

The Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS *for* NEIGHBORS *by* NEIGHBORS

The Village Café

The Village Café opened to an enthusiastic crowd on Saturday, October 13. Barbara Bridge-water and Tracey Quigley, owners of the Café, had a moment to chat with me after their first week. Here are some of their impressions of their new venture.



“We’ve had a fantastic first week. We had anticipated that this would be a community gathering place and we’re seeing that happen.

People of all ages come for coffee and stay for camaraderie. When seats are empty and needed, people are sharing tables and getting to know one another.”



Community-made tableware

“There is an overwhelming gratitude that the building is being used. There are literally dozens of memories that have been shared about past times at the Bradford Inn.”

“We were happy to welcome other Bradford business owners as they visited on our first days. Our gratitude for their support cannot be measured.

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Bridge the Gap! Year-End Charitable Tax-Deductible Support

Dear Bradford Bridge Readers,

For twenty-seven years The Bradford Bridge has published news about Bradford’s civic, cultural, school, recreational, community life, celebrations, and transitions. Our newspaper is sustained by local business advertisers and distributed to readers in twenty-four locations in Bradford, Newbury, Sutton, and Warner and by mail to 70 subscribers. All this work is accomplished by volunteers.

Although advertising rates have been kept affordable for local businesses, changes in technology and production costs have been financially challenging.

The Bridge Board of Directors asks for your support by making a year-end tax-deductible donation to The Bradford Bridge, PO Box 463, Bradford, NH 03221. Our fundraising goal is \$3,000.

The Bradford Bridge is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization, as designated by the US Internal Revenue Service. The Bridge is registered with the New Hampshire Secretary of State’s Charitable Trust Division. All donations are tax-deductible under the law.

Categories:

Bridge Builder	\$ 1000
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Reporter	\$ 100
Reader	\$ 50
Subscriber	\$ 10

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Thank you for your support.

Audrey V. Sylvester, President

Voter Information

General Election
Tuesday, November 6, 2018
8:00 am - 7:00 pm



POLLING PLACE:

Bradford Area Community Center
134 East Main Street
Bradford, NH

Barrier-free Location

Parking available behind the Center

A **SAMPLE BALLOT** can be found at: www.bradfordnh.org>Town Clerk/Tax Collector>Election Information

VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter registration at the Town Clerk’s office is now closed. Eligible residents can register on election day. Proof of Bradford residency and proof of USA citizenship (birth certificate or passport) are needed to register.

If you need an **Absentee Ballot**, contact the Town Clerk’s office or go to www.bradfordnh.org>Town Clerk/Tax Collector>Election Information for a form. An **absentee ballot request form** needs to be filled out before you can receive a ballot.





The Bradford Bridge

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The Bradford Bridge is written by neighbors,
for neighbors. Anyone is welcome to
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**THE FIRM DEADLINE FOR ALL ADS AND
ARTICLES IS THE 20TH OF THE MONTH.**

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Friday: 8:00 AM - Noon

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

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Wednesday: 12 PM - 6 PM
Thursday: 8 AM - 12 PM/ 1 PM - 4 PM
Friday: Closed
2nd & 4th Saturday: 9 AM - Noon

PLANNING BOARD HOURS

Office hours Tuesdays 3:00 - 6:00 PM

*Town offices are temporarily located at
Bradford Area Community Center, 134 East
Main St. P.O. Box 436. Bradford, NH 03221*

From the Bridge

November Haiku

*Littlest things bloom
On the horizon each day
Gratitude abounds*

And a few more November words:

Vote, Please!

Best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving from everyone at
The Bradford Bridge.

Kathleen Bigford, Editor

Honored

Harriet Douglass was honored at the
Bradford Community Center on her



90th
birthday,
October 12.
Friends and
family
came to
celebrate
and Rep.
Beth Rodd
read a
declaration

from the Speaker of the NH House of
Representatives. Harriet is well known
for her many talents and years of
service to her town.

Sergeant Ed Shaughnessy received a
Community Policing Award for his



demon-
strated and
unparalleled
community
dedication
during his
tenure with
the Brad-
ford Police
Department.

To the Editor

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

During this election season, we have
met many of our Bradford and Henni-
ker neighbors at the post offices,
knocking on your doors, at the transfer
stations and at political and social
gatherings in both towns. We have
been received with grace and kindness
by so many of you, a positive and
rewarding experience for us.

We seek your vote as State Representa-
tives for the District 6 towns of Brad-
ford and Henniker.

As a small business owner and former
three-term selectman, Rod Pimentel
has been actively engaged in Henniker
town matters for more than 40 years.
Incumbent Beth Rodd has lived in
Bradford for over thirty years, serving
on multiple town committees and spent
five terms in the State House as a
member of the Criminal Justice
Committee. Our combined public
service and experience will allow us to
continue serving you well.

We thank you for your generosity and
urge you to cast your vote for us on
Tuesday, November 6 at the Bradford
Community Center from 8am to 7pm.

Thank you,
*Rep. Beth Rodd
Rod Pimentel*

Thank you

To the Editor

Hello everyone. I had an office in Warner for a lot of years. During that time there were at least two community newspapers that started, but then left the landscape. I have no idea of why that was, but I do know that while active, they added immensely to the community.

