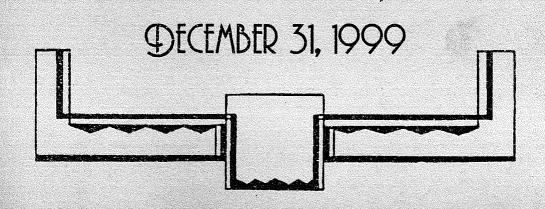


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Business Office 383-4043

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Ruth Dwyer - 785-2817

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ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF THETFORD, YERMONT

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DECEMBER 31, 1999

	HETFORD TOWN OFFICERS	
Moderator - Town Joseph Tofel	2553 Academy Road, Thetford Ctr	649-1434
Moderator - School Mary McNelly Denison	982 Quinibeck Road, Fairlee	333-9527
Selectmen Lucy Young ('00) Judith Bowden ('00) David Fisk ('02) Paul Raymond ('01) Mark McMahon ('02)	PO Box 175, Thetford PO Box 240, Post Mills PO Box 166, Post Mills PO Box 223, Thetford Ctr 2166 Godfrey Road, E Thetford	785-4530 785-2712 333-9607 785-4593 785-4687
Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, D Roberta C. Howard	pelinquent Tax Collector PO Box1 26, Thetford Ctr	785-2922
Grand Juror Agt. to Prosecute/Defend Su Agt. to Convey Real Property	its Vacant V	
Listers (Three Year Term) Denise Adams ('00) Janet Stowell ('01) Laurie Ingalis ('02)	PO Box 178, Post Mills 462 Stowell Rd, Thetford Ctr 346 Whippoorwill Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4331 785-4387 785-3190
Auditors (Three Year Term) Vacant Vacant Vacant		
School Directors Brian Odell ('00) Tom Gray ('00) Charlle Buttrey ('02) Pauline Cole ('01) Tracy Bach ('02)	PO Box 81, East Thetford PO Box 27, North Thetford 347 Cranberry Hill Rd, East Thetford 790 Poor Farm Rd S., Thetford Ctr 149 Miller Pond Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-2400 333-4139 785-4005 785-2016 785-3165
Trustees of Trust Funds (Thre Frederick Howard ('00) Ruel G. Barrett ('01) Elmer Brown ('02)	ee Year Term) PO Box 57, North Thetford PO Box 89, Thetford PO Box 237, Thetford Ctr	333-9291 785-2867 785-2167
Cemetery Commissioners Andrew Martin ('00) David Evilsizer ('01) John Wilmot ('02)	(Three Year Term) 619 Quail John Rd, East Thetford 1530 Latham Rd, Thetford Ctr PO Box 6, East Thetford	785-2024 333-3716 785-4090

Trustees of Library (Five Year	· Term)	
Emily Barker	PO Box 4, Thetford	
Kathryn Bonyai	93 Cream Street, Thetford Ctr	785-4403
Patricia Charyk	RR1 Box 220C, Fairlee	333-4717
Janice Cook	316 Cream Street, Thetford Ctr	785-2587
Diana Eastridge	2002 Gove Hill Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-2428
Marilyn Welch-Fava	PO Box 218, Thefford Ctr	785-3117
Martha Wiencke	1708 Tucker Hill Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-2654
Bryant Patten	730 Pero Hill Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-3160
Janice Cook ('02)		
Budget Committee	DO Day 179 Door Mills	705 4001
Raymond F. Adams	PO Box 178, Post Mills	785-4331
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Justices of the Peace		
Gladys Boyd	805 Godfrey Road, East Thetford	785-2029
Elmer Brown	PO Box 237, Thetford Ctr	785-2167
Wendy Cole	751 Quail John Road, East Thetford	785-2698
Charles Johnson	PO Box 151, Thetford	
Theodore Levin	PO Box 117, Thetford	
Roxy Maxfield	895 Five Corners Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4215
Cy Severance	PO Box 21, East Thetford	333-4436
Robert Vaughan	PO Box 54, East Thetford	785-2968
Jean Wolstenholme	PO Box 6, Thefford	785-4567
Representative for Orange D	District A	
James Masland	714 Pero Hill Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4146
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Senator - Orange County		
Mark MacDonald	Williamstown	433-5897
	APPOINTED OFFICERS	
	AFFOINTED OFFICERS	
Police Chief		
James Krackowiecki	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2200
Special Officer - Police	A	
Charles Stephens	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2200
David Singer	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2200
Andrew Havens	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2200
Dean Marthers	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2200
Road Commissioner		
Chad Whitcomb	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-4679
Olida Willioofib	TO SON 120, HOHOIG OII	700-4077
Zoning Administrator		
George Stowell	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-4387
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Asst. Town Clerk/Treasurer Martha Howard Jane Cramer	PO Box 34, North Thetford PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	333-9171 785-4927
Town Service Officer Roberta Howard	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2922
Animal Control Officer Mary Raines	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2922
Pound Keeper Ruth Dwyer	2604 Sawnee Bean Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-2187
Fire Wardens (Burning Permits Chad Whitcomb Alford Stone Jeff Sirjane Eills Palge	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr 687 Whippoorwill Rd, Thetford Ctr 1854 Sawnee Bean Rd, Thetford Ctr 41 Whippoorwill Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4679 785-4503 785-4405 785-4477
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Planning Commission Norm Marshall Ken Robinson Karen Kaliski Robert Pulaski 1 vacant	PO Box 173, East Thetford 329 Turnpike Rd N, Fairlee 176 Burnham Rd, East Thetford 1006 Barker Rd, Post Mills	785-4017 333-9310 785-3116 333-4627
Historic Preservation Comm Marian Fifield James Fowle Clark Graff Roney Hoffman Dan Russeli Susan Thrane	ittee PO Box 255, Thetford Ctr PO Box 46, Thetford 97 Quinibeck Rd, Fairlee 68 Cobble Hill Rd, East Thetford 5414 Rte 5, North Thetford PO Box 633, Thetford	785-2430 785-2630 333-9441 785-2438 333-4402 785-2520
Conservation Commission Bill Bridge Jennifer Davey Richard Haugen Robert Pulaski William Shepard Scott Stokoe Fred Thomas Ted Levin Jean Lariviere	3836 Rte 5, Thetford Ctr PO Box 166, Post Mills 515 Burnham Rd, East Thetford 1006 Barker Rd, Post Mills 2360 Academy Rd, Thetford Ctr 518 Ulman Rd, Thetford Ctr 1221 Gove Hill Rd, Thetford Ctr PO Box 117, Thetford 770 Route 244, Post Mills	785-2964 333-9607 785-4494 333-4627 785-2855 785-2083 785-2596 333-4443 333-7025

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Solid Waste Committee Mark Richardson	1994 Sawnee Bean Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4001
Recreation Committee No members		
Emergency Management David Goodrich	1015 Whippoorwill Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4635
Upper Valley Ambulance Todd Protzman	PO Box 185, Post Mills	
Orange County Mental Heat Vacant	th Trustee	
Agency on Aging - Southeas Ruel Barrett	t Council PO Box 184, Thetford	785-2867
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Tree Warden Elmer Brown	PO Box 237, Thefford Ctr	785-2167
Surveyors of Wood & Lumber		
Kenneth Bragg	176 Park Ln, Thetford Ctr	333-4688
Gary Ulman	359 Ulman Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4037
Lee Palmer	PO Box 106, North Thetford	333-9026
Fence Viewers		
Robert Evans	100 Evans Rd, East Thetford	705 0/70
Robert Vaughan	PO Box 54, East Thetford	785-2673 785-2968
Royce Bond	PO Box 58, North Thefford	333-4640
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Historian	P	
Marian Fifield	PO Box 255, Thetford Ctr	785-2430
Notaries Public		
Ruel G. Barrett	PO Box 89, Thetford	785-2867
Karin Bonnett	761 Route 113, East Thetford	785-2543
Judith Bowden	PO Box 240, Post Mills	785-2712
Charlie Buttrey	347 Cranberry Hill Rd, East Thetford	785-4005
Kate Cone	3836 Route 5, Thetford Ctr	785-2964
Sherry S. Crossley	PO Box 257, Thetford Ctr	333-9579
Lynn J. Daly	358 Picknell Rd, Thetford Ctr	785-4336

Emily S. Davis	447 Norford Lake Rd, Thetford Ctr	649-2729
Betty A. Ferriot	PO Box 85, East Thefford	785-2247
Herbert C. Gray	PO Box 87, East Thetford	785-4348
	PO Box 35, East Thetford	785-4189
Loretta Gray	PO Box 87, East Thetford	785-4348
Rebecca B. Gray	PO Box 106, East Thetford	785-4074
Dana C. Grossman	PO Box 106, East Thefford	785-4074
Daniel F. Grossman	541 Ely Rd, Fairlee	333-9176
Mary M. Hathorn	PO Box 34, North Thetford	333-9171
Martha Howard	PO Box 126, Thetford Ctr	785-2922
Roberta C. Howard	665 Godfrey Rd, East Thetford	785-4581
Lynn Irwin	PO Box 76, Nort h Thetford	333-9130
Jeanne Phipps	PO Box 223, Thetford Ctr	785-4953
Paul Raymond		785-4953
Rebecca Raymond	PO Box 223, Thetford Ctr	785-2200
Charles Stephens	PO Box 126, Thefford Ctr	785-4102
Roger Thrail	2243 Godfrey Rd, East Thetford	785-4805
Gloria Thurston	Thetford Academy	/00-4000



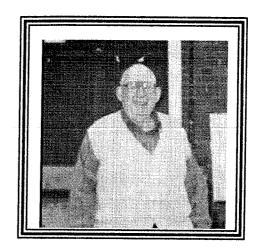
TOWN MEETING INFORMATION

The Annual Town and School Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 4, 2000, at Anderson Hall, Thetford Academy, beginning at 9:00 AM.

A Snack Bar sponsored by TA Project Graduation will open at 8:30 AM.

Child Care will be available free of charge, from 9:00 AM to Noon, and 1:00 PM until the meeting ends. Care provided by TA and Elementary School Volunteers.

A luncheon will be served at featuring Soups, Salads and Homemade breads. Proceeds will benefit the TA to France School Trip.



ARTHUR BACON

Bom August 9, 1919, the 7th child in a family of nine. He was raised on the farm of his parents Willie and Katie Bacon on Stevens Road. Arthur attended Stevens School and Thetford Academy, graduating in 1938. From December 1943 to November 1945 he served in the United States Army in the European Theater.

On February 21, 1946 Arthur married Marion Slack. They purchased a farm site near his birthplace and built their own home. The farm was sold in 1986 and the family moved to a reserved parcel of his farm where he enjoyed planting and working in his garden.

At various times he worked for the Thetford Highway Department and for the Bradford District Soil Conservation Service. He also had worked for the Elizabeth Copper Mine in South Strafford. Arthur was a Lister for 32 years, served as a Justice of the Peace for 19 years, was on the Planning and Zoning Board for 22 years, and was Fire Warden for a few years.

He was active in Thetford politics and was a member of the American Legion Post #79 of Thetford, serving as Commander the last two years of his life. Arthur had a passion for town and family history and enjoyed traveling the town's roads. He researched old roads and "thrown-up" roads. He even became a "Roads Scholar".

Arthur is survived by his wife, five sons, two daughters, fourteen grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, three brothers, and several nieces and nephews.

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WARNING TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT

The legal voters of the Town of Thetford in the County of Orange and the State of Vermont are hereby warned to meet in Anderson Hall, Thetford Academy, in the Town of Thetford, on Saturday, March 4, 2000 at 9:00 AM, to transact the following business:

ARTICLE 1	To hear and act on the reports of the Town.
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ARTICLE 2	Shall the Town have all taxes raised in the Treasurer's Office on or before Monday, October 16, 2000, by 5:00 PM. After this deadline, interest of 1% per month or fraction thereof for the first three months and thereafter 1.5% per month or fraction thereof, and 8% penalty will be due the Town.
ARTICLE 3	Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow money for current expenses in anticipation of taxes.
ARTICLE 4	Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to pay off any outstanding debts ahead of schedule if funds are available.
ARTICLE 5	Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 458,802.92 for the budgeted expenditures of the Town General Fund.
ARTICLE 6	Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 295,127.90 for the budgeted expenditures of the Highway Department.
ARTICLE 7	Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 25,000.00 to pave the unpaved portions of Gove HIII Road (TH 8).
ARTICLE 8	Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 65,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Equipment Replacement Fund.
ARTICLE 9	Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 12,000.00 to make modifications to the existing building used as the Town Hall.
ARTICLE 10	Shall the Town stabilize the taxes of Camp Billings at \$12,950.00 for the 2000 tax year.

Shall the Town vote to stabilize the taxes of the Eclipse

Grange Hall (Parish Players) at \$500.00 for the 2000 tax

ARTICLE 12 Shall the Town stabilize the taxes of all stabilized properties in Thetford at a 70% owner and 30 % Town ratio, as each expires, for a one year period. (Stabilized properties will be assessed and taxed in the same manner as other properties in Town.)

ARTICLE 13 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 50,000.00 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of developing a new Recycling Center and Authorize the Selectboard to expend the total sum of \$ 72,000.00 plus interest from sald Capital Reserve Fund to purchase real estate and undertake any other matters necessary related to this project including, but not limited to, site improvements, equipment purchase and building construction.

ARTICLE 14 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 1,535.00, contingent upon receipt of a Federal Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant to fund the first year of a part time Police Officer position. The Town will be committed to fund this position for a period of four years.

ARTICLE 15 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 4,000.00, in addition to existing funds in the Cruiser Fund, to purchase a new Police Cruiser, with any unspent monies to be deposited into the Cruiser Fund for future purchases.

ARTICLE 16 Shall the Town authorize the purchase of a new dump truck, with a down payment of \$ 10,000.00 to come from the Highway Equipment Fund.

ARTICLE 17 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$39,000.00 to match Federal and State funds for repairs to the Union Village Covered Bridge.

ARTICLE 18 Shall the Town raise \$ 1,500.00 for the Thetford Youth Sports project.

ARTICLE 19 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 300.00 for Maple Leaf Treatment Center.

ARTICLE 20 Shall the town of Thetford appropriate \$25,000 for feasibility and cost estimation studies for town offices, and possibly initial costs for site acquisition; including as appropriate architectural and engineering studies, as well as professional cost estimation.

- ARTICLE 21 Public Opinion Poll Non Binding Referendum Which one of the following options for improvement to the Thetford Town Office Facilities do you prefer:
 - 1) Renovating and expanding the present town offices, at an estimated cost of \$527,000. This is the first option listed in the Building Committee report.
 - 2) Construction of a new building for town offices on the present site of the Pharmacy in East Thetford, at a roughly estimated cost of \$ 617,000. This is the second option in the building committee report.
 - 3) Purchase of a large parcel of land in Post Mills to accommodate a number of town functions, and construction of a new town office building on this site, at a roughly estimated net cost (land and office building only) of \$1,000,000. This option was proposed independently of the building committee and is not something that they studied; It is a variant of their Generic New Site option.
 - 4) Take no action at this time.

ARTICLE 22 To transact any other business.

The following articles shall be voted on by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, March 7, 2000. Please take note that Australian Balloting will take place from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM, at the Thetford Center Community Association Bullding, located next to the Town Highway Garage.

- ARTICLE 23 To elect Town and School Officers
- ARTICLE 24 Zoning Amendments/Historic Preservation Overlay.

Shall the Town add a new local preservation overlay district in the Thetford Center National Historic Register District using the same guidelines as exist on Thetford Hill by adding the following to the Thetford Zoning Ordinance:

- 1. Amend Section 210 Zoning Districts General by changing the title "Thetford Hill Historic District Preservation Overlay" to "Historic District Preservation Overlay".
- 2. Amend Section 220 Establishment of Zoning Districts by adding the boundaries of the Thetford Center Historic Preservation Overlay as officially designated on the map entitled "Village Historic Preservation Overlay of Thetford Center, Vermont", as adopted. The map and boundaries described with references to said map are posted in the Thetford Town Offices.

- 3. Amend Section 220 by adding the map entitled "Village Historic Preservation Overlay of Thetford Center, Vermont".
- 4. Amend Section 601 Certificate of Appropriateness Required by changing the first sentence to read: Within the Thetford Hill and Thetford Center Historic Preservation Overlays, a Certificate of Appropriateness is required before...
- 5. Amend Section 602 Thetford Historic Preservation Committee by changing the first sentence to read: There hereby is created a Thetford Historic Preservation Committee, henceforth known as the "Committee".
- 6. Amend Section 606 New Construction by changing the first sentence to read: The Administrator upon receipt of all requests for new construction in the Historic Overlays or any other designated district, shall schedule a meeting of the Committee, within...
- 7. Amend Section 607 Demolition by changing the first sentence to read: The Administrator shall receive all requests for demolition of a structure in the Historic Overlays or other designated area, and shall schedule a meeting of the Committee, within...
- 8. Amend Section 609 Review criteria by changing subsection (e) (9) to read: New construction shall be sympathetic to architectural features and materials which are in keeping with the character of the historic buildings found within the preservation overlay in which the new construction is proposed. New structures should enhance, complement, and maintain the integrity of the Village, or other district, and its structures.
- 9. Amend Section 610 Guidelines for Reviewing Applications, subsections C and D by adding after the words "Thetford Hill", the words "Thetford Center,".
- 10. Amend Section 610 Guidelines for Reviewing Applications, subsection D, sentence 2 as follows: Plant new trees of traditional varieties. Discourage the widening of Tucker Hill Road, Academy Road and Route 113.

dated: February 4, 2000

Roberta C. Howard Town Clerk Paul Raymond, Chair Judy Bowden David Fisk Mark McMahon Lucy Young

CANDIDATES FOR TOWN and SCHOOL OFFICES

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	Town Moderator, 1 Year	Joseph Tofel
	Town Clerk, 1 Year	Roberta C. Howard
	Town Treasurer, 1 Year	Roberta C. Howard
	Delinquent Tax Collector, 1 Year	Roberta C. Howard
	Selectman, 3 Year	R. Fred Adams Mary Spata
	Selectman, 2 Year	Judith Bowden
	Grand Juror, 1 Year	no candidate
	Agt To Prosecute/Defend Suits, 1 Year	no candidate
-	Agt To Convey Real Property, 1 Year	no candidate
	Lister, 3 Year	Denise C. Adams
	Auditor, 3 Year	no candidate
	Auditor, 2 Year	no candidate
	Auditor, 1 Year	no candidate
	Budget Committee, 3 Year	no candidate
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	Budget Committee, 2 Year	no candidate
	Trustee of Trust Funds, 3 Year	Frederick P. Howard
	Cemetery Commissioner, 3 Year	no candidate
	Library Trustee, 4 Year	Lisa Celone
	Library Trustee, 4 Year	Edith Ham
	School Moderator, 1 Year	Mary"Deecle" Denison
	School Director, 3 Year	Joseph Malpino
	School Director, 2 Year	Tom Gray
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VOTER INFORMATION

Residents of the Town of Thetford may make application to have their names placed upon the checklist during Town Clerk Office hours: Mondays 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM; Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM; and Saturday, February 26, 2000, 10:00 AM to NOON at the Town Hall.

All applications must be received no later than Saturday, February 26, 2000, by 12:00 NOON, in order to vote on March 4 and March 7, 2000. Voters may request absentee ballots until 5:00 PM or the closing of the Town Clerk's Office on Monday, March 6, 2000. An authorized person, on behalf of an absent voter, may apply for an absent voter ballot not later than 12:00 NOON on Monday, March 6, 2000.

Voting by Australian Ballot will be Tuesday, March 7, 2000, from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM at the Thetford Center Community Association building, for Election of Town and School Officers, proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, and Presidential Primary.

NOTICE TO VOTERS BEFORE ELECTION DAY

CHECKLIST POSTED: (No later than 30 days before election) February 6, 2000. Make sure your name is on the Voter checklist. If your name is not on it -

REGISTER TO VOTE: No later than Second Saturday before election, February 26, 2000, before 12:00 NOON at Town Offices

SECRET PARTY CHOICE: You do not register by party in Vermont.

ABSENTEE BALLOT:

When - Apply not later than 8:00 PM on March 6, 2000.

Where - Town Clerk's Office

How - Either In person, in writing, or by telephone.

Who - Voter, or authorized person must request absentee ballot on behalf of an absent voter by 12 NOON on March 6, 2000

WAYS OF VOTING ABSENTEE:

- Vote in Town Clerk's Office before the deadline.
- Have a ballot mailed to you, and mail or take it back to the Town Clerk's Office before 7:00PM on Election Day (March 7, 2000).
- Have two Justices of the Peace bring a ballot to you at your home on the day before or the day of the election.

SAMPLE BALLOTS POSTED: (10 days before election) February 26, 2000.

REMEMBRANCE

Vernon Anderson, formerly of North Thetford; geologist at CRELL; later founded his own company in geological research for founding industrial sites.

Douglas D Ballin, came to Thetford in 1968; opened the Home Decor Shop in Hanover; former president of Hanover Chamber of Commerce; loved hiking and being outdoors.

James D Banker, served in the Marine Corps for six years; worked for the Hanover Fire Department; started Banker Building Company and built many homes in the Upper Valley. was an avid hunter and fisherman; one of the founders of the local Fish and Game Club.

Stanley E Bishop of North Thetford; chef at Woodstock Inn Resort and other country inns; also worked at Chimes Restaurant in Bradford. He was also a member of the Vermont Trappers Association.

Eleanor Cadbury, helped to found the Thetford Kindergarten; presented music and story hour at Latham Library for twenty years.

Ernest Clay, born January 30, 1921, at Clay family homestead in North Thetford; main career was farming until his retirement in 1995; a dealer of Ailis-Chalmers Farm Equipment and Conde Milking Equipment; president of Eastern Milk Producers Association; member of Cabot Co-op Creamery. He was also active in Studebaker Driver's Club and Connecticut River Antique Collector's Klub; enjoyed participating in local parades and antique shows.

Andy S "Pud" Cloud, member of Thetford Academy Varsity baseball, basketball, and soccer teams; also played AAW basketball. He was known as a good student and helpful to beginners in sports.

Lena Rose Crowley worked as a store clerk and stitcher at the Carter Factory in Lebanon; was also an active volunteer at Hospice of the Upper Valley.

William Doyle, worked at Malmquist Wood Products; also a general contractor; member of the East Thetford Baptist Church; and director of the Orange County Trappers Association.

Floyd Dexter, beloved family and community member; loved to show his new lambs to children; a farmer; logger; and maintenance patrolman for State Highway Department. Member of the Thetford Congregational Church; Fire Department; Trailmaster of the Snowcoasters; and member of the Thetford Ctr. Community Association.

Donald Eaton, formerly of North Thetford; moved to Arizona where he was involved in a variety of skills including uranium driller; concrete worker; owner of trucking company, and Don's Septic tanks Brother of Emily Hood, Tom Eaton, Russell Eaton, and Sam Eaton.

Eric Glaser, moved to Vermont after World War II; owner and operated his own upholstery business; member of Post Mills Congregational Church.

Robert L Grosse, Sr; baker at Lake Tarleton Club for thirty years; also a baker at Dartmouth College.

Edmund C Houston; executive at Benjamin Moore Company; retired to Vermont in 1989; gave his time and talents to St Martins Episcopal Church in Fairlee and Peabody Library in Post Mills; husband of Suzanne Houston.

Adeline E LaLonde, mother of Lonna LaLonde of Thetford Center; came to Thetford from West Lebanon.

Violet Knight of Post Mills, sister of Nellie Glaser with whom she resided; enjoyed reading, embroidery, and crocheting; member of Post Mills Church and the Ladies Benefit Society.

John R 'Jack' Krause, co-founder of Crossroads Farm in Post Mills and active in its operation for many years.

William E. Lingelbach III will be remembered by Thetford Elementary School students. In 1986, he earned a master's degree in divinity and social work; was a psychotherapist for the Craftsbury area; ordained minister of East Hardwick First Congregational Church in 1995.

Roger Thurston, former Thetford resident and Thetford Academy graduate; retired from Air Force after twenty nine years with many decorations; later employed as safety administrator by the Boeing Company; active in California Civic activities.

Sarah Emily Schoenhut, known as 'Say Say'; recent resident of Kendall in Hanover; earned a Master of Arts degree at Yale University where she met her late husband George, a Drama Professor at Dartmouth College; trustee of Peabody Library; supporter of Thetford Historical Society; and costume designer for local theater productions.

Chauncey D Willey; husband of Lilla Willey, moved to Vermont in 1949; established a plumbing, heating, and electricity business; designed and built energy efficient homes; active in Thetford Boy Scouts; past-master of the Jackson Masonic Lodge; and charter member of the Thetford Lions Club.

Complied by Marian Fifield

THETFORD SELECTBOARD REPORT

There are silent stalwarts in Thetford, the Fire Department, the Fast Squad, the Planning Commission, the Town Building Committee, Library personnel, the people involved in the daily operations of our town to name but a few. We would like to thank all the residents of Thetford who have contributed so generously of their time and ideas this past year. It is the intention of this Board to welcome and include as much community participation in our decision making as possible. Please continue your active involvement in our democratic process.

This year, with the help of several concerned people, and with much arm twisting, we were able to get the State to install flashing lights for the school areas on Thetford Hill to increase traffic safety. A permanent speed reduction to 25mph in this area is still being discussed.

The Selectboard spent much of the early months of 1999 on issues concerning roads and road policy. We now have, as we did not have earlier, a comprehensive tree cutting policy. The Selectboard also worked diligently on a Town Personnel Policy, which is soon to be complete. We are very pleased to note that Chad Whitcomb, the new Highway Commissioner and his road crew have again presented a fiscally responsible budget while providing excellent maintenance of our roads system. They have completed the Route 132 pavement project and will continue with their repavement schedule on Gove Hill in the year 2000. Roadwork and reparation on Mud Pond Road was also completed. We apologize for any oversights on this project and are grateful to the residents for their patience and understanding.

