Parade Winners
Bradford Independence Day 2013

**Bradford Finest:**
1st Place—Bradford Fire Department & Bradford Rescue
2nd Place—New London Fire Department
Warner Fire Department
Newbury Fire Department
Henniker Fire Department

**Bradford’s Bravest:**
1st Place—Bradford’s Police Department

**Organization Floats:**
1st Place—Bradford Library
2nd Place--Captain Morrell

**Antique Cars:**
1st Place—Dick MacLeod
2nd Place—Harold Hazelton
3rd Place—John Davis

**Animal:**
1st Place—Jeffrey Russell

**Kids Walking/Riding:**
1st Place—Massasecum Tubing Queens
2nd Place—Eddie & David Leonard

**1st Place** went to Smokey the Bear.
Anyone who would dress in that suit in the heat that we had, deserves 1st Place.

The Parade Committee would like to thank all those that participated in the parade on one of the hottest days of the year.

(Above) Tom Dunne serves Brick Oven Pizza from his dragon oven

(Left) Hal Liberty, center, gets help from his grandchildren Michael Rowe, Harold James Liberty IV, Michael Boldt and Kai Boldt

(Right) Steve Wescott giving blacksmithing demonstrations at the Smithy on July 6

(Left) Andrew Pinard gives instructions for the Kids Fun Run

Photos by Sasha Wolfe
Letter from the Editor

So many positive and exciting events have taken place in Bradford in the past month it is difficult to cover all of them. Starting with the Independence Day celebration – roast beef dinner, Masonic Breakfast, 5-K run, Church Fair, parade, events at the Smithy, horse & wagon rides from Fair to Smithy, and fireworks! Thanks to Tom Dunne and crew, the Town Hall was open for the art show and a successful silent auction was held on the front lawn to support renovations of the building. Adjacent to the auction were animals from The Granite State Zoo brought by Caleb Bruss. The wandering tortoise was a great attraction.

Use of the Town Hall’s second floor continued when *Persephone: Myth of the Seasons*, culmination of the Library Summer Reading Program, was performed on the stage. Laurie Buchar directed a cast of local children. (see photo on page 20)

Other summer events have included outstanding concerts at the Center Meetinghouse with the Lettvin Chamber Music series and a concert by local artist William Ogmundson. It was announced that the building has just been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Congratulations and thanks to those who put so much effort into this approval process.

Consult the Calendar in this Bridge and watch for posters around town announcing August events - free band concert and ice cream social, magic by Andrew Pinard, ‘Moose Man’, fund-raising dinners at the Masonic Lodge. Enjoy the many offerings in and around town and support the work of our local organizations.

The Bridge Board has changed the deadline for submitting ads and articles to help advertisers, writers and editors. Please help us keep on schedule by observing a firm deadline of the 20th of each month. If there is a late event or meeting, let us know and space can be reserved, but otherwise – in by the 20th or publication cannot be assured.

Thanks for your help.

The summer weather has not been kind to our local businesses who depend on the summer for much of their income or to our farmers growing crops and trying to harvest hay. The owners of Lake Massasecum Campground were especially hard hit with their parking lot flooded for much of the July 4th weekend. May the August weather be more as we imagine summer to be summer and kinder for all outdoor activities.

Marcia Keller
August Editor
Selectmen’s Highlights

Solid Waste Coop: Selectmen voted not to sign up with the Concord Solid Waste Coop at this time. With two more years on the current contract, other options will be considered. George Naughton agreed to put a proposal in writing for a five year plan to handle the town waste that would commence in two years.

Appointments: Walter Royal was appointed Code Enforcer for stump dump inspection; BrooksMcCandlish to inspect permitted gravel pits on an annual basis; Scott MacLean was appointed as an Alternate to the Conservation Commission.

Town Hall: A Town Hall Restoration Maintenance Trust account has been established to handle funds received during the year with the Selectmen authorized to accept and expend without further action by Town Meeting. This is in addition to requesting that the Rural Heritage Connection continue to hold 501 (c) (3) funds in its Cornerstone Account.

French’s Park: Following discussion concerning the use of French’s Park by non-residents, Police Chief Jim Valiquet agreed that a cruiser will visit the park periodically for a few weeks. He said a resident can bring three guests, but not three out of town cars.

It was also noted that people were walking in from the street, and should be monitored. After much discussion, it was suggested there be one sign with all concerns listed to be placed in the area of French’s Park.

Conservation Commission: Selectmen signed a letter of appreciation to the Commission for the recently completed “Natural Resources Inventory for the Town of Bradford”.

West Meadow Stables: Rob Messer stated he has been approved by the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment to build an indoor riding arena. He has been made aware the Fire Department is unhappy with the decisions made by those boards who have been working with him to get his permits in order. After much discussion, Harry Wright said that there is an approved plan, and, if there is a question it may be easily answered by sitting down and talking about it. After much more controversy, Mark Goldberg agreed to meet at the hydrant and bridge as requested by Rob Messer and discuss the situation.

Independence Day Celebration: Marlene Freyler discussed some problems encountered during the activities on July 6th. John Pfeifle suggested better communication is needed and a coordination meeting in September was suggested.

A Trust account was established to hold donations for the 4th of July Celebration. If not used this contingency would go to the Library and Community Center at fifty percent each.

