



# THE Bradford Bridge

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## Election Results

### Moderator 2 yrs.

Brackett L Scheffy 376

### Selectmen

Chase H. Kenyon 10  
Jim Bibbo 167

Thomas A Dunne 95  
Marlene Freyler 110

### Town Clerk/Tax Collector 2 yrs.

Camila Devlin 378

### Supervisor of the Checklist

Sandy Paul 358

### Trustee of the Trust Funds 3 yrs.

Harold Wright 197

### Trustee of Brown Memorial Library- 3 yrs.

Garry Kalajian 313

Nola Jordan 328

### Trustee of Brown Memorial Library-1 yr.

Annette Leonas 359

### Budget Committee

Michael C. James 307  
Marlene Freyler 147

David Nunally 172

### Budget Committee 1 yr.

Beth Downs 304

### Planning Board

Carol Troy 316  
Marlene Freyler 123

Erich Caron 181

### Zoning Board 3 yrs.

Brooks McCandlish 332  
Marlene Freyler 123

William Duffy 181

## Town Meeting



# The Bradford Bridge



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## Selectmen's Office Hours 938-5900

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located at BACC*

## From the Editor

Well, spring is here (kind of) after an odd winter of warm days, snowless holidays and depressed ski resort receipts. We often write about weather here because it molds our life in so many ways. When we think of moving to warmer climes, we clench our teeth and say "never". Well some of us do.

In our neighborhood, we have a few areas of controversy that keep us on our toes. The expansion of Mt. Sunapee, a state park leased to private owners, is hotly contested. Supporters cite the economic value to the surrounding communities and the improved facilities that will attract visitors and winter residents to the Goshen community where condos abutting the mountain are planned. The opposition cites complaints that public property is being absorbed by a private entity, posing a threat to the pristine forests and integrity of the ecology of the region as well as doubt about the financial worth of the project.

Then there is the Corvus group who propose building a complex of shooting ranges in a residential/rural area covering 1400 acres in Bradford and Hillsborough. What kind of community do you want to live in? What sort of growth is compatible with our town's culture and identity? How does the Mt. Sunapee expansion affect you? Do you support or oppose it? Corvus? Think about the pros and cons and voice your questions, concerns, and thoughts about it.

We here at the Bridge would welcome your comments on these issues and will publish your thoughts in "Letters To The Editor." We are a small town blessed with fascinating and thoughtful people. Let's come together to shape the future we leave to our children.

Cheers and Happy Spring!

*Beth Rodd*  
April Editor





# The First Baptist Church

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## April Events

- Worship Services and Kingdom Kidz:** every Sunday at 10 am
- Youth Group:** grades 6-12 meet on Sundays 11:30-1 pm in the church basement
- Mom's Group:** every Tuesday morning 9:30-10:30 am in the church office building
- Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, April 2 at 8 am in the church office building
- Women's Breakfast;** Saturday, April 9 at 8 am in the church office building
- Men's Fellowship:** Wednesday, April 27 at 6:30 pm at the home of Fred Hubley
- Wednesday Night Prayer:** in the Sanctuary at 6 pm every week
- Bradford Community Food Pantry :** Wednesday, April 20, 5:30-6:30 pm. During the month of April we will be collecting the following food items: Mac n' Cheese, canned soup, canned veggies, juice, cereal and tuna. Drop them off in the basket by the front entryway door to the church or stop by the office.
- Thursday Night Bible Study:** at 6:30 pm in the church office building.
- Movie:** We will be showing the movie "War Room" on Saturday, April 16 at 6 pm. Free!
- Rise Again Homeless Mission:** the Church is collecting personal care items in April to take to the homeless. The following items are needed: shave cream, disposable razors, powder, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, feminine products, body wash, soap. If you would like to help there will be a box in the church entryway or stop by the office.

### Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 am to noon or call or email us at 938-5313 or 1stbaptist@tds.net.

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### The Friends of Brown Memorial Library

On March 26<sup>th</sup> The Friends sponsored their annual story time and Easter egg hunt at the library. The children were treated to stories read by Lydia Pinard and Connie Brooks while the Easter Bunny hid the last of the eggs. Many thanks to the 4<sup>th</sup> graders at Bradford Elementary School who filled 800 eggs, Andrew Pinard who served as MC, and to Jan Riley and Tracey Quigley who coordinated the event!



April is National Poetry month; come celebrate with the Friends and the Bradford Elementary Poetry Club who will be reading from their anthology, *New Hampshire*



Poetree on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 at the library.

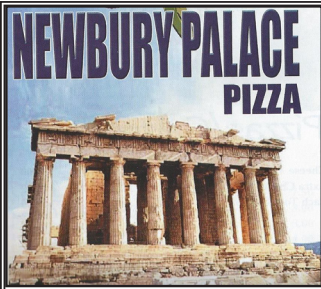
Save the date for the Friends Annual Meeting on May 9 at 6:30 at the library.

### The Warner Cooperative Preschool

The Warner Cooperative Preschool is a non-profit school which is run by the families of the children who go to the preschool. It is funded and run entirely by its members. Families are directly involved in all aspects of the school.

Learning is an experiential process. Hands-on experiences are provided for children daily at the Warner Cooperative Preschool. As such, children's interests and ideas are observed and incorporated into the classroom curriculum which creates an exciting child centered learning environment. Specific emphasis is also placed on children making connections between home, school and the community. Multiple trips out into the community throughout the course of the year are also part of the regular curriculum.

