

# THE Bradford Bridge

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## Town Hall Highlights

by Claire James

This month, the Town Hall Restoration Committee (THRC) would like to first and foremost thank all of our local business owners who have gone far above and beyond with generous contributions to the restoration project. In the past month alone they have collectively donated a total of \$24,287.83, of which \$16,832 is in the form of in-kind donations and \$7,455 in cash donations.




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Also this month, Pizza Chef of Bradford hosted a spirited evening of Appalachian folk music with the Bradford Bog People. Guest songwriter and singer Doug Farrell, guest singer Monique Lamore, Beth Eldridge (fiddle) and Woody Pringle (banjo and mandolin) drew in quite a crowd. All proceeds from ticket sales will be used to benefit Town Hall restoration efforts. Thanks to the Bradford Bog People and everyone who came out for the evening. And thanks to the THRC

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## Important Dates to Remember

-  February 4, 7 PM Budget Hearing
-  February 9, 8 AM – 7 PM KRES Presidential Primary
-  February 8, 6:30 PM Bond Hearing
-  February 11, 7 PM Second Budget hearing
-  February 20, 3-5 PM Town Hall Information Session KRES

## Looking Ahead

-  March 5, 10 AM – 12 noon Candidate's Forum
-  March 8, 8 AM – 7 PM Voting for local officials KRES
-  March 9, 7 PM – Town Meeting KRES

## The Bradford Bridge



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### Submissions

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

### Selectmen's Office Hours 938-5900

Mon - Thu: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
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*Selectmen meet every Monday  
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Wed - 12 PM - 6 PM  
Thu & Fri - 8 am - 4 PM  
(closed 12 -1 pm)  
2nd & 4th Sat - 9 am - Noon

**Planning Board Circuit Rider**  
Wednesday  
call 938-5193 for appointment

*Town offices are temporarily  
located at BACC*

## From the Editor

Change is upon us and we at the Bridge are gratified that new volunteers are coming forward to continue the fine tradition of maintaining our neighborhood paper. In July, the Bridge will be 25 years old and we hope to celebrate our silver anniversary in style. If you have any ideas or would like to see an older or favorite column, let us know. We'd appreciate your ideas.

We have some important dates in February that will help define our town's immediate future. Please attend the Budget Meeting on Thursday, February 4 and the Bond Hearing on Monday, February 8. Once again, we will revisit the restoration of Town Hall at the Wednesday, March 9 Town Meeting. Please consider supporting the hard work and many years of volunteer efforts that have gone into the restoration project. An information session will be held on Saturday, February 20th, at 3pm at KRES (Kearsarge Regional Elementary School). Come have a look at the project details and costs and have your questions answered by the committee's members.

We wish you all a happy Valentine's Day !

*Beth Rodd,*  
February Editor



## ATTENTION

### RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, NH



Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Saturday, February 27th 11:00—11:30 am at the Community Center Youth Room to make corrections to the checklist and accept new registrations.

**NO ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS SHALL BE MADE AFTER THIS SESSION UNTIL ELECTION DAY**

In order to register to vote you must be at least 18 years of age, present a valid photo ID and have proof of residency.

Supervisors of the Checklist  
Judy Marshall, Jackye Pehrson, Sandy Paul



**The  
First Baptist Church**  
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**February Events**

Worship Services and Kingdom Kidz every Sunday at 10 am (winter cancellations will be posted on WMUR TV).

Praise & Worship Service - Wednesday, February 10 at 7 PM (beginning of Lent)

Games & Pizza Night - Friday, February 26 at 6 PM. \$3.00 per person. Bring your favorite board game.

Youth Group for grades 6-12 meets on Sundays at 11:30-1 PM in the church basement.

Men's Fellowship - Wednesday, February 24 at 6:30 PM at the home of Fred Hubley.

Men's Breakfast, Saturday, February 6 at 8 am in the church office building.  
Women's Breakfast, Saturday, February 13 at 8 am in the church office building.

Monday Night Book Study with leader Brenda Cooper at 6:30 PM in the church office building. "The Power of a Praying Church" beginning with Chapter One on January 25th.

Thursday Night Bible Study at 6:30 PM in the church office building. Studying the Gospel of Mark.

Bradford Community Food Pantry will be open on February 18 from 5:30-6:30 PM.

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The Bradford Fish and Game Club hosts its annual Kid's Ice Fishing Derby on Sunday February 28, 2016 on Lake Todd. Children 15 years old and under are invited to compete but we invite the entire family to come out to the lake for a great day of fun on the ice. Free registration begins at 7:00 AM at the clubhouse at 89 Gillingham Drive, across the road from the lake. Kids can start fishing anytime after registration but all fish must be back to the clubhouse by 1:00 PM for measurement.

