Planning and Design for the East Main Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Project is well underway. On a sweltering airless night, an estimated 30 people attended a public meeting by the Town’s engineering consultant and landscape architect, Kleinfelder / S E A and Knowles Designs, who presented current design plans for the project and included public participation in the design.

The presentation, including exhibits, plans and photos, was engaging. Residents asked clarifying questions, received informed answers and conducted a pleasant, thoughtful give-and-take discussion about the town’s vision of Main Street’s future. The goal is to provide the town with a design that meets their needs and incorporates features the town wants into the approximately 1600-foot East Main Street corridor that will provide a safe environment for pedestrians and bicyclists. The consultant gave a progress update on the current design developments of the project, including preliminary cost estimates, and the next steps. A base survey plan with a proposed roadway horizontal and vertical alignment to closely match the existing was presented and available for viewing and comment. Findings from the geotechnical investigation of the existing roadway and sidewalk sub-base were presented. Also, options for the proposed improvements were presented, discussed and voted on. They include but were not limited to materials for the new sidewalks, proposed widths of travels lanes and new bicycle lanes, curb and drainage options as well as lighting and crosswalk locations.

In spite of the extreme heat, property owners stayed until the meeting ended. The design team noted the questions and will incorporate the public’s comments into the design that will be presented to the NHDOT for its review and approval. The design and plan development will continue through the remainder of the year. It is the town’s intent to start construction in the spring of 2012.

There will be another sidewalk meeting in the fall. A future Bridge issue will examine the pros and cons of the various types of surface so a final vote can be taken. The initial discussion at the Highway Garage on July 12th had people preferring poured concrete. We also opted for curbing on both sides of the road. Crosswalks will be painted over having pavers. There will be bike lanes on both sides of the road with the sidewalk on the south side only.

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Letter from the Editor

Midsummer and what a great summer it has been so far. We had a great Independence Day weekend with lots of festivities, entertainment and local artists putting on a terrific art show. We had fun with our 10 Questions subjects this month and really like that young families are settling here and building a new community of families and children. On the long and lazy days of the waning season, we wish our neighbors good health, the joy of outdoor activities and time well spent with family and loved ones. Have a wonderful August!

Beth Rodd, August Editor

July 4th Parade Winners:
- **Bradford's Finest** -- Bradford Fire Department
- **Bradford's Bravest** -- Bradford Police Department
- **Best Military** -- Gary S. Dillon #734
- **Organization Walking/Riding** --
  1st Place -- Bradford Library
  2nd Place -- Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust
- **Business Floats** -- Rock Maple Nursery
- **Antique Car** -- Ronnie & Jim Tinker with Elmo
- **Kids Walking/Riding** --
  1st Place -- Jim’s Backhoe
  2nd Place -- Cook Family - Massasecum Lake Beach Beauties
  3rd Place -- Bradford Twirlers
- **Horses** -- Jackie & Chris St. Cyr

House Signs

The House Sign Project, organized by the Bradford Improvement Association, is attracting interest among residents of West and East Main Streets, known in the 1850’s as Bradford Mills Village. Although deed research is definitive, property owners may be able to trace their “land & buildings” from historical maps and town histories. For a packet of ordering information and the 1858 town map, email: sylvester@iamnow.net: subject line: house signs.

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Full- or part-time options available for 2011-2012
Open House - Wednesday, August 3, 2011
5:00 – 7:00 PM

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Independence Day  Marlene Freyler discussed the fireworks, and thanked Barry Wheeler, property owner, the Police Dept., Fire Dept. and Highway Dept. for their help in the celebration. She noted that 2012 is the 225th Anniversary of the town’s incorporation and that plans need to start early for a celebration. Freyler plans to convene a meeting in September of all parties involved with the celebrations to choose the appropriate date and coordinate the events to be planned.

A letter from the Bradford Improvement Association was read thanking the selectmen for the use of the second floor auditorium for the very successful art show held in conjunction with this year’s celebration. The BIA requested, and was given, approval to use the space next year and include Friday evening in the show’s time period. The BIA was given approval to store the display units in the town hall and offered to let any other group use them in the building.

Selectmen agreed that the BIA could proceed to obtain estimates from a qualified painter to paint the interior walls of the auditorium.

BACC: the selectmen approved the appointment of 6 residents to the newly formed commission that will oversee governance of the Community Center: 3 year term – Debbie Flinkstrom and Will Hurley; 2 year term – Margaret Raymond and Bruce Edwards; 1 year – Bob Manchester and Karen Hambleton. Based on an opinion from town counsel, Jim Valiquet, a non-resident, cannot serve on the commission unless Bradford entered into a cooperative agreement with another town or towns.

Repairs to the fence at the Community Center were discussed.

Selectmen’s Highlights

George Cilley pointed out that the fence was originally installed when the building was a school but is no longer needed. Fire Chief Mark Goldberg concurred.

Bement Bridge: an RFP for replacing the roof on the historic bridge has been prepared and posted. The return date is July 29, 2011.

Oakdale Road: Jon Marden reported that the required culvert work on Oakdale Road has not been taken care of. Selectmen advised it would be addressed and assured Ruth Marden that they would be notified when the work is to be done.

Budget: Town Administrator Cheryl Behr presented a list of unanticipated expenses for 2011 including emergency repairs to the police station and the community center.

Budget Committee: chair Gary Wall read into the record a letter requesting that the budget line item for secretarial services for the Budget Committee and Zoning Board of Adjustment be reinstated. The letter read, in part: “As you know, the position of a secretary is vital to the operation & functions of a committee or board. The members of these committees & boards should not be encumbered with the duties of the secretary but should spend their time performing the charges of their office.”

ZBA: chair Brooks McCandlish advised that accurate minutes are vital since the ZBA is the last resort before a land use issue is taken to court. Cheryl Behr advised the shortfall in the budget was not due to the Selectmen’s part, but town meeting chose to take eight thousand dollars out of the selectmen’s budget which was for part time salaries.

After considerable discussion, the selectmen voted to put the funds back into the Budget Committee and Zoning Board of Adjustment budgets to retain the secretarial services.

