

# THE Bradford Bridge

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## Special Town Meeting Results

The Special Town Meeting, approved by Superior Court, convened at 7 PM on July 29<sup>th</sup> at KRES with 151 registered voters in attendance. The articles presented were:

**Article 1:** To see if the town will vote to rescind the votes on Article 15 and Article 37 at the March 2008 Town Meeting and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350,000 (Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) for the construction of a new Town highway garage on the land currently occupied by the existing garage and to authorize the issuance of not more than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) in bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$100,000 from the New Highway Garage Capital Reserve Fund, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$50,000 from the Town Facilities Capital Reserve Fund for this purpose. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee approved this appropriation last week. (2/3 ballot vote is required)

**(Note:** Article 15 at the March 2008 Town Meeting raised and appropriated the sum of \$25,000 to begin necessary repairs to the current highway garage. Article 37 at the March 2008 Town Meeting withdrew \$40,000 from the New Highway Garage Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of continuing research and preparation for a new highway garage and was amended at the meeting to designate a portion of those funds to be expended to conduct a Phase I environmental site assessment, and if necessary a Phase II environmental site assessment, on the lower dump site to assess the suitability of the area for the future location of town facilities).



Ballot  
counters  
Fred Hubley,  
Judy  
Marshall and  
Ann Lucier  
count the  
votes for  
Article 1

## 10 QUESTIONS:

by Phyllis Wilcox

*This is a continuation in a series of Bradford Bridge interviews with people in Bradford.*

### DICK MACLEOD

*Dick MacLeod recently was honored by the American Red Cross for fifty years of service. He is a native of Bradford with a long history of service to the Bradford area community. Dick has been married to Jackie for 59 years with an anniversary coming up on August 27<sup>th</sup>. They have three children, two boys and one girl, four grandchildren, and one great grandchild.*

*His volunteer service is not limited to the Red Cross, he was a volunteer fireman and an EMT. He was instrumental in the start of the Highland Games on Loon Mountain. His working life was with Sprague Electric, the Bradford and Warner police departments, the Coast Guard and the Merchant Marine. He also worked as a salesman of bread and Fannie Farmer candy. He and Jackie operated a grocery store in their present home on Route 114 in Bradford for 25 years where they provided groceries and Jackie's baked goods for summer residents who arrived regularly to occupy their cottages on Lake Massasecum.*

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# The Bradford Bridge



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### Submissions

The Bradford Bridge is written by neighbors, for neighbors. Anyone is welcome to submit articles and/or photographs of interest to the community. We reserve the right to edit submissions.

## From The Editor

Providing timely news for a small rural town has always been a challenge – especially after the multi-party telephone lines were replaced. The files of the Bradford Historical Society include monthly copies of THE VISITOR from November 1897 to October 1898. THE VISITOR, Rev. E. W. Potter publisher, described itself as: “A monthly newspaper devoted to the interests of Bradford, N. H. and surrounding towns. Published about the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Subscription 50 cents per year, 40 cents in advance.”

The archives also have weekly editions of THE LAKE AND MOUNTAIN PATHFINDER from December 1898 to December 1899 with the name changed for the final month to PATHFINDER AND VISITOR. There is no indication of how long these newspapers continued to publish, but the news and especially the ads make fascinating reading.

The Bradford Bridge started publication in July 1991 primarily in response to concerns that only extraordinary events caught the attention of the daily newspapers. What was needed was a source of Bradford news that kept residents up-to-date on current events in town and future activities for their information. In 1992, George Edmunds began publication of the InterTown Record to cover this area of NH.

Since 1823, long before any of these other publications, the Argus Champion has reported on events in the Lake Sunapee region. Quotes from their columns in older editions make lively reading. Sadly, the Argus has recently announced that publication will cease at the end of July. We get our news in many ways at this time, but the written word is a vital part of the historic record. The Bridge regrets the loss of the Argus-Champion. We now have one less source of local news.

Marcia Keller August Editor

### Selectmen's Office Hours

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Selectmen meet 1st and 3rd  
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## Bradford Historical Society

### Bradford Creates Historical Society, August 1978

After more than ten years of research, meetings, memories and information from townspeople and hearty and heavy discussions, the History committee published a town history *Two Hundred Plus*. With all that information gathered, it was time to officially organize into a Bradford Historical Society. (Don't let the "Society" name put you off; it's just what most towns' history committees use.)

The first officers were Ruth Moore, Betty Cilley, Maggi Ainslie, Doris Sargent, Julian Dodge, Frances Winch, Henry Graham, and Roger Landry. The first project was to find a building for all the memorabilia, which was all over town with temporary homes in attics, garages, closets, under beds, etc. Many food sales and flea markets later, money was raised for the purchase of the Post Office which was built after the 1918 fire. That was accomplished the next year, and the second project was publishing a cook book. The recipes submitted are a roll call of town personalities from three decades ago to the present.

There was the Bicentennial with the big 1987 celebration, the publishing of the Looking Back booklet, and the renovation of the 1793 schoolhouse. The last decade has seen the publishing of Early Families of Bradford genealogy, and historical and archeological books of the Carrs and their store. Presently the Village Smith Museum is in progress.

Through the 30 years, there have been many donations of materials about Bradford, and free programs for Bradford citizens. To promote understanding of our town through research, preservation, and education is the continued purpose.

During the month of August, drop in when you see the Open flag flying, and give a quiet thank you to the early founders and supporters of your town Historical Society.

**August Program:** Wednesday, August 27th, TOOLS THAT BUILT EARLY HOUSES, by Richard Sherman. 7:00 p.m., Old Post Office.

Mr. Sherman's program will be about early tools which made characteristic markings, an aid to identify the age of old homes. He will welcome any whatsits the audience would like to have identified. Richard is a second generation summer person, with an active interest in exploring the Bradford area. Free, public welcome.



*Historical Society Members Ruth Moore, Raymond Jaycox, Betty Cilley, Maggi Ainslie, Doris Sargent, Julian Dodge and Mildred Gunscheon (seated), look over copies of Two Hundred Plus*

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## Selectmen's Highlights

**Solid Waste** On July 1<sup>st</sup>, Jim Presher, Director of the Concord Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery Cooperative (the Coop that handles the compacted waste from our Transfer Station) gave a power point presentation regarding "Single Stream" recycling. This would allow all recyclable materials to be collected together and shipped to a new facility to be built by the Coop for sorting. Each of the 27 member towns and cities in the Coop must decide whether to participate in this program once it is operative in two years or to continue with the current method of collecting recycled materials and disposing them on their own. Mr. Presher answered many questions. The Selectmen did not make any decision at this time.

On July 15<sup>th</sup>, Transfer Station Manager Ken Anderson requested permission to purchase another baler for use with the plastic recycling program. Sufficient funds are available in the Special Revenue Fund. Selectmen advised Anderson to get a written quote on the baler.

**Highway Department** Steve Lucier reported on a driveway culvert on Hogg Hill damaged in a storm where the owner would like the town to pay for the repair. He reported that repairs on the backhoe were completed for \$1,000.00 and also stated that crushing operations are underway at the transfer station.

