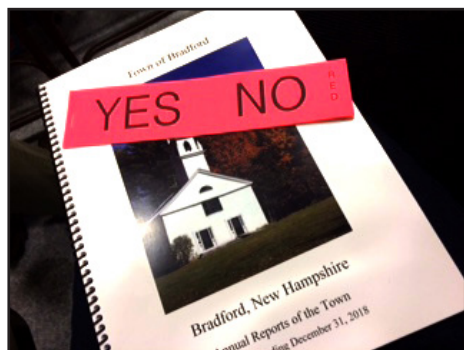


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2019 Bradford Town Meeting



The 223rd Town Meeting came to order on March 13 under the direction of Town Moderator, Brackett Scheffy, commenting on the positive progress in Bradford to include young families moving in, and new businesses opening to include: Sweet Beet Market, The Village Café and Evergreen Healing Arts. Distinguished veteran, Bob Selig, led the town in the Pledge of Allegiance to start the meeting.



"I like Robert's Rules. I like people to express their opinions, but not for too long."

Full minutes of the town meeting can be found at bradfordnh.org. Here is the "Bridge Notes" version.

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Election Results

Town of Bradford March 12, 2019

Budget Committee for 3 years

Laurie Colburn
Justin Dohrn

Budget Committee for 1 year

Cheryl A Croto

Cemetery Commission for 3 years

Write in, Katrina Taylor

Cemetery Commission for 2 years

Marlene Freyler

Planning Board for 3 years

Laurie Colburn
Carol Troy

Planning Board for 2 years

Thomas A. Dunne Jr.

Scholarship Committee for 3 years

Kathleen Bigford

Selectman for 3 years

Jason D. Allen

Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library for 3 years

Laurie Farrell
Devin Pendleton

Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library for 2 years

Seth Benowitz

Trustee of the Trust Funds for 3 years

Harold Wright

Trustee of the Trust Funds for 1 year

4-Way Write In Tie
Kathleen Bigford
Sonny Harris
Tandy Hartford
Bliss Dayton

Zoning Board for 3 years

Brooks McCandlish
Ken Parys

Kearsarge Regional School District

For School Moderator: Brackett Scheffy ~ *elected*

Question 1: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the Municipal Budget Committee's recommended amount of \$43,278,985 ~ *Passed*

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 Kearsarge Regional Educators Association ~ *Passed*

Question 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$15,000 to be placed in the Special Education Expendable Trust ~ *Passed*

Question 4: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$50,000 to be placed in the Special Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund ~ *Passed*

Annual Egg Hunt



Saturday, April 20th at 11am
at Brown Memorial Library



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Wednesday: 12 PM - 6 PM

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2nd & 4th Saturday: 9 AM - Noon

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From the Bridge

This Robert Frost poem is on my mind.

A Patch of Old Snow

There's a patch of old snow in a corner
That I should have guessed
Was a blow-away paper the rain
Had brought to rest.

It is speckled with grime as if
Small print overspread it,
The news of a day I've forgotten—
If I ever read it.

April finds many corners filled with old patches of snow. Warmer days melt grimy snow piles, reminders of the storms and difficult times we will forget as green ground cover and forgotten plants reappear.

The last two lines are Frost's hallmark twist. So it is with the news. How much will be remembered? And, I'm wondering, in these days of multi-platform delivery of the news, how does a person choose to receive current events?

We hope you find some things to remember within these pages. Like,

- How Brackett Scheffy feels about expressing opinions at town meeting, "2019 Bradford Town Meeting,"
- What's happening in town board and committee meetings, "Monthly Briefing,"
- What's happening in the local real estate market, "Spring Market"
- The hours the Town Clerk is open, this page,
- When to play Mahjong at the Senior Center, "Community Events Calendar,"
- Living with a weasel, "In an Instant"
- Now's the time bears will be coming for bird feeders, "Bear Alert,"

And much more.

It is a pleasure to collect and present neighborly events along with advertising of local goods and services.

Kathleen Bigford, Editor

And everyone who makes this publication possible

Bear Alert!!

Bears are stirring now from their winter torpor. Acorns, beechnuts, and apples were scarce last fall so they will be hungrier than usual and more willing to risk. It's time to take in bird feeders. The birds will do just fine but it is ill-advised to teach bears to hang around dwellings and chicken houses looking for easy dining opportunities.

Bradford Conservation Commission

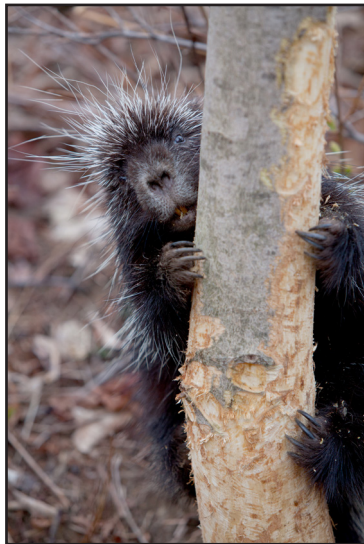
New Time for Selectmen's Meetings

Beginning on Monday, March 25, 2019, the Selectmen will meet at 7:00 pm in the Bradford Area Community Center.



