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Come visit our new  
"Back to School" Exhibit  
in the Bedford General Store

**This month, the Historical Society has a new exhibit featuring photos, books, toys and games, and other school-related items from the past.**

Stop in and find out how many lashes you'd get for playing cards in school. Or learn about Bedford's 19th century schools like the Bedford Female Institute. You can take a test given to 8th graders in 1895 or try your hand at bilboquette!

There are penmanship workbooks from children who attended school in the early 1800s, children's story books from the 1700s, antique tiddlywinks and authentic clay and glass marbles, interactive activities on the internet and much more.

The exhibit is at the Bedford Historical Society's offices in **The Bedford Store** at 612 Old Post Road. We're open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and starting September 19th, we'll be open every Saturday through October from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. For more information, call us at 914-234-9751 or visit our website: [www.bedfordhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.bedfordhistoricalsociety.org).



**Upper photo features children's games from the exhibit including an alphabet abacus and a spelling game called "Anagrams."**

**The lower photo highlights students' workbooks, an atlas from 1829, a quill and photos of students in their classrooms in the early 1900s.**

Help bring Bedford history to life at a  
Workshop

Gravestone Restoration

Bedford's historic burying grounds need some TLC and you can help!  
Join friends and neighbors and learn how to clean historic gravestones.  
It's hands-on and no experience is needed.  
Bring yourself, friends and gloves plus an appreciation for preservation.

Gravestone Restoration Workshop  
The Old Burying Ground  
Village Green, Bedford

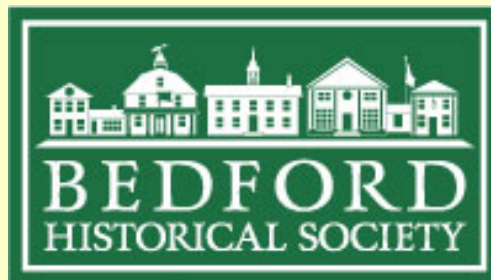
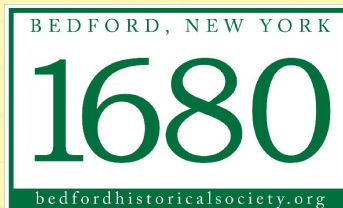
Saturday, September 26, 2009 at 10:00 - 12:30 AM  
Meet at Historical Hall, sorry no small children please



## Membership Renewal

Just a reminder...We've just sent out our annual membership renewal appeal. This year we're thanking members with an exclusive, members-only 1680 decal to commemorate the founding of Bedford.

If you haven't received your letter, please call us at (914) 234-9751.  
Thanks for your support!



*It's our history. Preserve it.*

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