The Jones Road Bridge budget is over by \$4,600 due primarily to additional engineering fees regarding the apron on the driveway to the Camire property.

**Route 103 Access** Copies of proposed deeds for the access from Route 103 to the Transfer Station site have been forwarded to the town from NHDOT. Mildred Kittredge was thanked for locating the original 1931 deed when the town purchased the property from Mr. Carlton Roberts.

**East Shore Footpath** Building Inspector Edwin Fowler asked for guidance from the Selectmen regarding a request for a building permit on a piece of land with no road frontage – accessible only by water. The consensus of the Board is that lots on the footpath cannot be built on at this time. Selectman Meany advised that emergency repairs can be done, but adding a dormer or second floor would be prohibited.

**BACC** George Cilley expressed concern about the apparent plan to relocate the septic system for the Community Center building to the front yard. He advised that doing so would increase the run-off from that property to his, which already receives additional run-off because of the paving in the back. He was advised that the old system needs replacement, but Selectmen agreed to check with the septic designer.

**Union Congregation Society** Peter Fenton read into the record a letter from the Union Congregational Society, a not for profit entity, requesting reimbursement of a \$100 construction permit for repairs on the building in the Historic District at the old town center. Selectmen took no action and Selectman Pinard advised there should be a set policy for all such entities.

**Henry Backdrop** Audrey Sylvester reported on the Open House to display the completed Backdrop with 200 people coming to view it. She requested and received a 90 day extension to complete the grant report. She then thanked everyone, including the Fire Department for enabling the open house and the town crew and Andrew Pinard for cleaning the upstairs.

**Planning Board** The Planning Board convened a formal meeting with the Selectmen to discuss a variety of issues of mutual concern,

including gravel pits, illumination, signs, and violations of the Zoning Ordinance. Selectmen stated that any questions or requests for enforcement action should be directed to Code Enforcement Officer Edwin Fowler, with copies to the Board of Selectmen for their information and any follow-up required. The suggestion was made that it would be helpful for the two boards to meet periodically.

**Selectmen's Meetings** On July 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, Selectman Pinard moved that the selectmen meet weekly. There was no second and no vote taken.

**Special Town Meeting** The Board of Selectmen continued to discuss the survey of the highway department property, details of the proposed highway garage building and held a Bond Hearing for the Warrant Articles for the meeting on July 29<sup>th</sup>, which had been approved by Superior Court.

*Minutes of all Selectmen's meetings are on file at the Town Hall*

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## Kearsarge Area Preschool News

by Karen Hambleton



2008 Preschool Graduates with Their Teachers

In June we learned about all the animals on a farm including sheep, lambs, chickens, cows, and horses. We read stories and sang songs about the animals, especially many verses of "Old MacDonald!" One of the month's highlights was a trip to Eccardt Farm where we also saw squirrels, goats, peacocks, emus, ducks, geese and lots of calves!

Another highpoint from our last month of school was our stepping up celebration. We had a party and invited our families to attend. Each child received a personalized packet from the teachers that marked their milestones, captured the memories and included a special gift.

Not only are our older children on their way to the elementary school this fall, but our teacher, Lyn Betz, will be joining the staff as well. While we are very sad to see her go, we are happy that she is excited about tackling new challenges. Good Luck, Lyn!

There are limited spaces available for our 2008-2009 Preschool Plus program. In addition to our established morning preschool curriculum, early morning and afternoon programs are being offered for those families who seek full-day age appropriate, child-oriented activities. Come play with us!!

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**10 Questions- continued**

**Q. You have recently been honored for 50 years of service with the Red Cross. Can you tell me about that?**

I've been everywhere east of the Mississippi - on floods, hurricanes, fires and ice storms-all kinds of disaster relief with the Red Cross. In addition, I taught First Aid in Concord, and for the Bradford, Warner and Washington rescue squads. I worked with the ski patrol on Pat's Peak and taught industrial first aid in various New Hampshire towns and cities.

**Q. In this age of relatively easy and frequent marriage breakups, you've been married for nearly 59 years. What is the secret of your successful relationship?**

You go along with it. We don't fight. No big ones. We go along day after day. Jackie interrupted to say, "It's because I'm very patient." They both said, "We don't talk it out. We just kiss and make up."

**Q. The Highland Games on Loon Mountain have been heavily attended and hugely successful for years. I understand that you are involved every year. Can you tell me how the games began?**

We started the games 33 years ago. It was during a picnic in 1975. A few friends went to Loon. We had a tape of highland music. We were all wearing kilts and people came along

and listened to the music. The next year we found a Bag Piper and invited more clans and the games grew each year. We had 75,000 people last year. The games moved briefly to Hopkinton but there weren't enough bedrooms for all the people. Loon invited us back and said they'd pay for fire and police and the rent on the mountain and all the police wore kilts. The games are three-day events in September.



**Q. Are you interested in genealogy? Do you have knowledge of your forefathers and all the trappings of your Scottish heritage?**

I sure do. My great grandfather came from the Isle of Skye. I work on the genealogy without a computer. My two tartans are Isle of Skye and Isle of Lewis. There are many tartan colors. I painted the shutters on my house with my tartan colors. Those

shutters have been a landmark for people traveling to Bradford.

**Q In your opinion why are the games so popular? Is the crowd mainly of Scottish heritage? Is it the dancing, the Haggis, sports or the meat pies that bring the crowds?**

All of the above. Everybody goes. There are 75 clans, 35 to 50 pipe bands, and the food. The haggis seems to be very popular. The games are modeled on the tradition of Robert Burns (the favorite bard of Scotland.). If anyone is interested in the recipe for haggis, Jackie MacLeod is willing to share it with you. The ingredients are unusual and include one cleaned up lamb's stomach bag, oatmeal, onion, spices and more.

**Q. Looking back at your work history, you have done many different things including: police work, engineer, sales and more. How have you juggled all of those careers? Was there one in particular that stands out?**

I don't know. I worked in a steam plant. I was in the auctioneering business. I worked with Dick Withington for years. I grew up on a farm but hated farming. I liked being a salesman. I sold bread, candy and fish from the New Hampshire fisheries. The fish I sold to hotels and restaurants. I worked at Sprague Electric where I was in charge of water and sewage for 22 years. I guess I liked sales.

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**Happenings - continued from page 5**

**Q. You've lived in Bradford for nearly 82 years. It seems that you have chosen the town as your primary residence. What made you choose it?**

I was born here at Burr Oak Farm. I've lived here all my life. You have to live somewhere.

**Q. You have been a Justice of the Peace. Are you still practicing and have you officiated at many marriage ceremonies? Do you have any humorous incidents that you can relate without breaking confidentiality?**

I am still a Justice of the Peace. When I worked at Sprague Electric I married 39 couples. I've married about 100 couples over the years. One couple wanted to marry out at sea. I wasn't sure how far out at sea that I could go. The State said we own three miles out. I married them off the Isle of Shoals. Chris Frey was best man at the wedding. They wanted to spend the night out there so Chris rowed them ashore and they each got terrible cases of poison ivy. I've married people in bar rooms, almost everywhere.