Bradford Economic Development Committee Forum

The Bradford Economic Development Committee is holding a Business Forum at the Rosewood Country Inn, 67 Pleasant View Road, 7:00 to 8:30 PM on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Local business owners and representatives are encouraged to attend. The agenda includes discussion of the strengths & opportunities for businesses in Bradford, as well as action items and networking. A cash bar will be available, and complementary desserts will be provided. To help estimate the number attending, please call Stan Ovrevik at 938-5253.



Talk about Porcupines

The Bradford Conservation Commission will host a free informative talk on the North American Porcupine on April 18 at 7pm at the Brown Memorial Library. All you ever wanted to know about these unique animals including things you didn't know you wanted to know – their origins, behavior, and place in the ecosystem.

Research by J. Ann Eldridge with photography by Bill Duffy. Starring Bob the porcupine with supporting roles by Trip the Dog and EB White the Dreadful.

Light refreshments will be offered.



2019 Bradford Town Meeting

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Budget Highlights

Financial Administration was increased from \$103,000 to \$105,000 to absorb additional fees incurred by the Town Clerk.

The General Government line item started at \$70,000 and was amended to include \$60,000 for town hall improvements. The total of \$130,000 for General Government passed after lengthy discussion.

The Highway Department line was increased from \$507,000 to \$520,000.

All other line items passed for a total budget of \$2,105,018.

Warrant Article Highlights

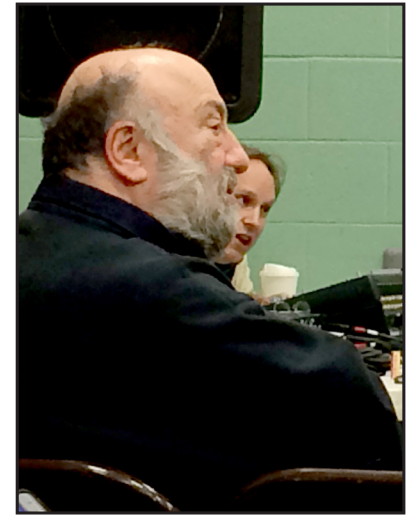
The meeting voted to purchase property at 89 West Main, the Saint Peters Lodge, for \$20,000.

After a lengthy discussion it was decided to raise \$90,000 to be placed in a Road and Bridge Expendable Trust and to name the Selectmen the agents to expend from this fund.

On the reorganization of the Fire Department, the article, "To see if the Town will vote to change the organization of the Fire Department, pursuant to RSA 154:1, I(a), such that henceforth the Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Select Board, with the fire fighters appointed by the Fire Chief" **was amended to**, "To see if the Town

will vote to change the organization of the Fire Department, pursuant to RSA 154:1, I(a), such that henceforth the Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Select Board, **in consultation with the Fire Department Membership**, with the fire fighters appointed by the Fire Chief." Passed as amended.

It was also decided to raise \$35,000 to hire a part-time fire chief. It was stated, but not written, that part of the \$35,000



Thank you to Bradford Fire Chief, Mark Goldberg, who will retire after almost 40 years as Chief.

appropriation will be used to hire Municipal Resources Inc. (MRI) to assist with the recruitment of a part-time fire chief.

Another Fire Department article was amended to add an additional \$35,000 to the Fire Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for a total of \$70,000. Passed as amended.

All other articles passed except for two: It was decided that Chestnut Hollow Road should not be made public. And it was voted to not allow the Highway Expendable Trust fund to be used for operation and maintenance of highway equipment.

The meeting adjourned at 11:44 pm, with a majority of those remaining heeding Brackett's opening remarks about expressing opinions.

Library Lantern

Brown Memorial Library
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Library Hours:

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:

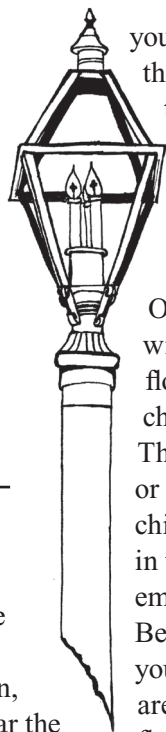
Hark! I feel spring in the air. I think we are all ready to feel the warm sunshine on our faces, to get our hands dirty in the garden, to take walks outside, and to hear the birds again. We have some activities scheduled at the library.

Reporting on a few past events, the Video Game club was a success. We had a small group that ended up being the perfect size. Not only did everyone take turns playing classic Nintendo games, but we did a scavenger hunt, played board games, and made slime. I am looking to have various after school programs next year for kids. Suggestions are welcomed.

Laurie Farrell’s Emergency Pet Care program was also nicely attended. She provided a detailed and informative program highlighting the most important aspects of caring for a sick or injured pet. Thank you Laurie for volunteering both your time and your knowledge.

Thank you to Laurie Buchar for helping to organize and lead the Pajama Party at the library. We wished Eric Carle a 50th Happy Birthday, made crafts, and had a silly time in our jammies.

Our annual Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 20th at 11:00am. Come in to the library to enjoy a spring time / Easter story and then join friends in the egg hunt outside. Thank



you so much to those that helped with this activity: Friends of the Library, the fourth graders of Bradford Elementary school for helping to fill the eggs with candy, and the volunteers who helped to hide the eggs.