The Selectboard would like to thank Police Chief Jim Krakoweicki for his efforts in helping to reduce the average speed on Thetford Hill. We have heard many approving comments about the increased patrols in this area. Thanks also to the rest of the Police Department. We appreciate all the time and effort Chief Krakoweicki has given the town. Drew Havens, a special officer for the town, has asked for and received a sabbatical. Our thanks to Drew for his service and we hope to see him back soon.

We are looking to move the Recycling Center from the current leased location to a permanent town-owned site. This will enable the town to increase the recycling options and accommodate the ever-expanding volumes of recyclable materials. Please refer to Article 13 in your Town Report.

This year we resumed maintenance of the old Thetford Center Cemetery by the covered bridge and hope to have the stone wall rebuilt.

The Town Hall Building Committee has devoted considerable time and energy researching the possible options to improve our town facilities and more specifically Town Hall. It has been an exhaustive and some times frustrating endeavor, but we feel tremendous progress has been made. The Board is proposing a special town meeting in six to eight weeks to take a step forward and proceed with the project of creating a larger Town Office space.

This year's anticipated budget has increased to \$458,802.92. The increase is due in part to several items, which were warned in 1998 as separate articles, which have now been incorporated into the annual budget.

After more than ten years of service, Jim Masiand resigned from the Selectboard to devote more time to his family and legislative responsibilities in Montpelier. Judy Bowden has been appointed to complete Jim's term. Thanks for all the memories Jim!

Again there are significant issues which will affect all our day to day lives that will be in front of you, on March 4th. We urge you to look at each carefully, be critical and decide how each will affect you and your family in the years to come.

Paul Raymond, Chair Judy Bowden David Fisk Mark McMahon Lucy Young

ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS!!!

The Selectboard would like to call taxpayers' attention to a transitional error that could possibly affect your taxes. The proportional allocation of school and municipal taxes on your property tax bill may not be correct. If you have any questions, please come in to the Town Office,

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

It is been a privilege to represent you in Montpelier during the 1999-2000 Legislative Session. I have enjoyed assisting those who have called with questions or concerns and look forward to being of service whenever I can.

The '99 session brought a reduction in the Vermont income Tax (effective 1/00), a reduction in the sales tax on clothing (effective 12/99), and considerable property tax relief for many Vermonters. In addition, the income sensitivity portions of Act 60 were made more accessible for the elderly and for farmers. Nevertheless, Act 60 is still extremely complex.

By far the most far-reaching issue before the Legislature this session is the matter of same-sex marriage/domestic partnership. Rather than try to explain this topic in this report; I will make myself available at Town Meeting to discuss it with you. This issue is complex and important to us all.

By now most of you are aware that the State and the Vermont Land Trust purchased 133,000 acres of forest land from Champion International in order to preserve it from excessive development. The House worked very hard to see that traditional uses such as hunting, and . snowmobiling would be preserved under the new ownership. The full particulars of the purchase and the environmental assessment report are available for public inspection. Please contact me if I can be of any assistance.

During the summer and autumn months, I participated in several legislative study committees - those on affordable housing and a livable wage. We all should be concerned with the problem of how people earn a livable wage. This issue is exceedingly complex because wages and pay scales have become intertwined with welfare reform and the health of our local economy. We are all aware that any new laws on the minimum wage will not directly affect employers just across the river in New Hampshire.

In addition I am deeply concerned about making the prices we must pay for pharmaceuticals and health care much more affordable. Vermonters pay far too much for health care and for prescription drugs. The band aid approach we have taken in the past just won't work. Reports on these issues should be accessible on the Legislative Home Page or you may access paper copies at Latham Library.

Closer to home, the State has purchased the rail line along the Connecticut River. I look forward to the restoration of freight and possibly tourist oriented passenger service and a return to traditional uses of our historic corridor.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or to "bend my ear" on matters which are of concern to you.

Representative Jim Masland, Orange - 4 Home telephone: 785-4146 e-mail: jmasland@leg.state.vt.us www.leg.state.vt.us

1999 THETFORD HIGHLIGHTS

- * James Krakowiecki sworn in an Thefford Police Chief on January 15, 1999.
- * George Peabody, Post Mills philanthropist, is honored by a special pictorial postal cancellation on the 130th anniversary of his death.
- * Matthew and Martha Wiencke donate land easements to Upper Valley Land Trust on their 18th century house and 100 acres of land.
- *Thetford Volunteer Fire Department accepts delivery of new pumper fire truck with crew cab to accommodate six firefighters.
- *Union Village Covered Bridge receives funding from Federal Government for repairs for covered bridges secured by Senator James Jeffords.

(Compiled by Marian Fifield)

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

As many of our residents have noticed, our Town Hall has had a major changel We have lost much of our meeting area, but the Listers finally have a more suitable office with enough space that will temporarily accommodate most of their files, maps, etc. This renovation has also enabled the Police Department to have a necessary separate office that also has some additional space for their files and storage. These alterations have provided some relief to our cramped quarters, but is obviously not the answer. Further discussion on this situation is addressed more completely in the report of the Building Committee.

As noted in Voter Information, voting for our March election of Town and School Officers, School Budget; Zoning Amendments, and Presidential Primary will be held at the Thetford Center Community Building at the same hours - 8:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. The September Primary and General Election in November will also be held at this location.

The deadline for payment of Property Taxes will be on Monday, October 16, 2000 at 5:00 P.M. in the Treasurer's Office. As we have done in the past, there will be extra office hours the week preceding this date to receive payments. PLEASE mail early or deliver your payment in person. We must also call your attention to the deadline of April 1, 2000 for licensing of dogs. Many thanks to Chris Senger, Brenda Magoon, and Charmaine Rich who volunteered to call and remind dog owners of the due date. We will miss John Dwyer who has done our Rabies Clinic for so many years. This year, Dr. David Webster from Oxbow Veterinary Clinic will be will be holding the Clinic at the Town Garage on Saturday, March 18, 2000 from 10:00 A.M to 12:00 Noon. Fee for rabies shots will be \$5.00; other shots will be available for additional fees.

In addition to the numerous duties and requirements of the Town Clerk's office, we also maintain Thetford's Food Shelf. We are extremely fortunate to have the continuing support of Thetford residents; school children; Churches; Scouts; and Community groups with an abundance of food to keep our shelves well-stocked. The financial support we receive also allows us to purchase directly from the Vermont Food Bank. We are also able to extend our assistance in other emergency situations. Our annual Christmas project continues to grow with more volunteers and enthusiasm! The Junior Girl Scouts did a superb job in preparing our red remembrance bags. This year we were fortunate to have donations from several Vermont specialty food producers to supplement the abundance of home-baked treats. It is traditional for the local churches to provide families with gifts of necessary items and clothing, games, and other 'wish-list' items.

These gifts, with a generous food basket for a Holiday meal (and more) are a welcome surprise and deeply appreciated. Our thanks also to Chief Jim and the Scouts; Bob Jaccaud, and Bob and Barbara Baker for delivery services.

Fortunately, "Y2K" fell short of the many dire predictions, but it certainly captured the attention of many. January 1, 2000 came and went without any catastrophic events. With a couple of minimal computer upgrades and extra backups of data, we changed dates without a hitch. And so went 1999. We thank those who have been supportive - townspeople, co-workers, and family. We are looking forward to a busy year!!

Roberta Howard

THETFORD CIVIC PRIDE AWARD

For a number of years, the Thetford Selectboard has chosen Town Meeting Day to honor one or more Thetford Residents who have gone 'above and beyond' in their commitment and involvement in their community. At the 1999 Town Meeting, two awards were presented - to Arthur Bacon, and to Diane Stone.

Arthur's Civic Pride Plaque was awarded posthumously, and was accepted by members of his family. Those of us who knew beforehand that Arthur was to receive the award were looking forward to seeing him accept it - we knew he'd be pleased - and it was unthinkable to imagine Arthur not attending Town Meeting. Unfortunately, Arthur became ill and passed away shortly before then. Needless to say, it just isn't the same without him, and his co-workers miss his wealth of knowledge, wry sense of humor, and general good cheer.

Diane Stone was the second recipient, and deservedly so. She has been active in many community groups, both in Thetford and West Fairlee - to numerous a list to include here. Diane is the type of person that people would call on to get things done, and she would always come through. Whether it was cooking for a crowd, raising funds for local organizations, or helping out with ball teams and scout troops, her capable hands and willing attitude made large tasks look simple. Diane has also held a number of Town offices, and her involvement there is missed as well. We wish her the very best, and think about her often.

Who will this year's Civic Pride Award recipient be?? Someone equally as dedicated and accomplished, and involved in the community - but you have will have to attend Town Meeting to see who it will be!!

LISTERS' REPORT

1999 was a year of change for the Lister's Office. With the passing of Arthur went an endless catalog of knowledge of our town. He is greatly missed by many. As you may know, we have moved our office to the meeting room. The added space is greatly appreciated since our old office could sometimes be very crowded. Lastly, Denise Adams was appointed to fulfill the remainder of Arthur's term. Denise and Laurie have learned very quickly and have become invaluable members of this board. This has been a very productive year overall.

The Listers are expected to begin laying the groundwork for a town-wide reappraisal for the 2002 Grand List. It is our intention to do the reappraisal ourselves. We will need to upgrade our present computer and purchase a new one. The state is presently fine tuning a new assessment program and will hopefully have all the bugs worked out by the time we do the reappraisal.

THE BOARD OF LISTERS must abide by certain laws in the Vermont Statutes. To revalue property, there must be a physical change in the property before April 1st (i.e., remodeling, addition, etc.): a Townwide reassessment; or a request by an owner in writing.

We must also follow a certain timetable. The Pre-Grand List must be completed by June 4th, grievance hearings must begin no later then June 18th, and the final Grand List must be lodged with the Town Clerk by July 25th. The only adjustment that can be made to the Grand List after it has been lodged with the Town Clerk is a correction of physical data, such as an acreage change. These changes must be approved by the Selectboard and are not retroactive.

If you are concerned about your assessment, the Board of Listers asks that you list your concerns in writing, and include any documentation that would be helpful to your case. Putting your request for reconsideration in writing makes the process legal and protects your rights. The Listers will act upon your request sometime during the year and if there are any changes in your assessment, you will be notified of that change in writing by the last week in May.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY after you receive a Change of Appraisal Notice is as follows: if you agree with the value, do nothing. If you disagree with the value, or have questions, you must contact the Board of Listers in writing, or make an appointment to meet with them. This should be done before grievance meetings start on June 18th. Please remember to put your grievance in writing. It is not necessary by law to list your reasons why, but would help the Listers to better understand your concerns.

The regulations governing the appeal process can be confusing. We are always willing to help alleviate any concerns you may have, but we are limited in what we can legally do. Our office is open Tuesday through Thursday, 8:00 to 2:00 or by appointment.

Janet E. Stowell Laurie A. Ingalls Denise C. Adams

		Taxable Listed Value s- Town of Thefford Grand List as of April 1, 1999	as of April 1, 19	Thefford 99		
REAL ESTATE	# OF PARCELS	CORPORATIONS	TOWN	STATE	NON- STATE	TOTALS
Residential I	580	0	59,587,900	1,860,800	3,100,400	64,549,100
Residential II	310	0	47,227,900	1,343,600	3,339,700	51,911,200
Mobile Homes-U	33	0	570,700	10,000	18,400	599,100
Mobile Homes-L	59	0	3,263,400	92,600	138,400	3,494,400
Vacation I	89	0	1,281,900	1,713,300	4,042,800	7,038,000
Vacation II	44	0	479,900	932,500	4,461,400	5,873,800
Commercial	40	0	6,507,200	1,904,658	1,717,200	10,129,058
Utilities-E	3	2,141,500	0	30,400	344,400	2,516,300
Utilities-O	2	31,000	0	0	10,600	41,600
Farm	13	0	2,044,600	52,200	0	2,096,800
Woodland	161	0	2,041,800	1,300,300	1,872,600	5,214,700
Miscellaneous	98	50,500	923,789	281,300	476,600	1,732,189
TOTALS	1399	2,223,000	123,929,089	9,521,658	19,522,50	155,196,24

PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT

This year has been a busy one with the Planning Commission and Zoning Board considering changes to the Zoning Ordinance, as well as changes to how future planning in Thetford will be accomplished. The Select Board decided to change the Regional Planning Commission to which Thetford belongs. Effective this year, Thetford is no longer affiliated with the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. We are now members of the Two Rivers-Ottaquechee Regional Planning Commission headquartered in Woodstock.

In light of recent federal legislation in favor of telecommunications companies, the Planning Commission and Selectboard worked diligently in 1998 to enact zoning regulations for telecommunications towers. These telecommunications towers regulations were adopted by the town in March of 1999 and have become part of the Thetford Zoning Ordinance.

As many of you are aware, Thetford Center was designated a Historic District by the National Register under the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service. In response to this, there has been an amendment proposed to the Thetford Zoning Ordinance which would establish a Historic Preservation Overlay in Thetford Center, bringing it under the same guidelines as currently exist on Thetford Hill. Residents of the Historic Preservation Overlay are subject to more restrictive zoning regulations. Generally, any change to the exterior of your building, including demolition, requires a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Planning Commission. Since this involves interaction with the Historic Preservation Committee, as well as the Planning Commission, additional time is necessary before the permitting process is complete. A public hearing before the Planning Commission also may incur extra cost for the applicant.

Residents and property owners are again reminded to obtain proper permits before beginning construction, erecting signs and satellite dishes as well as starting a business or Home Occupation, to name a few. If you are not sure if you need a permit, what permits are required, or if you live in a special district, such as the Historic Preservation Overlay, please call the Town Office. Certain types of activities may also require a state and/or federal permit. It is your responsibility to obtain all necessary permits before construction, or activity begins. You can review the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations as well as print some application forms directly from the Thetford web site at http://170.222.200.76/thetford. Approved zoning permits and warnings are posted there as time allows. These can also be reviewed any time at the Town Office.

If you are building, remodeling, or buying a home you should be aware of the new Vermont Residential Energy Code which went into affect on July 1, 1998. You can get more information from the Energy Code Assistance Center at (888) 373-2255, or email them at code@veic.org.

The following tables give summaries of the permit activity over the past 3 years.

	1997	1998	1999
Number of Plats Approved	4	11	9
Number of Lots Created	1	7	6
Annexations	3	5	5

	1997	1998	1999
Residences	5	11	14
Additions	12	21	13
Decks & Porches	5	7	8
Accessory Buildings	30	21	29
Businesses	0	5	3
Mobile Homes	3	2	2
Home Occupations	4	3	3
Cert. of Appropriateness	3	l	1

The Planning Commission is planning on tackling several issues in the near future which include expansion of the Community Business District in East Thetford, adding new districts or overlays, and I-91 Interchange planning. There are still 2 vacancies on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment. If you are interested in serving on the Board (terms are 3 years), you may contact either myself or one of the current Planning Commission members.

If you have any questions about zoning, feel free to give me a call at the Town Office during my regular office hours which are Tuesday mornings 7:15-11:15 AM and Thursday afternoons from 2-5 PM. You can also email me at thetford.zoning@valley.net

George Stowell Zoning Administrator

HEALTH OFFIC	ER REPORT
Septic Permits Issued	28
New Septic Systems	18
Septic System Repair Permits	3
Permit Renewals	6
Upgrade for House Addition	1
Animal Bite Reports	4
	Alford Stone, Health Officer

	1999 PET LICENSING REPORT					
	Female Male Spayed Neutered Totals					
Dogs	82	84	243	222	631	
Ferrets	0	0	2	1	3	

RABIES CLINIC

Dr David Webster, Oxbow Veterinary Clinic, will be conducting the RABIES CLINIC this year for cats and dogs only on Saturday, March 18, 2000 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon at the Thetford Town Garage in Thetford Center. Rabies shots will be \$5.00; other shots will be available for an additional fee.

Thetford dog owners may obtain licenses for their dogs at this time. Please remember that all dogs must be licensed by April 1, 2000 to avoid penalty and late licensing fees. Ferrets and wolf-hybrids must also be licensed. Please contact Town Clerk's office if you need further information to complete licensing of your pet.

Fees for licensing of dogs (male and female) is \$5.00 for spayed or neutered; \$9.00 (male and female) for unaltered dogs.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Activities conducted by the Commission and non-commission committee members during 1999 included:

- (a) a town resident survey to determine sentiments about conservation of natural resources, social services, zoning, preservation of historic structures, and related issues,
- (b) continuation of the native tree species planting program,
- (c) sponsored a local bird species identification count,
- (d) continuation of the "Home Grounds" field trip program,
- (e) provided assistance to the Selectboard to develop a solution for protecting the Thetford Center covered bridge from "over-height" vehicles,
- (f) site visits of undeveloped lands under consideration for preservation and protection, and
- (g) began the process towards developing a timber and wildlife management plan for the Town forest.

For year 2000 the Commission and its committees will continue ongoing programs and activities identified above. The Commission anticipates further assistance to the Elizabeth Mine Study Group subsequent to a meeting of the minds with state and federal agencies.

The anticipated grants to fund a study of the ground water pollution at the Post Mills landfill site dld not materialize in 1999 because of the continuing unresolved litigation among the state, the landfill corporation, and abutting property owners. The grant funding will be pursued in 2000 pending resolution of the legal conflict.

We encourage town residents who have A specific interest in conservation/environment issues to contact any commission member (see listing under Appointed officers at the beginning of the Town Report).

Robert J, Pulaski, Chair Thetford Conservation Commission

	OF THETFORD ATION TRUST FUND
Balance January 1, 1999	\$ 2,572.69
Received from Town of Thetford	550.00
Expenditures	0.00
Balance December 31, 1999	3,122.69
	Submitted by Ruel G. Barrett, Treasurer

TOWN OF THETFORD CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS			
DATE	TRANSACTION		AMOUNT
12/04/57	Puritan Fund original investment 220.	.000 shares	\$1,300.20
'60 - '99	Shares added by reinvestment: 574.	046	
12/31/99	Puritan Fund total shares held 794.04	l6 shares	
12/31/99	Value of reinvestment @ \$ 19.03/sho	are	16,110.90
	CASH ON HAND & INCOME - 1999		
01/01/99	Cash on Hand		203.39
03/12/99	Income Dividend		128.47
06/11/99	Income Dividend		128.47
09/03/99	Income Dividend		120.92
12/10/99	Income Dividend		110.24
12/31/99	1999 Interest		8.97
	DISBURSEMENTS & EXPENSES - 1999		
10/12/99	Treasurer, Town of Thetford		520.00
	Hillside Cemetery	\$ 40.00	
	Post Mills Cemetery	80.00	
	East Thetford Cemetery	120.00	
	Evergreen Rest Cemetery	280.00	
12/31/99	CASH BALANCE ON HAND:		\$180.40
	Trustees of Trust Funds:	Ru	el G. Barrett
			ner C. Brown
Frederick P. Howard			

	TRUSTEES OF TOWN FARM TRUST FUND	D\$
DATE	TRANSACTION	AMOUNT
12/04/57	Puritan Fund original Investment: 677.000	\$4,001.07
57-199	Shares added by reinvestment: 20,438.164	1
12/31/99	Puritan Fund - Total Shares held: 21,105.16	4
12/31/99	Value of Investment @ \$ 19.03/share	\$401,631.27
	CASH ON HAND & CASH INCOME FOR 1999	? :
01/01/99	Cash on Hand (Merchant's Bank)	5,765.42
12/31/99	Income Dividends (total for year)	12,973.41
12/31/99	Interest (total for year)	\$81.77
	TOTAL:	\$18,820.60
	DISBURSEMENTS & EXPENSES FOR 1999:	
1/20/99	Check # 106, Treasurer, Town of Thetford	495.00
8/10/99	Check # 107, Treasurer, Town of Thetford	450.00
	TOTAL:	\$945.00
	CASH BALANCE ON HAND 12/31/99:	\$17,875.60
T	rustees of Trust Funds:	Ruel G.Barrett
		Elmer C. Brown
	1	Frederick P. Howard

CEMETERY TRUST FUND REPORT				
This fund was established by a bequest from Mary B. Hoisington in 1972, with interest to be used for care of four graves, to include cleaning of stones and for floral pieces each Memorial Day. Graves included are located in the William & Caroline Marston and Eugene & Isadore Smith lots, Post Mills Cemetery.				
Balance on hand 01/01/99: \$ 1,098.83				
Interest accrued 8.50 \$1,107.33				
Grave Upkeep & Floral Pleces 40.00				
Balance on Hand, 12/31/99: \$1,067.33				

TREASURE ISLAND REPORT	
RECEIPTS:	
Season Tickets: 185	
Complimentary Passes: 14	
Resident - 128 passes (128 family)	\$4,675.00
Non-resident - 43 passes (family 41, individual	\$2,245.00
Tennis passes: 14 (Family 6, Individual 8)	\$525.00
Swimming Lessons: 155	\$465.00
Day Admissions	\$9,650.00
Tennis Daily Admissions	\$465.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$18,025.00
DISBURSEMENTS	
Taxes (West Fairlee & Fairlee)	\$10,639.00
Wages	
Lifeguards (2.5)	\$6,200.00
Gate Attendant	\$735.00
Workers Comp/Insurance	\$492.00
Electricity	\$516.00
Pay Phone (Beach)	\$209.00
Repairs and Maintenance	\$175.00
Payment to Red Cross	\$704.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$19,670.00
Don E. Wilso	on, Manager



SOLID WASTE ANNUAL REPORT

1999 started out looking like a typical year for waste management in Thetford, about 250 tons of recyclable materials were sent down the road and another 250 tons sent to the landfill. By the end of the year a great deal had changed. Long time Recycle Center worker Leum Fahey resigned in October. Lynn Irwin who started work in the spring, got done at the end of the year. Ben Bradley gave notice as of February 1, 2000. Sharon Irwin, who started in the summer, is the only remaining Recycle Center employee. As of January 15, 2000 the town is advertising for a new Solid Waste Coordinator and additional summer workers.

In December the town's Planning Commission denied a request from the town for permission to expand the existing recycling site 75 feet to the north to relieve some of the Saturday morning congestion. The Planning Commission felt that the town needed to operate the site better and to address why a site which was considered temporary in the early nineties is still being used in 1999. The Selectboard has responded in the following ways:

- 1.) Put up gates to lessen off-time trespassing and dumping at the site.
- 2.) Restricted the use of the site to Thetford residents only as of February 1, 2000. They have also banned out-of-town commercial material. Tins should relieve traffic and human congestion and save the town money in trucking fees.
- 3.) Installed more signs to help people use the Recycling Center properly. The reusable items area in particular, has been misused by people leaving junk.
- 4.) Ordered that the site be kept cleaner.
- 5.) The Thetford Selectboard is in the process of setting dates for collection and disposal of normally objectionable materials, e.g., tires, discarded furniture, etc.
- 6.) We are also working on a Recycling Ordinance which we hope to have ready soon.

The Planning Commission is scheduled to reexamine the town's application in the summer. The Selectboard is also considering if a second staff person is needed each Saturday. It is starting to address the need for a new site, one which would be less congested, safer and easier to use, and hopefully have less impact in its neighbors than the present one.

On a personal note, I would like to thank the townspeople for mostly behaving themselves while performing one of life's responsibilities, getting rid of the trash. It would have been a dreary job without your good attitudes. Special thanks to Skip Sturman, Mark Richardson, and Stuart Blood.

Submitted by Ben Bradley and Paul Raymond

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TOWN OFFICES BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

BACKGROUND:

Most townspeople will recall that for the past several years, space problems have been evident at our town hall. This is in addition to previously reported but not completely resolved access and structural deficiencies. With recent "temporary" changes inside the building, the "space crunch" has become even more obvious. It should be clear to anyone visiting the present facilities that large meetings and voting can no longer be easily accommodated.

It may be remembered that at the March, 1998 Town Meeting, voters were presented with a fairly definitive proposal for renovation and addition at the current town hall. Although a poll of the voters present indicated majority support for the concept, for parliamentary reasons, the relevant warned article was passed over. A year later, the Selectmen reported the existence of encroachment (1.6 feet) by the town record vaults upon the property of the Evergreen Rest Cemetery Association. The building plans, as designed by the architects Smith and Vansant, would further impinge on that land. The Board also reported that alternative plans to purchase the Bushway Agency building for conversion to municipal offices had not come to fruition. At the direction of the voters, a study committee was reformulated to further explore options for adequately housing the municipal offices and to advise and assist the Select Board in developing a feasible plan to accomplish this end.

TOWN OFFICES BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Comprised of fourteen residents, this committee has met more than a dozen times since its April, 1999 inception. Some of its members have devoted untold energy and hours to develop advisory data and preliminary plans to fulfill the above goal. Our data and conclusions were presented, reviewed and discussed with the Thetford Select Board on December 27, 1999.

The committee first compiled information on the present and projected space needs for each department and group using the fown hall. After many hours devoted to site investigations and discussion of their merits, the members eventually arrived at the options as summarized below.

TOWN HALL SITE: Based on the 1997-8 design concept by Smith and Vansant, Architects.

Though not all were in agreement, some members of the committee believed it very important that Thetford retain its municipal office functions in a pleasing, aesthetic setting such as found in the centrally located and historic village of Thetford Center. Therefore, the committee revisited the previous proposal for renovation of and addition to the present town hall building. Of the options presented, this proposal was the most extensively discussed and analyzed. We worked diligently to resolve several significant issues which had not previously been addressed. We believe our recommendations are feasible and fiscally sound, thereby making redevelopment of this site a viable primary option.

With the cooperation of the Trustees of the Evergreen Rest Cemetery Association and by adjusting the location of the proposed addition, the issues of encroachment upon abutting property and meeting zoning "setback" regulations may be resolved. A new parking design was developed which will provide a number of additional spaces for the site.

The committee also developed and recommended some alternatives to address the issues of the adequacy and proximity of the on-site well and septic disposal systems. The most expensive solution option was incorporated under "related expenses" in our cost estimates.

Previously, it was determined that structural repairs to the roof and floor of the present hall were required as an integral part of the proposed renovation/addition. Due to some uncertainties, the committee has recommended that a professional "second opinion" be sought in these regards. Additionally, we have included significant monies for "unexpected expenses" in our cost estimates for this site.