**Q. You live within a stone's throw of the lake. Do you enjoy water sports? Do you have time for leisure time activities?**

I don't like the water. I don't fish or swim an more. I enjoy wood working. I carve all sorts of animals - dogs, cows, and pigs.

**Q. You're a father, grandfather and great grandfather. Are there any changes that you would make if you had the opportunity?**

I'm contented. I don't think that I would change anything. I'm 82 years old. We still enjoy traveling. No, nothing that I would change.

**Meeting - continued from page 1**



*Voters listen to results of Article ballots*

**Votes cast 150 (100 needed to pass) Aye 149 Nay 66, Motion - Passed**

**Article 2.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to build a salt shed on property currently owned by the Town of Bradford, on Cilley Lane in Bradford, N.H. and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$100,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee approved this appropriation. 2/3 ballot vote required.

**Votes Cast 150, Aye 70 Nay 80 Motion - Failed**

**Article 3.** To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to conduct a Phase 1 environmental site assessment, and if deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen, a Phase 11 environmental site assessment, on the lower dump site to assess the suitability of the area for the future location of town facilities. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. The budget committee does not recommend this appropriation. Simple majority needed.

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## Area Happenings

### Warner - KARS

The Kearsarge Area Rocket Society will host a model rocket launch on Saturday August 23 from 1PM to 4PM (raindate is following day, same time). The rocket launch will be in Warner. All are welcome to participate or spectate. There is no charge. For directions and any other details, please visit [www.KARSNH.org](http://www.KARSNH.org) on the web or call Mike Bellino at (603)938-5129



### South Newbury – Union Church:

Eighteenth Annual Summer Church Fair. August 9<sup>th</sup> – Rain or Shine. 9AM to 2 PM. (corner of Village and Sutton Roads) There will be something for everyone – Children’s Games/Fabulous Flea Market/Vendors/Home Baked items/ Amazing Chinese Auction/Great Raffle items/Food/Drinks/Music and Entertainment. The Fair is shaping up to be a great one. For more info, call 938-5369

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### Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Hikes

**Aug 10 (Sun)** Newport Town Forest 3 miles. Contact: Brent Scudder (763-0187)

**Aug 16 (Sat)** Climb 3 small mountains overlooking Newfound Lake 5 miles. Car pool to the trailhead. Contact: Ralph Spofford (526-6568)

**Aug 17 (Sun)** Morning walk on Class 6 and town sections of historic Old Province Road, arriving at Sutton’s Old Home Day celebration. 5 miles. Contact: Art Robbins (927-4377)

**Aug 22 (Fri)** In Springfield “Woods Without Gile.” Contact: Ann and Marc Davis (927-4596)

**Aug 23 (Sat)** “Hypotenuse Hike”: 10 miles. Contact: Dave Cook (526-9057)

Summer hikes organized by the Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition continue in August. Please contact the hike leader at least one day prior to the hike date. Be prepared with ample water, sunscreen, snacks. The SRK Greenway Coalition is a ten-town, all-volunteer non-profit organization with members throughout the SRK region and beyond. For more details see [www.srkg.com](http://www.srkg.com). Greenway guidebooks are available at local book stores.

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*Bradford Area Community Center Day Campers recently visited the Bradford Fire Station and learned about fire fighting, first response and ambulance and rescue operations from Bradford volunteer firefighters and EMT's Laurie and Elliott Brown. Standing in front of the station with the Browns and campers are Counselors Brian Coy and Jane Higgins. The BACC Day Camp is a non-profit activity of the Center and The Friends of BACC. For more information on Center activities contact Kate at 938-6228.*



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## August Calendar

### Fri. Aug. 1

9:00 -10:00 AM - Tai Chi Class –call Sasha Wolfe at 938-2115 for information, donation is requested  
11:30AM First Friday Brunch – Give yourself a break and enjoy a nice Brunch for only \$2.00. We are serving Cheese Omelet, Bacon, Zucchini & Tomato, Hash Browns, Croissant.  
7:00 PM – Movie Night  
7:00 PM – Book-to-Movie BML

### Sat. Aug. 2

10:00 AM – Summer Reading Program BML

### Mon. Aug. 4

7:30 AM -5:30 PM – Kid’s program -”Nature’s Circle”- begins for fifth week  
8:45AM MVSC Steppers  
10:00AM Ceramics with Doris  
10:30AM Yoga with Fran  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves BBQ Riblets, Western Scalloped Potatoes, Corn Niblets, Roll, Pudding.  
12:30PM Adult Ed. Gardening Series # 8 “Herbal First Aid”  
1:00 - 4:00 PM - Bridge Group

### Tues. Aug. 5

10:00AM Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Salmon Boat with Sauce, Rice, Carrots, Pears.  
6:00 – 7:30 PM Yoga Class – call Fran 456-3099 for information

### Thurs. Aug. 7

12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Grilled Chix Breast, Pasta Salad, Baked Beans, Fruit.  
3:00 – 6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
6:00 PM – Yoga Class

### Fri. Aug. 8

9:00-10:00 AM - Tai Chi Class  
7:00 PM – Movie Night

### Sat. Aug. 9

9:00 AM - Writing Group

### Mon. Aug. 11

7:30 AM -5:30 PM – Kid’s program -”Nature’s Circle”- begins for sixth week  
8:45AM MVSC Steppers  
10:00AM Ceramics with Doris  
10:30AM Yoga with Fran  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Salisbury Steak, Whipped Potatoes, Peas, Wheat Roll, Cake.  
1:00 PM - Bridge Group  
7:00 PM - Rural Heritage Connection

### Tues. Aug. 12

10:00AM Stitches from the Heart  
10:00AM Garden Series – Trip to Sage Knoll in East Washington for Herbal Garden Tour and Herbal Tea luncheon. Call 938-2104 to reserve space or for more information.  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Sloppy Joes on a Roll, Green Beans, and Orange.  
6:00-7:30 PM - Yoga Class

### Wed. Aug. 13

11:00AM Adult Ed. Gardening Series # 9 “Herbal Cooking with Heather.”  
4:30 PM - Bradford Area Community Center – Committee meeting  
5:45 PM - Parks & Recreation Dept. –meeting

### Thurs. Aug. 14

12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Teriyaki Pork Loin, Seasoned Rice, Oriental Veggies, Pineapple. August birthdates celebrated with cake and ice cream.  
3:00 – 6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
6:00 PM – Yoga Class

### Fri. Aug. 15

9:00 -10:00 AM -Tai Chi Class  
7:00 PM - Movie Night  
7:00 PM – Documentary movie BML

### Mon. Aug. 18

8:45AM MVSC Steppers  
10:00AM Ceramics with Doris  
10:30AM Yoga with Fran  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Stuffed Peppers with Sauce, Whipped Potatoes, Peas, Wheat Bread, Pot Luck Dessert.  
1:00 PM - Bridge Group