There are many reasons that come to mind as to why the Bradford Bridge has succeeded for so many years. In this age of screens and fast digital communication, it is a pleasure to hold the monthly Bridge in one's hands. It arrives on high quality paper; it's well done and very readable. If you recall my fascination with the colors of the ballots we use at Town Meeting, I love the fact that the Bridge comes in a gentle ecru shade. Very classy. It is the "newspaper of record" for our town.

But the most compelling reason for my affection for the Bridge is that it adds to our sense of community. When friends and relatives from "away" ask me about Bradford, I tell them it is my feeling of being at home here and among friends, acquaintances and neighbors that takes up the first ten minutes of my answer: The dump, Sweet Beet, the new Village Café, our excellent library and, of course, The Bradford Bridge.

I hope you will consider supporting the Bridge in any way you can. It is hard to measure its addition to the town's life, but an addition it is. And hey, go to the Post Office lobby someday and see if there is a pile of unwanted Bridges sitting on the counter next to that other pile. Don't think so.

Brackett Scheffy

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Bradford Bridge Seeking Interns

The Bradford Bridge is looking for interns and writers who would like to contribute to our monthly publication. We are interested school news from students. There are several ways to earn community service credit and it is an excellent opportunity to be published. The Bradford Bridge can be read online at bradfordbridge.org. Submissions or inquiries can be made to Kathleen Bigford, Editor at bradfordbridge345@gmail.com.

Local Veterans Invited to KRES at Bradford

The Bradford Elementary School community would like to extend the invitation to any local veterans to come join us as an honored guest for Veterans' Recognition to be held on Tuesday, November 13th, at a time to be determined. Students in grades K through 5 will honor our local veteran guests through song, poetry, readings, and presentations. Members of Warner's American Legion Post will also be in attendance to post the colors. Veterans, please feel free to contact the Bradford Elementary School for more information, 938-5959.

Coffee with the Police

The Bradford Police Department would like to invite everyone to a coffee with members of the department at The Village Café at 11 West Main Street on November 8, 2018 at 9am.

Officers will be available to meet and discuss areas of concern. For example: Recent trends, increase in scams, cyber security, resident's welfare check list, discuss directed patrols.

The Village Café

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Also, we are grateful to members of the Sweet Beet team who stepped in to help in the kitchen on our first weekend."



As with any new undertaking there is a learning curve to be mastered. "This has been a very chaotic first week, however, we're fortunate to have that problem. We are grateful to the community for the wonderful reception we are having."

The Village Café, open Wednesday through Sunday, 7am to 2pm, is a welcome addition to the evolving community center in Bradford at 11 West Main.

Kathleen Bigford

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Wednesday to Sunday

Ballot Questions: Proposed NH Constitution Amendments

Two proposed amendments to the New Hampshire Constitution will appear on the November 2018 ballot. Voters will be asked to answer YES or NO to each. Voters should gather information on these amendments to vote wisely. Voters may choose to leave their answers blank without affecting the outcome of either question.

The wording of the amendments plus pros and cons can be found at http://lwvnh.org/files/ballot_questions_2018_voter_guide.pdf

Briefly, when a proposal to amend the Constitution is passed by a super-majority of both houses of the legislature, it must be placed on the ballot. Two-thirds (67%) of the votes cast on the question must be YES votes for the amendment to become part of our state's Constitution. New Hampshire voters do not amend the Constitution lightly.

Question 1 was approved 309 to 9 in the House and 22 to 2 in the Senate. If passed this amendment would allow taxpayers to have legal standing to challenge a governmental action in court without having to prove they were personally affected.

Question 2 was approved 235 to 96 in the House and 15 to 9 in the Senate, just qualifying for the super-majority needed to be placed on the ballot. If passed the amendment would change the way courts balance governmental interest in gaining access to personal information versus the nature and degree of intrusion on an individual's privacy rights.

Selectmen's Office Recording Secretary Position

The Selectmen are accepting applications for a Recording Secretary. This position currently serves the Planning Board, Zoning Board, Select Board and Budget Committee; however, the position could be shared by two people. Responsibilities include minute taking and transcription in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and applicable state laws, posting notices and agendas, written and verbal correspondence, keeping financial records, purchasing supplies, filing, tape recording and assisting Town officials and the public with access to the Boards' files.

The skills necessary to be successful in this position include attention to detail and deadlines; effective customer services skills; ability to juggle several projects at the same time; strong written and verbal communication skills; desire to become familiar with Town Ordinances and related RSAs. The successful candidate will also demonstrate computer capability with Word and Excel.

Position averages between 2 and 7 hours per week, though there will be weeks where as many as 15 hours are worked. Availability in the evening is required.

Prior related experience preferred but not necessary for the right candidate. Interested candidates should submit their resume to: administrator@bradfordnh.org.

Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled. The Town of Bradford is an equal opportunity employer.



