

# Bradford Bridge

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## The Bradford INNOvation Project

*by Kathleen Bigford*

The Kearsarge Food Hub/Sweet Beet Market, now in its third season, is partnering with the owners of the old Bradford Inn to revive it and bring food-related resources to Bradford and the surrounding Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee area.

Here's the backstory.

The Kearsarge Food Hub was formed three and a half years ago when a handful of young adults moved back to their hometown of Bradford, New Hampshire to join the local food movement.

They started with a vision: a local food economy that thrives on community partnerships and



values healthy food and farms in the place where they all grew up. They wanted to help bring our community back to its roots. But they also knew their work could stand as an example for others yearning for the same kind of community connection.

They got to work bridging the gap between the farmers and eaters in

our local network. They built a farm stand, started a small farm, joined the network of growers and producers in the area and opened for business in the heart of downtown Bradford on July 4th, 2015.

In a town where businesses have left Main Street and young adults move away and never look back, their presence in Bradford did not go unnoticed. They have gathered quite the following, and all their projects have had the hands of community volunteers and other interested parties involved on an intimate level. It truly has been a group effort.

"So, when the old Bradford Inn was bought by two Bradford residents and Hub enthusiasts, Mike Bauer and Mike James (or, more simply, "The Mikes"), it was like a giant light bulb turned on and nearly exploded. This old crumbling building on West Main Street, this forgotten town icon that had been sitting idle for 10 years, emerged as a solution to our problems."

Hanna Flanders, Director of Marketing and Community Outreach, explained.

And here's what's happening.

The mission guiding The Bradford INNOvation project is to create a vibrant community hub wherein business innovation and community engagement is encouraged and supported on all levels. The group is

## ZBA Denies Application for Hunting Preserve

The Zoning Board of Adjustment held a public hearing August 2 on the request from Anthony Rosa for a special exception for a hunting preserve on East Washington Road, Map 8 Lots 30 & 31, Map 12, Lots 12 & 15. He outlined his proposal and ZBA Chair Brooks McCandlish explained the criteria for a Special Exception and the format of the Public Hearing. Supporters of the project spoke first and then those opposed presented their concerns. Motion was passed to close the public hearing at 8:43pm, followed by a motion to have a special meeting on August 16th to further the discussion on the Rosa application. At that meeting, two motions were approved by the ZBA:

#1 -- To approve the "Findings of Fact" relative to the Rosa Special Exception . . . and enter them into the record for the Rosa Special Exception File.

#2 -- To deny the application by Anthony Rosa Jr. for a Special Exception in order to construct and operate a hunting preserve in the Rural Residential Zone on his property on East Washington Road, for the following reasons:

1. The ZBA finds that the proposed hunting preserve is not

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*Town offices are temporarily  
located at BACC*

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## From the Editor

Dear Readers,

Natural events that take precedence over day-to-day routines have a tendency to unite people. On August 21st just such an event took place. The solar eclipse was not as stunning an event in Bradford as in other parts of the lower 48. However, some of you may have joined millions of others across the country in watching as the sun and moon put on a fabulous, infrequently seen show, a solar eclipse.

The internet and other sources buzzed with excitement (and, yes, hype) about this event for weeks. Millions of people traveled to places where they could witness "totality," when the moon appears to totally block out the sun.

In a time when it seems that too much of what we have to share is disastrous or divisive, the solar eclipse provided some respite from gloom and controversy. There it was -- a sight that could be shared, celebrated, talked about, agreed upon.

I'll leave you with that thought. Thank you for reading The Bradford Bridge.

Kathleen Bigford  
Co-Editor

## Bradford's Cornerstones in the 21st Century

*by Marcia Keller*

Three of Bradford's Cornerstones play a major role in the Town's economy especially in the summer when many lakefront property owners are here and boaters flock to the lake to enjoy the beauty and the sporting activities of the season. How have they fared in the past twenty five years?

### Lake Massasecum

Once known as Bradford Pond, the 400 acre warm water lake was named in honor of Chief Massasecum the last sachem of the Penacook Indians. The town history *Two Hundred plus* describes the lake as "... surrounded by beautiful landscape. Guild Hill rises from the east aide as an almost perpendicular granite ledge covered with pine, hemlock and some oak trees at the top."

Summer cottages were built along the shore starting in the late 1800's. Now many of them have been converted to year round homes. The

Lake Massasecum Improvement Association (LMIA) was organized in 1929 as a voice for the interests of lake front property owners and has monitored the water quality of the lake for many years.