### Tues. Aug. 19

10:00AM Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Rotini Meatball Casserole, Wax Beans, Bread, Fruit.  
6:00 PM - Yoga Class  
7:00 – Conservation Commission – TH or BML

### Thurs. Aug. 21

11:00AM – 12:30PM Blood Pressure Clinic provided by Lake Sunapee Region VNA  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Pot Roast, Wild Rice, Carrots, Fruit Cup.  
12:30PM Adult Ed. Gardening Series #10 “Herbs for Health”  
3:00 – 6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
6:00 PM – Yoga Class

**Fri. Aug. 22**

9:00 AM - Tai Chi Class  
7:00 PM – Movie Night

**Sat. Aug. 23**

9:00 AM - Writing Group  
10:00 AM - Bradford Improvement Association  
5:00 -7:00 PM – Library Fundraising Dinner, Masonic Lodge

**Mon. Aug. 25**

8:45AM MVSC Steppers  
10:00AM Ceramics with Doris  
10:30AM Yoga with Fran  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Cold Salad Plate of Sliced Turkey, Pasta Salad, Marinated Veggies, Fruit Cup.  
1:00 PM - Bridge Group

**Tues. Aug. 26**

10:00 AM Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves Meatloaf with Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Corn, Cookie.  
6:00 PM - Yoga Class

**Wed. Aug. 27**

11:00AM Adult Ed. Gardening Series #11 “Herbal Cooking with Heather.”  
7:00 PM Historical Society presents TOOLS THAT BUILT EARLY HOUSES. Program by Richard Sherman. Old Post Office.

**Thurs. Aug. 28**

12 Noon Senior Community Dining serves BBQ Chix, Potato Salad, 3-Bean Salad, Roll, Pudding.  
3:00 – 6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
6:00 PM – Yoga Class

**Sat. Aug. 30**

9:00 AM-2:00 PM – Book Sale BM

All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted.

Please call to confirm dates and times in case there has been a change to the submitted information.

*Note: Send your comments on the new Calendar format to [bradfordbridge@mcttelecom.com](mailto:bradfordbridge@mcttelecom.com) or call 938-2877*

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**BML**- Brown Memorial Library  
**KAP**-Kearsarge Area Preschool  
**KRES**-Bradford Elementary School  
**MVSC** -Mountain View Senior Center  
**TH** - Bradford Town Hall  
**ZBA**-Zoning Board of Adjustment

## Ongoing Events

**CHILDREN’S STORYTIME** - WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30 PM. BML  
**CEMETERY COMMISSION** - 2ND THURSDAY AT 6 PM - CALL 938-5539 FOR INFORMATION  
**CONSERVATION COMMISSION** - 3RD TUESDAY 7:30 PM - TOWN HALL OR BML  
**FIRST FRIDAY BRUNCH** - 11:30 AM MVSC - RESERVATIONS APPRECIATED, CALL 938-2104  
**HISTORICAL SOCIETY**-OLD P.O BUILDING, OPEN MOST SATS. 1:30-3 PM OR CALL 938-5386  
**LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING** - 1ST MONDAY 7:00 PM - BML  
**PLANNING BOARD** - 2ND & 4TH TUESDAY 7 PM - TOWN HALL  
**RURAL HERITAGE CONNECTION** - 2ND MONDAY 7 PM - BACC  
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## Lettvin Chamber Music Series Review

by Marilyn J. Ziffrin

On Friday and Saturday evenings, July 18 and 19, the Bradford community had the special pleasure of attending the Lettvin Chamber Music Series at the Bradford Center Meetinghouse.

Linda Skernick, harpsichord, and Julie Ribchinsky, cello, performed on Friday evening; and the Saturday concert featured David Ripley, Bass-baritone, and Chad R. Bowles on the piano.

A special treat on both nights was the opportunity to hear young Tristan Smith, a Lettvin Scholarship winner, opening each concert with a composition by Franz Liszt. His skill and facile technique at the keyboard was very apparent, and it was a pleasure to hear him perform.

The Friday performance by Skernick and Ribchinsky included music by Bach, Scarlatti, and Vivaldi - all music from the Baroque period. For this reviewer the highlights were the short sonatas by Scarlatti and the Bach Sonata BMV 1028, the last on the program. In spite of some very slight intonation problems (due doubtless to the heat and humidity) the Bach was played with much

feeling, especially the slower movements.

Saturday's concert was really a joint performance not just voice with piano: for the pianist, Chad Bowles, performed two solo works. The first was a Haydn sonata and after intermission a Presto in B Flat major. In spite of some harshness, he played with much skill and feeling. But of course the highlight of the concert were the songs of the Schumann Dichterliebe (Poet's Love) and the Vier ernste Gesänge, Opus 121 (four Serious Songs) by Brahms.

Ripley has a beautiful voice, and in spite of the heat and humidity, he sang beautifully and with much feeling.

All in all those who attended the two events were lucky to hear such fine classical music concerts.



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## Library Lantern

by Meg Fearnley

We had a wonderful Independence Day at the library! Thanks to so many fine donations and a generous crowd, we had a very successful book and plant sale. Later that day we were thrilled to win a blue ribbon ("noisy" category) in the parade. I must thank Lydia, Jill and Andrew Pinard, Angela, Louisa and Harold Liberty, Oliver, Elaine and Tory Wolff, Patty Furness and the intrepid trustees Bea, Brooks, Rod and Erica. And thank you, Eric, for the buckets. The next book sale is on Saturday, August 30 from 9am-2pm.

Children are having a blast at the summer reading program. The last session is on Saturday, August 2 at 10am. We noticed an exciting trend in July—more children's books are circulating! Keep reading, and please keep asking for books. We love to add the books you want to your library.

Mark your calendar for the Trustee's Annual Fundraising Dinner on Saturday, August 23 from 5-7pm at St. Peter's Masonic Lodge on Main Street. We will serve BBQ ribs, fresh corn on the cob, various vegetarian side dishes and of course, pies! The cost is \$10, \$5 for children under 10. The Bradford Bog People will enhance your dining experience with foot-tapping music.

The Book-to-Movie series continues on Friday, August 1 at 7pm with *Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi. Copies of the next book *The Spy Who Came in From the Cold* by John LeCarre will be available early in August. This discussion will be on Friday, September 5 at 7pm. Don't forget the Documentary Movie series that continues on Friday, August 15 at 7pm. The International Movie Series will return in September.

Some of the new books added to your library in July:

### For adults

*Netherland* by Joseph O'Neill

*Nothing to Lose* by Lee Child

*Tribute* by Nora Roberts

*Devil May Care* by Sebastian Faulks

*The Other* by David Guterson

*Breath* by Tim Winton

### For children and young adults

*Wave* by Suzy Lee

*The Penderwicks on Gardam Street* by Jeanne Birdsall

*Ah, Music* by Alik

*Clementine's Letter* by Sara Pennypacker

*All the Lovely Bad Ones* by Mary Downing Hahn

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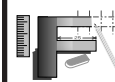
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## Obituaries

### John Albert Mosley

John Albert Mosley, 85, of Keene, NH, died June 16, 2008 with his family at his side. Born in Hillsboro, Oct. 27, 1922, he was the son of Frank and Elsie Mosley. His younger sister Jean Mosley died in 1962.