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

Planning Board

Site Plan and Boundary Adjustment: At the conclusion of several public hearings and lengthy discussions, the Planning Board approved a site plan for an automotive recycling facility on property owned by Martyn Chivers (O. E. Trucking) on Breezy Hill Road. Six conditions were set that must be met before the approval is final, including an as built plan by a licensed land surveyor or engineer that document all the site plan improvements shown on the approved site plan.

A boundary line adjustment between Lots 74 A & B was also approved to allow the facility to be located on a single lot.

West Meadow Stables: The following letter was read into the record:

To Whom this may concern,

Based on the fact that the Bradford Fire Department believes the Messer Riding Arena and Stables is an Agricultural use based on the States Definition in RSA 21:34-a and also based on the opinion of Town Attorney Bernie Waugh as of 7/12/13 the Bradford Fire Department waives all previous comments to the Bradford Planning Board in regard to water storage requirements for the site. The Bradford Fire Department still strongly encourage the Owners to investigate and provide sufficient water storage for their own protection in case of Fire at the premises.

Mark Goldberg. Chief

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### Newbury

**Wednesday, August 7 at 7:00 PM** - Katelyn Croft, who has been accepted to study harp at Eastman School of Music & Chinese at Rochester University this fall, will present a concert at the Newbury Center meeting house. Free & open to the public.

### The Fells

**Saturday, August 3, 11am-12:30pm** - Dragonflies and damselflies. Members free, nonmembers pay site admission. Meet at The Fells Gate House classroom.

**Monday-Tuesday, August 5-6, 9am-12:30pm** Painting the Landscape – Children’s Art in Nature Summer Camp

Students, ages 6-12. Members $65, nonmembers $80, all materials provided. Children bring lunch and personal necessities. Limited enrollment, registration required by **July 29**.

**Thursday, August 8, 1-3pm (session 7)** Creating Habitat for Birds and Butterflies

Landscaping for birds begins with trees and thickets for food and cover. Advance registration required by August 2. Meet at The Fells Gatehouse classroom.

**Saturday, August 10, 10am-3pm** Hay Day Family Festival

Enjoy old-fashioned games, music, children’s art projects, scavenger hunt, petting zoo, face painting and delicious food. Members free, nonmembers pay site admission. Rain or shine.

### Area Events

**Monday, August 12, 8-9:30pm (Rain date, August 13) Of Constellations & Perseids: Star Gazing and Meteors**

Fred Sladen of the New London Outing Club will lead this field trip of star-gazing and shooting-stars during the halcyon evenings of summer. Members free, nonmembers pay site admission. No registration required. Meets at The Fells Welcome Kiosk.

**Sunday, August 18, 5-9pm 12th Benefit Auction**

An elegant extravaganza under a majestic tent on the lovely Fells Rose Terrace. Check back frequently to view our growing list of exciting items. $60 per person, reserve on or before August 12. To reserve, call 603-763-4789 x3.

**Wednesday-Friday, August 21-23, 10am-3pm Landscape Painting at the Fells**

Enjoy the beauty of the gardens and architecture of The Fells in a **plein air** workshop taught by Aline Ordman. Work is in either pastels or oils with demonstrations in each provided daily. Aline’s website for viewing at www.alineordman.com <http://www.alineordman.com/> . Members $200, nonmembers $225. Advance registration required by August 16.

*For more information about any of these events, contact The Fells at 603-763-4789 x 3 or visit www.thefells.org.*

### New London

**Thursday, August 15th 4:00-6:00 pm** Stoney Brook Project Hike

Explore this important 145-acre property that provides the final link between two large conservation properties. Beth McGuinn, Ausbon Sargent Land Protection Specialist and Phil Brown, Audubon’s Director of Land Management, will lead this hike over the Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway trail. The Stoney Brook Conservation Alliance is currently raising funds to conserve this property, and once successful, the land will be owned by NH Audubon with a conservation easement held by Ausbon Sargent. The hike will be moderately strenuous with significant off-trail hiking and some steep up and down grades. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact Nancy Smith at our office by calling 526-6555 or e-mailing nsmith@ausbonsargent.org if you plan to join us.

### Warner

**Tuesday August 20 11:30 – 12:30 PM at United Church of Warner, 43 East Main Street in Warner.** Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a free presentation “Invigorate Your Spirit, Rejuvenate Your Body” Resolution in your life can happen at any time. Instead of focusing on lofty goals, it may be a good time to focus on gentle ways to take care of yourself and rejuvenate your core. Learn simple ways to recharge and renew your spirit.
Area Events

For more information, call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

Kearsarge Chorale
The Kearsarge Chorale seeks singers to participate in the Chorale’s fall program celebrating the 100th anniversary of the birth of English composer Benjamin Britten. The concert will feature Britten’s Ceremony of Carols. Anyone wishing to sing with the Chorale should contact: Artistic Director David Almond @526-2110; or AlmondKC@gmail.com.

Sutton

Saturday & Sunday August 24-25 Muster Field Farm - Farm Days. Watch for listing of events.

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Variances: The ZBA approved a variance for property on Deer Valley Road, Map 8, Lot 12, owned by Jim Bibbo to allow a subdivision with 1.1 acres of buildable land in the Conservation District.

A variance was approved at 37 High Street, Map 16, Lot 16, to allow Frederico Montanari to build a garage closer to the road than the required setback.

Special Exception: The application from Brad Morrow, Map 18, Lot 28, 57 Crittenden Road was approved to move a cottage farther back from the shore of Lake Massasecum.