Renovation of the existing building would include the required structural repairs, new roofing, new electrical, heating, air conditioning and plumbing systems, all new interior finishes and partitions and additional attic insulation. Note: Preservation Trust of Vermont has indicated a strong possibility of significant grant funding toward the costs of retaining this historic structure as municipal offices.

While the present concept relies heavily upon the Smith and Vansant preliminary plans, in light of our projected space needs, the committee has determined that certain modifications are in order. We have recommended that a room be added at the northeast corner of the existing building and that a partial basement be installed under the proposed addition. Although no floor plan revision has been completed, we concluded that significant additional office area could thus be gained. With an exterior entrance "at grade", the basement would be partially finished to serve as a semi-detached police office. The unfinished portion would provide space for storage, mechanical and utility uses and would also provide potential for additional finished space as needed.

If instituted as presently conceived, the plan would provide up to 4,140 s.f.(existing vaults included) of new or completely renovated finished space as compared to the 2322 s.f. footprint of the existing facility. This total is very close to the committee's initial needs projection of 4,450 s.f.

COST ESTIMATES:

COOL FOUNDATION	
Phased construc./renov. + related expense	S
(Update of 1997 professional estimate	
@\$214,000)	\$340,275
Partial basement (in addition to costs	
included in 1997 estimate)	\$ 15,625
Contingency @10% construct total	\$ 35,590
Arch./Eng. fees @10% construct total	\$ 35,590
Unexpected expenses allocation	\$ 100,000
PROJECT TOTAL: (4,140 s.f. finished)	\$ 527,080

PHARMACY SITE: Once a Pharmacy- East Thetford

Although this site became available only late in our considerations, our committee considers it a primary option. However, in our opinion, while the site itself is excellent, the main or retail structure would have to be razed. It was felt the size and nature of the building would make it more expensive to remodel and expand than to replace. A new building would be specifically designed for municipal operations to include a new records storage vault. Here, an existing vault door (from present town hall) would be moved and reinstalled. The presently leased office areas (1,140 s.f.) would be retained and a portion thereof designated as a semi-detached police office. The resultant complex would be somewhat smaller in finished area (3794 s.f. including vault) than that under the modified plans for the current town hall. However, construction over a full basement (+3300 s.f.) would provide more than adequate storage and mechanical spaces. With installation of an appropriate lift, this area could also provide finished offices/rooms as required.

The location, size (1.16 A) and topography of the lot would make a municipal office complex very accessible and provide ample room for required parking spaces. Pre-existing water supply and septic disposal systems would be re-utilized.

While this option holds good promise, considerable further investigation and development are required. Although the committee does not anticipate problems, no engineering analysis has been conducted for the building(s) to be retained. Thus, our cost estimates do not include funds for any structural repairs or renovations that may later prove necessary. Neither does an architectural design yet exist upon which to base a professional construction cost estimate.

COST ESTIMATES:

Non-phased construction+related expenses	\$368,750
Contingency @10% of construct total	\$ 36,875
Arch./Eng. fees @10% of construc. total	\$ 36,875
Purchase Price	\$175,000
PROJECT TOTAL: (3,794 s.f. finished)	\$617,500

BUSHWAY SITE: Bushway Insurance Agency Building-East Thetford

Since this site had previously been considered as a viable alternative to the town hall plans, the committee conducted considerable further investigation of this possibility. Although strongly supported by some members, ultimately, the committee was unable to determine a firm purchase value for the property. Therefore, no further summary or cost projections are included herein.

GENERIC SITE: location as yet undetermined-village environs preferred

Although the committee has by no means exhausted the possibilities, we were unable to locate a feasible site for all new construction of a municipal office complex. For comparative purposes, the committee presented the Select Board with only generalized average costs since purchase price and site features obviously play a major role in ultimate project costs. Common features such as basement, vault, septic and water systems and averaged construction costs per square foot were included. Suffice it to say here, that our preliminary figures tended to indicate that all new construction on an undeveloped site could be significantly more expensive than alternative options.

CONCLUDING REMARKS:

As a whole, this committee does not have a strong preference for any one of the above options. We now seek input and guidance from the voters as the ultimate authority. A more complete report which includes detailed site and cost analyses is available from the Select Board. Copies will also be available at Town Meeting.

Lastly, as we have emphasized to the Select Board, the committee wishes to point out that if an alternative site is selected for a municipal office complex, the Town of Thetford must then decide the fate of the present town hall. If it remains under town ownership, the suggested structural repairs may still need to be completed and at least minimal septic maintenance undertaken. Additionally, there would be undetermined costs for on-going maintenance, insurance and utilities. Lease of all or a portion of the building could offset these costs to a certain extent.

Thetford Town Offices Building Committee, Cyrus W. Severance, Chair



TOWN OWNED PROPERTY			
UNKNOWN	SAWNEE BEAN CEMETERY	1/2 Ac.	
ц	JUDD CEMETERY	1/2 Ac.	
"	LAND BY TRUSSELL'S	1/4 Ac.	
8	EAST THETFORD CEMETERY		
u	POST MILLS CEMETERY	3/4 Ac.	
	THETFORD CENTER GREEN	1/8 Ac.	
1818	THETFORD HILL COMMON	1/13 Ac.	GIFT
1831	TOWN HALL SITE	1/2 Ac.	20.00
1833	RICE'S MILLS CEMETERY	.4 Ac.	10.00
1836	KINNEY CEMETERY	.2 Ac.	GIFT
1919	FOLLETT CEMETERY		GIFT
1935, 1953	TOWN GARAGE SITE	1.0 Ac.	300.00
1941	Town Forest	195 Ac.	165.00
1957	OLD DUMP SITE	1.0 Ac.	
1961	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE	8.3 Ac.	TA GIFT
1972	TREASURE ISLAND	9.18 Ac.	155,000.00
1974	SCHOOL LEACH FIELD	13.0 Ac.	12,400.00
1997	T & J TAYLOR PROPERTY	36.8 Ac.	GIFT
1998	C. HUGHES PROPERTY	3.6 Ac.	GIFT

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the previous selectboard and the Town of Thetford, for the opportunity of being your Police Chief.

The first few months of my appointment was spent between tearning Vermont law at the Police Academy and patrolling the town getting to know it's geographic makeup. Upon completion of my training in May of 1999, 1 spent considerable time with my Police Officers learning about the town and it's people. This afforded me the opportunity of seeing first hand the working knowledge of my Police Officers. It allowed me to both learn and supervise which is paramount in community Police service. This also served as another vital function; as a training tool for me as Chief so I can better serve the community.

I reviewed my 1999 town report and your concerns that were brought to my attention were: Safer Roads: especially in the school areas. Drug and Alcohol related problems concerning young citizens. Domestic violence and abuse to provide care and be sensitive to the needs of the victim to help the victim receive needed support and relief from any continued abuse. And Drunk Drivers are a "killer behind the wheel". This past year we set our minds to your concerns and feel that we have addressed all of them.

Before I started to enforce the motor vehicle code in Thetford, I spent time observing the speeds registered on town roads. The average speed in front of the elementary school was 46 MPH. By far too fast for a 30 MPH school zone, this area also includes a day care center, fire department a post office, church and library. The past enforcement was not working. We needed to concentrate our efforts in this area. Today the average speed in the same area is 29 MPH This has had a positive affect for the town, by having less recorded motor vehicle accidents. In fact, less accidents recorded ground town.

In May 1999 with the help of the Thetford Fire Department and Fast Squad, the Thetford Police Department in cooperation with the Thetford Academy had a Prom night motor vehicle accident seminar. Also we had a guest speaker, a young man who as a teen (17), while driving drunk, took the life of a young mother and two teenage children. This program was well received by the students and others who attended My thanks to all who helped including the students for making this program a success.

The increased hours of patrol on back roads and the breaking up of several teen parties has sent the message that Thetford has Zero Tolerance for teen drinking.

We have moved forward in helping the abused in Domestic violence. Our department has (2) of the States (12) Domestic Violence Instructors working as Thetford officers. Victims will continue to get needed support for restraining orders, prosecution and most of all to stop the abuse.

With the help of State Grant's (\$6,000) the Thetford Police Department using DWI. patrols has removed (7) Drunk drivers from Thetford town roads. The DWI. patrol serves the town in two ways, removing and deterring DWI. offenders and extending police service for the community. These grants pay for the salary of the officers plus the use of the police vehicles all at no extra cost to the taxpayer. This year our department applied for and received (\$5,000) in grant money, which will help continue to remove DWI drivers from the roads.

The Police Department with the support of the Selectboard had a town ordinance adopted for the moneys received from traffic fines. This ordinance ensures that the majority of the fines paid will come back to the town. This helps keep the tax burden down and could help support the police department for training, court time and special equipment

With the help of Town Clerk Roberta Howard a list of town people most vulnerable during ice or snow storms or severe cold was implemented this is used as a check in to see if they are okay or in need of some type of help.

In August of 1999 David Singer was hired as a Police Officer to help serve the people of Thetford. Officer Singer is community minded and has been highly trained in Domestic Violence and DWI Enforcement grant and research writing. He is a valuable addition to this community.

The department changed its ways of purchasing fuel by using tax exempt credit cards and we have seen a substantial savings these past few months. We applied and received a second vehicle "free" from the United States Navy to help better serve the community.

The feedback from local merchants, School Administration, parents and senior citizens is that community policing is working. They have said that they like the presence of the police department around town. They know the Officer by name and they see the same officer patrolling, they feel they are receiving personal care. This is what community policing is all about and this was the goal we aimed for when I was hired. Unfortunately with the present budget, which concerns salary for part time officers, there is now a substantial decrease in the amount of hours for patrolling allowed for the town. To help continue the coverage the department applied for a "Cops Plus"

grant. This will provide the necessary money to continue the same amount of coverage that was provided in 1999. This Grant will be presented at town meeting for your support and vote.

Our presence in both schools has moved in the right direction. We hope to bridge the gap between teens and law enforcement by being available and visible. We want to ensure the future of community policing starting with the elementary students. Our Police Department is set up to be community oriented. As your Police Chief I have an open door policy which has proven to be very successful. Many of you have come in to say hello and expressed your concerns.

We would like to have a citizen committee consisting of a representative from each village to express their concerns. Every town likes to think that they are crime free but that is not a reality and Thetford Is no different The amount of crime in most places increases with growth and you are seeing a lot of growth in the Upper Valley. By looking at the following statistics you can see that your Police Department has been very busy.

All the Police personnel here at the Thetford Police Department are committed to helping you in whatever way we can.

For Emergencies dial 911, If we are unavailable to respond to your call Hanover Dispatch will call Vermont State Police for you. Hanover Dispatch number is 333-4347. The Thetford Police Department has a new phone number 785-2200 which after several rings will automatically transfer your call to Hanover Dispatch. For Messages for any Thetford Officer please call Hanover Dispatch. We will get back to you as soon as possible. The report that follows is the statistical report for the year 1999.

Respectfully Submitted James P. Krakowiecki Chief

Part Time Officers: Sgt. Charles Stephens Officer David Singer

Part Time Special Events Officers: Officers Drew Havens Dean Marthers

Thetford Police Department ◆◆ Incident Report ◆	→ 1999
Death/Injury	10
Robbery	4
Burglary	10
Theft	8
Stolen Vehicles	5
Fraudulent Activities	4
Damage Property	26
Family Offenses	13
Weapons Offenses	3
Public Peace	6
Traffic Offenses	726
Health or Safety	13
Privacy Violations	11
Fish & Wildlife	2
Animal Control	51
Public Order	31
Assist other Jurisdiction	166
Alarms	13
Lost/Found Property	14
Missing Person	4
Juvenile Status Offenses	3
Citizen Assists	61
Incident Services	180
Criminal Warrants	4
Paper Service	5
TOTALS	1373

1999 VERMONT STATE POLICE REPORT

This is the second year that the Vermont State Police have prepared an activity synopsis for your town report. I hope it will answer your questions concerning what involvement we have in your town during the year.

The Bradford barracks continues to handle ten towns within our geographic area. This was the first year in which we were to have a full time "DWI Trooper" to combat intoxicated drivers. The new position helped in achieving a new high for such arrests and I expect the trend to continue until the word gets out that we (and you) will not tolerate drunken driving on our highways.

The Vermont Troopers Foundation has undertaken an initiative to get the legislature to fund 60 new troopers. We have no idea if this will come to fruition. There is no doubt in my mind that any additional personnel that ended up at our barracks would improve our ability to serve the public in numerous ways. We appreciate those that took the time to sign the petitions and the town officials that signed letters supporting the initiative. We will continue to provide the highest quality of service to all the towns that we police regardless of the legislative outcome.

Please have a safe and happy New Year.

Respectfully submitted Lt. Michael P. Jennings Troop C, Bradford Barracks

VSP 1999 Statistics (Troop C Coverage Area)		
Incidents	2260	
Arrests	636	
Traffic Accidents	319	
Traffic Tickets	1425	
Traffic Warnings	831	
DWI's	94	

VSP 1999 STATISTICS (THETFORD)	·
Alcohol Offense	2
Abandoned Vehicle	1
Accident Fatal	1
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	37
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	9
Agency Assistance	13
Alcohol Offense	2
Animal Problem	2
Assault	3
Non-sufficient Funds Check	2
Burglary	8
Burglary Alarm	5
Citizen Assist	2 3
Citizen Dispute	3 4
Driving - License Suspended	. 1
DUI Alcohol or Drugs	11
Dead Body	3
Death Message	
Controlled Substance Problem	2
False Information to Police	1 7
Family Fight/Domestic	2
Fraud	10
Motor Vehicle Complaint	2
Missing Person	1
Public Speaking	3
Restraining Order	1
Robbery	1
Sex Offense	1
Snowmobile Accident/Incident	1
Stalking	17
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	4
Theft	1
Theft-Truck/Bus	· 1
Threatening	i
Traffic Hazard	1
Trespassing	9
Unlawful Mischief	2
Wanted Person	2
Welfare/Suicide Check Total Incidents for This Repo	-
Total incluents for this repor	

THETFORD FAST SQUAD

The FAST Squad was organized for the sole purpose of providing emergency medical service to the town of Thetford. The Squad is staffed by a dedicated group of volunteers who carry pagers and will respond at any time of day or night. Our members are all certified EMTs, at either the basic or intermediate level. The local squad can usually respond to emergencies within minutes and generally arrives prior to the ambulance service. While we do not provide transport, we work closely with Upper Valley Ambulance, and the Town's police, fire, and highway departments to evaluate and stabilize emergencies.

During the past year we were able to purchase a defibrillator (shock-box), thanks in part to a grant from the Mascoma Bank. This equipment allows EMT's in the field to initiate life saving measures beyond CPR.

We continue to emphasize training and several members attended weekend schools in topics such as Pediatric Trauma, Advanced Vehicle Rescue, and Search and Rescue. There are monthly squad drills, and we held a 24 hour long refresher course as part of members' recertification. Additionally, many of our members are also Thetford firefighters and are cross-trained in a variety of subjects like vehicle rescue, haz-mat, incident command and self contained breathing apparatus. We try to provide the community with a professional level of service and appreciate your support.

We also appreciate the many years of hard work and dedication by Mel and Roxy Maxfield. After over twenty five years, Mel has retired from the squad. His participation and input will be missed. Following several terms as President Roxy chose to continue as a general member. Her leadership and encouragement helped create the current squad, and her years of experience are an asset to the community.

In 1999 we responded to nearly 100 emergencies including 20 motor vehicle accidents. As part of our ongoing community education efforts, we joined with the Fire Department, Police Department and Upper Valley Ambulance to conduct a mock accident scene at Thetford Academy. Hopefully, this helped impress on our young drivers the responsibilities that come with a driving privilege. Several FAST Squad members provided EMS coverage at two large cross country events at the Academy. These events gave us a great opportunity to interact with the community and develop skills to cope with multiple patients.

President Mariah Capurso	Tammy Johnson	David Goodrich
Vice-President Don Fifield	Tom Neuman	George Stowell
Treasurer Janet Stowell	Brenda Moore	Tim Ouellette
	Wendy Cole	Roxy Maxfield
Secretary David Saturley	Bili Wallace	Jeff Sirjane
Spunk Kuehlweln	Amy Vance	Tim Moore
Drew Havens	ALTIY VOICE	

Remember to dial 911 if you need help and <u>please</u> post your E-911 address marker! We probably know where you live but the out of town ambulance probably does not. If you have an interest in joining the squad, you can leave a message at the Fire House at 785-2412 or contact any member.

Submitted by Don Fifield Jr.

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE, INC.

We are pleased to present our 9th annual report to the citizens we serve. Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service since July 1, 1990. From 1990 to the end of this year Upper Valley will have responded to over 10,500 ambulance calls. This year we will have responded to over 660 requests for medical assistance from the eight communities we serve.

With the continued support of the citizens, our employees, and community governing bodies, we have been able to level fund or lower our assessment rate for eight of the past nine years. However, 1999 has proven to be a very challenging year. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 and its associated legislation has created a serious revenue loss for our service. In addition, HMO's continue to ratchet down their reimbursement levels, and our bad debt load continues to climb as more members of our communities find themselves without adequate insurance coverage. Despite the fragile reimbursement landscape, we have been able to continue providing a high level of service, while preparing for the additional reimbursement challenges that lay ahead. We continue to provide contract ambulance services to the ICN/PICU at DHMC which have helped offset some of the revenue losses. After countless hours of discussion and thought, the UVA Board of Directors have approved the 2000 budget reflecting an increase in our per capita request of \$1,00 to \$15.00, per capita.

Our professional staff is extremely capable and dedicated, spending many hours each year enhancing their skills while participating in training programs such as Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Pediatric Advanced Life Support and Advanced Trauma Life Support. We continue to work with the American Heart Association as a Training Center. In 1999, over 250 people were trained in CPR. Tours, lectures, demonstrations, and CPR classes are available for the general public. For further information please call 802-333-4043.

Our Domicile Risk Assessment Program, "Home Sweet Home...Home Safe Home" continues to grow. At no cost to you, trained members of Upper Valley Ambulance will come to your home and help you identify hazards in and around your home and make recommendations for a safer home environment in the hopes of preventing an injury from occurring. We strongly urge everyone to take advantage of this free program. If you would like to schedule an assessment, or would like to volunteer to assist us with this worthwhile program, please give our office a call.

Many of you are familiar with our Subscription Service. The yearly membership fee of \$30 entitles you to medically necessary emergency medical services at no additional cost to you. Applications are available at your local Town Offices, at our business office on Lake Morey Road in Fairlee, or area places of business.

We encourage you to join your friends and neighbors who stop by to visit, or have their blood pressure checked at our Lake Morey Road facility. Please feel free to contact John Vose, Administrator or your Town Representative, if you have any questions concerning our service.

Finally, we would like to invite you to our 10th Anniversary Celebration to be held this July. It is hard to believe that ten years have passed since we first began service as your community provider. We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. will continue striving to provide the highest quality emergency medical care at the lowest possible cost to all the citizens we serve.

Larry Lancaster, Chair Board of Directors Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc

Todd Protzman Thefford Representative Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc

THETFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

This past year brought about much transition within the Fire Department. We have a new Chief, new Fire Engine, new members, new President for the Board of Trustees, and we held our fist annual "Trick or Treat" night at the fire station.

Don Fifield stepped down as Chief after 9 long years of hard work and devoted leadership. His dedication to Public Safety for the Town of Thetford and its citizens should be applauded by all. Tim Moore became Chief January 1, 1999 and Don is now the Deputy Chief. Chad Whitcomb and Brenda Moore were promoted from Lieutenant to Captain. While the role of individuals may have changed, the dedication to service, commitment to community, and continuity of quality and professionalism remain the same.

We wish to thank everyone for the support demonstrated at Town Meeting last year for our new fire engine. This piece of apparatus represents a significant milestone for our department. With the exception of mobile alert pagers nearly 20 years ago, it is the single most important piece of equipment to increase our efficiency in serving the community and more importantly, you, our customers. It will have a positive impact on the implementation of efficient emergency operations and evolutions. Engine 2 was delivered on December I I and put in service the following week. By year end, we had several calls with E2 where 4 to 5 firefighters arrived on scene fully geared up with breathing apparatus and other equipment, ready to go work as soon as they stepped off the apparatus.

Several members have retired and new members have joined. Bernie Hazlett stepped down after several years on the department. Peter Garrow and Brian Ricker joined the department. Penny Sirjane is the new President of our Board of Trustees that oversees the business function of the department. Penny had previously been our Treasurer and David Goodrich now serves in that capacity.

Our first annual "Trick or Treat" night at the Thetford Hill fire station was a huge success. Over 190 youngsters (of all ages) visited our designated "Trick or Treat" site and fun house. Our intent is to provide a safe community collection and distribution location where youngsters can go. Residents can drop off contributions for trick or treaters and TVFD members will be on hand to provide fun and treats. Public donations and help are welcome. The response was very positive and it looks like this will be an annual event.

Our members' commitment to training and emergency preparedness is demanding. In addition to regular monthly drills, members attended 4 Regional weekend Fire Schools and 2 firefighters went to Baltimore for a maintenance class on the "Jaws of Life" Holmatro Rescue Tool that we own. Seven firefighters also attended the 3 day training convention in Baltimore this year. In October, TVFD hosted a 12 hour weekend LP Gas course with live LP Gas fires held on the grounds of Camp Farnsworth. Fifteen of our members also belong to the FAST Squad and must commit to the EMS training as well.

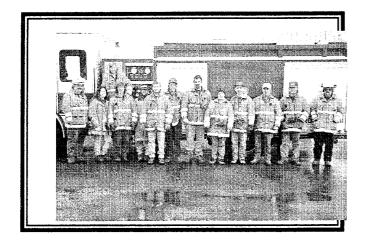
This year TVFD installed an emergency generator and base radio at the Thetford Hill station. We can use the station as an Emergency Operation Center in the event of a large scale emergency, providing back-up power and communications for Police Fire and EMS. Both the generator and radio will be extremely useful during power outages, and weather emergencies such as wind and ice storms. These two items contributed to the over expenditure in the Building & Grounds budget this year. TVFD fund raising efforts pay for the addition to our station, conversions to fire apparatus, and special projects, all with non-tax dollars. In the year 2000, we have contracted to convert our 1981 Ford Engine into a Tanker using the 1992 tanker body on our 29 year old tanker chassis. This conversion will cost between \$17,000 and \$20,000 and will be done by Dingee Machine of Cornish, NH. In addition we plan to establish a replacement Fund for the "Jaws of Life" power plant which will cost \$8000.00. Our next vehicle project will be a joint effort with the FAST squad to replace the body on our Rescue Truck in the next few years.

Besides the emergency calls each year, thousands of hours are required to run a volunteer fire department. Training, meetings, maintenance, fund raising, public education, planning and preparedness account for countless hours. In my first year as Chief, I documented an average of 67.7 hours, 63 phone calls, and 274.5 miles per month not counting emergencies. This represents only a fraction of the time donated by the membership as a whole. We strive to provide the Town with a professional level of emergency service with volunteer labor. We need new members, including junior firefighters, and we need support staff for non firefighting, non emergency duty. Consider joining us in some capacity - come talk with us!

Tim Moore, Fire Chief

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY - 1999	
Auto Fires	3
Automatic Alarms	15
Chimney Fires	3
Auto Accidents	24
Investigations	7
Mutual Ald	13
Structure Fires	2
Power Lines Incidents	9
Rescue	1
Wildland Fires	9
Total Incidents	86

Chief Tim Moore	Mariah Capurso	Jasmine Palge
Deputy Don Fifield	Rick Dresser	Brian Ricker
Asst. Chief Ellis Paige	Peter Garrow	David Saturley
Capt. Drew Havens	David Goodrich	Jeff Sirjane
Capt. Brenda Moore	Tammy Johnson	George Stowell
Capt. Chad Whitcomb	Shannon Keuhlwein	Janet Stowell
Russ Bragg	Bart Koop	Ben Tilden
John Brown	Butch Moore	Greg Timmons
Guy Cook	Tim Ouellette	Bill Wallace
Michelle Cook		Dan Whitcomb



Thetford Volunteer Fire Year Er	Department Fin nding 12/31/199	ancial Stateme 99	ent
REVENUES	1999 BUDGET	1999 ACTUAL	2000 BUDGET
Town Appropriation	\$52,900.00	\$52,900.00	\$53,650.00
Interest Earned	100.00	94.95	100.00
Total Revenues	\$53,000.00	\$52,994.95	\$53,750.00
EXPENDITURES			•
Administration			
Chlef's Stipend	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
Dispatch Service	1,250.00	987.00	1,250.00
insurance	13,500.00	13,904.00	13,500.00
Fees	50.00	46.39	50.00
Office Supplies & Postage	500.00	694.11	500.00
Public Relations & Fire Safety	250.00	316.43	250.00
Subscriptions & Dues	500.00	355.95	750.00
Tax Return Preparation	250.00	300.00	400.00
Telephone	1,400.00	1,536.89	1,400.00
Total Administration	\$18,950.00	\$19,360.77	\$19,350.00
Buildings & Grounds			
Electric	1,800.00	1,967.93	1,800.00
Furniture & Fixtures	500.00	283.16	500.00
Heating Fuel Oil	1,500.00	1,931.10	1,750.00
Maintenance & Repairs	5,000.00	3,226.97	5,000.00
Generator, Base Radio	\$0.00	\$7,026.17	\$0.00
Total Buildings & Grounds	\$8,800.00	\$14,435.33	\$9,050.00
Firefighter Health & Safety			
Gear Maintenance	600.00	763.72	700.00
Gear & Personal Protective Equip.	4,200.00	3,644.01	4,200.00
Health Safety	500.00	181.26	500.00
Re-hydration & Food	200.00	273.57	200.00
Total Firefighter Health & Safety	\$5,500.00	\$4,862.56	\$5,600.00
Training			j
Training Courses & Expenses	2,500.00	2,790.47	2,000.00
Training Corporation Membership	250.00	250.00	8,500.00
Total Training	\$2,750.00	\$3,040.47	\$2,750.00
Vehicles & Equipment		ję.	Į.
Equipment Maintenance	2,000.00	2,092.85	2,000.00
Equipment Replacement	8,500.00	9,455.23	8,500.00
Vehicle Fuel	1,500.00	1,310.34	1,500.00
Vehicle Maintenance	5,000.00	2,994.70	5,000.00
Total Vehicles & Equipment	\$17,000.00	\$15,853.12	\$17,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$53,000.00	\$57,582.25	\$53,750.00
	Pi	repared by Dav	d Goodrich

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

In 1999 we finished the fourth and final phase of paving on Route 132 and Miller Pond Rd. The last section of 1.4 miles was totally reclaimed, paved with hot mix asphalt, and shoulders installed. We did extensive ditching, culvert replacement, and brush cutting. Next year we will be paving Gove Hill Rd in conjunction with our paving program. Our plan is to pave Gove Hill Rd from the intersection of Route 132 to the top of the blacktop on Gove Hill.