Breezy Hill Road Bridge: Administrator Behr attended a workshop on possible grants for the bridge replacement at the Route 103 end of Breezy Hill Road. Initial engineering studies have been completed and the town has been notified by NH DOT’s Municipal Managed Bridge program that it can move to the next phase of the project involving subsurface investigation, environmental review and engineering study. Currently 26 year-round and 10 seasonal dwellings, along with three major businesses, are served by what is now a dead end road that is subject to periodic flooding. A grant application was not successful last year, but with more detailed information now available, a positive outcome is possible this time. The grant is very competitive and many other projects will also be applying. The town will not hear anything until March 2012. If successful, however, FEMA would pay 75% of the cost and the state, 80% of the remainder.

Minutes of all Selectmen’s meetings are on file at the Town Hall and online at bradfordnh.org.
Newbury

Saturday, August 13, 10am–3pm
A fun filled day for families of all ages. Take a historic guided tour of the Main House and gardens, enjoy live animals, children’s games, story telling, demonstrations and food concessions. Members free, nonmembers pay site admission. The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens on Lake Sunapee, 456 Route 103A, Newbury, NH. For more information call 603-763-4789 x 3 or visit www.thefells.org.

Hidden History of The Fells
Saturday, August 27, 1-2:30pm
For the history buff or the simply curious, explore the secret places of The Fells with trail guides Dave and Fay Barden and discover the little known places off the beaten path that are relics of the Hay family past. Sturdy shoes and bug spray are recommended. Members free, nonmembers pay site admission. Advance reservations not required. The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens on Lake Sunapee, 456 Route 103A, Newbury, NH. For more information call 603-763-4789 x 3 or visit www.thefells.org.

Warner

On July 31st, The MacDonald Family Singers will participate in the 10 a.m. Worship Service at the United Church of Warner, 45 E. Main Street. They will share gospel, bluegrass, acapella, brass ensembles and sacred classical music. This family of 10 are always enjoyable. Call 456-3447 for information.

Gifts from the Pillsbury family: History of the Pillsbury Free Library, Sutton Town Hall, the Sutton Soldier’s Monument, and the Margaret Pillsbury Hospital in Concord. On Thursday, August 4 at 7 PM, Rebecca Courser of the Warner Historical Society, Nancy

Area Events

Ladd of the Pillsbury Free Library, and author-historian Jack Noon of Sutton will present at the Warner town hall a slide show and talk about early Warner libraries, and the Pillsbury family’s gifts to Sutton, Warner and Concord in the 1890s. 2011-2012 will mark the 120th anniversary of the Pillsbury Free Library, the Sutton’s Soldier’s monument and the former Margaret Pillsbury Hospital, Gifts from George A. and Margaret Pillsbury. The Sutton Town Hall was a gift from John Pillsbury.

Information drawn from Larry Sullivan’s recent book “Nineteenth Century Libraries of Warner N.H.” and Jack Noon’s “The History of Sutton, New Hampshire” will be included in this history of the Pillsbury Family’s generous gifts to New Hampshire communities. George S. Pillsbury (great-grandson of benefactors George and Margaret), and co-author Lori Sturdevant, of the Star-Tribune in Minneapolis, will round off the evening by sharing excerpts from their book, “The Pillsburys of Minnesota.”. The program will be followed by refreshments and book signing.

Books by Larry Sullivan, George Pillsbury, and Jack Noon will be on sale at Town Hall after the program, and beforehand across the street at MainStreet BookEnds, the 1840s Warner home of George, Margaret and Charles Pillsbury. There will be a wine and cheese reception from 6 to 6:45 pm, sponsored by MainStreet Warner, Inc. at the Jim Mitchell Community Park, located next to the book store.

More info? Contact Nancy Ladd, Director Pillsbury Free Library 603-456-2289

Sutton

August Farm Days Celebration at Muster Field Farm Museum: August 27 and 28, Muster Field Farm, Harvey Road, North Sutton. Enjoy the museum’s largest event of the year, a two-day celebration of all things agricultural, historical, and farm-related: blacksmithing, basket making, weaving, rug braiding, dowsing, square dancing and much more! Explore an extensive display of antique tractors and trucks while children enjoy free hayrides and homemade ice cream. Take your chances at cow flop bingo on Saturday at 4:00, and cheer on our Grande Parade of antique vehicles each day at 3:00.

An assortment of fresh vegetables, jellies and jams are available at the farm stand, and wonderful food is served throughout the day.

Don’t miss our famous roast beef supper Saturday from 5-7 p.m. in the Hardy-Pillsbury Barn. Tickets for the supper are $10 for adults and $5 for children, available by reservation (603-927-4047), or at the Farm Days information booth.

Farm Days hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. General admission is $5; free for members and for children 6 and under. Information and directions: 603-927-4276 or 603-927-4440, and at www.musterfieldfarm.com.

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Sunapee
Mount Sunapee Hike & BBQ

The Mount Sunapee Welsh Centennial Celebration kicks off a day of outdoors events with a hike on Mount Sunapee and its old growth forest, on Saturday, August 27 from 9 am to 2 pm. Dave Anderson, Director of Education for the Society for the Protection of NH Forests, and Christopher Kane, a conservation biologist, will lead the hike to Mount Sunapee’s Lake Solitude. A BBQ/picnic, music and camping will follow. The public is invited to attend.

The Celebration honors Herbert Welsh and 100 years of conservation efforts to protect the land that is now part of Mount Sunapee State Park, one of New Hampshire’s iconic mountain parks. Herbert Welsh, who with the Forest Society, completed the first of several campaigns to protect land for public use on Mount Sunapee in 1911.

Hikers should meet in the Mt. Sunapee campground parking lot at 9 am. To register for the hike or more information, contact: info@FriendsofMountSunapee.org; 603-863-0045; Centennial activities and updates: friendsofmountsunapee.org/100years.

Bradford
Visit your local Smithy on Main Street August 13th from 9 - noon and take a step into the past! Woodworkers, blacksmiths, and craftspersons will demonstrate their crafts and answer your questions. Did you know that there used to be many smithies in town? The local blacksmith was like the auto mechanic of today. He would sometimes act as the local dentist as well! Come and learn more on August 13th.