Closings

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Tuesday, November 6, 2018
for the General Election

Thursday, November 22nd and Saturday, November 24th
for Thanksgiving weekend

Town of Bradford Board of Selectmen

Notice of Public Hearing

Monday, November 19,
2018 at 5:30pm

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Special Thanks from the Sweet Beets



Thank you to everyone who came out for Dark Tales of the Supernatural at 11 West Main this year. It was a wonderful evening full of delicious food, good company, and great stories! Special thanks to Odds Bodkin for sharing his talent and passion with our community. We thoroughly enjoyed his dark tales while cozying up by fire pits, sipping on hot cider and snacking on chili and apple crisp. We would also like to thank our friends at The Village Café and Warner Public Market for their support and collaboration in providing the tastiest local goodies for our community. Keep your eye on 11 West Main for more fun community gatherings!

**SPECIAL
THANKS**



Bradford Historical Society Update

The Bradford Historical Society met September 26th. The meeting was preceded by a wonderful and informative presentation by George Beaton on the history of Howlett Road focusing on the early settlers and how they survived over the years. George has been an attentive to the Howlett Cemetery at the top of the road, keeping the fence and gate mended and cleaning the headstones. He pointed out that there are some unique epitaphs on some of the Howlett headstones. A big thank you to George for a most interesting talk.

At this month's meeting, Deborah Bede talked about Preserving Historical Textiles. She encouraged attendees to bring personal clothing, quilts or other personal and precious articles to the meeting for her expert advice.

On October 24th the Annual Meeting was held at the Community building as the Old Post Office was not ready and the Tin Shop continues renovations. The Nomination Committee

submitted a slate of officers and trustees to be voted on for a two-year term. Unfortunately, there was no one for the office of Recording Secretary. This vacancy will continue to be covered by other volunteer members, until one can be found.

We had two donations recently to offset the cost of historical ledgers of Carr Store. There will be no meetings until next Spring. There will be a membership drive beginning in January for new members and renewing members. BHS is in dire need of active members. There are many Honorary and Lifetime members who would be most welcome to participate in BHS activities again. "Many hands make light work."

Diane Whalley

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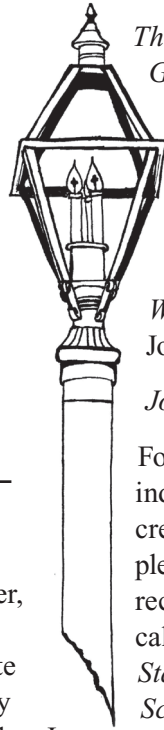
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Monday 10:00am – 8:00pm
Wednesday 10:00am – 7:00pm
Saturday 10:00am – 3:00pm
Sunday 11:00am – 3:00pm

From the Director's Desk:

Entering the month of November, I am paying attention to ways I feel grateful. One of my favorite parts of this job, is coming away each day knowing more than when I walked in. I feel lucky to have a job where my cup is almost always full. I've proclaimed to my husband, "There's never a bad day at the library." I thank the patrons for this, for enriching my life, and imparting their knowledge and wisdom. We have great people who live in Bradford!

The biggest change to me in the fall is the quiet. No longer am I waking up to the songs of birds, or peepers, or listening to the crickets at night. The stillness in nature is noticeable. Yes, there continues to be a sense of industry. People and animals working tirelessly to prepare for winter. But I like the change in sound. Excuse the cliché, but the calm before the storm. I like to read books about the importance of listening to yourself, listening to others, but also of just "being." Here are a few books that seem to instill this sense of quietness. The one that resonated most deeply for me was *Journal of a Solitude*. I loved the way the author described the home she lived in, her daily routine, the seasons of NH, and living in a small town. May Sarton lived in Nelson, NH, for a time, and was a fine poet.



The Art of Stillness: Adventures in Going Nowhere / Pico Iyer

A Book of Silence / Sara Maitland

Quiet: the Power of Introverts in a World that Can't Stop Talking / Susan Cain

Wherever You Go There You Are / Jon Kabat-Zinn

Journal of a Solitude / May Sarton

For those of you who have been industriously preparing for the winter creating those amazing wood piles, please check out the book (nicely recommended by Leah Cummings) called *Norwegian Wood: Chopping, Stacking, and Drying Wood the Scandanavian Way* / Lars Mytting.

Veterans Day: The library will be closed on Sunday, November 11th in observance of Veterans Day.

Book Discussion: Book group night will be changed this month, to avoid pre-Thanksgiving jitters, to Wednesday, November 28th at 7pm. We will be reading Louise Erdrich's, *The Round House*. The book won the National Book Award for 2012. The setting is in North Dakota on the Ojibwe reservation. It's told from the point of view of a boy seeking justice for his family. "*The Round House* is a page-turning masterpiece of literary fiction – at once a powerful coming-of-age story, a mystery, and a tender, moving novel of family, history, and culture." You have more time this month to read it, so please stop by and pick up the book and join us at the end of the month.

Thanksgiving: The library is open all regular hours during Thanksgiving week.

Upcoming Programs: On Tuesday, November 13th at 7pm, Friends of the Library will be hosting Debora Goss who is presenting "Abby Hutchinson's *Sweet Freedom Songs: Songs and Stories of the Struggle for Abolition*

and *Woman Suffrage*." The program looks to be enriching and engrossing.

On Saturday, December 8th at 4pm, Santa is visiting the library. Come and listen to a story, talk to Santa, and have a few goodies here at the library!

New books are here!