On Saturday, May 4th, Becky Bense, will be helping kids make paper flowers (and for those that need a challenge, origami) for Mother’s Day. This program is intended for father’s or caregivers to attend with their children and give mom a small break in the day. Please come by, call, or email, to sign up for 15 minute slots so Becky can spend more 1:1 time with your group. The flowers and the vase are really quite lovely, and bonus, the flowers won’t wilt. Free program.

If anyone is looking for new ideas for books, movies, or television shows tune in to our podcast, *The Tall and Short of It: with Ellen & Leslie*. We are getting together once a month to discuss a movie and book we’ve both read as well as the other things we’re reading and watching. We are looking forward to adding an interview with someone from our community to hear about them and what they are reading or watching. You can find us on Podbean and Brown Memorial Library’s Facebook page.

New Lights:

You may have noticed that the library is brighter these days! Many thanks to Seth Benowitz for his perseverance with this project, as well as Paul Flinkstrom for his work on the lights. Phase one of our LED lighting project is completed. Phase two will begin soon. The lights in the stacks area will be moved over the shelves in order to provide much clearer and brighter lighting for our patrons and staff.

Donations needed:

If anyone is feeling generous, we are looking for donations of nut free snacks and small boxes of juice for our preschool play group. Looking for

pretzels, goldfish, applesauce, etc.

Book Group:

Our book group will be reading *Asymmetry* by Lisa Halliday on Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00pm. The critics were a big fan of the book this year. *Asymmetry* was named top ten book of the year for both *Time* magazine and *The New York Times*. It was also named one of the best books of 2018 by *Elle*, *Bustle*, *Kirkus Reviews*, *Oprah Magazine*, and *NPR*. So, perhaps it deserves some attention. Let’s give the book a read and see if it is indeed worth all the hype. This is Halliday’s debut novel. According to *The New York Times*, “The book *Asymmetry* poses questions about the limits of imagination and empathy—can we understand each other across lines of race, gender, nationality, and power? The book richly considers the diffusions of life into art, of my consciousness into yours.” I’m intrigued and look forward to reading a new writer.

Ellen Barselle



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River / Peter Heller
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In an Instant

The overpopulation of rodents in New Hampshire has been well documented and discussed. Our 1850's farmhouse was plagued with unprecedented numbers of mice. We trapped as many as 10 a day late last summer and in the fall.

It was with disgust and resolute disappointment that I noticed a streak of white in my peripheral vision on a November Sunday morning as I enjoyed tea and a book before rising. Even more angst arose as I heard scratching and high-pitched chirping come from the baseboards. As I sat up to investigate, there it was looking at me, a small white animal with an adorable face, perhaps a weasel. Fear overtook me as I immediately googled weasel, identified it as such, and found that it was safe unless threatened. The weasel is a member of the Mustelidae family which also includes mink, fisher, otter and striped skunk. And the best news was that weasels prey on rodents.

In an instant my world turned upside down. Having a weasel in the house was perfect mutual symbiosis. You, my new little friend, have hit the jackpot. Within a few days the mice were gone without a trace. Flying and red squirrels which were living in the walls also disappeared.

The weasel has stayed with us through the winter. Every few weeks it could be seen in the living room darting underneath the furniture, looking to

see if there was a reaction. One night I found its cute face looking up at me from beneath the hassock upon which my feet were propped.

On a recent morning it was scurrying across the kitchen floor looking at me from underneath the stove. It retreated whenever I moved so I needed to stay still for quite a while to take these pictures.



Of course, I am grateful for this example of ecology in my home. A healthy respect for a wild animal is necessary and I do not feel the need for interaction. However, it does appear that this weasel is curious about the large species on the premises.

It makes me wonder. If I look beyond this event, could I regard my place in nature from this same upside-down perspective?

Kathleen Bigford

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Bradford Police Department *Continued from January*

Patrol Officer Neil Flanagan graduated from Salve Regina College, Newport, Rhode Island in 1991 with a degree in Criminal Justice.



Patrol Officer Neil Flanagan

He remarked on the dormitory accommodations where forty students were housed in a converted stone 'cottage'/ mansion. At the start of the recession of the 1990's, law enforcement positions were scarce so he returned to New Hampshire to help his Dad as a sales representative for a small business. This led to a variety of other sales positions. Twenty years later his wife suggested he pursue his original interest in law enforcement. His son's football coach, Ed Shaughnessy, said there was currently an opening in Bradford for which he applied. Flanagan was hired and completed the Police Academy in early 2014, where he was among the older students.

He enjoys the small town where he can get to know the people and provide whatever help is needed. Help can range from traffic control, responding to emergencies, including using the rescue boat on the lakes when needed, assisting Bradford Fire and Rescue as well as responding to calls from other towns. He expressed appreciation for his colleagues in the Department.

They work well together to give Bradford coverage 24/7. When there is no one actually 'on duty' a Bradford officer is always on call while some neighboring towns rely in the early morning hours on the State Police to respond. They work well together, providing a stable Department for the Town.

