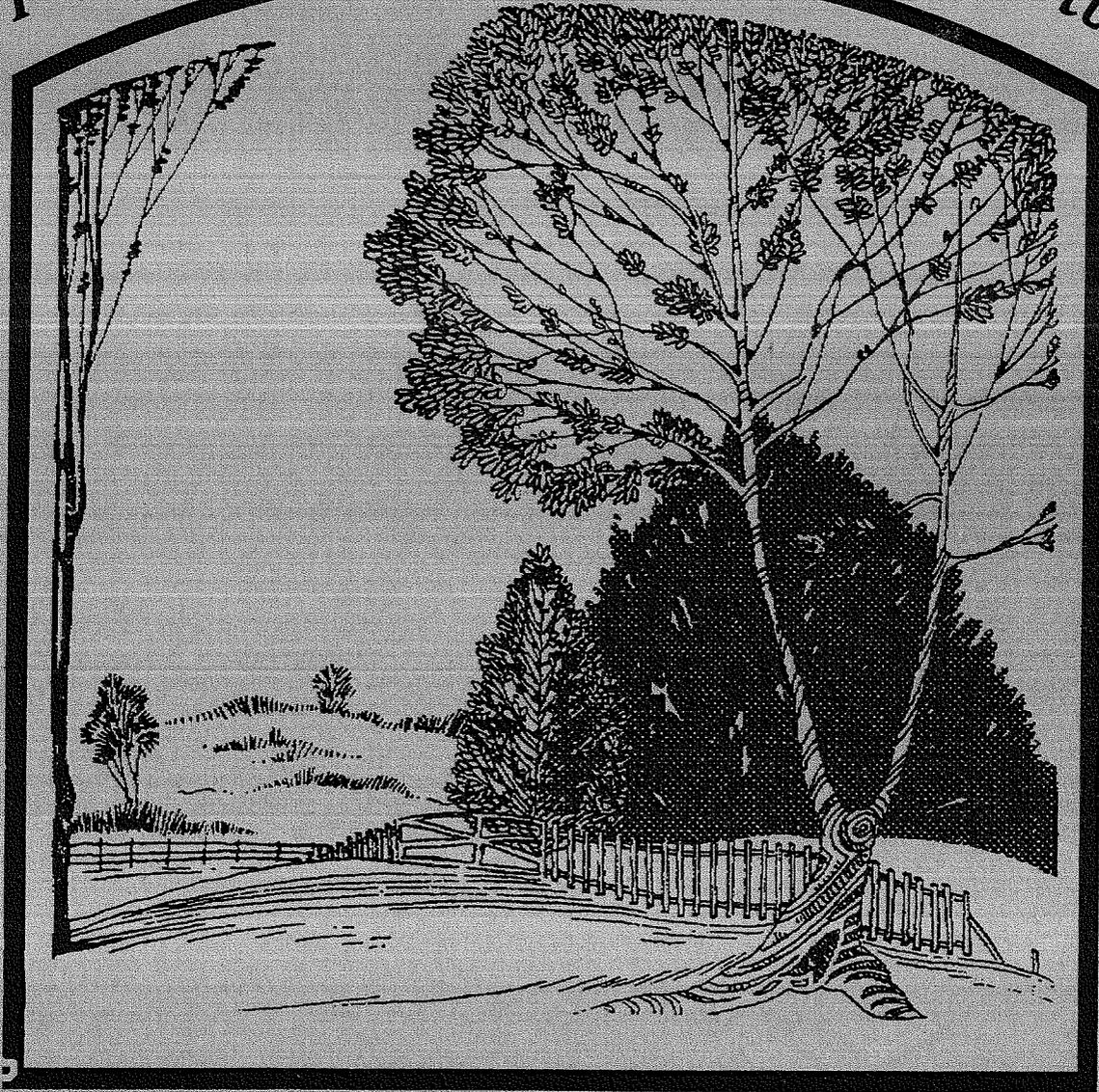


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Town of Thetford, Vermont



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THETFORD, VERMONT*

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THETFORD TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator - Town		
Joseph Tofel	2553 Academy Road, Thetford Center	649-1434
Moderator - School		
Mary McNelly Denison	982 Quinibeck Road, Fairlee	333-9527
Selectmen		
Judith Bowden ('02)	PO Box 240, Post Mills	785-2712
David Fisk ('02)	PO Box 166, Post Mills	333-9607
Mary Spata ('03)	272 Route 244, Post Mills	333-9383
Richard Barrows ('03)	PO Box 245, Thetford Center	785-4607
Mark McMahon ('04)	2166 Godfrey Road, E Thetford	785-4687
Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Delinquent Tax Collector		
Roberta C. Howard	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-2922
Grand Juror		
<i>Vacant</i>		
Agt. to Prosecute/Defend Suits		
<i>Vacant</i>		
Agt. to Convey Real Property		
<i>Vacant</i>		
Listers (Three Year Term)		
Roxy Maxfield ('02)	895 Five Corners Rd, Thetford Center	785-4215
Denise Adams ('03)	PO Box 178, Post Mills	785-4331
Janet Stowell ('04)	462 Stowell Rd, Thetford Center	785-4387
Auditors (Three Year Term)		
<i>Vacant</i>		
<i>Vacant</i>		
<i>Vacant</i>		
School Directors		
Tom Gray ('02)	PO Box 27, North Thetford	333-4139
Charlie Buttrey ('02)	347 Cranberry Hill Rd, East Thetford	785-4005
Joseph Malpino ('03)	PO Box 248, Thetford Center	785-4456
Mary C. Doyle ('03)	3 Amasa Bond Rd, Thetford Center	
Tracy Bach ('04)	149 Miller Pond Rd, Thetford Center	785-3165
Trustees of Trust Funds (Three Year Term)		
Elmer Brown ('02)	PO Box 237, Thetford Center	785-2167
Frederick Howard ('03)	PO Box 57, North Thetford	333-9291
Ruel G. Barrett ('04)	PO Box 89, Thetford	785-2867
Cemetery Commissioners (Three Year Term)		
John Wilmot ('02)	PO Box 6, East Thetford	785-4090
Andrew Martin ('03)	619 Quail John Rd, East Thetford	785-2024
David Evilsizer ('04)	1530 Latham Rd, Thetford Center	333-3716
Budget Committee		
Michael Brown ('02)	437 Burnham Rd, E Thetford	785-4536
Nan Vosburg ('03)	PO Box 75, North Thetford	333-4167
<i>3 vacant</i>		

Trustees of Library (Five Year Term)

1 vacant ('02)

Janice Cook ('02)	316 Cream Street, Thetford Center	785-2587
Diana Eastridge ('03)	2002 Gove Hill Rd, Thetford Center	785-2428
Marilyn Fava ('03)	PO Box 218, Thetford Center	785-3117
Lisa Celone ('04)	1535 Rt 132, Thetford Center	785-2034
Edith Ham ('04)	4667 Rt 5, Thetford Center	333-3283
Sally Duston ('05)	545 Tucker Hill Rd, Thetford Center	785-2012
Lucy Young ('05)	PO Box 175, Thetford	785-9807

Justices of the Peace

Gladys Boyd	805 Godfrey Road, East Thetford	785-2029
Murray Burk	272 Route 244, Post Mills	333-9383
Sarah Clarke	1255 Latham Rd, East Thetford	333-4480
Wendy Cole	751 Quail John Road, East Thetford	785-2698
Roxy Maxfield	895 Five Corners Rd, Thetford Center	785-4215
Paul Raymond	PO Box 223, Thetford Center	785-4953
Cy Severance	PO Box 21, East Thetford	333-4436
Marcia Smith	PO Box 100, Thetford	785-2705
Ann Swanson	414 Cream Street, Thetford Center	785-9855
Jean Wolstenholme	PO Box 6, Thetford	785-4567

Representative for Orange District 4

James Masland	714 Pero Hill Rd, Thetford Center	785-4146
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Senator - Orange County

Bill Corrow	361 Chelsea Rd., Williamstown, VT 05679	433-6085
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APPOINTED OFFICERS

Police Chief

vacant

Special Officer - Police

Charles Stephens	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-2200
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Road Commissioner

David LeFevre	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-4679
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Zoning Administrator

William Thrane	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-4927
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Asst. Town Clerk/Treasurer

