

# Land Protection Workshop

## Basic Conservation Options and Tax Benefits for Gilmanton Landowners

Thursday, May 7, 2009 at 7 pm at the Academy Building



Learn how you can conserve your land permanently for scenic enjoyment, wildlife, farming, forestry, and/or recreation. We'll discuss how to set up a permanent conservation agreement ("conservation easement") for land you continue to own, and how to proceed when you might want to convey outright ownership of your land. Learn how you can meet your financial as well as conservation objectives, via possible tax savings and/or cash sale. We'll help you figure out which conservation group to work with, how the process works, and whom to contact for possible next steps. Other Gilmanton landowners who've set up such arrangements will be present to share their experiences. Finally, you'll leave with practical ideas and written materials to help you leave your mark on the landscape and community of Gilmanton.

Speakers include Gilmanton residents Tom Howe and Carolyn Baldwin. Tom serves as Senior Director of Land Conservation at the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests where he manages all aspects of the acquisition of land and conservation easements, by gift and by purchase, in the Lakes and Ossipee Regions, and in the North Country. Carolyn has served on the Gilmanton conservation commission, planning board, board of selectmen, and currently on the zoning board of adjustment. She is on the Board for the Five Rivers Conservation Trust. As an attorney she is presently "of counsel" to Baldwin & Callen in Concord, a firm specializing in land use and environmental matters. Both Tom and Carolyn have been on the Gilmanton Land Trust Board since its inception and both have donated conservation easements on their lands.

This workshop is especially for landowners, their legal or tax advisors, foresters, surveyors, real estate brokers and anyone else who is interested. All are welcome! For more information call 603-581-2696 or e-mail [conservation@gilmantonnh.org](mailto:conservation@gilmantonnh.org).

This program is presented by the Conservation Commission and the Gilmanton Land Trust.

**Refreshments will be available.**