KRES at Bradford Winter Crafts

The KRES at Bradford PTO sponsored a Winter Craft Club at the school for students in all grades. Their creations are proudly displayed at the school entrance.

A big thank you to Nikki Dubeare and all the volunteers made this such a wonderful opportunity for the students in Bradford and Newbury!!

A Day in the Life of a Meals on Wheels Driver

The Mountain View Senior Center housed in the Bradford Area Community Center is the base for the local Meals on Wheels program that delivers 100 plus meals to people in Bradford, Sutton, Newbury, Warner, Webster, Contoocook, New London, Hopkinton, Henniker and Wilmut.

On a bright December morning I met four drivers getting ready to deliver Meals on Wheels meals to recipients. The drivers start their day at the Mountain View Senior Center in Bradford, checking in, counting the number of meals to deliver on their route, and meeting the truck that delivers the meals in bulk from the kitchen in Concord, NH. Individual trays are then portioned, packed into coolers and carried to their cars. Each of the four route drivers has a route that takes them between 50 to 70 miles to deliver 25 or more meals Monday through Friday all year, except holidays.

On this day Penny, who delivers meals two days per week, and has been a part of the Meals on Wheels program for several years, agreed to let me ride along on her route. She loves this program and loves doing her part to help participants who for one reason or another cannot obtain or prepare the food they need. The same feeling was echoed by other drivers. This critical service is one they enjoy providing. It has a huge impact in the lives of recipients, in many cases allowing them to stay in their homes, which is where they prefer to be. The alternative would likely be the county nursing home for most, a costly alternative for taxpayers.

As we drove through the surrounding frosty landscapes Penny explained that getting food to these people is just one part of the job. Also involved is performing a wellness and safety check, providing helpful information to clients, and giving some peace of mind to loved ones, as well as participants. For many recipients the driver may be the only person they will see during the day or week. While drivers need to have their interactions brief to deliver all meals in a timely fashion, this friendly social contact is a very important part of the program.

Penny also explained that, as with any social service, getting to know a little bit about each person’s situation is essential. The drivers must report to their supervisor if they find there are any issues, who in turn may refer to another social service like the VNA. Occasionally they may have to call 911 for emergency medical treatment as they are not trained as first responders.

Arriving back at the Mountain View Senior Center there is some paper work to be completed and the coolers need to be packed away for the following day. Driving time for Penny’s 70-mile route generally takes two to two and a half hours. Other tasks could

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From the Bridge

Winter Solitude --
In the world of one color
The sound of the wind
~ Basho

Yes, this environment becomes monochromatic as the solstice arrives, temperatures dip, and snow and ice cover the ground. In the midst, however, holiday lights flash in the dark hours, cardinals appear at feeders, and colorful attire seeks to brighten the days.

A review of 2018 editions of the Bradford Bridge provides a glimpse of a lively attitude about our community. A fresh wind is finding its way onto Main Street, onto the Select Board, into the Bradford Elementary School, into Brown Memorial Library, and into other community organizations.

This from June, “West Main Street is enjoying a couple of facelifts. One as the Bradford INNovation project is reviving the old Bradford Inn, and another as the Fentons renovate the Appleseed Inn Tavern. Heard around town, “Yeah, Bradford’s coming around,” “There’s a lot going on these days,” “These young people are making things happen.” “Bradford is the best!” It’s palpable. There’s a revival happening in Bradford.”

During her holiday visit, our daughter, who grew up in Bradford, says about the new atmosphere in our town, “My heart and soul are so full knowing that my roots are flourishing and nourishing a multigenerational community.”

Moving into the coming year our goal at the Bridge is to provide a monthly reporting of the efforts and events that make Bradford thrive. As always, thanks to our advertisers for supporting this endeavor.

Everyone at The Bradford Bridge wishes our community a healthy and happy 2019.

Thank you for reading!

Kathleen Bigford, Editor
And all our Volunteers and Contributors
A Day in the Life
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add about an hour to this part-time job.