Martha Howard	PO Box 34, North Thetford	333-9171
Jane Cramer	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-4927

Town Service Officer

Roberta Howard	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-2922
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Health Officer

Alford Stone	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-2922
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Animal Control Officer

Vacant

Pound Keeper

Ruth Dwyer	2604 Sawnee Bean Rd, Thetford Center	785-2817
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Fire Wardens (Burning Permits)

Don Fifield, Jr.	PO Box 161, Thetford Center	785-2604
Ellis Paige	41 Whippoorwill Rd, Thetford Center	785-4477
Jeff Sirjane	1854 Sawnee Bean Rd, Thetford Center	785-4405

Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee RPC		
<i>Vacant</i>		
Planning Commission		
Sean Mullen, Chair	1562 Poor Farm Rd S., Thetford Center	785-4373
Robert Pulaski, V. Chair	1006 Barker Rd, Post Mills	333-4627
Ethan Cole	PO Box 231, Thetford	785-4124
Richard Haugen	515 Burnham Rd, East Thetford	785-4494
Dennis Marquise	339 Burnham Rd, East Thetford	785-2175
Ken Robinson	329 Turnpike Rd N, Fairlee	333-9310
<i>1 vacant</i>		
Historic Preservation Committee		
Stephen Branchflower	442 Hauger Rd, Thetford Center	785-2667
James Fowle	PO Box 46, Thetford	785-2630
John Hall	PO Box 148, Post Mills	333-4077
Roney Hoffman	68 Cobble Hill Rd, East Thetford	785-2438
Tod Moses	PO Box 164, Thetford Center	785-3060
Dan Russell	5414 Rte 5, North Thetford	333-4402
Susan Thrane	PO Box 633, Thetford	785-2520
Conservation Commission		
Jennifer Davey	PO Box 166, Post Mills	333-9607
Richard Haugen	515 Burnham Rd, East Thetford	785-4494
Jean Lariviere	770 Route 244, Post Mills	333-7025
Ted Levin	PO Box 117, Thetford	333-4443
Robert Lichvar	PO Box 118, Post Mills	333-9180
Robert Pulaski	1006 Barker Rd, Post Mills	333-4627
William Shepard	2360 Academy Rd, Thetford Center	785-2855
Scott Stokoe	518 Ulman Rd, Thetford Center	785-2083
Fred Thomas	1221 Gove Hill Rd, Thetford Center	785-2596
Energy Committee		
Bob Walker, Chair	432 Ulman Rd, Thetford Center	785-4126
Bill Bridge	3836 Rt 5, Thetford Center	785-2964
Henri Fennell	PO Box 65, North Thetford	333-3617
Chris Hebb	PO Box 103, Thetford	333-4159
Niko Horster	1900 Gove Hill Rd, Thetford Center	785-3146
Stephen Hoffman	61 New Boston Rd, Thetford Center	785-4039
Jean LaRiviere	770 Rt 244, Fairlee	333-7025
Joel Legunn	PO Box 130, Post Mills	785-3041
Heinz Trebitz	480 Colby Rd North, Thetford Center	785-2129
Diana Wright	61 New Boston Rd, Thetford Center	785-4039
Greater UV Solid Waste District		
Judith Bowden (Rep.)	PO Box 240, Post Mills	785-2712
Recreation Committee		
Scott and Ann O'Hearn	c/o Treasure Island	333-3705
Emergency Management		
David Goodrich	1015 Whippoorwill Rd, Thetford Center	785-4635
Upper Valley Ambulance		
Todd Protzman	PO Box 185, Post Mills	unlisted

Agency on Aging - White River Council		
Ruel Barrett	PO Box 184, Thetford	785-2867
Tree Warden		
Elmer Brown	PO Box 237, Thetford Center	785-2167
Surveyors of Wood & Lumber		
Gary Ulman	359 Ulman Rd, Thetford Center	785-4037
Lee Palmer	PO Box 106, North Thetford	333-9026
<i>1 Vacant</i>		
Fence Viewers		
Robert Evans	100 Evans Rd, East Thetford	785-2673
Robert Vaughan	PO Box 54, East Thetford	785-2968
Royce Bond	155 Turnpike Rd South, Thetford Center	333-4640
Historian		
Marian Fifield	PO Box 255, Thetford Center	
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 Center	785-2964
Sherry S. Crossley	PO Box 257, Thetford Center	333-9579
Lynn J. Daly	358 Picknell Rd, Thetford Center	785-4336
Emily S. Davis	185 Norford Lake Rd, Thetford Center	649-2729
Herbert C. Gray	PO Box 87, East Thetford	785-4348
Loretta Gray	PO Box 35, East Thetford	785-4189
Rebecca B. Gray	PO Box 87, East Thetford	785-4348
Dana C. Grossman	PO Box 106, East Thetford	785-4074
Daniel F. Grossman	PO Box 106, East Thetford	785-4074
Mary M. Hathorn	541 Ely Rd, Fairlee	333-9176
Martha Howard	PO Box 34, North Thetford	333-9171
Roberta C. Howard	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-2922
Lynn Irwin	665 Godfrey Rd, East Thetford	785-4581
Brenda Magoon	PO Box 25, North Thetford	785-4054
Jeanne Phipps	PO Box 76, North Thetford	333-9130
Charles Stephens	PO Box 126, Thetford Center	785-2200
Gloria Thurston	Thetford Academy	785-4805



CANDIDATES FOR TOWN and SCHOOL OFFICES

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	Paul Raymond
Selectman, 2 Year	Sara Ferguson Alford Stone
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	Roxy Maxfield
Auditor, 3 Years	no candidate
Auditor, 2 Years	no candidate
Auditor, 1 Year	no candidate
Budget Committee, 3 Years	no candidate
Budget Committee, 2 Years	Michael Brown
Budget Committee, 1 Year (to complete 3 yr term)	no candidate
Budget Committee, 1 Year (to complete 2 yr term)	no candidate
Trustee of Trust Funds, 3 Years	Elmer Brown
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 Years	John Wilmot
Library Trustee, 4 Years	Kathy Bonyai
Library Trustee, 4 Years	Janice Cook
School Moderator, 1 Year	Deecie Denison
School Director, 3 Years	Charlie Buttrey
School Director, 2 Year	Martha Jacobs-Rebhun

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 23, 2002, 10:00 AM to NOON at the Town Hall.

All applications must be received no later than Saturday, February 23, 2002, by 12:00 NOON, in order to vote on March 2 and March 5, 2002. Voters may request absentee ballots until 5:00 PM or the closing of the Town Clerk's Office on Monday, March 4, 2002. 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 4, 2002.

Voting by Australian Ballot will be Tuesday, March 5, 2002, from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM at the Thetford Center Community Association building, for Election of Town and School Officers, the School District Budget and the Town Offices Renovation Bond Vote.

NOTICE TO VOTERS BEFORE ELECTION DAY

CHECKLIST POSTED: (No later than 30 days before election) February 3, 2002. 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 23, 2002, 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 4, 2002.

Where: Town Clerk's Office

How: Either in person, in writing, or by telephone.

Who: The voter, or authorized person may request absentee ballot on behalf of an absent voter by 12 NOON on March 4, 2002.

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 5, 2002).
- 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 23, 2002.

**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 2nd, 2002 at 9:00 am, to transact the following business:

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

ARTICLE 2 Shall the Town have all taxes raised in the Treasurer's Office on or before Tuesday, October 15th, 2002 by 5:00pm. After this deadline, interest of 1% per month or fraction thereof for the first three months and thereafter 1.5% per month 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 \$ 477,304.50 for the budgeted expenditures of the Town General Fund.

ARTICLE 6 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$ 234,745.00 for the budgeted expenditures of the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 7 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$45,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Equipment Replacement Fund.

ARTICLE 8 Shall the Town authorize the purchase of a used pickup truck, at a cost not to exceed \$3,500.00 for the Highway Department. The \$3,500.00 would be expended from the Highway Capital Equipment Replacement Fund.

ARTICLE 9 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$52,540.00 for the Thetford Library Federation.

ARTICLE 10 Shall the Town pursue an option to relocate the Recycling Center from its existing site on Route 113 to the Vermont State Garage property located on West Fairlee Road.

