



View of Hersey Family Farm easement heading west on Route 11, East Andover, NH. 267.7 acres were protected by Ausbon Sargent in 2007. Fund raising for an additional 55 acres of fields and woodlands is currently under way. *Original oil painting by Sally Ladd Cole of [www.BanksGallery.com](http://www.BanksGallery.com).*

# How To Make Your Town Farm Friendly

Thursday, November 12, 2009

6-8:30 PM (Registration: 6-6:15 PM)

**Kearsarge Regional Middle School, North Sutton, NH**

**Presenter: Amy Ouellette**

Join us at the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust for a practical look at what decision makers on town boards and commissions in the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee Region need to consider regarding how to make our towns more farm/agriculture friendly. In New Hampshire, we value agriculture as part of the rural landscape and rely on it for fresh produce, meat and dairy products. Like every other business, farms must be profitable in order to pay taxes, provide living wages for employees and reinvest in business. Unknowingly, zoning, town ordinances and conservation activities can have an adverse effect on the ability of agricultural businesses to remain viable. Towns who encourage agricultural activity do a great deal of good toward preserving the open space that is essential to our New Hampshire lifestyle.

**AMY OUELLETTE** is an Agriculture Educator with UNH Cooperative Extension in Merrimack County.

Previous to May, 2009, Amy held the same position in Belknap County for eight years. She is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, where she earned a B.S. in Horticulture and Agronomy and a M.S. in Plant Biology. Amy provides technical information to farmers, greenhouse and nursery businesses and anyone interested in agriculture or horticulture. Her program specialty areas include vegetable and fruit production in northern climates, insect and plant disease identification and control, low-input lawn maintenance, pasture and hay crop improvement, soil testing, fertilizer and soil amendment recommendations, cover cropping, and pesticide applicator training.

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## **This program is being sponsored by the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust**

The mission of Ausbon Sargent is to help preserve the rural character of the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee region by working with local governments and landowners. The Ausbon Sargent protects lands that make our region a special place to live. We execute our mission through:

- Conservation agreements that protect the farms, forest, streams and wetlands – the special undeveloped “open” spaces;
- Stewardship of our conserved land, now and forever;
- Partnerships with private individuals, local governments and like-minded organizations sharing expertise/efforts in protecting land;
- Education of the people of our communities about the importance to them of protecting our environment and its ecosystems through land conservation.

**To learn all about us, please go to our web site at [www.ausbonsargent.org](http://www.ausbonsargent.org)**



The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust  
71 Pleasant Street, PO Box 2040, New London, NH 03257

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*Courser Farm, Warner & Webster, NH—895 acres (three of four phases) of working farm and forest protected by Ausbon Sargent..*

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**Driving directions to  
the Kearsarge Regional Middle School:**  
32 Gile Pond Rd., North Sutton NH.  
From I-89 take Exit 10. Turn right off the exit  
ramp if you were traveling south or  
turn left off the exit if traveling north.  
Go 7/10th of a mile on Gile Pond Rd and  
turn left at KRMS driveway.

## **REGISTRATION FORM:**

Commission/Board Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

1st Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

3rd Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

4th Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please attach a separate sheet for  
any additional registrants.)*

\$10 per person

Total payment: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please register by November 6th.*

Check payable to: ASLPT

And return to: ASLPT, PO Box 2040,  
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