We have made more Improvements to the town garage this summer by replacing two more overhead doors and a side entry door. We will be installing the last overhead next year. More improvements were also made to the sand pile to allow for more sand storage.

Next summer we will make improvements to Sanborn Rd. We will be removing the brush and trees, and widening the road surface. With these improvements it will make for safer travel and a more maintainable road. We also will be resurfacing some roads with gravel.

On schedule with the equipment replacement program we will replace truck 4 in 2000. At present the replacement program is working well by replacing the equipment before any major repairs are needed.

I would like to thank the highway crew for all their hard work and long hours especially during the past winter months. I would also like to thank the townspeople that have supported us this past year.

Chad Whitcomb, Road Commissioner



EMPLOYEE SALARIES - PROPOSED 2000 Rates are per hour, unless otherwise noted	
TOWN CLERK/TREASURER/DEL. TAX COLLECTOR	\$14.40
ASSISTANT TREASURER	11.15
ASSISTANT CLERK	8.76
OFFICE ASSISTANT	7.50
POLICE CHIEF (BI/WEEKLY SALARY)	1,219.06
SPECIAL OFFICER 1	13.42
SPECIAL OFFICER 2	11.59
HEALTH OFFICER	10.58
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	11.47
AUDITORS	225.00
BALLOT CLERKS	5.00
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE/BALLOT COUNTERS (PER	5.00
JANITOR (BI/WEEKLY SALARY)	46.09
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	8.44
RECYCLING COORDINATOR	10.10
ASST RECYCLING COORDINATOR	6.70
ROAD COMMISSIONER	14.42
ROAD CREW	12.14
ROAD CREW	11.08
ROAD CREW	10.82
ROAD CREW	10.75
ROAD CREW	10.50
SELECTBOARD (YEARLY STIPEND)	700.00
SELECTBOARD CLERK	8.50
LISTERS	9.20
LIFEGUARDS (FULL TIME)	300.00
RECREATION 1	7.00
RECREATION 2	5.00

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\$56,227.25

\$96,837.76

\$112,310.44

2005	\$7,500.00 \$12,750.00 \$23,000.00 \$24,800.00 0 0 \$2,650.00 \$70,700.00	\$53,577.23 \$80,374.59 \$70,000.00 \$70,000.00 (\$47,030.00)(\$70,700.00) \$76,547.23 \$79,674.59	\$83,658.32	2010	\$16,000.00 \$0.00 \$26,800.00 \$41,500.00	
2004	\$7,500.00 \$12,750.00 \$23,000.00 0 0 0 \$3,780.00 \$47,030.00	\$53,577.23 \$70,000.00 (\$47,030.00) \$76,547.23	\$80,374.59	2009	\$16,000.00 \$0.00 \$26,800.00 \$41,500.00 \$84,300.00	
2003	\$10,000.00 \$12,750.00 \$23,000.00 \$20,500.00 0 \$2,750.00 \$69,000.00	\$50,025.93 \$70,000.00 (\$69,000.00) \$51,025.93	\$53,577.23	2008	\$16,000.00 \$24,800.00 \$26,800.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$9,188.00 \$76,788.00	\$96,837.76 \$75,000.00 (\$118,288.00) \$53,549.76
2002	\$10,000.00 \$12,750.00 \$20,500.00 \$19,855.00 \$1,640.00 \$1,640.00 \$1,647.00	\$47,388.74 \$65,000.00 (\$64,745.00) \$47,643.74	1 \$50,025.93	2007	\$24,800.00 \$2,826,800.00 \$2,800.00 \$2,800.00 \$2,800.00 \$2,81,984.00 \$2,853,584.00 \$3,853,584.00 \$3,853,584.00 \$3,853,584.00	\$112,310.44 \$0.575,000.00 \$7.500.00 \$7.500.00 \$7.500.00 \$1.500.00
2001	\$13,956.00 \$20,500.00 \$19,855.00 \$3,212.00 \$57,523.00	\$35,699.13 \$65,000.00 (\$55,567.00) \$45,132.13	\$47,388.74	2006	\$23,000.00 \$24,800.00 0 \$26 0 0 53,896.00 \$51,696.00 \$53	• •
2000	\$13,956.00 \$20,500.00 \$20,000.00 \$19,855.00 \$1,704.00 \$77,015.00	\$45,780.00 \$65,000.00 (\$85,059.00) \$25,721.00	\$35,699.13		\$23,0 \$24,8 \$3,8 \$51,6	\$83,658.32 \$75,000.00 (\$51,696.00 \$106,962.32
1999	\$14,000.00 \$13,956.00 \$20,000.00 \$19,855.00 \$5,216.00 \$73,027.00	\$47,716.17 \$60,000.00 (\$81,071.00) \$26,645.17	\$45,780.00			
1998	\$14,000.00 \$13,956.00 \$51,700.00 \$19,855.00 \$3,520.00	\$88,474.97 \$60,000.00 (\$79,375.00) \$69,099.97	\$47,716.17			,
	Chipper - 15yrs 02,17 Mower - 10yrs 04,14 Truck 1 - 6 yrs 96,02,08 Truck 2 - 7 yrs 96,03,10 Truck 3 - 7 yrs 98,05,12 Truck 4 - 7 yrs 20,07,14 Grader - 10 yrs 97,07,17 Loader - 10 yrs 99,09,19 Estimated Interest on Borrowed Funds Outstanding: (4%)	Fund Balance January 1: Projected Contribution: Projected Expenditures: Fund Balance December 31:	Balance w/ Averaged Interest:			

TOWN OF THETFORD BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

The Budget Committee is satisfied with this year's Town and Highway budgets and we encourage Thetford voters to pass them.

The following points emerged during our discussions.

The Selectboard is again proposing a wage increase for all town employees: 2.25% cost of living allowance and .75% raise.

In addition, the Town's share of Health Insurance premiums will be going up 15.9%, a cost over which we have no control.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond Fred Adams Roxy Maxfield Mary Spata Nancy Vosburg

AUDITORS' REPORT

For the second year in a row, the Town of Thetford is without a Board of Auditors. We received a demerit on our Town Report grading last year for our omission of an Auditor's Report. Let this brief report serve as notice that:

- 1. The Town of Thetford has no Auditors,
- 2. Town Financial Information presented in this report was prepared by the Town Clerk's Office with the assistance of Jane Burroughs, CPA, of Fothergill, Segale and Valley.

Roberta C. Howard Treasurer, Town of Thetford

FINANCIAL REPORTS

YEAR ₹NDING ΦECEMBER 31, 1999

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TOWN OF THETFORD NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 1999

Summary of Significant Accounting policies:

A. Financial Reporting Entity:

The Town of Thetford, Vermont, for financial reporting purposes, includes all funds and account groups relevant to the operations of the Town. The financial statements, presented herein, do not include agencies which are not controlled by the Town of Thetford. An example of such an agency is the Thetford School District. A separate report will be issued for the Thetford School District prior to its annual meeting.

B. Fund Accounting:

The accounting policies of the Town conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. Accordingly, the accounts of the Town a reorganized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered as separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise it assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for on individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into three broad categories, as follows:

- I. Governmental Funds (General Fund and Highway Fund): These funds are general operating funds of the Town, and are used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- II. Special Revenue Funds: Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (Other than expendable trusts) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.
- III. Fiduciary Funds: Trust and Agency Funds: Trust and Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity or as an Agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds. These include expendable Trust Funds, non expendable Trust Funds, and Agency Trust Funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

I. Measurement Focus

All government funds and Expendable Trust funds are accounted for on a spending, or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included in their balance.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental funds types is limited to exclude amounts represented by non current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities.

All non expendable Trust Funds are accounted for on a "capital maintenance" focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities (whether current or non-current) associated with their activity are included in their balance sheets.

II. Basis of Accounting

Basis of Accounting refers to revenues or expenses that are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of Accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

a. Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting: The Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting is followed in the governmental fund types and agency funds. Under the Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual, i.e., both measurable and available. Available is intended to mean collectible within the current period, or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. Intergovernmental revenues received as reimbursements for specific purposes or projects are recognized if the relevant expenditures have been recorded. Intergovernmental entitlements for unrestricted purposes are recorded as revenues at the time of receipt, or earlier if measurable and available.

> Miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received.

> Expenditures are recorded when the liability is incurred, except for:(a) interest on long-term debt, which is recorded when paid; and (b) accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay, and other employee benefits which are not accrued.

> Outlays for fixed assets are considered expenditures when paid. No provision is made for depreciation of these fixed assets.

> Outlays for retirement of general long-term debt are recorded when the debt is due.

b. Accrual Basis of Accounting: The Accrual Basis of Accounting is followed by the Non expendable Trust Funds. Under the Accrual Basis of Accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when incurred.

D. Total Column on Combined Statements - Overview:

I. Total Column on Combined Statements - Overviews are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting practices. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Inter fund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

II. Long-Term Debt: As of December 31, 1999, the Town's long-term debt consisted g three notes payable:

- To State of Vermont, interest at 2%, annual principal payments of \$ 20,000.00 plus interest, due July 15, 2000, total \$ 20,000.00.
- To State of Vermont, interest at 2%, annual principal payments of \$ 11,250.00 plus interest, due July 15, 2002, total \$ 30,000.00.
- To Merchants Bank, interest at 4.5%, annual principal payments of \$57,724.25 plus interest, due November 15, 2002, Total \$173,172.75

The total amount of long term debt is \$ 223,172.75.

III. Receivables:

Taxes receivable and other receivables are recorded net of allowance for collectibles. In addition, a reserve for delinquent receivables to set aside in fund balances to account for receivables which are past due but which may ultimately be collectible.

IV. Reserve for Delinquent Accounts:

Reserves have been established to cover estimated receivable which won't be collected in 2000. State of Vermont statutes require that these reserves be subtracted form the current year surplus or deficit calculation.

	TOWN COMBINED BAL	TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONI ED BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER	TOWN OF THEIFORD, VERMONT COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1999		
ASSETS	Highway Fund	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	General LT Debt	TOTALS (Memo only)
Cash	\$0.00	\$275,040.62	\$196,983.96	\$0.00	\$472,024.58
laxes receivable Die from Employees	000	177,653.81	000	0.00	177,653.81
Other Receivables	000	3.502.16	900	9.0	793.40
Due from (to) Other Funds	76,933.39	(62,128.01)	0.00	0.00	14,805.38
Long-Term Debt TOTAL ASSETS	\$76,933,39	\$394,861.98	\$196,983,96	\$223,172.75	223,172,75 \$891,952.08
LIABILITIES & EQUITY FUNDS ACCOUNTS POVABLE	C	003 07	o o		Č
Due to Schools	000	325,509.35	0.0	0000	325.509.35
Due to (from) Other Funds	0.00	(54, 170.96)	78,007.84	0.00	23,836.88
NOTES PAYADIE TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$0.00	\$272,331.65	\$78,007.84	\$223,172,75 \$223,172.75	223,172.75 \$573,512.24
FUND BALANCE	S	Č			
Unrestricted	76,933.39	72,530.33	118,976.12	000	118,976.12
Reserved for Del. Taxes	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00
IOIAL FUND BALANCE	\$76,933.39	\$122,530.33	\$118,976.12	\$0.00	\$327,466.24
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$76,933.39	\$394,861.98	\$196,983.96	\$223,172.75	\$891,952.08

		TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT STATEMENT OF CHANGES TO FUND BALANCE TOWN AND HIGHWAY FUNDS - 1999	TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT MENT OF CHANGES TO FUND BA WAN AND HIGHWAY FUNDS - 19	INT BALANCE 1999		
		General Fund		Highway Fund	/ Fund	Totals (Memo Only)
	Undesignated	Reserved for Delinquent Taxes	Special Revenues Transfer	Undesignated	Special Revenues Transfer	
Fund Balance 12/31/98	\$101,886.20	\$50,000.00		\$22,150.29		\$174,036.49
Total Revenues	546,802.84			545,593.21		1,092,396.05
Total Expenses	576,158.71			490,810.11		1,066,968.82
Transfers to Designated and Reserved			14,667.00		90,000,00	74,667.00
Fund Balance 12/31/99	\$72,530.33			\$76,933.39		\$149,463.72

	TOWN of THE	TOWN of THETFORD, VERMONT		
STATEMENT	STATEMENT OF CHANGES TO SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - DECEMBER 31, 1999	L REVENUE FUNDS - DE	CEMBER 31, 1999	
Account	Balance 12/31/98	Revenues	Expenses	Balance 12/31/99
Recreation (acct closed)	\$258.19	\$0.00	258.19	00:0
Town Hall Improvements	284.96	1.41	102.84	183.53
Treasure Island	3,712.38	125.45	00:00	3,837.83
Emergency Mgmt/E-911	1,973.17	45.65	757.14	1,261.68
Cruiser Replacement	16,100.04	5,533.03	0.00	21,633.07
Restoration of Records	4,504.96	129.02	0.00	4,633.98
Recycling	22,344.93	640.40	0.00	22,985.33
Act 200	4,624.48	132,45	0.00	4,756.93
Equipment	51,472.35	65,141.89	70,834.24	45,780.00
UV Bridge	11,275,98	323.89	00.0	11,599.87
Conservation Commission	1,632.60	35.80	00.0	1,668.40
COPS Account		58,065.43	31,665.31	26,400.12
TOTALS	\$153,560.51	\$119,039.56	\$154,416,03	NO 184 01

SUMMA	TOWN OF THETE RY OF LONG TERM	TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT SUMMARY OF LONG TERM DEBT - DECEMBER 31, 1999	1, 1999	
Equipment Financing Source	Balance 12/31/98	Principal Paid	Interest Paid	Balance 12/31/99
International Dump Truck (1996)				
State of VT Municipai Loan	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$280.00	\$ 0.00
Gallon Grader (1997)				
State of VT Municipal Loan	40,000.00	20,000.00	800.00	20,000.00
International Dump Truck (1998)				
State of VT Municipal Loan	45,000.00	15,000.00	900.00	30,000.00
Fire Engine (1999)				
Merchants Bank	00.00	57,724.25	7,275,75	173,172,75
Fiat-Allis Backhoe-Loader (Leased)				
Associates Commercial Leasing	68,561.31	15,637.89	4,216.52	42,923.42
Totals	\$167,561,31	\$122,362.14	\$13,472,27	\$266.096.17
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	1998 Budget	1998 Actual	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Proposed
GENERAL FUND REVENUES					3000
1 Town Clerk Fees	15,000.00	17,878.00	15,000.00	17,532.50	15,000.00
2 Delinquent Tax Penalty	14,000.00	13,216.93	14,000.00	9,948.04	12,000.00
3 Interest - Delinquent Taxes	s 15,000.00	15,339.11	15,000.00	12,710.70	13,500.00
4 Interest	15,000.00	19,012.23	15,000.00	18,052.60	15,000.00
5 Use of Town Records	0.00	736.00	0.00	635.50	0.00
6 Liquor Licenses	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
7 Dog Fines	100.00	50.00	100.00	00.00	50.00
8 Dog Penalties	0.00	750.00	500.00	715.00	700.00
9 Dog Licenses	2,000.00	2,016.50	2,000.00	1,887.50	2,000.00
10 Zoning Fees	3,500.00	5,368.65	4,000.00	5,238.40	4,000.00
11 Sub. Division Fees	200.00	425.00	400.00	260.00	400.00
12 PC/ZBA Fines	0.00	00.0	00.0	00.00	0.00
13 Septic Fees	1,200.00	1,220.00	1,200.00	1,495.00	1,200.00
14 Selectmen's Promotional	0.00	00.00	00.0	00.0	00.0
15 Copying Fees	2,000.00	2,420.35	2,250.00	2,114.36	2,500.00
16 Office supplies	200.00	56.50	50.00	77.45	50.00
17 Zoning Materials	200.00	218.00	200.00	210.00	200.00
18 Communications	100.00	9.14	25.00	41.15	25.00
19 Computer Receipts	100.00	2,869.51	100.00	46.00	100.00
20 Accounting Services	1,000.00	500.00	00.0	00.0	00'0
21 Traffic Fines	1,500.00	3,810.50	2,000.00	5,673.78	2.000.00

	1998 Budget	1998 Actual	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Proposed
22 Police Receipts	2,000.00	958.00	500.00	6,575.19	500.00
23 Police Dept-Outside Funding			-		6,000.00
24 Sale of Equipment	00.00	00.00	00.0	00.00	00.0
25 Lister's Research	100.00	38.00	20.00	20.00	25.00
26 Listers Changes - Re-bills	00.00	101.68	00.0	726.33	0.00
27 Equalization Study-Reappraisal				9,667.00	00.0
28 Current Use Withdrawals				2,102.87	0.00
29 Tax Sales - Legal Fees	00.0	1,408.24	0.00	00.0	0.00
30 Tax Sales - Other	00.00	82.66	00.0	00.0	00'0
31 Recycling Receipts	3,000.00	1,574.21	00.0	1,435.62	1,500.00
32 Treasure Island	18,500.00	17,780.77	15,000.00	18,371.00	17,500.00
33 Insurance Refunds	00.0	2,039.65	0.00	1,419.98	00.0
34 Federal Land Entitlement	750.00	00.602	700.00	733.00	00'002
35 Flood Control/Water Res.	900.00	3,942.00	00.006	3,675.00	90.00
36 Forest & Parks Tax	970.00	1,033.68	970.00	1,176.64	00'026
37 Railroad Tax	1,500.00	2,396.72	1,500.00	2,396.72	00'0
38 PILOT Revenues	100.00	395.00	100.00	1,360.00	100.00
39 Miscellaneous	500.00	12,756.43	500.00	370.65	500.00
40 Special appropriations-tax levy	55,265.50	55,265.50	139,517.00	97,940.86	00.00
41 Town Tax Levy	296,282.14	296,282.14	281,145.00	281,145.00	458,802.92
42 Hold Harmless Revenue	0.00	00.00	0.00	40.849.00	00 0

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		1998	1998	1999	1999	2000
		Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Proposed
44	44 Gen. Fund Surplus-Prior year	59,034.00	59,034.00	99,999.95	101,886.88	70,644.08
45						
46	46 Total General Fund Revenue	\$510,501.64	\$541,911.22	\$612,906.95	\$648,689.72	\$627,067.00
47				W. Carlotte		
48	48 GEN. FUND EXPENDITURES					
49	49 Selectmen's Salaries	2,700.00	2,700.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
50	50 Selectmen's Clerk	00.0	00:0	1,500.00	834.89	2,000.00
51	51 Selectmen's Contingency	1,500.00	3,804.16	2,500.00	3,261.01	2,500.00
52	52 Social Security	9,906.00	8,105.40	10,635.00	9,632.90	10,650.00
53	53 Advertising	750.00	994.91	1,000.00	1,741.34	1,500.00
54	54 V.L.C.T.	1,403.00	1,403.00	1,466.00	1,466.00	1,466.00
55	55 Dues & Meetings	250.00	336.00	500.00	150.00	500.00
26	56 Unemployment	2,098.00	2,098.00	2,711.00	2,711.00	2,205.00
22	57 Workers Comp	9,650.00	00:00	8,166.84	7,944.00	
28	58 Insurance	14,112.00	23,949.80	14,150.00	13,307.38	22,258.00
29	59 Tax Mapping	1,235.00	1,235.00	1,235.00	1,235.00	1,235.00
9	60 Legal Services	7,500.00	1,064.83	7,500.00	1,822.04	7,500.00
61	61 Travel	200.00	247.04	200.00	274.04	300.00
62	62 Professional Audit	4,000.00	4,700.00	2,000.00	1,100.00	2,000.00
63	63 Fire Warden	675.00	622.50	1,250.00	1,148.35	3,500.00
64	Total Selectmen	\$55,979.00	\$51.260.64	\$58.313.84	\$50 127 95	CE1 111 00

	1998 Budget	1998 Actual	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Proposed
64 Total Selectmen	\$55,979.00	\$51,260.64	\$58,313.84	\$50,127.95	\$61,114.00
65			-		
66 Town Report	4,000.00	4,053.12	4,000.00	3,479.05	4,000.00
67 Restoration of Records	0.00				
68 Total Records	\$4,000.00	\$4,053.12	\$4,000.00	\$3,479.05	\$4,000.00
69					
70 Town Office Supplies	3,000.00	2,771.63	3,000.00	2,545.33	2,500.00
71 Copier Contract Support	300.00	300.00	500.00	407.83	200.00
72 Copier Maint/Supplies	250.00	927.50	1,050.00	259.00	1,000.00
73 Computer Software/Support	1,500.00	1,279.88	1,750.00	1,302.79	1,750.00
74 Computer Maintenance	300.00	195.00	300.00	00.0	300.00
75 Computer Supplies/Equipment	500.00	2,414.59	1,500.00	319.85	200:00
76 Telephone	3,500.00	4,084.79	3,500.00	5,550.51	3,500.00
77 Postage	3,500.00	2,105.97	3,000.00	2,099.11	2,500.00
78 Dues and Meetings	1,400.00	28.00	400.00	00.0	400.00
79 Payroll Service	1,500.00	1,676.64	1,500.00	1,891.48	1,600.00
80 Equipment Maintenance	200.00	134.95	200.00	9.95	200.00
81 Tools & Equipment	500.00	291.10	1,200.00	531.35	500.00
82 Total Town Office	\$16,450.00	\$16,210.05	\$17,900.00	\$14,917.20	\$15,250.00
83					
84 BCA Expenses	750.00	295.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
85 Workshone & Mantinus	100 00	00 0	100.00	00.0	100.00

		1998 Budget	1998 Actual	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Proposed
86	86 Election Officials	400.00	284.28	400.00	44.00	1.000.00
87	Travel	50.00	00.0	00.00	0.00	0.00
88	Total BCA/Elections	\$1,300.00	\$579.28	\$800.00	\$44.00	\$1.400.00
89	89 Auditors	675.00	675.00	675.00	0.00	100.00
8	90 Dues & Meetings - Auditor	50.00	40.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
9	91 Travel	50.00	00.00	00.00	0.00	0.00
92	92 Total Bookkeeping/Auditors	\$775.00	\$715.00	\$725.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
93						
94	94 Listers Salaries	28,000.00	23,333.31	28,000.00	26.986.29	29.500.00
95	95 Supplies and Miscellaneous	100.00	135.95	200.00	237.51	250.00
96	96 Service Contract	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
97	97 Telephone & advertising	70.00	19.41	70.00	30.02	70.00
86	98 Postage	250.00	55.91	250.00	190.00	200.00
66	99 Dues and Meetings	400.00	96.00	400.00	1,065.00	500.00
9	100 Professional Services	2,000.00	00.0	500.00	2,162.50	500.00
5	101 Travel	200.00	19.84	200.00	350.60	300.00
102	102 Equipment	950.00	890.00	1,200.00	1.124.77	500.00
103	Total Listers	\$32,170.00	\$24,750.42	\$31,020.00	\$32,346.69	\$32.020.00
104						
105	105 Tax Sales - Publication	00.00	99.78	00.00	00.00	0.00
106	106 Tax Sales - Legal Fees	0.00	1,408.24	00.00	0.00	00.0

		1998 Budget	1998 Actual	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Proposed
107	Total Tax Sales	\$0.00	\$1,508.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
108				* Indiana in the control of the cont		
109	109 Town Clerk's Salary	27,435.00	27,107.68	30,128.93	28,971.98	31,032.00
10	110 Asst Clerk/Bookkeeper	22,069.00	19,492.09	22,510.38	17,773.62	23,185.00
111	111 Town Office Assistant	3,026.00	1,036.52	3,026.00	3,026.00	3,117.00
112	112 Town Clerk Benefits	2,947.96	3,414.31	3,956.00	3,788.34	4,332.00
113	113 Asst. Clerk Benefits	1,931.88	2,059.63	2,324.00	2,294.30	2,700.00
114	114 Deductibles - Clerk	200.00	00.0	200.00	00.0	200.00
115	115 Deductibles - Asst. Clerk	200.00	00:0	200.00	00.00	200.00
116	Total Town Clerk	\$57,809.84	\$53,110.23	\$62,345.31	\$55,854.24	\$64,766.00
117						
118	118 Zoning Administrator	6,552.00	4,636.39	6,552.00	4,532.94	6,000.00
119	119 Supplies	200.00	397.41	500.00	686.45	600.00
120	120 Advertising	200.00	486.12	200.00	617.12	650.00
121	121 Postage / Telephone	250.00	160.57	250.00	383.92	400.00
122	122 Dues and Meetings	100.00	25.00	100.00	60.00	120.00
123	123 RPC Dues	1,902.00	1,902.00	1,902.00	1,902.00	2,695.00
124	124 Legal Services	500.00	00.00	500.00	0.00	200.00
125	125 Travel	50.00	17.28	50.00	96.96	75.00
126	126 Equipment	250.00	228.95	750.00	648.00	200.00
127	Total Planning/Zoning	\$10.004.00	\$7.853.72	\$11.104.00	\$8.927.39	\$11.540.00