ARTICLE 11 Shall the Town accept ownership of 100 acres of land in Post Mills to be accepted under a permanent conservation easement by the Upper Valley Land Trust at a one time stewardship cost not to exceed \$5,000.00, with any other additional costs to be raised privately. Accepting this parcel is contingent upon abatement of delinquent taxes, penalties and interest in the amount of \$ 31,906.65.

ARTICLE 12 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$8,460.00 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire, Inc.

ARTICLE 13 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$800.00 for Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc.

ARTICLE 14 Shall the Town raise the sum of \$100.00 for Kids Place, Randolph, Vermont.

ARTICLE 15 To transact any other business.

The following article shall be voted on by Australian Ballot on Tuesday March 5th, 2002. Please take note that Australian Balloting will take place from 8:00am to 7:00pm, at the Thetford Center Community Association Building, located next to the Town Highway Garage.

ARTICLE 16 To elect Town and School Officers.

Dated: January 31, 2002

Roberta C. Howard
Town Clerk

Mark McMahon, Chair
Richard Barrows
Judy Bowden
David Fisk
Mary Spata

TOWN MEETING INFORMATION

The Annual Town and School Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2002 at Anderson Hall, Thetford Academy, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

A snack bar will be open throughout the day.

Child Care will be available free of charge sponsored by Thetford Girl Scouts and Scout Leaders. Child Care will be available beginning at 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM except during the lunch break.

A luncheon will be served in the Family and Consumer Science Room at TA. Proceeds will benefit the TA Honors Society.

**TOWN OF THETFORD
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Thetford, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Community Center in the Town of Thetford, on Tuesday, March 5, 2002, between the hours of eight o'clock (8:00) in the forenoon (a.m.) At which time the polls will open, and seven o'clock (7:00) in the afternoon (p.m.), at which time the polls will close, to vote by Australian ballot upon the following Article of business:

ARTICLE I

Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Thetford in an amount not to exceed Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$ 600,000), subject to reduction from the receipt of available state and federal grants-in-aid and other sources of funding and payable at the rate of \$ 30,000 per year over a term not to exceed twenty years, be issued for the purpose of making certain public building improvements, viz: renovations and enhancements to the Town Hall, at an estimated cost of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$ 600,000)?

The legal voters of the Town of Thetford are further notified that voter qualification, registration and absentee voting relative to said special meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

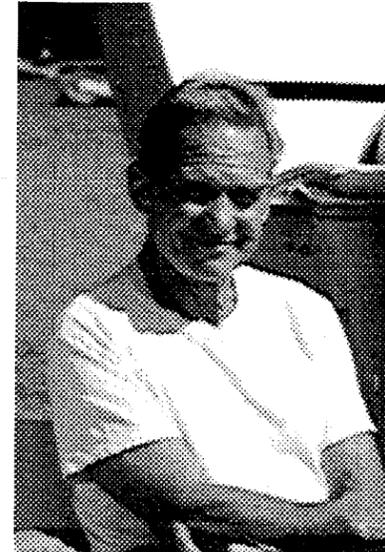
The legal voters of the Town of Thetford are further notified that an informational meeting will be held at Anderson Hall, Thetford Academy, in the Town of Thetford on Saturday, March 2, 2002, commencing at nine o'clock (9:00) in the forenoon (a.m.) for the purpose of explaining the subject proposed public building improvements and the financing thereof.

Adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the Selectboard of the Town of Thetford duly called, noticed and held on January 28, 2002. Received for record and recorded in the records of the Town of Thetford on January 30, 2002.

ATTEST:

Roberta C. Howard
Town Clerk

Mark McMahon, Chair, Thetford Selectboard
Rick Barrows
Judy Bowden
David Fisk
Mary Spata



DON E. WILSON 30 DEC 1925 – 15 APR 2001

Don was born in Canfield, Ohio; his Mother was a teacher and his Father was a professor of engineering at Akron University. After early graduation from high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Marines and served with the 4th and 2nd Marine Divisions in the Pacific Theater during WWII. He graduated from Kent State University in 1950 where he was captain of the swim team. He had accepted a position to teach and coach football at Canfield High School, but was called back to active duty as an officer in the U.S. Army for service in Korea, where he was severely wounded.

In 1957, Don and family moved to Norwich, VT where he was an ROTC Instructor for Dartmouth College, and coached Cory Ford's Golden Gloves boxing club. During following years, he attended Airborne training, Ranger school, and Special Warfare School and served three tours of duty in Germany and two more tours in South East Asia with the elite Green Berets, and as an advisor to Laotian government forces. While stationed in Germany, he trained and coached a competitive American team that won two successive international military NATO competitions, our country's first victories.

Following his military retirement in 1972, Don rejoined the family in Norwich, VT where three of his four children graduated from Hanover High School, the youngest having the unique experience (for the Wilsons) of spending 4 years in the same school. He met Richard Hauger who "suggested" that he might be interested in being the caretaker / manager of Thetford's developing Treasure Island recreation area on Lake Fairlee. For the next 27 years, he was instrumental in the development and evolution of this beautiful area.

Don was an avid hunter, skier and tennis player and enjoyed all outdoor activities. He has made a positive impact on the lives of many of the youth of our community. He will long be remembered for his indomitable good spirit, personal integrity, and selfless character. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Elnora, and their four children, Jane, Jack, Mark, and Martha and four grandchildren, Mark, Ian, Aaron and Sarah.

REMEMBRANCE

Marion Slack Bacon, widow of Arthur Bacon; longtime Thetford resident; Valedictorian of Thetford Academy Class of 1945. Marion worked as a Nurse's Aide and also at the former Country Fare Restaurant in East Thetford. She worked with Arthur at the family farm in Stevens District; and enjoyed her grandchildren, bird watching, oil painting, and crossword puzzles. Marion was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Post #79 in Thetford.

Margaret Balch of Lyme, NH, was a faithful member of North Thetford Federated Church and an active member of North Thetford Ladies Aid, Friendly Class, sponsor of Church music; and a trustee of North Thetford Library for many years. She was one of the last to walk over the bridge between Lyme and North Thetford before it was removed.

Richard Bradley, husband of Mary Lou, and father of Hyle and Drew Bradley. Richard was a fireman for the Town of Hanover, and police officer for the towns of Lebanon and Enfield. He was also a dispatcher at the Town of Hanover for emergency services from 1982 until the time of his death. His calm voice was a comfort to anxious relatives calling dispatch for help, and for those assisting at fires, police issues, accidents, and other emergencies.

Alice E Bragg, wife of Kenneth Bragg, of North Thetford. She lived all of her 66 years of married life in North Thetford where she helped to found the Valley School for children of special needs. Alice enjoyed refinishing furniture and bird watching, but above all, she enjoyed her extensive family.

E. Timothy Crowley was a graduate of Thetford Academy and former resident of Thetford Center. During the time he lived in this area, he was active in the Bradford Community Action program, the Listen Center, North Country Community Theater, and Parish Players. He was also interested in Native Americans, literature, and riding his motorcycle.

Gordon Cross, lived in Post Mills with wife Betty. He owned and operated Echo Valley Dance Hall in Post Mills, and was a retired carpenter. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, his flower gardens, and his faithful dog Roscoe.

Francis G. Clark was born in Thetford Center and farmed in the Rices Mills area of Thetford all of his life. He is survived by his wife Lois, and daughters.

Doreen Dresser, sister of Diane Stone and Rick Dresser of Thetford, and Doug Dresser of West Fairlee. Doreen cared for children in the Hanover area, and was a cook at Lou's Restaurant in Hanover for many years. She also loved horses, German Shepherds, and collected key chains from the fifty states.

Elizabeth Erwin, late of Sawnee Bean Road. Survived by husband Dale Erwin. Liz was the mother of Lillian Race of Thetford Center and the late Cathy Dresser of West Fairlee.

Gordon Fifield, husband of the former Hazel Pero, lived in Thetford Center for all of his life. For many years he was foreman of maintenance and repairs at Camp Farnsworth, and later worked for Trumbull Nelson Construction Company. He enjoyed staying at the camp he built on Goose Pond, and also hunting and fishing. He faithfully attended Town Meeting, and was always interested in his family.

Marion C Fitzgerald was born in Thetford, and was a member of the Class of 1929 at Thetford Academy. She graduated from Mary Hitchcock School of Nursing, and retired in 1986 from Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital. As a member of the Thetford Historical Society, she was very generous with her donations of photographs, books, clippings, and other memorabilia. She lived in Norwich for 38 years, and was a member of the Green Mountain Chapter of the Sweet Adelines.