The Lake Massasecum cottage tour will be Wed. August 17 at 7 PM at the home of Dave Gaudes, Sr. West Shore Drive. Info? Call him at 938-2667 or Laurie Buchar 938-5372.

FREE FAMILY FUN! Come to the Bradford Center Meetinghouse on Sunday August 7th at 2:00 pm to hear lively music by the Kearsarge Community Band and eat ice cream on the Town Green. Ring the bell in the steeple. Explore the Center Burying Ground, Town Pound, and old Schoolhouse. Be a part of the ongoing history of our town!

Bradford Historical Society / Lake Massasecum Improvement Association meeting, Wed. August 17th at 7 pm. Info? Call Laurie – 938-5372

August Hikes On The S-R-K Greenway

The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge (SRK) Greenway Coalition’s August hike schedule offers five perspectives on local landscapes. All hikes are free to the public. Please contact the leader a day before to get details on start time and location. Bring water, sun screen, hat, and a snack. (E) is Easy, (M) is Moderate. (D) is Difficult.

Aug 6 (Sat): Springfield Woods Walkaround: Olde roads and side trails with Susan Chiarella, 763-5879. 7 mi. (M-to-D)


Aug 20 (Sat): In Andover, the Balanced Rock Loop from Proctor Academy to the new Bulkhead Trail. 4 mi. (D) Lee Carvalho, 735-5719.

Aug 21 (Sun): Walk historic Old Province Road on forest and town roads to South Sutton and Old Home Day songs and picnic lunch. 3.5 mi. (E) Sue Reel 927-4920.


The SRK Greenway Coalition is a non-profit volunteer organization that promotes hiking and land conservation. Its 14 sections with 75 miles of trails are open to all. For information, visit www.srkg.com
**Temporary Housing for Police Department**

A modular unit was ordered and delivered to serve as temporary quarters for the Police Department while repairs are being made to the Police station in the Town Hall. This will allow employees and sensitive equipment (like computers) to continue to work once the walls are opened in the station. The issue involves the walls around the front entrance to the portion of the building currently housing the Police Department. Water from the roofs above has made its way into the walls of the first floor and caused paint and wall paper to lift and wood to rot. A number of employees complained of congestion and testing for mold was ordered. The results of the tests to date have indicated "medium mold" in the building.

Police Chief Jim Valiquet said, “We are in hopes that the Modular Unit will not be needed for more than a couple of months. As for the work to be done no-one knows until the walls are exposed and the extent of mold and damage are assessed. Also I hope that the cause for this can be addressed.”

**Bradford Barter** is here to help you in the summer heat. Need a hand with that heavy air conditioner, that window that just won’t open, help with stacking wood for the fall or just help with errands? It is the mission of **Bradford Barter** to help members meet other members who offer the service they need, and who need the services they offer. Membership is free. Call 938-2777 or go to bradfordbarter@gmail.com for more information.
First Baptist Church News  
by Lynne Hubley

Discipleship Class: There will be a Discipleship Class held every Monday evening in the church vestry at 6:30 p.m. during the month of August. The class covers the basics of the Christian Faith. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Bible Study: Bible Study is held every Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the church office building.

Kingdom Fitness: Every Wednesday morning in August at 8:30 a.m. Sandy Richard does a Kingdom Fitness class (a/k/a Step Aerobics) in the church vestry.

Focus Factor a/k/a Youth Group: Focus Factor will meet Sunday August 7, 14 and 28. Youth in High School meet from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Youth in Middle School meet from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. All youth will go camping the weekend of August 19.

FisherCats: Our church family will travel to Manchester on Saturday, August 13 for a Faith and Family Night at the FisherCats Game.

Food Pantry: The food pantry will be open Wednesday, August 17 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Food can also be obtained by calling the church office at 938-5313.

Leaders Gathering: Our board members will meet on Saturday, August 27 at 9:00 a.m. for a Leader's Gathering.

Special Worship Service: Our church will worship at the Bradford Center Meeting House on Sunday, August 28 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Bradford Market
Groceries - Indian Spices & Indian and Eat Dishes - ATM  
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our food. We met with others with experience and it was actually "paralysis by analysis." We decided on eight raised beds and a little knowledge of canning and freezing produce.

Q. This is your second garden. Do you all plan to continue?  
Malissa- We are all still enthusiastic. The second year was easier than the first attempt. We learned by our early mistakes. We raise enough for our families and enough to give to other friends.

Q. Andy, as owner of the property do you dole out the jobs and decide how to distribute the food? 
Andy – It’s flexible. You come when you want to. We see each other and we know what needs to be done. The beginning was hard. Our basic procedure is to work when something needs doing and pick your vegetables as needed. It works.

Q. What was the motivating factor for your move across West Main Street from the yellow house to the large blue house?  
We love the neighborhood. We were expanding our family and our friend Bob in the blue house decided to put his place on the market. We had always admired the house and knew that it would suit our growing family’s needs.

Q. Are there certain crops that grow better than others?  
Andy- The potatoes were awesome. The children love digging up the potatoes. Spinach was not good. We had great success with tomatoes, squash and peppers. I believe it was the first garden and a lot of advice from other gardeners that helped us to plan the second garden with the emphasis changing from one crop to the crops that grew better.

Q. Have you researched the history of your property? The house was built in 1827 and had many owners for fifty years. Back in the 1940’s it operated as the Milman Nursing Home. Leonard Sargent and his wife owned it for years and then Bob and Claudia St. Hilaire..

Q. I understand that the property has three wells. Are they all working?  
There are three wells but only two that work. The artesian is our main source of water but one of the dug wells can be used. The third well is not operating. I don’t know why there were three sources of water.

Q. You mentioned that you were interested in living green but not fanatical about it. Were the other environmental reasons for the garden experience?  
Malissa- We wanted to teach our kids about the environment and how food grows. We are learning about canning and freezing foods. We had no experience with that at all. We wanted our families to eat food without pesticides and fertilizer.