		1998 Budget	1998 Actual	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Proposed
128						
129	129 Janitor	1,140.00	1,090.60	1,162.80	1.160.02	1.200.00
130	130 Supplies	100.00	56.54	100.00	48.13	50.00
131	31 Workers Comp	85.00	00.0	0.00	00.00	0.00
132	132 Insurance	450.00	0.00	00.0	0.00	0.00
133	33 Rubbish Removal	200.00	249.69	300.00	203.54	300.00
134	134 Repairs and Maintenance	0.00	168.87	20,100.00	11,298.14	8,000.00
135	135 Grounds Maintenance	200.00	231.58	350.00	245.00	350.00
136	136 Utilities	2,500.00	1,891.62	2,500.00	2.682.80	3.000.00
137	137 Equipment	0.00	00.0	500.00	582.99	00.009
138	138 Alarm Service	170.00	170.00	170.00	0.00	170.00
139	Total Town Hall	\$4,845.00	\$3,858.90	\$25,182.80	\$16,220.62	\$13,670.00
140						
141	141 Conservation Supplies	75.00	73.24	75.00	00.00	75.00
142	142 Advertising	00.00	15.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
143	143 Postage	00.00	6.40	00.0	00.00	0.00
144	144 Dues, Meetings	150.00	105.00	150.00	160.00	150.00
145	145 Professional/Legal Services	0.00	00.0	00.0	0.00	0.00
146	146 Newsletter	250.00	00.0	250.00	29.70	250.00
147	147 Travel	0.00	00.00	00.0	0.00	0.00
148	148 Conservation Trust Fund	250.00	250.00	250.00	550.00	250.00

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49	149 Project Support	450.00	448.83	450.00	148.50	450.00
150	Total Conservation	\$1,175.00	\$898.47	\$1,175.00	\$888.20	\$1,175.00
151						
52	152 Emergency Management	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.00	1,800.00
153	Total Emergency Mgmt.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00
154						
55	155 Constable	1.00	0.00	1.8	0.00	1.00
56	156 Police Chief	7,479.00	00.0	7,479.00	7,966.50	11,008.00
57	157 Special Officer	22,064.00	18,419.97	22,064.00	25,701.25	22,064.00
28	158 Grants/Outside Funding Payroll				6,000.00	6,000.00
29	159 Supplies	00.009	409.65	00.009	760.07	00.009
8	160 Computer	800.00	840.71	5,762.00	791.71	8,762.00
61	161 Special Officer Start-up	00.00	00.0	1,000.00	1,610.78	େ'0
22	162 Radio/ Dispatch	4,300.00	7,355.79	8,300.00	10,690.00	11,500
83	163 Dues and Meetings	100.00	76.00	100.00	00.0	200.೧
8	164 Police Training	800.00	416.52	1,000.00	200.00	1,000.00
35	165 Workers Comp	00.00	0.00	00.00	0.00	00.0
99	166 Insurance	00.0	00.0	00.0	0.00	00.0
97	167 Contracted Services	00.00	103.46	00.0	126.00	0.00
88	168 Vehicle Repair	800.00	1,109.56	1,000.00	3,276.65	1,500.00
69	169 Travel	1 000 00	978 44	1 200 00	2 955 36	2 000

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186				
187 Animal Control Wages 1,075.00	075.00 684.42	1,100.00	45.05	700.00
188 Pound Fees 200.00	200.00 174.00	200.00	90.00	200.00
189 Humane Supplies 100.00	100.00	100.00	47.24	100.00
190 Licensing Supplies 450.00	150.00 194.21	450.00	233.55	450.00
191 Dues & Meetings 125.00	125.00 18.57	100.00	00.00	100.00

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92	192 Dog Damage	150.00	0.00	00.00	00.0	00:00
93	193 Legal Fees	250.00	00.00	250.00	00.00	250.00
2	194 Travel	200.00	153.78	200.00	6.60	200.00
195	Total Animal Control	\$2,550.00	\$1,236.98	\$2,400.00	\$422.44	\$2,000.00
96	GUVS	12,190.00	12,190.00	12,190.00	12,190.00	13,904.00
197	197 Miscellaneous	00.00	4,068.00	00.00	0.00	00.0
198	Total Solid Waste	\$12,190.00	\$16,258.00	\$12,190.00	\$12,190.00	\$13,904.00
100						
8	200 Recycling Salaries	4,431.80	2,874.42	4,500.00	3,066.07	7,500.00
20	201 Supplies	300.00	45.28	200.00	66.85	200.00
202	202 Bin Lease	00.00	0.00	2,160.00	100.00	00.00
203	203 Bin Pickup	12,000.00	12,256.32	13,500.00	14,578.89	15,000.00
2	204 Community Education	500.00	59.13	200.00	00.00	0.00
205	205 Travel	200.00	112.00	200.00	55.00	200.00
206	206 Facility Const. & Maint.	200.00	195.54	3,500.00	2,364.52	4,500.00
207	207 Contingency	00.00	00.00	0.00	00.0	0.00
208	208 Land Lease Start Up Cost	1,600.00	1,600.00	2,200.00	1,600.00	2,200.00
209	209 Future Site Development	43,800.00	1,110.00		120.00	
210	Total Recycling	\$63,031.80	\$18,252.69	\$26,460.00	\$21,951.33	\$29,600.00
211				00 000	00 100 1	
212	212 Cemeteries - Mowing	1,940.00	1,160.00	1,940.00	1,335.00	7
213	213 Hillside Cemetery Assn.	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	200.00

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1,268.50 1,268.50 1,264.00 1,264.00	23	VT Green Up	50.00	50.00		150.00	150.00
	23	SIGMEDC	1,268.50	1,268.50			1,264.00

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236	236 VT Assn for the Blind	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
237	237 ACORN	00:0		500.00	500.00	500.00
238	238 Single Year Appropriations			18,600.00	\$2,100.00	00.0
239	239 Milfoil/Aquatic Nuisance Control					2,000.00
240	Total Appropriations	\$51,376.00	\$51,376.00	\$78,323.00	\$61,823.00	\$59,723.00
241	241 School District	2,556,641.00	2,556,641.00	2,658,334.00	2,658,334.00	
242	Total School District	2,556,641.00	2,556,641.00	2,658,334.00	2,658,334.00	00.00
243						
244	244 Recreation Supplies	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
245	245 Advertising	100.00	00.0	100.00	00.0	00.0
246	246 Telephone, Utilities	1,000.00	489.88	1,000.00	345.18	500.00
247	247 Repairs & Maintenance	2,000.00	00.00	100.00	00'0	00.0
248	Total Recreation	\$3,300.00	\$489.88	\$1,400.00	\$545.18	\$500.00
249						
250	250 Treasure Island Wages	9,000.00	7,585.00	9,000.00	7,415.54	8,000.00
251	251 Property Taxes	12,000.00	10,059.60	10,000.00	10,639.01	11,000.00
252	252 Supplies	250.00	134.76	150.00	293.41	200.00
253	253 Advertising	0.00	00.0	00'0	00:00	0.00
254	254 Telephone	200.00	214.20	250.00	209.31	250.00
255	255 Workers Comp	0.00	0.00	00'0	00.0	0.00
256	256 Insurance	00:00	00.00	500.00	00'0	550.00
257	257 Repairs and Maintenance	750.00	1,162.20	1,000.00	703.79	1.300.00

		1998 Budget	1998 Actual	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Proposed
258	258 Utilities	500.00	526.80	500.00	516.29	550.00
259	259 Miscellaneous	200.00	00.00	00.0	00:00	200.00
260	Total Treasure Island	\$22,900.00	\$19,682.56	\$21,400.00	\$19,777.35	\$22,050.00
261	261 Interest Expense	10,000.00	9,073.28	10,000.00	6,695.66	10,000.00
262	Total Interest	\$10,000.00	\$9,073.28	\$10.000.00	\$6.695.66	\$10,000.00
263						
264	264 County Tax	25,000.00	28,610.00	30,000.00	30,100.00	31.000.00
265	Total County Tax	\$25,000.00	\$28,610.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,100.00	\$31,000.00
266						
267	267 Veterans' Flags	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
268	268 Scholarships	500.00	500.00	200.00	500.00	500.00
269	269 Miscellaneous	00.00	1,009.22	0.00	76.87	0.00
270	270 Town Clerk Refunds	00.00	00.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
271	271 Real Estate Refunds	00.00	00'0	00.00	1,922.83	0.00
272	272 Real Estate Abatements	00.00	762.95	00.00	3,178.91	00.0
273	273 Bank Fees	0.00	1,476.55	0.00	1,406.91	1,000.00
274	274 EEGL Funds Reserve Transfer				9,667.00	
275	Total Miscellaneous	\$900.00	\$4,148.72	\$900.00	\$17,152.52	\$1,900.00
276						
277	277 Total Town Expenditures	3,067,142.64	2,996,665.34	3,271,240.95	3,234,492.71	627,067.00
278	Less School District Budget	2,556,641.00	2,556,641.00	2.658.334.00	2.658 334.00	00 0

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279			Same		nasadari
280 Town Less School	510,501.64	440,024.34	612,906.95	576.158.71	627.067.00
281 General Fund (GF) Revenues	510,501.64	1	612.906.95	648,689.72	627.067.00
282 GF Revenue less Expenditures	00.0	ł	0.00		1
283					
284 General Fund Surplus (Deficit)	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$101,886.88	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$72,531.01	\$0.00

		1998 Distant	1998	1999	1999	2000
 -	HIGHWAY FUND REVENUES	nañong	Actual	Budget	Actual	Proposed
7	ば	105,000.00	107,719.62	105.000.00	128.123.56	105 000 00
က	3 Highway Receipts	10,000.00	1,400.00	10,000.00	200.00	10.000.00
4	Sale of Fuel	1,000.00	282.80	200.00	134.84	250.00
S	5 Highway Materials Receipts	00'0		0.00	521.81	0.00
9	6 Highway Equip. Fund	00.0	00.0	00.00	00.00	0.00
~	7 Overweight Permit Fee	00.00	110.00	00.00	140.00	0.00
œ	8 Special Appropriation-UV Bridge	00'0	00'0	00.00	00.0	0.00
0	9 Highway Tax Levy	411,148.90	411,148.90	416,473.00	416.473.00	295.127.90
10			. com			
11	Total Highway Revenue	\$527,148.90	\$520,711.32	\$531.973.00	\$545.593.21	\$410.377.90
12	Surplus (Deficit) Highway Fund prior year	(8,600.00)	(8,600.00)	22,150.00	22,150.00	76,933.10
3	13 Total Available Highway	\$518,548.90	\$512,111.32	\$554,123.00	\$567.743.21	\$487.311.00
14						
5	15 HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES					\$
9	16 Total Highway Wages	142,107.66	128,498.17	138,161.00	127.174.93	142.305.00
7	17 Employee Benefits	15,400.00	14,435.32	12,548.00	12.927.36	15,000.00
00	18 Clothing Allowance	500.00	449.94	500.00	500.00	1.000.00
6	19 Social Security	10,871.24	9,830.11	10,569.00	9,808.54	10,886.00
0	20 Deductibles	2,000.00	549.89	2,000.00	400.00	1.000.00
-	21 Workers Comp	0.00	00.0	0.00	0.00	000

22	22 Insurance	00.0	00.00	00.0	00.00	0.00
23	23 Office Supplies	50.00	2.29	50.00	78.00	200.00
24	24 Advertising	25.00	0.00	00.0	0.00	0.00
25	25 Telephone	1,100.00	1,064.39	1,400.00	1,355.61	1,400.00
26	26 Radio Maintenance	600.00	129.99	00.009	685.50	800.00
27	27 Dues and Meetings	100.00	10.00	100.00	30.00	100.00
28	28 Travel	100.00	115.20	150.00	86.72	150.00
29	29 Contingency Fund	0.00	00.0	00.0	525.60	00.0
စ္က	30 Retirement Administration	75.00	00.0	75.00	00.0	0.00
31	31 Service Charges		91.95			
32	Total Administrative	\$172,928.90	\$155,177.25	\$166,153.00	\$153,572.26	\$172,841.00
33	33 Maintenance Supplies	28,700.00	35,674.46	30,000.00	31,909.37	40,000.00
8	34 Other Maintenance Expense	1,500.00	3,133.92	2,000.00	1,572.30	3,000.0
35	35 Retreatment Supplies	120,000.00	118,109.85	150,000.00	124,052.37	125,000.0
36	36 Other Retreatment Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,100.00	.000.0
37	37 Resurfacing Supplies	11,250.00	1,386.00	11,250.00	3,356.54	11,250.00
38	38 Other Resurfacing Expense	11,000.00	11,247.75	11,250.00	2,009.85	11,250.00
39	39 Construction Supplies	3,000.00	126.00	3,000.00	1,267.50	2,500.00
40	40 Other Construction Expense	500.00	1,450.00	1,000.00	00.00	1,000.00
41	41 Winter Road Supplies	45,000.00	32,852.16	45,000.00	35,561.72	45,000.00
42	42 Other Winter Road Expense	9,000.00	13,535.50	9,000.00	7,874.76	00.000,6
43	Total Road Expenses	\$229,950.00	\$217,515.64	\$262,500.00	\$211,704.41	\$252,000.00
44						

15	Bridge Cumpling	20,000				
}	45 bi idge Supplies	200.00	33.60	00.009	829.48	200.00
46	46 Bridge Insurance	00.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.00
47	47 Other Bridge Expenses	1,500.00	1,671.92	1,000.00	00.00	00 0
48	48 Equipment Rental	00.0	0.00	00.00	0.00	0.00
49	49 Streetlights	5,500.00	5,620.49	5,500.00	5,893.12	6.000.00
20	50 Total Bridge & Streetlight Exp.	\$7,200.00	\$7,326.01	\$7,100.00	\$6.722.60	\$6.200.00
51						
52	52 Garage Equipment	500.00	866.09	1,000.00	1.059.47	500.00
23	53 Garage Supplies	500.00	904.16	800.00	740.12	800.00
3	54 Garage Repairs	6,500.00	8,710.44	6,500.00	4,505.35	7.500.00
22	55 Garage Utilities	4,000.00	2,676.33	3,000.00	2,751.27	3.000.00
92	56 Rubbish Removal		260.97	300.00	289.52	300.00
22	57 Alarm Service	170.00	170.00	170.00	170.00	170.00
28	58 Vehicle Fuel	11,000.00	7,724.67	11,000.00	9,472.99	11.000.00
29 	Oil	2,000.00	1,353.56	2,000.00	1,650.94	2.000.00
8	60 Vehicle Supplies	00.00	0.00	200.00	140.15	200.00
6	61 Insurance	0.00	00.00	0.00	00.00	0.00
62	62 Insurance Deductible	500.00	00.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
63	63 Highway Equipment Fund	60,000.00	60,000.00	00.000.09	60,000.00	
8	64 Equipment and Payments	0.00	00.0	7,000.00	7,778.00	3,300.00
92	65 Vehicle Repair Parts	20,000.00	20,413.05	21,000.00	27,944.20	21,000.00
99	66 Vehicle Repair Tools	900.00	1,167.99	1,100.00	1,006.50	3,000.00
67	67 Vehicle Warranties	1,800.00	4,085.00	2,300.00	00.00	2,000.00
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68	Total Town Garage	\$107,870.00	\$108,332.26	\$107,870.00 \$108,332.26 \$116.870.00 \$117.508.51 \$55.270.00	\$117.508.51	\$55 270 00
69	69 Highway Signs	00.009	1.609.87	1,500.00	1 302 33	1 000 00
70	Total Highway Signs	\$600.00	149	6		-
71						
72	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$518,548.90	\$518,548.90 \$489.961.03	\$554,123.00	\$554,123,00 \$490,840,44	487 344 00
73						00:1:06
74	74 Highway Fund (HF) Revenues \$518,548,90 \$512,111,32	\$518,548.90	\$512.111.32	\$554,123,00	\$554 123 00 \$567 743 21 \$487 341 00	\$487 311 00
75	75 HF Revenue less Expenditures	\$0.00	\$22,150,29	00 08	\$0.00 \$76 933 40	60.00
9/					2000	0.00
77	Highway Surplus (Deficit)	\$0.00	\$22,150.29	\$0.00	\$76,933.10	\$0.00

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.0889	97,233.00	1.7129	2,658,334.00	.1554	281,145.00	.2683	416,473.00	2.2255	1999
0.0361	103,800.0	1.6486	2,525,262.00	0.193	296,283.14	0.268	351,148.90	2.1465	1998
0.0553	87,447.50	1.7577	2,780,342.00	0.179	283,182.24	0.179	283,535,49	2.1713	1997
0.0611	93,706.79	1.6690	2,557,808.00	0.169	258,946.00	0.150	229,981.97	2.0492	1996
0.0569	91,289.50	1.6123	2,586,914.00	0.169	272,388.21	0.176	283,704.37	2.0158	1995
0.0543	86,789.00	1.5129	2,416,321.00	0.190	303,576.07	0.177	283,067.09	1.9346	1994
0.0318	34,949.00	1.5096	2,412,429.43	0.187	300,773.86	0.134	215,706.27	1.8637	1993
0.0036	5,709.00	1,4425	2,327,776.32	0.213	344,518.43	0.134	217,526.92	1.7944	1992
0.1242	122,220.0	2.3645	2,327,776.32	0.200	196,913.46	0.248	244,694.41	2.9373	1991
0.0509	49,441.00	2.2455	2,179,429.00	0.202	196,795.75	0.209	203,072.22	2.7084	1990
0.0380	36,667.25	2.0000	1,923,978.75	0.179	172,049.83	0.208	200,192.53	2.4250	1989
Σ	ARTICLES	XX	SCHOOL	¥	IQW IQW	¥	HIGHWAY	TOTAL	YEAR
			SUMMATION OF TAX RATE AND MONIES RAISED	X RATE AN	MIMATION OF TAX	SUN			

Division of Taxes for 1999	66
Town	0.1554
Highway	0.2683
Warned Articles	0.0889
School District	1.7129
TOTAL	2.2255

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	1999	1998	1997 & Prior	Tota
Allen, M & J	609.63	1,931.74		2,541.37
Allen, T		81.30		
Balley, A *	3,783.35	2,596.25		6,379.60
Balley, W & F	1,355.39	1,112.37		2,467.76
Baker, P	872.40			872.40
Barker Equipment	4,459.90	4,301.59		8,761.49
Barker, S	716.16	948.14		1,664.30
Berecz, F & D	2,950.09			2,950.09
Bickford, G & W *	1,787.08			1,787.08
Brow, E	1,602.36	351.24		1,953.60
Brown, J	916.91	884.36	394.58	2,195.8
Chapman, S	p.		1,171.30	1,171.30
Charplot, R	1,813.78	1,749.40	3,439.71	7,002.89
Clark, M	3,362.73			3,362.7
Clifford, G		4,829.63		4,829.63
Coop, M	109.05			109.0
Diversified Fin.	612.01			612.0
Dodds Land Res		126.64		126.64
Doody, T & C	2,267.78	2,187.28	2,212.55	6,667.6
Dube, L & B	213.65	206.06	208.44	628.1
Fraser, B & M	943.61	910.12	3,479.76	5,333.49
Harper, H	1,143.91			1,143.9
Harrison, C *	3,071.19			3,071.19
Hodge, R		1,629.87	3,654.69	5,284.5
Howe, W & M *	1,135.01	1,094.72	1,107.36	3,337.09
Hurt, J	311.57			311.57
Kostantina's	4,566.73	4,404.62	339.30	9,310.6
Krugman, M	2,655.02			2,655.02
LAM Assoc.		2,151.45		2,151.48
LaFlamme, M.			868.52	868.52
Lee, L & S	1,780.40	1,717.20	14.81	3,512.41
Leonard Trust	5,132.00	222.75		5,354.75
Lucy, R	1,655.77			1,655.77
Lyons, C	2,833.06	2,732.49	5,372.69	10,938.24
Manning, A	2,441.37	2,354.71	3,778.65	8,574.73
Manning, G & L	803.41	774.89	802.70	2,381.00
Marsh, W		626.78		626.78

DELINQUENT TAX REPORT (excludes penalty and interest) December 31, 1999

	1999	1998	1997 & Prior	Total
McCarty, W		841.43	1,654.44	2,495.87
McClure, White	598.66	57.73		656.39
McGuinness, B		453.04		453.04
Menard/Bellavance	880.11			
Ompompanoosuc River			15.88	15.88
Perkins, K & R	1,310.82			1,310.82
Perrin, T & J	2,655.02			2,655.02
Provost, D & A	1,473.72			1,473.72
Slack, R & G *	1,807.11	742.96		2,550.07
Spanos, V & T	2,352.35	2,268.85	584.26	5,205.46
Stone, A & D	2,666.15	1,914.30		4,580.45
Stowell, M	1,586.78			1,586.78
Stunkel, E	3,968.07			3,968.07
Tucker, G	111.28			111.28
UV Landfill	1,804.88	1,740.81	9,593.31	13,139.00
Washburn, R & D *	744.65			744.65
Wilmot, L	ı	57.14		57.14
Wyman, K	1,206.22			1,206.22
Property Owners Paid In Full	9,789.22			9,789.22
Mortgage Co., Other	2,098.64			2,098.64
TOTALS	90,959.00	48,001.86	38,692.95	177,653.81

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Delinquent Taxes as of December 31, 1998		\$130,314.64
Total Taxes Billed - 1999	3,453,892.86	
Grand List Changes - Additional Billed	726.33	
Tax Abatements	(3,178.91)	\$3,451,440.28
		\$3,581,754.92
Total Taxes Collected - 1999		(\$3,404,101.11)
Delinquent Taxes as of December 31, 1999		\$177,653.81

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PEABODY LIBRARY

In its 133rd year, three major supporters of this library passed away. Ned Houston kept a careful and loving eye on the building and its patrons since he became a neighbor. Elizabeth Tifft worked faithfully to raise funds for this library. Say-Say Schoenhut worked tirelessly to establish the Peabody Library as a National Historic Site. The legacy of their efforts has guaranteed a vital and venerable institution.

All year long children met every Wednesday to read together. A St. Patrick's Concert brought a standing room crowd to hear Celtic music. Young patrons carried the library banner in the West Fairlee Memorial Day Parade. In August the fourth Penny Carnival brought large crowds while September saw a popular library float in the Post Mills Labor Day parade. The George Peabody Commemorative Cancellation brought new faces into the library in November. The Twelfth Annual Holiday Readings were read for young and old by the librarian.

The summer season began with the construction of an earthen ramp insuring access to all. The Fine Book and Bake Sale brought loyal people to the library in search of the perfect gift and delicious pastries. The Paperback Book Sale continued on the porch all summer providing reading to the many folks of the Lake Fairlee region. Suzanne Houston's green thumb and El Wilson's watering can nourished the flowers gracing the front of the library all summer.

Contemporary Eastern European Literature was explored every other Wednesday night. Record numbers of participants shared their reactions to authors from Lithuania, Berlin, Czechoslovakia, and Romania. This series was made possible by the VT Council on the Humanities and the patient efforts of Jean Gerber.

The Library had 1,533 visitors borrowing 923 books from the library's own collection with more than 581 state books lent from the Regional Library. 199 Books on Tape also circulated from the library to enrich hours spent driving, ironing, and gardening. A total of 1,754 titles circulated from the library in 1999 for an average of 33 titles a week.

On Wednesday afternoons throughout the year younger readers gathered to practice their skills by working on projects together and corresponding with each other through the library "mail box". Their energy and enthusiasm was guided by Olivia Chapman and the library has been a weekly treat for many children.

The vigorous energy of the library trustees and volunteers insured another fine year for the cherished Peabody Library. Fundraising efforts produced a successful grant application for an earthen ramp.

Come visit Thetford's oldest library in 2000 and experience an environment of abiding grace and dignity. With your continued support, The Peabody Library is 134 years young in 2000.

Hours: Tuesday: 5:00 - 8:00 PM; Wednesday: 2:00 - 8:30 PM

Peter Blodgett, Librarian

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LATHAM MEMORIAL LIBRARY

In 1999 the world beat a path to the Latham Memorial Library to use e-mall services. Staff from summer camps would come on their time off to communicate with friends in Australia, Germany, France, Argentina, Venezuela, Soviet Georgia, and Great Britain. The trustees worked steadily on a long range vision of expanding library services. Programs included a book discussion series exploring "Shakespeare: From Stage to Screen", made possible by the Vermont Council on the Humanities. Coordinating with Thetford Reads, the library co-hosted a storyteller in the fall as well as a Holiday book swap. Book bags produced by Thetford Reads now number 75 with a nice variety of titles for children from toddlers to pre-teens.

From three visits to the Regional Library, the Town Library borrowed 1,920 books and these state books were taken out 1,509 times. Books featuring Large Type were also borrowed from the state. 989 videos were borrowed from almost 30 video series offered by the library from the LUV Video Co-op. 152 requests for books were made through Inter-Library Loan and 132 of our books were sent around the state on loan this past year.

The total number of library materials borrowed from this library was 16,406 with 12,782 people coming to use the library; a new record in attendancel 745 visitors came to view the exhibits in the Bicentennial Gallery. 1,330 books-on-tape circulated this year. During the past year the library bought 183 books and 26 books on tape for children and adults. 227 titles were added to the library's shelves. 70 donated magazine subscriptions produced a total of 96 magazines with three Newspapers.

The library provided space for 112 meetings of the Saturday Night Step meeting of the AA, ACOA meetings, The Thetford Hill Improvement Society, the Recycling Committee, the Thetford Garden Club, the Thetford Recreation Committee, Adult Basic Education, the Thetford Conservation Commission, and the Thetford Hill Water Coop.

All these activities are dependent on voluntary efforts from many members of the community. Alice Gnaedinger, Susan McGrew, Pat Pinder, and Inge Trebitz worked with patience and good humor behind the scenes to process books and download records. Charlie Eastridge, Ciel Haviland, Lindsay Krugman, and Michou Tchana put away many books, sorted magazines and have been a great help previewing children's books.

I am very grateful to all the volunteers who keep the library open six days a week throughout the year and to those who have given so much to the Library through the annual appeal and the antique show in August. Stop by your library in 2000. Let us help you with your informational or recreational needs. If we don't have what you want, we can get it for you. Trustee meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Hours Monday: 2:00 - 8:30 PM; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 2:00 - 5:00 PM; Friday: 9:00 - 5:00 PM; Saturday: 10:00 - 1:00 PM.