Albert attended Northeastern University and Keene State College before joining the Naval Air Corps and was a pilot flying torpedo bombers in World War II.

He married Brigida Saladino in 1946. They continued graduate study at the University of New Hampshire and Boston University. He taught and coached in Hollis, then became principal and coach at Hancock High. He came to Keene in 1949 as housemaster on the Keene State campus and critic teacher at Central Junior High. He was a member of the Lions, Country and Racquet Clubs in Keene, Mathematics Teachers of New England and American Association of University Professors. He served on the NH Professional Standards Board and Council, and NH Council of Teacher Education.

From 1955 until his retirement in 1988, he was in Keene State College's mathematics department. In 1963, he served as education officer with the US Agency for International Development in India, where the family lived for three years. He was a mathematics consultant for Columbia University's and the National Science Foundation's summer institutes in India.

In 1975, Albert spent his sabbatical leave on projects in England, Scotland, Belgium and Switzerland. The family traveled abroad extensively into his retirement. He

enjoyed chess, cribbage, bridge, tennis, golf, and gardening.

Al spent many summers at the family cottages on Oakdale Road, Lake Massasecum. His grandfather built one of these structures in 1919.

Survivors include his daughter, Dr. Alana Mosley, her husband Douglas Gilroy of Keene; his son, Kim Mosley and wife Cynthia of Methuen, MA; his wife, Brigida of Keene; several cousins; and grandchildren, Albie, PJ, Brigida of Keene, and Jennifer and John Mosley of Methuen, MA.

### Michael Laspesa

Michael "Ike" A. Laspesa, 47, died July 3, 2008, in Concord. Born on Sept. 21, 1960 in Lawrence, MA, he was raised in Andover, MA, where he attended school. Mike loved country music, dancing, riding motorcycles and his dog, Spike.

He was the son of Anne (Ward) Ross of North Andover, MA, and Joseph Laspesa of Randolph, MA who both survive him. His brother, Bruce Laspesa, predeceased him in 2006. Survivors include his brother, Mark Laspesa of Concord; his sister, Elizabeth Ruel and her husband, Jonathan, of Bradford; his stepson and his family, Joseph Castro, Jenny and granddaughter, Shania Castro, of Lawrence, MA; sister-in-law, Rhonda Laspesa and nephews, Bruce Laspesa Jr. and Anthony Laspesa of Warner; nephews, Jonathan and Christopher Ruel of Bradford; good friends, Terry Brazille of Lowell, MA; uncles, aunts, cousins, many friends, and his dog, Spike.

### Scott A. Mecum

Scott A. Mecum, 57 of Bradford died peacefully Monday, June 30 at his residence surrounded by loving family.

He was born in Evansville, Indiana on February 19, 1951 a son of Glenard and Marie (Kelley) Mecum. He attended local schools there. He worked as a civil engineer and teacher, and for the past ten years as an IT Specialist at the Community College System of New Hampshire in Concord.

He was a quiet, thoughtful, selfless man, who enjoyed life the most when spending time with his family and at his home on the lake.

He is survived by a loving companion, Marie Marcum of Bradford; 2 sons, Adam Burr-Mecum of Concord and Gideon Mecum and his wife Dorothee of Little Rock, AK; a daughter, Megan Haaga and her husband, Jay of Philadelphia, PA; a brother, Jerry Mecum of LaSalle, Ill; a sister Sharon Morris of Rantoul, Ill and a grandchild, Benjamin Gideon Mecum.

Services will be private and held at a later date.20

In lieu of flowers please send donations for a relay for life memorial garden for those stricken with cancer to: River Valley Community College, 1 College Dr., Claremont NH 03747. Checks can be made out to RVCC-Scott Mecum.



# Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

Many thanks to the Fourth of July Celebration Committee - and the town - for letting me be the Grand Marshall of this year's parade. It was a real honor that brought my family together for one of the few times - from California, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Our Bradford Celebration of the 4th of July has been a Mecca for my family for more than 50 years and this honor was greatly appreciated. A special thank you to Robert Hoefler who was willing to use his motorcycle for the occasion. Kudos to the committee for a great plan and for completing one of the best Celebrations for which Bradford is noted.

Sincerely,  
Edythe L. Craig, D.O.

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The members of the Bradford Fire Department would like to thank everyone who has donated to the Fire Department during our previous fund drive letters. We have decided NOT to hold a fund-raiser this year because of the current tough economic times. Thank you for all your support.

Bradford Fire Department

To My Angels in Bradford:

I want to express my abundant gratitude to all the people, friends, neighbors and strangers, who heard of my illness in March and answered with a show of kindness that represents the true nature of "our" Bradford. Many thanks to you all,

Annie Ball

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THANK YOU

These two words are over used and not used enough. In the first instance, they have lost their sincerity. In the second case, we hesitate to use them because they have lost sincerity.

I however have been asked to express the gratitude of a large body of people who love and cherish The First Baptist Church in Bradford.

When it was found that God's house needed serious maintenance or we would surely lose it. A careful estimate told us \$75,000 will be needed to stabilize and save it." The leadership boards met praying for guidance. The Bible pointed to John 16: 24 "Hitherto you have asked nothing in my name; ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full."

Our fund drive was launched and like a stone thrown into a pond the ripples are going out. Money is coming in. Although we have a lot more to do, together it will be done. Watch the progress pictorial at the church. Can we possibly reach 50% before you read this?

With God all things are possible!

I am quite sure that each donor thanks every other donor with a sincere, heartfelt,

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## Planning Board Notes

**Conceptual Consultation** Doug Sweet, representing Ken Brown, presented a conceptual plan to combine several lots and create a subdivision that would result in fewer house lots. The Board pointed out that the proposed hammerhead does not meet current regulations and suggested that the applicant discuss this with the Fire Department.

**Site Plan** An application was presented by Jessica Selby to operate a child care center at 57 West Main Street (former site of Video Pursuit). Ms. Selby has received a State Licensing Permit for the business that sets the number of children allowed. A driveway permit is pending to provide access for the upstairs tenant. Hours of operation will be from 7:15 AM to 5:30 PM. The Board approved the plan with five conditions: Driveway permit, Septic approval, State License, Compliance with all local Fire and building regulations, and notation on the plan of the hours of operation.

**Subdivision** Daniel Kraft presented his application for a minor subdivision of property with frontage on both Sunset Hill and Hogg Hill Roads. He received a variance from the Zoning Board of Adjustment to create a lot that does not meet the frontage requirements on Hogg Hill. The Board voted to accept the

application, but delayed final approval pending review by the Conservation Commission.

**DPxTwo** Dan and Dawn Pettiglio, owners of the Fitness Center on Route 103 discussed a letter received from the Code Enforcement Officer regarding plantings on the property that were shown on the approved site plan. The Board determined that a revised site plan should be submitted for Planning Board review.