William F. Fitzgerald, husband of Marion C Fitzgerald, served with the Army Air Corps in World War II. He also served as a deacon at Post Mills Congregational Church, Constable and Tax Collector for the Town of Thetford. After selling his farm in Thetford and relocating to Norwich, he worked for Browning Engineering in Hanover, and later at Dan and Whit's Store in Norwich.

Myrtle E. Nichols, mother of Dianne Sharkey of North Thetford, with whom she lived most recently. She was administrator of the Los Angeles Girl Scout Council, and with her husband, owned and operated a hearing aid business. Following her retirement at age 75, she worked for Walden Books.

Hannah C. Palmer, wife of the late Carroll Palmer of Thetford Center. She traveled about the world for 25 years as an Army wife. Hannah was involved in the fight against silicone transplants for chemically associated neurological disorders.

William M. Porter, lived on the Norwich side of Union Village; attended Union Village School and Thetford Academy, and was a member of Union Village Methodist Church. He served in the Army in World War II, and later worked as a carpenter for Trumbull Nelson Construction Company. Following his retirement, he relocated to Florida with his wife Virginia.

James C. Seace, husband of Gertrude Seace, was a self-employed house painter and paper hanger. He loved horses, horseback riding, and snowmobiling. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, farming; and especially being with his family, friends, and relatives.

Richard Southworth, of Cross Street in Post Mills, survived by wife Dorothy. Owned and operated an excavating business, and more recently worked at Britton Lumber Company.

Don Wilson, husband of Elnora Wilson, will long be remembered as the caretaker and manager at Treasure Island where he resided for many years. He was a career man in the Army for 27 years; retiring as a Lt Colonel. Please refer to the tribute to Don Wilson.

SELECTBOARD REPORT

Looking back over previous years, history seems to repeat itself. The year 2001 proved to be similar to the past in many ways.

First, it is important that we take this opportunity to thank our town employees and those who have so generously volunteered their time and services to our community. Without these individuals, towns as ours would certainly lose much of the flare and charm that we dearly covet. Thank you all for your commitment to improving the lives of Thetford Residents.

This past year we began a two-year reassessment of properties in Thetford. Due to an alarming trend of properties selling well above their assessed values, our Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) dropped below 90% which directly affects the revenues we receive from the State of Vermont for our schools. Fortunately, the reassessment will be completed early this summer and our CLA should be close to 100%. Unfortunately, this increase in our CLA will not be realized until next year at which time our schools will again benefit from the increased revenues. Accordingly, two years ago, as it became apparent that our CLA was dropping and the need for a reassessment was critical, we began to adjust areas in our budget where we felt appropriate and managed a surplus for two consecutive years of over \$150,000. This surplus has been rolled back into the General and Highway funds reducing significantly the taxes to be raised for the 2002 budget.

After a long process, which seemed frustrating and certainly exhausting at times, we are excited to put forth our recommendation for the Town Hall renovation plan. The need for improvements to our historic Town Hall predicate the need for significant renovations and expansion to accommodate the needs of this community for years to come. The facts are plain and simple: Town Hall is 170 years old and requires major structural, cosmetic and mechanical repairs. These repairs alone are not inexpensive and need to be addressed promptly. Please continue to support the needs of our community by voting in favor of the bond on Tuesday, March 5th, 2002. (See Town Hall Renovation Committee Report.)

Each year it is sad to look at the list of community members who have died. One person that we want to remember is Don Wilson. For 27 years, Don has groomed and maintained our Treasure Island Recreation facility. He quietly prepared Treasure Island each season for hundreds of friends and families to enjoy. He has left an indelible mark that will never be forgotten. The shores of Treasure Island will miss him. We will too. Thank you Don and El Wilson.

Don brought to our attention the need for extensive repairs and improvements to Treasure Island. In early June 2002, we hired Ann Van Drisse and Scott O'Hearn to begin the formidable task of succeeding El and Don, and to continue necessary repairs and improvements. We could not be more pleased about how Ann and Scott have stepped into the role. Along with the guidance of Mrs. Wilson, the summer of 2001 was a wonderful success and 2002 should prove

even better. A quick footnote: Ann and Scott managed to accomplish all the duties before them while expecting and giving birth to baby Rachel on August 28th! Congratulations.

Shortly before January 2002, we accepted the resignation of our Police Chief, James P. Krakowiecki. For more than 3 years, Jim served the Town of Thetford with his experience and dedication. He provided us with professional and courteous assistance to help meet our residents needs through community involvement and awareness. We are grateful for his commitment and hard work. We wish him all the best. A Citizens' Police Advisory Committee was formed in Spring 2001 to discuss areas of policing in the Town of Thetford and how more community involvement might benefit both the police department and town. Monthly meetings were held and in response to the committee's findings, the Selectboard will take a more active role in overseeing our Police Department's duties and responsibilities. Presently, we will begin discussions to address future community police needs and proceed with the process of replacing our former Police Chief. We welcome community participation in the process. (See also Citizens' Police Advisory Committee Report.)

Dave LeFevre was hired in February 2001, with the daunting task of becoming our new Road Commissioner. Along with his willingness to learn, a positive attitude and commitment to improving all aspects of road maintenance, we feel confident that Dave will meet the challenges set before him and continue the tradition of providing safe, well maintained roads in Thetford.

We revised, amended, and adopted the Town of Thetford Personnel Policy in October 2001. It outlines procedures for all town employees to insure fair and safe working conditions.

In response to growing development of our class 4 roads, we amended our class 4 road policy to limit the degree of class 4 road upgrades, allowing reasonable access to a property owner's land.

The Elizabeth Mine Project continues to move forward. With the cooperation of all involved parties, we feel a viable solution will be agreed upon soon. We are confident the solution will provide for the reestablishment of high quality water standards in the Copperas Brook and Ompompanoosuc River while preserving the historic integrity of the mine. (Please refer to the Elizabeth Mine Report for more information.)

In the wake of the tragedies that have confronted this nation on September 11th, we are reminded of our duties and responsibilities to our families, friends and neighbors, and to resolve issues, problems, and conflicts, through respect, consideration and cooperation. With the support and involvement of our community, we will move forward and continue this process in the year to come.

Mark McMahon, Chair
Rick Barrows
Judy Bowden
David Fisk
Mary Spata

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

This past year has brought many changes, some expected and some not. When the legislature adjourned last June, we were aware that the economy had slackened and that revenues were dwindling. However, no one expected the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon or foresaw the myriad ways that the events of September 11th would affect our economy. While we certainly hope that we have seen the worst that Osama Bin Laden has to deliver, many in our community, particularly the elderly and those on fixed incomes, may be at risk as State funded programs are cut back I stand ready to help you whenever I can.

During the 2001 session, we made progress on streamlining Act 250, while preserving its core elements. We began several important affordable housing initiatives that will see fruition by the time we adjourn in May. As many of you know, the housing shortage is so severe in the Upper Valley that economic growth has been impacted. Our region's economy is important because we need to provide good paying fulfilling jobs close to home if we want our grown children to stay here rather than moving far away to find work. Providing housing opportunities, employment, and economic development, while protecting the environment we love, are among my top priorities.

In the field of education, continuing to provide adequate aid to education, while reducing the complexity and adverse consequences of Act 60 are key. Thetford and the Fairlee have a real justification for receipt of State school construction aid and shouldn't be penalized for receiving the school construction grants they deserve.

As always, I stand ready to listen to your concerns and to help anyone who seeks assistance. I can be reached at home at 785-4146, at the State House at 828-2228, or by e-mail at jmasland@valley.net.

Rep. Jim Masland

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

As we have done in the past, we will begin our report by reminding voters, pet owners, and taxpayers of the importance of meeting deadlines. Please be assured that the Town Clerk does not establish these deadlines; unfortunately, it is our responsibility to enforce the final due dates that are governed either by Statute, or by you, the voters.

We do not send out reminders to license your dogs or ferrets. However, thanks to the efforts of Chris Senger, Brenda Magoon, Charmaine Rich, and Susan Arnold, owners of unlicensed pets were called last year and reminded of the final licensing date of April 1st. After this date, the fee is 1 ½ times the cost of a license, and a penalty of \$25.00 per animal is assessed.

