor(increasing the town's tipping fees).

Already, new and left-over pet foods and supplies have been donated to help other pet owners in town. Perhaps a pet won't eat the new food you bought for it - bring it to the Transfer and Recycling Center for someone else to take for their pet. Perhaps you are moving and have to downsize your pet- items inventory - bring the unneeded items to the transfer and recycling center for someone else to take for their pet. This is like the "Exchange Table" of no longer needed items for the residents--only the "Livestock and Pet Food and Supplies Exchange" is located on top of the compactor. Ken and I will be happy to answer any questions and consider any suggestions you may have.

Lois Kilnapp, Manager



Twenty friends of the Bradford Center Meetinghouse gathered for a potluck supper at the UCS annual meeting on Sept. 6 to celebrate another year of appreciation for the historic building. Thanks to all who helped with the summer concerts, which included Appalachian, classical and band music. Thanks to those who led our tours and church services. Thanks to all members for their financial support.

### Bradford Bog Event

Sunday October 20 at the beautiful Bradford Bog  
on East Washington Road

Hands on learning to build and maintain a bog boardwalk and trail

Contact: Seth Benowitz (ph: 938-5201)

Hosts: Bradford Conservation Commission and SRKGC  
The Quabbin-to-Cardigan ([www.q2cpartnership.org](http://www.q2cpartnership.org))

Go to [www.srkg.com](http://www.srkg.com) for project &  
SRK Greenway Coalition information

Don't miss our upcoming annual events: Thanksgiving Eve at 5pm and Christmas Eve at 5pm. Both events are sure to infuse you with a sense of goodwill. For more information, call 938-5372.



### Classified

Free - 4 pine raised  
panel doors - 229-7089

### Parks and Rec Family Fun Day

Saturday October 26th from 11:00 AM - 4:00PM (rain date Sun. Oct 27) at the Bradford Elementary School in conjunction with "Run for your life !!! Zombie Run". Sue Rayno and Jeff Glover have organized the run to benefit the School Playground. Watch for posters with the start time for the run.

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Saturday, October 26, 2013, 9 AM-1PM at the Henniker Highway Department Route 114 South; left in the center of town next right onto Ramsdell Road; next left into Highway Department yard. Informational flyers with details of what can be brought for disposal can be picked up at the Bradford Transfer Station or call 428-7604 for disposal information.