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Bradford Main Street Revitalization & Bradford Economic Revitalization Committees

The Committees met in a joint session in June and set a goal of attracting customers traveling along Route 103. Some ideas include lamp posts, flowers, flags and other ways to make main street inviting. Other efforts will be directed at business and government working together, a comprehensive website, and bringing young and old together to share ideas.

A stated motto is:
“*If people are not adaptive to change, we will not progress as a town.*”

The Main Street Committee has prepared a mission statement, begun to clear a walking trail on the Naugton property, trimmed plants in Bicentennial Park, discussed working with the BBA and would like to prepare a master plan for the area. The next meeting is Tuesday August 6 at 7 pm at the Community Center.

Bradford Events

Thursday August 1st 4:00 – 6:00 PM Hike the Blitzer Property. Explore the 100+ acre wooded property to learn why the Blitzers conserved the land in 1999 and decided to care for their land by hiring a forester, devising a plan for their woods and harvesting timber with the future forest in mind. Beth McGuinn Land Protection Specialist for Ausbon Sargent, Tim Fleury, Forestry Educator for UNH Cooperative Extension, and Brooks McCandlish, the Blitzers’ consulting forester will lead a hike over the property’s wooded roads and through untrailed areas. The hike is especially designed for landowners considering how to best care for their woodland and others interested in seeing the resulting forest years after a commercial timber harvest. The hike will be moderately strenuous with steep areas and off-trail walking.

Participants should be in good physical condition. This hike is co-sponsored by the UNH Cooperative Extension and the Bradford Conservation Commission. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact Nancy Smith at our office by calling 526-6555 or e-mailing nsmith@ausbonsargent.org if you plan to join us.

Join in, enjoy and support other August events in Bradford:

**Fund-raisers at Masonic Lodge**
Sunday August 4 @ 5-7 PM
Ham, Bean & Chicken Dinner to benefit local charities
Saturday August 17 @ 5-7 PM
Chicken dinner to support Brown Memorial Library

**Brown Memorial Library**
Friday August 1 @ 7 PM
Andrew Pinard’s Discovering Magic
Monday, August 12 @ 7 PM
Poetry Workshop’s Poetry Jam

**Conservation Commission**
Friday August 16 @ 7 PM
Rick Libbey “The Moose Man” BACC

**Parks & Rec**
Saturday August 17 @ 5 PM
Movie Premier

**Bradford Historical Society**
Saturday August 31 @ 8 AM–2 PM – Flea Market & Demos at Smithy
A Culinarian's Column
by Caryl Walker

In the winter, while roasting dinner in the oven, I like to roast fresh fruit and frozen berries, which is delightful with pound cake and ice cream. And in the summer with the grill fired up, I finish dinner with fresh fruit and berries “roasted” in foil packets.

“Roasted” Fresh Fruit and Berries
4 servings

3-4 halved or sliced peaches, plums, or nectarines or 6-8 rings or spears of pineapple
1 cup berries (raspberries, blueberries, strawberries or a combination of berries)
3 tablespoons sugar, granulated or brown, or maple syrup
3-4 tablespoons butter, cut in small pieces

Flavoring suggestions: 1-2 tablespoons crystallized ginger, minced, or ½ to 1 teaspoon cinnamon, or 1 teaspoon vanilla, or 1 teaspoon orange zest plus 1 tablespoon orange juice, or 1 tablespoon liqueur or rum, or 1 tablespoon Balsamic vinegar. (Be creative. Mix and match.)

Directions:
1. Make foil packet by tearing off sheets of foil about 18 inches long. Double up sheets if using regular foil or use single sheets of heavy duty foil. Fold foil in half crosswise. Unfold and lay flat. Spray entire sheet with PAM.
2. Layer fruits and berries in the middle of 1 half of foil, leaving at least a one inch border. Sprinkle the sweetener, butter and flavoring evenly over top of fruit and berries. Fold unfilled side of foil over filled side of foil. Crimp edges around perimeter of foil to seal well.
3. Grill packet over medium-high heat until the fruit is tender and the berries are juicy, 15 to 20 minutes.

Notes:
1. Using a vegetable grill rack makes it easy to move the packet.
2. Be careful when opening the packet. Steam will burn you. I use kitchen shears to make an X in the packet to allow steam to escape.
3. Grill slices of pound cake or frozen waffles to use as a base for ice cream and the sauce.

The Bradford Conservation Commission presents

Rick Libbey
“The Moose Man”

At the Bradford Community Center
Friday, August 16th, 2013,
at 7:00 p.m.

Rick Libbey, renown photographer and moose watcher, will present a slide show about his observations of moose. Mr. Libbey has been featured in ‘Kearsarge Magazine’ and in NH Fish and Game publications.

Learn more at www.moosemannaturephotos.com

This presentation is free and open to the public.
All are invited to this family friendly evening.

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Also read were comments from Town Attorney Bernie Waugh: “. . . the whole gist of my opinion is that the planning/zoning issues and the fire code issues are unrelated, and there is no reason for them to be at all consistent with each other in terms of the concept of “agriculture.”

Amendment  A Public Hearing is scheduled for August 13 at 7 PM to amend the Earth Excavation & Reclamation Regulations, Section XVI. A. 2., from:

A permit shall be valid for 3 and the expiration date shall be specified. A permit is automatically withdrawn if no substantial work is done on the site for a period of 1 year from the date of the issuance of the permit.