There will be an awards ceremony following the measuring. Breakfast and lunch are provided free of charge. Assistance to bore holes in the ice is available. Please see our website, [bfandg.com](http://bfandg.com) for more information. We hope to see you there!

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**Thursday, February 18, 2016**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Wilmot Community Association Red Barn**

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- My first year in review:  
**Jim Culhane, President & CEO**
- Awards
- Board Recognition
- Special Announcements
- and More!

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## Bradford Town Boards

### Zoning Board of Adjustment

An application for a variance from the wetlands buffer setback requirements was received from Lynn Gross for property on Route 103. The Board held on January 14 and scheduled a public hearing for February 3. A public hearing was held on the application from Lauryn Morrell, 73 Oakdale Rd, for a special exception to move the location of an intended house forward 10 feet to avoid ledge and minimize blasting. After reviewing the application and receiving no comments from the public, the Board voted to approve her request.

### Planning Board

The board voted to hire Molly Hopkins-Small for the clerical position that had been advertised. Board members were asked to help recruit alternate members for the Planning Board. Anyone who might be interested in serving in this capacity, should contact Jim Bibbo, 938-2460 or another member of the board for more details about this important volunteer position.

### Board of Selectmen

Primex Insurance was approved to carry the town's workers comp., property liability, and unemployment insurance. Town Administrator Cheryl Behr was named as the authorized signature. The board voted to abate the \$83.00 current use change tax for Bradford Fish & Game.

The contract with Cross Country Appraisal was signed.

Andrew Pinard reported that the anticipated budget increase for KRSD will be 2.06%. This does not include the teachers' contract, which is still under negotiation.

The Building Inspector will be asked to check if proper permits are in place for excavation being

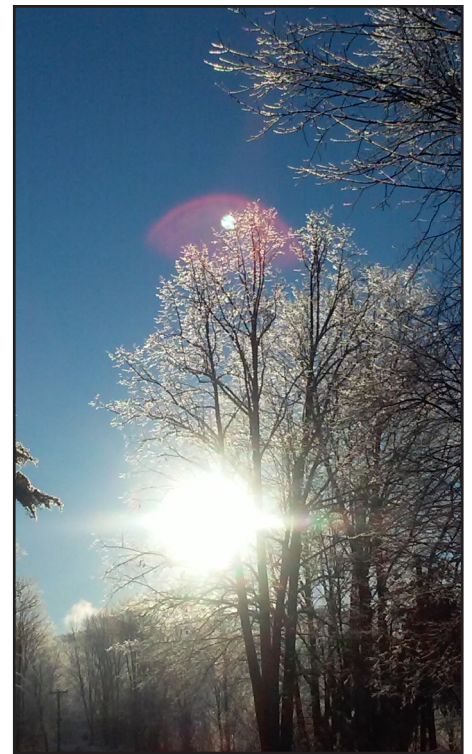


conducted on Fairgrounds Road. An Intent to Cut was signed for Map, 12, Lot 11, East Washington Road.

Selectmen will discuss the update of the Local Emergency Operations Center with Emergency Management Coordinator Bruce Edwards.

NH Cop Sync was authorized to provide the offices with software for emergency situations.

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



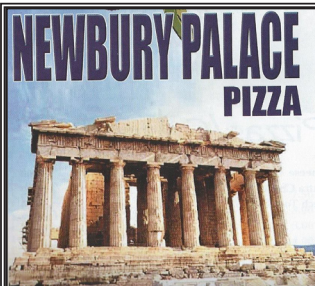
*Above: Winter has finally spread her beauty upon Bradford.*

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## Interest Rates

by Laura Hallahan



After seven years of having near zero interest rates, with the idea that the American economy is now strong enough to handle it, the Federal Reserve voted in December to raise the central bank's benchmark interest rate from a range of 0 percent to 0.25 percent to a range of 0.25 to 0.5 percent. The rate hike is a small one, but it will affect millions of Americans, including investors, savers and my focus, home buyers. While it is expected that this minor interest rate hike will result in it being more costly to borrow money to buy a house, that isn't necessarily the case. Numerous factors influence mortgage rates from where in the country your home is located to the state of the global economy and whether inflation is right around the corner. It is

worth remembering that even if rates go up, it is still inexpensive to buy a house with the average 30-year fixed-rate mortgage hovering at 3.75%. If you bought a house in 2000, the average rate was around 8%, quite a difference. Does this mean you should rush out and buy a home? Small changes in interest rates do not generally make that much of a dollars-and-cents difference in the decision to buy and people should buy a home when it makes sense to do so. There are other factors home buyers should consider over interest rates:

**Length of time you will stay in that home.** On average it takes between four and seven years to break even on home, where you have enough appreciation where it can pay you back for the cost of the transaction and cost of ownership.

