



# The Bradford Bridge

COMMUNITY NEWS *for* NEIGHBORS *by* NEIGHBORS

## MONTHLY BRIEFING: Town Board Reports

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

**Masonic Building** Sal Magistro went before the Select Board with a proposal to put a bakery and coffee shop on the first floor of the Masonic Building. The hours would be Tuesday through Thursday 6-2, Friday, and Saturday 6-8, closed on Sunday. The Board approved a motion in support of Sal submitting a site plan application for the Masonic building and going through the filing process with the Planning Board.

**Noise Ordinance** The Board approved a motion to request the Planning Board review a noise ordinance in a proposed ballot initiative in the revision of the Zoning Ordinance in 2022.

**Home Business** Rich and Cathie Mozzetta came before the Select Board to express concerns about activity across the road from them at 219 Cressy Road including damage to the road, trucks coming in and out of the property and big slabs of wood at the edge of the driveway. Planning Board Chair Pam Bruss said the property owners, Mike and Stacey Dillon, have never been approved as a home business and that they recently came before the Planning Board to seek approval and were sent to the Zoning Board because there were multiple conditions they did not meet to be approved as a home business. The Select Board approved a motion to issue a cease-and-desist until the property owner goes through the process with the Zoning and/or Planning Boards to become an approved home business.

**340 Fairgrounds** The Board approved a motion to have a review by the Code Enforcement Officer with a cease-and-desist order to be issued if a business is determined to be operating on the property, and

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## BRADFORD CELEBRATION DAY SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS -



- 9 AM - 2 PM** Library Book and Halloween Costume Sale, Brown Memorial Library
- 10 AM - 2 PM** Bradford Historical Society Corn Crib Raising, On the grounds at the Tin Shop
- 2:30 PM** Parade, Main Street viewing
- 3 PM - 8 PM** Midway at Brown Shattuck,
  - ★ Balloon Twister
  - ★ Caricature Artist
  - ★ Face Painter
  - ★ Bounce Houses
  - ★ Food Trucks - Monsters Taco, Let's Get Loaded
- 3:30 PM** Corn Eating Contest
- 4:30 PM** Grilling Competition to support the Bradford Scholarship Fund
- 6 PM - 8 PM** Live Music - Smokestack Blues Band a Blues Brothers Cover Band
- 8 PM** Fireworks!

Check the Bradford NH Parks and Rec FaceBook page for updates!

## From the Selectboard

**Thank you** – Following the storm on July 29/30th, there were several roads damaged by the flooding; some were completely impassable. The Select Board extends its deepest appreciation to the Road Crew, Steve Hall, Sam Fortune, Justin Fitzgerald and Rick Churchill for the long hours they spent making repairs. In addition, several members of the community dropped what they were doing to assist the Road Crew. Thank you to Nate Kimball and his crew, Matt Ordway, Hank Thomas, Joe Messer and Tyler McIver for their expertise and assistance!

### SEPTEMBER HAIKU

Windchimes play softly  
Spikes of sunshine through  
the clouds  
  
The lust of summer

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### SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

Phone: 938-5900

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
(closed 12 Noon – 1 PM)  
Friday: 8:00 AM – Noon

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Wednesday: 12 PM – 5 PM  
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Thursday: 9 AM – 12 PM/ 1 PM – 6 PM  
Friday through Monday: Closed

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Bradford Area Community Center, 134 East  
Main St. P.O. Box 436, Bradford, NH 03221

## From the Bridge

Tropical storm Henri has cleared the area and long-absent shadows are appearing. As we continue to experience New England's version of climate change I'd like to highlight one of the consequences here in Bradford.

During torrential rain on July 29th the Bradford Food Pantry suffered devastating losses of food and equipment. Everything needed to be discarded. Temporary accommodations have been made on the main floor of the church office building. New appliances and shelving have been purchased and a handicapped-accessible room will be used for distribution. The generosity of many individuals and organizations have ensured continued service to the families in Bradford.

Any donations of nonperishable food items may be dropped off at the church office in the grocery cart provided, just outside the office door. Monetary donations may be mailed to: The Bradford Community Food Pantry, PO Box 57, Bradford NH 03221.

For those who may need additional food assistance, the Food Pantry is open the third Wednesday of every month from the hours of 5:30-6:30 pm or by contacting the Bradford Community Church at 938-5313 for additional availability.

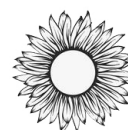
We have a great edition of the Bridge for you. Here are some things to find:

- Devin's summary of town board meetings in "Monthly Briefing."
- Schedule of events for Bradford Celebration Day, Saturday, September 25th.
- Check out what the Bradford Gardeners have been doing to beautify the highway furniture in Bradford.
- Ann's piece about dragonflies in "Outside."
- Information about battery recycling at the Transfer Station by Lois.
- A "solar farm" proposal for Bradford.
- And ads for local goods and services from our loyal business supporters. Please support them frequently.

Wishing everyone a healthy transition to autumn,

*Kathleen Bigford, Editor*

*And the hard-working crew who bring  
monthly neighborly news*





## Letters to Our Editor:

### Local Hero

My name is Mike Latva and I live in a small town outside Dallas, TX. While vacationing in the area I stopped in Bradford, NH for gasoline and while pumping gas left my wallet on the roof of my car. When I returned home I realized it was missing. My wife Terry and I panicked and returned to the gas station where the attendant said no one had turned it in.