The Bradford PD responds to calls about animals as well - lost or running loose - which led to an unusual situation on Super Bowl Sunday this year. A herd of cows were heading down County Road. They did not like the flashing lights on the cruiser and decided to turn round and head back home. Mission accomplished. Not the best choice of days, but an interesting and successful challenge.



Administrative Assistant Carolyn

Administrative Assistant Carolyn Valiquet describes her part-time position as a "Jill of all Trades" and the list of tasks she carries out for the Department meets that description. She grew up in Newbury, graduated from KRHS and from UNH with degrees in Political Science and Criminal Justice. Law School was a consideration, based on her interest in constitutional law, but the Criminal Justice component led to a position as administrative assistant for the Newbury Police Department.

She graduated from the Police Acad-

emy in 1997 and began her work as Administrative Assistant in Bradford in 2004. She acts as Matron when someone is not comfortable being transported by another officer. She is in charge of evidence, keeper of the records, documents the payroll and all bills that come through the office, assigning each to the correct line item in the budget. She maintains the 'case files' for use when an officer is scheduled to appear in court. She assists with background checks for pistol permits, using the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and carries out other background checks on request. She is also a 'death scene investigator', responding to untimely deaths when a medical technician is not available.

Carolyn Valiquet would like to remind all residents of the Elderly Check List maintained by the Bradford PD. If you would like to receive a courtesy call, elderly or not, in cases of severe weather or other events, contact the Police Department at 938-2522 to be added to the list.

Marcia Keller

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Spring Market

After a long winter it is nice to see the early signs of warmer weather and the spring market is already in bloom! The typical winter slow down never took place and buyers have been actively looking and some sellers have been wise by listing early to get ahead of the game. If you peek at the bottom of this article you will see 9 active residential listings whereas there were 22 active residential listings at the end of December. I can't recall such low inventory in recent memory which is why some of the houses listed in the last month or so have gone under contract in a matter of days with multiple offers! While some sellers hesitate to list until mud season is over, now is the time. Wouldn't you rather compete against 9 other homes than 20 or 30 other homes?

Our trade association, New Hampshire REALTORS®, has just released the most recent monthly (February 2019) and year-over-year indicators for the NH market. Some buying and selling was stalled by bad weather this winter, with new listings down 9.7% in February, but pending sales are up 10.5% and the median sales price is up 5.7% to \$269,900. Closed sales are up 10.3% year over year. When you compare this to national figures it is similar, with existing-home sales down slightly but pending sales up, which was predicted for the last quarter of 2018 and remember, too, we had interest rate increases as well in 2018.

Another positive statistic is days on market, which decreased 9.0% to 81 days on average. With new listings and homes for sale down, the median sales price is higher as is the percentage of list price received, also up 97.4%. What this means is that we have ideal market conditions for sellers and buyers need to have their ducks in a row and be pre-approved and ready to make a strong offer right out of the gate.

The median sales price in Merrimack County is \$231,000 with year to date \$250,000, up slightly from 2018, closed sales are down (again lack of inventory) 6.2% with 76 sales but pending sales are up 26.1% and days on market fewer by 14.6%. All these pending sales will close so look for a stronger 2019 versus 2018 and I expect new listings will be coming on and more so if sellers have a place to go, otherwise they will be in the same

boat as other buyers. That was a key reason some cited for not listing their house last year. Because the cost of building is still relatively high, land sales have been slow, down 1.5%, and inventory steady as compared to the residential market. All signs point to a very busy spring and summer both in the primary and second-home markets and interest rates should remain steady.

There are 9 active and 4 pending residential listings ranging in price from \$69,500 to \$2.2M, 14 active land listings and 1 pending ranging in price from \$18,000 to \$350,000, 2 active commercial listings and 1 pending ranging in price from \$229,000 to \$685,000, and 2 active multi-family listings and 0 pending priced at \$194,900 and \$295,000. Only one of the active, pending or recently sold listings is a foreclosure or short sale.

Laura Hallahan, Broker

Recent Sales in Bradford

- 63 West Road, 1830 Colonial on 2.30 acres for \$149,900
- 8 Pleasant Valley Road, 1980 Gambrel on 48.0 acres for \$179,000
- 16 Hogg Hill Road, Renovated 1978 Cape on .52 acres for \$188,000
- 22 Greenhouse Lane, 1854 Antique Cape on .69 acres for \$199,500
- 3087 State Route 114, 1970 Colonial on 5.49 acres for \$210,000
- 16 High Street, 1870 Antique Cape & waterfront lot on .74 acres for \$215,000
- 15 Steele Road, 1971 Renovated Cape on .25 acres for \$250,000
- 9 Old Sutton Road, 1900 Antique Farmhouse on 4.40 acres for \$329,000
- 48 High St., 1904 Antique Colonial & waterfront lot on 2.44 acres for \$350,000
- 2002 Cape w/equestrian facility on 22.0 acres for \$500,000 (foreclosure)

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Biodegradable materials include the following:

- All foods and food waste, cooked or uncooked,
- plants removed from the house and yard, including plant trimmings,
- any item made from biodegradable materials, such as corn and bio resin utensils and palm leaf dishes.