**Job security.** You do not want to buy a home and then discover you have to relocate for your job or even worse, end up unemployed and unable to make your payments. Lenders like to see two years of job history, though they can sometimes bend that rule if you stay in the same field.

**Down payment.** While there are still programs with 100% financing or 3 to 3.5% down, if you put less than 20% down you typically have to pay private mortgage insurance every month which could cost you more than a slightly higher interest rate. You want to have as much money saved as possible for the down payment and closing costs before deciding to purchase a home.

**Emotional readiness.** Not everyone should own a home. If you are not sure if you want to stay in a particular area or you hesitate to take on the responsibilities of home ownership that you can pass on to your landlord when renting, it may be best to continue renting.

**Financial readiness.** Here again it comes down to having good credit and a steady income. Not only do you need the funds to purchase the home, you need to pay property taxes and homeowner's insurance and set aside funds for ongoing maintenance and utilities.

### Recent Sales in Bradford

19 West Road, 1981 Ranch on .60 acres for \$68,000 (foreclosure)  
 201 Old Warner Road, 1792 Colonial on 3.25 acres for \$79,800 (foreclosure)  
 235 West Road, 1955 Ranch on 2 acres for \$148,000  
 41 Old Sutton Road, 1978 Ranch on 1.60 acres for \$182,900  
 56 Water Street, 1967 Ranch on 2.90 acres for \$180,000  
 54 Deer Valley Road, 1983 Log Home on 36 acres for \$180,000  
 192 Rowe Mountain Road, 1787 Cape on 14.32 acres for \$187,500  
 87 Cheney Hill Road, 2006 Colonial on 1.63 acres for \$214,900  
 16 Old Sutton Road, 1897 Victorian on 14.50 acres for \$251,000  
 36 French's Park Road, 1903 Waterfront Cottage on .48 acres for \$343,210  
 82 Davis Road, 1956 Waterfront Cottages (2) on 3.70 acres for \$357,500  
 147 Rowe Mountain Road, 1988 Gambrel Colonial on 5.36 acres for \$388,000  
 Lot 58 Howlett Road, 5.02 acres of raw land for \$39,500  
 11 West Main Street, 1898 Thistle & Shamrock Inn on 1.70 acres for \$70,000  
 67 Pleasant View Road, 1800 Rosewood Country Inn on 11.91 acres for \$850,000

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## Educational Theater Collaborative



Seen here is Fran Page starring as the lead character, Shrek, with Donkey played by Tim Johnson in the Educational Theatre Collaborative's recent production of *Shrek, The Musical*, at Plymouth State University's Silver Center for the Arts.

Since growing up in Bradford, Fran Page continued his passion for theatre, and received his BA in Theatre from PSU, and his MFA from Goddard College. Previous ETC roles include *Marking the Moment* (Babe Ruth), *Cinderella* (Herald) and *Frindle* (Ted Bell). Fran is a teaching lecturer in the Music, Theatre, and Dance Department at PSU. Tim Johnson is a musical theatre major at Rhode Island College in Providence.

The cast of *Shrek, The Musical*, included nearly 100 children and adults of all ages from the area. For many years, KAT's productions took place at the Kearsarge Regional High School under the leadership of Trish Lindberg. The goal of ETC is to produce the highest quality theatre and integrated arts experiences possible through collaborations with the university, area schools, and the community.

Audrey Sylvester

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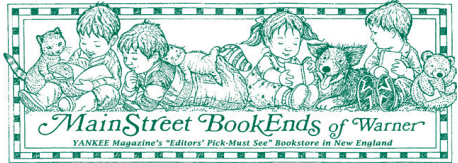
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# To the Editor

To the Editor,

On behalf of the Fundraising Team, heartfelt thanks to the Bradford Bog People, guest songwriter and singer Doug Farrell and Monique Lamore for an enchanting evening of Appalachian folk music in a packed house to promote Bradford Town Hall restoration. Woody Pringle displayed mastery of banjo and mandolin, while Beth Eldridge performed brilliant fiddling and lyrical songs. Doug Farrell unveiled the restoration project's theme song: "Handyman Special." The music evoked the era of Town Hall's builders who rode their ponies down from Bradford's outback to enjoy it as they, like us, harnessed their optimism to the common good, rolled up their sleeves and got to work.