We proceeded to cancel all of our credit cards and figured we would never see the \$800 that was in our wallet, ruining our vacation. But, to our surprise we got a phone call from Texas. The lady who was watching our animals called and said the police knocked on the door and said someone found the wallet!

That person is our hero and needs to be recognized. Christopher Mock met us back at the same gas station where we lost our wallet. Not only would he not take the money we offered him as a reward for the return of the wallet, he brought us tomatoes from his garden! It was God given that he found the wallet and not someone else. He is certainly a great representation of small town honesty! He made us believe that there are still good people in this world and he certainly saved our vacation.

Thank you to Christopher Mock.

## From the Selectboard Signs

By now you have probably noticed that the old Welcome to Bradford signs have been removed and the new ones are up! The new signs for the Bement Bridge were installed on the north and south portals by Daniels Construction on August 13th. The sign was designed by Don Moss and Clark Roberge and borrowed attributes from two signs in the Historical Society's Post Office for "Bradford Crossing" and "C.A. Danforth". Both signs were carved, gold leafed and built by Clark.



The Historical Society has taken possession of one of the old Welcome to Bradford signs. If you are interested in a bit of Bradford nostalgia and would like one of the remaining two signs, please email [administrator@bradfordnh.org](mailto:administrator@bradfordnh.org) or send a request to Town of Bradford, PO Box 436, Bradford, by the end of the day on September 15th. We will be drawing the names of two lucky individuals to provide homes for the two signs.

## Fabulous Flowers



Thank you Bradford Gardeners for the fabulous flower show at the Route 114-103 intersection!!

## French's Park

- Family and friends making memories
- Relaxing on the rock.
- Eagles soaring, loons calling ...
- Nature at its finest.
- Children splashing
- Heron diving
- Swimming to the island.
- Papa's bench
- Admiring mother nature
- Reflecting on the
- Key to happiness.

*Rachel (Beaton) Connerty*

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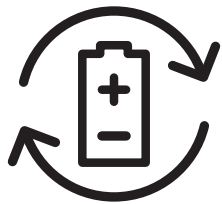
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**Café Hours:** Friday-Sunday: 7am-12pm

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# TRANSFER STATION NEWS



## The Ever Important Battery

While more batteries are used in so many things everyday, there are more batteries being discarded at the Bradford Transfer station and Recycling Center. It is important for our environment and for our economy to have a system in place to handle these expired batteries.

The transfer station is able to receive all kinds of used batteries for recycling including alkaline, cell phone, rechargeable, and lead acid batteries. Remember to remove batteries from electronics, clocks, toys, and other items before discarding them.

Batteries can be completely recycled. The exterior casing is made of metal, which is a natural resource that can and should be recycled. Batteries contain chemicals and substances, such as lithium that are toxic and degrade our environment when they are thoughtlessly discarded. All of the interior chemicals are recyclable. Bradford collects and sends its expired batteries to Call-2-Recycle for responsible recycling. Keeping these batteries out of the municipal waste, “the compactor container”, reduces the weight on which tipping fees are charged and collected from the Town. By recycling discarded batteries Bradford is also doing its part to help keep the environment free of pollution.

Everytime we write articles about recycling batteries the transfer station receives even more batteries to ship to Call-2-Recycle. Repeat articles such as this one serve as friendly reminders and let newcomers know about the various and updated recycling efforts underway at the Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center. Ken and I welcome any questions you may have about recycling batteries.

*Lois Kilnapp, Manager*



Words cannot express how grateful we are to the community for your support especially over the past several months.

*Wishing all a great summer from the Fenton Family and the staff at Appleseed.*

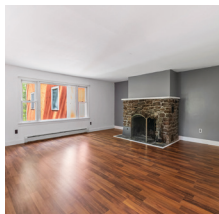
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## Bradford Energy Committee Hears Proposal for Solar Farm

At the August meeting of the Bradford Energy Committee a representative of ReVision Energy outlined a proposal for a “solar farm” in Bradford. This proposal would involve the Town of Bradford working with ReVision Energy and investors to develop a Group Net Metering solar installation on town-owned land near the transfer station, Map 3 Lot 110. Net metering is a way for renewable energy producers to get paid for excess power generated.

In basic terms the Town of Bradford would lease land on a 30-to-40-year agreement to a company interested in providing solar energy. The company would contract with ReVision Energy to engineer and construct a solar array. The Town of Bradford and the towns of the Kearsarge School District would take power from the array to use in town and school buildings. The remainder would be sold by the company to Eversource. Currently NH does not have regulations in place to make this power available to residents. However, benefits include:

- There are ZERO up-front costs to the town. Construction of the solar farm and maintenance are paid for by the investor.
- Bradford would receive a small income stream from the lease and energy savings for a total of between \$15,000-\$20,000 per year on untaxed land.

- Bradford helps reduce NH’s carbon footprint and the project is consistent with Bradford’s values of fostering a rural landscape that is primarily fields and forests compared to other more intensive types of development.
- The investor receives substantial federal tax credits on the investment and income from the sale of power to Eversource.

The Bradford Energy Committee is following developments in state regulations and will make recommendations to the Selectboard regarding renewable energy opportunities. The committee meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 5:00 pm in the Bradford Area Community Center. Meetings are live streamed. Committee members: Chair, Sandra Bravo, Kathleen Bigford, Susan Reeder Moss, Laura Ryder.