**Gravel Pits** On July 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mary Pinkham-Langer, Gravel Pit Appraiser from the NH Department of Revenue Administration and Code Enforcement Officer Edwin Fowler inspected twelve excavation sites. A report filed by Ms. Pinkham-Langer was reviewed by the Board. After much discussion, the Board determined that several of the sites should be declared “abandoned” under the definition in RSA 155-E:2, II: “No earth material of sufficient weight or volume to be commercially useful has been removed from that excavation site during any 2-year period...” Several other property owner will be notified that reclamation of the site must be completed or an excavation permit is required. A complete listing of these properties can be found in the

minutes of the Planning Board meeting of July 22, 2008.

Ms. Pinkham-Langer was thanked by the Planning Board for all her assistance in resolving the status of these pits.

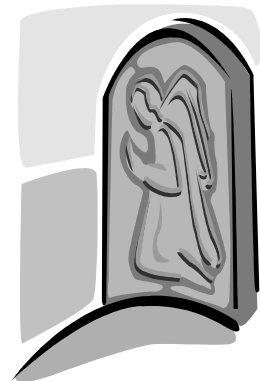
### Site Plan Review Regulations

The Planning Board is currently updating and revising the site plan review regulations. This will continue at the work session on August 22<sup>nd</sup> with a public hearing for approval tentatively scheduled for September 23, 2008. All interested parties are urged to attend the work session to offer comments and suggestions. Draft regulations will be available at the Town Hall by mid-August.

*Minutes of all Planning Board meetings are on file at the Town Hall*

### Meet Your Neighbors, The Quiet Ones.

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## KEARSARGE DISTRICT NEWS

### School District Report

Jon Steiner

It's the middle of summer and no one wants to think about back to school yet...but things are happening. Our new superintendent, Jerry Frew, has been getting up to speed quickly on all the day-to-day operations he is responsible for as well as the long range plans and wish lists the school board has piled on his desk. By this time, we may also have a new Asst. Superintendent on board, as Laura Nelson has accepted a position in the Exeter School district overseeing the Stratham school. She helped do great things with our curriculum and will be missed.

You may see more buses in Bradford, as the STA, our new bus company has leased property on Breezy Hill Road for their headquarters. We will have new buses so please reinforce to your children the importance of respecting the buses in regard to cleanliness and vandalism, as we all pay for them. In the past, school board policy has allowed for cameras in buses and they have been used infrequently. Now, all buses will have 3 cameras on board to help maintain safety and discipline. We have renewed our focus on holding kids accountable for their behavior on the buses as an extension of the expectations we have for them while in the school.

In the Bradford School, Isabelle will enter 3<sup>rd</sup> grade...time goes so fast. She was very excited to learn she will have Mr. Smith as a teacher. She has always had great teachers...from the preschool through KRES Bradford; however he will be the first male teacher she has had and she thinks that will be pretty cool. He comes to Bradford with good reviews. We are fortunate to have a school with a variety of new and experienced educators and all of whom care so much about our kids.



*Customers at the Bradford Farmers Market watched as Jerry Yeager of Ewe & I Farm, Sutton Mills sheared a goat from Battles Farm in Bradford. The Market is held every Thursday from 3PM -6PM and features a variety of vendors selling vegetables, flowers, meat and dairy products, wool items and other craft goods.*

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Peter Francese is the Demographic Advisor to the New Hampshire Association of REALTORS (NHAR) and he compiles the most interesting and useful data for real estate professionals to use and share with buyers and sellers. He is an expert on sprawl and how towns use zoning and master plans to predict and plan for future growth. In one of his recent articles I was surprised to learn that our state is now the fifth-oldest in the nation. In fact, the six New England states are now all among the 10 oldest states in the nation. I know many people retire to New Hampshire and New England to enjoy the lifestyle and beautiful surroundings, but you always think about states in warmer climates as being more popular with those aged 30 and above.

The national median age in 2007 was 36.6 years and New Hampshire came in at 39.8 years. Back in 1990, our state was the 31<sup>st</sup> oldest state with a median age of 32.7 years. Our state leads the region in age 65-plus growth, with a 12 percent rate of increase from 2000 to 2007, or 17,800 persons. This compares to total growth of 13,800 persons in all of the other New England states combined. There was also a 50,000 person increase in New Hampshire's 55 to 64 population and a 36,000 person rise in ages 45 to 54. At that same time, the number of children under age 18 dropped by 4 percent to 298,000 – their lowest level since 2000.

While all of these numbers have implications for schools, transportation, hospitals and so on, they also play a part in the current real estate market. In New

## Aging New Hampshire

by Laura Hallahan

Hampshire for the first four months of 2008, 2,572 residential units were sold, 24 percent below the same period last year. As of April 2008, there were around 15,800 homes for sale statewide, only slightly above the 15,500 listed as of April 2007. The huge inventory buildup that has been occurring in other parts of the country does not appear to be happening here, but what we lack are enough home buyers in part because of our aging population.


A very high percentage of the larger and fast growing older populations in New Hampshire are already homeowners, and most don't want to take on the challenge of selling one home to buy another in today's market. 85 percent of households ages 55 to 64 are homeowners and of the largest group of 45 to 54 year olds, 81 percent own homes. Drop down to the age group 25 to 34 and only about half are homeowners. Because mortgage lenders are not as able or eager to lend as they have been in recent years, these first-time homebuyers may be having some difficulty becoming homeowners, something that would provide a tremendous boost to home sales across the state. Even with double-digit declines in home sales year over

year, the median sales price of residential units is only down 8 percent as an average statewide. In Merrimack County the change is 11 percent and the median price for a home is \$221,700. With a statewide median household income of almost \$65,000 that figure represents a reasonably affordable home for a family. Condominium sales are off 39 percent from last year and the median sales price is 3 percent lower. All in all, our state is faring better than many and our region of New Hampshire is also.

### Recent Sales in Bradford

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- 47 Jones Road, 1953 Cape on 5.29 acres for \$228,000
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# First Baptist Church News

From Lynn E. Hubley

**Food Pantry:** The monthly distribution of food for the month of August will be given out on Wednesday, August 20 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Food can also be obtained by calling the church office at 938-5313.

**Bradford Center Meeting House:** Our Worship service will be held at the Bradford Center Meeting House on Sunday, August 24 at 10:00 a.m.



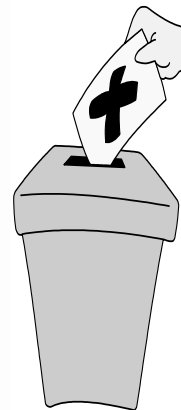
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## Before and After



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## 4th of July Parade 2008



Politicians, local and state, were abundant



Kids had their day



Miss New Hampshire, Natalie Shaw



Grand Marshall, Edythe Craig, gets a ride from Bob Hoefler

## A Culinarian's Column

by Caryl Walker

This spring The Bridge asked me to write a food-recipe column. I agreed, reluctantly, thinking of all the beautiful and thoughtfully written articles of others, and managed to fluff it off with my non-stop schedule at school. School's out. It's July.