More information about the Meals on Wheels program including program impact, benefits and eligibility can be found at the following sites: Community Action Program of Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc., https://www.bm-cap.org/meals-wheels and the Mountain View Senior Center, https://sites.google.com/a/bm-cap.org/elder-services/bradford

The Meals on Wheels program is always in need of drivers and substitute drivers. If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming a driver, please contact Darcy Little at 938-2104 or by email: dlittle@bm-cap.org.

Kathleen Bigford

Help Plan for Independence Day Celebration

January 14, 5:30pm, Bradford Community Church Friendship Room. Bradford Independence Day Celebration planning committee meeting. This is an open meeting for anyone to attend. Please come share your ideas or volunteer to help with the celebration.

Planning Board Seeks Alternates

The Planning Board is currently seeking members to serve as alternates. As one article published by the NH Municipal Association puts it, “Alternate members are the unsung heroes of local land use boards.” They are critical to the efficient functioning of boards, as conflicts of interest frequently prohibit one or more members from participating in certain application or appeals processes. When such conflicts arise, or if a regular member of the Planning Board is absent, the chair will then designate an alternate to sit in that member’s place. At that time, the alternate takes on the authority to act as a full board member for the duration of their designation. When not acting as a full board member, alternates attend scheduled meetings but do not take part in board deliberations or voting. They do however have the opportunity to gain experience through direct observation, which will help prepare them to take on the responsibilities of a regular member in the future. Alternates are the safety net that allows boards to function properly so that they may continue to serve the public.

If interested in becoming an alternate, or learning more, please contact the Town Office at 938-5500. Alternatively, come to one of our meetings! The Bradford Planning Board meets every second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Community Center.

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Sweet Beet Market

In Warner
Warner Pharmacy
Sugar River Bank
MainStreet BookEnds
Pillsbury Free Library

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Bar Harbor Bank & Trust
Newbury Library

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Kathleen Bigford

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Welcome 2019!
A fresh start for all
In this spirit we will be closed the first week of January. See you January 9th with regular hours!

Wednesday.-Friday: 9-6 • Saturday-Sunday: 9-5 • Monday-Tuesday: closed

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Meet the Bradford Police Department

The Bradford PD is led by part-time Chief James Valiquet. Full-time officers are Detective Sergeant Edward Shaughnessy, Master Patrol Office Kevin Faria, and Patrol Officer Neil Flanagan. The staff is supplemented by part-time patrol officers Glen Drewniak, Henry Thomas, and Joseph McCormack and Administrative Assistant Carolyn Valiquet. Let’s meet them, two each month, put names, faces, and a bit of background together for each one.

Kevin Faria began his career after college in marketing, but his goal had always been law enforcement. After several years, he attended the Police Academy and joined the police force in Goffstown. While playing on a softball team, he met Ed Shaughnessy and learned of an opening in Bradford. The opportunity to work closer to his home in Warner and in a smaller town where he could be more involved led to joining the Bradford Police Department in 2015.

He enjoys trying to make a difference in someone’s life. Making a mistake is only a piece of each life and there is always the chance to move in a different direction. He emphasized the need to show respect for the person whatever the situation and to offer resources available to help make a change. His best days are the 4th of July when residents are out on the street and at little league and other sporting events where he gets to know the people he serves.

On the other side, the schedule can be difficult for family and friends - to be on duty weekends and off in the middle of the week - but he and his family have adapted to this. The anti-police sentiment on a national scale has been hard even in a small town, but the pendulum seems to be moving toward a better balance with the understanding that it is the bad news that makes the headlines.

Kevin remarked that he has found very good cooperation with the neighboring departments, each one willing to help out and respond when requested. This is especially helpful when called out to a situation near the town borders or in the event of a domestic disturbance call.

Glen Drewniak is one of the three part-time officers who help to fill the necessary shifts that provide Bradford with 24 hour police coverage.

He grew up in the area, joined the army after graduating from KRHS. When he went on reserve status, he attended the Police Academy and was hired as a full-time police officer in Newbury in 2000 then spent 3½ years with the Merrimack County Sheriff Department. During this time, he was a member of the NH National Guard and was deployed to Afghanistan. On his return became a full-time member of the Guard and works with the Civil Support group that is called upon by other agencies in cases of hazardous materials or other suspicious events. This involves many hours of training with the group and training others to recognize potential problems. The combination of contact through the Guard on a state, national and international scale and police duty in a small town provides a good balance.