In the years since the designation of the lake as a Cornerstone, the LMIA has taken on a much more difficult task. When the invasive species milfoil was identified in the cove at the north end of the lake in 1998, the LMIA, under the direction of the NH DES, stepped in with volunteers to control and attempt to eradicate the weed.

With grants from the State and funding from the Town of Bradford, various methods have been tried over the years. Currently a team of scuba certified, weed control trained volunteers have harvested many gallons of milfoil. The re-growth is now minimal in many parts of the lake, but previously undetected plants are found and the efforts will continue as long as necessary. Lake Massasecum continues to be 'a gem' available for swimming,

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## Town Hall Progress Report From the Ground Up



### From the Ground Up Report from the Town Hall Restoration Oversight Committee

Did you know that 15 million people in 200,000 locations in 180 countries practice Zumba? Or does one play Zumba? One of those places was and may be again in Bradford. So, what does that have to do with the Bradford Town Hall? A lot, it turns out. Eventually, the second floor of the Town Hall might—it doesn't have to be "definitely,"—have some activity going on like Zumba. That's when the term "live load" starts to really mean something. The THROC and Jay Barrett, our esteemed architect, need to make sure that the building can hold up to a Zumba session—maybe even a Zumba jamboree with sweaty people from all over the state come to jump and bounce for hours at a time. We understood that the second floor and the walls and posts and beams need to be able to support three hundred people at the town meeting. It wasn't so clear that it had to deal with Zumba.

Back in the day, there was a very active square dance group and I am told they just loved the fact that the floor was springy. It probably

made your basic do si do similar to a trampoline. The fire marshal, the fire chief, the structural engineer and about ten other professionals, not to mention the neighbors, have canceled the idea of a floor that moves. Alas.

What all this is leading to is that our beloved building very likely needs to be shored up, squared up and beefed up. Who would have thought we needed to protect a two hundred year-old building from lateral impact ("wind" for you non-engineers?) We do. If you think about it, the process of this augmentation is not a simple one. It is not putting a few lally columns in the basement. It will probably mean steel beams added to the floor structure—make that the floors structures—and other posts and maybe even steel actually enclosed within walls. Just as an example, imagine when the fat lady comes to sing at the edge of the stage to close a show and she and her supporting cast end up in the Town Clerk's office before the Moon has finished Coming over the Mountain. *Not a pretty picture.*

This is supposed to be an informative article so here's some information. We are all pleased with the efforts of our new architect. He has, as we knew he would, taken charge of the project and organized it in a way that will clearly result in a building that will support Zumba and the fat lady. He is an Arthur Fiedler wannabe and sees himself directing the Boston Pops so that the bassoons come in after the trumpets are done with their solo and not before and all the musicians finish at the final barline. A team of engineers has been assembled and we have met them all. They have experience working with Jay and the operation is progressing as planned.

Quickly: On August 30<sup>th</sup>, there will be a structural code meeting with

our structural engineer, the Fire Marshal's office and our building inspector. At the September 11<sup>th</sup> Select Board meeting, the Board will meet with the THROC and the architect to discuss the structural issues; review the first floor and basement layouts; hear the architect's estimate of probable cost; discuss the overall project budget and phasing, preliminary construction schedule, resumption of construction and the question of having a general contractor come on board.

There are probably many of you who hear about engineers with initials after their names and substantial experience in their fields and see a parade of dollar signs. We don't have even the preliminary estimates as of this writing but it is inescapable that there will be additional funds necessary to complete even the first phase of the restoration. We are trying to be as transparent as possible with this project and pretending there is no financial problem would be a violation of that trust. We will do the best we can, delay what we can in order to avoid spending more than we have, and put whatever the facts are revealed to be in the hands of the voters next March.

In spite of the project delays that we are now experiencing, all of the work that has been completed to date has been well done; and there are no issues or problems with it. In spite of some code related structural deficiencies that have come to light, and some additional repair work that will have to be made, the importance of this building to the community and the region far outweigh the added burden of these costs. The building is still very sound and it makes good sense—financial and cultural—to move forward. And that's what we're doing.

*Brackett Scheffy for the THROC.*  
See you next month.

devoted to building a strong and accessible local food system through facilitating partnerships, sharing resources, building infrastructure, and creating opportunities for food-based and community-driven entities.

The Sweet Beet Market has been moved to the old Bradford Inn, graduating from a seasonal roadside farm stand to a year-round indoor market. The farm stand has been transformed into a washing and packing shed for their small farm.

The plan is to build a shared-use commercial kitchen, start a bakery, provide space for two local business women to open a cafe, and create a community event hall.

"And our project, as an example of how a community can come together to strengthen itself from the inside out, is going to change the world!" Says Hanna.