ReVision Energy informed the Bradford Energy Committee (BEC) that recent environmental legislation allows municipalities and school districts to host up to 5 megawatts (MWs) of renewable generation projects under Group Net Metering. Net metering is a way for renewable energy producers to get paid for the excess power they generate. Revision proposed that the Town consider working with ReVision and their Investors to develop a Group Net Metering solar installation on Town owned land near the Transfer Station. The benefits to the Town include new revenue streams (lease and other payments), credits to the Town’s electric bills, while allowing the Town to reduce its carbon footprint. Each MW of solar arrays, which powers about 240 homes, requires 5-6 acres.

Proper design, construction and operation of renewable energy facilities on previously disturbed Town land improves the economic climate while minimizing impacts to important natural resources. It is also consistent with Bradford’s values fostering a rural landscape that is primarily fields and forests compared to other more intensive types of development. The BEC will follow development of State Regulations and will make recommendations to the Selectboard regarding renewable energy opportunities.

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# Library Lantern

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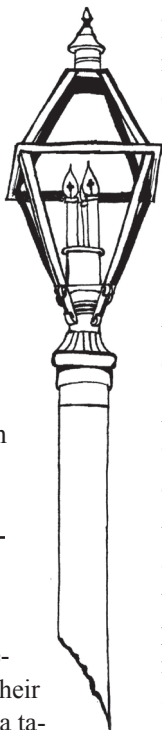
### Library Hours:

Monday 10:00am – 6:00pm

Wednesday 11:00am – 7:00pm

Friday 10:00am – 6:00pm

Saturday 9:00am – 1:00pm



For now, my plan is for programming to remain outdoors. Storytime will be placed on hold, until I determine if this is a need/want of our patrons. I fear Covid protocols will be in place for a long time until there is some type of immunity in our country, and the virus chooses its host based on its vulnerability. So, until we all either get the virus or become vaccinated, this will remain a pandemic until it runs its course.

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The biggest news on the library front is that our catalog will be online by the end of the month. You will know it is ready when you see it on our website. I will also provide you the necessary tools for connecting to this catalog through our website and Facebook page. I would like email addresses for each patron, as this will be our primary method of sending you a receipt of the books you've checked out, due dates, and overdue reminders. With your patron account you will be able to reserve and place books on hold, renew books, and be alerted when your favorite author has a new book out. I would like to thank Laurie Buchar for her hard work in digitizing most of our catalogue. We wouldn't have gotten through it as quickly without her consistent help!

**Book Group:** Wednesday, September 22nd at 7:00 pm

Our group will be reading 'Henderson and the Rain King' by Saul Bellow. This is an older novel, 1959, and it is a philosophical, absurd, irreverent story and also an adventure! It is ranked number 21 on Modern Library's list of the 100 Best Novels in the English Language! If you've never read Saul Bellow, try this out, and then come

and talk about it with our great group of people. Thank you, Diane, for joining us last month. It's great to have new people.

**Virtual Program:** Brewing in New Hampshire: An Informal History of Beer in the Granite State from Colonial Times to the Present. Presenter: Glenn Knoblock, Wednesday, September 22nd at 7:00 pm.

This program will be online and is brought to you by NH Humanities and Friends of Brown Memorial Library. Log on and learn more about the history of beer brewing in our state. You can find more information about this program on our website or Facebook page.

**Fundraiser:** Book & Halloween Costume sale on Saturday, September 25th from 9:00-1:00 pm.

Please come and support the library by stocking up on books for fall and getting your kids a gently used costume for Halloween.

NEEDED! Donated costumes. Please look through your closets and drop off any unused costumes for our sale.

*Ellen Barselle*

### From the Director's Desk:

I was recently struck by how much I adore this town, after being introduced to a couple and their grandson who we were sharing a table with us at the Applesseed. They had recently moved to town, and we shared conversation and laughter with them. We commented that the Applesseed is a place, like Cheers, where everyone can know your name. I find the smallness and closeness of our town so endearing and wonderful. The library is also this way, a common place that provides connection and community! Most of the time, I feel really lucky to live in Bradford.

As the summer ends, I look forward to my children starting school, and I feel less unsettled by the Covid-19 protocols. My daughter, despite needing to wear a mask at school, is still very excited to return to the classroom and her friends. Of course, I wonder how our communities will respond with this new Delta Variant, and my plan for the library will depend on the health of our collective towns.



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## I Remember



Guess there's a reason my mother always put dates and names of people on the back of her photos. I never learned, but she would say I didn't pay attention. Probably not. It was around 1987. We were all first Mom's, mostly boys, no clue how to raise a child, living in the woods of Bradford and Henniker. Shopped at the IGA, the Bradford Post Office was right next to IGA, Dodge's was across the street.

Somehow we met, liked one another and wanted to spend time together. It was also late winter, so we had to get out of the house. We formed The Play Group.

Everyone took weekly turns hosting at their house, Mary Dayton one week, me second week, Jeanne the following week, there were about six of us. We'd trudge over in our Subarus, or Toyotas. Kids in the back facing the totally wrong way! We'd arrive, supplies in bags, including water, tea, stuffies, change of clothes (for the kids!), receiving blankets, quilts, another change of clothing. The "Hostess of the Week" would serve gingerbread, muffins, carrot cake; all homemade, all organic, all made on a wood stove. We'd either sit on the floor, on a couch, on a counter or a daybed, kids everywhere, just learning to walk, or to push themselves up, at least two were always crying, or sniffing. We were always giggling, talking over one another, picking one child up after another, "who is watching the babies...!" Lots of laughter, lots of love, lots of support.