If you want to get more information about the Warner Cooperative Preschool please visit our website [www.warnercps.org](http://www.warnercps.org) or call us at 456-3727.



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## Bradford Town Boards

### Selectmen

Pamela Bruss discussed plans by the Corvus Training Group to build a training center in Bradford. A meeting was held on February 28 and a petition against locating the training center in Bradford is circulating. A number of other Bradford residents also attended the Selectmen's meeting to voice their concerns. The Board listened to the concerns and said that there has not yet been an application from Corvus to either the Zoning or Planning Boards.

The Select Board voted to appoint Karen Hambleton as Town Administrator.

John Pfeifle was elected to serve as Chair of the Board for the coming year.

Chris Mock asked if a reclamation is in place for activity in the town sandpit. Selectmen accepted his offer of equipment and services to assist with the project.

A letter was received from Verne and Frances Clow regarding operations on Lot 3-89 Route 103, stating that a few truckloads of logs have been delivered to the location. The letter requested the Board to send a "cease and desist" letter to the property owners asking that processing of the logs stop until approvals are in place. The Code Enforcement Officer will be sent to talk to the owners of the property and request that operations stop until the correct permits have been obtained.

**The Town Hall Restoration Committee** stated that it is committed to restoring the town hall and asked if the board was still in support as well. The board unanimously gave its commitment to full restoration of the building and will continue to work with the Restoration Committee. Claire James gave her opinion as to the possible causes for the repeated failure of the Town Hall Restoration Bond.

**Return of town offices to the town hall** is a first step toward restoration. The board's goal is to be moved in and hold the May 2nd selectmen's meeting at the town hall. Volunteers will be used as much as possible to keep down the cost.

Architect Kelly Gale discussed the issues that must be addressed before the offices can return, including electrical, handicap accessibility and interior construction/office set up. She stressed the necessity of complying with state regulations. KLG Architecture will submit a fee proposal for the work needed for the move.

With the limited time, selectmen's plan to address only what is necessary to occupy the building and to do so with the final restoration in mind (so as not to have to "undo" work later). Once the offices are moved, the board will continue to work with the Town Hall Restoration Oversight Committee on the building's restoration.

Parks and Recreation would like to convert the concrete pad

at Brown Shattuck Field into a place for basketball, street hockey and other outdoor activities. Currently the plows are stored on this pad during the summer months. This project will be funded by Parks and Recreation and private funding.

Selectmen would like ideas from Parks & Recreation about a possible Ice Out Contest.

The State Fire Marshal's Office sent a letter regarding the use of Bouncy Houses. If they are open to the public, they must meet the definition of an amusement ride, be registered and have a NH decal with the current year and number.

Administrator Karen Hambleton informed the board that the loan paperwork for the highway garage was received stamped "Paid In Full".

### Planning Board

New officers elected for the coming year are: Chair - Erich Caron; Vice-Chair - Claire James. Sonny Harris is the selectmen's representative and Jim Bibbo will serve as alternate for that position when needed.

The Board appointed new alternates, each for a three year term: Pamela Bruss, Michael James, and Suzanne Simano.

*Minutes of all meetings are on file at the Town Office and online at [bradfordnh.org](http://bradfordnh.org).*

## Opening the Hatbox “The Promise of Live Performance”

A new performance space is coming to the Concord area. Hatbox Theatre is scheduled to open to the public at the Steeplegate Mall on April 1 offering a great mix of live theater, music, and even magic to the Concord social scene. Located in the former Coldwater Creek storefront, Hatbox Theatre is located just off D'Amante Drive and will have its own storefront visible when you drive in the south side of the mall.

Among the offerings planned for the first few weeks are a two-person romantic comedy, an original play by a NH playwright, a progressive rock concert and the onset of monthly series dedicated to stand up comedy, live podcast recordings, sleight-of-hand magic and more. Future plans include local jazz and folk bands, and even ukuleles!

The mission of Hatbox Theatre is to build a community of artists, creators and performers devoted to live performance in an intimate, interactive space. There is a connection made when you sit at most four rows away from a performer that you can't get when deep in a large theater, arena or separated by a large screen. The combination of close proximity and personal connections with the artists intensifies and sharpens the experience on both sides. This is what Hatbox Theatre intends to bring to Concord.

Aspiring to be more than a venue for intimate performances, Hatbox seeks to build a community of local artists, working together with local businesses to enrich and enhance the Concord performing arts scene. The promise of live performance. The promise of Hatbox Theatre. For more info, contact Andrew Pinard / [andrew@hatboxnh.com](mailto:andrew@hatboxnh.com). 603-938-5158.



## Master Plan Survey

The Planning Board is currently in the process of revising its Master Plan, last updated in 2006. An important piece of this process and a good benchmark for how to move forward in the best interests of the town is the Master Plan survey. Thus far, hard copies of the survey have been distributed to attendees at our annual town meeting but are also available at the town offices and the post office. In addition, the survey can be completed and submitted (anonymously) online at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/bradford-survey2016>.

We'd love to hear from as many community members as possible via this survey, so that we can take a broad cross section of concerns and feedback into account as we look to plan ahead. Hard copy surveys can be returned in person to the town office administrator, or via mail to: P.O. Box 436.