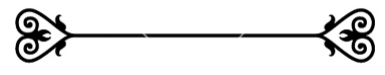
"With love in his heart and flowers in hand Johnny proposed to Sally Ann Sally shivered as she said, "I'll love you till the day I'm dead" Johnny got married in his one good suit..."

Last night's lyrics reminded us that rural life was hard, never more so than in the winter. Neighbors banded together to hang onto cherished traditions and triumph over isolation and adversity, bridging divides through dance and song.

We commend John Gioldassis and the Pizza Chef Team for creating an atmosphere of conviviality built around savory pizza pies and accompaniments.

Our gratitude extends to the audience that shoveled its way out to a packed Pizza Chef, notably to all the fans who left the Pats to play on their own. We could not have asked for a more enjoyable evening. The artistry of the Bradford Bog People and their dedication to the community reminded us of why we love Bradford, and why we all need a renovated Town Hall, downstairs and upstairs.

Michele Halsted  
Rural Heritage Connection  
of Bradford, Inc.



After 19+ years, Cheryl Behr, our talented Town Administrator, will be retiring in late February. The Town of Bradford thanks Cheryl for her guidance and tremendous understandings and handling of our multi-faceted Town requirements and individual residents' needs!

The Board was advised of Cheryl's intentions earlier last summer. We had been impressed with Karen Hambleton's part time efforts for the Town and asked Cheryl to bring her up to speed on the needed requirements for the different times of the year. Believe us, activity in January ... year end closings, the next year's budget and preparation for Town Meeting; varies a great deal from semi-annual assessment reviews and keeping the beaches clean! Having Cheryl and Karen work together for an extended period of time truly helps with a smooth transition.

The position requires dedication, knowledge of the NH State regulations and understanding

of the Selectmen's intentions re how to run departments like the Police, Transfer Station, Road Crew, Administration, and Library. Additionally, the Administrator must investigate options on multiple subjects for Town & Board reviews: financing, employee policies, wage reviews, ongoing budget issues, Committee memberships ... the list goes on ... and on! "Attention to Detail" is the call of the day. Cheryl has done it well and helped a great deal in getting Karen comfortable with the needed time and effort for the various projects' and Town's needs. The Board feels fortunate to have such talent available for promotion from within!



Karen is a Town resident of 11 years with a son in our school system. She also has a daughter, Tara, who was married last summer. Karen's background revolved around the financial operations of different companies, including 18 years with UNH and volunteer positions with the KAP preschool, Enfield Shaker Museum, the First Baptist Church and the Board of Directors of the BACC. Her background coupled with strong organization skills makes her promotion to Town Administrator

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### SRK Greenway Winter Hikes 2016



### Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice Named "2016 Chamber Business of the Year"

New London, NH: On January 11<sup>th</sup> at the Annual Meeting of the Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce, Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRV-NA) was named 2016 Chamber "Business of the Year". The award honors a local business that gives back to the community, has a positive impact through its work and enhances quality of life in our region.

All are invited to  
celebrate  
the retirement of

**Cheryl Behr**

At the Appleseed  
Restaurant on

Thursday, February  
18th from

12 noon to 1:30pm

Congratulations to  
Cheryl  
on 19 years of service  
to the Town of Bradford

Winter is a fine time to get outside, see new places and meet new people. These outings, depending on weather and trail conditions, may require snowshoes, regular hiking boots with or without microspikes or sometimes cross country skis. Please contact the leader in advance for details. Dress in layers, consider using poles, and remember to bring water and snacks. o ignored

#### Jan 17 (Sun)

If Mother Nature cooperates and snow conditions are decent this will be XC ski from Twin Lake Villa to Morgan Pond and back. (Moderate Difficulty depending upon snow conditions)  
For details contact Andy Hager (526-2846)

#### Jan 23(Sat)

We'll follow the Franklin Pierce Lead Mine Trail over the several ridges making up the Pillsbury Highlands to eventually join the Monadnock- Sunapee Greenway and on to Lucia's Lookout. About 6 miles round trip. (Moderate/Difficult conditions) For details contact Tom Lawton 477-1995

#### Jan 31 (Sunday)

Snow shoe hike up the Lincoln Trail on the flank of Black Mountain. A challenging 5 mile round trip to a rock outcropping with great views. Serious vertical gain. (Difficult hike) For details contact Dave Gardner (927-4033) & Rosanna Dude (828-1001)