Marcia Keller
Meals on Wheels Celebration

Phil Stockwell, Senior Center Director, who retired during December received a beautiful quilt from the Quilters Group in appreciation for his dedication to the people and programs at the Senior Center.

Meals on Wheels drivers and recipients are treated to a holiday celebration sponsored by the The Mountain View Senior Center Quilters Group and Sugar River Bank on December 20. Appetizers, a turkey main course with all the fixings, and dessert were served.

The Kearsarge High School Select Choir performed holiday songs.

Town Positions Open

March 12, 2019 Town Election

Selectman for 3 years - 1 Opening

Trustee of the Trust Funds for 3 years - 1 Opening

Trustee of the Trust Funds for 1 year - 1 Opening

Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library for 3 years - 2 Openings

Trustee of the Brown Memorial Library for 2 years - 1 Opening

Scholarship Committee for 3 years - 1 Opening

Budget Committee for 3 years - 2 Openings

Budget Committee for 1 year - 1 Opening

Planning Board for 3 years - 2 Openings

Planning Board for 2 year - 1 Opening

Zoning Board for 3 years - 2 Openings

Cemetery Commission for 3 years - 1 Opening

Cemetery Commission for 2 years - 1 Opening

File declarations for candidacy at the Bradford Town Clerk’s Office during the following hours:

- Wednesday, January 23rd, 12-6
- Thursday, January 24th, 8-2 / 1-4
- Saturday, January 26th, 9-12
- Tuesday, January 29th, 8-12 / 1-4
- Wednesday, January 30st, 12-6
- Thursday, January 31st, 8-12 / 1-4
- Friday, February 1st, 3-5pm (for filing only)

Melissa Cloutier, Town Clerk/Tax Collector - TC@BradfordNH.org - 938-2288
Namaste in the New Year

“Don’t move the way fear makes you move. Move the way love makes you move. Move the way joy makes you move.” – Osho, Indian Spiritual Leader and Teacher

This is my wish for you in the new year - to move the way love and joy make you move, and to release fear.

Often, we think of yoga as something for flexible people, a series of pretzel-like contortions and complex balancing acts. But yoga is for all of us. It is much more about the flexibility of the mind and heart than the flexibility of the body. What yoga really wants from us is to uncover the ever-present love and joy that reside within each of us (the part of us we are addressing when we greet one another with namaste). And, in doing so, yoga asks us to practice letting go of fear - the root of anxiety, anger, ignorance, and so on (note that letting go is not the same as ignoring).

This may sound great, but yoga is not a magic pill that gives us these things overnight (although I do think it’s magic none-the-less). It is a practice and our ever-changing lives always give us something new to apply it to.

So where do we begin?

- Try a yoga class or a new teacher
- Show loving-kindness to yourself and others
- Take 10 minutes to stretch out your body, releasing tension in your mind
- Breathe - the simplest, most accessible, and potentially most valuable tool of yoga. We can do it anytime, anywhere, without anyone even knowing. It calms the mind, provides needed energy, strengthens the core muscles, and has a host of other benefits.

Try this: Sit tall with a straight spine (in any position that is comfortable for you). Close your eyes or relax your facial muscles. Breathe in through your nose for a count of 4 and see if you can expand your belly as you breathe. Hold the breath for 2. Breathe out for 4 drawing your belly button to your spine. Hold empty for 2. Continue this for 5 minutes. Now you’ve practiced yoga!!

Namaste and Happy New Year,
Meghan MacLean, RYT-500
Saint Peter’s Masonic Lodge to Close and Move to Concord

The past year has been one of great joy and sorrow for the members of St. Peter’s Masonic Lodge of Bradford. The Lodge was chartered on June 11, 1818 and on June 18 of this year celebrated its 200th anniversary with a commemorative luncheon catered by the Appleseed Restaurant. That was in June. Fast forward six months and on December 6, 2018 the Lodge held its final meeting in Bradford with eleven Brothers in attendance. The closing is the direct result of poor attendance with as few as three or five members present at recent meetings.