The owners are investing in most of the building's much-needed renovations, including a new septic system, heating system, drywall, all new windows, exterior paint, roof and porch work, landscaping and more. These projects total at least \$150,000.

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As a community organization, the group wants the community to be involved in this project. They are in the process of raising \$20,000 to go toward some key interior renovations to get the first floor up and running, to pave the way to install community amenities in the building. As of this writing, according to their fundraising web site, they have raised just over \$12,000 in the first two weeks of their six-week campaign. To learn more about the Kearsarge Food Hub, its members, or the Bradford INNovation Project, visit their website: [www.kearsargefoodhub.org](http://www.kearsargefoodhub.org)

OR

Stop by Sweet Beet Market in the old Bradford Inn, 11 West Main Street, Bradford. **Store hours are Wednesday-Friday & Sunday 10am-6pm; Saturday 9am-6pm (closed Monday-Tuesday).**

## Town Board Reports

### Selectmen's Highlights Highway Department

Fred Hubley showed pictures of South Brook Circle indicating that the road needs maintenance. Newbury plows the road, but does not maintain it. This has been brought to the attention of Road Agent Barry Wheeler who offered to dump a load of gravel to be spread when the road is graded.

### Unanticipated Revenue

Bradford's share of the \$30 million State Highway Block Grant funding is approximately \$76,000. A public hearing will be scheduled to address the use of these funds.

**BACC** Sue Rayno, owner of Live Wire Day Care presented her idea/suggestion that the space previously occupied by the preschool could be used as a swap shop for folks looking to donate or obtain household items, clothing, furniture etc. Sue will put together a plan and present it at a later date.

At a later meeting, Selectmen voted to support a request for the pre-school room to be used three evenings per week by the Freyler Driving School. The BACC Governance Board will be asked to approve the request that would begin October 2017 with a rent of \$300 per month.

**Town Hall Update** Jay Barrett, Barrett Architecture, PC, discussed the timing of the next steps of the project. The goal is to have a full structural review done by the end of August which would lend itself to a complete set of drawings being completed around the first of November. A September 11 date was suggested to provide more detailed



## Bradford INNovation

### Community Fundraiser



The Kearsarge Food Hub  
 is transforming the old Bradford Inn into  
 a local food and community resource center for  
 the Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee area.

For more information, visit:  
[www.chuffed.org/project/bradford-innovation](http://www.chuffed.org/project/bradford-innovation)


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information to the Selectmen. Chairman Pfeifle stated for the record that the timely lifting of the building by Geddes & Co. was a positive first step and much work is underway that is not visible

**Cell Tower** Sue McKevitt discussed Bradford's lack of adequate cell service. She was updated on the status of the Route 114 tower and offered to tackle the task of getting a service provider to put active cell service on the tower. The Select Board was most appreciative of her offer and readily accepted.

**Fuel Bid** The fuel contracts for the coming winter were awarded to Huckleberry for #2 Heating Oil at \$1.927/gallon and to Irving for propane at \$1.254/gallon.

**LMIA** Dave Gaudes thanked the Board for continued support of the milfoil eradication efforts at Lake Massasecum. The 22 certified scuba divers are finding greatly diminished growth of the invasive weed.

**Autocraft** The court awarded the Town \$30,000 to cover attorney's fees and costs, but declined to award any civil penalties. The Town will continue to pursue this issue.

### **Hazard Mitigation Report**

Selectmen approved a contract with CNHRPC to update this report, which must be done every five years.

Town Administrator Karen Hambleton met with her counterparts from Warner and Sutton. In addition to

the combined fuel bids, the Towns will investigate working together with their Transfer Stations, Cemetery Mowing and Maintenance and project coordination within the Highway Departments.

Selectmen expressed thanks to Tyler McIver for volunteering to mow Brown-Shattuck just in time for the Independence Day events held there.

### **Planning Board**

**Dunne family** Sean Dunne explained that they are interested subdividing their property, which has two homes on one lot located on a class VI road. They were directed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment because the lot is not large enough to subdivide.

### **Home Business**

Erik Croto Map 4 Lot 12, Fortune Road, presented the Board with a Home Business Compliance Form asking to manufacture ammunition out of his home - a hobby that has turned into a small side business. After review of the application, a motion to approve the application was voted 5-0.