#### Feb 20 (Sat)

The third annual bushwhack with Frank Baker. We will have an adventure on snowshoes exploring some remote part of East Andover. (Moderate hike) For more information contact Lee Carvalho (735-5719)

#### Feb 27 (Sun)

Snowshoe to Lucia's Lookout on Sunapee Pillsbury Ridge from Andrew Brook Trail and Lake Solitude. (Difficult hike) For details contact Gerry Gold (526-2857)

#### Mar 6 (Sun)

X-Country ski on SRKG Trail #4 in Springfield. A six mile round trip from Route 114 to Deer Hill and back. (Moderate/Difficult conditions) For details contact Nathan Richer (763-2127) o ignored  
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#### Mar 12 (Sat)

Snowshoe hike on Rowe Mountain in Bradford. (Difficult hike) For more details contact George Beaton (938-2637)

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# FEBRUARY CALENDAR

## Mon. Feb. 1st

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Bridge Group  
4pm Water Coloring  
5:30pm Selectmen

## Tues. Feb. 2nd

9:30am Ballot Clerk Training  
10am Quilting Group  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
1pm Watercolor Class

## Wed. Feb. 3rd

4pm Special Group 5  
6pm Yoga  
7pm ZBA

## Thurs. Feb. 4th

12 Noon Senior Dining  
1pm Mahjong Group  
6:30pm School Board, KLC  
7pm Public Hearing- Budget

## Fri. Feb. 5th

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
11:30am First Friday Brunch  
Music of Joan & Click Horning  
1pm Mahjong Group

## Mon. Feb. 8th

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Bridge Group  
4pm Water Coloring  
5:30pm Selectmen  
6:30pm Bond Hearing  
7pm Rural Heritage Conn.

## Tues. Feb. 9th

8am- 7pm State Primary, KRES  
10am Quilting Group  
12 Noon Senior Dining followed  
by HealthSouth's Jessalyn  
Lakowicz  
1pm Mahjong Group  
7pm Planning Board

## Wed. Feb. 10th

1pm Knitting Group  
6pm Yoga

## Thurs. Feb. 11th

12 Noon Senior Dining  
1pm Mahjong Group  
4:30pm BACC/P&R  
5:30pm THRC Oversight  
7pm 2nd Public Hearing  
Budget

## Fri. Feb. 12th

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Mahjong Group

## Sat. Feb. 13th

9am-Noon Town Clerks  
Office Open

## Sun. Feb. 14th

Happy Valentines' Day!!

## Mon. Feb. 15th

Presidents' Day Holiday  
Senior Center Closed  
No Meals on Wheels or Bus  
1pm Bridge  
6:30-8:00pm Chess, BML

## Tues. Feb. 16th

10am Quilting Group  
12 Noon Senior Dining w/  
Duke Snyder on the piano  
1pm Watercolor Class

## Wed. Feb. 17th

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

## Thurs. Feb. 18th

10:30-Noon B.P. Clinic at MVSC  
12 Noon Senior Dining  
6:30pm School Board, KLC

## Fri. Feb. 19th

8:45am MVSC Fitness

## Sat. Feb. 20th

3-5pm Town Hall Info  
Session, KRES

## Mon. Feb. 22nd

Winter Recess Begins  
1pm Bridge  
5:30pm Selectmen

## Tues. Feb 23rd

7pm Planning Board

## Wed. Feb 24th

6pm Yoga

## Fri. Feb. 26th

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
Winter Recess Ends

## Sat. Feb. 27th

9am-Noon Town Clerks  
Office Open

## Mon. Feb 29th

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Bridge  
5:30pm Selectmen

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  
To schedule rooms at the BACC call Jim Valiquet at 938-2522*



### 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  
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

## Kearsarge Area Chamber of Commerce Events

### Educational Session

Tues., Feb. 12 - The Business & Industry Association is sponsoring a "Small Business Day" at the Concord Holiday Inn and you're invited. This event will focus on the important challenges facing small businesses, and should be very informative. More info will be available soon.

### Business After Hours 3 On Main

Thu., February 18, 5:30-7 p.m. at 3 on Main, 905 Main St., Contoocook. 3 on Main carries home décor: furniture, mirrors, clocks, pillows, rugs and candles. Get some ideas on how to decorate your home or office.

### Wind, Water, Fire and Ice

Sat., February 27, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Little Nature Museum will be sponsoring a talk by Dave Anderson, Director of Education and Volunteer Services for the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. David will present an illustrated program about the history of selected natural disasters and how forests respond accordingly. For more information or weather related cancellations, call 603-746-6121. This event will be held at the Hopkinton Town Library. Directions to the Hopkinton Town Library: [HopkintonTownLibrary.org](http://HopkintonTownLibrary.org).