The closing is met with mixed emotions, however, for as we close our doors in Bradford, as of January 1, 2019 we will merge with Blazing Star-Eureka Lodge in Concord, an older and much larger Lodge. The plight of St. Peter’s Lodge is due to the aging and moving away of its fewer than 50 members.

Also, on the positive side and what we hope will not change, is our active charitable support of several local organizations. These include the Brown Memorial Library, the Food Pantries of Bradford, Newbury, and Sutton, the Bradford Fire Department, Bradford Community Church, the Charlie Marston Scholarship Fund and other local charities. We also volunteer at the Hopkinton Fair which we expect to continue to do. Also, when we make a charitable contribution, we receive matching funds from NH Grand Lodge, which we expect will continue.

Obviously, we greet the New Year with a mixture of joy and sorrow. Joy for the warm welcome and brotherly affection we are receiving from our Brothers at Blazing Star-Eureka Lodge, but sorrow for leaving behind the people and things we love in Bradford. We want to express our thanks and appreciation not only for the last 200 years, but also for the friends and warm relationships we have enjoyed in Bradford in most recent years. Thank you.

For additional information, please contact one of the following: Ed Geffken, 746-2463; Clark Phillips, 565-5446; and Paul Gross, 717-5951.

Live Music – December 22, 2018

Guitarist, singer Senie Hunt performed at The Village Cafe. What a gathering place The Bradford Inn has been lately! So many familiar and happy faces enjoyed the music, some food from the Cafe and the last minute local gift shopping at Sweet Beet Market.

If you missed this event, you'll get another chance to see this talented local musician! Follow Senie on Facebook for upcoming show dates.

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Sarah Kehoe, DVM
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From the Director's Desk:
After the hullabaloo of the holidays, January is like a deep breath to me, albeit a cold one. It's the time of the year, where I feel relieved the holidays have passed, and I'm not completely sick of winter yet. I would like to say I commit to New Year's resolutions, but I don't, not after years of writing them and not following through. The start of a new year is a natural time to try changing habits, I read somewhere recently it takes six weeks to form a habit. Of course, there are always things I want to do more of or in ways I would like to improve. Working on my patience and exercising regularly are always on the list. I want to carve out more down time with my family and enjoy experiences rather than things. January is a time of peaceful reflection or a time to start something new.

New Business:
Here at the library, we are working on a few new things. Look forward to Library Musings- The Tall and Short of It Podcast by Ellen and Leslie, debuting the end of January. Once we've begun, you can find the podcast on our website and Facebook. I know, video games at the library? But the library is a gathering space too and I want to make it a place where young people feel comfortable going.

I mentioned my love of end of the year lists in the December 2018 Lantern. I tried my best to compile some of the more literary papers/magazines (New York Times) with those that are more popular like (People, Entertainment Weekly, Oprah) and purchased some of the consistent titles across the board for the library. I’m looking forward to reading a few recommended titles. But first I have to finish my assignments for book group and the Podcast. Leslie and I will be reviewing Tell The Machine Goodnight by Katie Williams.

Book Group:
Our book group resumes on Wednesday, January 16th at 7:00pm. We are reading Don Delillo’s White Noise. This book takes a satirical look at modern life and all that distracts us. The ‘white noise’ around us, whether it is our inability to discern artificial from reality, the far-reaching tentacles of technology, to our ultimate fear of death and how we handle this existential crisis. It should be an unusual read and I hope it stirs conversation.

Bradford Art Group will feature a new artist’s display running from January through March. Thanks to Bob Brookes for displaying his beautiful paintings in the library.

