

# **BARTLETT POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2009**

As our police department continues to deal with the ever-increasing level of crime in our town, we do so while endeavoring to keep within the limits of our budget. This is always a challenge. Due possibly to the down-turn of the economy, we experienced an increase in residential burglaries. Through police investigative efforts and the help of eye witnesses and telephone tips, a number of arrests were made and property was recovered and returned. In times of change, success in law enforcement and making Bartlett safe are the result of many individuals doing many actions right. To that end, we would encourage citizens to keep a watchful eye in their neighborhood and provide an informal neighborhood watch network.

This year, the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency again provided grants to conduct three overtime DWI hunter patrols. These patrols were at no cost to Bartlett taxpayers and resulted in the arrest of one repeat offender. In addition, they generously supplied twenty-five bike helmets to local children as part of the spring Bicycle Rodeo at Story Land sponsored by the Mt. Washington Valley Velo Club. We thank the department for all their support.

In November, we were very sorry to lose Officer Suzanne Scott to Conway police department. In the two years Officer Scott was with us, she did an outstanding job. She had a positive impact on many people in town, especially our young folk, and she will be missed. We wish her well in her new position.

The most important and visible achievement of a police department is the strength of its employees and the many agencies who help and support it. I want to express my appreciation to the men and women of this organization, as well as to the Bartlett/Glen Fire Department, Bartlett/Jackson Ambulance and Bartlett town road crews who strive every day, often under trying conditions, to serve the people of this community. And, as always, we are supported by the Board of Selectmen and the town's administrative staff. We thank them all for their help.

In 2009 we again worked with the Josiah Bartlett Elementary School on the Thursday afternoon ski program and the "Project Alert" substance abuse curriculum and thank the administration and staff at JBES for their continued support.

We look forward to serving the community of Bartlett in 2010.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Chief of Police