The families involved in this cooperative effort are: Malissa and Andy Spiegel, Kristen and Scott West, Laura and Nick Woodsam, Fritz and Beth Von Beren, and Krissie and Mike Lacombe. I left with a gift of organic vegetables and as I got into the car, Andy, Malissa and Kristen returned to the garden and began to weed the beds.
The 1st Annual Bradford Artists & Artisans Exhibit in Bradford’s historic 1797 Town Hall auditorium, was a huge success according to Bradford Improvement Association’s organizing committee member Eileen Kelly, “We celebrated the accomplishments of thirty Bradford artists and artisans who displayed 42 works of exceptional quality. We hope to hold the 2nd Annual Exhibit next year when Bradford will celebrate its 125th Anniversary.”

More than 500 people wandered through the exhibit during Independence Day festivities. Works on display included: Shaker broom making; a quilting demonstration; oil, watercolor, acrylic and pastel paintings; etchings; photographs; sculpture; charcoal drawings; hand forged iron decorative kitchen ware; oil cloth designs; handmade cards; braided and hooked rugs; quilts; stained glass mosaics; CD recordings of old time music and original storytelling; knitting; bead work; and Western Abenaki brown ash baskets.

The 100-year old Charles W. Henry theatrical backdrop was unfurled for the occasion. History in a Small Town, a video documenting the backdrop’s restoration and a June 2011 video documenting the Bement Covered Bridge’s restoration were shown.

Produced by neighbors for neighbors, the exhibit was made possible through donations of time and funds by the Lumber Barn; Laura Hallahan and Tall Pines Realty; Beth & Carey Rodd; Phyllis Wilcox; Amy Blitzer; Sasha Wolfe; Sandy & Harry Wright; Caryl Walker; Eileen Kelly; Bill Duffy; Audrey V. Sylvester; Andrew Pinard and all the artists & artisans who loaned work.

Raffle tickets to raise funds to paint the auditorium are being sold thru September 3rd.

Grand Prize is a Handcrafted Bent Oak Rocker from Amish Country Barn in Concord, NH. Additional prizes include: Maple Syrup – donated by Dick & Marcia Keller; Basket of Assorted Jams & Jellies – donated by Caryl Walker; Handmade Clowns – donated by Sandra Wright; framed photo donated by Audrey V. Sylvester.

Bradford artists & artisans wishing to participate next year should email: Sylvester@iamnow.net, subject: art show.
Mon. August 1st  
10:00 AM - Ceramics Class  
1 PM - Bridge Group

Tues. August 2nd  
10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
1 PM - Watercolor class  
6– 7:30 PM - Yoga – call Fran at 456-3099

Wed., August 3rd  
10:30 AM - Yoga with Fran  
6:00 PM - 30-min. movie Children of the World: INDIA, BML

Thurs. August 4th  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
3 - 6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
5 - 6 PM – Yoga with Leah –938-5372 upstairs in TH

Fri. August 5th  
11:30 AM - First Friday Brunch raffle, music,door prizes. Call for reservations please.  
7:00 PM - Book-to-Movie A Shin of Rainbows, BML

Sun. August 7th  
2 PM - Kearsarge Community Band Concert and Free Ice Cream Social at the Meetinghouse - Bradford Center

Mon. August 8th  
10:00 - Ceramics Class  
1 PM - Bridge Group  
7:00 PM - Rural Heritage

Tues. August 9th  
10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
1 PM - Watercolor class  
6:00 PM - Yoga Class

Wed. August 10th  
10:00 AM - Yoga with Fran  
6:00 PM - 30-min. movie Children of the World: KENYA, BML

Thurs. August 11th  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
3:00-6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
5 - 6 PM – Yoga with Leah –938-5372 upstairs in TH

Mon. August 15th  
10:00 AM - Ceramics Class  
1 PM - Bridge Group

Tues. August 16th  
10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
1 PM - Watercolor class  
6:00 PM - Yoga Class

Wed. August 17th  
10:00 AM - Yoga with Fran  
10:30 AM - Lake Sunapee Cruise and Luncheon  
6:00 PM - 30-min. movie Children of the World: AUSTRIA-LIA, BML

Thurs. August 18th  
10:30 AM – 12 - Noon Blood Pressure Clinic LSVNA  
12 Noon Senior Dining - Nicole Sylvester from Pampered Chef  
1:00-3:00 PM Foot Care Clinic LSVNA Call 526-4077 for appt.  
3:00 – 6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
5 - 6 PM – Yoga with Leah –938-5372 upstairs in TH

Fri. August 19th  
9:30–11:30 AM Foot Care Clinic LSVNA at North Ridge  
10:00 AM - Movie: “Cross Creek”  
12 noonish - Café Bienvenue  
7:00 PM - International Movie (Algeria), BML

Sat. Aug. 20th  
10:00 AM – Bradford Improvement Assoc.  
5:00-7:00 PM - Library Benefit Dinner, St. Peter’s Masonic Lodge

Mon. August 22nd  
10:00 AM - Ceramics Class  
1 PM - Bridge Group

Tues. August 23rd  
9:30-11:30 AM Foot Care Clinic LSVNA at North Ridge  
10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
1 PM - Watercolor class  
6:00 PM - Yoga Class

Wed. August 24th  
10:00 AM - Yoga with Fran  
10:30 AM – 12 Noon - Blood Pressure Clinic at Warner Senior Rm.  
5:00 PM - Alejandro’s Olde Tyme Magik Showe  
Summer Reading Celebration, BML

Thurs. August 25th  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
3 – 6:00 PM – Farmer’s Market  
5 - 6 PM – Yoga with Leah –938-5372 upstairs in TH

Sat. Aug. 27th  
9:00 AM - Writing Group

Mon. August 29th  
10:00 AM - Ceramics Class  
1 PM - Bridge Group

Tues. August 30th  
10:00 AM - Stitches from the Heart  
12 Noon - Senior Dining  
6:00 PM – Yoga Class

Wed. August 31st  
10:00 AM - Yoga with Fran

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**New Bridge e-mail address:**

contact.us@bradfordbridge.com

or go to the site:

http://www.bradfordbridge.com

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All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted. Please call to confirm dates and times in case there has been a change to the submitted information.