*Please note, the deadline for completion and submittal of the survey is April 30th.*

*Abutment being formed for the replacement bridge on Breezy Hill Road*





## Sweet Beet Farm Goes to 1st Grade

by Kathleen Bigford



*Watering the seeds*

parts of seeds and how a seed becomes a plant. To give them some hands-on experience Sweet Beet's Hannah Koby and Garrett Bauer visited the classrooms with a presentation on how seeds travel and traits of the seeds of different vegetable plants. For example, each spikey beet seed can produce four seedlings!



*Filling the seed packs with soil*



*Examining a tiny seed*

There was lively discussion with lots of keen observations and shared experiences with vegetable growing in each class. The students filled seeding packs with soil and carefully planted seeds of a variety of vegetables. The seeds are growing into seedlings at the Sweet Beet greenhouse. They will be ready for the students to put into their 1st grade garden at Sweet Beet Farm in May. In June the kids will

share their tasty vegetables and their knowledge of seeds and plants at their very own farm stand.

Sweet Beet Farm Stand and the 1st graders at KRES at Bradford continue their vegetable growing project. (An article about their fall field trip appears in the December 2015 Bradford Bridge). In March Ms. Corbyn's and Ms. Fenton's classes learned about the

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# To the Editor

Come one, Come all. It's time to spruce up our Town Hall!

You spoke, we listened. The Town Hall renovation bond did not pass at Town Meeting, but the funding to move the Offices back into the building did. Just as the community worked together back in the Civil War times to move the Town Hall to its present location, we are reaching out to the community to help re-vitalize this wonderful showplace to make it the center of Town business again. The Select Board is looking for volunteers to help with a wide variety of tasks – Electrical, Plumbing, HVAC, Electronics and Communication, Internal and External Construction, Cleaning, Painting and more – to prepare the building for re-occupation. Our goal is to complete just the work necessary to reoccupy the building; the balance of the renovation can be designed and completed in time. With the goal of holding the May 2nd Select Board meeting in the Town Hall, we must get busy! Be part of the team! Call the Selectmen's Office (938-5900) and tell us how you can help!

## The Select Board

Thank you everybody who voted for me for selectman. I appreciate your vote and your confidence. Hope you all have a wonderful summer.

Thomas Dunne

I am a resident of Bradford and have followed the Sunapee expansion. I am concerned that dollars from the Mt. Sunapee lease go to fund Cannon Mountain. I am wondering why it is that Cannon Mountain allows free skiing for seniors aged 65+ while Sunapee does not. Why not keep some of those dollars at Sunapee to allow seniors to ski free? I ask Commissioner Rose to add that to the new lease agreement.

As a long time conservationist, I am concerned about the huge amount of snowmaking that will be necessary to keep the West Bowl's sunny western slopes covered, especially in late winter and in a time of fickle weather. This issue needs to be studied further as to how taking millions of gallons from the Lake Sunapee watershed and having it run off into a completely different watershed will impact the environment. Some environmental studies used to support the expansion plan are ten years old. Thorough, up-to-date studies are needed before approving a plan of this magnitude.

Where in the plan is federal oversight for things like the Land and Water Conservation (LWCF) funds to be upheld in perpetuity that were given to the resort? In the lease amendment, it seems a lot of amendments go against LWCF rules. In the amendments, the oversight seems to be turned over to the resort.

Sincerely,  
Audrey V. Sylvester, Bradford

We have a wonderful early spring - and a great way to celebrate would be for everyone to get out and clean up the roadside litter that has accumulated this winter. If people could just do the area around their residence, the total impact on our town would be significant. This doesn't have to be on any particular day -- your efforts are appreciated any day of the year. A reminder, that Lois Kilnapp offers blue trash bags for litter collection all year round. This litter can be left off at the Transfer Station where it will be recycled for you. Lois also wants to remind people that litter collection is a great way to earn service points for your school, or put in Community Service hours. Please help us all keep Bradford beautiful! Roadside litter is an eyesore that can be eliminated with just a small effort from many people.

Thank you,  
Seth Benowitz, Bradford

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# Corvus

The Messer family of West Meadow Road, shared space on their land on Saturday, March 26, with representatives of Corvus, and about 200 people from Bradford and Hillsborough. These families would be impacted by the proposed project. They assembled to hear about the plan for developing a business in a somewhat remote area that would impact both towns. The disabled veteran owned business is owned by Grey Jewett, Max Dodge, Jon Stevens and Brandon Moore. They propose using their skills and collective knowledge to transition to life as civilians.

The plan includes development of a facility on 1400 acres of land in a rural residential area of Bradford and Hillsborough. They requested this meeting to present a skeleton sketch of their proposal and answer questions about the viability of their plan and to hear questions and concerns from local residents. They have not yet presented a plan to Hillsborough or the Bradford Zoning Board but several residents of our neighboring town were present.

The proposal, in its preliminary form, includes 6 shooting ranges (2 long range, sniper), educational buildings, supporting facilities and a gun shop. Their stated purpose is to serve the recreational needs of the community and train EMTs and other first responders.

The majority of attendees expressed concerns about the impact of such a business on their rural lifestyles. Rep. Barbara French, who represents Bradford and Henniker, spoke to the need of the government to support our

returning troops with jobs and helping them reintegrate into civilian life. Most expressed concerns about the noise factors and the impact of a rifle range on the pristine lands.

