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Lettvin Concert Tradition Continues July 19-20



Once again the Bradford Center Meeting House will host the "Lettvin and Friends Concert" on Friday, July 19 and Saturday, July 20. This is the fourteenth such concert performed in Bradford and the second year that the Union Congregational Society and the Bradford Area Community Center are sponsoring the event.

For those who love classical music, this is a time to enjoy music performed in the 1837 Meeting House which is located on

Rowe Mountain Road in a lovely rural setting. For the first time, one of the artists, Frederick Moyers, a former student of Ted Lettvin, is a New Hampshire artist. Joan Lettvin feels that this makes it even more poignant to have a local pianist performing in the Lettvin Concerts tradition.

Although Ted Lettvin is living at Pleasant View Center in Concord, his presence will be felt when the music begins. For Joan Lettvin, Ted's wife, it is her mission to continue a tradition of music in Bradford that began fourteen summers ago when Ted first performed here. Over the past 14 summers the Lettvins have invited Ted's former students to share their home and bring their music to the town of Bradford.

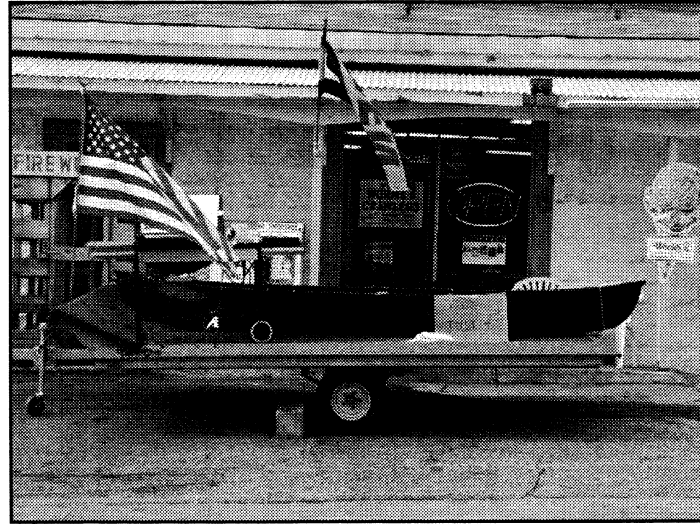
On Friday, July 19, at 7:30pm, pianist Phyllis East, together with James East, clarinetist, will be joined by violinist Cornelius Defallo. James and Phyllis East performed last year with their son and it promises to be another wonderful listening experience when they play selections from the music of Ravel, Kreisler, Kodal and Bartok.

On Saturday, July 20, also at 7:30pm, Frederick Moyer and Nancy Green will play selections from Rachmaninoff, Debussy, Brahms, Bach and Ginestra. The sound of the piano and cello together make for memorable listening.

All of the performing artists have a history of critical acclaim and have performed throughout the United States. Bradford is fortunate to have this wonderful music available to those who would otherwise have to travel a distance to find such a program. The musicians, performing in honor of legendary artist Theodore Lettvin, will continue the tradition of music established here 14 years ago by their teacher and mentor.

On a personal note, a few years back my piano duet partner and I visited Ted at the farm on Rowe Mountain Road. We asked him questions about some of the music we were attempting to master. He was welcoming and down to earth with his suggestions. Ted never seemed to be the "renowned legendary pianist" but a person who loved his instrument and wanted to share his vision of music with all of us. If you are not a fan of classical music, open your heart and mind to the sound and share the tradition of "The Lettvin Concerts".

—Phyllis Wilcox



The winner of this year's BBA raffle can choose to cap off the Independence Day weekend with a cookout on a Weber gas grill, a paddle in a new canoe, or a shopping spree with \$500 cash.

BBA is B-b-busy!

The Bradford Business Association's major fundraiser this year is a raffle with a single winner choosing between a canoe with lifejackets and paddles, a Top Line Weber gas grill, or \$500 cash. John Mock has put the items on a trailer to display them in front of various businesses until our Independence Day celebration on July 6 when the drawing will take place. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Don't forget to get your tickets for a chance to win one of these three great prizes!

Our first Road Clean Up is Saturday, July 13. We figure we will probably need to clean up after the 4th of July festivities. Contact John Mock for your assignment. Individuals will clean their assigned areas as they are able to during the day.

Who puts up the flags to decorate the town for patriotic holidays? Volunteers from the BBA, that's who! Our flower barrels are also out, thanks to John Mock, and they have been potted as well! Marlene Freyler and Marilyn Gordon made sure our barrels sprouted a nice arrangement. Thanks.

As most of you know, the Bradford Fire Department will not participate in Independence Day events after this year. That leaves a big gap in Bradford's 4th of July celebrations. There is a committee to try to start picking up the pieces to keep the celebrations going but they will need support, both physical and monetary, to really get this off the ground! If you can assist in any way, contact Marlene Freyler at 938-2530 and let her know you will help.

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Selectmen's Update

Here comes the parade! I always got a big kick out of the fact that in Bradford, the Fire Department determined when the 4th of July really was. This year it is on the 6th of July!

As many of you may have read, this is the last year that the Fire Department will provide the fire works display. The Selectmen, on behalf of the town, would like to thank Chief Goldberg and all the volunteers under his command for providing the best fire-works show in the state of New Hampshire.

Let us all turn out on July 6th and give our firefighters a rousing "thank you" for all the preparation and hard work that went into such an undertaking over the past years.

For those that have requested a tax abatement, you should receive a letter with the decision on your request shortly after July 1st.

The repaving of Route 103 has begun at the Newbury end and is proceeding nicely with a minimal disruption of traffic. We have been told that the work on the Lake Todd bridge is delayed but should be started soon.

One last thing. We want to thank you all for the excellent cooperation that we are getting at the Transfer Station with the use of the new Coupon System. It appears to be working well.

See you at the parade!

—Dick Vitale, Chairman,
Board of Selectmen

Chief's Notes

The Police Department recently conducted a physical agility test and oral board testing for a full-time police officer position. The physical agility test was administered with the assistance of Officer Drenniak of the Newbury PD. The oral board members were Chief Kirby, Chief Tighe of Sutton PD, Officer Soucy of Newbury PD (former Sunapee chief), Sgt. Leppard of Warner PD, and Les Gordon representing the community of Bradford.

The Board selected Mark Kimball. Officer Kimball, of Hooksett, has been a police officer part-time with Bradford since March 1, 2002. Mark previously worked at the Hillsboro County House of Corrections and the NH State Prison. He was honorably discharged by the U.S.M.C., he is married, and has four children. Officer Kimball will attend the police academy in August.

The Police Department has two bikes that have been found. If you had a bike that has been stolen or lost you can call the police and provide a description of your bike to see if it is one that we have.

The police department reminds citizens that dog licenses are overdue and we urge you to license your dog if you have not yet done so.

—Jim Kirby, Police Chief

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