For Adults:

Spark of Light / Jodi Picoult

Field of Bones / J.A. Jance

Vox / Christina Dalcher

Leadership in Turbulent Times /

Doris Kearns Goodwin

Heartland / Sarah Smarsh

For Children & Young Adults:

Fiona the Hippo / Richard Cowdrey

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Wedding Announcement

Anna Buchar and Matthew Phelan were wed in Buchar's Barn in Bradford on October 6, 2018. Louise Clark, the bride's



grandmother, officiated the ceremony. Anna is the daughter of Laurie and David Buchar. Matthew is the son of Karen and John Phelan. The newlyweds live in Berwick, Maine with their dogs Bella and Peggy. Anna teaches kindergarten in Elliot and Matthew works at the Naval Shipyard. Congratulations, Anna and Matt!



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Climate Change Part 1 in the October Bridge outlined a very serious problem and the need for immediate action. The following text presents some reasonable solutions to this grave issue, which can be implemented in a manner which would produce a stronger, more stable economy while ensuring a healthier outlook for future generations. Public support and pressure are required to push the political will to move forward. Respectfully submitted,

Sonny Harris

Climate Change Solutions

The present state of climate conditions presents our society with complex, serious moral, social, environmental, economic and political issues unparalleled in history.

The anthropogenically-induced climate problems are reversible if approached with wisdom in a timely fashion. The past 20 years of White House decisions, United Nations' approaches, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Accord have been nothing but failed, veiled attempts of talk, half-measures and false promises. They did absolutely nothing to require a fair share price on fossil fuels reflecting their true cost to society. Ironically, the Montreal Protocol, with its successful goal of reducing Freon emissions to save atmospheric ozone, likely did more to slow the problem of global warming than all other attempts combined.

This crisis will not be solved by 195 countries arguing over multiple issues. It can be best solved by the United States and China cooperating on important environmentally related issues, which will ultimately force other countries to participate. The U.S. will need to lead the way.

This horrific problem has become so large, it has evolved into a tragedy of

the commons in which others share or will share (future generations) in the cost, in addition to those who actually created the problem. Make no mistake, climate change is not a liberal left or conservative right issue. It is a species survival issue, including the human species.

If the grave finality of this crisis is to be solved, the following measures must be implemented in a timely fashion by the United States, in an effort to reduce energy consumption, improve energy efficiency, improve/expand existing clean energy sources and search for new clean energy sources, otherwise the problem will soon be irreversible and out of control for the next generation:

No couple should produce more than two children. Tax incentives/penalties can be used to encourage this concept. The penalties can be earmarked for R&D of clean energy.

Educate people from grammar school forward about the climate change issue.

The United States should implement a carbon-tax program. This can be consumer driven. The solution is not for bigger government along with increased taxes. Governmental officials, influ-

enced by special interest groups and lobbyists, lack the knowledge or integrity to successfully manage such carbon-tax programs. The fossil fuel businesses should be assessed a fee so they pay their fair share of the massive environmental damage they have been inflicting for many decades. Revenue from these fees will increase the taxes paid at the pumps and the cost of fuel for home and business heating leading to better insulation, improved heating systems, more efficient appliances, and emphasis on conservation. Industries will compete far more aggressively with far improved results without "help" from the government.

A cap and trade system, suggested by some as a wise choice, would likely fail in its objective because it is nothing but a gimmick involving false hope that will encourage rich businesses/nations to not reduce their emissions because they can afford otherwise. Furthermore, the cap and trade scheme cannot be implemented for all types of pollution (personal vehicles, home heating oil, etc.).

Sarah W. Chapin
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Improved forestry and agricultural practices (i.e. no-till) must be encouraged. Support local farmer's markets and other businesses. Waste as little food as possible.

Increase individual contributions such as car-pooling, improved recycling/re-using. Reduce travel speed. Reduce overall travel, particularly air travel. Keep vehicles in good condition (tire pressure, tune-ups, filters, exhaust, etc.).

Reduce thermostat in cold months and limit or omit air conditioning in warm months.

Insurance companies can influence climate-based decisions due to their cost from associated health problems (cardiac/respiratory etc.).

Law enforcement can influence climate-based decisions due to direct

correlations between hotter temperatures and violence.

Implement zoning/planning regulations at local levels to encourage a smaller C-footprint; lights off at night, smaller houses, narrower driveways and roads, smaller lawns, etc.

Vote for politicians who have no fossil fuel interests and who care about issues rather than simply devoting most of their efforts to getting re-elected.

Get involved personally and participate at all levels. VOTE! Write senators, representatives, governors and presidents. Write articles in newspapers. Exercise consumer pressure. As Edmund Burke once suggested, "...evil prevails only if good men sit back and do nothing..."

Similarly, Gene Brewer stated in his book, *K-Pax*, "...the Universe will expand and collapse on itself...repeating this process forever...and every mistake you will live through again and again forever, so my advice to you is get it right this time around, because this time, is all you have."

Perhaps the greatest legacy that this generation can pass on to the next is the concept that we "got it right with climate change".



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Board of Selectmen

Online Tax Payments

Town Clerk Melissa Cloutier is completing the changes needed to allow tax payers to view, pay and elect paperless bill delivery options online.

Highway Department

Selectmen approved the request from Road Agent Steve Hall to extend the scope of plowing on Johnson Hill Road, a Class V seasonal road, by 1,432 feet to establish a safer turnaround for Town employees and equipment.