From the Right: Tyler and me, Jared and Jeanne, Erik and Daphna. Maybe it's our age, but I have no idea who the 4th person is, much less the child's name. Maybe I should have listened to my mother in the first place! Teach. Your. Children. Well.

(I drove the only Toyota, everyone else drove Subarus.)

*Liz Bouley*



*From the*  
**Bradford Fire Chief,  
Jeff LeBlanc**

*This September consider replacing or adding a fire extinguisher to your home or garage.*

British inventor George William Manby invented the first portable pressurized fire extinguisher sometime between 1810 and 1818. His “Extincteur” could deploy up to three gallons of potassium carbonate onto a fire. Soda-acid fire extinguishers, first developed in France in 1866, found their way to the United States in 1881 by way of Almon M. Granger. In case of a fire, users would break open a bottle of acid attached to the device and mix it into a larger container of sodium bicarbonate. Just like in a paper-mâché volcano, the resulting chemical reaction would pressurize a stream of water that was directed through a hose.

Newer generations of fire extinguishers haven’t changed too much in design, but their suppressants evolved to tackle different firefighting challenges. Liquid-based fires, gas fires, electrical fires, grease fires, and combustible metals all have their own approved fire extinguishers, each of which is described in the NFPA 10: Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers.

Their use has expanded greatly, and are often required by law to be included on commercial motor vehicles, boats, airplanes, public spaces and a very worthwhile investment for your home.

**Why should I install a fire extinguisher?**

If a fire is rapidly contained at the onset, you can prevent a great deal of property damage or personal injury. Also, did you know that proper placement of your fire extinguisher can be crucial for survival and whether you make a safe and quick exit from your home should a fire occur? Read on for placement suggestions...

**What good is the Fire Extinguisher if the fire is too big?** Good Point! Fire develops in stages. Fire extinguishers are most effective during the “Ignition” or “Insipient” stage. This stage is the point at which the products of combustion may be minimal and the combination of heat, fuel and oxygen has not yet reached the growth stage which is where things really begin to heat up and exiting the area and contacting the fire department is your safest course of action.

**I thought all fire extinguishers were created equal.** Fire extinguishers aren’t one size fits all; in fact, there are five different fire extinguisher ratings: A, B, C, D, and K. Each rating denotes the type of fire the extinguisher can be effectively used against.

**I heard that it is possible water can make some fires worse?** Never try to extinguish a grease fire with water. Water can cause burning grease to splash, which can make the fire spread. Additionally, some combustible metals are reactive to water and may cause an explosive or violent reaction. The moral to the story is to use the appropriate extinguisher for the fire. If a grease fire occurs on the stove, do not attempt to move the pot. If safe to do so, place a cover on the pot, turn off the heat, and call 911. In the event combustible metal is on fire, evacuate the area and call 911.

**What suggestions do you have on where to install my fire extinguisher?** The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends having at least one fire extinguisher on every floor of the home. Fire extinguishers should be placed in areas that are accessible within seconds. Place them in easy-to-grab spots near exits. A primary location to consider would be the kitchen and garage. It is important to remember the extinguisher should be located away from the source of heat or fire and placed so as the extinguisher is between the heat or potential source of fire and the exit.

**Where I work the local fire department came and did a fire extinguisher demonstration during fire prevention week and there was a mnemonic when using a fire extinguisher, what was it again?** Using a fire extinguisher can be intimidating. Lucky for you, there is a very useful anagram to help you remember the four easy steps: **P.A.S.S.**

- Pull:** Pull the pin.
- Aim:** Aim the nozzle of the fire extinguisher at the base of the fire.
- Squeeze:** Squeeze the handle
- Sweep:** Sweep from side to side to cover all areas the fire may have spread to.

For more information about fire extinguishers and home safety reach out to your local fire department or visit [www.ready.gov/homefires](http://www.ready.gov/homefires) or [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) or [www.usfa.fema.gov/firesafety](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/firesafety)

The Bradford Fire Rescue would like to remind all that having working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors saves lives and early notification to 911 during medical emergencies is paramount to ensure the best possible outcome in the event of sickness or injury. We encourage you to follow us on social media and for non-emergency questions or for more information about joining the department you may contact us at (603) 938-2231 or [firechief@bradfordnh.org](mailto:firechief@bradfordnh.org)

**July 2021 Training / Call Statistics**

Training	Date	Hours
Fire Equipment	7/5/2021	14
Fire Sprinklers	7/12/2021	20
Wilderness Rescue	7/19/2021	16
Fire Attack	7/26/2021	15
Rural Water Supply	7/31/2021	40
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>105</b>

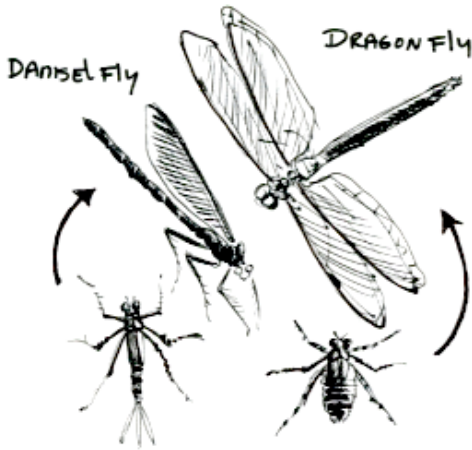
Bldg. Fire	1
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## Dragonflies

At the edge of a drought-lowered pond some years ago, a large crayfish marched purposefully up from the depths. Holding its breath, it continued out of the water, across the mudflat, and into the shrubbery emerging seconds later at a faster, perhaps breathless, scuttle. A larval dragonfly was under its arm like a dark suitcase full of cash at the conclusion of a major drug deal. Could it have seen the camouflaged exoskeleton of the dragonfly or did it follow a scent trail?