**Gravel Pit update** Mary Pickham-Langer, Gravel Pit Appraiser from NH Department of Revenue Administration joined by Claire James and Bob Close, inspected the gravel pits owned by Corsair Realty (Harriet Hobbs) and Peter Isham. Reclamation of the Corsair has started on its own and should be left to continue. The pit should be treated as an abandoned pit. A letter to Harriet Hobbs will be drafted by Claire James in regards to the site walk. Pinkham-Langer found Isham's

pit not in great condition. Claire and Bob talk with Peter Isham and review the findings from the State.

### **Cemetery Commission**

**Headstone Repair** Estimate is \$3100 over available amount in the headstone trust account. Advice from the NH Attorney General's office will be requested on how to proceed. Custodian Jim Lord will finish grooming excessive brush from the Pleasant Hill Cemetery and mow New Pond Cemetery before it get too shabby.

**Rules and Regulations** were reviewed and possible changes were discussed – adjustments to lot sales to include required cornerstones as part of the initial sale and including Perpetual Care as a requirement of interment.

### **Library Trustees**

Jury duty policy will be added to the terms of employment. Library employees called for jury duty will be paid their regular salary minus any monies received from the court for working days missed. LED lighting update: lighting consultant, R&T Electric, returned their quote to replace 46 fixtures with similar fixtures, adding two new fixtures, rated to light for 16 years or 72,000 hours. Labor and material was quoted at \$23,972.00. LighTec will be asked for a second quote. The Energy Star program offered through Eversource and NHSaves program will be researched for savings that might be available.

Trustees agreed to hire Leslie Grey for the Library Assistant position vacated by the departure of Michelle Makowiecki.



### Bradford Community Church

88 West Main St, Bradford NH  
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Sunday Worship Services and Kingdom Builders (Sunday School) every Sunday at 10 am. Communion served on the first Sunday each month.

Youth Group for grades 6-12 every Sunday at 11:30 am-1 pm in the church basement. NO meeting on Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday Night Prayer in the Sanctuary every week at 6 pm.

Bible Study every Thursday at 6:30 pm. Studying the Book of Hebrews

Mom's Group starting on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the church office building. Child care available. Held every Tuesday morning.

Men's Breakfast and devotion Saturday, Sept. 2 8 am in the church office building. Theme: The Case For Christ" by Lee Strobel

Sister To Sister (women's group) Saturday, September 9 at 8:30 am in the church office building. Devotion, prayer and fellowship.

Kingdom Builders Fall Kick Off, Sunday, Sept. 10 at 10 am "Fun Factory" continuing our Adventure Week study.  
Bradford Community Food Pantry will be open on Sept. Wed. Sept. 20 5:30-6:30 pm  
New Small Group meeting "Breaking Bread Together" a way to get to know each other better. Groups of 6 will meet in different

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homes for once a month for three months for a simple dinner or dessert.

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### **District Meetings and Events**

**8/29 First Day of School for all Students**  
**9/07 KLC-Joint MBC & School Board Meeting – 6:30 PM**  
**9/08 & 9/04 No School – Labor Day**  
**9/05 Classes Resume**  
**9/14 & 21 KLC-School Board Meeting-6:30 PM**  
**9/30 Grades Close for Progress Reports**

### **Kearsarge Regional High School**

**8/28 Freshman Orientation & Picture Day for Freshman & Staff**  
**8/29 Fall Sports Picture Day**  
**9/11 1<sup>st</sup> Term of Night School begins**  
**9/16 Project CLIMB Trip**  
**9/17 School Picture Day**  
**9/19 Seniors College Overview – 6:30 PM**  
**9/21 College Fair**  
**9/29 Homecoming**

### **Kearsarge Regional Middle School**

**8/31 School Pictures & Open House @ 6:30 PM**  
**9/12 Fall Sports Parent Info Mtg. – 5:30 PM**  
**9/12 Open House – 6:30 PM**  
**9/13 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Instrument Rental Night**  
**9/22 Activity Night/Parent Social (Nature's Classroom)**

### **KICS at New London**

**9/05 School Picture Day**  
**9/05 PTO Meeting – 6:30 PM**  
**9/09 Patriot Day Ceremony @ NLFD 11:00 AM?**  
**9/14 & 15 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to Environmental Camp @ Camp Coniston**

### **Simonds Elementary School**

**8/28 Open House – 2:00 PM**  
**8/29 1<sup>st</sup> Day Pancake Breakfast – 8:00 AM**  
**9/06 PTO Meeting – 6:30 PM**  
**9/15 Simonds Climbs Kearsarge-3:00 PM**  
**@ Rollins State Park (rain date 9/22)**  
**9/20 Open House – 6:00 PM**  
**Mondays thru Fridays-Boys & Girls Club-3:00 PM**