The library would like to thank those who donated their time and money to make the holiday festivities great! Thank you to Jason & Sydney Allen, Connie & Brackett Scheffy, Fritz VonBeren, Laura Hallahan, Jacquie Pehrson and Mike Moss.
New Books:
Non-Fiction:
Becoming / Michelle Obama
Big Fella: Babe Ruth and the World He Created / Jane Leavy
Colors of All the Cattle / Alexander McCall Smith
Churchill / Andrew Roberts
How to Be a Good Creature / Sy Montgomery

New Children & Youth:
Leah on the Offbeat / Becky Albertalli
Hey, Kiddo / Jarrett Krosoczka
Skyward / Brandon Sanderson
Pine and Boof / Ross Burach
I Lost My Tooth / Mo Willems

Fiction:
Reckoning / John Grisham
Of Blood and Bone / Nora Roberts
Dakota Winters / Tom Barbash
Other Woman / Sandi Jones
Vengeful / V.E. Schwab
Absolutely Remarkable Thing / Hank Green

Ellen Barselle
Library Director

Selectmen’s Office Recording Secretary Position

The Selectmen are accepting applications for a Recording Secretary. This position currently serves the Planning Board, Zoning Board, Select Board and Budget Committee; however, the position could be shared by two people. Responsibilities include minute taking and transcription in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and applicable state laws, posting notices and agendas, written and verbal correspondence, keeping financial records, purchasing supplies, filing, tape recording and assisting Town officials and the public with access to the Boards’ files.

The skills necessary to be successful in this position include attention to detail and deadlines; effective customer services skills; ability to juggle several projects at the same time; strong written and verbal communication skills; desire to become familiar with Town Ordinances and related RSAs. The successful candidate will also demonstrate computer capability with Word and Excel.

Position averages between 2 and 7 hours per week, though there will be weeks where as many as 15 hours are worked. Availability in the evening is required.

Prior related experience preferred but not necessary for the right candidate. Interested candidates should submit their resume to: administrator@bradfordnh.org.

Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled. The Town of Bradford is an equal opportunity employer.
**Monthly Briefing:**
**Bradford Town Board Reports**

**Board of Selectmen**

Highway Department  A motion was approved to purchase a new pickup truck, withdrawing $36,000 from the Highway Department Expendable Trust Fund and the remainder of $700 to come from the operating budget.

The Board commended the Highway Department on their work cleaning up after the recent storm.

Cell Phone Service  Building Inspector Walter Royal reported that a building permit to install cell service equipment has been submitted. No specific time has been set for the installation, but the project appears to be moving forward.

Unregistered Vehicles  Police Chief Valiquet provided pictures of several vehicles located at 57 Deer Valley Road. A letter will be sent to the tenant outlining the state law and requesting the tenant to be sure the property complies.

License to Sell Pistols and Revolvers  Selectmen discussed the request from Eric Croto, Fortune Road, to sign a New Hampshire license application that allows him to sell pistols and revolvers in accordance with NH RSA 159. Croto currently holds a Federal license to sell pistols and revolvers. The State license would allow him to access the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) database, in conjunction with the New Hampshire State Police and to conduct background checks in addition to the FBI managed background checks he already complies with as part of his Federal license requirements.

Selectmen Michael James raised a concern about complaints he has received related to noise and selling of firearms at the Croto property. Mr. Croto stated that his insurance would not cover him to allow someone to test shoot a firearm at his home and that he sells new pistols whose monetary value would be compromised if it is shot before it’s purchased so there is no noise impact that would result from this request. Chief Valiquet added that he is not aware of any complaints since Mr. Croto began his home business, manufacturing ammo, and encouraged the Board to sign the request as it would allow for interaction with the New Hampshire State Police.

Michele and David Halsted, West Road, expressed concerns with the noise from shooting and explosives and felt allowing the sale of handguns from the property disrupts the rural nature of the area and are concerned about safety. Fran Chelland, West Road, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to have a discussion related to the request and felt the discussion was a reasonable expectation and a great opportunity to gain knowledge about the request.

The Board delayed final action for a week to provide time for abutters to comment and to allow a vote by the full Board. The discussion continued to the meeting on December 17 when the Selectmen voted 3-0 to approve the request for a period of 18 months rather than the three years requested.

Police station  Police Chief Valiquet informed the Board that an inspection was done by New England Mold Remediation as a follow up to finding mold at the Police Station. A Worker’s Compensation Claim related to health concerns in the Police Deptment has been submitted. Bradford Corners, Inc., the property owner, is working with his insurance carrier to address the issue.