Dragonflies and damselflies weave across the end-of-summer roads playing chicken with my truck as if it were just another dinosaur. Amongst the earliest of flying insects, they are two headings in the order of insects called Odonata – meaning ‘toothed’. None of these insects bite or sting though they will eat any flying insect they can fit in their mouths.

They dance a three-part life cycle of egg,

aquatic larva, and aerial adult with a three-part body plan. Four bristly, swively legs serve as landing gear and sieves to clear bugs from the sky. Two more smaller legs further to the fore are primarily used for stuffing food into their impressive jaws and for delicately cleaning their two huge, doorknob eyes. Special hairs along these legs match up to the exact pattern of the compound eyes. In addition, they sport three simple eyes. With a plethora of visual gear, the two antennae remain inconspicuous.

The basic difference between damsel and dragonflies is that damsels tend to be smaller and thinner. Damsels sport four same-size wings and members of the “broad-winged” and “pond damsel” families carry their wings closed over their backs when perching. The third family, the “spread wing damsels”, as the name suggests, hold their wings partly opened at rest.

The forewings of the dragonflies are narrower than the rear pair and they hold them outspread, flying or not. The large eyes of the damselflies are well separated to either side of their heads whereas the eyes of dragonflies are crammed on, bumping up against each other. Dragonflies are further sorted by the sorting-scientists into one of seven families: petaltails, darners, clubtails, spiketails, cruisers, emeralds, and skimmers.

Though names like Shadow Darner, Black-Shouldered Spiny Leg, or Flame Skimmer are magnetic to me, I despair of mastering identification as they zip in and out of range of my trifocals. It might be possible, given the wide range of behavioral differences, to take a guess with-

out perceiving fine details. Each species has its own pattern of feeding, arguing, mating, and egg-laying. And beyond this, each type claims a different piece of the season and different feeding altitudes. Time of day visible and habitat varies as well. How often they are apt to rest and in

what perching position they favor, high or low, horizontal, vertical or oblique, or at tips of stems can offer clues to identification.

Males claim favorite perches and maintain small kingdoms. Intruders instigate ritualized battles with flashing abdomens, face to face upward spirals, and wing clattering. Some will guard a female till she lays her eggs in or on water or on emergent of submerged vegetation or objects. The mating performance of damsel and dragonflies, called “copulation wheels”, are a complicated biological and aerial feat, kama sutra of the insect world. The climate crisis is changing their dark wing ornamentation to unknown affect.

Aquatic eggs and nymphs are less often observed. They consume prodigious numbers of mosquito, midge and other small insect larvae as well as tadpoles and other large game. Damselfly larvae filter oxygen out of the water with three feathery gills at their posterior. These flash like fish fins for locomotion. Dragonfly larvae are squatter with an alarming set of pincers that are tucked up under their chins. They draw water into their abdomens, extract the oxygen, and expel the rest. This squirting motion is used to propel them quickly in an emergency.

After numerous molts and sometimes an over-wintering, a night is chosen to crawl up out of the ponds, streams or seeps, split their skins for the last time and emerge as adults. After a brief rest for wing-drying they might spend a week or so in the woods feeding before returning to the dating and mating game and then to leave their offspring to the care of the wetlands.

Though less well-known than the migrations of monarch butterflies, some species of dragonfly migrate twice as far. I hiked up Lovewell Mountain one evening. Dragonflies were there, far from likely territories and in such a wind as to make hunting seem fruitless. Possibly these were green darners on their way somewhere. As to what my own motivation might be in expending so much apparently unproductive energy was perhaps more baffling. And yet, for whatever reasons, there we were.

*Ann Eldridge*

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## MONTHLY BRIEFING: Town Board Reports

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a review of whether or not the vehicles found on the property fall under the junk yard statutes in the zoning ordinance.

**Non-Payment of Taxes** In non-public session, the Board agreed to deed 4 properties for non-payment of taxes. Those properties are Map 6 Lot 17, Map 6 Lot 48, Map 6 Lot 94 and Map 5 Lot 81.

**Food Pantry** Steve Pierce gave an update on the food pantry at the Bradford Community Church that was flooded in the July 29th rainstorm. Volunteers had to throw out all the food and appliances. Remediation will cost between \$8,000-\$11,000. The Church does not have flood insurance. Town Administrator Karen Hambleton recommended the church reach out to FEMA. Harry Wright said he does not think the culvert is adequate and that is part of the reason for the flooding. Selectmen Andrew Pinard said the culvert was replaced back in 2008 and that the Road Agent will be on top of it.

**Intent to Cut** Signed for Map 10 Lot 10, and Map 12 Lot 7

### PLANNING BOARD

**Subdivision Application** The Board approved a motion to approve the subdivision application from Brett Barselle for property located at Map 2/ Lot 61 as complete with the new Deed description and Mylar turned into the Planning Board.

**Preliminary Discussion** Trask Pfeifle came before the Board to discuss relocating a retail digital print, screen printing and embroidery shop from Connecticut to Map 17 Lot 2 in Bradford. A site plan will be needed to move forward. Mel Pfeifle suggested having Walter Royal the code enforcement officer verify that the building is up to code.