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**Abbreviation Key**

BBC-Bradford Baptist Church  
BML-Brown Memorial Library  
FGC-Fish & Game Clubhouse  
Gillingham Drive  
KAP-Kearsarge Area Preschool  
KRES-Bradford Elem. School  
MVSC-Mountain View Senior Ctr  
TH-Bradford Town Hall  
ZBA-Zoning Board of Adjust.
New Classes at Local Motion Studio

Line Dancing
A mixture of country and party line dancing. Mondays from 8:15am-9:15am Wednesdays from 6:30pm-7:30pm.
Yee Hah!!

Strength and Tone
All fitness levels. Mondays from 9:30am-10:30am.

Classes start August 1st * For more info and registration, call Sandy at (603) 387-7161 or e-mail: kingdom.fitness.llc@gmail.com

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Your understanding and help in this matter is appreciated.

Ongoing Events
Bradford Barter-2nd Saturday at 10AM at BACC/call 938-2777 for info
Children’s Storytime - Mondays at 10 am and Wednesdays at 10:30AM at BML
Cemetery Commission - 2nd Thursday at 6PM/Call 938-5539 for info
Conservation Commission - 3rd Tuesday at 7PM, Town Hall or BML
Fish and Game Club -1st Monday 7PM at Fish and Game Club
First Friday Bunch -11:30AM at MVSC, reservations appreciated/ call 938-2104 for info
Historical Society - Saturdays, 10 am-noon, or by appointment, call 938-5372
Library Trustees -1st Wednesday at 6:00PM @ BML
Planning Board - 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7PM, Town Hall
Rural Heritage Connection - 2nd Monday, 7PM, BACC
Selectmen’s Meeting - 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 5:30PM, Town Hall
Zoning Board - 1st Wednesday, 7:00PM, Town Hall

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Bradford Bridge August 2011

BRADFORD MOVES...

CURRENT SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

ZUMBA WITH SHANNON OBEY
WEDNESDAYS 6-7PM
TOWN HALL UPSTAIRS
STARTS 7/12

RUNNING CLUB
WEDNESDAYS 7PM
MEET AT OLD ROAD ANTIQUES,
9 OLD SUTTON ROAD
STARTED 7/6

YOGA WITH LEAH BUCHAR
THURSDAYS 5-6PM
TOWN HALL UPSTAIRS
STARTS 7/13

MORE TO COME THIS FALL, LOOK FOR NOTICES HERE & IN THE BRADFORD BRIDGE...ALL ARE WELCOME!
Sunapee Arts Fair

When the oldest craft fair in America (this year, the 78th Annual League of NH Craftsmen’s Fair) opens on Saturday, August 6th at Mount Sunapee, Bradford artists and craftsmen, J. Ann Eldridge, Sherry and Bill Gould, Garry Kalajian, Sandra Luckury, and Audrey V. Sylvester will be participating.

In her 21st year as a booth holder, printmaker J. Ann Eldridge, exhibitor in the “Living With Crafts Exhibit” (2nd Floor of Spruce Lodge) will sell her original etchings in Tent #3. Western Abenaki Basket-makers, Sherry and Bill Gould will weave baskets and demonstrate basket making in the Mount Kearsarge Indian Museums’ Tent T on Wednesday, Aug. 11 and Thursday, Aug. 12 from 10 am – 5 pm. Each day blacksmith Garry Kalajian will demonstrate forging techniques using a coal fired forge, as he shapes handmade latches and decorative iron objects in Tent D. Rugmaker, Sandra Luckury will demonstrate all steps of the rug braiding process in Tent U, Sat. 8/6 & 8/13 & Sun. 8/14, 10 – 5. Photographer Audrey V. Sylvester will display a portfolio of pigment ink prints at the NH Art Association’s Tent AA.

The Fair showcases more than 200 individual craft booths, a Living With Craft Exhibition, Sculpture Garden, CraftWear Boutique, Performing Arts, NH Guilds, NH Art Association, daily demonstrations, Children’s, Teens & Adult Workshops.

Letters to the Editor

Many of us who make weekly (sometimes multiple) trips to the Transfer Station bring our 4 legged pals along for the ride. Those shotgun riders usually get cookies from Lois and Ken. In fact, the dogs know that a treat awaits them, and you see them drooling, staring at the office, waiting for the delivery. It’s not in the employee rules or job description to do this. It’s our people.

How about contributing to the effort? Next time you are at the store, pick up a box or bag of dog treats that our best buddies can share. They will appreciate it, and I suspect our hard working employees will, too.

~ Susan Murphy

The Bradford Bridge welcomes letters to the editor. Word limit is 250 and all letters are subject to editing for style, grammar and taste. Anonymous letters will not be printed. Please include name and daytime telephone number. Space limitations do not allow for back & forth letters from the same writers. Send letters to Contact. us@bradfordbridge.com or P.O. Box 463, Bradford, N.H. 03221
Planning Board Notes

**CIP Update** - Bill Glennie reported that the Fire Department has submitted its requests, Police is expected soon. The Highway Department has until July 29 to present its Capital items. This will allow the CIP Committee to do the analysis in August this year rather than November. It is hoped that all capital requests will be in to avoid the last minute planning required in 2010. Glennie stressed that better interdepartmental planning can assist in coordination of budget items needed.

**Public Hearings** - A Lot Line Adjustment approved for property on West Road owned by Joe Torro and Michelle and David Halstead.

The Site Plan application for TDS was approved to install a Remote Subscriber Terminal on property of David Long on Bacon Road. At the request of abutters, evergreen plantings will be used to help the unit blend in with the surrounding area.

A two lot subdivision of land on West Road owned by Edwin and Elizabeth Fowler was approved after a presentation and discussion of wetlands on the property. A corrected plan and mylar must be provided.

A gravel pit permit for the existing operation owned by Barry Wheeler on Center Road was approved.

