

Bradford Bridge

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NOTICE

The Water Street Bridge will be closed to ALL traffic for repair and replacement from March 6th through March 30th.

Candidates' Forum

The Bradford Bridge will once again provide a chance for Bradford voters to meet the candidates who have offered to serve on our town boards. Come to the Senior Room at the BACC on March 11 (the Saturday before voting day) from 10:00 AM to Noon. Listen, ask questions and become more informed voters. The plans for the renovation of the Town Hall will also be available as will members of the THROC to answer any questions you may have about this important project.

Water Street Bridge Closing

The Water Street Bridge has been on the Town's radar for a number of years. The Road Agent, Selectmen and Budget Committee had planned on ensuring the bridge was repaired to meet all State standards during our 2018 summer building season. The State accelerated the program by serving Bradford with a letter dated January 30, 2017 that reduced the present weight limit to 3 tons, "Passenger Cars Only," due to structural issues with the beams. This caused an immediate problem as the reduced limits restrict ambulance and fire truck usage of the bridge causing response time problems.

The Board, with able assistance from Barry Wheeler, obtained a couple of proposals for repair. We wanted a long-term solution, not something that would need to be re-visited too soon, a suitable design that would not affect future traffic flow, and

something that could be installed quickly at a competitive price. We have engaged the services of Cold River Bridges LLC, who just completed our new Breezy Hill Bridge, to build an engineered re-rod design that can be installed immediately! Their schedule avails Bradford to an excellent solution, in place by April 1st!

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John Pfeifle

When you go to vote on March 14th, you will see ballots like the ones on pages 16-17. For more information about each candidate, please look on pages 18-22.

Important Dates for March

**Candidates' Forum:
Saturday March 11th,
10am-noon BACC**

**Voting:
Tuesday March 14th
8am-7pm TOWN HALL**

**Town Meeting:
Wednesday March 15th
7pm KRES**

Snowshoe for Scholarships a Success

Saturday, February 18 was a sunny, warm winter's day to gather for an outdoor adventure at the home and property of Mary and Bliss Dayton. In early winter Mary had an idea to raise funds for the Bradford Town Scholarship by inviting people to snowshoe on a new trail on their land on Old County Road in Bradford. Old man winter helped by providing fresh snow and 35 people on snowshoes raised

\$875 for the Town Scholarship Fund. Everyone enjoyed a hearty lunch of chili, soups, breads and an amazing array of desserts. Thanks to Mary and Bliss and to everyone who came out to support local students.



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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
(closed 12 noon - 1 pm)
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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

Aaaaah Spring! At least the last few days of February have felt like it, but we all know NH winters and can remember St. Patrick's Day blizzards (a memorable one in 1956). So enjoy what comes, ski while the snow lasts, turn your clocks ahead when instructed, and prepare for Town Meeting.

There are few contests on the ballot this year compared with recent times, but several newer residents have offered to serve the Town, helping to expand the 'gene' pool. Bradford is sailing along smoothly under the guidance of current officers and the future looks good. The Planning Board responded to confusion about details of the Sign Ordinance and has proposed a revision with input from the business community. Another bridge will be replaced by the end of March thanks to Road Agent Wheeler and the Selectmen for responding quickly when the State lowered the rating on the Water Street Bridge. They found a practical and reasonably priced solution. The operating budget would have decreased if not for the cost of this emergency.

The Town Hall Restoration Oversight Committee, with the help of project advisor Scott Mckenney, has developed a plan for the renovation of the Town Hall that will provide a functional, stable facility for many years to come.

There will be adequate space for all Town voting, safe and comfortable offices for town employees with sufficient space to ensure privacy while conducting town business, an efficient heating system and insulation to ensure the heat doesn't go through the walls thus saving many dollars in the years to come. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee unanimously recommend approval of the \$675,000 bond to accomplish this. With your help and support, the renovated Town Hall will once again be a vital part of downtown Bradford.

*Marcia Keller,
Co-Editor*

SUPERVISORS of the CHECKLIST

The Bradford Supervisors of the Checklist will hold a public session on Saturday March 4th, 2017 between 11:00am and 11:30am at the BACC to make corrections to the Checklist and accept new registrations. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session.

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

Supervisors
Judy Marshall
Jacquie Pehrson
Sandy Paul

Town Boards

Recent Action by the Board of Selectmen:

Accepted \$500.00 donated by the Friends of the BACC to support the Bradford skating rink and a small shed at the location.

After two failed attempts to meet with Autocraft, voted to have Town Administrator Karen Hambleton begin the process of having the property cleaned up.

Recommended that the Town place \$1000 in the Bradford Scholarship Trust Fund.

Voted to include articles on the warrant to see if the Town:

- * would consider joining part of Warner to Bradford.
- * would be interested in replacing the stoplights at Route 114 and Route 103 and at Main Street and Route 103 with roundabouts.
- * is in favor of pursuing regionalization efforts with other towns, and
- * Included an article expanding the veteran's tax credit.

Warrant Articles

Town Hall Bond: Brackett Scheffy informed the Board an incorrect bid had been submitted. When that was corrected, the overall budget amount was reduced by \$75,000. The total needed for the proposed scope of renovation of the Town Hall is \$861,000.00, \$186,000.00 has been raised by a grant and donations leaving the amount to be raised by the bond at \$675,000.00. The Select Board voted in favor of supporting the Town Hall Restoration Bond at \$675,000.

Selectman John Pfeifle asked that it be noted on the record that the Historical Society is no longer requesting funding for their drilled well and hopes that this will focus more financial energy toward the bond for Town Hall.

Bement Bridge: The estimate for a complete repair of the bridge is approximately \$500,000 over the \$772,000 previously expected. The State will cover 80% of the additional work. Selectmen voted to raise and appropriate \$50,000.00 this year as part of the remaining 20% share the Town will pay.

Budget Committee

Public Hearing Question was asked about using the CIP this year. Response was that the CIP had not been updated this year. In last year's CIP, the Loader was planned for 2020, the Fire Truck was projected for 2019, and the compressor was projected for this year.

In response to a question regarding additional funds needed for Bement Bridge, it was explained that the State would cover 80% and the Town would be responsible for 20%, (approximately \$100,000). The Selectmen recommend raising \$50,000 this year whereas the Budget Committee recommends raising \$20,000. Selectmen's wording will appear on the warrant.

Beth made a motion for the committee to approve the final budget, John seconded, vote 6-0. It was noted that there was no need for the Second Public Hearing.

At a subsequent Budget Committee meeting, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend the amended bond amount of \$675,000 for renovation of the Town Hall.

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

IRS Tax Scams

As tax season approaches:

Con artists are after your personal information and they will use unsolicited telephone calls, emails, and bogus websites to further their criminal intent. Remember that the IRS does not contact you through social media, emails, or unsolicited phone messages for personal or financial information. Never divulge this type of information. If the IRS needs some information verified they would normally send a letter (5071C located in the upper right hand corner).

One of the most common identity theft scams is the filing of false tax reports using stolen identification information.

Prevention is key. Check your credit report once a year, review your social security report, and protect your personal data.

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The Mount Washington Cog Railway's Peppersass Engine

Peppersass (*pronounced Peppersass*), the locomotive that built the Mount Washington Cog Railway – the world's first mountain-climbing cog railway – traveled from its home at the base of Mount Washington in New Hampshire and was a popular attraction at the Annual Amherst Railroad Hobby Show at the Eastern States Exposition Fairgrounds in West Springfield Massachusetts. Peppersass is touring the US and visiting railroad and tourism related events and museums over the next three years to kick off the Cog's 150th anniversary in 2019.

Nicknamed for its pepper-sauce bottle shape, the Peppersass cog engine was invented by Sylvester Marsh. In 1857, after becoming lost near the summit of Mount Washington during a climb, Marsh knew that there had to be a better way for people to reach the highest mountain peak in the Northeast and immediately began developing a plan to build the world's first mountain-climbing cog railway. A conventional train could never get up Mount Washington; it would take a special type of railway to carry passengers up the mountain. In 1861, Marsh was granted a patent for a steam locomotive using a cogwheel to grip a center notched rail. On July 3, 1869, Old Peppersass became the first cog-driven train to climb 6,288-foot Mount Washington.

For more information, visit thecog.com.

Kearsarge Ski Teams Repeat as Division III Champions

Excerpts from an article in the Concord Monitor
By MICHELLE BERTHIAUME
Monitor staff
Tuesday, February 14, 2017

Last year, the Kearsarge girls' Alpine ski team edged out defending champion Bishop Brady by just two points in the Division III championships at Mount Sunapee to secure the team's first title since 2007. [About] a week ago, the Cougars again narrowly edged out the Green Giants ...