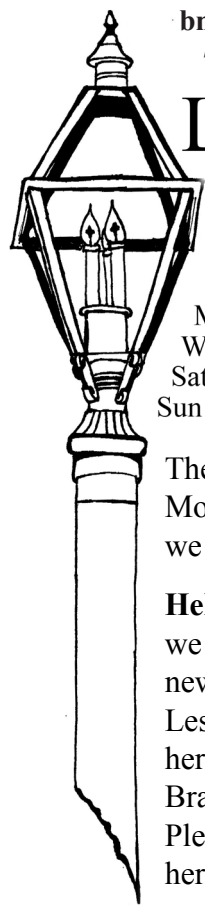
### **KICS at Bradford**

**8/31 Welcome Back Pep Rally – 2:30 PM**  
**9/06 Meet & Greet/Open House –5:30 PM**  
**9/20 ChiPS Meeting – 6:30 PM**  
**9/22 Senior Luncheon**  
**9/29 Kindergarten to Gould Hill**

### **Sutton Central Elementary**

**9/11 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to Patriot Day @ NLPD – 11:00 AM**  
**9/13 PTO Meeting – 6:30 PM**  
**9/14 & 15 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to Environmental Camp @ Camp Coniston**  
**9/17 10<sup>th</sup> Annual PTO Sponsored "Strut In Sutton"**  
**5k Run/Walk around Kezar Lake**  
**9/28 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade to Seacoast Science Center**





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# LIBRARY LANTERN

By: Meg Fearnley

## Library Hours

Mon 10:00am - 8:00pm  
Wed 10:00am - 7:00pm  
Sat 10:00am - 3:00pm  
Sun 11:00am - 3:00pm

The library is closed on Monday, September 4 as we observe Labor Day.

**Hello/Goodbye:** First, we want to welcome our newest library assistant Leslie Grey. Leslie and her family just moved to Bradford from California.

Please come in to meet her! Along with Leslie, we welcome our newest

canine librarian: Little Dog. Best of luck with her new job to Michelle Makowiecki and our dear Crouton. We heartily thank her for sharing her warmth, enthusiasm, and great sense of design with us for two years.

**Gratitude:** Thank you to Ashley Bauer-Haan for running the children's Summer Reading Program. Each week she offered good books with fun and engaging projects with the theme of making our world a better

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place. Thanks also to the Live Wire kids who made the program worthwhile!

**New Display:** Through September, we have a stunning display in our small case. Scott Biron shares his skill at fly-tying in a beautifully arranged and interesting setting. Do come in to see it.

**Genealogy:** We have changed the hours of our Drop-In Genealogy Help. The library offers this assistance using our AncestryLibrary subscription. The new hours are every Wednesday from 10:30-12:30. We hope this will be a more convenient time.

**Book Discussion:** This month we discuss *The Fall Guy* by James Lasdun. Join us at 7pm on Wednesday, September 20 for a discussion of what *Booklist* calls a "complex psychological thriller". I'm guessing there will be a lot to talk about with this one! Copies are available at the circulation desk.

**Ideas Input:** The Friends of the Library would like to know what kind of programming you want to see at the library. Come in, look for the bright yellow and green papers, and vote for your preference!




## Congratulations to the Hershes

Burton and Ellen Hersh are having a terrific year personally and professionally. They have recently celebrated 60 years of marriage and both have long histories of success in their chosen fields of poetry (Ellen) and biography, novels and other literary pursuits (Burton). Recently, Marquis Publishing, of "Who's Who" fame awarded Burton a Lifelong Achievement award.

On the heels of this unexpected recognition comes word that the recently published trilogy of his novels, the Landau Trilogy, has already reached bestseller status and that the opening novel, *The Hedge Fund*, is in the top thirty titles in its genre. All are available in bookstores or on Amazon Books.

We are very proud of our neighbors and wish them continued success in the future. Congratulations Ellen and Burton!



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## Obituaries

The Bridge Board of Advisers has recommended that obituaries be condensed so there will be space in each issue for all items of interest.

### *William J. Nadon*

William J. Nadon of Bellingham, MA, died unexpectedly on July 26, 2017. He was the loving husband of Jean F. (Adams) Nadon. High school sweethearts, Bill and Jean Nadon celebrated 67 years of marriage in 2016. Known to all as Bill or Billy, he was born in Bristol, NH, and educated in Bradford and Newport schools.

Bill started working in agriculture at 14 years old, moved on to woolen, paper and lumber mills, operated long-distance lumber trucks, and worked for several garages. Resident of Bellingham since 1954, He worked for Schafer Farm and Walnut Farms, Rosenfeld Concrete in 1963 as a heavy equipment and wrecker operator, and mechanic, retiring in 1988.