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

**Board Secretary** The Zoning Board is having difficulty hiring a secretary. It was suggested to look for a volunteer to fill the position, perhaps a high school student needing to satisfy a community service requirement.

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**White Cedar Regeneration** Commission member Brooks McCandlish met with Bill Gould, along with UNH Professors and grad students for an on-site evaluation of the white cedar growth at the Bradford Bog. It was determined the cedar is healthy and successfully regenerating in certain areas. UNH grad students will be taking on this project in researching best measures to take for optimal cedar regeneration.

**340 Fairgrounds** There is renewed concern over the Turco unpermitted junkyard. Flooding on July 29 washed an extraordinary amount of automotive debris, possible hazardous materials, and other trash onto neighboring properties and also down the West Branch Brook. Commission members visited the property across from Turco on Fairgrounds Road at the request of the owner to photograph and document the scattered debris in his pines. A letter was written to the Select Board stating Bradford Conservation Commission's concern about the health of the underlying stratified drift aquifer, the wetlands within the property, the West Branch Brook, and the neighboring properties as a result of this non-enforcement of junkyard regulations. The NH Department of Environmental Services was contacted, as well as the Warner River Local Advisory Committee.

**Unpermitted Junkyard** The NH Department of Environmental Services has been contacted regarding an unpermitted junkyard on Alder Plains Road Map 9/ Lot 15.



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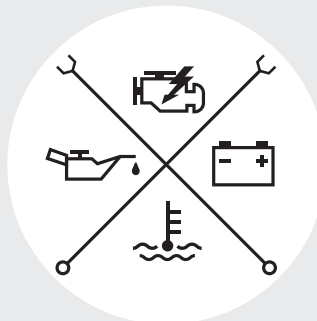
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## BRADFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

**Solar Proposal** Ned Reynolds, Commercial Solar Consultant of Revision Energy, gave a presentation to the Committee about solar energy prospects for Bradford. This proposal would involve the Town of Bradford working with ReVision Energy and investors to develop a Group Net Metering solar installation on town-owned land near the transfer station, Map 3 Lot 110. The decision of whether to move forward with entering into a lease to develop the solar farm on Town property would be a Warrant Article.

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

**Computer Equipment** The Board approved a motion to expend up to \$1,500 for the purchase of new computer equipment for the circulation desk.

**Energy Efficiency** The Board approved the contract with Shakes to Shingles that includes the Attic Package at \$10,121.36 and the Air Sealing Package at \$4,180.00

for a total of \$14,301.36. The funding is to come from the Town raised in a warrant article in the amount of \$8,000, from the Eversource NH Saves program in the amount of \$5,005.35 and the Library Special Project Fund in the amount of \$1,296.01.

## PARKS AND RECREATION

**September 25** The committee decided to name the September 25 event the Bradford Celebration Day. The event budget was reviewed and had to date spent \$2,675.25.

## KEARSARGE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Unanticipated Revenue** Following a public hearing, the Board approved a motion to accept unanticipated revenue of federal funds from FEMA DR4516 in the amount of \$19,175.42.

**Masks** The Board approved a motion to modify reopening plan 2.0 to include the use of masks at the start of school year.

**Wood Fuel Supply** The Board approved a motion to accept contract pricing from Cousineau Forest Products at a price of \$45.00/ ton guaranteed for three years.

Minutes of all meetings are on file at the Town Office and online at the town website. Some meetings are now streamed live! [bradfordnh.org](http://bradfordnh.org)



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# Obituaries

## *Nathaniel Herrick*

Nathaniel “Nate” James Herrick (48), of Bradford died peacefully of natural causes on July 28, 2021, while visiting family in Benson, VT.



Nate was born in Providence, RI, to James “Jim” and Coreen (Doran) Herrick on April 26, 1973. He grew up in Epsom and Concord and graduated from Concord High School in 1991. He earned a bachelor’s degree in English in 1996 and a master’s degree in Education in 2004 from Plymouth State University. He married Anita Sanford of Greenfield, IN, on August 20, 1995. Nate was a natural teacher who loved to help students learn. He taught English as an adjunct professor at New Hampshire Technical Institute in Concord for 13 years and homeschooled his four sons.

Nate had a strong Christian faith. He was committed to truth and would dig in deep to understand religion, history, and politics. He was a lifelong fan of Star Wars and Marvel Comics, enjoyed pop culture, and loved driving on local back roads on his motorcycle. Nate had a hilarious and silly sense of humor. You could often find him in an outrageous costume. He had the gift to make people laugh. He was endlessly creative—writing songs and stories, sketching and painting people and scenes from everyday life.

Nate’s biggest passion was music. His

father taught him piano as a child, and he learned guitar, bass guitar, drums (a one-man rock band!). He picked up new instruments, from melodeon, spirit flute, to keytar. From college jam bands to church worship teams, Nate always played in bands around New Hampshire—Routine Homecoming and The George Brown Band. His proudest achievement was teaching his sons to play instruments and forming a band, The Appleflungle Family Band and later, Cat Castle. Playing for town events, family get-togethers, and Friday night drop-in jams on his front porch, Nate was in his element playing with his boys who plan to continue the tradition.