Kearsarge won the meet going away with 754 points, while Brady (727) finished second, St. Thomas (674)

skied to a third-place finish and Belmont (669) came in fourth.
The Cougars also defended their title on the boys' side by finishing with 738 points, while Belmont (707), Bishop Brady (701), Bow (689) and Gilford (665) rounded out the top five.
"I'm really excited that we could do this again this year," sophomore Brie Von Beren [of Bradford] said as her teammates chattered with excitement behind her on the bus ride home. "We're really lucky that we had such a good team and everyone performed as good as they did."
Von Beren led the charge, as she has for most of the year, finishing second overall in the slalom and first overall in the giant slalom ... "She just skies well," [Coach] Underhill

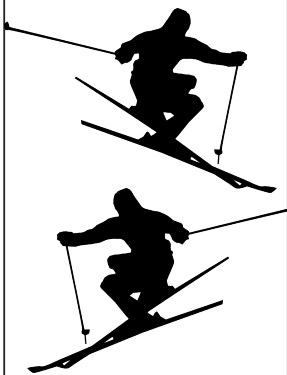
said of Von Beren. "She attacks. She takes every run and we just tell her to go. She wants to go faster and faster every run and she just goes at it with a great attitude."

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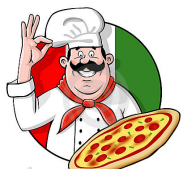
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Greenland in Bradford – rescheduled!

The Bradford Conservation Commission will host a talk on Greenland on Thursday, March 16 at 7pm at the Bradford Area Community Center. Bill Duffy, cartographer, photographer, geologist, and Bradford resident spent much of August on the Nuussuaq Peninsula scouting a possible route for the International Appalachian Trail (IAT) in northwest Greenland.

Located 300 miles north of the Arctic Circle, Nuussuaq is a remote, barren, and beautiful place with 6000' mountains and deep glacially-carved valleys holding emerald-green lakes. The peninsula includes several small ice caps and hundreds of glaciers in various stages of retreat.

Come see Bill's photos of icebergs, glaciers, and barren wilds and hear about navigating glacial moraines, wading ice-cold streams and his liaison with six Greenlandic teenagers, a Danish counselor with a rifle, a Maine geologist, and a Greenlandic matron out to prove something to her husband – Bill's companions and guides on the hike.



Bradford Conservation Commission

The BCC will meet Monday, March 20 instead of March 21. Meetings are at 7pm at Brown Memorial Library and are open to the public.

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Out and About

by Kathleen Bigford

Many of you are enthusiastic about recording the beauty that surrounds us. Therefore, I'd like to invite photographers to share images to be included in this article. Of course proper credit will be given. The most interesting photographs will be from Bradford and close-by places. An accompanying caption would be nice. One last request is to submit the images in .jpg or .jpeg format.

Here's a photograph taken by Bill Thompson of a beaver dam on East Washington Road. Thanks Bill!!



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Legislative Report

The first year of the 165th NH Legislative session is in full swing. The NH Legislature is in Republican control with a Republican Governor, Senate and House, for the first time in a decade.

What are the priorities? It seems they closely shadow national trends with efforts to decrease environmental restrictions, remove gun control restrictions, promote "school choice" i.e. giving public funds to charter schools which may be private/religious or both, establishing barriers to reproductive health and attempting to weaken unions and renegotiate state worker retirement benefits that were promised as a condition of their original employment.

"Right To Work" is described by supporters as a "choice" bill. Supporters contend that no worker should have to join a union. They are correct. Unions represent every worker whether a member or not. They negotiate contracts and benefits for all workers. If a person does not want to be a union member, they are charged a "negotiating" fee to cover the costs of the union representation. Unions do not have the option of representing only union members. They are required, by law, to represent everyone in the workplace.

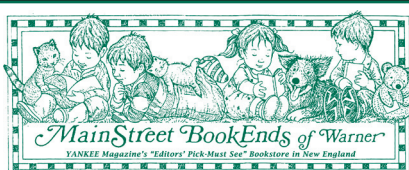
"Right to Work" was defeated by 23 votes in the House last week and may not be brought back until the 165th session in 2018.

Guns, guns, guns. Everywhere. Constitutional Carry allows people to carry concealed weapons without a permit. Guns will soon be permitted in polling places, so schools where voting is done should keep that in mind. Supporters insist that this is a constitutional issue; those opposed believe that common sense dictates that background checks should be universal and citizens should know who has a weapon. There are complicated issues and legitimate differences thriving in political life.

There are many issues facing the state and if you are affected, please let us know.

You can testify, write letters, express your support or objection. We will be holding a "Listening Session" in April to meet with you and discuss your questions and concerns. Date and place TBA.

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Area Events

Warner Town Hall, March 10, 7:00 p.m.

WARNER HISTORICAL SOCIETY presents Pauline Sands Lee: One Woman’s Journal of War Relief in France, 1916-1918. Joan Warren, Warner resident and great-granddaughter of Pauline Sands Lee, will give an illustrated talk about Pauline’s journals of her travels and work in France, as a public record of her work as a volunteer for the American Fund for the French Wounded (AFFW). The journals are detailed first-hand observations of war-time France. This program is part of a multi-organization collaboration of Over There, Over Here: World War 1 and Life in NH Communities. Visit overthereoverhere.com for more information about events and exhibits.

South Newbury Union Church Saturday, March 18th 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Annual Flea Market at the Friendship House on the corner of Village and Sutton Roads at the blinking light. Handicap Accessible
Coffee and donuts (and other goodies from the bake table) available all day. Soup, rolls and hot dogs available at lunch.

Fox State Forest Hillsborough

The thirteenth annual Cotrell-Baldwin Environmental Lecture Series in March and April. This year’s topics are:
March 7 – ‘The Big Trees of NH’

New Library Art Exhibit

The Bradford Art Group announces a new exhibit in Brown Memorial Library: *New Hampshire - The Four Seasons*, photographs depicting the natural flora and fauna of each season by Carol Brunetti of Warner.

Carol was an elementary school teacher for 18 years. She writes: “I have always taught students with an emphasize on and respect for the natural world just outside the window. When you are lucky to live in such a beautiful place, it’s hard not to notice nature and the changes occurring all around us. As a retired teacher, my natural appreciation for the changing landscape led me to start taking photos all around the state, but in particular right in our neighborhood of Warner, Sutton and Bradford. My husband loves to travel the back roads, mainly looking for wildlife. These rides have turned out to be the best canvas for photos. All of the photos are unique in that they capture moments in time.”

The barrier free library, located at 78 West Main St., Bradford, is open: M: 10 - 8; Wed: 10 - 7; Sat: 10 - 3 ; and Sun: 11 - 3. For more information, call: 938-5562.

March 21 – ‘America’s Snake – The Rise and Fall of the Timber Rattlesnake’

March 28 – ‘Thirty Eight: The Hurricane That Transformed New England’

April 4 – ‘Wildflowers of New England’

All programs are free to the public and are held on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 at the Baldwin Environmental Center at 309 Center Road, Hillsborough.

Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail News

The [Rural Heritage Connection](#) is leading the Rail Trail effort in Bradford. The RHC would like to thank Chris Payson for his generous donation for this project. Contact Michele Halsted michelehalsted@ymail.com for more information.

The Lake Sunapee Snowmobile Club is working with the DRED Bureau of Trails to get a bridge application filed to cross Lake Todd. The trail would be built from Gillingham Rd. to the Appleseed Restaurant. This would vastly improve the walking loop around lower Lake Todd and lengthen the existing Tilly Wheeler Trail.

Craig Della Penna will speak in Warner March 8th at 7:00 PM at the Pillsbury Free Library on the overall topic of the rail trail project. Save the date! Craig is a great speaker and is a master rail trail resource.

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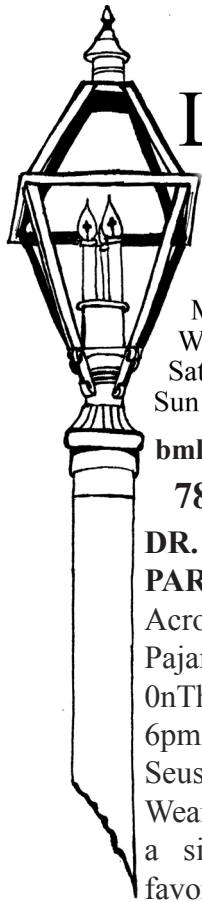
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DR. SEUSS PAJAMA PARTY! Celebrate Read Across America with a Pajama Party at the library On Thursday, March 9 at 6pm, complete with Dr. Seuss snacks and stories. Wear your PJs and/or a silly hat. Bring your favorite stuffed animal, or borrow one of ours.

RETOLD: Every Wednesday evening from 6-7, a live reading of Farley Mowat's *The Dog Who Wouldn't Be*.

BOOK DISCUSSION:

Wednesday, March 22 is the date for our discussion of *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. We hope you can join us as we talk about this remarkable book *Library Journal* calls "[a] distinctive work [that] skillfully puts a human face on the bioethical

questions surrounding the HeLa cell line. Henrietta Lacks, an African American mother of five, was

undergoing treatment for cancer at Johns Hopkins University in 1951 when tissue samples were removed without her knowledge or permission and used to create HeLa, the first "immortal" cell line. HeLa has been sold around the world and used in countless medical research applications, including the development of the polio vaccine." A movie adaptation is coming out in April.

ROSIE'S MOM:

Forgotten Workers of the First World War. Thursday, March 23 at 7pm

DROP-IN GENEALOGY

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Rosie's Mom: Forgotten Workers of the First World War

Talk by author **Carrie Brown**
at **Brown Memorial Library**
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Sponsored by the New Hampshire Humanities Council and the Friends of the Library.