A request to reconfigure the intersection of Hogg Hill and Cressy Roads by eliminating the island to provide a safer, more easily maintained junction was also approved.

Junkyard Renewal Permit Signed for Max Enterprises on Breezy Hill Road.

Intents to Cut Permits were signed for Map 2/Lot 80, Map 2/Lot 82 and Map 2/Lot 97 on Marshall Hill Road; Map 8/Lot 22 on East Washington Road and Map 9 Lot 47-1 County Road. Steve Hall will review whether there are any concerns that would warrant a Road Bond.

Community Revitalization Tax Relief

Applications Selectmen granted preliminary approval, pending further research, of two applications for tax relief under RSA 79-E. One is for the Appleseed Restaurant, submitted by Peter C and Peter M Fenton, the second for Unless, LLC for renovations at the Bradford Inn, most recently the Thistle

and Shamrock. Final approval would allow the Board to grant tax assessment relief for a period of up to five years, beginning when substantial rehabilitation has been completed.

Town Beautification In recognition of the work done by Lois Kilnapp and several volunteers to improve the public gardens in downtown Bradford, Susan Sherman donated \$350 towards these efforts. At the suggestion of the beautification team, Selectmen approved placing a granite bench in front of the Bradford Area Community Center to be engraved with "Sit a While". Ken Anderson offered to donate any additional resources needed to pay for the engraving.

Sidewalk Grant Selectman Michael James announced that Bradford's submission through TAP to improve sidewalks on West Main Street was ranked #1 for this region and final approval is likely. He thanked Selectman Jim Bibbo, Claire James, and Harry Wright for their efforts in the process to date. Maintenance of the existing sidewalk on East Main could be a concern, but Road Agent Steve Hall has contacted a firm that can perform the required work.

Town Hall Heating System In response to a request from a heating solutions provider to discuss questions at a non-public session, Selectmen confirmed that meetings will be public and communicated to all bidders.

Keno Information received from the NH Lottery Commission stated that voters must approve before Keno can

be offered. Selectmen voted 2-1, Michael James dissenting, to place an article on the Warrant for Town Meeting 2019.

Electric Rates The current supplier will continue to provide service for town facilities at an increase of \$0.01/kWh.

Bement Bridge Preliminary engineering plans have been approved by the State, with construction anticipated to begin next spring.

Adopt a Road Program Reports from volunteer Class VI road monitors have been compiled by the Conservation Commission and were presented to the Select Board. The volunteers will continue to monitor these roads.

Fire Department Fire Chief Mark Goldberg advised the Selectmen of his pending retirement in six months. He recommended hiring a paid part-time chief and suggested placing \$35,000 in the upcoming budget to cover the cost for the initial six months beginning in June 2019.

Budget Committee

Rescue Squad The Bradford Select Board will be requested to ask the Henniker Select Board to assist in providing an updated estimate on the cost for services.

A draft of the overall budget is expected to be available for the Budget Committee by November 2.

Planning Board

Conference Carol Meise provided an overview of NH Association of Counties Annual Conference which she

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attended. The Keynote speaker was Chuck Fluharty, the CEO of the Rural Policy Research Institute, who spoke about strategies to establish economic development plans in the community.

Jim Bibbo spoke about the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission and its role in promoting economic development including the opportunity to access grant funding.

CIP Committee

The Committee has been meeting weekly at noon for the convenience of department heads, reviewing and updating the requests in the current CIP. One project from the 2018-2023 CIP, Fire Alarm System and Security System at the Fire Station, has been completed.

Fire Chief Mark Goldberg requested postponing purchase of a new pumper to 2020; he does not have the manpower needed to write the detailed specifications required. He recommended raising half of the needed funds in 2019, and the rest in 2020. He suggested adding to the *Fire House*

Building Maintenance Fund to have funds available to replace the furnace when needed.

West Main Street Paving A line item for \$50,000 will be added to Highway department projects on the CIP spreadsheet to meet the 20% match required to receive TAP funding. Road Agent Steve Hall discussed the need for a sand shed and a replacement chipper.

Gravestone Repair Fund A line item of \$10,000 will be added to General projects on the CIP spreadsheet.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Variiances The Board granted a variance for Paul Saxby to place a 32 square foot off-premise sign at his residence on the corner of Route 103 and East Main Street, Map 17/Lot 1. The Bradford Zoning Ordinance allows for Off -Premise signs no larger than 8 square feet in size. It was noted that where the business, Colonial Woodworking, is located on West Main Street presents a hardship with an on-premise sign. The variance was approved with the condition that the sign will be removed if the property owner does not remain the owner of the business. A motion to discuss lighting the sign did not receive a second.

A public hearing was set for November 7 at 7pm, preceded by a site walk on November 6 at 3pm, for a variance requested from setback requirements due to the size of the building lot at Map 17/ Lot 35 Route 114.

Library Trustees

Employee Leah Cummings has been hired as a library assistant.

Volunteer A new organizer is needed for the popular (and lucrative) plant sale that is held in conjunction with the book sales. Brooks McCandlish and Janet Sillars, who have volunteered for this project for many years look forward to others taking over.