Nate is preceded in death by his grandparents, James and Janice (Travis) Herrick, and Edward and Nancy (Villemaire) Doran. He is survived by his beloved wife, Anita; sons, Samuel “Sam,” Joseph “Joe,” Clayton “Clay,” and Ferguson “Gus”; parents, Jim and Coreen; aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Funeral services were held at Trinity Bible Church. Burial followed at Sunny Plain Cemetery, Bradford. Memorial gifts may be given to the American Kidney Fund or Bradford Community Food Pantry.

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## *Joseph and Lucy Lindsey*

Joseph M. Lindsey, of Bradford, formerly of Pembroke, died June 29, 2021, at age 98, in the home of his daughter, Hope Matthews. His wife, Lucy J. Lindsey, age 94, died October 6, 2017, in Venice, FL. Joe and Lucy were together for more than 70 years.

“Joe” was born October 17, 1922 in Lawrence, MA, to Matthew J. Uzalinski and Mary Dziadosz.

He earned an accounting and business degree from Providence College. He attended the midshipman school at Northwestern University in Chicago. He became a Navy Lieutenant JG from 1943-1946 and captain of a Landing Craft Controller at age 21, leading the first twelve waves of six invasions in the South Pacific.

Upon returning home, he worked for the family business of Lawrence Provision Co. He became a regional sales representative

for Hollingshead Corporation and worked for Harry Manzi Dodge as Controller until moving to New Hampshire in 1960. He opened his own Dodge Dealership, Capitol Dodge, and worked there for over 40 years with his daughter, Hope.

Joe was active in the Concord community, as a member or officer of the Wonalancet Club, Lions Club, Concord Hospital Board of Directors, Concord Country Club, and Concord Auto Dealers Assoc. He served in various capacities with numerous dealership associations, receiving the Time Magazine Quality Dealer Award in 1989.

Lucy was born January 7, 1923, in Lawrence, MA, to John B. Kotce and Sophie Dobec. She earned a secretarial degree from a Boston business school. Lucy and Joe were married in 1947.

Lucy attended modeling school after working in the insurance industry. She enjoyed a brief career in modeling until Joe talked her out of moving to New York City to marry him. When they moved to Pembroke, Lucy became a real estate broker and was active in the Pembroke Women's Club until she became a stay-at-home mom while assisting Joe in the startup of Capitol Dodge. Lucy was previously married to Stanley Stopyra in 1943, who lost his life in the US Army during World War II.

Joe and Lucy moved to Englewood, Florida in 2004. They started Winwood Development, Inc., which owned and managed rental properties. They enjoyed their retirement where Joe continued his love of golf.

Joe and Lucy loved their children most of all. Joe is survived by Hope Matthews and her husband Brian of Bradford; Priscilla Sager and her husband Scott of Chappaqua, NY; grandchildren, Brooke, Courtney, Jamie, Amanda, and Ian; many nieces, nephews, cousins; sisters Carol Kotce of Haverhill, MA, and Helen Crawley of Aurora, IL. A Catholic Mass was held and ashes were interred at Blossom Hill Cemetery.

Donations may be made to the Boys & Girls Club of Central NH, 55 Bradley St, Concord, NH, 03301, Attention: Chris Emonds.

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## William J. Hallahan

William J. Hallahan, 91, of Sutton, NH, died peacefully August 4, 2021, surrounded by his family as they recounted his remarkable life.



Born on April 6, 1930, in Yonkers, NY, Bill – or as he was affectionately called as a boy – Bunky, grew up with parents Luke and Laura McGovern and spent summers in Milford, CT. He was a graduate of Yonkers High School, Class of 1947 and at the age of 17, he enlisted in the Marines and served until 1951. Using the GI Bill, he graduated from Leicester Junior College and Boston University with a degree in Business Management in 1955. So began a lifelong career in sales. Bill was a medical salesman for Bauer & Black before moving on to cash registers, working for Sweda International and spending most of his career as Vice President of Marketing and then Vice President of World Wide Sales for Data Terminal Systems in Maynard, MA, a pioneer in the field of electronic cash registers. Through that affiliation came many friendships, accolades and travel around the world. After retirement, Bill worked at Freedom Data Systems in Newport, NH, and consulted with several companies through his company, Blaisdell Associates.

While at BU, Bill applied for a job as a houseman at a doctor's office and it was there that he met medical secretary Ann Colombosian, whom he courted for 6 years before marrying in 1960 and enjoying 61 years together. He was a devoted husband to Ann, especially after retirement, always

making sure she was cared for and safe. He was proud of her many accomplishments. Together they settled at Blaisdell Lake, in Sutton, NH, first in a cottage they purchased in 1969 and then for almost 40 years in their current home. You would see him testing the water and selling flares for the 4th of July. He volunteered on the Sutton zoning board and served as its chair for years. He exercised regularly at the Hogan Center, meeting his buddies for coffee and conversation after, and the ladies occasionally for lunch. He was a member of the Country Squires. For more than 20 years, Bill traveled to Aruba every January, making many friends there, too.

In addition to his wife, Ann, Bill is survived by their three children, William of Arlington, MA, Robert of Syracuse, NY, and Laura of Sutton, NH, daughters-in-law Nancy and Kathy, beloved grandchildren and great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, his sister Patricia Porach of Lecanto, Florida and sister-in-law Mary Webb of Newbury, NH.