In 1917, a full generation before Rosie the Riveter rolled up her sleeves and adorned the cover of the Saturday Evening Post, American women entered the workshops of the First World War. Trading their ankle-length skirts for coarse bloomers or overalls, they built fabric-covered biplanes, hauled scrap metal, filled hand grenades with powder, made gas masks, processed meat to send to the troops, and helped keep the freight trains running. By filling men's places, at less than men's wages, they helped win the war. And then they were forgotten. During the Second World War, "Rosie the Riveter" posters, magazine articles, songs, movies, and stage shows would celebrate the accomplishments and encourage the efforts of women ordnance workers.

Those images—images of women doing difficult and remarkable things during World War II—remain in our collective memory. But Rosie was not the first, and the World War II images are not the first to record women's industrial war work. Come learn more about the women who inspired Rosie.

For information contact
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Alice L. (Hegdahl) Gove

Alice L. (Hegdahl) Gove, 86, of Newbury, N.H. died Monday, Jan. 23, 2017 at her daughter's home in West Fairlee, Vt. She was born in Chisholm, Minn. on March 12, 1930 to the late Franklin Hegdahl and Freda (Gillingham) Hegdahl Bunker. Her husband, Charles H. Gove, Jr. died in 1974. She graduated from Simonds High School in Warner, N.H., and lived in Newbury, N.H. most of her life.

She worked as Title I Reading Aide in the Newbury and Bradford Elementary Schools for several years, and was also employed by local businesses, Mesur-Matic Inc., Audio Engineering and Hartford Eichenauer. She was a member of the South Newbury Union Church, a member of the Sunapee Lake Grange and member of the Newbury Historical Society.

Surviving members of her family are two daughters, Susan Lumbrá of Vershire, Vt., and Betty Brown of Warner, N.H.; a son, Jeff Gove of Newbury, N.H., and six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held at Lakeside Cemetery in Newbury, N.H. in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to: Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vt. and N.H. P.O. Box 881, Brattleboro, N.H. 05302, or VNHCARE.ORG/GIVING/DONATE.

The Holt-Woodbury Funeral Home & Cremation Service is assisting the family. For more log on to holtwoodburyfh.com. -

Obituaries**Doris Mary (Carey) Cook**

Doris Mary (Carey) Cook died Feb. 12, 2017 at age 94. Born July 5, 1922 in Providence, RI, she was the daughter of Frank E. Carey and Margaret E. (Cullen) Carey. Doris was married for 74 years to Eugene Otis Cook (Bompa), who died in August, 2016. In 2014 they were recognized as NH's longest married couple. They met after being introduced by Doris's older brother, Frankie. Their first date in 1940 was to see *Gone with the Wind*.

One of her proudest achievements was being the undisputed "jacks" champion in South Providence, RI. Doris retained a sense of adventure throughout her life. She surprised her family by doing the unexpected: parasailing in Acapulco, canoe camping on the Magalloway and riding roller coasters. Doris worked in administration for the town of Burrillville, RI, for 30 years before moving to NH in 1984. She helped build the family business, E.O. Cook Machinery & Associates, Inc.

She is survived by three sons, twelve grandchildren, including Jon (Amy) of Bradford, Maddie, Jenna, and Anna Cook of Bradford (three of nineteen great-grandchildren); three great-great-grandchildren; her sister Peggy Turbitt; many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a brother, Frankie, and a sister, Mae.

Donations can be made to The Edna McKenna Trust Fund, MCNH, 325 DW Highway, Boscawen, N.H. 03303 or St. Theresa's Building Fund, 158 West Old Hopkinton Rd., Henniker, N.H. 03242. Interment will be at the convenience of the family.

Brenda L. (Whipple) Greenlaw

Brenda L. (Whipple) Greenlaw, 52, of Main Street, died Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at Concord Hospital. She was born in New London on Jan. 3, 1965. Brenda graduated from Kearsarge Regional High School in Sutton, in 1983. She was a school bus driver for Kearsarge Regional School District for many years and had also been employed at Walker Power Co. in Warner. Brenda also did cleaning for area families.

She attended the East Washington Baptist Church and enjoyed crocheting many beautiful afghans. Her children and family were her pride and joy.

She was predeceased by her father, Robert B. Whipple; and a sister, Sally Welch. Members of her family surviving include three children, Timothy Greenlaw of South Newbury, Rebecca Greenlaw of Warner and Lindsey Greenlaw of Warner; her mother, Annie (Bagley) Whipple of Bradford; a close friend, Terry Gauthier of Concord; three sisters, Nancy Boffitto of New London, Diane Heath of Concord and Vivian Weaver of Warner; nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

A graveside service will be held in Sunny Plain Cemetery, Bradford, in the spring.

Memorial contributions may be made to Chadwick Funeral Service, P.O. Box 68, New London, NH 03257. Chadwick Funeral Service of New London, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Shirley M. Keith

Shirley M. Keith passed away on February 2, 2017, at Merrimack County Nursing Home with her daughter Katy and nurse James by her side. She had been residing at the nursing home since the passing of her husband Donald C. Keith in 2009. Born in Concord, NH, on June 15, 1929, Shirley was the daughter of Carl F. and May Shirley Milner. She had two brothers, Stewart and Grant. She graduated from Simonds Free High School in Warner in 1947. She attended Keene Teachers College and earned an RN from Concord Hospital. She worked as an operating room nurse at UCLA for 7 years. She returned to New Hampshire where she met and married her husband of what would be a 50-year marriage. They adopted four children and cared for a foster child. She obtained a license to open a nursing home in her home. Shirley worked at Concord Hospital and NH State Hospital and retired in 1988.

Shirley was a member of the Bradford Baptist Church and was one of the first members of the Kindergarten Mothers in Bradford. She was a member of the Nightengales, a group of nurses who had graduated together from nursing school. For years they met several times a year. Shirley did whatever she could to attend one gathering a year, which she did up until 2015.

Shirley enjoyed reading and crafts, but most of all she liked helping people. That is why she became the neighborhood nurse for her children or any child or person that came to her for help. If she could help them, by stitching them, icing their black eye, wrapping a sprained ankle, or letting them know they needed to go to the doctors, she was always there.

Shirley was pre-deceased by her husband, Donald C. Keith and her oldest daughter, Kelly L. Keith. She is survived by a brother, Grant Milner; her children: Mark W. Keith

and his wife Julia, Luke C. Keith and his wife Marshaleen, and daughter Katy J. Keith and life-long family friend, Edward A. Flinkstrom and foster son, Jesse Rowell and his wife Caroline. She is also survived by 6 grandchildren, Amanda J. Richardson and fiancé Stephen Patch, Daniel E. Richardson, Sarah M. Keith, Keegan W. Keith, Bowie E. Keith, and Tyler C. Keith. Along with many nieces, nephews, and close dear friends.

Services will be held on May 6, 2017 at 11:00 A.M. at the Bradford Community Church. There will be fellowship following the service at the vestibule of the church. To sign an online guestbook visit www.chadwickfuneralservice.com.

Donald F. Poirer

Donald F. Poirer, 69, died unexpectedly Jan. 26, 2017. He was born in Nashua, Dec. 29, 1947, the son of the late Camil and Rachel (Cote) Poirier. He graduated from Bishop Bradley High School, Manchester in 1965 and NHTI in Manchester. For 25 years, Don was an auto mechanic for Tulley Buick GMC in Nashua. He was a custodian for the Lebanon School District when he retired four weeks ago.

Don was a Nashua resident most of his life and moved to North Sutton 16 years ago. He was a US Army veteran and served in the Vietnam War. He enjoyed playing the guitar, making stained glass art, gardening, working on cars and building model vehicles and planes. He was able to repair or build most anything using caulking and duct tape. A true New Hampshire boy, Don was able to light a fire with just about anything, including wet paper.

Members of his family include his wife of 44 years, Brinda (Burse) Poirier of North Sutton; son Scott and his wife Mary (Chadwick) Poirier and their son Evan of Newbury; daughter Kristen and her husband Jesse Fenn

and their son Oliver of Newport; two sisters, Beatrice and her husband Dexter Howe of Bradford and Diane and her husband Butch Radziewicz of Nashua; sisten-in-law Janice Thebodeau of Milford and brother-in-law David Bursey and his wife Julie of Sutton; many nieces and nephews. A service with full military honors was held. Memorial contributions may be made to: American Legion Post 40, 45 Greeley Rd, Springfield, NH 03284.

Annie Elizabeth (Page) Cash

Annie Elizabeth (Page) Cash passed away Feb. 2, 2017, at the Newton-Wellesley Center for Alzheimer's Care. She was born in New London to Ruth (Webster) and Charles H. Page Sr. on Dec. 17, 1941. The eldest of eight children, she grew up in Bradford.

She was predeceased by her husband, Bob; son, Robert Miner; step-son, Thomas Cash; her parents, and brother, Charles Jr. She is survived by daughters, Lesley Hobson and Bonnie-Scott Miner of Boscawen; grandsons, Justin Crane and Patrick Hobson; a great-grandson; step-sons, Michael, Robert and Gregory Cash; brothers, Thomas, John, Francis and Anthony Page; sisters, Mary Seymour and Jeanette Patten; many nieces and nephews.