As residents become more aware of the need to recycle, they discover just how much compostable waste they are

bringing to be discarded. These discarded biodegradable materials add weight and volume to the compactor load, thereby increasing Bradford's solid waste expenses.

There are three great ways to help reduce biodegradable waste:

- Set up a composting site or bin in your yard. Use the compost in gardens or as side dressing for bushes and trees,
- invest in a few chickens. They will consume an amazing amount of biodegradable foodstuffs,
- bring your biodegradables to the transfer station. We may compost it or put it aside for farmers to feed their pigs or chickens.

Ken and I are always pleased to answer any questions you may have about repurposing, recycling, and composting. Composting plays an important and large part in reducing pollution and improving our environment. And making the Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center the most pleasant place in town!

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Obituaries

Mildred & Luther Sweet

Mildred “Mimi” Sweet died on February 5, 2019. Her husband, Luther Sweet died 19 days later on February 25, 2019.

Mimi was born in Concord, NH, November 25, 1934 to Florence (Flossie) Gertrude Valley and Clayton Joshua Nutter. She enjoyed singing, dancing and performing. She graduated from Simonds Free High School, attended New England College and Keene State College.

Luther was born in Tarrytown, NY, on June 21, 1932 to Byron Luther Sweet and Grace Luella Tilley. He enjoyed playing football and baseball. Luther graduated from Irving High School in Tarrytown, NY. He attended Wesleyan University, Champlain College and UNH.

Mimi and Luther were married on June 19, 1955 in Bradford, NH. Luther enlisted in the Army and was stationed in Paris, France.

Luther taught biology and chemistry at Goffstown High School. Mimi taught at Bartlett Elementary in Goffstown. Luther became head of the science department at Derryfield High School. The couple moved to Bradford where Luther taught science at Kearsarge Regional High School. As varsity baseball coach, he coached the Cougars to a 1978 state championship. Mimi taught at Newbury Elementary and Simonds Elementary in Warner. After retiring they moved to Scottsdale, AZ.

The couple enjoyed tutoring the Yavapai Indian children on the Fort McDowell Indian Reservation. They had many friends and were well loved by the tribe. In June 2015, Mimi and Luther moved to Utah.

Mimi and Luther were members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. They are survived by Mimi’s half-sister Donna Klingensmith (Dave) AZ, son Bill (Leslie) MO, son Ken (Roneal) AZ, daughter Sue (Charlie) UT, nine grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Mimi was preceded in death by her parents, step-father Kenneth Jones, sister Leona Arata and nephew Michael Arata. Luther was preceded in death by his parents and siblings Helen, Byron, Robert and Richard. Mimi and Luther were buried in the Orem, UT city cemetery. Luther was buried with military honors. Until we meet again.

James R. Horigan

James (Jim) R. Horigan, (71), of Concord, NH, son of George T. and Anna (Delaney) Horigan, died on February 16, 2018, following a ten-year treatment for skin cancer.

Food was Jim’s passion. He enrolled in the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, NY, and received a Bachelor’s Degree in culinary arts. His culinary talents were enjoyed by many and he was always encouraging co-workers to achieve higher standards. His professional jobs took him to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, McAllen, Texas, Bradford, New Hampshire and to Concord. Eventually, Jim found his dream job as a pastry chef in an assisted living facility in Concord where he continued working until his illness.

When in South Texas, Jim was the Chef and Property Manager for Lloyd Bentson Sr.’s 5000-acre ranch and then for Lloyd Bentson who became Secretary of the Treasury in the Clinton Administration.

During the Vietnam Era, Jim enlisted in the Navy. He was awarded the Vietnam Service Medal with four bronze stars. Jim’s passions were literature and antiques. Literature was an addiction. He couldn’t put a good book down. Antiques were his second passion and he spent many hours at Concord Antiques. His quick wit and wry sense of humor will be missed by many.

The Horigan Family was part of Bradford’s community from 1996 to 2004. They owned and operated The Thistle and Shamrock Inn at 11 West Main St (currently Sweet Beet Market and the Village Café). At that time, the family included Lynn (Baird) Horigan and two sons, Cody and George (nine and six years old) who enjoyed discovering large corridors and hidden spaces within the Inn. A memorable feast (a genuine South Texas barbecue) was held on a summer evening on the Inn’s porch to raise money for Brown Memorial Library.

Jim is survived by his wife of 25 years, Lynn (Baird) Horigan, Cody Garcia and his wife, Schahauna, and George. His extended family includes other children, numerous loved and wild grandchildren, many relatives and their families living in New England, the midwest, Texas, and Canada. Donations to: the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215, Attn: Lakshmi Nayak, MD; or LNayak@partners.org would be appreciated.



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Recipe from Jim Horigan



During the years when Jim and Lynn Horigan were proprietors of The Thistle and Shamrock Inn, Chef Jim shared some of his favorite recipes with readers of The Bradford Bridge. This one is especially timely as we look forward to the first spring garden offerings.

From the “secret” recipe files of Chef Jim Horigan, Thistle & Shamrock Inn

Rhubarb Upside-Down Cake

Preheat oven to 350

Cut 1 ½ pounds of rhubarb into one-inch pieces, place a single layer in a buttered baking dish, sprinkle with one cup of sugar and ¾ cup of orange juice.