The meeting was civil and informative for Corvus and Bradford/Hillsborough residents. There is much work, research and communication that needs to occur before Corvus sets up business here but they assured us that they want to be good neighbors and would not be here if they

were not welcome. They promised transparency in their dealings and clarity in communicating their goals.

Many questions remained unanswered because the Corvus group did not yet have the information needed to respond or because information was currently classified.

Keep posted on future meetings and participate in the future of our town. For more information, go to "www.corvustraining.com".



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## APRIL CALENDAR

**Fri. April 1st**  
**April Fools' Day!**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
11:30am First Friday Brunch w/  
raffle, door prizes, & Bill Parker

**Mon. April 4th**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1:00pm Bridge  
4:00pm Water Coloring  
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting  
6pm Rural Heritage Connection

**Tues. April 5th**

10:00am Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
1:00pm Watercolor Class

**Wed. April 6th**

4:00pm Special Group 5  
6:00pm Yoga  
7:00pm Zoning Board

**Thurs. April 7th**

8am-12pm Planning Board Office  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
1:00pm Mahjong Group

**Fri. April 8th**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1:00pm Mahjong Group

**Sat. April 9th**

9am- 12pm Town Clerk Open

**Mon. April 11th**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1:00pm Bridge  
4:00pm Water Coloring  
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting  
7pm Rural Heritage Connection

**Tues. April 12th**

1:30pm Mahjong Group  
7:00pm Planning Board

**Wed. April 13th**

6:00pm Yoga

**Thurs. April 14th**

8am-12pm Planning Board Office  
11:30am Volunteer Luncheon  
12 Noon Senior Dining featuring  
Bob Kroepel- Reservations Re-  
quired!

1:00pm Mahjong Group  
4:30pm BACC/P&R Committees  
7:00pm - Gardening Series w/  
Dick Wright, "BULBS", BML

**Fri. April 15th**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
9:30-11:30am Foot Care Clinic  
at North Ridge Apts. (call 526-  
4077)  
10:00am Friday at the Movies:  
*Bridge of Spies* with Tom Hanks  
12:00 Noon Brunch

**Mon. April 18th**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1:00pm Bridge  
4:00pm Water Coloring  
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting  
6:30pm Chess, BML

**Tues. April 19th**

10:00am Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
1:00pm Watercolor Class

**Wed. April 20th**

7:00pm Book Discussion, BML  
4:00pm Special Group 5  
6:00pm Yoga

**Thurs. April 21st**  
**Happy Earth Day!!**

8am-12pm Planning Board Office  
11:30am- 12pm Blood Pres-  
sure Clinic at MVSC provided by  
LSVNA  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
1:00pm Mahjong Group  
5:30pm THROC

**Fri. April 22nd**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1:00pm Mahjong Group

**Sat. April 23rd**

9am- 12pm Town Clerk Open  
1:00pm - Rebecca Rule's "Moved  
and Seconded: Town Meeting in  
NH" at the Tin Shop

**Mon. April 25th**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1:00pm Bridge

4:00pm Water Coloring  
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Tues. April 26th**

9:30-11:30am Foot Care clinic  
at Warner Pharmacy  
10:00am Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
7:00pm Planning Board

**Wed. April 27th**

10:30am- 12pm Blood Pressure  
Clinic at Warner Senior Room,  
by LSVNA  
6:00pm Yoga

**Thurs. April 28th**


8am-12pm Planning Board Office  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
1:00pm Mahjong Group

**Fri. April 29th**

8:45am MVSC Fitness

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.

*For the MVSC call Phil at  
938-2104 with your ideas  
or questions  
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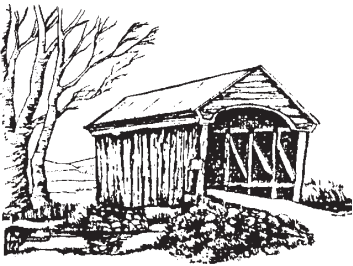
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BACC-Bradford Area Community Center  
BBC-Bradford Baptist Church  
BML-Brown Memorial Library  
FGC-Fish & Game Clubhouse  
Gillingham Drive  
KAP-Kearsarge Area Preschool  
KRES-Bradford Elemen. School  
MVSC-Mountain View Senior Ctr  
TH-Bradford Town Hall  
ZBA-Zoning Board of Adjust.  
KLC- Kearsarge Learning Center



## Ongoing Events

Children's Storytime - Mondays 10am Pre-school, Wednesdays 10am Toddlers at BML  
 Cemetery Commission - 2nd Thursday at 6PM Call 938-2119 for info  
 Conservation Commission - 3rd Tuesday at 7PM, BML  
 Fish and Game Club - 1st Tuesday 7PM at Fish and Game Club  
 First Friday Bunch - 11:30AM at MVSC, reservations appreciated  
 call 938-2104 for info  
 Historical Society - Tin Shop, East Main Street, open Saturdays from 10am-noon  
 May-October or by appointment. Please call 938-2078.  
 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



## How Far Do We Go?

*All the way to Jamaica!*



*Ringo, the Fishermen's  
 Beach Artist/Carver,  
 shares a reading of  
 The Bradford Bridge  
 with his  
 astonished friends.*

We are wondering how far afield the Bridge is read, in print and online. Send us a picture of some far away place the Bridge has reached so we can prove that we are just as good as the New York Times. Send photos to [contact.us@BradfordBridge.com](mailto:contact.us@BradfordBridge.com).