Annie was a talented seamstress and interior decorator, a tireless yard-sale shopper and gardener—a wonderful person to be around! She and Bob enjoyed 30 years of marriage that took them from Boston, to Syracuse, to Virginia, to Tulsa and back to New Hampshire.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or The Alzheimer's Association.



**LETTERS
TO THE
EDITOR**

Letter to the Editor:

Rep. Neal Kurk (Weare/Deering) Mr. "No new taxes" has proposed an income tax. Only it's not an income tax on everyone...it's only for 70, 80, and 90+ year-old retired state employees. In true Orwellian fashion, he calls it a "contribution." A tax based on income by any other name is an income tax.

On Feb. 1, over 3 hours of testimony against HB 653 occurred with no one (other than Rep. Kurk) speaking in favor. The hearing rooms were packed with people testifying and dozens and dozens of others signing the legislative sign-in sheet against the bill. The committee recommendation was "Retained in Committee" for further consideration. However, it now appears in HB2, a budget bill.

FACT: NH is the 7th highest per capita income state in the Nation
Fact: NH is not a poor state: it's a state that milks the poor, the middle class and the elderly
FACT: there are over 33,867 millionaires living in NH (as of 2014, up from 26,498 in 2006*)
none of who pay an income tax. I believe Rep. Kurk is one of them.
FACT: That means for every 1,000 people you meet, approximately 33 of them are MILLIONAIRES.

If there is to be an income tax, it

should be on all of NH's citizens, not a targeted few. Our legislators must finally look for ways to improve NH's economic well being without giving millionaires a free ride and hurting the same hard working people of NH over and over again. HB 653 must be removed from the budget bill.

Susan McKeivitt
Bradford, NH

*Sources: Wall Street Journal, Jan. 2014; NETSTATE.COM

To all Bradford Voters:

I am writing to you asking for your vote in the upcoming town elections. I serve on the Zoning Board and am running for re-election. Zoning Board duty to the town of Bradford requires board members be impartial, reflective, and firm in making decisions. I try to be balanced and open minded, taking into account the guidelines of Zoning and the guidance of our town Master Plan.

Three high profile cases have recently come to Zoning Board. Corvus, which ended without action by the Zoning Board, brought new attention to the importance of zoning and how it impacts long term development.

A second high profile case involved the redevelopment of a Lake Massasecum waterfront lot. The owner petitioned to bulldoze a 1700 square foot home and build a 3400 square foot home with a set back of 50 feet from the lake. Town voters had established a 75 foot set back. The new home could easily be set at 75 feet from

the lake. I was the lone vote in favor of the 75 foot set back. I respect and will follow the wishes of the town voters whenever possible in rendering a Zoning Board decision.

The third high profile case involved a petition to operate a salvage (junk) yard in a rural residential district. I voted to allow the salvage (junk) yard. I do not encourage such business in our rural residential district. However, the petitioner met the conditions of zoning.

I will ask probing questions and will apply the guidelines of Zoning in a balanced and neutral manner.

Sincerely,


Stephen Pierce

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Outside*by Ann Eldridge*

There is a slope that was hard-logged a few years ago and is now coming up a sea of stump-sprouted beech. In winter their dry, paper thin leaves clatter weakly in the wind like the tiny, polite applause of a vast audience. However, this miniaturized beech and maple forest is not pleased at finding itself open to the drying winds and increasing heat of our summers. Beech, especially low branches and saplings, retain their leaves in winter as do some oaks. They don't fully form a corky 'abscission layer' between leaf and twig that casts off the leaf with the coming of cold weather. They seem not to realize the danger of having heavy ice and snow weighing down their limbs.

The botanical family from which beech originated was tropical and they have long memories. It takes eons for genetic changes to occur. All trees are programmed for travel; it's in their genes - of which they have many more than we do. Most trees migrate quite literally at glacial speed and glaciers have been one reason for their ebb and flow across continents as the continents themselves slowly shift. Beech trees hurl their seeds hoping for that forgetful rodent or bird to store them in favorable conditions far away. Marching at an optimum and invisible speed of ¼ mile per year now the beech has found itself far from the tropics in the land of snow and cold temperatures and presented with a different set of dangers.

The low mid-winter sun can heat tree trunks to the point that the bark expands. As night falls and temperatures drop, the outer protective bark cools faster than the live cambium layer just beneath. This can result in deadly 'frost cracks'. Many northern trees have thick, ridged or flaky bark that

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dissipates heat like the fins on your car's radiator. Others, like birch and aspen, have light-colored bark that reflects rather than absorbs the sun's heat. (Conifers tend to shade themselves.)

Fortunately, beech also has light-colored bark but theirs is very smooth and thin. The thinness allows bears, squirrels, and lovers to carve intricate, long-lasting graffiti into beech skin. The smoothness was another tropical adaptation to prevent epiphytes, tree-clinging plants, from heavily colonizing trunk and branches. Though this smooth-skinned strategy is not needed here, it doesn't hurt and thus it remains.

Beech will continue slowly spreading, hampered by mountain ranges, highways and housing developments - sometimes slowed by insects and pathogens. In winter it isn't hard to find the protective, wooly fluff shielding a miniscule scale insect - some of which incidentally carry the accidentally introduced fungus *Nectria coccinea*.

Trees in a healthy, intact forest have multiple ways of alerting their fellows to danger. Scent signals in the form of gases have been identified as well as electrical pulses that communicate via root systems and their related beneficial fungi. Trees then ramp up specific toxins in an effort to repel invaders. No tree wants to stand alone and brave the elements and thus beech trees will actually feed weaker relations via that intricate fungal root internet system.

Despite its diminutive size, the tiny scale insect currently plaguing the beeches drills its microscopic stylet into thin beech bark tapping the sap. Older, thicker-skinned beech rebuff such scale assaults but old forest beech have become quite rare. Gnarly bumps on younger beech



BEECH
AFFECTED
BY *NECTRIA C.*
FUNGUS

show that they are successfully encapsulating the fungus. If this doesn't work, cracks appear in the bark allowing a foothold to yet other pathogens. In a big winter storm - the now-stricken beech trunk could snap.

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What's Up With the Town Hall Restoration Oversight Committee
(known more easily as THROC)

The THROC year, of course, runs from March town meeting to March town meeting, not from January to December, like the rest of the world. The current year began with a popular vote overwhelmingly in favor of the restoration of the Town Hall and the bond to pay for it. The "Electoral College," however, did not quite get to the two-thirds vote required and so the bond did not pass. Amazing how that happens.

The THROC faltered only briefly after the town meeting and quickly regained its enthusiasm. Under the leadership of Harry Wright and with the efforts of many, we accomplished a tremendous amount in the ensuing months. It was the view of the committee that the primary reason the vote came up short was the bottom line. Too many taxpayers felt they just could not add another expense for the town and thus for their tax bills. It was therefore our guiding principle to review the then existing plans and every proposal for change with an eye toward lowering the total cost. In our humble opinion, we have accomplished exactly that. In fact, after the donations and the LCHIP grant are subtracted, the bond has been reduced to \$675,000.

One of the ways we did that was by engaging Scott McKenney, an extremely experienced contractor, as a "Project Advisor/Manager" to solicit new bids and estimates and to refine some of our old ones. He speaks the language of contractors and has advised us on many "traps for the unwary." Through his and our efforts, the project has been refined and improved and the costs substantially lowered. He has taken the project on as his own and we are hopeful that he will continue with us through to the ribbon cutting next

Fall. Come to the Town Meeting on March 15th to let him answer your questions!

When the voting moved back to the Town Hall for the September and November elections, the response to being there was overwhelmingly positive. It gave new life to the building and the need to preserve it. It was a little "cozy" so we have "tweaked" the first floor plan by enlarging the area that will be available.

The major decisions for the building have been made and bids or construction estimates obtained. Through effort and diplomacy, the LCHIP grant continued to be

available and will provide \$105,000 toward the total cost to the town. In addition, we have \$81,000 (and counting) of donations and in-kind gifts that also reduce the cost to the taxpayers.

The THROC





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5 ½ Questions

by Kathleen Bigford

This month I spoke with Laura Ryder, a neighbor and friend, who is involved both professionally and personally with everything outdoors. By day she works for the New Hampshire Department of Fish and Game as their supervisor of educational programs in wildlife, fishing, hunting, watersheds, and others. She has also worked for the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center in Holderness, NH. On her own time she is a consummate outdoors woman who enjoys fishing, hunting, four-wheeling, kayaking, hiking, snowshoeing, mountain biking and birding – anything that takes her into nature. A resident of Bradford since 2007, Laura moved here for the beauty of the area, a place she thought would be perfect for raising her son.

Our discussion ranged over a wide variety of natural world topics. It was clear from the start that Laura's passion is connecting people with wildlife. She comes from a family of humanitarians with voices for social justice. She says, "I've sort of come full circle. I grew up watching wildlife being politicized without a voice. My job and experience are giving me an opportunity to be that voice."