## Notice of Public Hearing



## Town Of Bradford Budget Committee

Thursday, February 4, 2016 at  
7:00pm and if needed on  
Thursday, February 11, 2016 at  
7:00pm

Bradford Area Community  
Center  
Youth Room

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## Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

Fall in love with a good book from your library this February. We have lots of books for all ages in fiction, mystery, non-fiction, and biography. If you don't see the book you want, just ask! We are happy to recommend books or find that particular title you seek.

Planning ahead to March, join us for a full English tea on Sunday, March 6 at 2:30pm to celebrate the final episode of Downton Abbey. This fundraiser is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Limited tickets will be available at the library. Check with us for price and details in February. We encourage you to wear your best Downton outfits.

**CHESS.** The library is open on Presidents Day, and we will offer chess that night from 6:30 until 8:00pm.

**BOOK DISCUSSION.** We have not yet selected our February book by Bridge deadline. Check with the library or on our website [brownmemoriallibrary.org](http://brownmemoriallibrary.org) for the next choice. We try to choose books that are not too long, not too new, and (do try, Meg) not too dark. Join us on Wednesday, February 17 at 7pm for the discussion. All are welcome.

Some of the new books added in January:

For adults

*Fortune Smiles : stories* / Adam Johnson

*Anything For You* / kristan higgins

*Radiance* / Catherynne M. Valente

*Outline* / Rachel Cusk

*Fallen Land* / Taylor Brown

*Woman With a Blue Pencil* / Gordon McAlpine

*The Precious One* / Marisa de los Santos

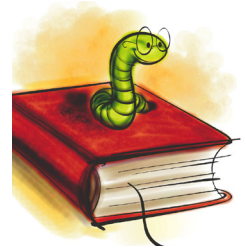
For children & teens

*Listen, slowly* / Thanhha Lai

*This raging light* / Estelle Laure

*All The Bright Places* / Jennifer Niven

*The Only Child* / Guojing



### Library Hours

Monday, 10-8

Wednesday, 10-7

Saturday, 10-3

Sunday, 11-3

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*Town Meeting*

Wednesday  
March 9, 2016  
At 7:00 PM  
Bradford  
Elementary School

### **Happy Valentine's Day, Bradford!**

*George and Marge Cilley, who  
fell in love at first waltz, still see  
all the possibilities for Bradford  
Town Hall.*

Photo & caption  
submitted by  
Michele Halsted



Interest Rates  
(continued from pg 6)

There are 15 active and 3 pending residential listings ranging in price from \$149,900 to \$510,000, 29 active and 0 pending land listings ranging in price from \$20,600 to \$3 Million, 3 active and 0 pending commercial listings ranging in price from \$319,900 to \$595,000 and 1 active and 0 pending multi-family listings in Bradford at a list price of \$197,000. No active residential, land and multi-family listings and 1 active commercial listing is a foreclosure or a short sale. The residential inventory is low but expected to increase

Letters To the Editor  
(continued from page 8)

Residents of Bradford,

State Primary Elections are quickly approaching. As I write this we have 1130 registered voters in the town of Bradford. The Town Clerk's office would like to encourage every voter who is able to come down and vote on Election Day- or send in their absentee ballot! There are a lot of candidates to consider so please do your research and choose wisely.

In the words of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, "Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves and the only way they could do this is by not voting."

Good day and good luck!

Camila Devlin,  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector  
Town of Bradford

*Below: Winter beauty in Bradford*



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**Barbara (Hayes) Willett, 89,** died Dec. 21, 2015, at the Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen. Born in Hollis on Oct. 14, 1926, Barbara graduated from Simonds Free High School in Warner and worked as a housekeeper most of her life.

She enjoyed crafts including making dolls, clowns and later quilts. The most joyous thing in her life was working in her yard or anyone else's. Barbara had lovely natural gardens and an almost manicured yard. She was known to go out in early morning, completely miss lunch and force herself in for dinner. She always liked a good wind storm so that she could go out and pick up sticks and branches in the yard. Barbara was quite reserved and felt at home in the solitude of the outdoors.

Barbara was predeceased by her husband, Leo Willett, and then her "chum," Ed Raymond. Barbara leaves behind her brother, Vernon Toppin of Addison, ME; a sister, Jeanette Couch of Sutton Mills; a son, Fred Willett of Port Charlotte, FL; a daughter, Trudy Willett of Bradford; grandchildren Jeremy Willett, Kristy Willett Schaeffer, Devin Willett, Travis Whitman and Justin Willett, and great-grandchildren, Andrew, Kenna, Zachary, Natalie, Grace, Dylan, Sawyer and Nathan. To sign an online guest-book please visit [chadwickfuneralservice.com](http://chadwickfuneralservice.com).