## Bradford Women's Club Scholarship

The BWC is offering a scholarship to any woman from Bradford, Newbury or Sutton who is going back to school or is a recent high school graduate. Applications are available at the Guidance Office, Kearsarge Regional High School.

Deadline is April 30, 2016. If you have questions, contact Jackye Pehrson, 938-5951.

## Town of Bradford Scholarship

The Town of Bradford is offering a scholarship to any student, either in KRHS or home schooled. Application information is in the Guidance Department at KRHS.

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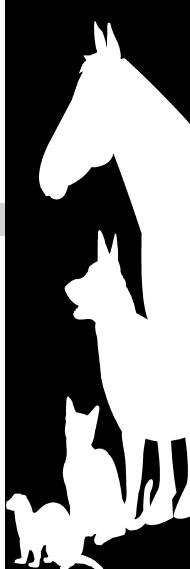
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**Library Lantern**

*by Meg Fearnley*

Thanks to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring another Easter Egg Hunt at the library. We enjoyed all the children with their pretty baskets. Thanks also to the KRES Bradford 4th grade classes. They stuffed 800 eggs as a community service! As always, a big thank you to Andrew Pinard who keeps the chaos to a minimum. We would be lost without our Master of Ceremonies.

Our next garden talk, part of an ongoing series presented by Master Gardener Dick Wright, covers bulbs. Join us for this informative program on Thursday, April 14 at 7pm. I hope he has some ideas about keeping those pesky rodents from nibbling the bulbs I plant!

Continuing the garden theme into summer, this year's Summer Reading Program "Reading Grows on You" will offer four weeks of reading and fun for children of all ages. Good books, gardens, farm animals, local food, soil and bugs, and arts and crafts will inspire children on four Mondays, beginning on July 11 and ending on August 1.

Don't forget Chess Night on Monday, April 18 from 6:30-8:00pm.

New books added to your library in March:

for adults

- Every Song Ever : twenty ways to listen in an age of musical plenty* / Ben Ratliff
- Cometh the Hour* / Jeffrey Archer
- Death of a Nurse* / M.C. Beaton
- Midnight Sun* / Jo Nesbø
- Dead Presidents : an American adventure into the strange deaths and surprising afterlives of our nation's leaders* / Brady Carlson
- The Passenger* / Lisa Lutz
- The Travelers* / Chris Pavone

for children

- Audacity Jones To the Rescue* / Kirby Larson
- Snowflake Bentley* / Jacqueline Briggs Martin
- The Night Gardener* / by Terry Fan and Eric Fan



**Library Hours**

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



# The Bradford Bridge

2016



1991

## Looking Back

by Marcia Keller

What was going on in Bradford in 1991, the year The Bradford Bridge was launched? Prior to the first issue in July, the 1991 Bradford Town Report gives a little background. The Selectmen's Commentary from J. O. Battles, Chair, G. Richard Hambrecht, and David Pickman noted that "The recession is still with us . . . the town tax rate is again down. . . taxes are coming in quite well, and our school assessments are current." Projects for the coming year included finish paving Main Street and begin bridge repairs. Warrant articles approved included \$7,000 for purchase of computer equipment and software, \$12,000, upon receipt of a \$6,000 grant, for recycling equipment at the transfer station, and an article to elect members of the Zoning Board.

The Zoning Ordinance had been in effect for two years and voters in 1991 approved eleven amendments presented by the ZBA and the Planning Board to 'clarify' parts of the ordinance.

In the late 1990's, Bradford was experiencing some difficult times. In addition to the ongoing recession, town personnel was changing. A sitting selectman had died, another resigned, a new secretary was hired by the Board and a new

road agent was named. At that time, the Bradford Voters Coalition (BVC) was formed to ". . . support and encourage open and fair government in the Town of Bradford. As a civic group, we will work to promote Bradford's interest in the wider community."

From their Mission Statement, the BVC's efforts were directed toward communication, dialogue between residents and officials, and promoting greater participation in town, school and volunteer projects. One of their prime goals was a town newsletter and to that end, The Bradford Bridge was launched. The first issue was entitled The Bradford ??? and a contest was held to choose a name. Since several people suggested The Bradford Bridge, the winner's name was drawn and Laurie Buchar was presented with a gift certificate for dinner for two at the Candlelite Inn. The BVC offered to finance the first two editions of the paper, but there were, in fact, several ads in the first issue and many more by the second. As our celebratory year continues, The Bradford Bridge will recognize not only those loyal advertisers, but the many contributors that have truly made this COMMUNITY NEWS FOR NEIGHBORS BY NEIGHBORS.

## Area Events

### Bradford

Town Meeting: Rebecca Rule's hilarious talk is called „Moved and Seconded: Town Meeting in NH“. Apr. 23rd @ 1pm at the Tin Shop, East Main Street, sponsored by the Bradford Historical Society

### Concord

The League of NH Craftsmen: is showcasing the work of its newly juried members in the Continuing the Tradition fine craft exhibition at The Gallery at The Craft Center and headquarters on 49 South Main Street in Concord from April 1 through June 17.