A program that Laura brought to New Hampshire is the annual "NH *Becoming an Outdoors Woman*" weekend co-sponsored by NH Fish and Game and the NH Wildlife Federation. Every September for the past 21 years a

weekend of instruction in a wide range of outdoor skills has been offered to women at beautiful Rockywold Deephaven Camps in Holderness, NH. I have been an instructor of mountain biking at this event since it began and I can say without reservation that Laura and her co-workers put together the finest gathering of dedicated outdoor skills educators I've had the pleasure to know. All of the classes help women build confidence in a non-competitive atmosphere. To find out more visit www.nhbow.com.

As the mother of a son, Laura has become increasingly focused on connecting kids to nature and wildlife. Laura says, "Children need the connection with something bigger than they are and that they are not afraid of. Nature and wildlife become part of them. Time in nature helps them think independently, solve problems creatively."

This interest and Laura's job blended perfectly in 2007 when she and colleagues at NH Fish and Game initiated the *NH Children in Nature Coalition*. The Coalition strives to get children and families outside to explore nature by providing information ideas and support. Organizations belonging to this Coalition believe firmly in the benefits nature brings to children. In addition to NH Fish and Game members include the NH Department of Education, the NH Cooperative Extension Service, the U.S. Forest Service, the NH Division of Parks and Recreation, the Society for the Protection of NH Forests, the American Cancer Society,

Healthy Eating and Active Living (Heal), and many others.

Bringing it back to Bradford, when I asked what she enjoyed most about our town she said, "... the natural beauty, the small-town atmosphere, the friendly people, the excellent elementary school. These are all important to me personally and as a mother." An annual event that has captivated her is the Christmas Pageant at the Bradford Center Meeting House. "Sitting in the church, seeing our breath, watching the children, listening to the choir and singing the songs all make a wonderful community holiday celebration."

"Oh, and I can't leave out my favorite local food supplier, the Kearsarge Food Hub/Sweet Beet Market!" Laura enthused. "It's so wonderful to be able to pick up local products right here in Bradford. Those kids are doing some amazing networking among farmers. The timing of their venture is perfect. I so appreciate their hard work on behalf of local consumers and producers." (Author's note: Those of you who know my connection to the Kearsarge Food Hub need to know that these comments were unsolicited.)

Thank you Laura for being a voice for wildlife and for helping people of all ages know the pleasures and benefits the natural world provides.

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All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted. Call to confirm dates and times in case there has been a change to the submitted information.

March 2017 Calendar

Wed. March 1st

NO SCHOOL
6pm Yoga
6pm RETOLD, BML
7pm Zoning Board

Thurs. March 2nd

NO SCHOOL
1pm Mahjong

Fri. March 3rd

NO SCHOOL
8:45am MVSC Fitness
11:30am First Friday Brunch
w/ vocalist Sueanne Thayer

Mon. March 6th

8:45am MVSC Fitness
1pm Bridge
5:30-7:30pm Drop-In
Genealogy Help, BML
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting

Tues. March 7th

10am Stitches from the Heart
12pm Senior Dining
12:30-4:30 Planning Board Office

Wed. March 8th

10am Tabulator Testing**
1pm Knitting Group
6pm Yoga
6pm RETOLD, BML

Thurs. March 9th

12pm Senior Dining
1pm Mahjong Group
4:30pm BACC/P&R
5pm Cub Scouts
6pm Dr. Seuss Pajama Party, BML

Fri. March 10th

8:45am MVSC Fitness
1pm Mahjong Group

Sat. March 11th

9am-12pm Town Clerk Open
10am- 12pm Candidate's Forum

Mon. March 13th

8:45am MVSC Fitness
1pm Bridge
5:30-7:30pm Drop-In
Genealogy Help, BML
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting

Tues. March 14th

8am- 7pm Town Election, Town Hall
10am Cooking Class followed by
Stitches from the Heart Quilters
12pm Senior Dining
1:30pm Watercolor Class
12:30-4:30 Planning Board Office
6pm Rural Heritage Connection
7pm Planning Board

Wed. March 15th

6pm Yoga
Library closes at 6:30
7pm Town Meeting, KRES

Thurs. March 16th

11am- 12pm Blood Pressure Clinic
at MVSC by Lake Sunapee VNA
12pm Senior Dining
1:30pm Mahjong Group
4:30pm Friends of BACC
6pm Conservation Commission
6:30pm School Board Meeting
7:00pm Bill Duffy in Greenland

Fri. March 17th

8:45am MVSC Fitness
9:30-11:30am Foot Care Clinic by
LSVNA at North Ridge Apartments
10am Friday Movie: *The Quiet Man*
12pm Senior Dining

Mon. March 20th

8:45am MVSC Fitness
1pm Bridge
5:30-7:30pm Drop-In
Genealogy Help, BML
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting
7:00 pm Conservation Commission,
BML

Tues. March 21st

9:30-11:30 Foot Care clinic at
Warner Pharmacy. Call for appt.
10am Stitches from the Heart
12pm Senior Dining
1pm Mahjong
12:30-4:30 Planning Board Office

Wed. March 22nd

10:30am- 12pm B.P. Clinic at
Warner Sr. Room by LSVNA

6pm RETOLD, BML
6pm Yoga
7pm Book Discussion, BML

Thurs. March 23rd

12pm Senior Dining
1pm Mahjong
7pm Rosie's Mom, NH Humanities
Council program, BML

Fri. March 24th

8:45am MVSC Fitness

Sat. March 25th

9am-12pm Town Clerk Open

Mon. March 27th

8:45am MVSC Fitness
1pm Bridge
5:30-7:30pm Drop-In
Genealogy Help, BML
5:30pm Selectmen's Meeting

Tues. March 28th

10am Stitches from the Heart
12pm Senior Dining
1pm Mahjong
7pm Planning Board

Wed. March 29th

6pm RETOLD, BML
6pm Yoga

Thurs. March 30th

12pm Senior Dining
1pm Mahjong Group

Fri. March 31st

8:45am MVSC Fitness

 **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

****Tabulator Testing will be conducted Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 10am at 134 E. Main St (BACC)**

SAMPLE BALLOT

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
KEARSARGE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BRADFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2017**

Signature
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

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- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
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<p>FOR MODERATOR</p> <p style="font-size: small;">For One Year Vote for not more than One</p> <p>BRACKETT L. SCHEFFY <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER</p> <p style="font-size: small;">For Three Years Vote for not more than One</p> <p>ANDREW PINARD <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE</p> <p style="font-size: small;">For Three Years Vote for not more than One</p> <p>JAMES V. BIBBO, III <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Write-in)</p>
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QUESTIONS

Question 1

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the **Municipal Budget Committee's recommended amount of \$42,492,091** for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the District. The **School Board** recommends **\$42,492,091**. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles. This warrant article asks the voters to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, the salaries of School District Officials and Agents, and for the statutory obligations of said District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State sources, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the Selectmen of each of the Towns of Bradford, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot, the amount to be raised by taxation by said towns. **(School Board Recommends 7-0, Municipal Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)**

Vote for only one: A, B, or C

- A. \$42,492,091 for the proposed Operating Budget recommended by the School Board A
- B. \$42,492,091 for the proposed Operating Budget recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee B
- C. \$42,142,091 for the proposed Operating Budget (a decrease of \$350,000) C
(MBC proposed Operating Budget as amended at the 1st Session)

Question 2

To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost item included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Kearsarge Regional School Board and the Para Educators at Kearsarge which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2017-18	\$57,686
2018-19	\$78,354
2019-20	\$71,079

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$57,686** for the 2017-18 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. **(School Board Recommends 7-0, Municipal Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)**

- YES
NO

Question 3

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$25,000** to be placed in the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, established in 2008 within the provisions of RSA 198:20-c for the purpose of emergency funding of unforeseen Special Education costs incurred by the District, with such amount to be funded from unassigned fund balance (surplus funds) remaining on hand as of June 30, 2017. **(School Board Recommends 7-0, Municipal Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)**

- YES
NO

Question 4

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$50,000** to be placed in the School Buildings Maintenance Fund for the purpose of repair, unanticipated utility costs, and maintaining the school buildings and equipment, with such amount to be funded from unassigned fund balance (surplus funds) remaining on hand as of June 30, 2017. **(School Board Recommends 7-0, Municipal Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)**

- YES
NO

SAMPLE BALLOT



OFFICIAL BALLOT
TOWN ELECTION
TOWN OF
BRADFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
March 14, 2017

Charles D. Smith
TOWN CLERK

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- To vote, fill in the oval(s) opposite your choice(s) like this
- To write-in a candidate not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval opposite the write-in line, like this

<p>Selectman</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>JOHN PFEIFLE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Supervisor of the Checklist</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>JAQUELINE V. PEHRSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Trustee of the Trust Funds</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MICHAEL C. JAMES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Trustee of Brown Memorial Library</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than THREE</p> <p>CONNIE SCHEFFY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>PATTY FURNESS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ANNETTE LEONAS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Scholarship Committee</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MARY KEEGAN-DAYTON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Scholarship Committee</p> <p>TWO YEARS Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>KATHLEEN BIGFORD <input type="radio"/></p> <p>RANDY THOMPSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Budget Committee</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>BETH DOWNS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CLAIRE JAMES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Planning Board</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>PAMELA BRUSS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CLAIRE JAMES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Planning Board</p> <p>ONE YEAR Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>ROBERT L. CLOSE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Zoning Board</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>NATHANIAL BRUSS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>STEPHEN PIERCE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Cemetery Commission</p> <p>THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>CAREY RODD <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p>Cemetery Commission</p> <p>TWO YEARS Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>JANE M. LUCAS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(WRITE-IN) <input type="radio"/></p>
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ZONING AMENDMENT

Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Bradford Planning Board for the Town's Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment No. 1 changes Article VII (Sign Regulation) by adding subsections for clarification of topics; makes changes to current verbiage regarding intent of ordinance; addresses the site plan review process; assigns approval authority from the Board of Selectmen to the Planning Board; amends sign requirements pertaining to size, duration, permits, and uses; provides the types of prohibited signs and specifies exceptions to such regulations. **YES**

NO

(Recommended by the Planning Board 4 Yes - 0 No)

Responses from Candidates for Town of Bradford Positions

Each candidate for local office was asked to respond to the following questions:

1. Your name and the committee you are running for
2. Why are you running for this position?
3. How does your background and/or interests relate to this position?
4. What do you like best about living in Bradford?

