

# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

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**Happy  
New  
Year  
January 2012**

## “THE TOWN THAT FOOD SAVED” by Ben Hewitt

One Book One Community announces the book to read for Spring 2012. **“The Town that Food Saved,” by Ben Hewitt.** Over the past 3 years, Hardwick, Vermont, a typical hardscrabble farming community of 3,000 residents, has jump-started its economy and redefined its self-image through a local, self-sustaining food system unlike anything else in America. Hardwick is fast becoming a model for other communities to replicate its success. This captivating story of a small town coming back to life is narrative nonfiction at its best: full of colorful characters and grounded in an idea that will revolutionize the way we eat. Ben Hewitt was born in northwestern Vermont and raised in a two-room cabin; his father was a poet and his mother worked on a nearby dairy farm. He now lives with his wife and two sons on a diversified, 40-acre farm in Vermont, where they produce dairy, beef, pork, lamb, vegetables, and berries. His work has appeared in numerous magazines and newspapers, including *Best Life*, *Men's Journal*, *National Geographic Adventure*, the *New York Times Magazine*, *Outside*, and *Skiing*.

**Ben Hewitt will be at BSU's Horace Mann Auditorium on Tuesday, April 24th at 7:30pm**

**More information about related events will be forthcoming.**

**Visit: [www.bridgew.edu/ucp/onebook.cfm](http://www.bridgew.edu/ucp/onebook.cfm)**

## STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS

In accordance with Section 2-3 of the Bridgewater Home Rule Charter, the honorable Scott Pita and Town Manager, Troy Clarkson request your presence at the town's inaugural State of the Town Address and Meeting of the General Public. The address and meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 7:00pm at the Bridgewater Senior Center, Wally Kruger Way, Bridgewater, MA.

## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION

Monday, January 16, 2012

9:30am - 12 noon

Flynn Dining Commons

Tillinghast Hall

## FIRST TECH CHALLENGE (FTC) VOLUNTEERS NEEDED SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2012

BSU is hosting a qualifying tournament for the FIRST (For Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Challenge. Twenty high school robotics teams will compete for a chance to be in the State competition to be held in March. We are seeking volunteers from BSU and the Bridgewater community to help with activities. Please email Lynne Augenti at [laugenti@bridgew.edu](mailto:laugenti@bridgew.edu) if you are interested and she will send you a volunteer sign up sheet. Visit: [www.usfirst.org/ftc](http://www.usfirst.org/ftc) for more information about this competition.

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