**Conceptual Consultations** - Dave Camire, Jr. of Breezy Hill Road discussed conducting a welding and fabricating business in a garage at his home. The Board reviewed the home business criteria and mentioned the signage requirements. The board agreed that the proposed use qualifies as a home business at this time, but this could be revisited in the future. The Home Business Compliance form was filled out and signed by the Applicant and the Planning Board Chair.

Martyn Chivers was represented by Jon L. Warzochya, Horizons Engineering to discuss the requirements to operate a motor vehicle salvage yard as part of his operation at the O. E. Trucking site on Breezy Hill Road. He was advised that the lot is in two zoning districts. A special exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment is necessary to operate a “junk yard” in the Rural Residential District. A variance would be required if it were to be located in the residential business portion of the lot. Seth Benowitz and Patty Furness for the Conservation Commission asked about snow removal, runoff to the river and possible impact on the aquifer system.

Minutes of all Planning Board meetings are on file at the Town Hall and online at bradfordnh.org.
Not surprisingly, these tough economic times have resulted in life changes that include people losing their home to foreclosure or selling for less than they owe or anticipated as well as separation and divorce. Between buyers who no longer qualify for a loan and sellers who want income or don’t want to leave a house empty, the rental market is booming. Here are some tips from my recent dealings:

**Landlords**

When determining a monthly rental amount, be aware that fuel prices are sky high right now and it would be better to take a bit less in rent to be sure that your tenant can pay the fuel bill. Most rentals do not include utilities and this can add quite a bit to the monthly cost.

Before you run a credit check on your new tenant, ask them if they are experiencing any issues with credit and have an upfront, open dialogue. It will save you time and money if you already know they have poor credit. Find out what the issues are and see if they are getting back on track. Check job history and references carefully.

If you allow pets and/or smokers, by all means put that in your ad because many landlords do not and you will get calls!

Remember that you can ask for first month and security only in New Hampshire with a residential rental; not first month, last month and security. You can ask for a pet security deposit of a modest amount if you allow pets.

Call your insurance provider and let them know you are renting the house so that your coverage is adequate. Know that there are tax implications to renting as well.

**Tenants**

Be prepared to fill out an application and you may be subjected to a credit check. Have your information at the ready and as stated above, if you are credit challenged right now, be upfront with your potential landlord. Be sure to check on the cost of utilities so you can be sure you can afford the monthly rent and utilities if not included. Understand that alternative forms of heat, i.e. a woodstove, may not be allowed because of insurance concerns. If you are willing to mow or plow, let the landlord know that and you may be able to negotiate a lower rent.

If you have a pet or pets, by all means disclose this and don’t say you have a small dog if you have a Great Dane!

Expect that you will be asked for first month and a security deposit. If you are waiting to get back a deposit on a previous rental, let your landlord know and perhaps you can pay the security in two or three payments instead of all at once. You may also be asked to obtain renter’s insurance for your personal belongings. The internet is a great resource for information and forms and if in doubt, consult an attorney. If you don’t want to be involved day to day, there are rental agents and management companies at the ready.

**Recent Sales in Bradford**

693 West Road, 1979 A Frame on 1.20 acres for $63,500 (foreclosure)
85 North Ridge Road, 2005 Ranch on 4.05 acres for $155,000 (foreclosure)
52 West Meadow Road, 1976 Cape on 5.0 acres for $180,000
26 Fortune Road, 1984 Contemporary on 43.0 acres for $255,000 (foreclosure)

There are 44 active and 2 pending residential listings ranging from $59,900 to $1,375,000, 31 active and 0 pending land listings ranging from $19,900 to $175,000, 5 active and 0 pending commercial listings ranging from $99,900 to $670,000 and 0 active and 0 pending multi-family listings in Bradford. Of the 44 active residential listings, 3 are foreclosures or short sales. Of the 2 pending residential listings, neither is a foreclosure or short sale – yeah!
Alan L. Willard

Alan L. Willard of Bradford, beloved husband of Sandra R. Willard, died suddenly on July 14.

Alan, son of Emerson "Speed" and Marion Philbrick-Willard, was born July 6, 1945 in Reading, Mass.

As a young boy, Alan spent many happy summers at his family's vacation home on Lake Ave. in Sunapee. Among other things, Alan enjoyed water skiing, diving off boat houses and playing right field in Little League baseball. An exceptional slalom skier, Alan skied with his father from the time he was a young child.

Alan graduated from Reading High School, received his bachelor's degree from Boston University and his master's degree in business administration from the University of Connecticut.

Alan joined his father at the Keiver-Willard Lumber Corporation in 1973 and subsequently sold his interest in 1997 to reside at his family's lakeside property in Sunapee. Alan, vice-president and eventually a 50 percent stockholder at Keiver Willard, served as the sales manager for New England. He was also the director of the National Hardwood Lumber Association for six years.

Alan married Sandra Silva (Nichols) of Rhode Island on June 3, 2007, and they currently lived in Bradford. Alan loved live music and supported many local performers. He also took great pleasure from nature, skiing, scuba diving, sailing, kayaking on nearby rivers, walking at night and stopping to lie in the fields to watch the fireflies. Alan also enjoyed traveling and motorcycling and spent many happy hours cruising New Hampshire's back roads on his motorcycles. He was deeply interested in world and local politics and frequently discussed issues with great passion. He read news constantly and wrote his opinions on political sites on the internet.

Alan leaves behind his loving wife Sandra and their much-loved feline companions Buff, Daisy and Gizzy.

A private memorial service will be held in his honor at a later date. Donations in Alan's memory can be made to St. Andrew's School - A.L. Willard Fund (can be placed in memo line) and mailed to St. Andrew's School, 63 Federal Road, Barrington, RI 02806.