An opening reception, where the public can meet and speak with the participating exhibitors, is scheduled for Friday, April 1 from 5 pm to 7 pm Area Events – Newbury

### Newbury

Annual Flea Market: Saturday, April 9th 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Celebrate Spring by coming to a great flea market. Visit with friends or make new ones. Coffee and donuts available all day. Soup and rolls available at lunch.

You never know what you may find at a flea market! Please join us at the Friendship House on the corner of Village and Sutton Roads in South Newbury.

## Obituaries



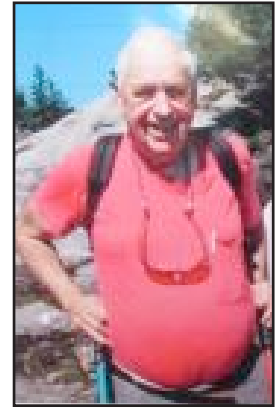
**David Lee Holland**, age 61, died peacefully at Concord Hospital on March 17, 2016 in his husband's arms. David was born in Charleston, West Virginia on April 8, 1954, the fourth and final son of Crayton and Beulah (Anderson) Holland. He was raised in Charleston and graduated from high school in Maryland, where he also attended both art and beauty school. He lived in Washington, D.C. for many years before moving to New Hampshire on the first day of Spring, 1992. He co-owned and operated A Vision Ahead hair salon in New London with his faithful business partner Susan Montminy.

David will long be remembered for his gentle touch, his artistic flair, his generous heart, his love of the very young and the very old, and his radiant smile. A patient dispenser of folk wisdom, he lent a sympathetic ear to all, and many, many people were touched by his kindness. He was a collector, a shopper, a camper, a trooper, an artist. David met his soulmate Gary Clark in Washington, D.C. 33 years ago and together they built their house in Bradford. David and Gary were proud to proclaim themselves the first

gay couple to be legally married in New Hampshire, exchanging their vows at the stroke of midnight as the new law took effect on January 1, 2010.

David was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Richard and Joseph. He is survived by his brother Robert of Charleston, West Virginia, and numerous adoring nieces and nephews, both on the Holland side and the Clark side. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Louise Clark, eight brothers and sisters in law, and his husband Gary. He will be missed by his best-friend kitties Bridget and Lulu. He will also be missed by a rich community of friends in New Hampshire, the Washington, D.C. area, and West Virginia.

David was deeply grateful for the loving support he received at the Payson Center and Concord Hospital. His cremated remains will be scattered in New Hampshire and West Virginia and on Assateague Island and Cape Cod. A memorial service was held at the Bradford Center Meetinghouse in Bradford, New Hampshire at noon on Saturday, March 26.



**Everett M. Kittredge**, 83, of Old Warner Road, died March 5, 2016, at Hospice House in Concord.

He was born in Glen Cove, Long Island, NY on January 16, 1933, the son of Ralph M. and Beatrice A. (Burnham) Kittredge. He graduated from Simonds Free High School in Warner, received a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering from MIT and worked with Philco and Raytheon. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1954-1957 and was discharged as an ET-1 Petty Officer. From 1960 until his retirement in 1990, he worked for Sanders Associates, where his effort concentrated on display systems, including the Saturn V launch vehicle checkout system (Apollo) and various air traffic control systems in the United States and Canada.

Everett enjoyed hiking, had climbed New Hampshire's 4,000-foot mountains and was a member of the Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests. He enjoyed building houses, was a licensed master electrician, and knew a hawk from a handsaw. In retirement, he served in Bradford as a

trustee of the trust funds and on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. One of Ev's hidden talents was on the Town Hall Stage. When Moon Mountain Arts produced plays held in Town Hall, Ev was a star, playing the part of Town Moderator in "Town Meeting," a play written by NH author, Rebecca Rule. Many Bradford residents played the other characters who attend town meetings.

He was predeceased by his wife of 53 years, Mildred L. (Ingalls) Kittredge, in 2010 and their daughter, Katherine A. Kittredge, in 2014. Members of his family surviving include a son, Kerry M. Kittredge, of Warner; two daughters Karen J. Kittredge of Arlington, MA, and Kimberly S. Kittredge of Philomath, OR; and three grandchildren Cassandra, Cameron and Rob.

Burial will be in Sunny Plain Cemetery, Bradford at a later date. To sign an online guest-book, please visit [chadwickfuneralservice.com](http://chadwickfuneralservice.com).



## NOTICE

The subscription price of The Bradford Bridge will be raised for 12 issues from \$20 to \$25 per year due to the cost of stamps and envelopes. The increase will be effective when you renew your annual subscription.

## LAKE SUNAPEE BANK CONCORD, NH BRANCH NOW OPEN

NEWPORT, NH – Lake Sunapee Bank is excited to announce that its newest branch at 8 Loudon Road in Concord, NH is now open to assist customers with all of their banking needs. This is Lake Sunapee Bank's first full service branch in the capital and serves as a wonderful addition to the bank's network of 36 other branch locations in seven counties throughout New Hampshire and Vermont.

Be sure to stop by the Concord branch throughout the month of April for free giveaways, product specials, and to enter for your chance to win a \$1500 gift card to the Mount Washington Hotel or Wentworth by the Sea.

## Bradford Business Association

The BBA will host a Business After Hours at Lake Sunapee Bank on Wednesday, May 25th from 5:30 to 7:00PM at the Bradford branch at 115 East Main Street to introduce new staff members to local business owners and the general public. Refreshments will be served.