To read: A permit shall be valid for five years and the expiration date shall be specified. A permit is automatically withdrawn if no substantial work is done on the site for a period of one year from the date of the issuance of the permit.

The recommended change will allow town permits to match the times set by the state.

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Warner Historical Society Presents
4th Annual Tory Hill Author Series
Warner Town Hall
Saturday August 10 @ 7 PM
Indira Ganesan & Eleanor Morse
Saturday, August 24 @7PM
Ben Kilham

Day Tripper: Laportes Skindiving Shop
by John Mosley

I used to go snorkeling quite a bit on Massasecum back in my younger years. While I don't dive in nearly so much these days, I still catch the bug every once in a while.

Most recently, the long weekend of the Fourth came up, and it seemed like an ideal opportunity to reconnect with my more adventurous self for some underwater activities. Lacking sufficient gear to outfit the numerous guests staying the week at our cottage and looking to participate, we had ourselves a fitting excuse to go shopping.

My family and I have always headed to Laportes’ dive store in Sunapee when we’ve needed supplies or equipment. The little shop by the lake is unassuming - you’d guess that the place looked exactly the same back in ’79 (and you’d probably be correct). Out front, a rusting pile of recovered treasures marks the entrance to the modest single-wide structure. Inside, the wood walls are pinned with old dive photographs and maps from the area and abroad, most black-and-white and faded from decades of sunlight.

The outfitter’s selection is sufficient for whatever you might need in the realm of snorkels and scubas. Additionally, those new to the sport can rest easy; the owner (Laportes) is a friendly old hat in the diving business and will be sure to set you and yours up, no problem.

Besides equipment, consider picking up a copy of brother Richard H. Laportes’ memoirs (‘The Adventures of a Bush Pilot’), and be sure to ask about some of the photos and souvenirs resting in the glass cases by the register—the fellow here will talk your ear off when he gets going, and to say he's been around the (underwater) block is an understatement. Ramblin' and storytelling must run in the family...

Town Land Sale Auction

On Saturday, July 27, under the capable direction of Auctioneer Emory Sanders, the Board of Selectmen offered four parcels of land, taken over the years by the Town for back taxes, for sale. Mr. Sanders graciously conducted the auction at no cost to the Town. Seven bidders registered prior to the auction, each placing a deposit of $2500, which was returned to the unsuccessful bidders. At the conclusion, the parcels were sold for a total of $60,750.00, which will be placed in the general fund. Balancing the costs against the total, the net income to Bradford, above the funds owed and expended for the sale is $869.37. Highest bids were:

- Parcel 1 – 2.29 acres at corner of West and South Ridge Road (map 5 lot 25) $11,750.00
- Parcel 2 – 10.84 acres with camp off Fairgrounds Road (map 2 lot 28B) $14,500.00
- Parcel 3 – 2.3 acres open land at 149 East Main Street (map 17 lot 49) $34,000.00
- Parcel 4 – 0.5 acres open land adjacent to 149 East Main Street (map17 lot 48) $500.00

Properties are sold ‘as is’ and bidders will be given a Tax Collector’s (quit claim) deed when the balance due is paid within 30 days.
August Church Happenings

Baptism, August 18, all welcome
Lake Massasecum after the worship service

Bradford Center Meeting House Worship Service
Aug. 25 at 10 am, no service at FBC

Focus Factor attending "Soul Fest",
In Gilford NH, Friday, Aug. 2

Rise Again Outreach, Tuesday, Aug 14 5-6:30 pm
to help sort clothes for homeless in Loudon

Bradford Food Pantry

Got The Goods? Food Pantry will be open on Wed, Aug. 21 from 5:30-6:30 pm. The Bradford Food Pantry is a nonprofit organization that provides assistance to all qualified residents of Bradford. Open every third Wednesday of the month from 5:30 – 6:30 the pantry provides meat, cheese, canned goods and vegetables (among other groceries) to families in need of the Town of Bradford. Approximately 18 families are assisted from January – October and in November and December that number swells to 35. The Food Pantry is funded by monetary donations and groceries. It does receive some assistance from the Community Action Program (CAP) of Merrimack County in the way of groceries.

Would you like to help out? Groceries can be dropped off at Lake Sunapee Bank in Bradford or the First Baptist Church of Bradford. Monetary donations may be sent to the First Baptist Church of Bradford at P. O. Box 57, Bradford, NH 03221. Please make a note that it is for the food pantry.

Have too many fresh vegetables in your garden? They may be dropped off the morning of the food pantry in the basket provided outside of the pantry. Some things always needed are toilet paper, spaghetti, macaroni, mac & cheese, cereal and juice.

Where are we located? Under the Church Office! You can call the church office if the third Wednesday does not work or if food is needed urgently x 938-5313.

Laura Marshall
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**Abbreviation Key**

BACC-Bradford Area Community Center
BBC-Bradford Baptist Church
BML-Brown Memorial Library
FGC-Fish & Game Clubhouse
Gillingham Drive
KAP-Kearsarge Area Preschool
KRES-Bradford Elemen. School
MVSC-Mountain View Senior Ctr
TH-Bradford Town Hall
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Town Clerk Update

Thanks to all who have been patient during the numerous electrical outages. To make things easier, in the future if we are experiencing a thunder storm, please, call our office first, so that we can confirm whether the State’s computers are up or down. 603-938-2288.

We will be open on Saturday, August 10th and 24th, 9am-Noon.