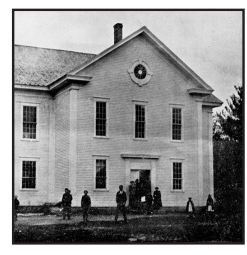
**Richard L. "Dick" Dumais,** age 77, of Boston and Sanibel, FL died Dec. 29, 2015. Born in Dorchester, MA in 1938, Dick is survived by his wife of 32 years, Jane, and two children, Rick Dumais and Lee Dumais. He was predeceased by his youngest son, Joseph ("Joey"). He leaves three stepdaughters and several grandchildren.

A graduate of Northeastern University, Dick spent many years working at Data Terminal Systems in Acton and Maynard, MA. A true believer in the Republican Party and conservative politics, he was a fierce patriot and was looking forward to the 2016 presidential election. He enjoyed rooting for the New England Patriots, joking with friends and family, traveling, and spending summers with Jane at their house in Wilmot, NH.

For many years, he and Jane lived on Sunset Hill in Bradford where he was actively involved with the town, serving on the Facilities Committee. A private burial was held at Wood-

Fundraising Team for organizing the event!

On the building subcommittee front, estimates for the heating system and basement are soon expected and will likely have already been received at the time of this article's publishing (more on that in the February issue of the Bridge). Sprinkler specs have already come in and are currently being revised. As for the septic system, an extremely generous in-kind donation was offered by Nate Kimball of Valley Excavation, for the labor required to install it. We are extraordinarily grateful and humbled by the overwhelming generosity on the part of so many business owners and members of our community.



At the time of this writing, the committee is crunching the numbers to come up with a total project cost estimate. This, and other important information, will be the topic of discussion at the committee's next Information Session, to be held on Saturday, February 20th, @ 3pm at KRES (Kearsarge Regional Elementary School). We will continue to update this list as questions from the community are put forth. To be included in regular, Town Hall email related updates, please send a request to Claire James at: [cerinames@gmail.com](mailto:cerinames@gmail.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.

## Out and About

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.

The winner of the January Out and About is Joe Torro who correctly identified the site saying, "I believe the site is the old Raymond House which sat up at the intersection of Main St and 114. It burned in 1897 and the owner rebuilt at the site of my place, actually transporting the huge granite foundation stones which make up my basement. There was a tavern on site called the Raymond Tavern up there and that's where Lafayette stopped on his tour." Thank you Joe. Who better to identify this site!! Here is the picture.



February's mystery site is in southwestern Bradford on private property, but can be clearly seen from a town road.



When you know what and where it is, send an email to [contact.us@bradford.bridge.com](mailto:contact.us@bradford.bridge.com) by February 20, 2016 with your name and contact info telling the location of the picture. The first sender of an email with the correct location will receive a congratulatory photo card of that place and their name will appear in Out and About in the next Bradford Bridge. Happy hunting everybody!!