Louise Doten

Louise “Lou” Thayer Doten, 89, of Dade City, FL, devoted wife of the late Arthur Doten, passed away on June 22, 2011 at The Place at Merritt Island Assisted Living, Merritt Island, FL. She was born October 13, 1922 in Needham, MA, daughter of the late Lewis and Linda (Walker) Thayer. She graduated from Needham High School, Class of 1939, and earned a BS from Bouvé College of Health Sciences at Northeastern University (formerly Boston Bouvé), Boston, MA, Class of 1943. Lou married Arthur Doten on June 22, 1946 and moved to Dedham, MA in 1949. She continued to spend summers at Lake Blaisdell in Bradford NH as she had since childhood. Louise and Arthur retired to Newbury, NH in 1979 and then to Dade City, FL in 2002. She enjoyed decorative painting in which she held classes for many years. She also enjoyed knitting, quilting and shuffleboard. Lou especially loved cats and shared her home with Gracey and George who kept her company for many years. Lou is survived by three sons: Edward Doten of Duxbury, MA, Stephen Doten and his wife Rosemary of Cocoa Beach, FL, and James Doten and his wife Katharine of Enfield, CT; six grandchildren: Lisa, Michael, Stephen Jr., Melissa, Julie, Kevin; sister-in-law Ethel Doten and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister Ruth. A Memorial Service will be held at The First Baptist Church of Bradford, NH on Saturday, August 20, 2011 at 11:00 AM. Burial will follow in the Marshall Cemetery, Newbury,
The Summer Reading Program continues with 30-minute documentaries for children about families of the world on Wednesday evenings at 6pm August 3 (India), 10 (Kenya) and 17 (Australia). Remember to enter the weekly raffle! We have handed out about 40 passports and children are eagerly keeping track of their reading. Celebrate Summer Reading at 5pm on Wednesday, August 24 with Alejandro’s Olde Tyme Magik Showe. After the show join us for pizza and ice cream bars. We will award Summer Reading certificates and ice cream coupons (thank you Pizza Chef!) to all passport holders and a special award to the reader with the most passport stamps.

St. Peter’s Lodge Hosts This Year’s Library Dinner
Ham and Turkey Dinner with all the fixings
Saturday, August 20th from 5:00 – 7:00pm
Adults: $8.00
Children under 10: $5.00
Children under 5: Free
Music provided by Alan Rogers
St. Peter’s Masonic Lodge
89 West Main Street, Bradford
Proceeds to benefit Brown Memorial Library

This month’s book-to-movie on Friday, August 5 at 7pm compares the novel *A Shine of Rainbows* by Lillian Beckwith with the movie version. Next month we read a memoir by J.R. Ackerley *My Dog Tulip*. Copies of the book are available at the desk.

International movie nights continue with a selection from Algeria on Friday, August 19 at 7pm. Next month’s movie is from Serbia. We must thank the following friends for their donation of time and effort to the library: Sarah Chaffee (library garden), Denis Murphy (stabilization of the front steps), Priscilla Parmenter, Miles Sturges and friend Isabella, and Lydia Pinard (stalwart parade marchers).

New books added to your library in July:

For Adults:
*The Hare with the Amber Eyes* by Edmund de Waal
*Trespasser* by Paul Doiron
*Now You See Me* by S. J. Bolton
*Once Upon a River* by Bonnie Jo Campbell

For Children and Young Adults:
*Oh, Harry!* by Maxine Kumin
*Grandpa’s Tractor* by Michael Garland
*Matched* by Ally Condie

**Lettvin Concerts Review**
*by Marilyn Zifrin*

On Friday evening, July 15, the first of the two Lettvin Chamber Music concerts took place at the Bradford Center Meetinghouse given by the Goldenberg duo for violin and piano. William Goldenberg, the pianist, had studied with Theodore Lettvin, the distinguished pianist for whom the series is named. His sister, Susan Goldenberg, the violinist, also studied with distinguished artists.

The first half of the Goldenberg's program consisted of traditional concert music by Brahms, Schubert, and Ernst Bloch— all of which was performed beautifully with much feeling and fine musicianship. They ended their first half with a delightful arrangement of the Gershwin piece, "It Ain't Necessarily So" arranged for violin and piano by the renowned virtuoso Jascha Heifetz.

After intermission the duo performed music mainly from China and Japan where they have traveled and given master classes. And they ended their concert with a fine performance of Rumanian Folk Dances by Bela Bartok. It was a superb concert and much appreciated by the audience.

On Saturday evening, July 16, the husband and wife team, Stephanie Leon Shames and Jonathan Shames, gave a wonderful piano duet recital. Their program included works by Mozart, Schubert, Brahms, Dvorak, and Ravel. Both of these artists also had the privilege of working with Ted Lettvin.

For this writer, one of the highlights of their program was the "Mother Goose Suite" by Maurice Ravel. It was also the only twentieth century work in the program.

Both concerts were superb musical experiences, and one hopes that Lettvin Chamber Music Series continues for a long time.
The Board of Directors of New Hampshire Thrift Bancshares, Inc. (NHTB), the holding company for Lake Sunapee Bank, fsb (Bank), appointed Laura Jacobi as Chief Financial Officer of both entities. Ms. Jacobi succeeds Stephen R. Theroux, who has held the title of Chief Financial Officer since 1987. Mr. Theroux will continue to serve as Vice-Chairman, President and Chief Operating Officer of both entities.

Ms. Jacobi, who holds an undergraduate degree in accounting and finance, and a Master’s degree in Business Administration, has served as Controller for last 12 years. More recently, she has assumed the corporate titles and responsibilities of Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer, and Corporate Secretary, all roles which she will continue to fulfill for both entities in addition to her current position.

In addition to her professional experience, Ms. Jacobi, a resident of Sunapee, New Hampshire, is also an active leader in the business and civic communities. For the past 12 years, she has served on the Board of Directors of the Newport Chamber of Commerce, the past two years as President. She has also been a long-time active volunteer with several charitable organizations including the American Cancer Society, and the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Ms. Jacobi is also the founding Director of the NH Chapter of Flashes of Hope, a non-profit organization serving children with life threatening illnesses and their families.