Bake for 30 minutes.

Remove rhubarb with a slotted spoon (save the juice) and layer it in the bottom of a glass loaf pan that has been buttered and sprinkled with ½ cup of sugar.

For the cake:

- Sift 1 ½ cup all-purpose flour, ¼ cup sugar, 1 tbsp. baking powder, and ½ tsp. salt.
 - Cut in 6 tbsp. butter until mixture resembles a corn-meal texture.
 - Combine 2 eggs, ½ cup milk and add to flour mixture.
 - Spread over the rhubarb.
- Bake 30 – 35 minutes.
- Invert onto a flat plate. Reduce the reserved juice to ½ cup and spoon over the cake when cool. Enjoy!

Bradford Historical Society News

The Bradford Historical Society recently met to jumpstart the 2019 season. The most important item discussed was to get the Tin Shop restored after extensive damage from water in February 2017. This past year meetings have had to be held at the Community Center. A contractor will be hired and the goal is to have the building open again will be early June.

Membership is another top priority and will be more important than ever as we try to re-open our buildings. The 2019 membership form has been emailed to present members for renewal, if you haven’t received yours they are also available at the Village Café or by e-mailing dwknit1purl2@gmail.com. The history of Bradford is valuable to the future. If you have a love of town history or want to learn more, please, consider becoming a member of the historical society.

We rely on membership dues as a source of income and the BHS also has fundraisers to support ongoing needs. The first fundraiser this year was held at the town meeting where baked goods were available for a donation. Thanks to everyone who contributed and donated!

A progressive dinner will be held on May 24th from 5PM to 9PM. More information on how to get your tickets



will be available in the May issue.

While our buildings might not be open, we are still collecting and preserving Bradford’s History. This picture is of what used to be the only pay phone in Bradford. It was given to us by Dick Mcleod’s family at his request and we look forward to having it on display soon.

Diane Whalley

Alcoholics Anonymous

Open 12-step meeting

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Monthly Briefing: Bradford Town Board Reports Selectmen

Bement Bridge - Fire Alarm Fire Chief Mark Goldberg said an alarm was not necessary because the bridge will be coated with a “No-Char” solution. The Board voted not to install an alarm.

Personnel John Pfeifle noted that this would be the last Selectmen’s meeting of Jim Bibbo’s term. He thanked Jim for his service and wished him well.

John stated that Town Administrator Karen Hambleton did an “excellent job” preparing the Annual Town Report and thanked her for all her efforts.

John complimented the Road Agent on the new Highway Department member, Michael Doherty. He felt the newest member had the skills the Town needed and will be a good addition to the Road Crew.

Meeting Time Jason Allen requested that meetings begin at 7:00pm. The time change was discussed and approved by the Board.

Select Board Following the election, Michael James nominated himself as Board Chair. This was seconded by Jason Allen. The vote in favor was 3-0.

Specific Selectmen were named as primary department and Board contacts for the upcoming year: Michael James- Police, Planning & Zoning, Library, John Pfeifle- Transfer Station, Fire & Rescue, Building/Code Enforcement and Jason Allen- Highway, Budget Committee

Town Hall A onetime extension was granted for the LCHIP Grant until December 31st 2019, which allows continued use of funds to support granite work at the Town Hall.

Sue McKeivitt asked what, when and how the \$60,000.00, added to the General Budget for Town Hall Renovation work, would be utilized. Michael James stated a specific plan will be

developed over the next few weeks focusing on how to get the 1st floor usable as soon as practical.

Beth Downs, on behalf of the RHC, would like to see the Gift in Kind donations utilized as soon as possible.

Marge Cilley questioned whether the \$60,000.00 raised for the Town Hall could be spent in other ways. The Board stated that technically it could but they had all made a commitment at Town Meeting that it wouldn’t be.

Michael James requested that any further work by Contractor Trumbull-Nelson be stopped until the scope can be reviewed. Concerns were expressed about possible unintended consequences. Any remaining work to be done by the Contractor will be approved by the Selectmen.

Bob Lincoln commented that he felt it would be cheaper to buy crushed gravel and didn’t understand why we would pay to crush stone at the Town Hall.

Andrew Pinard asked to share some thoughts and points of consideration. He felt the tone of Town Meeting could have been more positive and communication with the public could be improved. He expressed concern over the use of non-public sessions and reminded the Selectmen that only the stated non-public topic can be discussed while in executive session.

Planning Board

Site Plan Mike Bauer discussed upcoming activity at 11 West Main Street, Map 16 Lot 105, which will expand office and studio space on the second floor of the former Bradford Inn. A full site plan should be submitted that outlines the modifications that are being done.

Master Plan Mike Tardiff, Central New Hampshire Regional Planning, discussed the Future Land Use chapter for the Master Plan revision currently being drafted. Mike will attend the April 23rd meeting to review the document.

Conservation Commission

Aquatic Mitigation Emergency Management Coordinator Bruce Edwards attended an Aquatic Mitigation workshop, focusing on culvert replacements to accommodate storm water and allows fish to safely pass through. No grant money is available for 2019. A grant submission will be needed for next year.