Capital Improvements Program (CIP) The committee will be asked to increase the current estimates for both the painting and carpeting projects by five percent.

Conservation Commission

ATV usage on Class VI Roads Due to the regional impact of decisions made by surrounding towns, a letter of concern will be sent to the Select Boards in Hillsborough, Warner, Washington and Henniker.

NH Office of Strategic Initiatives

Brooks McCandlish will attend a meeting to discuss the administration and permitting of Bradford's floodplain regulations in compliance with the town's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

Forest Street Beaver Deceiver The pond level has been rising and encroaching upon Forest Street. It has been determined that the current drainpipe is not sufficient for the job. Skip Lisle has agreed to make necessary adjustments.

Bradford Bog Repairs have been done, with heaps of thanks to all of the enthusiastic volunteers! The platform stairs are in need of replacement as a future project.

Battles Farm Trail Maintenance Adam Cummings has generously volunteered to assume this position, and has expressed interest as property monitor.

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

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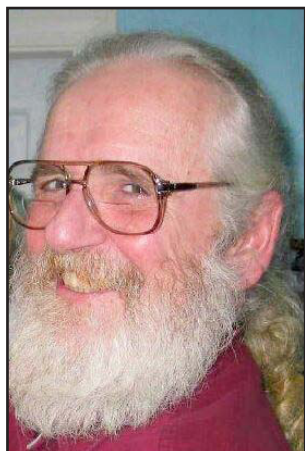
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Obituaries

Michael F. Donahue

Michael F. Donahue, 70, of High Street, Bradford, NH died on October 13, 2018 at CRVNA Hospice House in Concord, NH after a long battle with COPD and cancer.



Born in Dorchester, MA on January 9, 1948, the son of Michael and Marie (McGowan) Donahue, he attended Christ the King Elementary School and Rice Memorial High School in Burlington, VT graduating in 1965. He entered the US Army in October 1967 and served in the 1st Engineer Battalion 1st Infantry Division. He did two tours of duty in Vietnam and was discharged on February 5, 1970. Mike received five commendation medals, one being an Oak Leaf Cluster, and a certificate of appreciation. He wore his army colors proudly throughout his life.

Moving on with his life, he attended the University of VT from 1971

graduating in 1976 with a BS in Engineering. Mike married Joy Johnson in 1973 divorcing in 1996. They had three children. After graduating from UVM Michael was hired by NH Dept. of Transportation in Concord as a civil engineer from which he retired in 2004 as Senior Consultant Supervisor. When asked recently about his job, Michael said with great sincerity, "I loved my job, I really loved my job!"

Mike had many friends. He enjoyed sitting around a firepit or anywhere talking and talking and talking about politics or any subject, with beer or coffee in hand. He loved to read and enjoyed coin collecting. He enjoyed hunting but was rarely successful.

Survivors include his sons, Sean Donahue and his wife, Shannon of Northfield, NH, Kevin Donahue of Danbury, NH, Timothy Donahue of New London, NH, grandson, Aidan Donahue and granddaughter, Camille Donahue; sibling, Kathleen Schweithelm and her husband, Arthur of Northport, NY; nieces, Amy Schweithelm of San Diego, CA, Laura Flanagan of Northport, NY, Megan Kelly of Northport, NY and former wife, Joy J. Donahue.

A service was held on Friday, October 26, 2018. Memorial contributions may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Coleville Road, Suite 100, Silver Springs, MD 20910.

John Harris

John Harris, 84 years of age, of Jamaica Plain, MA and formerly of Bradford, NH died on July 7, 2018 at home surrounded by his children and grandchildren after a sudden decline in health. He was born in Rockford, Illinois, the son of parents who had emigrated from Ireland and Scotland. John had a rich, successful academic and personal life as did his wife, Ruth-Ann Mellish Harris, who predeceased him in 2012.

John's PhD thesis in Economics from Northwestern University (1967) led him to an Assistant Professor position at MIT in 1971 and then to Boston University as a Director of the multi-disciplinary African Studies Center. John's rich academic life and his profoundly happy family life led him on many adventures around the world, particularly in Africa and Indonesia.

John and Ruth-Ann were owners and restoration gurus of the "Mill House" on Lake Todd. The mill is a funky building filled with artifacts from their world travels. They supported many town organizations such as the Historical Society and Blue Mountain Arts Center. They were fun neighbors, full of lively ideas and genuine affection for their town, its rich history and its many interesting friends and neighbors. They contributed their time, efforts and talents to the Bradford community and were generous and loving neighbors.

John is survived by his three children, Catherine, Dorothy, and Rees, and their spouses, eight grandchildren and one great granddaughter. He is also survived by his companion and fellow traveler of the past five years, Sue Hickey of Waltham, MA.

John will be missed by many friends and neighbors for his grace, humor and charm.



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Richard J. Stanley

Richard J. Stanley, 70, died September 26, 2018 in Concord. He is survived by his significant other, Sylvia Hasey of Bradford; daughters and their spouses, Jennifer Macik and Michael Tardif of Derry, Karen and Peter Florenzano of Auburn; grandsons, Jack, Sean and William; a brother and his wife, Robert and Joan Stanley of Stratham; nieces and nephews and many friends.