Peter Blodgett, Librarian



ABOUT THE THETFORD HISTORICAL LIBRARY

This year marks the twenty-fifth year of the library of Thetford Historical Society, and it seems a good time to spread the news of what we have there. Our collection is based largely on what we have been given. Since some of our donors had unusual interests, we have things that you might not expect to find in an historical collection.

The expectable part of our holdings came mainly from Mary B. Slade and Richard J. Fowle, and deals with the history of Thetford and Vermont. This includes books on Thetford history, books by Thetford authors, books with Thetford owners, bound Town Reports from 1878 on, and over a hundred manuscript collections relating to Thetford people. There are also three full drawers of genealogical material about Thetford families, books on family history, copies of the 1790 and 1800 census, and hundreds of local photographs.

For Vermont we have many Vermont histories (including some very early ones), town histories, books by Vermont authors, state papers, biographical collections, collections of Vermont laws, and records of Vermont's participation in the Revolution, the War of 1812, and the Civil War. There are also complete runs of Vermonter magazine and of Vermont Life, and long runs of Vermont History and Walton's Vermont Register. We also have quite a bit of material on the history of nearby New Hampshire.

For Thetford Academy, we have a collection of school catalogs going back to 1825, and another of assembly and graduation programs. There are also many photographs of early Academy classes and of individual graduates.

Another major group of books, coming from a number of local donors, is of early schoolbooks, mainly ones used in Thetford. They are divided by subject matter. If you look at the math books, you can see students figuring in shillings and pence, doing cube root (did you ever try?) and doing word problems based on simple rural life.

Early geography books will show you that a lot of this subject was taught by catechism (memorized question-and-answer), and also how until very recently we knew very little about some parts of the world, notably interior Africa. We haven't many of the famed McGuffey readers, but we have plenty of others of the same period, and you can see what teachers a century and a half ago thought would be interesting and inspiring. There is a whole section, too, on rhetoric-- on selections thought to be appropriate for students to memorize and declaim, an integral part of 19th century assemblies and programs.

Cookbooks may seem an odd thing to find in an historical library, but Beatrice Vaughan of East Thetford, well-known author of columns and books about cooking, left us her reference library, along with leather-bound copies of her own books. Robert Moore of Thetford Hill left us a collection of books about women and how they were supposed to act in the Victorian period. It's enough to make a determined feminist take to the barricades. Some titles: "Duties of young women," "Martha Washingtonianism," "The beauties of female holiness," "and "Strictures on female education, chiefly in relation to the culture of the heart."

Related to this is a section on etiquette, with early books on "Manners, culture and dress," "Etiquette for gentlemen," "The art of conversing," and "Good manners for all occasions," with chapters on such useful subjects as good manners at breakfast, mourning customs and funereal etiquette, and manners in a country home.

Paul Blanshard, who lived in Sawney Bean and wrote books about the Catholic Church, also had an interest in a spate of lurid books about natural disasters at the turn of the century- the Johnstown and Galveston floods, the San Francisco earthquake, the Chicago fire, the sinking of the Titanic. This is tabloid journalism in book form.

Three major parts of our collection come from Charles Hughes. He was one of the authors of *American Hymns, Old and New,* the standard book about American hymns. As background for his work, he had an extensive collection of hymnals, going back to the early 18th century and covering many different religious denominations. This is a really important collection.

Juvenile literature of a century and a century and a half ago was another of Charles's interests. From him and from other donors we have many books by Jacob Abbott, who had child heroes and heroines in series about Marco Paul, Rollo, and Florence, and a series of Franconia Stories. There are several rags-to-riches stories by Horatio Alger, Jr. Among the other juvenile authors represented are Juliana Horatia Ewing, Elijah Kellogg; William T. Adams writing as Oliver Optic; Rebecca Sophia Clarke, who anonymously wrote about Dotty Dimple and Little Prudy; and Arthur Winfield, who wrote about the Rover Boys. It is worth comparing these to the fare on Sesame Street and the fine children's books of today.

Finally, in his work as curator of our museum, Charles became fascinated with how things worked, and bought hundreds of books about rural life and occupations. Among many other things, these cover raising horses, poultry, cattle, and sheep; raising apples, nuts, berries, and vegetables; electricity, steam and early gasoline engines; plumbing and blacksmithing; tanning and wagon painting; and landscape architecture.

All of this is here for you to look at, and we wish it were used more. We are open on Monday and Thursday afternoons from 2 to 4, and on Tuesday morning from 10 to 12, and you can make special appointments by calling 785-2068.

Submitted by Charles Latham

THETFORD LIBRARY FEDERATION

Our Federation continues to carry out its two stated objectives: to maintain the Bicentennial Building as a free home for Latham Memorial/ Thetford Town Library and the library and archives of Thetford Historical Society; and, working through our member libraries, to improve library service in the Town.

Our building, open six days a week, gets steady use by students after school, by other library patrons, by historical researchers, by meetings of local organizations, and by visitors to the monthly exhibits in our downstairs gallery. We did some touch-up painting on the exterior this year, and are looking toward a full paint job and a new roof in the not too distant future.

The Federation provides about half the operating budgets of both Latham and Peabody Libraries. It makes annual grants for special library programs at the Academy and the Elementary School. We continue to make progress on a local interlibrary communications network which will make a Town union catalog and many research materials available to any library patron. Students and other patrons are making great use of access to the internet.

Member libraries this year have made a special effort to get younger children to read-- through story hours, through a number of promotional activities and book fairs, through outreach programs at the historical library, and through cooperation with the *Thetford Reads* program which provides bags of ten books each aimed at three different age groups. These circulate through Latham Library.

We have three sources of funding for our activities. Most important is a grant voted yearly by the Town, and we are very grateful for an increase voted last year. We also have income from a modest endowment, and we conduct an annual giving campaign, which last year raised \$5,659 from 95 donors.

Submitted by Charles Latham

THETFORD LIBRARY FEDERATION FINANCIAL REPORT (12/31/99)			
	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Budget
INCOME:			
Appropriation from Town	29,256.00	29,256.00	29,256.00
Computing Support from Member Libraries	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Dividends	6,000.00	9,731.00	9,000.00
Donations	5,000.00	151-425	5,000.00
Interest	700.00	834.00	700.00
Total:	42,956.00	57,246.00	45,956.00
EXPENSE:			
Member Library Support	27,500.00	27,500.00	31,500.00
Building	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equipment and Furnishings	0.00	0.00	0.00
Computing Services	2,250.00	2,079.00	2,000.00
Electricity	3,500.00	4,338.00	3,750.00
Heat	2,000.00	2,020.00	2,000.00
Water	300.00	300.00	300.00
Insurance	1,200.00	1,168.00	1,200.00
Alarm System	450.00		450.00
Repairs and Maintenance	2,000.00	89.00	2,000.00
Custodial	1,600.00	2,000.00	1,600.00
Rubbish	220.00	221.00	220.00
Snow Removal and Mowing	600.00	720.00	750.00
Supplies and Postage	400.00	242.00	250.00
Miscellaneous	50.00		50.00
Total:	42,070.00	41,440.00	46,070.00
GAIN FOR THE YEAR:	(886.00)	15,806.00	(114.00)
Richardson Fowle, Treasurer			

THETFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

This has been an eventful year for the Society. In January Charles Hughes, one of our founders and our curator for over five decades, died. He had an article for last year's Town Report ready on his desk. He left us his large collection of books, papers, tools, implements, and artifacts having to do with Thetford history. It took a good deal of work to choose and move all these materials to our library and museum. Fortunately we had room, as we had built a new storage building four years ago with this eventuality in mind. New shelving was installed in that building this spring, and additional shelving was bought for our library workroom. Most of the hundreds of books have been processed; it will take us much longer to organize the rest of the collection. We will miss Charles in many ways.

In June we were one of 34 local historical societies to participate in a Vermont Heritage Weekend, sponsored by Vermont Historical Society and Cabot Creamery. We had a special exhibit in our library, produced a booklet of walking tours, opened the museum, had a speaker, and got the ladies of Thetford Center Community Association to produce a supper. Altogether we reached 235 people, the seventh highest number among the 35 participating societies.

During the year we did a fourth printing of Charles Latham's Short History of Thetford, and we are about to reprint Collamer W. Abbott's Green Mountain Copper, a standard book about the Ely copper mine in Vershire. We had two historical articles in the 1998 Town Report. In May the League of Local Historical Societies gave us an award for having had historical articles in the Town Report for 28 consecutive years.

We continued our outreach to the schools, reaching the Academy's 7th grade in March and a geography class in October, and the Elementary School's -5th and 6th grades in December. We had the usual exhibit at the Thetford Hill Fair in July.

The Hughes Barn Museum was open four Sundays in August, and drew about a hundred visitors. At our annual meeting in September, Jay Barrett of Ely gave a slide talk about railroading in the Upper Valley. Our historical library continues to be open three days a week, and several trustees and other volunteers are working at a number of projects to organize materials and make them available to researchers.

Submitted by Charles Latham

THETFORD HILL VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY

The Thetford Hill Village Improvement Society (THVIS) dates from the adoption of its first constitution on August 3, 1905. The Society became incorporated by the State of Vermont of February 21, 1991.

The Society's constitutional purpose is "to improve and beautify the village of Thetford Hill and, in general, to promote the welfare of the community". There are no paid positions in the Society, and most services are rendered free by citizens of the community.

Two major events occur with the Society - The Thefford Hill Fair and the Annual Meeting.

The Thetford Hill Fair is run by THVIS, and the Ladies Benevolent Society of Thetford. Last year the Fair took place on July 31, 1999, and thanks to scores of devoted volunteers, it was a very successful event. We were especially appreciative of Camp Farnsworth for their enthusiastic participation at the Fair.

At the Annual Meeting, the THVIS Constitution was revised and updated. Also, a new folder describing THVIS was introduced and accepted. This folder will be placed in the Thetford Town Hall, Latham Library, and at the Annual Fair. Our special thanks to Tevor Kellman for helping with the folder's production.

This year the Fair will be held on July 29, 2000. The Planning Committee will meet in June and volunteers are always appreciated to assist with this community activity. Anyone interested in lending a helping hand (and having fun besides) can call Peter Blodgett at the Latham Memorial Library for details. (785-4361).

The Annual Meeting of the THVIS will be on Monday, August 21, 2000 at 7:30 PM in the Latham Memorial Library, Thetford Hill, VT. Any resident who regards the village of Thetford Hill as the center of their community life is welcome and encouraged to attend all THVIS activities.

Joan Tomasi, President (802) 785-2689

THETFORD CENTER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Thetford Center Community Association, which began in 1949, is to 'improve and beautify the village of Thetford Center and to promote the welfare of the Community". The Association is open to anyone who has an interest in Thetford Center, not just it's residents. Member dues are payable in January for the following year and are three dollars per person, or five dollars for a family. The dues can be paid anytime during the year, and are applicable to that calendar year only.

The Association owns and maintains the old one-room schoolhouse building in the village of Thetford Center. This quaint building is used as a Community Building for the use of members of the Association, community members, and community groups. The schoolhouse is in the Thetford Center Historic District and is on the National Historic Register of Historic Places. It serves as a Parish hall for the Timothy Frost Methodist Church, in which they hold coffee hours, meetings and other gatherings there. It is the meeting place for several Boy Scout and Girl Scout groups, and for other non-profit organizations. The Thetford Center Fellowship of Women holds senior luncheons there, as well as luncheons for the Retired Teachers Association. Families and other groups organize reunions and open houses. The Community Building has also seen wedding receptions.

The Community Association itself puts on community thank-you dinners, such as the one for the Emergency Management Services dinner, community pot-luck dinners, dessert socials as well as seasonal fund-raising dinners. The Association has a scholarship fund for Thetford Academy graduates from the area.

The officers for the Association are Bruce Slack-president, Penny Sirjane-treasurer, Sue Rump-committees, and Marty Moses-secretary. Lois Paige is the chair of building use. Upcoming events include two community pot-luck dinners on March 11th at 6:00 PM, and April 8th at 6:00 PM. A Scholarship dinner will be held on April 8th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. The Springfest is scheduled for May 27th. If you like crafts and old-fashioned fun, don't miss this event!

The Community Association welcomes individuals and non-profit organizations who wish to rent the old schoolhouse building. The rates are \$35.00 for the first two hours; then \$5.00 for each hour after that with a maximum of \$50.00. A deposit is required prior to the building use. The Association also welcomes anyone who wishes to become a member. Come and meet your neighbors and share your ideas for Thetford Center. We are looking forward to a great year!

Respectfully Submitted, Marty Moses, Secretary

THETFORD CENTER FELLOWSHIP OF WOMEN

The Thetford Center Fellowship is an active group and welcomes all women. It is not a religious organization but is a time to join with other women to exchange ideas. If you are new in the community it is an excellent way to get acquainted with others in the area. We discuss books, have had silent auctions, bake sales,, have helped with Old Home Day, and various other activities. Our endeavor is to help others around Christmastime. We serve the "Thetford Friends Together" dinner, attended by approximately forty people. At the same time, boxes are packed for eight to eleven shut-ins.

In early June "The Retired Teachers" are served a luncheon. Two trips are taken each year and enjoyed. This fall some of us went to the Vermont Country Store and the Priory near Weston. Last spring we journeyed to Texas Falls taking a picnic lunch. We do not meet in January but most other months, providing weather is all right. The meetings are held at various homes or at the Old Schoolhouse in Thetford Center, the first Monday at 2:00 PM. Come and give us some new ideas.

Jean M. Sheldon

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THETFORD YOUTH SPORTS

The Thetford School Board has designated Thetford Youth Sports (TYS) as the group to manage organized athletic activities for Thetford's Elementary age children. TYS consists of eleven volunteer board members and we meet regularly to organize seasonal programs, set budgets, plan improvements and address issues that are brought to our attention. Our objective is to give all Thetford children an opportunity to participate in activities that provide the desired benefits of extracurricular sports. We strive for positive experiences for the children, so that they may continue to include physical activities in their daily experiences.

Over the last year we have completed another improvement to our program. A number of groups, companies and individuals have contributed to these efforts. We have continued the improvements to the new fields this past year. The back stop and safety fences have been installed and work great.

The total cost of this project was \$2550.00, plus the man hours of volunteers (especially Peter Boyd). We had a lot of support from local banks and businesses and we thank them and appreciate there support. In no particular order: Merchants Bank, Ledyard Bank, Mascoma Savings Bank, Wells River Savings Bank, C. W. Gray & Sons, Inc., Thefford Recreation Committee (Town), Thefford School District, Thefford Elementary PTO and Eagle Appraisal (Steve Page).

We are now asking the Thetford Recreation Committee (Town) to help support us in the installation of a back stop on the smaller field. We are in need of this back stop for the safety of our children and make the field project complete. The \$1500.00 that we are asking for will cover most of the cost (\$1675.00) for the back stop. We hope the towns people will help us out with this project.

Everyone is reminded that scholarships and multi-child payment plans are available to those who need them. Please do not feel that the cost of registration should stop the participation of a child. There are still some specific items that need attention in the near future. Athletic/multipurpose facilities are needed. One of the greatest concerns remains the Elementary School gym, which is unacceptable for the uses it is currently housing (basketball/drama/music/assemblies...). There are significant safety and utilization issues and we continue to strongly support and encourage efforts to solve this problem. Many Out-of-Towners have this facility to judge us by. Other items, including the improvement of the Post Mills property donated by the Taylor family are also on our minds. There is a need for a reinvigorated Recreation Committee in Town.

There is much to do and we encourage your interest. Please contact a member if you want to get involved.

Current members are:

Bev Carpenter	Ray Chapin	Steve Fifield
Loretta Gray	Robin Wagner	Súsañ Arnold
Chuck Metz	Ted Levin	Tony Thurston
Russ Eaton		Mark McMahon

Thank you to Peter Boyd, Steve Page, Mark Snider and Tom Stickney for their years of service to TYS.

Submitted by Loretta Gray

JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP #2064

As we think back over our past year in scouting one thing is clear we have had a GREAT deal of fun and adventure. Since our last report girls have had many different experiences and opportunities. Our cookie sale is one. It not only provides the funds we need but it helps girls learn to work as a team toward a common goal. We thank everyone who supported one of our scouts in this event.

One of our favorite activities was providing child care at our town meeting in February. We had puzzies, books, toys, games & coloring for about 12 to 14 children while their parents attended the meeting. Our most meaningful projects was putting together 10 crib sized quilts for the Kosovo relief project. Girls worked at meetings and some took a quilt home to work on with their mom. Last we knew the quilts were headed for an orphanage in Kosovo. Our next favorite project was collecting baby things for the first baby girl born on the Girl Scout birthday, March 12. We even got to go see the baby & meet her family. Other fun things we have done this past year being pen pals with a troop in California, going to Thinking Day in Bradford, having a sleepover at Camp Farnsworth's winterized cabin, learning how to make earrings and dream catchers with a scout's dad, learning about good nutrition with Rosemary Fifield, going to Susan Arnold's Outback Barn for an aerobic workout and a swim at CCBA in Lebanon.

Our biggest adventure was traveling to Portsmouth, N.H. to a Girl Scout camp on the ocean. We explored tidal pools at Odiorne Point, made nautical crafts and sang sea chanteys with some of the best. We even earned the 'model camper' award. We adjourned for the summer months following our awards ceremony but many scouts were still busy. Some girls participated in the American Legion's flag retiring ceremony in August and over half of the troop attended summer camp at either our own Camp Farnsworth or Camp Chenoa in Antrim, N.H.

A prize winning scarecrow was one of the first projects the girls of Troop 2064 worked on this Fall as they reassembled for another year. The scarecrow was carefully constructed at a Troop meeting and transported to the Tunbridge World's Fair where she proudly wore a blue ribbon. Another fall activity included a day long Native American event at Camp Chenoa. 14 scouts from the troop made the trip. We all made beaded necklaces, learned and played some Native American games and had lunch around a camp fire. Each girl also made a shawl, a traditional dress required of girls, to attend the afternoons' Pow Wow. True Native Americans provided storytelling, authentic music, songs and dance.

Other activities so far this year have included helping the PTO with the community Halloween party, an evening of Christmas caroling with other scouts, helping out with the Christmas rnemory bags and starting our own 'Operation Christmas Childl project. We would like to thank the Thetford Community Association for allowing us to use their facility for our weekly meetings; the Thetford community and the parents of the girls for their help and support in all our endeavors.

Respectfully submitted, Junior Troop 2064 Co-Leaders Helen Huff, Lauren Harhen & Ann Legunn

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THETFORD BOY SCOUT TROOP 772

The Boy Scouts continue to be an active group in town and their list of activities since the last report is a long one. There has been the usual camping and hiking but some are worth mentioning in more detail. For instance, last Winter the troop camped out at Treasure Island with the temperatures dipping to 12 degrees that night. In addition to practicing our Winter camping skills, we cooked, ice fished, hiked, played games, and enjoyed Native American stories around a campfire that evening. We camped two nights at Kettle Pond in Groton State Park. We honed camping and cooking skills and everybody had a chance to swim and fish. Our longest encampment was at Mt. Norris, in Eden, VT. A week long summer camp sprinkled with the usual water sports was highlighted with rock climbing and appelling, shot gunning, and scuba diving. Some serious courses were taken in First Aid and Emergency Preparedness to name just a few.

Hiking was our major theme this Summer and we did a lot of it, around 90 miles in fact! Most of it was along the Appalachian Trail. We camped three nights along the trail walking anywhere from two to five miles to get to our next campsite. One night was on the side of Mt.. Cube and another at the tent site on the top of Smarts Mountain. One day hike was a twenty miler walking from Fairlee to Hanover along the Connecticut River. We went to a Spring Camporee in Randolph, VI., the first state wide Camporee in over five years. There were over 1500 Scouts in attendance. The Fall Camporee was in Victory, VT as it has been for over 20 years.

This was a year of firsts for our Scouts as we marched in the first ever state wide Veterans Day Parade held in Richmond, VT. There were over 3000 parade participants including Veterans, Scouts, Reenactors, and our currently serving military men and women from Vermont. Another first for us occurred this December in Montpelier. After our local representative, Jim Masland, took our Boys on a tour of the State House, they proceeded outside to help out with the lighting of the State Christmas Tree. Together, Governor Dean and our Thetford Scouts, lit the State Christmas Tree with the press and several hundred people in attendance.

We held a number of fund raisers over the year including our annual pop corn sale. Over the Christmas holiday season we sold cookies, trees and wreaths. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, on behalf of the Thetford Scouts, for the unyielding support of our program and the boys. Your generous support is greatly appreciated. It also gives me great pleasure to announce to the town that another program is being launched to benefit Thetford youth. "Venturing" is actually a program of the Boy Scouts of America but is designed for both boys and girls age 14 to 21. It is meant to be a high adventure program including backpacking, canoeing, and white water rafting. The program however, now in its infancy, can grow in most any direction the youth participants want it to go. You should contact Elizabeth Upton at the North Thetford Church or any of the Boy Scout Leaders for additional information.

Membership in the Boy Scouts is open year round and we welcome inquiries about our program. Contact Jim LaMontagne, Scout Master, or myself for details.

Respectfully submitted, Bill T. Huff, Assistant Scout Master



THE AMERICAN LEGION, INC., THETFORD POST #79

The purposes of this Post are to foster all those values for which our country stands, to help people in need whenever we can, and to give special help to our veterans.

Our meetinghouse is located on Thetford Hill, opposite Thetford Elementary School. Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month, except January and February, at 7.30 PM.

Flags for all known veterans' graves are put out before Memorial ay and removed when possible after November 11th. We would like to thank the Thetford Boy Scouts for their help on this project. Please notify the Legion of any veterans buried in the town of Thetford so a marker and flag can be placed at the gravesite. Flag etiquette has been taught for several years at the area schools. A barbecue and yard sales are held to raise money for grave markers and upkeep of our building.

On loan free to anyone who needs their use are the following items of hospital and Invalid equipment: wheelchairs, bedpans, crutches, walkers, commodes, various canes and other items. Some of the items listed are in short supply. Users are asked no fee for the use of any equipment, but donations are gratefully accepted. We do ask that borrowed items be kept in good condition, and returned as soon as possible. If you need to borrow equipment, or wish to donate equipment that is no longer needed, please contact any Legion member listed below or Laurie Ingalls (home: 785-3190 or work: 785-2922). Please notify any of the same members before returning equipment so it can be put safely inside.

This Post welcomes all veterans who served honorably in all our wars and conflicts. We ask that you join in remembering our fallen comrades of this past year, Chauncey Willey and Arthur J. Bacon. Arthur had been Commander for the last two years of his life and leaves very large shoes to fill. We salute you.

Commander Raymond "Fred" Adams	785-4331
Adjutant Nathan Pero	333-4671
Financial Officer Alford Stone	785-4503
Chaplain Robert L. Bacon	785-2663
Service Officer Stephen F. Ingalis	785-3190

UPPER VALLEY FISH & GAME CLUB

PURPOSE:

To work for improvement and stimulate interest in the sports of hunting and fishing,

To promote and engage in the conservation of fish and game management and other natural resources in the

To promote and maintain friendly relations with landowners.

To promote good sportsmanship and educate the public with respect to conservation, hunting and fishing.

OFFICERS:

President: Robert Stone Thetford Center 785-4237 Vice Pres: Bill Rose North Thefford 333-9325 Thetford Center Treasurer: Alford Stone 785-4503 Secretary: Rbett Scruggs East Thetford 333-4067

MEMBERSHIP: Currently 212 members, 15 are junior members. Open to any person interested in helping with our stated purpose. Junior membership available to persons aged 15 and under. Membership chairman is Bill Rose, 333-9325.

MEETINGS: 3d Wednesday of each month, Held at the Thetford American Legion September - May, 7:30 PM and at the club grounds June - Aug, 6:30 PM, Annual meeting is held in February.

ACTIVITIES: Ice fishing derby on Lake Fairlee in February - 133 participants in 1999. Childrens' fishing derby in June - 44 children participated in 1999. Sponsored a hunter safety class in the summer and fall - certificates were presented to 64 students in 1999. The club actively sponsors local voungsters to the State Conservation Camp each summer -1 was sponsored in 1999.

FACILITIES: The club maintains a building, pond, and shooting ranges on approximately 200 acres on Five Corners Road in Thetford Center, The shooting ranges are used for rifle, pistol, action pistol matches, sporting clays, trap shooting and Archery competition. Club members are welcome to use the facilities and the surrounding property.

Rhett Scruggs, Secretary

THETFORD HILL PARISH PLAYERS

The Parish Players have been working hard this year on plans to renovate and restore their home theater, the old Eclipse Grange on thetford Hill. Fire and other safety concerns required an upgrading of the wiring, heating, exits, stairwells, as well as the installation of nlumbing for flush toilets. This explains the absence of performances in the Grange during this past year.

During this period, however the Players have mounted plays and readinas in a variety of rented or donated spaces for the past year and a half (THE BREAK in West Lebanon, CRIMES OF THE HEART and ROMEO AND JULIET in Norwich and others), while at the same time designing and planning for the renovation, conducting a capital campaign for the necessary \$180,000, surveying the land, conferring with neighbors as well as State engineers about a septic system, meeting with the Thetford Hill Water Coop, exploring off-road parking with Thetford Academy, and securing permits from the Zoning and Planning Commission for the initial phases of the work. Foundation repair and septic installation will start in January.

So, although we are wandering, we are alive and well and eager to get home. We hope to provide a theater not only for Parish Players, but also for productions by other community organizations, such as Thetford Academy, the Thetford Elementary School, and Open Fields school, where the 4th of July Circus has been a popular event in the Grange for many years.

> Peter Blodgett, Alison Fowle, Neal Meglathery, for the Parish Players



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EARLY POST MILLS

This short paper, from the archives of Thetford Historical Society, was Witten in 1937 as a school paper by Marjorie Powell Shopp (19 19-1993). She was the daughter of Ray A. Powell and the granddaughter of Charles A. Powell, superintendent of the Chubb fishrod factory in Post Mills. She married Arthur N. Shopp, and spent much of her life in Post Mills. TVs paper differs in some details from what has been written by others; it is, however closer by several decades to the events described, and contains some good folklore.