If you are unsure if your pet needs a updated rabies shot, please feel free to call the office and we will be happy to provide you with the information we have in your file. This year, Dr David Webster from Oxbow Veterinary Clinic will be on hand at the Rabies Clinic at the Town Garage on Saturday, March 16, 2002, from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Thetford dogs may also be licensed at this time.

Unless amended by the voters at Town Meeting, 2002 property taxes will be due on October 15, 2002. Please note that payment **MUST** be received in the Treasurer's Office no later than 5:00 P.M. **POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.** Please read your tax bill carefully. With the assistance of the Listers' office, we try to include all pertinent information required for filing of your tax returns, as well as the responsibilities of property owners and taxpayers. Every year, there are a number of property owners whose taxes go delinquent, due to the failure of mortgage companies to pay escrowed taxes on time. If your taxes are escrowed, please call the office well before the due date and confirm that your taxes have been paid. This also applies to new property owners whose taxes may have been escrowed at closing. We do not enjoy assessing penalty and interest any more than property owners enjoy receiving a delinquent bill and are more than willing to do what we can to avoid unnecessary tax delinquencies.

On the subject of Delinquent Taxes, you will note that the list of Delinquent Taxpayers in the Town Report still spans two pages, but it is getting shorter. The total amount of delinquent taxes as of December 31, 2001 is approximately \$ 62,000.00 *less* than the prior year. Rest assured that remaining delinquencies are being addressed, and that a Tax Sale is once again in progress for those property owners who have failed to follow an adequate payment plan.

We hope that you take the time to read and digest the information presented in the Financial Section of the Town Report. Pages of numbers can be daunting, and we strive to present figures in an easy-to-read and understandable format just for that reason. 2001 was an exceptional year financially, and there are a number of points that should be noted. First, actual Town Revenues were significantly above projected, due in large measure to the amount of Town Clerk Fees collected. Town Clerk Fees include recording fees, and many property owners took advantage of falling interest rates to refinance, resulting in pages and pages of recordings and their associated fees. We expect that refinances will continue, but not to the extent that we saw in 2001. Of course, lower borrowing rates also mean that interest earnings rates are also lower, and our interest revenue reflects this. Additionally, actual Delinquent Tax Penalty and Interest revenues were greater than anticipated, due both to refinancing to cover unpaid taxes, and collection of a number of delinquent accounts. Again, 2001 will be an exception, we believe, to these levels of revenues. A number of other revenue categories ended the year over anticipated, and we have made adjustments to next year's budget accordingly. On the Expense side, with only a few exceptions, expenditure totals were at or below budget. It should be noted that all Town Departments are very conscientious of staying within their respective budgets, and our year end surplus reflects that attention to the bottom line.

The Highway Department also posted a surplus at the end of the year, due in part to the receipt of a large, unanticipated paving grant in 2001, and a number of expenditure line items that were significantly underspent. Please refer to the Road Commissioner's Report for additional explanation.

We were all saddened by the passing of Don Wilson, who with his wife El, worked many, many years to make Treasure Island blossom and grow. We are also truly appreciative of the assistance and cooperation of El and her family that helped to make the transition at Treasure Island go smoothly. El has since moved to Thetford, and we welcome her as an 'official' resident.

The contributions made in 2001 to the Town Offices and grounds were many, and we acknowledge these contributions here. First, our sincere thanks go to the American Legion, for their donation and installation of two metal flagpoles in front of the Offices, replacing one old and very shabby wooden pole. Legion member Paul Rump is responsible for carving the golden eagle that adorns the American Flag's pole. The flag itself is also new, smaller than we would have liked, but larger flags were difficult to come by in the Fall of 2001. Thanks also go to Rep. Jim Masland for our State flag. We appreciated all the comments about keeping our US flag in good condition, and regret that it took as long as it did to obtain a replacement. The Garden Club once again provided blooms for all to enjoy, and John Wilmot and family did wonders with the overgrown plantings in front of our Historic Meetinghouse. Our thanks also to Fred Adams for his efforts towards winterizing a challenging structure. Fall flowers and Christmas wreaths were donated.

There are a number of staff departures to be acknowledged, beginning with George Stowell. George served as Zoning Administrator for nine years, lending his appraisal and construction background to the interpretation of Planning and Zoning Regulations. George was invaluable around the office, and was responsible for getting his co-workers out of more than one computer dilemma. His extensive knowledge of the Town and dry wit are sorely missed. He was replaced by Bill Thrane, who is learning his way around quickly, despite finding himself in a position of being 'self-taught'. Bill is eager to continue George's extensive filing system, and among other things, will be looking into further computerizing the Zoning files in the future.

We also will miss four departing members of the Police Department - Chief James Krakowiecki, and Special Officers Andrew Havens, Dean Marthers and David Eggum. Both Drew and Dean have relocated out of the area, and we thank them for numerous years of service to Thetford. Dave Eggum typically worked nights, weekends, or special details, and we hope that he enjoys his new position in Randolph.

And finally, Jim - in the three years that he served as our Police Chief, he adapted remarkably well to the sometimes difficult life in small town Vermont. We have observed that Jim has an easy rapport with people, a quick smile, a generous spirit, and a sincere concern for the welfare of others. Working together in relatively close quarters, we were aware of a number of difficult cases handled by Jim and his Department, and Jim consistently exhibited both professional courtesy and a personal concern for those involved. He was always willing to lend a hand as needed, and frequently volunteered to deliver food baskets to shut ins and the elderly of our community, and enjoyed doing so. He made many friends during his three years here, and his kindness will be remembered long after his term as our Chief has ended. We wish him all the best in his new position.

Roberta C. Howard, Town Clerk

PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT

Issuance of building permits was similar to the past with increases in new home construction, subdivisions and accessory buildings as seen in the summary below.

Appropriate permits are required prior to commencing construction, sign and satellite dish erection or starting a business or home occupation. If you are uncertain as to if and when a permit is required, please call the Town Office. Some activities may also require state or federal permit but, in any case, it is the obligation of the person planning such activities to acquaint themselves with the proper procedures and forms prior to commencing. Further information is available on the Thetford website at <http://170.222.200.76/thetford>.

The following table gives summaries of the permit activity over the past 3 years.

	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
Number of Plats Approved	9	7	6
Number of Lots Created	6	3	10
Annexations	5	4	4
Residences	14	13	19
Additions	13	20	15
Decks & Porches	8	9	9
Accessory Buildings	29	20	23
Businesses	3	2	3
Mobile Homes	2	2	3
Home Occupations	3	4	1
Miscellaneous & conversions	-	-	3

Major changes during 2001 include the resignations of George Stowell as Zoning Administrator and Norm Marshall as Chair of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment. George withdrew after six years of directing the zoning office and introducing innovations to streamline the operation. The increased time demands of his business necessitated the change. Norm was on the Planning Commission for over a decade. He recently started his own business in Norwich which will require a great deal of travel. They are both thanked and wished well.

The Zoning office hours are Tuesdays, 8:00 AM to noon and Thursdays, 1 PM to 5 PM. Your call or personal inquiries are invited. The e-mail address is Thetfordzoning@valley.net.

William Thrane
Zoning Administrator

LISTERS' REPORT

The Listers' office has seen a flurry of activity since we started the reappraisal in July. As of the date of this report, we have done 90% of the outside inspections and 50% of the interiors. Inspections are only part of the job.

How our Reappraisal works:

A representative of Appraisal Resource Group, Inc (ARGI) along with a Lister inspects each property. At that time the dwelling and any outbuildings are measured and inspected for their quality of construction (a.k.a. the "grade") and condition. The year of construction is noted along with some factual data. This information is then placed into an assessment software program. We are using ProVal for our assessment program. ProVal contains Marshall and Swift cost tables that have been updated to April 1, 2002. It also contains a sales schedule developed from the last 3 years of Thetford's sales. After all the data has been collected, it is entered into the program and reviewed for accuracy. Finally, the new values are applied and a final review is done to check for equity between similar properties. Our goal is to have an up-to-date Grand List which is equitable.