Town Offices/ BACC  Chief Valiquet provided the Board with an estimate to reinforce the downstairs hallway door at the BACC and install high security transaction windows for the Town Office and Tax Collector Office. The estimate will be included as part of the Town’s budget preparation process.

Recreational Bridge  At the request of The Rural Heritage Connection of Bradford, the Lake Sunapee Snowmobile Club and the Friends of the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail trail, Selectmen approved naming the Multi-Use Trail Bridge over Lake Todd the Robert Saturley Memorial Bridge. As a UNH student, Mr. Saturley worked on the Route 103 Bridge over Lake Todd when it was under construction. In later years, he was an avid cyclist and rode regularly around the area. In 2011 Robert was cycling on Route 103 in Newbury when he was struck and killed by a motorist.

The Friends of Robert Saturley thought the bridge and trail was such a significant safety improvement they
funded a GoFundMe campaign that raised in excess of $20,000 that was donated to the project.

**Tax Relief Incentive**  With a vote of 2-0, from which Michael James abstained, Selectmen approved applications for The Appleseed Inn and Unless, LLC, for the building currently housing the Sweet Beet Market and The Village Café. They authorized relief from tax increase for improvements to both buildings for a period of four years under the Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive (RSA 79-E) Program. The program, approved by voters at the 2016 Town Meeting, allows the Board of Selectmen to provide a temporary period of limited tax relief for property owners who undertake substantial rehabilitation of a qualifying structure that meets the program criteria.

**Town Hall Update**  Temporary heating units have been installed at a cost of $23,200 to provide protection for the foundation work done to date. Contractor Trumbull-Nelson will complete the “buttoning-up” of the building for the winter months as authorized by the 2018 appropriation of $170,000. Because the granite was not ready to be installed around the foundation, the necessary back-filling could not be done and the chain link fence will remain in place for the safety of all.

**Budget Committee**  On Friday December 7, David Nunnally submitted the following email to the Budget Committee:

> With regret, I am stepping down as chairman of the budget committee, effective immediately. I will finish out my term and will not be seeking another.

Marlene Freyler was elected Chair and Jason Allen Vice-Chair at the meeting on December 20. The Committee began the initial review of the proposed 2019 budget and plan to meet once a week Thursdays at 6:30 beginning January 3 unless otherwise announced.

**Conservation Commission**

**Member**  The Commission enthusiastically welcomed Doug Southard on board after his approval as an alternate by the Selectmen.

**Adopt a Road**  A compilation of all reports from the Class VI road monitors was presented to the Selectmen. At their request, Doug Southard and Brooks Mcandlish will provide them with several guidelines to consider in developing a policy for enabling Class VI roads to be usable.

**Woodland ATV Public Hearing**

**Hillsborough**  Ann Eldridge reported the Hillsborough Select Board denied the request of Woodland ATV Club use of additional town roads.

**Alder Plains Road**  There are ‘no trespassing’ signs on Alder Plains Rd, a Class VI public road. Information has been sent to the Select Board.

**Warner River Local Advisory Committee**  Scott MacLean reported the Warner River Local Advisory Committee has been sent to the Select Board.

**Library Trustees**

**Lighting**  The new LED lighting fixtures have been received. Contractor Peter Salvitti has set January 14 as the tentative date to begin installation.

**Fireplace**  The Trustees approved purchase of an infrared insert for the fireplace to help with ambiance and heat. The wattage cost is estimated at approximately 25 cents an hour.

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

**Notice of Decision**  The Board approved a variance for 2204 State Route 114, Tax Map 17/Lot 35, property of the Everett M. Kittredge Revocable Trust. The vote was 3-2 to allow structure setbacks of 8 feet from the North boundary of the property with the condition that wetlands are delineated by a wetland scientist on the North and South sides of the lot and setbacks from wetlands be observed as dictated by the Bradford Zoning Ordinance.