Rich was born in South Portland, ME, October 7, 1947, the son of Herbert and Theresa (Knowles) Stanley. He worked and lived in NJ for most of his life. He graduated from Kearney High School, Kearney, NJ in 1965 and moved to Warner, NH in 1991. Rich had long career in medical instrumentation sales and management. He served in the US Army during Vietnam and was a member of the Wilkins-Cloues-Bigelow-Pearson American Legion Post #39 of Warner. His second career and passion was his involvement in local fire departments.

He served on the Warner Fire Department for 18 years and the Bradford Fire Department and as an EMT for three years. Active in Warner, Rich volunteered at the Warner Fire Museum, Fall Foliage Festival, umpired at baseball games, coached a woman's softball league and helped maintain snowmobile trails. Most of all Rich loved life and all who were part of his life, family and friends. He was passionate about his community and known for helping anyone in need.

A private burial will be held at the NH Veterans Cemetery, Boscawen. A memorial service was held at the Bradford Fire Station. Memorial contributions may be made to The Bradford or Warner Fire Departments.

Bradford, Newbury, Sutton Youth Sports Goes Green with Granite State Solar



Bradford, Newbury, Sutton Youth Sports, BNSYS, and Granite State Solar, GSS, have joined forces to accomplish the sports organization's mission to "provide quality sports opportunities to area youth, while reinforcing the concepts of sportsmanship and team participation."

GSS graciously donated 12 solar panels and installed them on one of the snack shacks to help offset the cost of electricity used at the fields in Bradford. The project will allow

BNSYS to put every dollar possible back into uniforms, equipment and fields. Once approved by the building inspector, the switch can be flipped, and the journey will begin. This may also open the possibility of having lighting installed in the future for some night games.

BNSYS currently has youth programs that include T-Ball, Baseball, Softball, YES Soccer Camp, Soccer and Wrestling.

*Ed Shaughnessy
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Community Events Calendar – November 2018

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 any changes have been made.



Thursday, November 1st

12:00 pm Senior Dining
1:00 pm Mahjong Group

Friday, November 2nd

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
11:30 am 1st Friday Brunch with Bill Parker, 50/50 raffle, and door prizes!
Reservations please!

Monday, November 5th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
10:00 am Children's Storytime, BML
10:30 am Children's Playgroup, BML
1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driving School
5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting, BACC

Tuesday, November 6th

Election Day, BACC 2nd Floor. No Senior Center Activities. Bus services and Meals on Wheels services as usual.
2:00 pm Watercolor Class
3:30 pm Driving School
7:00 pm Fish & Game Club

Wednesday, November 7th

12:00 pm CIP
3:30 pm Driving School
6:00 pm Yoga
6:00 pm Library Trustees, BLM
7:00 pm Zoning Board of Adjustment

Thursday, November 8th

12:00 pm Senior Dining
1:00 pm Mahjong Group
5:00 pm BACC/P&R Committees
6:00 pm Cemetery Commission

Friday, November 9th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness

Monday, November 12th

Veterans Day Holiday – Library Closed
No Meals on Wheels or Bus Service;
Town Offices are Closed
1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driving School
5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting, BACC
7:00 pm Rural Heritage Connection

Tuesday, November 13th

10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
1:00 pm Mahjong Group
2:00 pm Watercolor Class
3:30 pm Driving School
6:00 pm Rural Heritage Connection
7:00 pm Planning Board

7:00 pm Friends of the Library will be hosting Debora Goss who is presenting *"Abby Hutchinson's Sweet Freedom Songs: Songs and Stories of the Struggle for Abolition and Woman Suffrage."*

Wednesday, November 14th

12:00 pm CIP
1:00 pm Knitting Group
3:30 pm Driving School
7:00 pm Book Discussion, BML

Thursday, November 15th

10:00 am Blood Pressure Clinic at MVSC provided by LSVNA
12:00 pm Noon Thanksgiving Dinner
1:00 pm Mahjong Group

Friday, November 16th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
9:30 pm Foot Care Clinic by LSVNA at North Ridge Senior Housing
10:00 am Movie: *Only The Brave*
12:00 pm Noonish Senior Dining

Monday, November 19th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
10:00 am Children's Storytime, BML
10:30 am Children's Playgroup, BML
1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driving School
5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting, BACC

Tuesday, November 20th

9:30 am LSVNA Foot Care at Warner Pharmacy
10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
12:00 pm Senior Dining
1:00 pm Mahjong Group
2:00 pm Watercolor Class
7:00 pm Conservation Comm., BLM

Wednesday, November 21st

10:30 am LSVNA Blood Pressure Clinic at Warner Senior Room
3:30 pm Driving School
6:00 pm Yoga

Thursday & Friday November 22-23

Thanksgiving Holiday – Senior Center Closed, No Meals on Wheels both days

Monday, November 26th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
10:00 am Children's Storytime, BML
10:30 am Children's Playgroup, BML
1:00 pm Bridge Group
3:30 pm Driving School
5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting, BACC



Tuesday, November 27th

10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
12:00 pm Senior Dining
12:30 pm Majong Group
2:00 pm Watercolor Class
3:30 pm Driving School
7:00 pm Planning Board