We will be closed Monday, September 2 for Labor Day weekend.

Erica Gross, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Melissa Cloutier, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax

Review of Lettvin Concerts

by Marilyn Ziffren

On Friday and Saturday, July 19 and 20th, 2013, the Lettvin Chamber Music Series for the benefit of the Union Congregational Society took place at the Meetinghouse in Bradford Center. The performers on Friday were the well known duo pianists Christopher Kies and Arlene Kies. The Saturday concert was presented by Frederick Moyer and the Jazz Arts Trio.

The first half of the Friday concert was a wonderful performance of Igor Stravinsky’s ballet, "Petrouchka," (a burlesque in four scenes.) It was a rehearsal version of the ballet arranged by Stravinsky himself. The two pianists gave a truly superb performance of the work. It was full of exciting rhythms and occasional lyricism that make it such an important work by that master composer.

The second half of the concert began with a fairy tale, "Ladle Rat Rotten Hut" ( Little Red Riding Hood) narrated by Joan Lettvin with music by Christopher Kies. The program then concluded with a superb performance of the "Petite Suite" by Claude Debussy. It truly was an evening of marvelous music superbly performed by Christopher and Arlene Kies.

The Saturday concert began with solo piano pieces played by Frederick Moyer, concluding with an outstanding performance of Gershwin’s Rhapsody in Blue bringing the audience to their feet at the final chord. For the second half, Frederick Moyer was joined by Peter Tillottson, bass and Bob Savine on drum forming the Jazz Arts Trio. The selections were note-for note transcriptions of great jazz trios of the past transplanted to the world of classical music. A first for the Lettvin Chamber Series, but hopefully, not the last.

Joan Lettvin announced that, beginning next summer, the direction of the series will be in the capable hands of Barbara Freeman and Dabney Kelsey. They will be assisted in selecting the artists in the coming years by Christopher and Arlene Kies and Frederick Moyer.

The Lettvin concerts are surely one of the summer highlights of the Bradford area and with this expansion of leadership is set to continue into the future.
Soils are the medium which supports all land plant and animal life, including us. Identifying the best arable land and forest soils in Bradford was a high priority of the Natural Resources Inventory because currently, more than 90% of Bradford’s food and fuel comes from beyond New Hampshire’s borders.

Soils are a dynamic, complex matrix of mineral and organic particles of different sizes with varying amounts of water, air, and living organisms in the gaps between. The soils of Bradford formed on deposits left when the glaciers receded, about 10,000 years ago. Bradford’s soils are classified by the county and the state according to their suitability both as farmland and as forest land.

**Agricultural soils:**
In New Hampshire, the soils most suitable for agriculture are classified as: *Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance,* and *Farmland of Local Importance,* in descending order of quality. Note that nearly any plot that isn’t excessively steep or wet can be turned into something approaching ‘prime’ given appropriate nutrient input, stone removal, and drainage.

*Prime Farmland* is not common. Excluding the White Mountain National Forest, only about 2% of New Hampshire soils fall into this category. Because they are generally open and well drained, these areas are tempting to build on. Between 1982 and 1997, nearly 1,200 acres of Prime Farmland in NH was developed and is now unavailable for agriculture. About 50 acres remain in Bradford though some of it is now wooded.

*Farmland of Statewide Importance* includes soils that nearly qualify as Prime Farmland and may produce high yields under favorable circumstances. Bradford has 225 acres classified as this type. Most of the areas ranked as *Farmland of Local Significance* were cleared for pasture in the early 19th century but have since been allowed to reforest. 52% of Bradford falls under this category totaling about 11,960 acres.

This leaves a bit less than 11,000 acres vaguely categorized as ‘other’ – mostly open water, wetlands, stony and severe slopes.

**Forest soils:**
To help people make better decisions about land use and management, soil scientists have developed a system of five Forest Soil Groups.

The first category is well-suited for growing high quality hardwoods including sugar maple and white ash. Bradford has just over 4000 acres of this soil.

The second category is somewhat less fertile and has a sandier texture. This is the most common Forest Soil Group in Bradford, representing over 40% of the land area. Red oak, white birch, white pine, hemlock, and other softwoods can grow well in this soil.

The third category is the sandy outwash of glacial deposits. This soil supports good growth of white pine but is often limiting for hardwoods.

The fourth category is limited by steepness, bedrock outcroppings, surface boulders, and/or extreme stoniness. Forest productivity may not be affected but harvesting, thinning, and other management activities are more difficult and more expensive on these soils. About 18% of Bradford falls under this category.

The fifth category are soils that are poorly drained with a seasonal water table less than 12 inches from the surface. While they can support forest stands, productivity and timber quality are generally lower than other forest soil types. Typical species on these soils in Bradford include red maple, hemlock, yellow birch, aspen, and balsam fir.

If you would like further information about your land and soils, please see the full Natural Resource Inventory and its maps at [http://bradfordnh.org/documents/BradfordNRI.pdf](http://bradfordnh.org/documents/BradfordNRI.pdf)

For information on forestry: NH County Forester at 796-2151 or contact any Conservation Commission member.
Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

On behalf of the Bradford Town Hall Restoration Committee, I would like to thank Tom Dunne and his crew for their hard work and efforts in temporarily remediating the asbestos in the second floor of the town hall. In addition, Tom and crew provided an air quality test after the remediation thus allowing the use of the second floor during the Independence Day celebration and beyond. Thank you, Tom, for all of your assistance!

