

## **TOWN HALL SWINGS**

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It was a cold, damp, rainy night in Warnertown on Saturday, April 17, 2010 but inside, the hall was full of dancing couples. Sponsored by the Warner Men's Club, over 50 residents from the area and from out of town moved to the music of the Windham Swing Band, live, playing jazz, big band and swing from the 30's, 40's and 50's up to the present day.

The program started at 7:00 P.M. and ran until 10:00 P.M. Warner's own Bob Deluca played several saxophone solo selections; Darlene Nevins, a music teacher in Warner, was a guest musician in the saxophone section.

This was the 8th annual appearance in Warner by the band and their 17 members really rocked the hall. The band had full big band instrumentation and their repertoire paid tribute to the music and leaders of the Big Band Era, including Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington and others. Formed in 1998, the Windham Swing Band is one of three musical organizations of the Windham Community Bands which also includes a Concert Band and a Flute Ensemble.

The band's vocalist, Amy Santarelli, a music teacher at Weston Elementary School in Manchester, sang her heart out and was greatly appreciated by the audience. Amy, a graduate of Hart School of Music, has been with the band for the past 4 years.

Net proceeds raised from this event will be contributed to the Warner Food Bank. This is one of the many contributions the Warner Men's Club has made to the Warner Community.

The Warner Men's Club was organized in March 1975 to promote fellowship and provide opportunities for services to the Warner community. The club welcomes any person 21 years of age or older who has an interest in the community.



TOP LEFT - KEN AND CINDY BARON FROM SUNAPEE HAVING A GOOD TIME  
TOP RIGHT - (L TO R) WARNER'S OWN DARLENE NEVINS AND BOB DELUCA IN THE SAXOPHONE SECTION  
BOTTOM CENTER - WINDHAM SWING BAND SOLOIST AMY SANTARELLI

DANCING COUPLES GLIDING ACROSS THE FLOOR.  
IN THE FOREGROUND (L TO R) MIKE AND LOUISE HOLT AND JUDY AND GEORGE NOLAN



WINDHAM SWING BAND PLAYING AT THE ANNUAL SWING FLING DANCE IN WARNER