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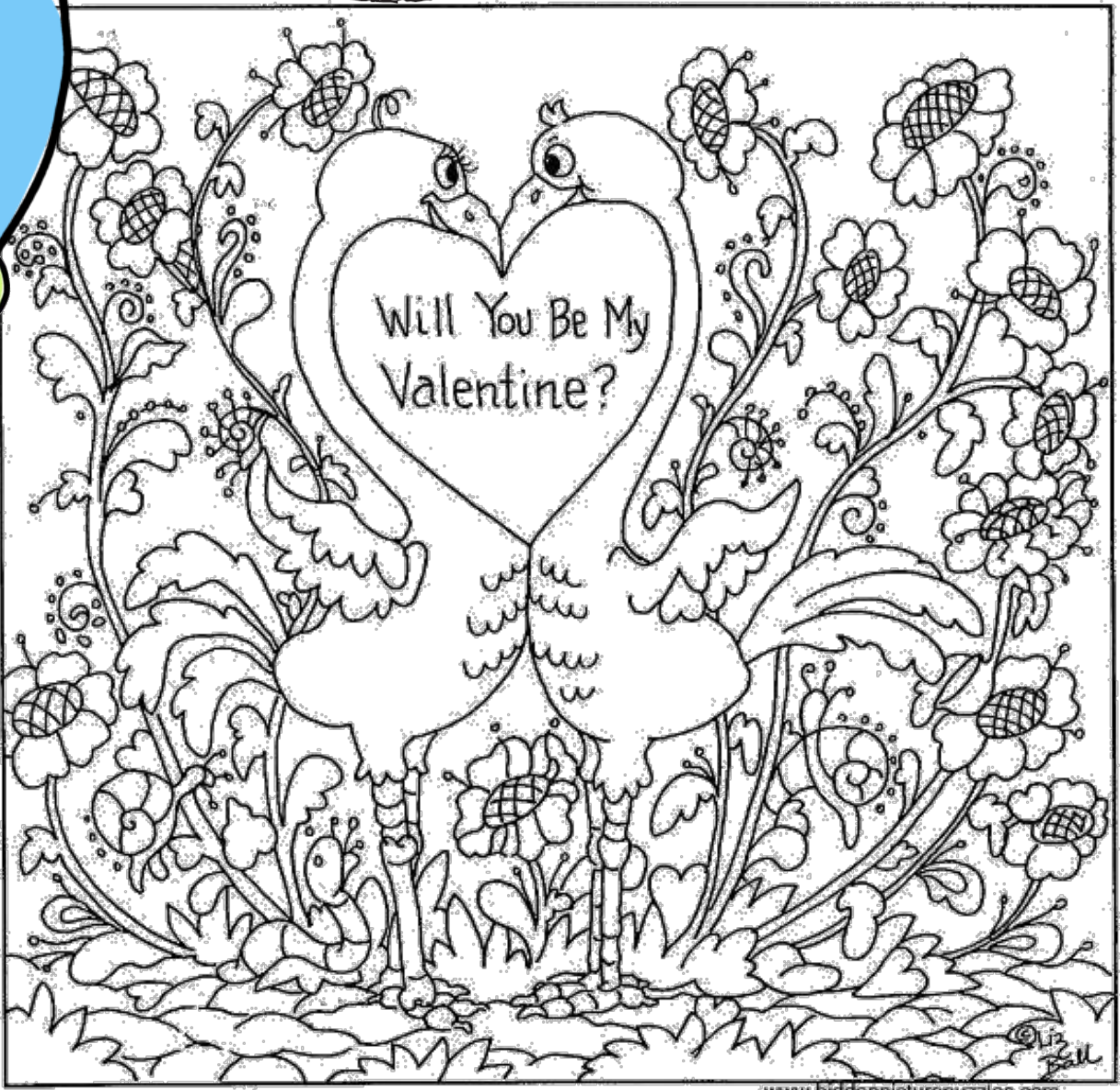
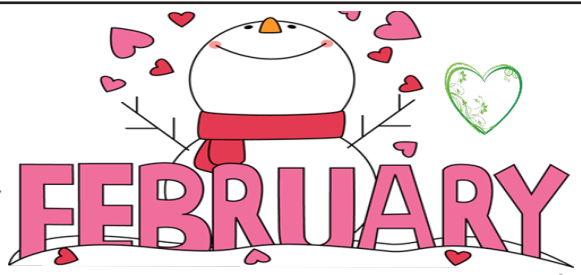
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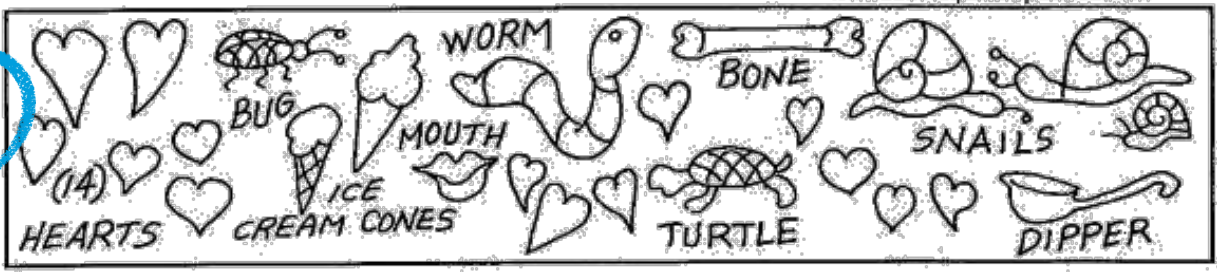


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Q: What do farmers give to their wives on Valentine's Day?



A: Hogs and Kisses!



**REMEMBER:** Find the hidden images in the photo above!

Bradford will be celebrating Read Across America Week Feb 15th -19th! This initiative began in 1998 to encourage people of all ages to get excited about reading. We encourage everyone to pick out a good book this week- or come up with a fun reading challenge for the kids in your family!