What the property owner can expect after inspections are done:

Sometime in the spring, the property owner will receive a "property inventory sheet" in the mail. This sheet will contain the data on which your assessment will be based. Please review this information carefully. If you find any errors or have any concerns, contact the Listers' office immediately. Later, you will receive a "Change of Appraisal Notice" with your new assessed value. A listing of all the other properties will be available in the Listers' office for you to review so that you can compare your property with other similar properties in town. If you feel aggrieved by your new assessment you will have 14 days from the date the notice was mailed to appeal to the Listers.

On a final note - the Listers would like to thank the town's residents for their cooperation in the inspection process. Your willingness to let us into your homes and the effort some of you have made to work out scheduling is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,
Board of Listers

Denise Adams
Roxy Maxfield
Janet Stowell

TAXABLE LISTED VALUES- TOWN OF THETFORD GRAND LIST AS OF APRIL 1, 2001						
REAL ESTATE	# OF PARCELS	CORPORATIONS	TOWN RESIDENTS	STATE RESIDENTS	NON-STATE	TOTALS
Residential I	613	0	61,539,615	2,533,800	5,114,500	69,187,915
Residential II	348	0	50,765,081	1,477,500	6,679,350	58,921,931
Mobile Homes-U	33	0	616,300	0	12,100	628,400
Mobile Homes-L	56	0	3,136,400	92,600	104,000	3,333,000
Vacation I	39	0	600,300	1,062,700	1,404,700	3,067,700
Vacation II	23	0	390,463	578,138	1,530,373	2,498,974
Commercial	45	0	7,564,209	2,366,700	1,302,200	11,233,109
Utilities-E	3	2,141,500		30,400	344,400	2,516,300
Utilities-O	2	31,000		0	10,600	41,600
Farm	11	163,913	1,599,963	51,794	0	1,815,670
Woodland	145	0	1,918,510	1,257,382	1,524,987	4,700,879
Other	3	0		4,900	19,300	24,200
Miscellaneous	115	0	1,793,975	325,118	620,800	2,739,893
TOTALS	1436	2,336,413	129,924,816	9,781,032	18,667,310	160,709,571

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT - 2001	
Septic Permits Issued	21
New Septic Systems	14
Septic System Repair Permits	4
Permit Renewals	3
Upgrade for House Addition (included in Permits)	
Animal Bite Reports	0

Alford Stone, Health Officer

2001 PET LICENSING REPORT					
	Female	Male	Spayed	Neutered	Totals
Dogs	79	79	257	235	650
Ferrets	0	0	2	1	3

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RECYCLING CENTER REPORT

The Recycling Center continues to be located on Route 113 in Thetford Center. Our lease on this property runs out in September 2002. We are still evaluating our options and a location decision will need to be made in the near future.

My thanks to Sharon Irwin for all her help and advice on how the Recycling Center operates. Thanks also to Mark McMahon for hiring me and to Judy Bowden who is our recycling liaison to the Selectboard.

The Recycling Center is staffed by Coordinator, Frank Bonnett and Assistant Coordinator, Sandra Miller. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help us is welcome. Please call Frank at 785-2543 if interested in volunteering.

As of January 1, 2002, the Thetford Recycling Center accepts the following items:

Clear glass	Magazines
Colored glass	Cardboard
Plastics #1	Aluminum cans
Plastics #2	Tin and steel cans
Newspapers	Scrap metal
Mixed paper (white paper, junk mail, boxboard, etc.)	

Items that are still in good shape and still function (blenders, coffee makers, tools, toys, and books) can be left for others to pick up and use. We try to find homes for usable items. Please do not bring clothes, furniture, or broken items. The Recycling Center must pay to dispose of anything that does not find a home. Thank you.

The Town requires that residents of Thetford must obtain and display a valid permit on their vehicles to use the Recycling Center. Permits are free to residents and can be picked up during normal business hours at the Town Clerk's Office.

Thank to everyone who takes the time and effort to recycle. Hopefully, we will have a new facility to make recycling easier and safe.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Bonnett
Recycling Coordinator

TREASURE ISLAND REPORT

Season: June 16 - Labor Day
Passes Sold: Resident - 122
Non-Resident - 32
Tennis - 5
Park Hours: 10 AM - 8 PM daily

156 Children received Swimming Lessons.
10 School Picnics were held in June and September.
9 Island Reservations were recorded.
5 Boy Scout and camper group visits took place.

In 2001 the park was frequented by local individuals, children and families, daycare groups, bicycle touring groups and out-of-town visitors. Boat rentals were popular, with a canoe, rowboat and two paddleboats available. The beach remains the most busy area of the park, and the picnic areas were most highly utilized on the July 4th holiday. A Tennis Clinic was conducted during the second week of July. Library Story Hour also was held weekly here throughout the summer.

Thanks are extended to the teenagers employed at Treasure Island in 2001. Our many gate attendants and the lifeguard team did a fine job throughout the season. We continue to need Red Cross-certified Water Safety Instructors to lead swim lessons in 2002. One must be 17 years old to hold these positions. Please contact us at 333-3507 if you are interested in becoming certified.

Thank you to everyone who enjoyed Treasure Island in 2001, and for your continued support.

Scott and Ann O'Hearn, Caretakers

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Town of Thetford Recreation Committee will be meeting in the Spring to review town needs and recreational opportunities in Thetford. Some of the items to be discussed include:

- repairs and development of Treasure Island
- trails and biking paths in town
- recreational facilities (e.g. basketball and tennis courts, playing fields)
- special events (e.g. trail walks, walking/running events)
- youth/adult organized sports

We are currently seeking new members for the committee. If you would like to be involved or have suggestions, please contact us.

Scott and Ann O'Hearn, Chairs of Recreation Committee

THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

Would you like to reduce your energy use, cut your electric and heating bills, stimulate the local economy, and help protect the environment at the same time? Then contact the Thetford Energy Committee (TEC), a town committee recently created by and working under the Selectboard and funded by the town. We want to work with Thetford residents, businesses and the town government to do just that.

COMMUNITY ENERGY PROGRAM

TEC is collaborating with Efficiency Vermont (EVT - the state's energy efficiency utility), the Sustainable Energy Resource Group and other local town energy committees and businesses to organize a community energy outreach program. Through the program, trained volunteers will go to homes and businesses in town to conduct an energy survey in order to identify conservation opportunities. We will provide information and offer reduced rates on energy saving programs and devices.

Did you know that through EVT each electric customer in the state is qualified to receive up to 6 compact fluorescent light bulbs and 4 lamps/fixtures at huge discounts each year? These lights use about one quarter of the electricity of a standard incandescent bulb of equivalent brightness. This can save you close to \$100 each over the lifetime of the bulb through reduced electric consumption! We can show you samples of the bulbs and assist you in ordering from the EVT catalogue. Discounts for these bulbs and other EVT programs are subsidized by a charge on your electric bill.

And, efficient lighting is only the beginning. We can test the efficiency of your electric appliances and provide you with information on energy efficient appliances and vehicles for those looking to buy new products. We will help you to determine if your house or business is using more heating energy than it should. If it is, we will suggest improvements. If additional services are necessary, we will offer referrals for energy audits, blower door tests and infrared scans through local energy conservation contractors to let you know where your most cost effective retrofits can take place.

OTHER PROJECTS

TEC will work with the select board and school building committee to assure that any new and renovated municipal buildings are energy efficient. We will provide information on renewable energy opportunities for those on and off the grid. TEC will work to expand public transportation and car pooling in town. And we will keep you informed about pending legislation which might help us all conserve more.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

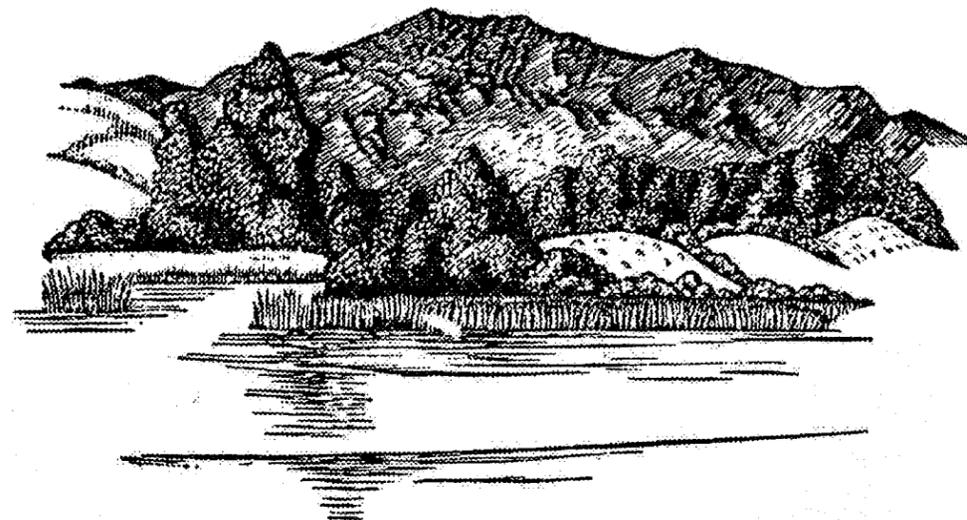
To accomplish all of this, we need your help. TEC needs more committee members to help organize our efforts in town. We are also looking for volunteers who are interested in participating in a training and assisting with the outreach campaign. We hope to draw volunteers from a wide spectrum of the community schools, churches, civic organizations, neighborhoods, etc. who will then return to implement the program with their constituent groups. We will hold the training class in early April and begin conducting the outreach program in the spring.