Mel Pfiefle

To the Editor

Ken and I would like to thank Chris Way for donating a power washer to the transfer station and recycling center. We will now have an easier time washing our recycling equipment.

Lois Kilnapp. Manager

To the Editor,

On behalf of the Bradford Town Hall Restoration Committee, we would like to thank local residents and businesses for their support of our silent auction during the fourth of July celebration in Bradford. As a result of the combined effort between Town officials and Tom Dunne, we were able to open the town hall for the art show and so local residents could enjoy the building.

With the cooperation of all parties the silent auction was a resounding success! In addition, we were thrilled to have the Granite State Zoo and its interesting collection of critters set up next to us. Their tortoise must have walked a hundred miles!

Once again, a huge thank you to all who helped make the silent auction a success. We are looking forward to next year!

Nikki Dubaere

Mel Pfeifle

To the Editor

Have you noticed your mailbox is not as full as it used to be? Thought your mail was always going to be delivered because you live in a small town, like it has for us for the past 30 years? Well, don’t expect much help from the current system at the Bradford Post Office which is enforcing the policy of not delivering mail unless it has the correct address. Your mail will be sent back to the sender. If there is no return address, your mail is going to the dead letter bin. In an ideal world all addresses should be correct, but in our mobile society this is a tall order.

With the recent change in the Bradford Post Office personnel, much of the institutional knowledge has been lost. There is, however, a database of mailing addresses, but they have to be looked up. It appears to be easier just to send the mail back to the sender or discard it. Gone apparently are the days when the post office would view it as a challenge and duty to make sure every piece of mail gets to its proper destination.

I have used post offices in a number of countries in both the developed and undeveloped world. The US Postal Service is definitely one of the most efficient. Our small town post offices are gems in the system because of their speed, flexibility and service. Just go to Concord and wait in line there for half an hour. If you feel you are missing mail, go to the Bradford Post Office and express your concerns and encourage the new staff to imitate their predecessors and learn where to deliver our mail, faulty address or not. We, the taxpayers, are paying to have it delivered, not returned or discarded. Comments can also be addressed to https://www.usps.com/customer-service/customer-service.htm.

Carey Rodd
Box 337 (not that hard to learn)

We may no longer be called Cobble Pond but OUR FABULOUS INDIAN FOOD is still here! TAKE OUT ON WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY

Bradford Market
OPEN SEVEN DAYS - 6 am- 10 pm Route 103 938-2662 Bradford, N.H.
August is recognized as National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM). The goal of NIAM is to increase awareness about immunizations across the life span, from infants to the elderly. August is the perfect time to remind family, friends, co-workers, and those in the community to catch up on their vaccinations. Parents are enrolling their children in school, students are entering college, and healthcare workers are preparing for the upcoming flu season.

**Why are immunizations important?**

Immunization is one of the most significant public health achievements of the 20th century. Vaccines have eradicated smallpox, eliminated wild poliovirus in the United States, and significantly reduced the number of cases of measles, diphtheria, rubella, pertussis (aka "Whooping Cough") and other diseases. But despite these efforts, people in the U.S. still die from these and other vaccine-preventable diseases.

Vaccines offer safe and effective protection from infectious diseases. By staying up-to-date on the recommended vaccines, individuals can protect themselves, their families and friends and their communities from serious, life-threatening infections.

**Who should be immunized?**

Getting immunized is a lifelong, life-protecting community effort regardless of age, sex, race, ethnic background or country of origin. Recommended vaccinations begin soon after birth and continue throughout life. Being aware of the vaccines that are recommended for infants, children, adolescents, adults of all ages and seniors, and making sure that we receive these immunizations, are critical to protecting ourselves and our communities from disease.

**When are immunizations given?**

Because children are particularly vulnerable to infection, most vaccines are given during the first five to six years of life. Other immunizations are recommended during adolescent or adult years and, for certain vaccines, booster immunization are recommended throughout life. Vaccines against certain diseases that may be encountered when traveling outside of the U.S. are recommended for travelers to specific regions of the world.

Lake Sunapee VNA and Hospice has or can easily obtain most vaccines and will conduct numerous seasonal and H1N1 vaccine clinics beginning in October 2013. If you have any questions about what vaccines you should have or if you have any questions about vaccines in general, please give us a call and one of our knowledgeable staff will speak with you.

Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice
603-526-4077
www.lakesunapeevna.org
Lake Massasecum Volunteer Effort
by Mary Keegan-Dayton

Residents on Lake Massasecum have been organizing efforts this month to spot and mark milfoil in the lake. The summer of 2012 showed an increase density for the invasive species in Lake Massasecum, according to Amy Smagula, Limnologist/Exotic Species Coordinator for the NHDES. There are currently over 75 lakes in NH with this invasive species of milfoil and volunteer efforts are going on around the state to eradicate this weed from our lakes.

Lake Massasecum Improvement Association (LMIA) board members and volunteers have been proactive this summer in their efforts to locate milfoil. Lake residents are encouraged to snorkel around the lake to spot the weed at increased depths. This method has been successful in locating four new areas of growth that actually house older plants that have not been seen on the surface.

Budgets cuts at the state level have delayed response time from NHDES state divers to pull milfoil. Three scuba certified Lake Massasecum residents have received training this summer at the state level to pull milfoil and have received permits from the NHDES to do so. At least fifty gallons of this invasive species has been pulled to date. If residents want to volunteer to help or spot milfoil, they are encouraged to call Mary Keegan-Dayton at 938-2861. Do not pull milfoil. If spotted, LMIA will dispatch our best volunteer, Mike Davidson to confirm and Mike is the contact to our divers.