Julia Child or Rachel Ray, I am not. I am a very good, imaginative cook, read cookbooks like novels, cannot stand throwing out food, like re-inventing recipes with what is in the refrigerator, and love to teach. As an instructor, we, in education, always look for that "teachable moment" and this is mine—a recipe and a little lesson.

Summer is salad time, but I tire of tossed salad. Recently, I had dinner with a friend and she made a composed salad of orange semi-circles, avocado slices, slivers of Bermuda onion and a bouquet of cilantro. (She dislikes cilantro and used parsley.) The salad was sprinkled with freshly squeezed lime juice and olive oil. The salad was a delight to the palate and the eye.

A few days later, I was looking at a very ripe cantaloupe. I also had strawberries and blueberries. Here's my composed salad:

## Cantaloupe and Berry Salad with Basil and Lime Vinaigrette

Cantaloupe slices, 5-7 per serving

Strawberries, 2 per serving, hulled and sliced thinly

Blueberries, 2-3 tablespoons per serving

Juice of 1/2 lime per salad

White Balsamic vinegar, 1 teaspoon per salad

Olive oil, 1 teaspoon per salad

Basil, 1-2 leaves per salad

Salt and Pepper, to taste

1. Cut cantaloupe into wedges. Cut wedges in half crosswise. Cut the flesh, to, but not through the rind, into long even slices. Trim off rind, holding knife (a boning knife works well) parallel and close to the rind. Arrange slices on a plate like spokes of a wheel or in a fan.
2. Rinse and pat dry strawberries. To remove core, put tip of paring knife into the strawberry at a 45 angle and turn the strawberry. Stand strawberry on end and slice into 4 or 5 slices. Arrange slices between spokes or in a band over the fan.
3. Rinse and pick over blueberries. Pat dry. Scatter the blueberries over the salad.
4. Roll lime under your hand on a cutting board. Cut lime in half. Squeeze juice over the salad.
5. Drizzle the vinegar and olive oil over the salad. Season lightly with salt and pepper.
6. Rinse Basil leaves and pat dry. Stack leaves and roll like a cigar. Cut crosswise into thin slices. (Voila, you just completed a chiffonade!) Scatter the chiffonade of basil over the salad.
7. Eat and enjoy.

## Tips for composed salads:

1. Rinse and dry fruits and vegetables thoroughly to prevent soggy salads and watered-down dressing.
2. Prepare as close to serving time as possible.
3. Cut fruits and vegetables into bite size pieces. Larger slices should be easily cut with a fork. Cut each fruit or vegetable in a similar fashion.
4. When arranging the fruits and vegetables, keep them off the rim of the plate. Think of the rim as a picture frame and your salad as the picture.
5. Think color, texture, and shape for eye appeal. Think salty, sweet, sour, bitter, and umami to enliven the taste buds. A little blue cheese would have done the umami trick on my salad. To let fruit flavors shine, keep dressings simple and mild.

**Where's the Ice Cream?**

Who remembers the soda fountain at Dodge's (now Masters) – one of Bradford's Community Cornerstones? In years past, that was one of the favorite stops for ice cream on a hot summer day. Frozen treats could also be found at the Millie Jane, the Casino at Lake Massasecum, and more recently at Frost Top in Newbury Harbor. In an effort to update the list, the Bridge's intrepid Treasurer and Ad Rep, Maureen O'Keefe, and her daughters volunteered to do a partial survey of the area. Findings, to date, include cones and frappes at Pizza Chef, packaged frozen treats at Master's and CobblePond Farms, gelato at Marzelli's, and a newly opened ice cream window at the Quik Stop in Newbury.

Where do you satisfy your ice cream craving on a hot summer day in the Bradford area? Let us know so we can pass it on: [bradfordbridge@mcttelecom.com](mailto:bradfordbridge@mcttelecom.com)

### Thomas Graduates From Seminary

Former area resident Sherry Thomas recently graduated with honors from Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, MA with a Master of Divinity degree. Thomas, along with her husband, Chris Chomitz, owned Family & Friends Garage in Bradford a decade ago. Thomas was active in local civic affairs at the time: EMT volunteer with Bradford Rescue,



charter member of Bradford Business Association, founder of the annual Messiah Sing-in at the First Baptist Church of Bradford, contributing writer to the Bradford Bridge, and member of the Bradford Voter's Coalition.

Thomas is on an ordination track through the United Church of Christ and her ministerial emphasis is in working with the elderly. For the past several years, she has worked at several nursing homes and retirement communities, in addition to volunteering at a number of therapeutic riding stables assisting disabled riders. Originally accepted at Andover Newton's master's program without a bachelor's degree, her future plans include completing her undergraduate education as a Davis Scholar at Wellesley College by 2010.

Local relatives include daughter Rachel de Thomas and family, aunt Ann Thomas and stepmother Beverly Almgren, all of Warner. Chris and Sherry currently reside in Scituate, MA.

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- June 19 - Roxanne and The Voodoo Rockers
- June 26 - Tammy Jackson
- July 3 - Chris Kleeman Band
- July 10 - Saylyn
- July 12 - Lunch at the Dump - 3:00 p.m.
- July 12 - The Fountain Square Ramblers - 7:30 p.m.
- July 17 - Putnam-Pirozzoli Guitar Duo
- July 24 - Bruce Marshall Group
- July 31 - Amoskeag Strummers
- Aug. 7 - Chill Set
- Aug. 14 - Mink Hills Band
- Aug. 17 - Roxanne and The Voodoo Rockers - Noon
- Aug. 21 - Dr. Harps Blues Revue Band
- Aug. 28 - East Bay Jazz Ensemble

All concerts will be held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at the gazebo at Newbury Harbor, unless otherwise noted. In case of inclement weather, concerts will be postponed until the following Wednesday. For further information contact Travis Dezotell at 763-4940 ext. 210.

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## Grant Project at French's Park

by Mary Keegan-Dayton

The New Hampshire Lakes Association, the Lake Massasecum Improvement Association and the Town of Bradford have worked together in a collaborative effort to make some improvements to French's Park this past month. Erosion control and education were the focus of the project. Drainage ditches and culverts were added in addition to new steps to the lake and vegetative buffers along the drainage ditches. A few students from KRHS and Science Teacher, Peter Hattan worked on the project.

The New Hampshire Lakes Association (NHLA) is piloting a new program creating Lake Conservation Corps., according to Andrea LaMoreaux, NHLA Education Outreach Director. "I'm sure every lake and every community has an erosion project and kids who want to learn about it," said LaMoreaux. The first project was last summer at Newfound Lake and this summer finds two projects: one in Bradford at Lake Massasecum, and one in Pittsburg.