If you would like to participate as a volunteer or committee member, if you would like us to conduct an energy survey on your home or business, or if you would like us to share information with you, please contact us at 785-4126 or at bobwalker@valley.net. Current Committee Members are listed in the front of the Town Report.

Submitted by Bob Walker



TOWN OWNED PROPERTY			
UNKNOWN	SAWNEE BEAN CEMETERY	1/2 Ac.	
"	JUDD CEMETERY	1/2 Ac.	
"	LAND BY TRUSSELL'S	1/4 Ac.	
"	EAST THETFORD CEMETERY		
"	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
2001	V. UHLEIN PROPERTY	15.0 Ac	GIFT



TOWN OF THETFORD CONSERVATION TRUST FUND	
Balance January 1, 2001:	\$10,111.69
Donations to Linny Levin Memorial Fund	415.00
Bank Expense	(43.35)
Donation to UV Land Trust	(1,000.00)
Balance December 31, 2001	\$9,483.34
<i>Balance - L. Levin Fund - Restricted</i>	<i>\$ 7,410.00</i>
<i>Balance - Conservation Trust - Non-Restricted</i>	<i>\$ 2,073.34</i>
<i>Submitted by Ruel G. Barrett, Treasurer</i>	

TOWN OF THETFORD CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS		
DATE	TRANSACTION	AMOUNT
12/04/57	Puritan Fund original investment 220,000 shares	\$1,300.20
'60 - '01	Shares added by reinvestment: 633.759	
12/31/01	Puritan Fund total shares held 853.759 shares	
12/31/01	Value of reinvestment @ \$ 17.67/share	\$14,779.92
CASH ON HAND & INCOME - 2001		
01/01/01	Cash on Hand	222.94
03/12/01	Income Dividend	117.23
06/08/01	Income Dividend	117.23
09/07/01	Income Dividend	117.23
12/14/01	Income Dividend	153.68
12/31/01	2001 Interest	11.33
DISBURSEMENTS & EXPENSES - 2001		
12/14/01	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
12/31/01	CASH BALANCE ON HAND:	\$219.64
<i>Trustees of Trust Funds:</i>		<i>Ruel G. Barrett</i>
		<i>Elmer C. Brown</i>
		<i>Frederick P. Howard</i>

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 01/01/00:	\$ 1,043.03	
Interest accrued	5.11	\$1,048.14
Grave Upkeep & Floral Pieces	donated	
Balance on Hand, 12/31/00:		\$1,048.14
<i>Roberta C. Howard, Town Treasurer</i>		

TRUSTEES OF TOWN FARM TRUST FUNDS		
DATE	TRANSACTION	AMOUNT
12/04/57	Puritan Fund original Investment: 677.000 shares	\$4,001.07
'57-'01	Shares added by reinvestment: 23,307.180	
12/31/01	Puritan Fund - Total Shares held: 23,974.180	
12/31/01	Value of Investment @ \$ 17.67/share	\$423,613.76
CASH ON HAND & CASH INCOME FOR 2001:		
01/01/01	Cash on Hand (Merchant's Bank)	17,881.88
12/31/01	Interest (total for year)	\$405.24
	TOTAL:	\$18,287.12
DISBURSEMENTS & EXPENSES FOR 2001:		
01/03/01	Check #109, Treasurer, Town of Thetford	1,000.00
03/20/01	Check #110, Treasurer, Town of Thetford	1,418.00
04/05/01	Check #111, Treasurer, Town of Thetford	547.87
05/01/01	Check #112, Treasurer, Town of Thetford	2,670.00
10/12/01	Check #113, Treasurer, Town of Thetford	2,079.95
	TOTAL:	\$7,715.82
	CASH BALANCE ON HAND 12/31/01:	\$10,571.30
<i>Trustees of Trust Funds: Ruel G. Barrett Elmer C. Brown Frederick P. Howard</i>		

VERMONT STATE POLICE

2001 was a year marked with tragedy as we all learned on September 11, 2001 just how dangerous our world had become. Even in the small state of Vermont, the problems that we might typically associate with larger metropolitan areas have become more commonplace here. And as times change, so must we. The Bradford Barracks has undergone numerous changes in the past year to include a communications system upgrade and interior renovations. These improvements will assist us to better serve you and your community in the years ahead.

Lieutenant Michael Jennings was promoted to Captain and will now be the Special Investigations Unit Commander stationed in Waterbury, VT. We wish Captain Jennings the best in his new assignment. Lieutenant Walter Goodell will be succeeding Captain Jennings as the new Bradford Station Commander. Lieutenant Goodell has been stationed in St. Johnsbury for the last fourteen (14) years. The last four (4) years has been spent working in the Bureau of Criminal Investigation investigating major crimes.

The crimes of assault, burglary and larceny continue to rise, with illegal drugs helping to fuel their occurrence. Once again, we ask that you continue to be alert and help your neighbors as we work together to keep our communities safe. What follows are the overall FY2001 statistics for Thetford. I have not listed the miscellaneous calls for service that do not require an investigation.

Respectfully,
Lt. Walter W. Goodell
Troop C Bradford

VSP Statistics - Thetford

Assault simple, not aggravated:	3	Threatening phone calls:	1
Burglary, w/ force Residential:	2	Accident-injury-short form:	4
Larceny from Building:	2	Accident-damage-dmv report:	2
Larceny all other:	2	Accident-damage-short form:	16
Theft automobile:	1	Motor vehicle, disturbances:	30
Vandalism, Residential:	2	Agency Assist:	28
Vandalism, Misc:	6	Citizen Assist:	29
Family offenses, other:	7	Driving, Lic. Susp.-criminal:	3
DUI of liquor:	11	Juvenile problem:	3
Illegal possession by a minor:	1	Suspicion:	12
Annoying, harassing, phone calls:	3	Totals:	176

THETFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

As I write this report it is with the knowledge that it will be my last official word as Chief of Police of the Town of Thetford. Instead of a written account of what was accomplished this year by the Police Department, I would like instead to take this opportunity to say "Thank You". Thank you to the Search Committee who had faith in my professional abilities and recommended that I be hired to be your Chief. Thank you to all who have supported me and have given me positive reinforcement. Thank you to my co-workers, and to the police, fire, and emergency services. It was a pleasure working with all of you and your high caliber of experience and professionalism. Thetford is fortunate to have you. And thank you to all who became good neighbors to Paulette and I - you have enriched our lives. I have enjoyed my time here as Chief in Thetford. It has given me a chance to learn and grow in my profession.

Some highlights from the three years that I served as your Chief that proved especially rewarding were the youth programs, such as: 'Prom Night Crash Scene', a Teen Drinking/Alcohol Awareness Program, and a Domestic Violence Program geared toward teen dating. I was encouraged by the positive feedback from students who came to see me after each program. I regret that I wasn't allowed more time to present programs at the Schools. There are some outstanding and timely program topics that could benefit the youth of Thetford.

I especially enjoyed visiting and talking to our senior citizens, a number of whom attended the Department-sponsored Telemarketing Fraud program. During my time in Thetford, I assisted in delivering Holiday baskets to Seniors and shut ins, which also provided an opportunity to talk, and hear concerns. Many of you also stopped in the office to talk, as well.