Here are the responses received by press time. Come to the Forum 10:00 AM – Noon, Saturday March 11 at the BACC. Meet your candidates and ask your questions.

Selectman (3 Years) One Opening**John Pfeifle**

1. Selectman
2. I have had the privilege to serve as Selectmen over two periods of time; 1st in the late 70's & early 80's for ten years and recently for another four (4) years. I enjoy the interaction with Town employees, Bradford citizens and interfacing with State agencies as needed.
3. Mel & I moved here in 1971. I graduated from Dartmouth on a Sunday in June, starting working in Bow, NH the following Monday; Bradford was an ideal geographic location; we knew no one. The Pfeifles had one son which grew to a family of three boys, now all married with eight grandchildren. We moved about a mile from a great farm on Pleasant Valley Road to a wonderful home built by Ken & Diane Brown overlooking Town on Ring Hill Road. I remained with Universal Packaging, which became Graphic Packaging, for many years retiring after running a large, 17 plant 1 paper mill, division for five + years. The extra time allowed me to re-join overseeing Town affairs in 2013 at Sonny Harris' & Barry Wheeler's request. (Barry left Office to become the Road Agent, a good one I might add!) I have enjoyed working with Sonny, Harry Wright and Jim Bibbo! Time marches on quickly, another term available already; Mel and I thought I should "hang in there" and attempt to complete a number of projects the Town has started.

Supervisor of the Checklist (3 Years) One Opening**Jacqueline V Pehrson**

I am running for Supervisor of the Checklist

I am running because it is important to make sure the voter list is current and correct.

It is enjoyable to see all the Bradford faces that care enough about their town, state and country to get out and vote.

Living in Bradford is the best of small town living with people who support each other even though they might not agree with them. Friendships include young and old, rich and not so rich, political and non-political and are all part of the Bradford family.

Trustee of the Trust Funds (3 Years) One Opening**Michael James**

1. Trustee of the Trust Fund
2. To help move the town towards a stock/dividend/income model for town trusts. To counter some of the rising costs in Bradford: Being on the budget committee has provided me with a great opportunity to better understand how we are spending our money and how the trusts can be better used to lower property taxes.
3. I have a strong background as an investor for over 25 years. This investing knowledge can help the town appropriately allocate money based on risk, town need, and rewards. Additionally, I am a co-owner of a business which has given me good practice in planning for the future.
4. I love the fact that Bradford is a small town and individuals can make a difference. I think people do not give New Hampshire and the town of Bradford the credit they deserve. Bradford is a truly amazing place to live.

Trustee of Brown Memorial Library (3 Years) Three Openings

Connie Scheffy

My name is Connie Scheffy and I am running for a third term as a member of the board of trustees of the Brown Memorial Library. I am currently serving in the position of secretary on the board. As a speech-language pathologist, I have a keen interest in literacy and a profound respect for libraries and all they provide to a community, perhaps especially in small towns. Through my time on the board, I have grown to appreciate the work necessary to keep the library operating and relevant to the needs of the public. I am proud of our library and staff and would like to continue to participate in keeping it the marvelous resource it is for the town. What I enjoy most about living in Bradford is the peace, quiet, and privacy amid the beauty of its natural surroundings with numerous opportunities for outdoor adventures. Along with this, I am aware of the good fortune of having the knowledge that there are friends and neighbors nearby to celebrate with in good times and to support each other in bad. Thank you.

Patty Furness

1. Brown Memorial Library Trustee-3 year position
2. The staff and volunteers of Brown Memorial Library offer to improve the quality of life for Bradford residents. It is a privilege to be a part of that, and a pleasure to give back to a welcoming place that has given me so much.
3. I have been a trustee of BML for seven years, and chairperson for five. I enjoy supporting our dedicated staff, meeting and brainstorming with friends who share the love of our library, and striving to maintain operational costs at a modest rate. We are all Bradford taxpayers also!
4. I enjoy the feeling of community in Bradford, the open spaces available for outdoor adventure, kayaking on Lake Massasecum in diminishing daylight and hearing the loon's yodel-call. I hold dear the kindnesses often shown by neighbors and friends (thank you Jacob and Reagan Dupuis!), and the healthy offerings and energy at Sweet Beet. I also love the sound of children's voices in our library.

Scholarship Committee (3 Years) One Opening

Mary Keegan-Dayton

1. I am running for Scholarship Committee
2. I am currently on the committee and am running for re-election. It is a privilege to be on the committee and involved in awarding scholarship funds to students in Bradford seeking assistance. I understand the costs associated with higher education. Our current goal is to build the fund principle so that we can increase the scholarship amount awarded.
3. I have lived in Bradford for 35 years and am a public school teacher. I am pleased that the Town of Bradford Scholarship Fund helps support students in pursuit of higher education.
4. Bradford is a beautiful town and I love living here. I enjoy being outside: hiking, skiing, swimming and participating in all Bradford has to offer. I do not care for the black flies and mud season is also a challenge.

Scholarship Committee (2 Years) One Opening

Kathleen Bigford

1. Scholarship Committee, 2-year term
2. I am proud that over the years the Town of Bradford Scholarship Committee has made a difference in the lives of students seeking education and training beyond high school. As families struggle to pay for college I would like to help insure that the Town continues to recognize deserving students seeking post-secondary education.
3. I am a retired educator and I have experience as a financial aid officer in a school of art in Washington, D.C. I served on the Bradford Scholarship committee in the 1990s. I would like to explore ways for Bradford to fund at least two \$1,000 scholarships a year.
4. I like the easy access to all the outdoor activities I love.

Randy Thompson

I am running for a two year term on the Town of Bradford Scholarship Committee.

My wife Jill and I moved to Bradford five years ago from Connecticut. We quickly came to love Bradford and are grateful that we get to live here. I have been looking for an opportunity to serve the town in some way, and a friend encouraged me to consider running for the Scholarship Committee.

I am an ordained minister and am currently serving a church in Concord on a part-time basis, Immanuel Community Church. In the past, I have taught English at Southern Connecticut State University, University of New Haven, and Quinnipiac University. I know the needs of college students both as a teacher and as a pastor who has written numerous scholarship recommendations for young people. Education is a large part of moving one's life forward. I'd like to help with that by serving on this committee.

Budget Committee (3 Years) Two Openings**Beth Downs**

I am running for a seat on the Budget Committee.

I want to continue to be a member of the Budget Committee because I have a commitment to putting the residents of Bradford and the Town of Bradford first. I have been the Chairperson for a second year and would appreciate the opportunity again. I have served 3 years and have never missed a scheduled meeting. I take running for office seriously and it shouldn't be taken lightly. I am ethical, reliable hardworking, detail-oriented, and have a track record of problem solving.

I have run my own business to the satisfaction of my customers for a number of years. I am the treasurer for the Rural Heritage Connection of Bradford, preparing impeccable tax filings for both for The Attorney General's office of NH, and the IRS. I also was in charge of the federally subsidized school lunch program at Bradford Elementary and learn quickly how to stretch a dollar.

I believe that all the community members who have so graciously donated their time this year to make the Town Hall a very budget conscientious project should be commended. I feel now is the time to engage in this endeavor full throttle, especially when so much grant money and gifts in kind can save every tax payer in Bradford so much. Having the historic Bradford Town Hall in use again is vital to the growth, prosperity and pride of our town.

I have the vision to move Bradford forward and the focus, time, energy and commitment to get the job done for all the citizens of our town. I look forward to serving you.

Claire James

I have no prior experience, as this is my first time running for the Budget Committee. Other, relevant, budget related experience gained was during my time as a Director level exec at several NYC based fashion companies - from boutique to Fortune 500. In these roles I had a direct responsibility to partner with all company division heads in establishing budgets for each of their respective departments. This involved a good deal of market research, direct knowledge of industry competitors, and the flexibility to take some risks when appropriate to the overarching needs of each division, in order to benefit the business as a whole. I hope to bring these skills and mindset to bear in order to assist in ensuring that the financial health of the town is regularly examined and improved upon wherever possible.