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

Paul Hopwood

With his son by his side, (Capt. USAF-Ret) Paul Hopwood of Bradford died December 1, 2018, at Concord Hospital after a period of declining health. The son of Walter (Sr.) and Isabel (Gysen) Hopwood, he was born February 5, 1934 in Portsmouth NH.

Paul’s early childhood was in Portsmouth. His family moved to New Castle. He graduated from Portsmouth High School in 1952. He met his high school sweetheart and bride of 59 years, Mary Pickett. He was in the US Army Medical Corps, attended the University of New Hampshire and found his calling with the US Air Force.

He and Mary wed September 26, 1959. He served several deployments during the Vietnam War as part of the flight crew on B52s. Retiring in 1977, they returned to New England and found the perfect house in Bradford.

After retirement, Paul returned to his passion for medicine and graduated in 1981 as an RN from the Concord Hospital School of Nursing. He was a nurse at Concord Hospital in the Cardiac Care Unit until an injury sidelined his second career.

Paul liked all sports. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. He, Mary and Shammy II (their four legged “baby”) summereed on Moosehead Lake in Maine, where they embraced the “off the grid” lifestyle.

Paul was predeceased by his parents; in-laws; brother, Walter and his wife, Audrey; nephew Clifford “Skip” Hopwood; and son-in-law, Marc Saxby. He leaves his wife, Mary, their Shammy II, and their children and families: Deborah Hansen and Steven of Bradford and their children Nathaniel and Natalie; Susan Saxby and her son, Michael Hosmer of Bradford; Paul T. and Rhonda Hopwood of Troy TX, and their daughter Jessikah and her fiancee, Jack Hedges, of West Lebanon NH; several nieces and nephews; and much loved great-granddaughters, Leigha and Maya.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the National Kidney Foundation of NH, 814 Elm Street, Manchester, NH 03101-2130 or to Upper Valley Humane Society, 300 Old Route 10, Enfield NH, 03748. Paul will have a gravesite service in the spring in Bradford. Chadwick Funeral Home, New London, is in charge of arrangements.

Bradford’s Select Board Approves Naming Lake Todd Recreational Bridge after Robert Saturley

As reported in the Monthly Briefing, on December 17, 2018 the Select Board unanimously approved a proposal to name the recreational trail bridge over Lake Todd the Robert Saturley Memorial Bridge, to honor the legacy of an esteemed citizen and outdoor sports enthusiast.

Robert Saturley was a resident of Newbury but had ties to Bradford. As a UNH student Robert worked on the Route 103 road bridge over Lake Todd during its construction. In later years Robert was an avid cyclist and rode regularly all over the region. Robert shared a passion for outdoor recreation common to all those who will traverse the trail bridge.

In 2011 Robert was cycling on Route 103 in Newbury when he tragically was struck and killed by a motorist. Friends of Robert Saturley noticed the new bridge taking shape and organized a GoFundMe campaign in Robert’s memory to help the three groups working in partnership to build the bridge. The coalition comprises Rural Heritage Connection of Bradford, Inc.; the Lake Sunapee Snowmobile Club; and the Friends of the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail.
The Friends of Robert Saturley thought the new bridge and trail was such a significant safety improvement they supported the GoFundMe campaign with donations in excess of $20,000.

We, the Rural Heritage Connection of Bradford, the Lake Sunapee Snowmobile Club, and the Friends of the Concord Lake Sunapee Rail Trail, are grateful for the Select board of Bradford’s commitment to honor Robert Saturley. We embark on 2019 with a shared commitment to build the trail he would love.

Very respectfully,
Michele Halsted, RHC of Bradford, Inc., Paul Lombardi, Lake Sunapee Snowmobile Club, Timothy Blagden, FCLSRT

Dust of Snow
By Robert Frost

The way a crow
Shook down on me
The dust of snow
From a hemlock tree

Has given my heart
A change of mood
And saved some part
Of a day I had rued

Santa Visits Bradford

Santa makes his annual visit to Brown Memorial Library.
Ruby Morell tells Santa her wishes for Christmas at Brown Memorial Library at the annual holiday event in Bradford.
Everyone had their chance to talk with Santa, visit with friends and enjoy cookies and hot chocolate.
Just as it got dark, the Christmas tree was lit and carols were sung in the holiday spirit!