Laura Hallahan and Marlene Freyler are co-President this year and a discussion of future events will take place as well as distribution of the 2016 Member Guide. Hope to see you there!

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Your understanding and help in this matter is appreciated.



## WE CANNOT HELP YOU IF WE CANNOT FIND YOU

We have put a man on the moon and yet we cannot get people to put their house number visibly showing from the street. If we cannot find you, we cannot help you. Time is of the essence during an emergency. The 911 call system has been a great help in getting help to you quickly. The problem is we usually only get a street name, house number and cross streets. Usually we do not even get a person's name.

All you have to do is go out of your driveway to the town road and visualize how emergency responders would find your house. If you cannot, then you have a problem and you should correct it. Also think about snowy winters so your numbers are not covered by or obstructed by snow or by flora in the summer. The town does have a numbering ordinance to go by and certainly feel free to call any of the Emergency Agencies in Bradford if you have a question or concern. We have included an article, one of many about tragedies that could be avoided if your house is properly identified.

Thank You,  
Bradford Fire and Rescue

*"Send help right away. My mom's not breathing."*

The frantic call had come to the Bucks County radio room in Doylestown from a young woman in Lower Bucks. An operator immediately dispatched a local rescue team. But the house number was not posted, and in the 15 minutes it took the team to find the house, the victim suffocated to death, according to a county official who asked not to be identified.

To prevent such tragedies, some of the county's municipalities have adopted house-numbering ordinances in recent years. The latest to do so is Langhorne, which last week decided to require property owners to post their street addresses in three-inch letters or face a \$50 fine.

## KRSD Teaching Kindness

It was announced Friday, April 1 that an opportunity has been presented for all area schoolchildren to be awarded funding to pursue kindness initiatives. Kearsarge Kindness is offering \$50 awards to children in the KRSD area schools and homeschoolers to imagine ways of practicing kindness to others. Every student in the KRSD is eligible to write a short essay describing their idea for creating an act of kindness for an individual, family, neighborhood, organization or anything else conceivable.

The template for the activity is the Aesop fable in which the mighty lion grants mercy upon the lowly mouse under his giant paw. The mouse begs to be released with the promise of future repayment. Sure enough, when the lion becomes ensnared in a hunter's net, the mouse chews through the rope freeing the lion. Aesop's moral is, "No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted."

Entry forms are available through each school classroom and in local libraries. Upon completion, they are to be mailed to Kearsarge Kindness, PO Box 201, Warner, NH 03278 or submitted to [KearsargeKindness@gmail.com](mailto:KearsargeKindness@gmail.com). There is a Facebook page called Kearsarge Kindness for public comments.

Entries are to be submitted by May 15 and awards will be announced May 27. It will be required that all recipients check in with Kearsarge Kindness by August 1 to describe the progress made and submit a final report by September 30 as to the success of their project. The results will be used as a guide for next year's event. Awards will be given to students in every school in the district and homeschoolers.

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# Out and About

by Kathleen Bigford

A regular feature of the Bradford Bridge, Out and About, will post a picture of a place in the Bradford area with a hint of where it can be found. The places will be public and may be found near a town road. Your job is to get out and explore Bradford to find the place.

As the Bradford Bridge begins to celebrate 25 years, the next several mystery places will involve some of the bridges of Bradford. Here's your first Bridge mystery.



Hint: Just off a NH highway, follow the "Trail" sign leading to a Bradford treasure.

We have winners for the February and March mysteries. Don MacNeil was the first to identify the February site as the small cemetery on the Hasey property on East Washington Road. Perry Teele correctly identified both sites and was the first to get the March site as the view from the corner of Fairgrounds and West Meadow Roads.



*Durrell Cemetery*



*View at corner of  
West Meadow & Fairgrounds Roads*

Thank you Don and Perry and to the three other people who wrote with the correct locations! When you know where the April bridge is, send an email to [contact.us@bradfordbridge.com](mailto:contact.us@bradfordbridge.com) by April 20, 2016 with your name and contact info telling the exact location of the bridge. The first sender of an email with the correct location of the site will receive a congratulatory photo card of that place and their name will appear in Out and About in the next Bradford Bridge. Get out and about!! Happy hunting everybody!!

## River Management Public Meeting

Please join us for a public information and outreach meeting on Wednesday, April 20th, 2016, 7pm at the Warner Town Hall

The Warner River Nomination Committee, made up of representatives from Bradford, Warner, Sutton, Webster, Hopkinton, the Warner Energy Committee, NH Fish and Game Department, Basil Woods Trout Unlimited and the Central NH Regional Planning Commission (CNHR-PC) is considering nominating the Warner River to NH's River Management and Protection Program (RMPP), as described by RSA 483, where it would join the Merrimack, Contoocook and sixteen other NH rivers designated as having outstanding natural and cultural resources.

This program, established in 1988, gives our watershed communities a collective voice in determining the management and future development along the river and provides additional state assistance to help us preserve its unique qualities.

Please attend the public meeting for more details on this important project.