Planning Board (3 Years) Two Openings**Pamela Bruss**

I am running for this position because I have always planned to be active in the community and help create long-term, sustainable change for businesses and residents. Now is the time! I joined the Planning Board last year and have since been involved in making the sign process more user friendly and streamlined. I would love to continue serving the town and helping create the vision that matches the town's master plan and that of the

residents. I believe in sustainable living and raising my family in a town with a strong sense of community and support.

The thing I love most about Bradford is living a peaceful life with my husband and two little girls up in the hills, while having a downtown with so much potential! The least impressive about Bradford is the political divide, I have hope and desire to help bridge that gap and find middle ground that we all can work with moving forward.

Claire James

1. Having been a planning board member for the past 3 years, I have learned quite a bit about land use, and how ordinances and regulations are designed to conserve natural resources, ensure a healthy and safe environment for community members and complement the townspeople's ideas and preferences for how a town ought to be maintained and developed. I would like to continue to learn and contribute in this capacity.

2. What is your background and/or interest in this position? Bradford Planning Board - 3 yrs. Currently Vice Chair

3. What do you like most about living in Bradford?

Most: Bradford is a small town and feels more personal to me than many of the places I've lived in the past. I prefer this type of environment to faster paced, busier ones, where (generally speaking) people are less likely to take an active interest in the wellbeing of the towns and cities in which they live. Bradford is home to a beautiful, natural environment with people from all walks of life, and is therefore a very good place for broadening one's horizons and understanding in all sorts of areas.

Least: It seems that the strength of the town is also at times the weakness. In other words, we are a relatively diverse group of community members from all walks of life but this sometimes creates misunderstandings between people due to dissimilar perspectives and life experiences. However any weakness can be turned into an opportunity for growth as long as people have the curiosity and general willingness.

Planning Board (One Year) One Opening

Robert L. Close

I am new to this town, and have quickly come to love the welcoming atmosphere here. The efforts placed into the restoration of many old homes have resulted in a continuation of the history as well as improvements that allow modern living. Newer homes are mostly designed and sited to blend with the old. It is a life-style that makes Bradford a special place. It is still "old New Hampshire", even with the pressures of modern economic reality.

I am running for the one-year term on the Planning Board. I moved from New Ipswich where I lived for over 30 years and have seen first-hand what happens when there is no effort made to preserve and protect before it is too late to really matter. The result is friction, chaos, and resentment among neighbors. Town politics had morphed into a soup of self-interests mixed with a broth of greed, resulting in an unmanaged and un-planned-for future.

I believe it is possible to plan for the future while respecting the past in order to have a community where individual property rights are considered just as much as the rights of community IF we look ahead before it is too late. Political leanings have no place where the future of a town is concerned. We are all impacted equally by the very nature of being neighbors. I hope to be able to bring to the table some experience as to what might happen if we wait too long to make plans.

Zoning Board (3 Years) Two Openings

Nathaniel Bruss

I am running for a three year term on the Zoning Board. I have been a ZBA alternate for the past year and a member of the Conservation Commission since 2007. Having grown up in Bradford, I was not convinced as a kid that I would remain in town. However, after traveling and brief stays elsewhere it became more apparent how special this small rural town was to me. In 2011 my wife and I built our home on County Rd. where we now live with our two daughters, and large assortment of farm animals. I believe in a sustainable future for Bradford and I understand the importance of balancing the rights and needs of homeowners, businesses and

our community. By encouraging a strong social, cultural and economic center downtown, we can also preserve and protect Bradford's rural character, open spaces, forests, and prime agricultural land, while supporting local farmers and businesses.

Stephen Pierce

1. Why are you running for this position?

Past involvement, unique situations with different dynamics come to zoning, and public hearings before approval or denial require transparent, thoughtful evaluation. I appreciate the open forum of the zoning board hearings and consider the input from abutters and interested parties beneficial.

2. What is your background and/or interest in this position?

Long term resident, familiar with growth activity in our region. Zoning board approvals lay out the direction of development for Bradford.

3. What do you like most about living in Bradford?

Bradford offers a low pressure environment with low growth in the near term. Our town keeps a strong handle on infrastructure costs as to ensure the towns borrowing ability is not overextended or maxed out. 'Needs' of the town come first; 'wants' generally face extended vetting before final approvals at town meeting.

4. What do you like least about living in Bradford?

A select few town individuals and/or collective groups pushing a spend agenda. Some people prefer to ignore the votes taken at annual meeting and inflict re-votes on matters that were settled for the current year. The Highway Garage Project and Town Hall Project started off as cost prohibitive. Years could have been saved by spearheading a modest and reasonable cost program.

Cemetery Commission (3 Years) One Opening

Carey Rodd

Cemetery Commission (2 Years) One Opening

Jane Lucas

Kearsarge Regional School District Ballot Moderator

Brackett Scheffy

School Board Member

Andrew Pinard

1. School Board Representative.

2. I have served Bradford as an elected official since 2006 beginning with the Select Board. I have also served on Planning and Budget committees, as well as the Zoning Board of Adjustment. I was appointed to the school board in 2008, was elected in 2009 and have served since that time. I have served on the facilities, policy, strategic plan and communications committees. I have a background in education and have worked tirelessly for our residents to ensure that Kearsarge students have the opportunity for an excellent education while keeping fiscal responsibility in mind.

3. I have lived in Bradford since 1995. I truly love our region and opportunity for outdoor experiences coupled with the ability to know the people in our community. We may not always agree, but I think Bradford citizens have our community's needs at heart and are willing to work together.

Municipal Budget Committee

Jim Bibbo

1. I am running for Kearsarge Regional School District Municipal Budget Committee

2. I have a background in educational administration for 28 yrs. I have a thorough understanding of the needs and the process. I was appointed 4 years ago by the selectmen to fill out a term and was elected 3yrs ago. This would be my second full term.

3. I love the rural atmosphere of Bradford and the people.

Town of Bradford
State of New Hampshire

Town Warrant of Town Meeting March 14th, 2017

The Polls will open at 8:00 am, and not close earlier than 7:00 pm, on March 14th, 2017.

To the inhabitants of the town of Bradford in the County of Merrimack in the said State qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Bradford Town Hall on West Main Street in said Bradford, N.H. on Tuesday the fourteenth day of March next, at eight o'clock in the morning to act on the following articles:

Article One: To choose all necessary town officials for the ensuing year.

Article Two: Zoning Ordinance - To see if the Town will vote to adopt provisions which seek to add new language and delete existing language to Article VII (Sign Regulation) as proposed by the Planning Board in Zoning Amendment No. 1. Copies of the complete proposal are on file for public inspection at the Town Offices and will be available on the day of voting. The following question will appear on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Bradford Planning Board for the Town’s Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment No. 1 changes Article VII (Sign Regulation) by adding subsections for clarification of topics; makes changes to current verbiage regarding intent of ordinance; addresses the site plan review process; assigns approval authority from the Board of Selectmen to the Planning Board; amends sign requirements pertaining to size, duration, permits, and uses; provides the types of prohibited signs and specifies exceptions to such regulations.”

Article Three: To adjourn the meeting until Wednesday, March 15th, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Kearsarge Regional Elementary School on the Old Warner Road in Bradford. Raising the money and remaining articles in the Warrant will be taken up at the adjourned meeting.

Article Four: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Sixty One Thousand Dollars (\$861,000.00) (gross budget) for the renovation and restoration of the Historic Town Hall at Map 16 Lot 92. The project will provide a full basement and a completely operational first floor for town offices and meeting rooms. Further to authorize the issuance of not more than Six Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$675,000.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33). Further to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes, to determine the rate of interest thereon, the term and other details. The balance of One Hundred Eighty Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000.00) has been raised from donations and grants. The following funds are currently on hand to offset this balance:

- \$105,000.00 LCHIP Grant
- \$ 81,000.00 Cash and In-Kind donations

The Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends. This article requires a paper ballot and two-thirds vote. Passage of this article will have no tax impact in 2017.

Article Five: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Forty Two Thousand Six Hundred Ten Dollars (\$2,042,610.00) for general municipal operations. This article does not include amounts appropriated by other warrant articles. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

	Selectmen	Budget Committee
1. Executive	172,000.00	172,000.00
2. Elections & Vital Records	6,500.00	6,500.00
3. Financial Administration	105,000.00	105,000.00
4. Revaluations	24,000.00	24,000.00
5. Legal	30,000.00	30,000.00
6. Planning & Zoning	10,000.00	10,000.00
7. General Gov	67,000.00	67,000.00
8. Cemetery	25,950.00	25,950.00
9. Insurances	68,500.00	68,500.00
10. Other General Gov	7,000.00	7,000.00
11. Police Department	472,000.00	472,000.00
12. Fire Department	57,000.00	57,000.00
13. Rescue Services - FAST	17,000.00	17,000.00
14. Rescue Services – Contract	92,200.00	92,200.00
15. Building Code Department	15,000.00	15,000.00
16. Emergency Management	2,500.00	2,500.00
17. Highway Department	505,000.00	505,000.00
18. Bridge Account	70,000.00	70,000.00
19. Street Lighting	4,700.00	4,700.00
20. Solid Waste Collection	81,000.00	81,000.00
21. Solid Waste Disposal	24,000.00	24,000.00
22. Inoculations	1.00	1.00
23. Welfare Administration	7,000.00	7,000.00
24. Welfare Payments	30,000.00	30,000.00
25. Parks and Recreation	2,000.00	2,000.00
26. Library	70,000.00	70,000.00
27. Patriotic Purposes	17,500.00	17,500.00
28. Community Center	21,000.00	21,000.00
29. Other Conservation	925.00	925.00
30. Long Term Notes	33,834.00	33,834.00
31. <u>Interest on TAN notes</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
Total	2,042,610.00	2,042,610.00

Article Six: To see if the Town will vote to approve an investigation with the Town of Warner regarding the possibility of adjusting the town-line on Bradford's South East corner (Warner's South West corner) to incorporate a portion of Warner into Bradford. (The area in consideration runs from the peak of Guild Hill to the Henniker Town Line next to Day Pond, adjacent to the East side of Route 114. The exact co-ordinates are yet to be determined.) (Majority vote required.)