Bill was an active member of Teamsters Local 170 through retirement. He was a former Bellingham Personnel Board member, member of the Holy Name Society of Assumption Parish and the Masponock Rod and Gun Club of Milford, MA.

Bill was an avid hunter and fisherman with a passion for square dancing, four-wheeling, gardening, singing and playing guitar. He was the devoted father to Billiegene A. Lavallee

and her husband, Roland A. of Bellingham; William J. Nadon II and his wife, Rosemary of Harrisville, RI; Brenda L. Spurlock and her husband, Earl of Sutton, NH, and Wanda M. Morse of Northbridge, MA. His grandchildren include: Roland Jr., Billy, Andrea, Thjodie, Sabrina and Wendy, A.J. and Noah; and great-grandchildren, Jennifer, David Jr., Ashley, Hannah, Tommy and William Wyatt.

He was buried in Sunny Plain Cemetery, Bradford, NH. Donations may be made in Mr. Nadon's name to the Society for the Protection of NH Forests, 54 Portsmouth St., Concord, NH 03301 or the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, PO Box 2040, New London, NH 03257. To sign guest book: [cartiersfuneralhome.com](http://cartiersfuneralhome.com).



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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.

**Fri. September 1<sup>st</sup>**

11:30am First Friday Brunch  
w/ raffle,  
Harpist DeLuna, door prizes!

**Mon. September 4<sup>th</sup>****LABOR DAY**

**No Meals on Wheels**  
**No School**  
**Senior Center Closed**  
**Town Office's Closed**  
**Library Closed**

**Tues. September 5<sup>th</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
10am Quilter Group  
12pm Senior Dining  
1pm Mahjong Group

**Wed. September 6<sup>th</sup>**

10:30am-12:30pm Drop in  
genealogy help, BML  
7pm Zoning Board of  
Adjustment  
7pm Steve Taylor, Tin Shop  
*New Hampshire Roads Taekn-  
or Not*

**Thurs. September 7<sup>th</sup>**

12pm Senior Dining  
1pm Mahjong Group

**Fri. September 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness

**Sat. September 9<sup>th</sup>**

9am-12pm Town Clerk Open

**Mon. September 11<sup>th</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Bridge Group  
5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Tues. September 12<sup>th</sup>**

10am Quilter Group  
12pm Senior Dining  
12:30-4:30 Planning Board  
Office  
1pm Mahjong Group  
7pm Rural Heritage Conn.

7pm Planning Board

**Wed. September 13<sup>th</sup>**

10:30am-12:30pm Drop-In  
Genealogy Help, BML  
1pm Knitting Group

**Thurs. September 14<sup>th</sup>**

11am- 12pm BP Clinic  
12pm Senior Dining  
1pm Mahjong Group

**Fri. September 15<sup>th</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
9:30-11:30am Foot Care  
Clinic  
by LSVNA at North Ridge  
10am Movie: *The  
Zookeeper's Wife*  
12pm Senior Dining

**Mon. September 18<sup>th</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Bridge Group  
5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Tues. September 19<sup>th</sup>**

10am- 12pm Flu Clinic,  
BACC  
10am Quilter Group  
12pm Senior Dining  
12:30-4:30 Planning Board  
Office  
1pm Mahjong Group

**Wed. September 20<sup>th</sup>**

10:30am-12:30pm Drop-In  
Genealogy Help, BML  
7:00pm Book Discussion,  
BML

**Thurs. September 21<sup>st</sup>**

11:30am- 1pm Senior Center  
Week Luncheon  
Celebration w/ Bill Parker  
(Public Welcome)  
*Lunch by Reservation Only!*  
1:30pm Mahjong Group

**Fri. September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness

**Sat. September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

9am-12pm Town Clerk Open

**Mon. September 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Bridge Group

5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Tues. September 26<sup>th</sup>**

9:30-11:30am LSVNA Foot  
Care at Warner Pharmacy  
10am Quilters  
12pm Senior Dining  
12:30-4:30 Planning Board  
Office  
1pm Mahjong Group  
2pm Watercolor class  
7pm Planning Board

**Wed. September 27<sup>th</sup>**

10:30pm- 12pm BP Clinic  
at Warner Senior Room  
10:30am-12:30pm Drop in  
genealogy help, BML

**Thurs. September 28<sup>th</sup>**

12pm Senior Dining  
1pm Mahjong Group

**Fri. September 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:45am MVSC Fitness  
1pm Mahjong Group

*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.  
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## Bradford Events

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This past June St. Peter's Lodge was proud to award three \$500.00 scholarships to students striving to advance their education. Each year proceeds from this event go solely to supporting the "Charlie Marston Scholarship Fund".