Lake Todd Loons
by Carol Tonkin

Lake Todd residents were looking forward to watching baby loons learning to dive for food and eventually learning to fly this summer, as we have enjoyed them for so many other summers. We had nesting loons as usual in early June, and reports were that two babies were born in early July. Shortly after those reports, I had a chance to watch them with my binoculars, and there was only one chick remaining. Several other observers also saw only one at that time. Now there are four adult loons swimming around, but unfortunately no sign of any babies. We can only assume that the two that were born became innocent victims of the many predators of newborn chicks. As we listen to the low, mournful cries of the loons on the Lake, we can only hope they will have better luck next year, and will be able raise their chicks to adulthood.
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The Appleseed Restaurant and Catering  We’re Affordable!
Tuesday - Sunday, 5:00 - 9:00 pm and Sunday Morning from 9:00 am -Noon.
Try our award winning $9.99 Sunday Breakfast Buffet overlooking Lake Todd
Great for those hungry visitors and the kids back from college
Now open for lunch Thursdays through Saturdays
Check out our restaurant at www.appleseedrestaurant.com 938-2100

Local Student Earns Honors

Nathaniel Hansen, a Geology major from Bradford has been named to the Castleton State College (Vt.) Deans list. To qualify for this highest academic honor, the student must maintain full-time status and a semester grade point average of 3.5. Congratulations, Nathan.

Olde Tyme Magik Showe at the Library

Alejandro’s Old Tyme Magic Showe will take place on Wed. August 24th at 5 pm at Brown Memorial Library. Performed in a style reminiscent of the Vaudeville era, Alejandro (AKA, Magician Andrew Pinard) is a one-man stand-up show with an emphasis on audience participation, visual magic, and physical comedy geared to entertain and amuse the whole family. Blending classic magic and comedy with a little help from volunteer assistants, Pinard invites spectators into his zany world of wonder.

The free program (sponsored by the Friends of Brown Memorial Library) concludes the summer reading program, One World, Many Stories. Summer reading achievements will be stamped on passports; certificates and prizes awarded. Pizza will be served following an estimated one-hour performance. The Friends thank Pizza Chef for their donation of ice cream coupons for the celebratory event. The handicapped accessible Brown Memorial Library is located at 78 West Main Street, Bradford. For more information, call 938-5562.
The Father of Mount Sunapee’s Public Lands

The Mount Sunapee Welsh Centennial Celebration is bringing attention to the father of Mount Sunapee’s public lands, Herbert Welsh (1851-1941) and his extraordinary legacy.

Welsh was a forest conservationist. He also was an artist (watercolorist and oil painter), publicist, lecturer, the Founder of the Indian Rights Association, and an advocate for civil service and government reform.

He hailed from Philadelphia and Sunapee. At the age of 53, Welsh started on what became a customary trek tramping from Philadelphia to his summer home on Lake Sunapee. Welsh completed his last walk to Sunapee in 1929 when he was age 78.

Earlier, in 1906, Welsh became alarmed at what was happening on Mount Sunapee. Paper companies controlled a greater part of the mountain and they were clear-cutting and harvesting lumber that left a growing bald spot pocked by stumps and slashó destruction that Welsh could observe from his lakeside home.

Welsh went into action. Welshís first effort, part of his campaign to save Mount Sunapee for all people for all time, raised $7,135 and with the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests purchased 656 acres of Mount Sunapee’s north slopes, including Lake Solitude, from the paper companies.

The 1911 purchase on Mount Sunapee marked the Society’s first acquisition of land, but not its last.

In 1948 after acquiring 1,116 acres on Mount Sunapee, the Society transferred their holdings to the state of New Hampshire. Welsh served the Society as a Vice-President At Large and as President of the Sunapee Chapter, from its formation in 1912 to at least 1934.

“If we saved Mount Sunapee we would indeed be doing this, but we would also be doing something higher and nobler than acting for our own protection; we would be helping to affect our part of the great national work of forest conservation”, wrote Welsh.

During the early 1900s, the fledgling Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests was vigorously campaigning with other conservation groups for the passage of the Weeks Act that created the White Mountain National Forest.
**Parks and Recreation**

We’d like to tell you all that Bradford Parks and Rec has joined the world of Facebook. Please visit us on Facebook at Town of Bradford NH Parks and Rec.

First of all, we’d like to send out a big thank you to Morgan Patten, Richard Kennedy and Shanna Braden for helping us at the French’s Park Clean Up. We will look into leaving a rake down by the beach so that people can rake the leaves out of the water. The water was up the steps when we were there. Also please remember that French’s Park is a “Carry In / Carry Out” park.

Thank you to everyone who helped with this year’s Beef Roast, Blood Drive and Baton activities!

Special thanks to Isabel Grilo for making the girls' new costumes and congratulations on becoming a Citizen on July 4th, 2011!

Thanks to Dave Pickman for once again providing the Batonettes with trophies. Thanks to the people who came to our bake sale and those of you who supported us at the ballfield on July 2!

For those of you who were at the Beef Roast, thanks for coming and helping us enjoy all the good food. Thanks to Appleseed for the delicious coleslaw and to those of you who made salads and desserts.

We had 37 presenting donors at the Blood Drive. We obtained 31 usable donations and therefore exceeded the Red Cross’ goal for us, which was 28.

We have 54 children enrolled in swimming lessons this year.

Our next event is Family Fun Day, Sunday, September 18. If you have a business or craft or hobby that you'd like to share with your fellow townspeople, please contact Debbie at 938-2350 or Margaret at 938-5392 for information.

**Classified Ads**

Wanted: Vintage photos of Bradford to be considered for publication in a new town history book. Originals will be scanned and returned. Sources will be cited. Call 938-5372.

For Sale:
1) Well pump- 2 lines push/pull. Almost new $150 or B.O.
2) White Kenmore Electric Range – 30”; very clean, good condition. $50.
3) Wine press $200
Call 938-2675

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**Sunapee Grange**

Master Laura Sevene presided over the first July meeting of Sunapee Lake Grange in the Grange hall in Newbury Village. While there was sadness in the air for losing a member, there was thanksgiving in voting a new person into membership. Deputy of the New Hampshire State Grange, Dorothy Haskins of Webster was present to initiate the new member and Master Sevene appointed him to fill the empty office of Gatekeeper.

The business session involved the discussion of planning a big penny sale and ham and bean supper on August 27th at the Grange Hall. Annie Whipple is collecting items for the penny sale. Master Sevene is organizing the members to bring food for the supper. Watch for more details in the weeks ahead.