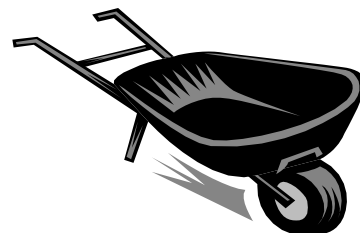
NHLA is a statewide member-supported nonprofit group dedicated to protecting NH lakes, which are "integral to the quality of life and economic health of the state", according to their website, [nhlakes.org](http://nhlakes.org). They advocate for boater education, water safety, invasive species prevention, appropriate public access, and a balance of lake uses. Established in 1992, NHLA is a volunteer organization which receives financial support from individuals, lake associations, corporations and foundations.

Funding for the Lake Massasecum project was collaborative. Town Administrator, Cheryl Behr and Andrea LaMoreaux applied for and received a Moose Plate Grant in order to buy materials for the project. They received \$4700 to buy the rocks, culverts, wood and plantings needed. Additionally, NHLA and the Lake Massasecum Improvement Association donated \$2500



for labor. Wales Carter, Luke Dombrowski, Catherine Allen and Shamus Heffernan were hired to work on the project with Peter Hattan as crew boss. In order to kick off the project, Andrea LaMoreaux brought in an expert from UNH to look at the landscape at the lake and talk to the work crew about storm damage, water runoff and how to fix it. A second expert was brought in at the end of the project from Soundwell Farms in Concord to discuss the proper way to plant the new shrubbery and how placement can help with erosion control. Bradford Community Center Program Director, Kate Dombrowski also helped with the project and organized the labor.

The day I stopped by the project, the group was shoveling rock into a wheelbarrow supported by KRHS Senior, Wales Carter. Wales wheeled the rock over to the steps to fill an area with the help of Catherine Allen and Luke Dumbroski. Peter Hattan helped support the heavy load and spread the fill. Luke was the spokesman for the project and spoke about, "stopping erosion problems and making the park more accessible and nicer." Shovels, piles of stone, bark mulch and work gloves adorned the site. Each crew member, dressed in a green NHLA Lake Conservation Corps tee



### Recycling Paper Produces Many Benefits

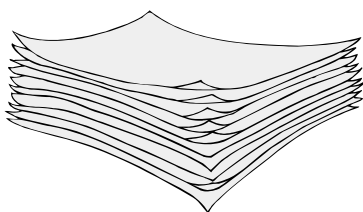
During economic crunches, as we seem to be experiencing presently, recycling paper can be beneficial in many ways.

Paper (anything that rips) constitutes about 60 percent of our discards.

When paper is kept out of the compactor, the town of Bradford saves \$43.50 per ton in tipping fees (the cost to dispose of compactor waste). Baling our recycled mixed paper brings \$80 per ton and baling our recycled cardboard brings \$110 per ton to the town. Recycling paper is a win-win deal for Bradford's taxpayers!

Recycling paper and many, many other items helps to curb and reduce air and water pollution, save trees and other natural resources, and stem the tide of global warming. Conservation has become a rewarding lifestyle for many people. As recycling becomes part of our mindsets, it becomes easier to accomplish. Recycling centers are set up in our homes and businesses, and people are becoming more aware and eager to participate in the financial, environmental, and aesthetic benefits of recycling. When you bring your recyclables to the Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center, my assistant Lois and I will be glad to assist you and answer any questions you may have.

—Kenneth Anderson, Manager



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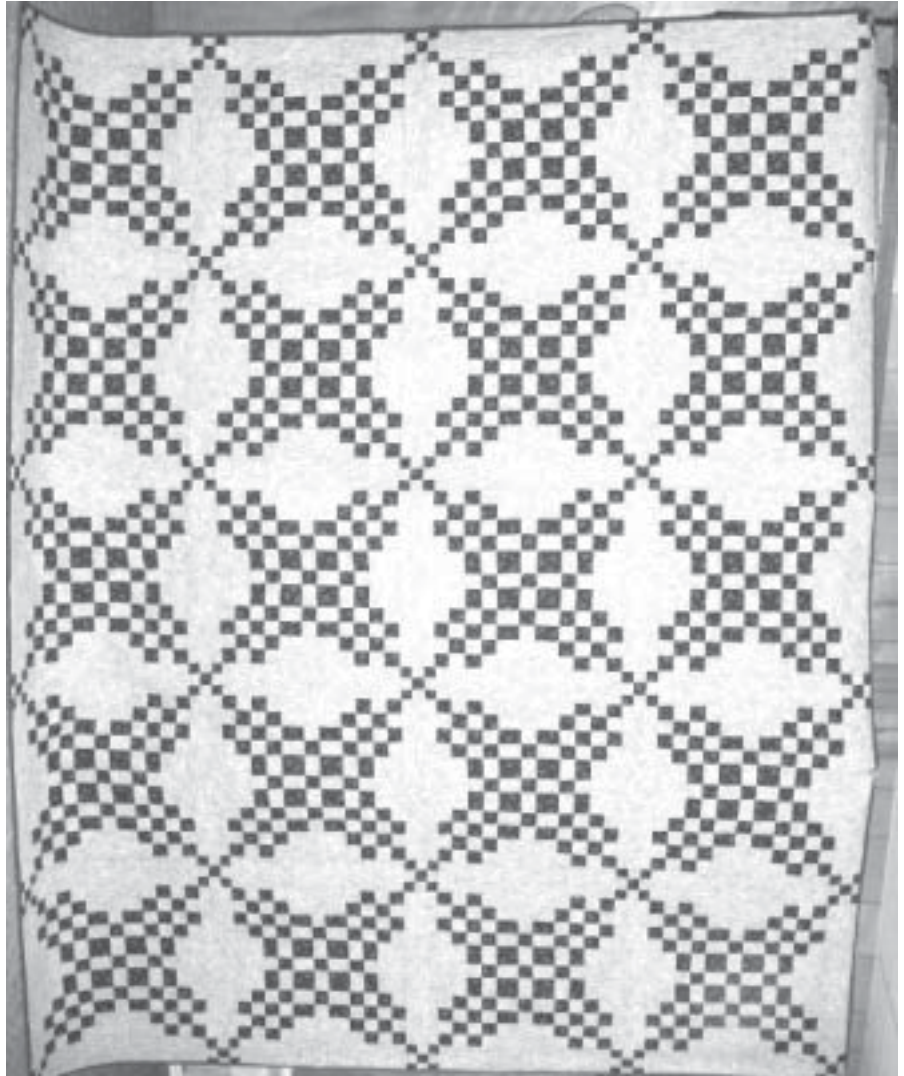
- On the river with access to Lake Massasecum,
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**Found:** in French's Park on 7/26, pair of wire rimmed prescription sunglasses. Call 938-2600

#### Masterpieces of Love



In 1991 a talented group of artistic women started the Kearsarge Quilters' Guild. In 2003 the women of this guild began donating quilts to the Rape & Domestic Violence Crisis Center for women and children to take with them when they left the crisis center. Most often come with nothing and leave with a little masterpiece created with love. In 2002 the guild was asked to donate a quilt for RDVCC's annual quilt raffle that took place at Market Days in downtown Concord. Their generosity has extended for 6 years. To date they have donated at total of 120 quilts. These women are extraordinary in their support of a vital social issue.