St. Peter's Masonic Lodge is proud to serve the community and wants to thank the community for their support to the Lodge.

*Bruce E. Edwards,  
Worshipful Master*

The Bradford Historical Society is hosting Steve Taylor talking on "New Hampshire Roads Taken - Or Not" on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 7:00pm., at the Tin Shop. This event is made possible through the NH Humanities. Steve has given several talks in Bradford over the years. Steve is an independent scholar, farmer, journalist, and longtime public official. Steve has served as New Hampshire's Commissioner of Agriculture for twenty five years. This event is free and open to the public.

## Area Events

### Sutton

**Strut your stuff at the 'Strut in Sutton' 5K fun run! August 18, 2017:** Strut your stuff and support Sutton Central Elementary School on Sunday, Sept 17th at 10am for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual 'Strut in Sutton' 5K

Fun Run/Walk around scenic Kezar lake in Sutton, NH. "The Strut in Sutton is a fantastic community event - it's a great way to celebrate the lake, the community, the kids and exercise at the same time." sponsor Laura Hallahan of Tall Pines Realty remarked. Race registration begins at 9am with the race starting at 10am at the Sutton Athletic Fields on September 17, 2017. Registration costs \$10 for Students, \$20 for Adults, \$40 max. for a Family.

### Warner

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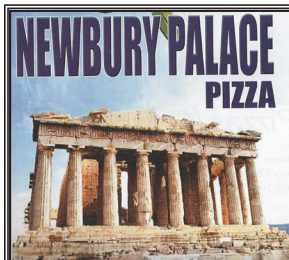
**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Kearsarge Klassic Dirt Road Century and Randonnee - Saturday, September 9, 2017**

**The Once and Future Forests of New England: Climate and our Changing Landscape - Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 7pm - Wheeler Hall, Colby-Sawyer College**

**Smartphone Navigation Workshop - September 28, 2017 7pm at LSPA, Sunapee Harbor - Tim and Midge Eliassen**

Limited to 20 participants so register early!

Registration through Kristy at Ausbon Sargent at: [kheath@ausbonsargent.org](mailto:kheath@ausbonsargent.org) or 603-526-6555.



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## Outside

by Ann Eldridge

There are caterpillars in the herb garden. It's not often that I'm charmed by something eating my plants...right now, I can't think of another example...but there are caterpillars of black swallowtail butterflies in the dill, parsley, and celery. I hadn't thought when I planted them outside the door that I was putting up a huge neon advertisement for a boarding school. These are all food plants for this species though I never saw the parents drop them off as darling little eggs.

I first noticed black swallowtail babies atop the five foot dill at the end of July. I was then aghast to find that I'd carried one off in an ornamental bouquet of dill. More than a week later this larval butterfly made the return trip to the barn and then executed a perilous journey down from the now-wilting centerpiece and back up to join its siblings in the herbage. There seem to be at least eleven of them.

There may have been quite a few more eggs laid but it's a hard life out there. Most caterpillars are favored food for anything larger than themselves as well as those smaller like ants, spiders, and wasps. Full of hope and thrilled by this banquet spread before her, the very pregnant swallowtail would have one by one drummed each of her six legs on prospective host plants, stimulating the plant to give up its scents and checking with the chemo receptors in her feet its exact identity and whether the plant would put up much chemical resistance to being nibbled for awhile.

September 2017

When the eggs hatched into near microscopic larvae they were disguised as something few predators would touch – the dull dark and white garb of bird droppings. With each successive molt they began to look more and more like proper caterpillars – black and green stripes with yellow spots and a little spiky at first. As they grew bigger and more luscious-looking they needed something other than protective coloration and they found it in a complicated feat of chemical and structural engineering. Bother one of these adolescents and they will startle you with two fleshy yellow/pink horns shooting out of their heads. Stealing the makings of toxins from their food plants, this osmeterium is coated with sticky, bad-smelling terpenes. Some fine day soon their miniature minds will turn to preparations for winter retirement in the chrysalis phase. Heads weaving, they'll wander off feeling for a suitable location. Although they appear to have large eyes as caterpillars, that's yet another trick. They actually have only very tiny receptors that dim from light. They do have scattered sensitive hairs called setae that tell them where they are and where they're going. Their feet and tiny antennae tell them when they've arrived.

There they will pose in a backward arch, suspended by threads of silk. They will liquefy and rearrange



their innards now encased in a protective, starched outer membrane.