Possible Water Quality Issue - Warner River A muddy discharge from a culvert pipe into the Warner River was observed in a section east of Breezy Hill Road. Bruce Edwards has forwarded the information to NH DES for investigation.

Conservation Zoning Information The Planning Board and CRNHPC have requested a conservation zoning background explanation, or rationale for conservation zoning ordinances. Brooks

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McCandlish will provide this information.

Porcupine Program This prickly program will be presented on Thursday, April 18th, 7:00pm at Brown Memorial Library.

Housing Development vs. Open Space Seth Benowitz will send data regarding the tax implications of developing land for housing or maintaining it as open space to the Select Board for their consideration.

Library Trustees

LED Lights Phase one has been completed. The new lights have proved much brighter and are better illuminating the library. Phase II lights will be moved in the area of the book shelves. Thanks were extended to Paul Flinkstrom and Seth Benowitz for their work and help on this project.

Easter Sunday The Library will be closed on April 21st.

Library Hours Discussion has begun concerning a change in when the library is open. Stay tuned!

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



SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town of Bradford Scholarship 2019

The Town of Bradford Scholarship Committee is seeking applicants for the 2018 scholarship. Originated in 1964, the town scholarship has provided financial support over the years to Bradford students who are pursuing post-secondary education. In order to apply for the scholarship, students must meet the following requirements:

- Live in Bradford.
- Be furthering their education in a university, college, school of nursing or technical institute.
- Submit a typewritten application telling the committee about academic goals, extracurricular and community activities, and how living in Bradford has helped promote these goals.
- Please include a digital photograph for local newspapers and the Bradford Annual Report to be used upon selection.

Applications are available at the KRHS Guidance Department and should be mailed to the Town of Bradford Scholarship Committee, P. O. Box 436, Bradford, NH 03221-0436 no later than April 30th, 2019.

Bradford Women’s Club

The Bradford Women’s Club is again offering 2 Scholarships. One is the Jane M Lucas Memorial Scholarship and the other is the BWC Annual Scholarship for 2019. Any woman from the towns of Bradford, Sutton or Newbury who is continuing her education is eligible. Applications are available at the KRHS Guidance Dept.

Deadline is April 30, 2019. Send to Jacqueline Pehrson, 51 Forest St, Bradford, NH 03221. If you have questions, please call 938-595.

Bar Harbor Bankshares

Bar Harbor Bank is pleased to announce the availability of a \$1,500 scholarship for high school graduating seniors who are going on to college. The deadline to apply is May 1st, 2019. Applications are available at any branch of Bar Harbor Bank & Trust and can also be found online at *www.barharbor.bank*.

This scholarship is for income-eligible applicants who have attended a technical career program as part of their high school curriculum. Only those students residing in the following NH counties are eligible: Grafton, Hillsborough, Merrimack and Sullivan.

There is the potential for 15 awards of \$1,500 each. From qualified applicants, one student will be chosen per technical center. The eligible NH technical centers include: Concord Regional Technical Center, Manchester School of Technology, Milford High School & Applied Technology Center, Nashua Technology Center North, Nashua Technology Center South, Sugar River Valley RTC Claremont, Sugar River Valley RTC Newport, and Wilbur H. Palmer Career & Tech Center;

Application requirements include a personal statement describing career aspirations and college choice, explanation of leadership and community service, high school transcript, copy of FAFSA, and the completed one-page scholarship application. This scholarship, offered by Bar Harbor Bankshares, is being administered by the Maine Community Foundation. For questions, please contact the Foundation at 207-667-9735.

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Monday, April 1st

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, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 7:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, YR

Tuesday, April 2nd

10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
 2:00 pm Watercolor Class, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR

Wednesday, April 3rd

3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 6:00 pm Yoga, SR
 7:00 pm Zoning board, YR

Thursday, April 4th

12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR

Friday, April 5th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
 11:30 am First Friday Brunch, 50/50 raffle, Noon music performance by Cat Faulkner

Monday, April 8th

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, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 6:00 pm Rural Heritage Connection, SR
 7:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, BACC

Tuesday, April 9th

10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 pm Volunteer Appreciation Lunch
 12:30 pm Music performance by Brian Murphy
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
 2:00 pm Watercolor Class, YR
 3:30 pm Driving School, YR
 7:00 pm Planning Board, YR

Wednesday, April 10th

1:00 pm Knitting Group
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 6:00 pm Yoga, SR

Thursday, April 11th

12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm FREE Advanced Care Planning Conversation
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, SR
 4:30 pm BACC/P&R Committees, YR
 5:00 pm Friends of BACC, YR
 6:00 pm Economic Development, YR
 6:00 pm Cemetery Commission

Friday, April 12th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
 1:30 pm FREE Dementia Training

Saturday, April 13th

1:00 pm Birthday Party, SR

Monday, April 15th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
 1:00 pm Bridge Group, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 7:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, YR

Tuesday, April 16th

10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
 2:00 pm Watercolor Class, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, YR
 7:00 pm Conservation Comm., BML