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Community Events Calendar – January 2019
All events take place at the Bradford Area Community Center (938-6228) or the Mountain View Senior Center (938-2104) unless otherwise noted. Call to confirm dates and times in case any changes have been made.

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**ONGOING EVENTS**

**Mondays**
- 10:00 am Children's Storytime, BML
- 10:30 am Children's Playgroup, BML
- 1:00 pm Mahjong Group
- 6:00 pm Noon Senior Dining

**Wednesdays**
- 5:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting, BACC
- 7:00 pm Rural Heritage Connection, BACC, 2nd Monday/month
- 7:00 pm Conservation Commission, BML, 3rd Tuesday/month
- 7:00 pm Fish & Game Club
- 1st Tuesday each month
- 7:00 pm Planning Board, BACC
- 2nd & 4th Tuesdays/month

**Wednesdays**
- 6:00 pm Library Trustees, BLM
- 1st Wednesday/month
- 7:00 pm Zoning Board, BACC
- 1st Wednesday/month

**Thursdays**
- 6:00 pm Cemetery Commission
- 2nd Thursday/month; call 938-2119

**Fridays**
- 11:30 am First Friday Brunch, MVSC
- call 938-2104 for reservations

**Other**
- Historical Society Tin Shop, East Main Street; by appointment, call 938-2253

**CALENDAR ABBREVIATIONS**

| BACC | Bradford Area Community Center |
| BCC | Bradford Community Church |
| BCMH | Bradford Center Meetinghouse |
| BML | Brown Memorial Library |
| FGC | Fish & Game Club |
| KLC | Kearsarge Learning Center |
| LSVNA | Lake Sunapee Visiting Nurses Assoc. |
| LR | Learning Room |
| MVSC | Mountain View Senior Center |
| ZBA | Zoning Board of Adjustment |
The bells were a-ringing and the choir was singing! It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Meetinghouse pageant on Christmas Eve.

Thank you to all of the wonderful people who participated. This community wouldn’t be as special as it is without you in it.

We are all looking ahead to another season of events at the Meetinghouse, kicking off with a May Day Celebration in the beginning of May. Details to come!

If you would like to visit the Meetinghouse, call Leah 938-2017 to make arrangements.

Area Events

Bradford

Rosewood Country Inn
Saturday, January 12, 6:30 pm. “Dead of Winter Paranormal Investigation.” Being such an old Inn, guests wonder if the Inn is haunted. Have a night to ask all your questions and have them answered by professional paranormal investigators. Visit https://www.rosewoodcountryinn.com/events/ for more information about this and other INNspired events at the Rosewood.

Newbury

Snowshoe and Hot Chocolate
Newbury Recreation Department
Sunday, January 20, 10 am - noon at Fishersfield Park. Join us for a morning snowshoe exploring the beautiful Fishersfield Park. We’ll wind our way through the snowy trails and end our walk with a well-deserved cup of hot chocolate and light refreshments! All skill levels and ages welcomed!

Warner

Ben Dobrowski at Schoodacs
Sunday, January 20, 2019 at 1 pm to 3 pm at Schoodacs, 1 East Main Street, Warner. Local star of rock and folk, Ben Dobrowski, will be performing at Schoodacs.

Ben has a great sound and is passionate about playing music from solo and open mic appearances to his work with the renowned Dobros.
Many of you are enthusiastic about recording the beauty that surrounds us. Therefore, I’d like to invite photographers to share images to be included in this article. Of course proper credit will be given. The most interesting photographs will be from Bradford and close-by places. An accompanying caption would be nice. One last request is to submit the images in .jpg or .jpeg format.

Kathleen Bigford

Bending Birches – November 27, 2018

Heavy snow and high winds brought an early winter and left many Bradford residents without power for more than a day. Thank you to all of the repair crews!

Another Bobcat Sighting! – December 24, 2018

Scott McEvoy captured this bobcat when it visited the Forgiel backyard on Rowe Mountain Road in late December 2018.

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