Wednesday, November 28th

3:30 pm Driving School
6:00 pm Yoga

Thursday, November 29th

12:00 pm Senior Dining
1:00 pm Mahjong Group
5:00 pm BACC/P&R Committees

Friday, November 30th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness

ONGOING EVENTS

Mondays

10:00 am Children's Storytime, BML
10:30 am Children's Playgroup, BML
5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting, BACC
7:00 pm Rural Heritage Connection, BACC, 2nd Monday/month

Tuesdays

7:00 pm Conservation Commission, BLM, 3rd Tuesday/month
7:00 pm Fish & Game Club
1st Tuesday each month
7:00 pm Planning Board, BACC
2nd & 4th Tuesdays/month

Wednesdays

6:00 pm Library Trustees, BLM
1st Wednesday/month
7:00 pm Zoning Board, BACC
1st Wednesday/month

Thursdays

6:00 pm Cemetery Commission
2nd Thursday/month;
call 938-2119

Fridays

11:30 am First Friday Brunch, MVSC
call 938-2104 for reservations

Other

Historical Society Tin Shop, East Main Street;
by appointment, call 938-2253

CALENDAR ABBREVIATIONS

BACC	Bradford Area Community Center
BCC	Bradford Community Church
BCMh	Bradford Center Meetinghouse
BML	Brown Memorial Library
FGC	Fish & Game Club
KLC	Kearsarge Learning Center
LSVNA	Lake Sunapee Visting Nurses Assoc.
LR	Learning Room
MVSC	Mountain View Senior Center
ZBA	Zoning Board of Adjustment



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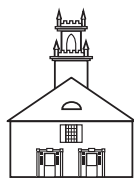
BRADFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Sunday Worship Services and Kingdom Builders (Sunday School)
 Every Sunday at 10am. Communion served on the first Sunday each month.

Bradford Community Food Pantry
 Will be distributing Thanksgiving Baskets on November 17 from 9am to 10:30am.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner
 on November 22 (Thanksgiving Day) for anyone who wishes to attend. Plans are still in the works, so if you are interested please look for flyers and signs for the time or call the office.

Mission: Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. Shoeboxes filled with gifts for children around the world to receive at Christmas. Shoeboxes are due in by November 11. If you are interested call for information on what to fill them with.



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**November 21 from 5-6pm
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DoBros Farm-funk Fun

Special thanks to the Beaton Family for sponsoring The DoBros concert back in September at Bradford Center! Local talent, friends, families, and crisp fall air. We love our community. Thank you to everyone who came! And if you missed it, don't worry, they'll be back next year!

Christmas Eve Pageant

We are always looking ahead to our lovely pageant on Christmas Eve, December 24th at 5pm at the Meetinghouse. If you would like to be involved please contact Leah Cummings at 938-2017.



AREA EVENTS

WARNER

NH Open Doors in Warner on November 3-4 with the Warner Historical Society and MainStreet BookEnds Gallery. Eight artists and artisans will transform the historic rooms of Warner Historical Society's Upton Chandler House Museum into their own personal art studios.

Sunday, November 4 at 2pm at BookEnds Gallery. We are having a PARTY to celebrate the release of **Deborah Bruss' latest children's book "Good Morning, Snowplow!"**

Kearsarge Area Chamber of Commerce – 2018 Kearsarge Business Showcase. November 3, 10am-3pm, Northeast Catholic College - 511 Kearsarge Mountain Road, Warner, NH 03278. The Showcase highlights our unique and diverse local businesses. The Showcase is organized by Kearsarge Area Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by Contoocook Area Business Club.

Bar Harbor Bank & Trust is giving the gift of healthy food to our neighbors in need. The 30th annual "Food for Good" community food drive is being held October 29-November 16, 2018. All food donations go to the food pantry located in the town where they are collected, directly benefiting friends and neighbors in each community.

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Kathleen Bigford

This month Leah Cummings submitted this piece about the Bradford Bog:

On October 14, 2018 the Conservation Commission held its annual volunteer work day at the Bradford



Bog located on East Washington Road. The day was bright and brisk. Men, women, children and dogs all provided their own level of helpfulness and contributed to the overall cheerfulness of the morning. Pictured here is lumberjack John McDonald, supplier of forty planks that were hauled and installed to replace old ones that had been weathered and

worn out. Bushes and trees were carefully trimmed to keep the trail open. Cider and homemade snacks kept everyone strong!

The Bradford Bog is a special area where you will find a quaking bog and a rare community of Atlantic white cedar containing long-lived cedar trees capable of exceeding 300 years of age. The boardwalk is ready for another year of woods walkers! If you haven't been there yet, take a trip.

And then, on October 18, 2018



First Flurries

Rail Trail Bridge Work Begins in Bradford

The Bradford Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail features beautiful views, a major safety improvement, and creates pleasant walking loops when combined with several side streets. Special thanks to Nate Kimball of Valley Excavation for his help so far. Also thanks to the Town of Bradford and to Michie Corporation for their support of the project.



I-beams ready to go!



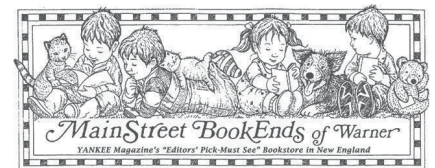
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