LMIA appreciates the efforts of Rus Rice, Tim Rice and Ann Rice, our 3 certified divers and lake residents for their services to the cause. If you see a red and white diving flag, a few kayaks and a pontoon boat on the lake, it’s a milfoil harvesting effort. It takes many volunteers and we could use a few more. See you on the lake.

Summer Dining on the Deck!
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Tuesday - Friday, 5:00-9:00 PM, Saturday and Sunday, 4:00-9:00 PM and Sunday Morning Brunch from 8:00 am-Noon.

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We buy local, hire local, and support local organizations.
Biologists have been taking a closer look at organisms that have been found to perform many useful functions that I am often incapable of doing: find the most efficient route between two points; solve mazes; plan for future conditions; select the most nutritious food from a buffet; and remember where I've been. And their subjects do these things without brains of any kind.

I am referring to the distressingly but descriptively named slime mold. Slimy and moldy things are generally not good for us and thus our native revulsion. Something slimy that might take on the guise of diminutive toadstools, has locomotion, and appears to have opinions is quite alarming. Scientists don’t even know how to categorize them.

Slime mold (is Myxomycota a more comforting name?) has occupied earth for somewhere between 600 million and a billion years. The more than 500 species were cavorting happily on Pangaea when the continental plates separated and went sliding about – thus giving most species of slime mold global distribution without the sticky problem of crossing saltwater.

Individual slime molds are single-celled amoeba-like something-or-others, quietly going about their invisible business and behaving like animals until they decide to act like fungi. If the weather is damp, as it was this June, and a food source of bacteria and detritus is near exhausted, each cell seeks out others of its kind and together they organize an effort to rise to the surface. Called at this point a plasmodium, this conglomerate organism can look like a colorful smear, foam insulation, a baked confection, limp spaghetti, or a fan coral. They crawl about on your lawn, in the garden, on leaves, or on logs seeking the fastest and most economical routes to elevated locations with good airflow. Each band of individuals then differentiates into different tasks. Some cells even altruistically die in the process. Each species of slime mold produces some sort of spore-producing receptacle and these appear in an astonishing variety of colors and shapes - some resembling fragile miniature mushrooms.

On damp, windy days the spores hope to blow to a favorable location. Some spores, not leaving things to chance, actively participate in the search. The plasmodium itself has an efficient ‘externalized special memory’ – which means that it can figure out where it’s already been and avoid repeating errors. Moreover, their ability to sense the best routes has been tested on mockups of transportation systems like the Tokyo transit patterns and the Canadian rail system. Mathematicians, who somehow quantify the mobile patterns of slime mold, have used these equations as the underlying workings of video games, robots, and internet applications. Other scientists are more interested in their social system of apparent cooperation.

Keep in mind that these are microscopic blobs of goo. As far as we know, just a membrane surrounding millions of nuclei, enzymes, proteins, and some DNA. One clever writer compares slime mold to a Roomba and finds the slime to be smarter. Unlike the Roomba, a plasmodium knows where it’s been, remembers the outcome of a route, and is more efficient in its travels. A Roomba, however, will leave you a clean floor whereas a slime mold leaves an unpleasant residue.

Large brains may be unnecessarily exalted.

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DINE IN OR CALL AHEAD

938-2600
First and foremost, thank you to the Library Trustees for all their hard work organizing the library book sale and for being such wonderful gods and goddesses on our parade float. A special thank you to Tom Turner for the loan of the trailer, Janet Sillars for plant sales with generous advice, Paul Gross for float construction and to Lydia “Medusa” Pinard, Harry “Hades” Gross, and Rene “Aphrodite” Patten for joining us on the float. We were so proud to have our librarians Maggi Ainslie, Elsa Weir, and Jean Kennedy honored as parade marshals this year.

Book-to-Movie: This month we compare the book Salmon Fishing in the Yemen by Paul Torday with the movie adaptation on Friday, August 2 at 7pm. In September, we will screen a “Librarian’s Choice” movie selection from France on Friday, September 20 at 7pm.

Poetry Writing Workshop: The final session of the poetry writing workshop for students entering grades 6-9 is on Monday, August 5 at 11am. Drop in for this fun and interactive program.

Discovering Magic: Come to the library on Friday, August 9 at 7pm for a free sleight-of-hand magic show by professional magician Andrew Pinard. This is a great opportunity for Bradford residents to enjoy a remarkable local talent courtesy of the Friends of the Library.

Fundraising Dinner: Our friends at St. Peter’s Masonic Lodge have kindly offered to put on a benefit dinner for the library again this year. Come to the Lodge on Saturday, August 17 between 5-7pm for a “Chicken Dinner with all the Fixin’s” with homemade desserts for $8; children 10 and under $5, and children under 5 eat for free. The Bradford Bog People will provide musical accompaniment!

Students, don’t forget we have most of your required summer reading books here at the library.