Bill was always the life of the party and the person who lit up the room with his smile. He had a twinkle in his eye, most likely due to the many pranks he engaged in over the years, starting at 3-years old when he pulled a fire alarm so he could watch the trucks respond. He was devoted to the Catholic Church serving as an altar boy and communicant and you could count on seeing him every Saturday at Our Lady of Fatima Church in New London, NH. He treated everyone the same and with the highest respect. As a lifelong Yankees fan, he liked betting on Yankee-Red Sox games, loved Notre Dame and New England Patriots football and all sports. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy in Bill's name may be made to the Sutton Rescue Squad or the Blaisdell Lake Protective Association.

A Memorial mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church in New London, NH took place on Friday, August 13, 2021. Chadwick Funeral Service of New London, NH is assisting the family with arrangements.

## Alan Brown

Alan Brown passed away at home at age 82 after a battle with cancer.

Al graduated from Tufts University. His facility with languages led him to work with computers in his career, retiring after 30 years of State service.

Alan loved the outdoors, animals, history and antique firearms. During the American Bicentennial he traveled throughout New England with a group reenacting colonial events, and met his future wife Laurie.

In 1981 Al and Laurie moved from Hampstead, NH to Bradford, where they built their home, raised their family and adopted many dogs, cats, horses and other animals. Alan joined the Fire Department, where he continued his service from Hampstead, and went on to become Deputy Chief. Al had a very distinctive voice and was recognized as "82C3" on the radio in the Capitol Area Region. He served the Fire Department for over 50 years and was a member of the rescue squad for many years as well. Al also joined the Masonic Lodge, where he became a Past Master.

Alan is predeceased by his parents, and survived by father-in-law Bob; brother David; wife of 44 years Laurie; brother-in-law Tim; daughter Elizabeth and her sweetheart Ross; daughter Abigail, her husband Michael and their children Phoenix, Tyger, Harry and Adelaide; son Elliott, his wife Haley and their children Andrew, Hunter, Leo and Ella.

The family invites those who knew Al to join us in a celebration for him on Saturday, September 18 at 2 pm at the family home.

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*All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted. Call to confirm dates and times in case any changes have been made.*

**Wednesday, September 1**

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
7:00 pm Zoning Board, YR

**Monday, September 6**

8:45 am Mt. View Senior Fitness  
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Tuesday, September 7**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Wednesday, September 8**

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Thursday, September 9**

5:30 pm Parks and Rec, YR

**Monday, September 13**

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
7:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting, YR

**Tuesday, September 14**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Wednesday, September 15**

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR

**Thursday, September 16**

6:00 pm Budget Committee

**Friday, September 17**

5:00 am Free Community Dinner, BCC

**Monday, September 20**

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
6:00 pm Eco/Dev Committee

**Tuesday, September 21**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
5:00 pm Energy Committee  
7:00 pm Conservation Committee, BML

**Wednesday, September 22**

3:30 pm Driver's Ed School, LR  
7:00 pm Book Group, BML  
7:00 pm Virtual – History of Beer,  
See Library Lantern pg 6

**Saturday, September 25**

Bradford Celebration Day  
9 am - 9 pm, See schedule pg 1  
Fireworks at Dusk

**Monday, September 27**

6:00 pm Selectmen's Meeting

**Tuesday, September 28**

10:00 am Quilting Group  
12:30 pm Mahjong Group, LR  
7:00 pm Planning Board Meeting

**Wednesday, September 29**

7:00 pm BHS Presents History of  
Agricultural Fairs, BHS Tin Shop Main St.

**Calendar Abbreviations**

<b>BACC</b>	Bradford Area Community Center
<b>BCC</b>	Bradford Community Church
<b>BCMh</b>	Bradford Center Meetinghouse
<b>BHS</b>	Bradford Historical Society
<b>BML</b>	Brown Memorial Library
<b>FGC</b>	Fish & Game Club
<b>KLC</b>	Kearsarge Learning Center
<b>LSVNA</b>	Lake Sunapee Visting Nurses Assoc.
<b>LR</b>	Learning Room
<b>MVSC</b>	Mountain View Senior Center
<b>SR</b>	Senior Room
<b>YR</b>	Youth Room
<b>ZBA</b>	Zoning Board of Adjustment



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Update on the Bradford Food Pantry a community outreach mission of the Bradford Community Church:

On Thursday evening, July 29, the Bradford Food Pantry experienced devastating loss when the pantry flooded with 28 inches of water. All food items and several appliances were destroyed.

Working with the trustees of the Bradford Community Church, we have temporarily relocated the pantry to a room on the main floor of the church office building. We have obtained two appliances for cold storage (refrigerator/freezer and freezer) and purchased shelving units for storage of the non-perishable goods. An adjacent room will be used as the distribution

point and is handicap accessible. Many individuals and organizations have made food and monetary donations over the last several weeks and their generosity has ensured that we will be able to provide continued distribution to the families in Bradford.

The Bradford Food Pantry and The Bradford Community Church would like to extend a very big Thank You to all of those that have reached out to help in our time of need. The outpouring of generosity and kindness has been humbling and truly shows the caring nature of our community.

The trustees are working diligently on ways to provide a permanent location. We will keep the community informed as plans unfold.

Any donations of nonperishable food items may be dropped off at the church office in the grocery cart provided, just outside the office door. Monetary donations may be mailed to: The Bradford Community Food Pantry, PO Box 57, Bradford NH 03221.

For those who may need additional food assistance the Food Pantry is open the third Wednesday of every month from the hours of 5:30-6:30 pm or by contacting the Bradford Community Church at 938-5313 for additional availability.

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