Throughout winter they'll dream of a vernal adulthood when they'll have wings, tongues for nectar, and big compound eyes, each lens with its own nerve system. They will then be able to sense polarized light and navigate by it. They'll see ultraviolet light though they will lose their hearing. With their setae they'll sense the wind and gravity. And perhaps as busy flying adults they'll find the time to reflect on their youth in their long summer of eating and swaying in the herb forest.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We write to advise you of a proposed project that has flown under the radar and of which you may be unaware.

The Bradford Rural Heritage Committee has joined forces with the Sunapee Snowmobiling Club to create a parallel trail next to the bridge dividing the small part of Lake Todd from the broader part on Rt.103. The proposed project would create more noise, traffic and pollution just yards from the homes and cottages of Lake Todd residents. The abutters to this project have not been publicly notified and have had no forum to express their opinions. No public hearings have been held and the tiny lake community is largely unaware of the planned activity. Newbury residents have declined to participate and Andover trails are limited to non-motorized traffic. Aside from additional noise pollution in an area already congested with traffic, there are concerns about the environmental impact on the wildlife (at least 2 endangered species are in the area) as well as the birds and animals that call the lake home.

We would welcome a pedestrian pathway where cross country skiers, joggers, bicyclists and walkers could access the bridge for outdoor activities. The inclusion of motorized vehicles is not in the interests of the town or local residents.

This project, as proposed, will alter the environment in negative ways for many of us. A project of this dimension requires a degree of transparency lacking here.

Please contact me if you are interested in pursuing a more acceptable alternative that would have a positive impact on this area.

Beth and Carey Rodd  
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## Ongoing Events

Children's Storytime - Mondays 10am 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 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

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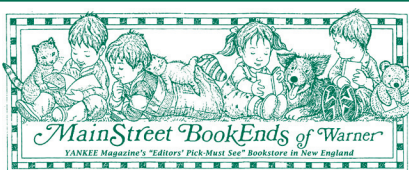


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The two pictures were taken week of August 5th in Brugge Belgium. The left hand picture is of Linda Cilley Cansler. The picture on right is Linda Cilley Cansler with granddaughter Ella.



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### The Casino

The building was originally built as a bath house by Max Israel in 1919. Sale of refreshments soon followed and soon a dance hall, an arcade, and a wharf with canoes and a speedboat for rent were added. The pickerel weed along the shore was cleared creating a wide, sandy, shallow beach for swimming.

Many of the pine trees surrounding the beach were destroyed by the 1938 hurricane, but many replacements have since grown. A campground was established in 1966 and remains a popular place for weekend and longer-term campers. Since 1992 a state approved septic system was installed, based on the number of state approved campsites. This provides long-term protection to the quality of the water in the Lake.

Ownership of the Casino and beach has changed hands during that time, but each owner has been sensitive to the historic importance of the site and to the role it plays in town activities. The current owners, Diane and Mike Beauregard, hearing the stories told about the past at the Casino, have said, "We are in the memory business."

### French's Park

The third Lake/recreation oriented Cornerstone is the 6 acre park that was left "... to the inhabitants of the Town of Bradford" by John French

in 1928. The park includes a picnic area, swimming beach and parking lot. Since 1976, swimming lessons for area children have been offered. In recent years, portable toilets, handicap parking and an accessible toilet have been added. Landscaping and other efforts to address erosion of the site and protect the water quality were completed by members of the Conservation Commission and other volunteers. Clean-up of the Park is held each year by the Parks & Recreation Committee, again with the help of many volunteers.

### Protection Status

**Lake Massasecum** Added protection for the water quality was provided by a conservation easement placed on the northeast side of Guild Hill by members of the Nelson Farm family.

Guidance from NH DES, funding from the Town and the volunteer efforts of LMIA members are on-going and will be needed well into the future. Lake Hosts are at the ramp each summer to assist boaters in identifying and removing any invasive species before they can reach the Lake.

**The Casino** The privately-owned property relies on the intentions and good will of the owners, which has always been evident. Support from town residents can help to keep the building, beach

and campground a positive part of the community as it has been for almost one hundred years.

### French's Park

This gift to the inhabitants of Bradford benefits from the annual clean-up, but the erosion structures and the landscaping put in place several years ago should be reviewed and repaired or replaced as needed. Attention to use of the Park by those not meeting John French's designation as 'inhabitant' should be an on-going effort. It is an asset to the Town and its residents, but the limited area and parking can easily be over-crowded.



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*By Kathleen Bigford*

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Can anyone guess where I took this picture? Hint: Somewhere in the lower 48.