Pekin and Canton were the names given to Post Mills and West Fairlee in the early days. They were thus named because they were considered heathen villages compared to Thetford Hill which was called Bible Hill. There was never a post office for Pekin, for the village was really named for Eldad Post. He was born in Hebron, Connecticut, October 5, 1735, and died in Vershire, January 6, 1810. He came to Pekin from Orford, New Hampshire, around 1779. In his day he must have been considered quite a rich man, for he owned a great deal of land.

It is said Eldad lived on Potato Hill where the Hartsons [Charyks] now live. He married Hannah Case, and to them were born eleven children: Hannah, Eldad Jr., Aaron, Israel, Daniel, Russell, Sybil, Mary, Hiram, Bela, and Lydia.

Bela lived on Round Top (located in back of the house now owned by Ray A. Powell) [Arthur N. Shopp], and died of small pox. In those days this was a dreaded disease for it was always fatal. When he lay ill no one dared go near him. Supplies were carried part way up the hill and left where Bela's wife could come and collect them. The story goes that when Bela died his wife called down from the mountain that here husband was dead. The people in the village heard, and went to her aid.

On Bela's grave stone are carved some weird looking figures. They were probably meant for angels, but the children would shy around it for fear of catching small pox.

Eldad Sr. owned a great many acres of land in the village. He started the first saw and grist mill, and another saw mill] which was located at the outlet of Lake Fairlee. This was erected around 1780. Eldad later sold the Mills to his sons, Aaron and Israel. They in turn sold it to Riley, and he to Jeremiah Dodge, who sold to Ladd. Ladd sold out to Thomas H. Chubb, who started the fishing rod factory.

It is said that two Englishmen were crossing the country from Strafford through Post Mills in the winter time. The lake was covered with ice and snow, and one, thinking it to be a large plain, said to his companion, "Isn't that a fair lea!" Thus the name Fairlee was derived from this. Five hundred and fifty-three acres of this lake are in the Town of Thetford.

The oldest house in the village was Fred Turner's, which stood opposite Andrews' house, but this is now burned. One of the oldest houses now standing belongs to Charles A. Powells estate [Elsie Palmer]. In the village there were two schools. One was just the other side of the Congregational Church where the lilac bushes now are. The very same building [now gone] is now used by Mr. H. E. Heaton for a hen house. If you take particular note you can see the number of the school still on the building. The other school, a brick building, was located between R. H. Hatch's store and R. Cross's house. The upper floor was used as a hall. The Odd Fellows Lodge was started there, and a singing school was also started. Every Saturday night a group would have a gathering, and two girls, who were appointed during the week, would read off the gossip they had collected as to who was "keeping company" with whom, etc.

The building of the church here in Post Mills was begun in the year 1818, but wasn't finished until 1828 or 1829. Captain Dodge was one of the leading men in the building of the church. The church standing now is the same original shape on the outside, although alterations have been made inside. The little square doors, formerly belonging to the box pews, were placed on the outside of the church. They form a border up near the roof.

In the bills for the building of the church, almost every other item was for rum. The workers had to be supplied with this, supposedly urging them to work faster.

In 1821 the West Fairlee and Post Mills church were united. Services were held in Post Mills and West Fairlee Center on alternate Sundays. At one time Post Mills services were held by the Baptists and Congregationalists on alternate Sundays. Deacon Hinckley was a very strong Baptist and very active in the church. But when meeting came on Congregational Sunday, he would go, but sit with his feet propped up on the next pew, and go to sleep.

The mill for the production of linseed oil stood where the fishing rod factory now stands. This was first operated by Joseph Hinckley, who passed the business on to his grandson Deacon Lyman Hinckley. Later, fulling mills were operated in the same place by Jeremiah Tyler and Captain William Heaton and their sons Monroe Tyler and S. G. Heaton, and by George and Daniel Dodge.

The fishing rod factory was established by Thomas H. Chubb in 1869. He bought and enlarged the old Hinckley oil mill, but it wasn't long before it was swept away by the October flood. He rebuilt, this time erecting a wooden building. Five years later fate struck again when the building was destroyed by fire. Still determined, he built again. At its prime the business furnished employment for from fifty to sixty persons. The factory is now owned by the Montague Rod and Reel Company.

Electric lights were first put in the rod shop, but it wasnt long before almost everyone had them. The first to have a car in the village was Jim Whitcomb. It was a Stanley Steamer. Other cars were soon acquired. One storekeeper over-judged the ability of his little red car and thought he could figure up his orders while the car ran along by itself. He found out differently just in time to avoid going over the bank.

George Peabody was a poor boy who used to come to Post Mills for visits. At such times he lived with Eliphalet Dodge. After he had gained his financial success he didn't forget the little village he once lived in. On one of his later visits there he gave a gift of a public library to the two school districts. Later he transferred, to a committee chosen for the purpose, \$5000 in bonds and securities, \$2000 of which was invested, the income to be used in purchasing new books. The site where the library stands was bought for \$400 from Harvey Dodge, who served for a number of years as librarian. He was succeeded by his son Henry. Then Mrs. H. E. Heaton took it over and is now the librarian.

Doctor Samuel Niles, son of Sands Niles, was an early doctor here in the village and had a very large practice. His bill for extracting a tooth was 13 cents. For some visits he charged 50 cents, but if it was at night the fee was 67 cents. Many of his bills were paid not in money but in labor. He married Betsy Keser. They had only one child, Harry Hale Niles, who also became a doctor and settled in Post Mills. His first wife was Lucy Heaton, and later he married Catherine Gillett.

"Times change and we change with them." The bell is no longer toned for the passing of people in the community. Card parties and dancing have pushed out the singing school and the quilting bees, but they can't take their place. I wonder if the times today will seem as interesting fifty years hence as those early days do to us.

Submitted by Charles Latham

GEORGE D. AIKEN R C & D

George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council is available to Help You-

The George D. Aiken RC&D Council is here to serve your community. We coordinate and facilitate help to town governments, school districts, fire departments and nonprofit groups in the six southern counties in Vermont. We area voluntary nonprofit citizen's group supporting community betterment and rural development. We get technical assistance and staff help through the U.S. Department of Agriculture but private sources make up most of our budget. The Council is self-supporting 501 (c)(3) nonpartisan organization that is available to HELP YOU.

We are available to your community but only at your request. We bring together technical and financial resources focused on the specific needs that you may have. Our mission is to help you meet your needs and we rely upon our extensive networks to bring the resources together. Highlights of our work in 1999 and initiatives that can HELP YOU include:

FIRE PROTECTION

We in rural Vermont experience greater loss from fire and generally pay higher premiums than our city friends. But help is available from The Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force and Vermont's RC&D Councils. They worked with the Governor and Legislature to get \$130,000 to support the Dry Hydrant Grants Program. We were able to get \$130,000 to support the Dry Hydrant Grant Program. Troy Dare, Engineering Technician, is available to help local communities plan, design and install facilities according to sound specifications. Ninety (90) towns statewide got grants for one or more hydrants in 1999. We congratulate your fire department and others that helped if your community received a grant. If you would like to explore a grant next year... let us know.

VERMONT BETTER BACKROADS

Want to save \$ while improving fishing, swimming and water supplies? Technical and financial support is available to HELP YOUR TOWNS DO JUST THATI The Better Backroads Manual, Driveway Access Policy Guideline sand our popular Pocket Guide to Better Road Maintenance are available. Throughout Vermont 26 grants were awarded to local towns for erosion control, inventories and capital budget planning. Congratulations if you got a grant. Please contact us for grant availability in 2000. We hope to have continued funding that is available to help demonstrate cost effective practices that protect the quality of waters in our streams, ponds and lakes.

LOCAL CITIZENS ORGANIZING TO SUPPORT HEALTHY WATERSHEDS

What do communities and citizens in the West River, White River and Poultney-Mettowee River Watersheds have in common? They are all coming together in order to improve the economic, social and environmental health of their watersheds. A watershed is the area of land that drains into a stream or body of water. The groups in all three of these watersheds are working on a grassroots effort to build the capacity of LOCAL DECISION MAKERS in ways to support the environment while enhancing the economic strength of the region. Is your community in one of these 3 watersheds? If so get involved. If not, call the George D. Aiken RC&D Council, your local Conservation District, or Regional Commission to see how you might get an initiative started in your watershed.

Please consider the George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development Council your source of help. We work on a request basis. For information and free consultation call Dennis Borchardt our Executive Director at (802) 728-526 or email: dennis.borchardt@vt.usda.gov.



TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL COMMISSION

During 1999, the Regional Commission provided technical expertise and resources for municipal officials as well as advocating for members' needs with the State Legislature and with state and federal agencies. Most of our work is initiated at the request of Selectboards, Planning Commissions and other Town officials. Primary accomplishments for 1999 included:

Regional Planning- In June, revisions to the Regional Plan were adopted, and included changes to Water Resources, Outdoor Lighting, and Access Management. In addition, the Regional Transportation Plan was formally made a part of the Plan. During 2000, Staff and Commissioners anticipate updating other areas of the Plan. This will include economic development planning, emergency response planning, and a revised section dealing with interchange area development.

Local Technical Assistance - We continued to provide advice and support to town officials on a wide range of activities over the past year, including grant administration, assistance on town plan revisions, ordinance development, GIS mapping, transportation planning, and Act 250 development review. Due to increased state funding for municipal planning this year, all of our municipal members received some level of support this year.

Emergency Planning Activities - This year the Regional Commission commenced an emergency planning program. This effort is being funded in part by a two-year Project Impact grant from FEMA. Currently, we have 28 on-going local projects under this Program focused on hazard mitigation associated with natural disasters. Other programs will include assistance to communities in preparing Rapid Response Plans, working with towns more effectively in constructing disaster resistant infrastructure, and expanded financial support for emergency shelters in the Region.

Economic Development Planning - In association with the Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation, the Regional Commission completed an commercial/industrial sites inventory and economic planning study for the Region. Its purpose was to document commercial/industrial space and economic planning policies for the Region. We hope that it will be a useful tool to help our members plan for economic development.

Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director William B. Emmons, III, Chairperson, Pomfret



UPPER VALLEY RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE of the CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

With the designation of the Connecticut as an American Heritage River, it has been a busy year for our waterway on all levels. In celebration of this honor, o ver hosted F eral dur ri ted both ed and state agencies and the Vice President of the United States. All of these agencies are looking to the river's local subcommittees of citizens for advice on how best to answer the concerns and needs of valley people. Among them is heavy metal contamination at the Elizabeth Mines in Strafford.

This Year, the Subcommittee has continued to provide information, advice and assistance to the states and to local landowners on a number of projects on or near the river, from residential development and docks to large and small bridge repairs, including the Orford/Fairlee Bridge.

The Subcommittee is monitoring recreational use of the river and advised the CRJC on-preparation of a new pamphlet, Boating on the Connecticut River. The pamphlet contains new recreation maps which are color-coded to show legal boating speeds, no wake zones, and access points. The 28-page pamphlet has been made available to the public without charge and the maps are posted at access sites. We also sponsored a canoe trip on the river as part of Upper Valley Trails Day this summer.

Towns in the Upper Valley region are reviewing the many tools and recommendations we have provided in the Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan. Several communities are actively moving to incorporate them as they update their existing town plans and revise their zoning ordinances, particularly in the area of shoreland protection. The public is encouraged to participate in our meetings, which take place at the Lyme Town Office on the third Tuesday evening of most months.

Thetford is currently the only town in the region which is unrepresented on the Subcommittee. We invite citizens interested in representing the Town to contact the selectboard. More information, including a calendar, advice on bank erosion and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, and a summary of the Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan is on the web at www.crjc.org/localaction.htm.

Connecticut River Joint Commissions, Upper Valley Subcommittee region: Bradford, Fairlee, Thetford, Norwich, and Hartford, VT & Piermont, Orford, Lyme, Hanover & Lebanon, NH

VT Connecticut River Watershed Advisory Commission NH Connecticut River Valley Resource Commission PO Box 1182 Charlestown NH 03603 603-826-4800 Fax 603 -826-3065

GREEN UP VERMONT

The success of Green Up In Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the combined efforts of Individuals and clvic groups who volunteer to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont.

With your town's help, we can continue Vermont's great tradition of annually cleaning up and sprucing up our entire state, as our children grow up with Green Up. In 1999, ten thousand Vermonters joined together cleaning Vermont's roadsides and community areas of over two hundred tons of litter. We used more than 30,000 bags!

Green Up was started in 1970, by Governor Deane C. Davis, to assist our communities in statewide annual spring cleaning. Through careful use of resources, we continue to minimize the costs of this major effort. Green Up Vermont is a not-for-profit, 501 (c) (3) organization. It exists solely to help volunteers in your community and the rest of Vermont. The State appropriates funds that cover about 15 percent of Green Up's budget. Financial contributions are used to purchase supplies, promote awareness and pay for the services of two part-time employees.

We respectfully ask you to include your support for Green Up Vermont, with the guideline below.

For towns under 1,000 population	\$ 50
For towns over 1,000, population	\$100
For towns over 2,000 population	\$150
For towns over 3,000 population	\$200
For towns over 4,000 population	\$300

Thank you in advance for your contribution.

Green Up Vermont PO Box 1191 Montpelier, Vermont 05601-1191 (802)-229-4586 (800)-974-3259

GREEN MOUNTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Over the past year, GMEDC was very busy pursuing its mission of facilitating economic development consistent with the needs of our member towns. We were able to assist several area businesses secure state tax credits for expansion projects. We provided Loan funds for our growing businesses and we helped to secure training for their employees.

We worked with our regional planning partners to complete the Commercial and Industrial Inventory of all such buildings over 2,000 square feet. This inventory will help us to relocate new and expanding businesses in the GMEDC region more efficiently and quickly than ever before.

We worked with the Upper Valley Commerce and Education Alliance to initiate a new Business Liaison program. This program is designed to help businesses secure training for their employees, and to help education providers tailor their offerings to the needs of our existing and future workforce.

We provided counseling to many start-ups and expanding businesses and we helped to connect many businesses with various specialized, services offered through our partner organizations serving small businesses.

GMEDC has worked very closely with local, regional and state officials over the past year to try and elevate the quality of jobs in the area in order to provide rewarding and fulfilling employment for the people of our region. We look forward to continuing this productive relationship toward achieving this most important goal.



VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

Local officials joined to organize the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) in 1967. Today local governments face increasing insurance needs and skyrocketing costs; a restructuring of the electricity delivery system; and issues concerning school funding, municipal management and transportation of goods through towns that were never contemplated 30 years ago.

VLCT is still today governed by a 13-member board of directors comprised of selectpersons, mayors, managers and clerks from around the state, and is dedicated to serving the best interests and needs of Vermont municipalities. VLCT is supported entirely by revenues from local governments and is an association independent from state or federal government. Of a total 246 cities and towns in Vermont, 245 are members of the association.

Local officials' responsibility for a vast number of laws and regulations only grows over time. In 1999 and 2000, the most significant issue for local officials will be to comply with the evolving requirements of the new Equal Education Opportunity Act, Act 60 and its amendments. VLCT puts considerable effort into providing education for local officials and expects to increase that effort in 2000. VLCT offers workshops throughout the year to health officers, planning commissions, zoning administrators, selectpersons, auditors, tax collectors, municipal attorneys and others. Recently a new series of interactive workshops was offered to train local officials in mediation and violence prevention skills.

In addition, VLCT provides handbooks on specific subjects to guide local officials in the discharge of their responsibilities, and staff travel on request to member towns to provide specialized technical assistance on issues such as insurance packages, personnel management, mediation and negotiation. VLCT staff and attorneys are only a phone call away for local officials with specific questions about any local government matter. Thousands of questions were answered in the past year from virtually every member municipality.

VLCT offers to municipalities several insurance "trust" programs that save considerable local taxpayer dollars every year because member municipalities pool their resources to purchase insurance coverage. In 1998 and 1999, the VLCT Health Trust held insurance rate increases to 3% and 8% respectively, saving member municipalities hundreds of thousands of dollars. The VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) returned another \$1,000,000 to It's 218 member municipalities and the VLCT Unemployment Insurance Trust returned \$139,000 to it's members. Since 1983, total distributions from the Health, PACIF, and Unemployment Trusts have equaled \$9,879,000.

The VLCT News and Weekly Legislative Report provide municipal officials with up-to-date information on legislative issues along with articles of special interest on topics such as workplace safety, the Underage Drinking Task Force (S.T.A.R.T.), and municipal planning. Members may access that information and much more through VLCT's web site (www.vlct.org). VLCT also represents the interests of local government in the Legislature, using VLCT's Vermont Municipal Policy. This policy is developed by four committees of local officials and voted on by cities and towns at the annual meeting, which this year was held in September in the newly renamed town of Killington. Each city and town is entitled to a vote at the annual or any special meetings. Dues paid by member municipalities are vital to the continued existence of VLCT. Municipal officials around the state thank you for your support.

Karen Horn

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THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

The Vermont Center for Independent Living teaches people with significant disabilities how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services for living more independently. We also conduct public education and systems change activities that promote the full inclusion of disabled people into community life.

Statewide in FY 99, from October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999, VCIL responded to over 2000 requests from Individuals, agencies and community groups for information and referrals on a broad range of subjects related to living with a disability. We provided one-on one peer counseling to 371 individuals to help increase their opportunities and skills for independent living; provided 307 households with financial and technical assistance for making their bathrooms and entrances accessible to a disabled family member; we provided 265 individuals with personal assistance and/or assistive technology; provided communicative equipment to 54 Deaf, hard-of-hearing & speech impaired individuals through our Equipment Distribution Program, and served a total of 26,133 home-delivered meals to Vermonters with disabilities through our Meals on Wheels Program.

An estimated one in five Vermonters has a disability. The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL), a private not-for-profit corporation,, is Vermont's first and only cross-disability center for independent living and the first organization in the state to be directed and staffed by a majority of people with diverse disabilities.

VCIL's main office is located in downtown Montpelier. We have two smaller satellite offices, in Bennington and Brattleboro. The Montpeller office houses our resource library and our toll-free information line, which provides answers to related questions from every Vermont community. Our locally based peer counselors are available to people with disabilities in every town in Vermont.

Between October I, 1998 and September 30, 1999, VCIL provided direct services to 3 residents of Thetford utilizing the following programs/services: Information & Referral, & Meals on Wheels.

To learn more about VCIL, please call us toll-free at 1-800-639-1522.

ORANGE COUNTY DIVERSION PROGRAM

The Orange County Court Diversion Program (OCDP) is a cost effective alternative to the criminal court system for first time offenders referred by the State's Attorney. It offers both juveniles and adults an opportunity to make amends for their offenses in a way that teaches responsible behavior and deters future delinquent or criminal activities. The State's Attorney dismisses the charges of participants who successfully complete Diversion, resulting in a clean record.

The OCDP is a local non-profit organization run by a board of trustees- and staffed by a three-quarter time director, a one-fifth time caseworker and the 25 community volunteers from Orange County - who serve as review board members. A volunteer citizen review board interviews each offender and decides who will be accepted into the program and designs an individualized contract which specifies the conditions of the person's participation.

Contracts may involve an apology to the victim; mediation between offender and victim, restitution, mental health or substance abuse counseling, a jail tour, community service, a donation to a worthy cause, completion of a GED, a job search, writing an essay, or other appropriate activities related to the offense.

Diversion clients have performed volunteer work for local libraries, hospitals, cemeteries, road crews, recycling centers, schools, senior centers, volunteer fire departments and the like. During FY 1999 Orange County Diversion clients performed 1309 hours of community service and paid \$8745.00 in restitution and donations to victim related causes. Diversion also benefits our clogged court system by freeing up court time to deal with more serious matters. In fiscal year 1999, 55% of the Juvenile delinquency petitions filed in Orange County were referred to this program as well as 160 adult criminal cases. This resulted in a significant savings to the taxpayers, as it is far more cost effective for the state to send someone through Diversion than through the court system.

In FY '99, 184 clients were referred to OCDP. 159 were accepted into the program and served. Eighty-seven percent (87%) of the clients successfully completed the program. Approximately 95% of the clients who successfully complete the program stay out of trouble at least two years after Diversion. Alcohol or other drugs were directly involved in 53% of the Diversion cases during the year. Of the 184 offenders referred to the program during the twelve months ending with June 1999, 136 resided in Orange County.

The largest single number of offenses committed were 39 taking place in Randolph; followed by 22 in Bradford, 17 in Tunbridge, 15 in Strafford, 10 each in Corinth, Thetford. Newbury. and Braintree, 9 each in Fairlee and Williamstown, 6 in Brookfield, and the rest scattered among other towns in Orange County.

Of our Fiscal Year '99 budget, state funds provided fifty-five (55% of the program's funding. Nineteen percent (19%) of revenue came from fees paid by offenders, and the balance of twenty-six percent (26%) of the program's funds came from miscellaneous and local funding sources. These local sources were Green Mountain United Way, town appropriations, and individual donations. For a number of years we have been proud to be supported by appropriations from every town in Orange County. We appreciate the support from Townspeople in Thetford.

SAFELINE

SAFELINE, INC. is a human service agency providing advocacy for and direct service to victims of family and/or sexual violence. Services are accessed through our toll-free hotline 1-800-NEW-SAFE.

SAFELINE is the primary service provider for 17 towns in Orange County and 5 northern tier towns in Windsor County. Our catchment area population is approximately 26,500. Last year SAFELINE provided services to over 600 individuals. Units of service numbered over 2,000, including hospital advocacy, court advocacy, emergency legal advocacy, in-school counseling for children, crisis intervention and counseling for adults, continuing emotional support and information and referral. Over 68,000 hours of volunteer time were donated on the hotline, in hospital emergency rooms, police stations and in courts.

In addition, SAFELINE continues to provide 55 educational programs to schools, para-professionals and civic groups. Over 900 persons ranging from children in elementary, middle and high schools, to rescue squad personnel and graduate law students at Vermont Law School received the benefits of these informational programs. Each and every program is specifically tailored to respective age groups and areas of interest.

SAFELINE, INC. is a 501 (c) (3) private, non-profit Vermont Corporation. It is governed by a Board of Directors. There are three staff members; an executive director, a program educator, and a direct service supervisor/counselor. Twenty trained volunteers help in expanding SAFELINE's capacity to provide services. Volunteers and staff are required to receive a minimum of 20 hours of training in the fields of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault each year, every year. All staff continue to be mandated reporters of child and elder abuse.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS STAFF

Charlene Bohl Donna Soltura Pamela Stafford Linda Rice Linda MacCoy Joan Colburn Judy Szeg

Safeline Business Office 802-728-5647 P.O. Box 446 Randolph Vermont 05060

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Vermont Department of Health works to protect and promote the health of all citizens. Much of this work is carried out through twelve District Offices located throughout the state. The White River Junction District office has been active in Thetford over the past year, working with local health care providers, schools, community organizations and the Town Health officer to identify local health concerns and assist with solutions.

Here are a few examples of how public health programs in Thetford have made a difference.

- * WIC is the Special Supplemental Food and Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children. During 1998: 23 women. Particular and 43 children living in Thetford received health and nutrition screening and education through this program.
- * The Health Department investigates all reported cases of communicable diseases like hepatitis, meningitis, measles or food poisoning. When these illnesses occur, our job is to determine the cause and recommend measures that will control and prevent further spread of disease. In 1998: 70 cases of reportable diseases were investigated in Orange County.
- * Every Vermont town has a Health Officer who is nominated by the Selectboard and appointed by the Vermont Commissioner of Health. The department works with Town Health Officers to investigate and reduce local health threats and respond to citizen complaints on topics as varied as animal bites, sewage problems, infectious diseases, and rental housing concerns. Your Town Health Officer's report describes activities in Thetford.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people in Thetford who were interviewed by public health nurses in the development of the VT Health Plan 1999. Your insight and ideas about improving health in Vermont gave life to this plan and are essential to its success.

If you would like to learn more about public health activities in your community or if you have a particular health concern, please call the District Health Department Office in White River Junction at 802-295-8820.

Carla Hodgdon, Director WRJ District Office Vermont Department of Health

BUGBEE SENIOR CENTER WHITE RIVER COUNCIL ON AGING

The Bugbee Senior Center is a community focal point where older adults come together for services and activities that reflect their experience and skills, enhance their dignity, support their independence, and encourage their involvement at the Center and in the community. The range of programs and activities offered include: Congregate and home delivered meals, transportation, health and wellness programming, arts and humanities programs, volunteer opportunities, educational and recreational opportunities, intergenerational activities, housing assistance, information, referral and counseling. Information and referral services are also offered to the families of older individuals.

THETFORD UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED DURING 19	99
Congregate meals at the senior center	1121
Home delivered meals	1760
Various health clinics	52
Newsletters mailed out	1992
Clients assisted with social service concerns/problems	23
Opportunities for recreational or educational activities	421
Different Thetford persons over age 60 served	166

During 1999, we continued to offer the services of a paralegal in response to requests for assistance in more complicated matters, and added the services of a primary case manager to enable older adults to stay at home and independent longer. We are constantly evaluating the services provided, and make adjustments as necessary to ensure that we remain in touch with the current needs of our clients.

We also joined with the Thetford Llons Club to provide a congregate meal at the Community Center that was enjoyed by over 50 individuals. Please join us Mondays through Fridays, from 8:30 - 4:30. We welcome your inquiries and participation!

Kathleen W. Avery Executive Director

UPPER VALLEY SERVICES, INC.

Upper Valley Services, Inc is a private non-profit agency, which provides a variety of services to individuals with developmental disabilities in Orange County. We also provide a statewide crisis program, for the more challenging individual, which is located in Moretown, VT. The services that we provide are as follows:

Residential Supports - These supports range from minimal supports to individuals who reside in their own apartments, 24 hour supports in a Group home Setting and 24 hour supports through contracts with private providers, Development at home Providers, who take the individual into their home.