For more information on the NH River Management and Protection Program go to:  
<http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/rivers/index>

*Real Estate News*  
**The Hot Spring Market**  
*by Laura Hallahan*



The news is good! Our trade association, New Hampshire REALTORS®, just announced that February's residential unit sales were ahead of last year by more than 27 percent in the strongest selling February since 2002...yes, 2002! At 5.9 months of inventory, it is also the lowest months' supply number in over a decade, trending significantly toward a sellers' market. Even though we sell all year round in this area because of our recreational opportunities, some sellers take their property off the market for the winter and buyers, too, often take a break from looking. Not this winter! It remained busy with the unusually warm temperatures and because of the lower than normal inventory what has been a steady, balanced market these last few years is changing in favor of the seller. Buyers who want to buy need to be proactive and get themselves pre-qualified and ready to make an offer. Of course inventory will increase as it always does this time of year, and that may affect how quickly the market changes, and I caution sellers to think they can get substantially more for their property as a result, though prices have seen a slight uptick as a result of the hot market.

Nationally, too, it is a good time to buy for 5 specific reasons:

**Jobs are up.** In the last 12 months, 2.65 million new jobs have been created and year-over-year job growth rates are up 1.88 percent. That translates to a higher consumer confidence about buying over renting.

**Interest rates are low.** Yes, we saw a slight increase but rates remain around 4 percent and affordability is high right now. This is also a good time again for existing homeowners to consider refinancing if their rate is higher than 4 percent and possibly going from a 30-year loan down to 20 or even 15-years.

**Prices are rising.** As prices rise, more and more buyers realize the time to buy is now. People who purchased a home a year ago basically got that first year of home ownership free based on the increase in their home's value.

**Fuel costs are down.** Again, we have seen an uptick in prices but lower energy costs overall mean many buyers can afford a higher mortgage payment as lower electric and fuel bills as well as filling up the car mean more in the bank for that monthly payment.

**Technology makes it easy.** The internet is the backbone of the new real estate market and it is still hard to convince sellers that online marketing is the way to go over most print advertising. Over the last decade technology has gone from useful to absolutely necessary in the home-buying process. New platforms and tools are being created every day to help both agents and clients and information is available at the touch of a button.

Nationally, a 4.9% increase in home sales is predicted and a bump in values, too. In this current marketplace, the faster you become a homeowner, the sooner you reap the benefits.

#### Recent Sales in Bradford

888 West Road, 1957 Ranch on .56 acres for \$145,000  
 670 County Road, 2003 Ranch on 38.83 acres for \$180,000  
 249 Cressy Road, 1991 Contemporary on 1.02 acres for \$207,900

There are 16 active and 2 pending residential listings ranging in price from \$72,900 to \$1.375 Million, 30 active and 1 pending land listings ranging in price from \$26,900 to \$3 Million, 3 active and 0 pending commercial listings ranging in price from \$299,900 to \$595,000 and 0 active and 1 pending multi-family listings in Bradford at a list price of \$197,000. 2 active residential and 1 active commercial listing is a foreclosure or a short sale.



## High Tea



High tea was served at Brown Memorial Library to raise funds for the Friends of the Library. The final episode of the popular series "Downton Abbey" was the inspiration for the day and the library was decorated with authentic clothing, artifacts and literature from the early 1900s. Relevant quotes and a trivia quiz, as well as door prizes, entertained the costumed guests, while uniformed maids served the delectable food, which was prepared by our local Brits, Tracey Quigley and Barbara Bridgewater. It was a jolly good time.



You can join the fun by becoming a Friend of the Brown Memorial Library. The Friends sponsor many public events throughout the year, including the Easter Egg Hunt, Trick or Treat Books and Santa's visit. A family membership is \$25.00 and the next meeting is on May 25th. For more information, contact the library at 938-5562.

## Advantages of the Wood-Pallet Compost Bin

*by Lois Kilnapp*

Since the Bradford Transfer and Recycling center is unable to obtain the plastic compost bins for the time being, we have found a way that residents can make their own compost bins. Building a composter out of wood pallets is easy and affordable. Sometimes pallets in good condition can be found at the transfer station or they can be reasonably purchased from lumber supply companies. Easy instructions are given at [www.onehundreddollarsamonth.com](http://www.onehundreddollarsamonth.com).

Wood-pallet compost bins allow aeration that helps to break down the organic materials placed into the bins. It is easy to turn over materials with a pitchfork to hasten the breakdown process. Place bulky dry

organic matter into the bin first, then all other organic matter except meat and dairy products can be added. The meat and



dairy products that residents wish to discard can be brought to the transfer station to be recycled by nature.

Any resident who is unable or wishes not to have a composter

can bring their organic discards to the transfer station for composting. The resulting compost is available for all residents who wish to establish and/or fertilize small or large gardens, fertilize and/or side-dress trees and bushes, or plant and/or enrich annuals in pots or barrels. Ken and I will answer any questions you may have about recycling and composting.

Recycling organic waste saves our town money by reducing compactor weight (and, therefore, tipping fees), reduces our overall carbon footprint, and helps produce vibrant and productive vegetation that is a benefit to all.



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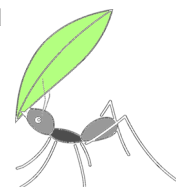
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**Q: How excited was the gardener about Spring?**

*A: So excited he wet his plants!*

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**ANSWERS**

ACROSS

- 1. St. Patrick's Day    2. Wild
- 3. Maple                4. March Madness

DOWN

- 1. Aquamarine            2. Spring
- 3. Blue Whale            4. Jefferson
- 5. March                    6. Purim
- 7. Easter