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Have you ever thought that Berwick could be better if we did this, or we did that? Well I know I have! There are many ways we could do this; such as, adding more after school activities, more walking because of the gas prices, a public transportation system, and offering more programs at the YMCA. Let's focus on these to make Berwick a better place.

I think with how high the gas prices are right now we should walk a bit more. We could conserve more money and people could get more exercise. We could also ride our bikes or jog if we don't like to walk. The struggle with gas prices will not be eating up too much of our cash if we do this. Another way to help with gas prices and also help Berwick would be a public transportation system. A bus system could run through Berwick and maybe to Bloomsburg and Hazelton for people to use. They could ride the bus to get to where they need to be as an alternative to getting a ride. This could also help bring people from Bloomsburg or Hazelton to Berwick. Or, volunteers could be used to drive elderly people to do their shopping, pay bills, send cards, and take them any other place they may need to go.

In addition, we could "up the ante" with after school activities, like sports, clubs, etc. This way we will know where kids are and what they are doing. Our school program could also make it mandatory for kids to choose at least one or it will effect their grade. People may say that we already have enough sports, but not enough people are playing them. Let's hope kids will not get in as much trouble this way.

The YMCA has some great indoor activities for kids, but they need to have more for people of all ages. The "Y" needs to have more activities and sports like an exercise

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program in their gym. An occasional racquetball tournament and even some sports programs for adults would be nice! This way Berwick adults will have more ways to get more physically fit and lead healthier lives. This will make the "Y" better and help make Berwick better too.

So, by adding more programs at the YMCA and more walking so that the gas prices won't have such a bad effect on us we can help make Berwick better. A public transportation system would be a huge step forward as would adding more after school activities. Please help make Berwick a better place!