Community and Social Supports - These supports include volunteer sites, community integration, social interaction etc.

Vocational Supports - These supports include 1:1 training for competitive employment as well as job development services for those who do not need the continual 1:1 job support. In the Town of Bradford we operate the Connecticut River Redemption Center as a job site for those individuals who wish to work there.

Service Coordination - These supports are available to support natural families, guardians, consumers and providers with coordination of services needed by the consumer. Our service coordinators provide 24 hour/7 days per week emergency response.

Assessments and Evaluations - These services determine the eligibility of any individual who requests services from Upper Valley Services. State regulations require that individuals requesting services meet specific eligibility and System of Care Priority requirements.

Crisis Services - This service is a Statewide service available to any agency/family where the consumer meets entrance criteria. The Department of Developmental and Mental Health Services determines if the consumer meets the criteria for entrance into this program. This is a short term program, usually not more than 2 weeks, with assistance to families/agencles with reintroduction into their own communities.

Family Respite - This service provides limited funding to assist families in keeping their family member with developmental disabilities within their natural home.

Upper Valley Services Bradford, VT (802) 222-9235

CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC EDUCATION IN THETFORD

Thetford adults who want help with learning basic reading, writing, math and English as a second language may receive that help through a free program of instruction provided by Central Vermont Adult Basic Education. Men and women 16 years of age and over who are enrolled in the program also have the opportunity to study for their high school equivalency (GED) exam or the adult diploma program.

Students and teachers meet in one-to-one and/or small group sessions and design an individual learning program to suit the requirements of each adult student. This "school without walls" ties together basic literacy and math skills with such practical interest areas as child care, budgeting, filling out forms and applications, beginning computer skills, studying for a driver's permit or a Commercial Driving License (CDL), writing reports and memos and reading work related texts.

Each year, Thetford adults enroll in the program and CVABE volunteers from the community help to make the service accessible to all Thetford residents. For more information about Central Vermont Adult Basic Education services, you may contact:

CVABE (main office) 18 North Main Street Barre, Vermont 05641 (802) 476-4588

CVABE I Main Street PO Box 917 Bradford, VT 05033

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VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC. BRADFORD BRANCH

Continued changes in our nation's health-care system mean that government has placed increased responsibility for patient care with community-based agencies, such as our Bradford Branch. We are very appreciative of the continued support that the Town of Thetford provides to help us meet the home care, hospice, and family support service needs of people in your community. We offer services that help your family, friends, and neighbors remain at home during times of illness or injury; we promote community wellness; and we provide important services to familles at risk.

Town funds help provide care for people who require necessary services but are unable to pay or who do not have adequate health insurance. Our comprehensive range of services is available to everyone in the community-people of all ages and all economic means use our Bradford Branch. Hospital discharge planners and attending physicians work closely with us to decide on an appropriate course of treatment for each home health or hospice patient. Our clinical staff provide skilled services for people recovering from surgery or accidents; who have an acute illness or a disability; who require long-term care; or who need support and symptom control during a terminal illness.

The Bradford Branch provided the following services in the Town of Thetford during the past year:

VNA visits (July 1, 1998 - June 30, 1999)		
Skilled Nursing	1,223	
Physical Therapy	95	
Speech Therapy	144	
Occupational Therapy	10	
Medical Social Worker	17	
Home Health Alde	1,045	
Homemaker	68	
Total Visits	2,602	

Family Support Services	1
Families	3
Individuals	6
OCPCC Families	16
Maternal and Child Heal	th
Children	5
Home Visits	26
Hospice VNH	
Volunteers, Families Served	3
Hospice VNH Volunteer hrs	

On behalf of the people we serve in your community, thank you for your continued confidence.

Elizabeth Davis, RN, MPH

CLARA MARTIN CENTER

The Clara Martin Center, a non-profit community mental health center, has been serving Orange County and the Upper Valley since 1966. The Clara Martin Center's programs serve children, families, and individuals coping with behavioral challenges, emotional stress, mental illness, alcohol and other drug problems. Services are confidential and include (but are not limited to):

Counseling Psychiatric Services

Respite Care Short-term crisis intervention

Housing 24-hour emergency system.

Help with job training

Alcohol/Drug treatment

Following the Legislature's elimination of money for adult outpatient services the Clara Martin Center developed a walk-in clinic to provide free consultation and supportive counseling services. Since its inception in 1994 the Walk-in Clinic has seen over 650 people come through its doors.

Why should you help? Any of us might need help at one time or another. Our goal is to serve anyone who is in need but often we need town support to do this. Many people cannot afford the full charge and do not have insurance or Medicaid. Counseling can save lives and money. (Without it there can be social and financial costs to schools, police, physicians, etc.). Town support is essential to the continuing availability of these services. While demands for services have accelerated, the financial support for those services has significantly deteriorated.

The vast majority (61%) of clients seen by the Agency have family incomes below \$20,000. More than one quarter of the clients seen were treated for suicidal symptoms. A fifth of the clients had a severe problem that interfered with their ability to carry on normal, everyday functions.

FY 99 TOTAL SERVED AT THE AGENCY:

Children and Family Services	507
Adult Services	256
CSP Services	119
Substance Abuse Services	426
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Walk-in Clinic Services 66 (76 services)

Total Served: 1,374

Emergency contacts exceeded 800 this fiscal year. *CSP is our community support program that serves the chronically mentally ill.

P.O. Box 278 Bradford, Vermont 05033-0278 802/222-4477 P.O. Box G Randolph, VT 05060-0167 802/728-4466 802/728-4197 fax

P.O. Box 816 Wilder, VT 05086-0816 802/295-1311

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VERMONT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) services include: one-on-one intensive work with children, their families and teachers, educational Winter and Summer Camps for children and young adults; individual and group vision rehabilitation training and peer support for adults; orientation and mobility training; access to and training on adaptive equipment and technology. We provide a range of volunteer services including transportation, home assistance and companionship, and Braille transcription.

VABVI's mission is: To help blind and visually impaired Vermonters achieve and maintain independence. We are the only private organization in the state providing direct services in education, training, and support to help visually impaired Vermonters adjust to vision loss. With staff based in Burlington, Montpelier, Rutland and Brattleboro, we serve Vermonters of all ages in every comer or the state. For 73 years we have been helping visually impaired Vermonters, and we currently serve more than 1, 100 Vermonters a year.

37 Eimwood Avenue Burlington, VT 05401 (802)863-1358 (FAX)863-1481

10 Main St., Suite 3 Montpeller, VT 05602 (802) 828-5997 (FAX) 828-5999 10 Burnham Avenue Rutland, VT 05701 (802) 775-6452 (FAX) 755-4669

8 Park Place Brattleboro, VT 05301 (802) 254-8761 (FAX) 254-4802

ACORN

ACORN continues to be responsible for providing services to 94 municipalities throughout 4 counties in Vermont and New Hampshire. We provided services to an average of 50 clients living with HIV/AIDS who consumed approximately 4000 hours of both direct services and volunteer time. ACORN provided services to an additional 100 friends and family members of our clients who consumed an additional 1500 hours of direct and volunteer time.

ACORN staff and volunteers provided an average of 106 hours of services per week to clients, their families and friends. ACORN provided two support groups to community members: A group for individuals living with HIV/AIDS and a Gay Fathers Group. ACORN utilized over 500 hours of volunteer time providing public education opportunities at events such as the Hanover Streetfest, and the Home Show.

ACORN was a founding member of the Vermont Faith and AIDS Commission to educate clergy and lay people about how their congregations can support people living with HIV/AIDS. ACORN's Dove Program has collected and distributed over 10,000 lbs of food through St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Hanover and the West Lebanon Congregational Church. ACORN offers visitation, support and a prayer group to incarcerated clients of the NH State Prison for Men and the Woodstock Correctional Institute in Vermont.

ELECTION OF TOWN OFFICERS MARCH 2,1999	
OFFICIAL RESULTS	
For TOWN MODERATOR, I year	
Joseph S. Tofel	509
Write In	11
Spoiled	
Blank	62
TOTAL.	582
For TOWN CLERK, 1 year	
Roberta C. Howard	552
Write in	3
Spoiled	
Blank	27
TOTAL	582
For TOWN TREASURER, 1 year	
Roberta C. Howard	553
Write In	7
Spoiled	**************************************
Blank	22
TOTAL	582
For DEL. TAX COLLECTOR, I year	
Roberta C. Howard	547
Write in	2
Spoiled	
Blank	33
TOTAL	582
For SELECTMAN, 3 year	
Raymond (Fred) Adams	218
Write In (David Fisk)	321
Write In	7
Spoiled	
Blank	36
TOTAL	582
For SELECTMAN, 2 year	
Mark McMahon	381
John Judd	91

Write In	
Spoiled	
Blank	10
TOTAL	58
For LISTER, 3 year	
Laurie ingalis	47
Write In	
Spolled	
Blank	10
TOTAL	58
For TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS, 3 year	
Elmer C. Brown	54
Write In	
Spoiled	
Blank	3
TOTAL	58
For CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, 3 year	
John Wilmot	53
Write In	
Spoiled	
Blank	5
TOTAL	58:
For BUDGET COMMITTEE, 3 year	
Write In (Elizabeth Severance)	4
Write In	50
Spoiled	
Blank	486
TOTAL	582
For BUDGET COMMITTEE, 2 year	
Nancy W. Vosburg	464
Write In	2
Spoiled	
Blank	116
TOTAL	582
For BUDGET COMMITTEE, 1 year	
Mary Spata.	514

Write in	
Spolled	
Blank	68
TOTAL	582
For AUDITOR, 3 year	
Write In	99
Spoiled	
Blank	523
TOTAL	582
For AUDITOR, 2 year	
Write In	21
Spoiled	
Blank	561
TOTAL	582
For AUDITOR, I year	
Write in	16
Spoiled	
Blank -	566
TOTAL	582
For LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 4 year	
Diana Eastridge	483
Write in	
Spoiled	
Blank	99
TOTAL	582
For LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 4 year	
Marilyn Welch-Fava	493
Write in	
Spolled	
Blank	89
TOTAL	582
For LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 2 year	
Bryant Patten	482
Write in	2
Spoiled	
Blank	98
:TOTAL	582

For GRAND JUROR, I year	
Write in	52
Spoiled	7
Blank	523
TOTAL	582
For AGT to PROS/DEFEND SUITS, 1 year	
Write in	30
Spoiled	
Blank	552
TOTAL,	582
For AGT to CONVEY PROPERTY, 1 year	
Write in	25
Spoiled	
Blank	557
TOTAL	582

ZONING AMEN	IDMENT TALLY SHEET
Marc	ch 2,1999
Article 26	
Yes	472
No	90
Spoiled	
Biank	20
TOTAL	582

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT FEBRUARY 27, 1999

The Meeting began with a flag ceremony by Town Girl and Boy Scouts, lead in by piper Frances Adams. A quartet of Thetford Academy students sang the National Anthem, and an invocation was offered by Richardson Fowle. Moderator Joseph Tofel introduced recently sworn in Police Chief James Krakowiecki. Selectboard member Lucy Young introduced Candidates for Town and School Offices. One of two Town "Civic Pride" Award presented by Selectboard Member James Masland to former Lister, Arthur Bacon, who was recently deceased. The award was accepted by Arthur's son, John Bacon. The Meeting was officially called to order at 9:15 AM by Moderator Tofel.

ARTICLE 1 To hear and act on the reports of the Town.

Article 1 was moved by Selectboard member Patricla Blake, and seconded by Selectboard member James Masland. With no discussion, Article 1 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 2 Shall the Town have all taxes raised in the Treasurer's Office on or before October 15, 1999, by 5:00 PM. After this deadline, interest of 1% per month or fraction thereof for the first three months and thereafter 11/2% per month or fraction thereof, and 8% penalty will be due the Town.

Article 2 moved by Patricia Blake, seconded by Selectboard member Tim Moore. With no discussion, Article 2 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 3 Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow money needed for current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Article 3 moved by Patricia Blake, seconded by Chet Palmer. With no discussion, Article 3 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 4 Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to pay off any outstanding debts ahead of schedule if funds are available.

Moved by Patricia Blake, seconded by Selectboard member Paul Raymond. With no discussion, Article 4 passed by a show of voter cards. ARTICLE 5 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$281,145.00 for the budgeted expenditures of the Town General Fund.

Moved by Patricia Blake, seconded by James Masland. With no discussion, Article 5 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 6 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$356,473.00 for the budgeted expenditures of the Highway Department.

Moved by Tim Moore, seconded by Patricia Blake. Tim offered an explanation of the Highway Budget, pointing out that the repair portion of the budget was up approximately \$ 30,000.00 - a one year expenditure to complete resurfacing of Route 132. Without further discussion, Article 6 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 7 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$60,000 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Equipment Replacement Fund.

Moved by Tim Moore, seconded by Pat Blake. Tim explained that the Highway Equipment fund should be used as a planning tool to anticipate monies needed to replace Highway Equipment, and should not be seen as an accounting presentation. With no discussion, Article 7 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 8 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$20,000 to make structural repairs and modifications to the existing building used as the Town Hall.

Moved by Paul Raymond, seconded by Pat Blake. Paul spoke to the Article, explaining that the roof is in poor shape, and that the Listers Office will be moving out into the main hall, due to the Police Department needing a securable, non-shared office. Priscilla Hall asked about the status of the addition project. Paul explained that the site was really not suitable for an addition. Richard Balagur questioned the wisdom of continued renovations vs. a new building that would serve the town for a number of years. Selectboard member Lucy Young indicated that there was a citizen's group interested in proposing solutions to the Town Hall issue. Tim Moore further explained the renovation plans, indicating that the roof repair was necessary, regardless of future additions/new construction. Chris Levey briefly spoke about the Town Hall representing the "character" of the Town. Richard Hammersley asked why the addition was not being done. Jim Masland offered additional comments on plans for the new construction, indicating that new information discovered in a site boundary survey revealed an existing encroachment onto Cemetery property. Elmer Brown called the question. Motion to call the

question passed by a show of cards. Article 8 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 9 Shall the Town purchase a new Fire Engine for a cost of up to \$235,000 to be paid for over a four year period starting in the fall of 1999.

Moved by Don Fifield, Jr., seconded by Tim Moore. Don explained the Fire Department's long term equipment replacement program. Polly Cole asked about the wording of the Article - are we raising money or are we buying a truck. Elmer Brown spoke in favor of the article. Noel Perrin asked about lease vs purchase - do we own at the end of the 4 years? Yes. Richard Hammersley asked about wording again - is the sum discussed in this Article included in Article 5? No - in addition to. Individually warned Articles which request that the Town raise funds are over and above the respective. Town and Wendy Cole asked about revising Article, Highway amounts. amending to include an actual amount to be raised in 1999. Tim explained that the wording was copied from a similar Article in 1991. Adam Keller echoed Wendy's concerns about the lack of a current year amount, and offered an amendment, which read "Shall the Town raise the sum of no more than \$65,000.00 for the first payment of a new Fire Engine to be purchased over a four year period for a cost of up to \$235,000.00". Cyrus Severance asked about future Fire Department purchases - what schedule? Don replied that they expected to go at least 8 years before replacement of next Engine. Mary Bryant asked about establishing a fund for major purchases beyond the Highway Equipment Fund - Tim indicated both the Selectboard and Budget Committee recommended just that. John Judd asked about delivery, and the wisdom of paying interest. Tim responded that there was a significant discount from the manufacturer if the truck was prepaid, which more than offset the cost of interest that would be paid. The truck would be delivered in November. The Moderator re-read the amended Article. Article 9 as amended passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 10 Shall the Town raise the amount of \$29,256.00 for the Thefford Library Federation.

Moved and seconded, Peter Blodgett spoke to the Article, comparing expenditures to other Libraries in Orange County. Edie Ham spoke in support of the Library, and the Article. With no further discussion, Article 10 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 11 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$16,500 to be used as a local match for a two year co-operative project with the U.S. Geological Survey to study the characteristics of the bedrock aquifer in the vicinity of the Upper Valley Regional Landfill, in Post Mills, subject to

securing sufficient additional matching funds from federal, state and private sources.

Moved by Robert Pulaski, seconded by Frances Haugen. Robert Pulaski offered a summary of the handout sheet provided to meeting, indicating that the Town's funds, if appropriated, would not be spent if any planned matching funds were not received. Brian Cole asked about reliability of USGS data. Stuart Blood responded that the USGS has a field office in New Hampshire, and that this would be a co-operative type project. USGS NH-VT district reportedly does some of the best bedrock work in the US. Mary Bryant asked about the status of capping the landfill - who is working on that? Jim Masland indicated that there are several state agencies/departments working on a settlement that addressed closure of the Landfill, but not the Town, as they are not a party. Frank Barker indicated that he was unaware of this bedrock study effort, and spoke about the continued positive test results from the present water supply. Approximately \$ 1500.00 per month is spent on extensive water testing. Frank Barker offered a motion to pass over Article 11, seconded by Chet Palmer. David Fisk spoke about potential pollutants, and believed that the town, as contributors to the contents of the Landfill, had an obligation to see what was there. Ann Swanson added that groundwater monitoring should be considered for other areas of town. Edie Ham asked about a townwide aquifer study. Frank Barker spoke about past studies and (conflicting) theories about groundwater movement. Stuart Blood spoke about plans for testing, indicating that there would be no new drilling. instead, new methods would be employed. including radar diagramming of bedrock fractures. Larry Shaper asked about what the information would be used for. Duncan Nichols spoke about construction projects and new wells, indicating that such projects don't necessarily affect or disturb aquifers. Rick Barrows, Judy Bowden and Priscilla Hall spoke against passing over the Article. The motion to pass over was defeated. Further discussion on the Article as warned was offered. The question was called by Pat Blake, seconded by David Fisk. A vote by show of voter cards was inconclusive. Article 11 passed by a count of standing voters.

Moved to adjourn for 45 minutes for lunch. The meeting resumed at 12:52 PM. Senator Mark MacDonald addressed the meeting, speaking about Act 60. Jim Masland, State Representative spoke about current legislative issues, including the Northeast Kingdom land purchase, and Electric Rate restructuring.

ARTICLE 12 Shall the Town raise the amount of \$5,286.00 for the Thefford FAST Squad.

Moved by Andrew Havens, seconded by Frances Haugen. Drew spoke to the Article, highlighting FAST Squad activities. With no questions, Article 12 passed by a show of voter cards.

The meeting briefly paused to award the second "Civic Pride" award to Diane Stone. Diane has been very active in community and civic groups, and has held the offices of Tax Collector, Assistant Town Clerk, and most recently, Lister. Diane and husband Alford accepted the award.

ARTICLE 13 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$2,000.00 to contribute

towards the continuing Lake Fairlee Milfoil Control Project.

Moved by Deecie McNelly Denison, seconded by Rob Hunter. Deecle spoke briefly - there were no questions, and Article 13 passed by show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 14 Shall the Town transfer the development rights of Bill Hill in Thetford Center to the Upper Valley Land Trust.

Moved by Noel Perrin, seconded by Frank Barker. Noel spoke about the origin of the Town's acquisition of the development rights, and recommended that the transfer to UVLT. Noel actually owns the property, located west of the Ompompanoosuc River in Thetford Center. With no further questions, Article 14 passed by a show of voter cards.

Shall the Town stabilize the taxes of Camp Billings at ARTICLE 15 \$11,200.00 per year for a period of five years.

Moved by Paul Raymond, seconded by Pat Blake. Moved by Rebecca Raymond to amend article to read "Shall the Town stabilize the taxes of Camp Billings at \$ 11,200.00 per year for a period of one year." Paul indicated that the property was in need of a re-appraisal, as there were a number of new buildings constructed since the last stabilization vote. Amending the Article to one year would enable the Listers to re-appraise, and would give the Camp the opportunity to grieve any valuation change. Amendment passed by a show of voter cards. Article as amended passed by a show of voter cards.

Shall the Town stabilize the taxes of the Thetford Center ARTICLE 16 Community Association at \$ 50.00 per year for a period of five years.

Moved by Paul Raymond, seconded by Martha Wiencke. With no discussion, Article 16 passed by a show of cards.

Shall the Town stabilize the taxes of the Rices Mills ARTICLE 17 Community Association at \$ 30.00 per year for a period of five years.

Moved by Paul Raymond, seconded by Charles Dixon. With no discussion, Article 17 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 18 Shall the Town stabilize the taxes of the Thetford Historical Society at \$ 100.00 per year for a period of five years.

Moved by Rick Hoffman, seconded by Pat Blake. With the meeting's permission Charles Latham spoke to the Article, describing the property in question, (the Historical Society's Barn Museum on Route 113) and what it is used for. With no questions, Article 18 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 19 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$725.00 for Central Vermont Adult Basic Education Inc..

Moved by Jim Masland, seconded by Ann Swanson. Jim indicated that the CVABE annual report in the Town Report provided a good summary of the organization's activities, and urged support. With no questions, Article 19 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 20 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$500.00 for the AIDS Community Resource Network (ACORN).

Moved by Betty Ferriot, seconded by Charles Dixon. Betty described ACORN's services. With no questions, Article 20 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 21 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 150.00 for VT Green

Moved by Jim Masland, seconded by Pat Blake. Jim Masland spoke to the Article, describing Green Up Day, and what the Town received from the organization (bags, promotional materials, etc.). With no discussion, Article 21 passed by a show of voter cards.

Shall the Town raise the sum of \$100.00 for the Veterans ARTICLE 22 Memorial Cemetery Chapel.

Moved by Jim Masland, seconded by Rebecca Raymond. Funds requested are to complete a non-denominational chapel at the Veterans' Memorial Site in Randolph. With no discussion, Article 22 passed by a show of voter cards.

(By petition) Shall the citizens of Thetford, Vermont call ARTICLE 23 upon the US government and governments of all nuclear weapons states to secure on an urgent basis a nuclear weapons abolition treaty. The treaty must include an early timetable for the elimination of nuclear weapons in a manner that is mutual and verifiable among all nations. We further urge our state senators and representatives to introduce a resolution to this effect and send it on to the Vermont Congressional delegation for immediate action.

Moved by Peter Blodgett, seconded by Michael Brown. Fred Adams spoke against the Article, Grace Paley spoke in favor of it. Jim Harlow spoke against it, saying the Article was political, and dld not have a place in a Town Meeting. Tim McCosker spoke in favor of sending a local message to the State and Federal Governments. Ragnwald Muller stated that the Article expressed a nice sentiment, but was ineffectual. Elmer Brown agreed. Robert Pulaski, Judy Bowden and Bruce Nelson spoke in favor of the Article. Jim Harlow made an additional comment that it was an individual's belief, and should not be voted on as a Town. Individuals should take initiative to contact their legislature with their beliefs. Duncan Nichols spoke in favor. With no further discussion, Article 23 passed by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 24 To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Moved by Jim Masland, seconded by Pat Blake. Jim thanked retiring Selectboard members Pat Blake and Tim Moore. Chris Levey addressed the meeting, offering a resolution which read as follows:

"We, a small group of Thetford residents, move that a Citizen's Task Force be formed to assist and advise the Select Board to bring about an efficient and accessible Town Office facility. The mission of the task force would be to work with the Select Board to: a) explore various options to house the Town Offices; b) to hold a Public Forum to obtain input from residents regarding the feasible options; c) develop a proposal to be put before town residents no later than the town meeting in the year 2000. The Citizen's Task Force would be made up of five members: a representative of the Town Offices staff, a member of the Historic Preservation Committee, a member of the Committee on Rural Preservation, and two other residents who volunteer and are appointed by the Select Board."

Tim Moore asked if the group was open to additional members, if more than 5 expressed interest. The resolution was amended to read "at least 5 members", and was adopted by a show of voter cards.

ARTICLE 25 To elect Town and School Officers.

Moderator Tofel reminded the meeting that election of Town and School Officers would take place at the Town Offices on Tuesday, March 2, 1998, from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

ARTICLE 26

Shall the voters adopt a revision to the Thetford Zoning Regulations, adding a section on Telecommunications towers. Added section contains site plan, co-location, permit, report, continuing obligation and insurance requirements for said towers, standards for tower and antenna design, lighting and signage, temporary wireless facilities, interference with public safety telecommunications, and new definitions. The Thetford Zoning Ordinance revisions are proposed in accordance with sections 4401 and 4407, Ch 117 of Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated. (The full text of the proposed Zoning Ordinance revisions is available at the Town Offices, and at the Annual Town Meeting).

Mark McMahon of the Planning Commission spoke to this Article, and answered questions.

There being no further business, the Town portion of the meeting adjourned to begin the School District Meeting.

Joseph Tofel, Town Moderator

Paul Raymond, Thetford Selectboard

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CHURCHES

Thetford Baptist Church - East Thetford	785-2050
North Thetford Federated Church - North Thetford Rev. Elizabeth Upton	333-4429
Post Mills Congregational Church - Post Mills Rev. J. Yorke Peeler	333-9352
First Congregational Church - Thetford Hill Rev. Thomas Kinder	785-2915
Timothy Frost Methodist Church - Thetford Center Rev. Bertha Brown	785-2167
Union Village Methodist Church - Union Village Rev. Louis Maxfleld	295-3266

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Latham Memorial Library - Thetford Hill	785-4361
Peter Biodgett, Librarian Hours Monday: 2:00 - 8:30 PM; Tuesday - Thursday: Friday: 9:00 -5:00 PM; Saturday: 10:00 - 1:00 PM.	2:00 - 5:00 PM;

Peabody Library 333-9724
Peter Blodgett, Librarian
Hours: Tuesday: 5:00 - 8:00 PM; Wednesday: 2:00 - 8:30 PM

Thetford Historical Library - Thetford Hill

Marian Fifield
Charles Latham

Monday & Thursday: 2:00 - 4:00 PM, Tuesday 10:00 AM to Noon, or by special appointments by calling 785-2068.

POST OFFICES

East Thetford - Margaret Prinn	785-2874
North Thetford - Holly Towle	333-9555
Post Mills - Robert Totz	333-9571
Thetford - Dennis Fennell	785-2146
Thetford Center - Henry McKee	785-4566