Wednesday, April 17th

3:30 pm Driving School, YR
 6:00 pm Yoga, SR

Thursday, April 18th

11:00 am LSVNA Blood Pressure Clinic
 12:00 am Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
 6:30 pm Budget Committee, YR
 7:00 pm Porcupine Talk by naturalist Ann Eldridge, BML

Friday, April 19th

8:45 am Mt. View Sr. Ctr. Fitness
 9:45 am A Day in the Life of a Meteorologist with Kevin Skarupa from WMUR channel 9
 10:45 am Friday at the Movies: "Henry Phipps Goes Skiing"
 12:00 pm 3rd Friday Brunch
 5:30 pm Intergenerational Games Night

Saturday, April 20th

11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt & stories, BML

Monday, April 22nd

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, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 7:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, YR

Tuesday, April 23rd

10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, SR
 2:00 pm Watercolor Class, YR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 7:00 pm Planning Board, YR

Wednesday, April 24th

3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 6:00 pm Yoga, SR

Thursday, April 25th

12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR

Friday, April 26th

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

Monday, April 29th

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, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR
 7:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, YR

Tuesday, April 30th

10:00 am Stitches from the Heart
 12:00 pm Noon Senior Dining
 12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR
 2:00 pm Watercolor Class, SR
 3:30 pm Driving School, LR

Ongoing Events



Mondays

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

Tuesdays

7:00 pm Conservation Commission, BML, 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
SR	Senior Room
YR	Youth Room
ZBA	Zoning Board of Adjustment



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Easter Sunday on April 21, we have a free Easter Pancake Breakfast at 8:30 am followed by a worship service at 10 am celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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AREA EVENTS

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Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 20, 11 am at Brown Memorial Library. Join us for a special story followed by the community egg hunt! Phone 938-5562.

Evergreen Healing Arts, Thursday April 11, 4-6 pm at The Village Café. Meet some of the teachers and practitioners of Evergreen. Have a cup of tea with us and find out more about what we will be offering. Opening May 1st - We can't wait to practice with you! Contact: Leah 748-4330 / 603Leah@gmail.com.

Porcupine Talk, Thursday, April 18, 7 pm at Brown Memorial Library. Learn more about the quill-covered mammals that live among us with naturalist Ann Eldridge. Phone: 938-5562.



NEW LONDON

The Kearsarge Chorale presents "It Might as Well Be Spring", Sunday, April 28, 3 pm at the Sawyer Center Theater at Colby-Sawyer College. Find tickets at Tatewell Gallery, Morgan Hill Bookstore, and Main Street BookEnds or at *kearsarge-chorale.org*.

Black Bear Behavior Presentation, Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 pm at Whipple Hall. Ausbon Sargent will host this entertaining and informative session led by the internationally renowned bear specialist, Ben Kilham. Please register for this free event by contacting Kristy Heath at: *kheath@ausbonsargent.org* or by calling 603-526-6555.

WARNER

Story Time with Simonds, Thursday, April 4, 3:15 to 3:45 pm at Mainstreet Bookends in the Gallery. Come enjoy a read-aloud for grades K-2 with friends! The first Thursday of each month. Contact *info@mainstreet-bookends.com* or call 456-3614.

Sunapee-Kearsarge Intercommunity Theater presents Shakespeare's "Much Ado about Nothing" set in the 1920's, April 5, 6 & 7 at Warner Town Hall. Directed by Billjean Martiello. Performances at 7 pm on Friday and Saturday, April 5 & 6, and at 2 pm on Sunday April 7. Contact Pillsbury Free Library, 603-456-2289 for ticket information.



BookEnds BookGroup, Sunday, April 7, 4 pm at Mainstreet Bookends in The Gallery. Come discuss "The Tattooist of Auschwitz" by Heather Morris. All welcome. Contact *info@mainstreet-bookends.com* or call 456-3614.

Spring Fling Dance, Saturday, April 13, 7 to 10 pm at Warner Men's Club. Admission is \$20 per person at the door or at MainStreet Bookends before the dance. Proceeds go toward community projects such as the Warner Food Pantry. Contact *info@mainstreetbookends.com* or call 456-3614.



Annual Indoor Warner Flea Market, Saturday April 20, 9 to 2 pm inside Warner Town Hall. Setup fees are \$15 per 6 ft table /space to benefit the sponsor, the Pillsbury Free Library. A printable vendor application is available at the library website *warner.lib.nh.us*. Call 456-2289 for information.

Poetry Reading, Saturday, April 27, 7 pm at the Pillsbury Free Library. Three poets: L.R. Berger, Deborah Brown, and Matt Forrest Esenwine will read and discuss their poems. Free. This is also the opening day of a month-long exhibit of art inspired by



the poetry of Robert Frost. Exhibit viewing opens at 6:30 pm. Contact: 603-456-2289.



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.

Kathleen Bigford

Wolf Trees

Wolf Trees can be found in forests all over NH. They are large old trees that were left to shade cattle when land was cleared for pastures. They grew rapidly "wolfing" water and sunlight from nearby seedlings. The Wolf Tree Trail can be found in New London. It winds through predominately new-growth forest with the larger wolf trees interspersed. Trail parking is just beyond the sign for Strawberry Fields at the bottom of North Pleasant Street. The trailhead is just across the street.



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