Article Seven: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate joint efforts with surrounding Towns that would reduce departmental budgets in the future. Initial areas of operation that will be investigated would include:

- a. Property Valuation Administration
- b. Cemetery Care: mowing & beautification projects
- c. Building Inspection
- d. Welfare Administration

(Majority vote required.)

Article Eight: To see if the Town will vote to appeal to the State of New Hampshire to replace the intersection between Route 114 and Route 103, presently controlled by a traffic light, with a roundabout, thereby no longer requiring a traffic light operation. (Majority vote required.)

Article Nine: To see if the Town will vote to appeal to the State of New Hampshire to replace the intersection between Bradford's Main Street and Route 103, presently controlled by a traffic light, with a roundabout, thereby no longer requiring a traffic light operation. (Majority vote required.)

Article Ten: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) for repair work on asphalt roads. This will be a non lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will continue until spent or December 31, 2022. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Eleven: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for shimming and repairing asphalt roads. This will be a non lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will continue until spent or December 31, 2022. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Twelve: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a lease purchase agreement to acquire a John Deere 4WD loader and further to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (This agreement will contain a fiscal funding non appropriation clause). The total cost of the loader is One Hundred and Sixty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$165,917.00). One Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$125,917.00) will be borrowed with the remaining Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) from trade in. The leased amount of One Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$125,917.00) will be payable over a term of 10 years with an annual appropriation of not more than Sixteen Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$16,800.00). Passage of this article will have no tax impact in 2017. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee does not recommend.

Article Thirteen: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to fund the Highway Department Expendable Trust Fund. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget committee recommends.

Article Fourteen: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for the repair of the Historic Bement Bridge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will continue until the money is spent or December 31, 2022. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee does not recommend.

Article Fifteen: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$30,400.00) for the third payment on the Highway Dump Truck lease/purchase approved at the 2015 meeting. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Sixteen: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$9,200.00) for the second payment on the Police Sports Utility Vehicle lease/purchase approved at the 2016 meeting. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Seventeen: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars

(\$5,000.00) to continue work on the Master Plan update. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will continue until the money is spent or December 31, 2022. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Eighteen: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) (gross budget) to replace the furnace at the Brown Memorial Library. Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) will come from Library funds. The balance of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) will be raised by taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will continue until the money is spent or December 31, 2022. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Nineteen: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$2,750.00) to support Bradford, Newbury, Sutton Youth Sports. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Twenty: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to fund the inspection of watercraft and the educational operations of the Boat Launch on Lake Massasecum. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Twenty One: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) to purchase a 6000 PSI breathing air compressor with air purification system, cascade control panel and 6000 PSI cascade cylinders for the Fire Department. This will be a non lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will continue until spent or December 31, 2022. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Twenty Two: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) to be placed in the Fire Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Twenty Three: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to fund the Bradford School Scholarship Trust Fund. (Majority vote required.) Selectmen recommend. Budget Committee recommends.

Article Twenty Four: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit. If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and (2) was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service and is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$500.00, the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28. (Majority vote required.)

Article Twenty Five: To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Offices. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Bradford Board of Selectmen

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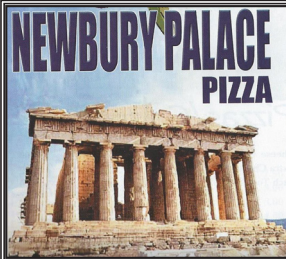


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Conservation Commission - 3rd Tuesday at 7PM, BML
Fish and Game Club - 1st Tuesday 7PM at Fish and Game Club
First Friday Bunch - 11:30AM at MVSC, reservations appreciated call 938-2104 for info
Historical Society - Tin Shop, East Main Street, open by appointment. Please call 938-2078.
Library Trustees - 1st Wednesday at 6:00PM BML
Planning Board - 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7PM, BACC
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Selectmen's Meeting - Every Monday 5:30PM, BACC
Zoning Board - 1st Wednesday, 7:00PM, BACC

Kearsarge Weekly Wellness - Fatigue

Mid- winter can be a time when fatigue sets in - shorter periods of daylight, less time spent outdoors in fresh air, late nights watching the Patriots soar to an amazing victory!!

Here are a few tips to help energize you throughout the day:

- As tired as you may feel, don't forget to keep exercising- it will give you a burst of energizing hormones and circulation to your brain. If you're really fatigued, don't overdo but at least get in a gentler, shorter work-out.
- Drink plenty of fluids - dehydration only escalates a foggy brain and an increased sense of fatigue.
- Make sure to eat on a regular schedule- low blood sugar coincides with low energy, as does too much sugar!
- Take lots of deep breaths throughout the day- oxygen improves focus.
- Make sure you do catch a nap or get to bed early when you can. Do your best to get 7-8 hours of sleep a night.
- From Happy Body, Happy Mind, here is a really quick breathing technique you can even do at your desk to help you be more alert and energized: www.youtube.com/watch?v=g416qqRaTic
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- - Luci Koban, KRSD

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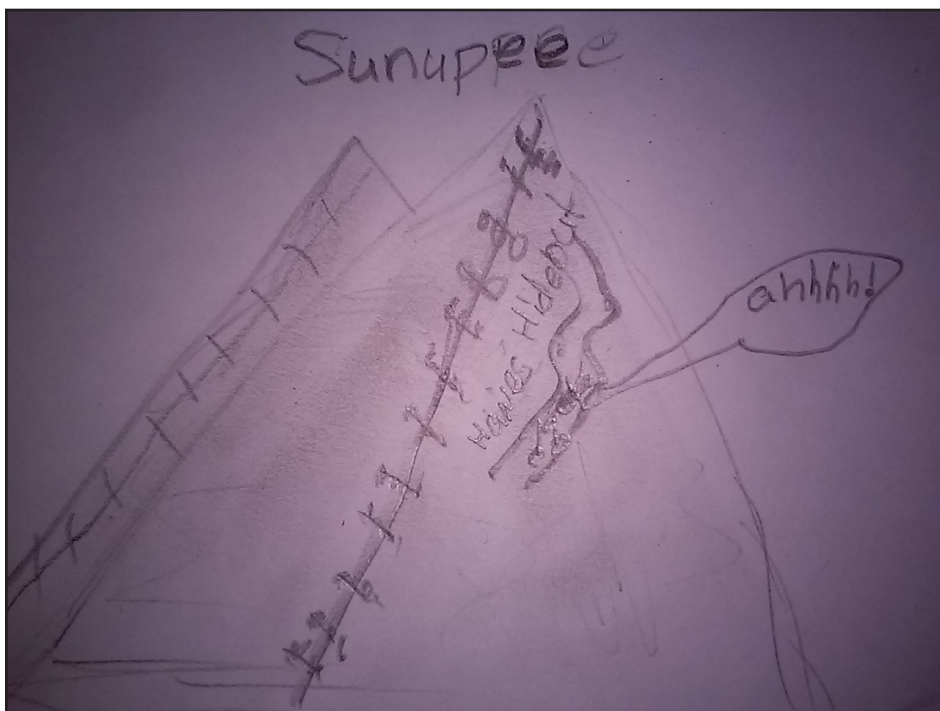
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Enjoying the snowshoe fundraiser!

Kids in Nature

Here's a true story gathered from Jacob about an adventure he had on the side of Mt. Sunapee. The Bridge would like to publish pieces by kids about times they enjoyed in nature. If you have an experience in nature you would like to share, please contact Kathleen Bigford at bradfordbridge345@gmail.com with a story, song, poem or illustration.

**My Trip down Hawes Hideout, Mt. Sunapee**

by Jacob

Illustration by Kiley

My family is a big skiing family, except for my dad. Saturday, February 18, I was skiing at Sunapee. The second run of the day my sister dropped her mitten off the Sun Bowl Chairlift. So we had to go down Hawes Hideout, a double black diamond gladed trail. My sister had a hard time. When I landed a jump off of a rock mogul, there was another mogul after that I hit sideways. This caused me to eject one ski, I flew into the air and landed on powder so it didn't hurt. The only thing I heard in the air was someone on the chairlift yelling, "He's dead!" When I got up my sister told me I had done a "double helicopter." This is a backflip and a 360 in one jump. I did not do this on purpose. It happened on accident. I'm glad I didn't die.