Some of the new books added in July:

**Adults:**
- *Mr. Penumbra’s 24-Hour Bookstore* - Robin Sloan
- *Blood and Beauty* - Sarah Dunant
- *Bad Monkey* - Cark Hiaasen
- *All That Is* - James Salter
- *And the Mountains Echoed* - Khaled Hosseini
- *The Son* - Philipp Meyer
- *The Longest Road: Overland in Search of America from Key West to the Arctic Ocean* - Philip Caputo
- *I Hate To Leave This Beautiful Place* - Howard Norman
- *All The Great Prizes: the Life of John Hay, from Lincoln to Roosevelt* - John Taliaferro

**Children:**
- *Oblivion* - Anthony Horowitz
- *Will Sparrow’s Road* - Karen Cushman
- *Out Of the Easy* - Ruta Sepetys
- *Sleep Like a Tiger* - Mary Logue
- *Boom!* - Mary Lyn Ray
- *The Moon and More* - Sarah Dessen
Reach for the Stars

Good news for the Bradford Center Meetinghouse!

Following a lengthy application process, this remarkable 1838 building has just become a recent addition to the National Register of Historic Places. In celebration, we have issued a brand new ornament (pictured here) that features artwork by local artist Susan Smith, on sale for $5.00. Your purchase will help maintain the Meetinghouse for future generations to enjoy. Call 938-2370.

News from the Bradford Historical Society

Come to the Antique Flea Market and Demonstrations by Blacksmith and Woodworker at the Village Smithy on East Main Street on Saturday August 31 from 8 am - 2 pm. The new Tin Shop museum, a work in progress, will be open that day, too. Also, the Old Post Office building is open every Saturday this summer from 10am - noon. Share stories and learn about your town's heritage.

Get Your Tickets!

Wednesday, August 14, 2013
5:00 - 7:30 pm
Under Tent at Colby-Sawyer College

An informal evening to celebrate the bright stars that make Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice shine!

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The 2014 Historical Society Calendar will be available for sale by Labor Day. Buy an informative and colorful monthly display of antique postcards of Bradford for only six dollars at the Antique Flea Market at the Village Smithy on August 31.

November will feature the Bradford Depot. The mid-1800s brought a burgeoning of short-line railroads that gave NH its old nickname, the Railroad State. The “Concord & Claremont” was chartered in 1848, and on July 1, 1850 the 27-mile track from Concord to Bradford was completed with great celebration. Folks were ferried to their destinations by stagecoach or wagon, and their luggage was carted in the hand trucks seen here.

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The Candlelite Inn was recently notified by TripAdvisor.com that they earned exceptional traveler ratings for the second year in a row. The Candlelite Inn received a Certificate of Excellence, a testimonial to their high standards, getting a rating of 5.0! The Certificate of Excellence is awarded to businesses that rank in the top 10% worldwide for traveler feedback.

TripAdvisor.com, founded in February 2000, is the world’s largest travel site, having 20 million members, more than 50 million travelers visit the site monthly and there are over 60 million reviews. “TripAdvisor offers trusted advice from real travelers and a wide variety of travel choices and planning features with seamless links to booking tools” (TripAdvisor.com). Their corporate office is located in Newton, Massachusetts.

For over the past 20 years, Marilyn Gordon has owned and operated the Candlelite Inn and has successfully continued the tradition of accommodating the needs of discriminating travelers. The Candlelite Inn is a 6 guest room, award winning Inn which provides their guests with a quiet and relaxed atmosphere and furnishing guests with a scrumptious 3 course breakfast which includes dessert.

Other accolades include: 2001 Inn of the Year by Lanier Travel Guide which is a worldwide travel guide; 2006 Editor’s Choice—Yankee Magazine Travel Guide to New England and has been placed in the Congressional Record by former Senator Bob Smith for her economic contributions to the hospitality and tourism industry.
The Bradford Transfer and Recycling Center has begun a new program to benefit Bradford’s chicken farmers, as well as the residents of Bradford. Residents are urged to bring their discarded breads, cakes, crackers, cookies and cereal, etc. Place them in the area on top of the compactor designated for this purpose. Every bit of such food that is not included with the household trash and placed in the compactor saves the town money.

Bradford has several chicken farmers who will appreciate receiving the discarded food donations. Sixty-two percent of the average household’s solid waste consists of discarded food! The discarded food collected for the town’s chickens will help to make them healthier and more productive.

Ken and I will be glad to answer any questions and consider any suggestions you have.

Lois Kilnapp, Manager

Hail, Olympians!

Congratulations to the cast of children (pictured here) who performed "Persephone: Myth of the Seasons" on the Town Hall stage on July 31st. This was the culmination of their exploration into Greek mythology in the Summer Reading Program at Brown Memorial Library. The play was directed by Laurie Buchar and featured local children of all ages. Thanks to all the parent volunteers and the Friends of the BML who helped these young stars shine.

Special thanks go to Odds Bodkin who convincingly portrayed the character of Zeus, God of the Sky, in the Persephone play on the Town Hall stage last month. His accompaniment on Celtic harp was, well, heavenly!

At Brown Memorial Library, we chose to interpret the state library’s Dig into Reading theme in a novel way, by focusing on a Greek myth about the Underworld. Since children are so excited about mythology these days, we decided it would be an opportunity to promote the classics and a life-long love of literature, as well as encourage students to keep their reading skills honed during vacation.

In our Independence Day parade, all of the library trustees dressed up like Olympian deities. And our local children turned out in record numbers to perform an adaptation of the Persephone myth on our historic Town Hall stage.

Classified Ads

FIRE WOOD: Hard wood (from pallets) cut to stove lengths. $1.00 a bundle (20 pieces). 938-2667