Unfortunately, not all things were as successful, such as the "Citizens' Committee", an idea that I presented to the Selectboard shortly after becoming Police Chief. The original concept was to gather together representatives from each of the Town's villages to talk about their needs and concerns, and to discuss how the Police Department could help meet those needs. But sometimes, no matter how good the intentions, things just don't work out as hoped for or as planned. That's not to say that in the future, another committee couldn't be formed for the right reasons and purpose.

The Town now has only a shadow of a Police Department. Please do not take the attitude of the proverbial ostrich - don't bury your head and think that problems don't exist, or that they will go away. Like it or not, with the continued growth and change in Thetford, there is a need for a hands-on Police Department.

Although it was never my intent to move on once settled in Thetford, circumstances dictated that it was time for a change. Now I look forward to a challenging and rewarding career as the Chief of the Randolph, VT Police Department. If you find yourself in Randolph, please stop in and say hello.

In closing, I thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving for three years as your Police Chief.

James P. Krakowiecki, Chief

THETFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT 2001 STATISTICS	
Abduction - Carjacking	1
Accidents - Motor Vehicle	43
Animal Complaints	42
Armed Robbery - Bank	1
Arrest - Crimes	4
Arson	2
Assaults	8
Aggravated Assault	1
Assist Fire & Medical Agencies	22
Assist Other Police Agency	23
Burglaries	5
Citizen Assists	53
Check Fraud	5
Child Abuse	1
Child Sexual Assault	3
Drug Violations	2
DUI Arrest	2
Domestic Violence	18
Found Property	9
House Alarm	9
House Check	8
911 Hang Up	9
Lost Property	4
Malicious Damage	20
Missing Person	5
Motor Vehicle Complaint	63
Motor Vehicle Stops	401
Nuisance Phone Calls	4
Stalking	1
Stolen Vehicle	5
Suspicious Activity	37
Sexual Assault	2
Recovered Stolen Property	1
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	1
Threats	4
Theft	12
Trespassing	5
Vehicle ID (VIN) Checks	110
Warrant Arrests	4
TOTAL :	950

THETFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Your Fire Department was busy in 2001, with a record 102 incidents. Many of the members are also EMT's and respond to EMS incidents as well. The members contributed several thousand hours responding to and training for a wide range of emergencies. Considerable time was donated to continue our fund raising efforts. This past year a small group of supporters began to organize a functional Auxiliary. Among other goals, they will reduce the time volunteer firefighters spend raising money. This should provide extra opportunities for training. If you would like to help the auxiliary, or join the department, please call.

Call Summary 2001	
Alarm	4
Chimney Fire	4
CO Alarm	3
Fire Alarm	7
Haz Mat	2
Investigation	11
Mutual Aid	12
MVA Crash	24
Power Lines	11
Public Assist	4
Rescue	1
Structure Fire	8
Vehicle Fire	3
Wildland Fire	8
Totals	102

Thetford Volunteer Fire Department Current Roster			
Chief Don Fifield	FF/EMT	David Moore	FF
Capt. Brenda Moore	FF/EMT	Tim Moore	FF/EMT
Capt. Jeff Sirjane	FF/EMT	Tim Ouellette	FF/EMT
Capt. Chad Whitcomb	FF	Ellis Paige	FF
Lieut. John Brown	FF	Brian Ricker	FF
Carol Bean	FF	George Stowell	FF/EMT
Mariah Capurso	FF/EMT	Janet Stowell	FF/EMT
Jim Cloud	FF	Ben Tilden	FF
Guy Cook	FF	Bill Wallace	FF/EMT
Rick Dresser	FF	Dan Whitcomb	FF
David Goodrich	FF/EMT	Scott DiFrancesco	JR FF
Spunk Keuhlwein	FF/EMT	Gage Ecker	JR FF
Bart Koop	FF	Dave Ozahowski	JR FF

Several transitions occurred in 2001. Tim Moore completed a three year term as Chief and Don Fifield was appointed for a term. John Brown became a Lieutenant and Board President. Three Thetford Academy students joined as part of our Junior Firefighter program, and we encourage students from 15 to 18 years old to investigate this challenge.

Submitted by Don Fifield, Jr.

Thetford Vol. Fire Department	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Budget
REVENUES			
Town Appropriation	56,425.00	56,500.00	59,500.00
Interest Earned	75.00	54.42	75.00
Grant Money Received		2,382.45	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$56,500.00	\$58,936.87	\$59,575.00
EXPENDITURES			
ADMINISTRATION			
Chiefs Stipend	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
Dispatch Service	1,750.00	2,593.00	1,750.00
Fees	50.00	25.00	50.00
Insurance	14,000.00	16,272.00	16,500.00
Liability, Accident Workers Comp.		14,990.00	15,200.00
		1,282.00	1,300.00
Office Supplies & Postage	500.00	479.49	500.00
Public Relations & Fire Safety	500.00	340.74	500.00
Subscriptions and Dues	500.00	431.95	500.00
Tax Prep / Audit	300.00	400.00	400.00
Telephone	1,400.00	1,469.70	1,400.00
Total Administration	20,250.00	23,261.88	22,850.00
BUILDING & GROUNDS			
Electricity	2,000.00	2,085.24	2,200.00
Fuel Oil LP Gas	2,500.00	3,366.08	2,500.00
Furniture & Fixtures	500.00	498.13	500.00
Maintenance & Repairs	5,500.00	3,853.88	5,500.00
Total Buildings & Grounds	10,500.00	9,803.33	10,700.00
FIREFIGHTER HEALTH & SAFETY			
Gear Maintenance	600.00	881.38	600.00
Gear & Personal Protective Equipment	4,200.00	3,225.74	4,400.00
Health & Safety	500.00		500.00
Re-Hydration & Food	200.00	145.20	200.00
Total Firefighter Health & Safety	5,500.00	4,252.32	5,700.00
TRAINING			
Training Corporation Membership	250.00	250.00	250.00
Training Courses & Expenses	2,500.00	1,973.00	2,500.00
Total Training	2,750.00	2,223.00	2,750.00
VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT			
Equipment Maintenance	2,000.00	3,133.27	2,500.00
Equipment Replacement	9,000.00	10,441.58	9,500.00
Vehicle Fuel	1,500.00	1,103.34	1,500.00
Vehicle Maintenance	5,000.00	1,872.44	4,000.00
Total Vehicles & Equipment	17,500.00	16,550.63	17,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$56,500.00	\$56,091.16	\$59,500.00

Prepared By David Goodrich

THETFORD FAST SQUAD

The members of the Thetford FAST Squad wish to thank the community of Thetford for all of their support during our fundraising letter campaign. We continue to receive generous donations and have been overwhelmed by the various notes and cards accompanying the donations. As of this printing we have raised over 6000.00 for the rescue truck fund. THANK YOU!!!!!!

The Thetford FAST squad has had another great year. Our sole purpose continues to be to provide emergency medical service to the community of Thetford. Generally the squad members are able to respond to most emergencies within minutes. We continue to work closely with the Police, Fire and Highway Departments in managing emergencies.

One of the main priorities of the squad is to provide valuable training to its members. This year several members attended classes with topics such as search and rescue, pediatric trauma, motorcycle injuries, basic trauma assessment, public education and injury prevention, hazardous materials, and bioterrorism incidents. We also continue our monthly squad drills on a variety of pertinent topics with an open invitation for other area squads to join us. In the past year, we have been fortunate to have several outside speakers from area hospitals as well as individual members speaking on their particular area of expertise.

Another priority of the FAST is community service and education. We continue to provide safety information to the community on a variety of topics such as car seat and seat belt safety. Safety information is also available at the Fire Station. We also continued the tradition of providing medical coverage for two of the larger cross-country races at Thetford Academy this fall. 10 volunteers worked at each race to provide enough personnel to staff a fully stocked first aid room, a rescue truck in the woods, an ATV for rapid response and a finish line response team.

In the year 2001, we responded to 112 emergencies (at print time), including 15 motor vehicle crashes. We also responded to several incidents in neighboring towns as mutual aid. Our membership has fluctuated slightly over the past year with members leaving the Thetford community and new people offering to volunteer. Our current roster stands at 15 members.

We strive to provide the town of Thetford with a professional level of emergency service. Thank you for all of your support over the last year. Those interested in becoming members should call 785-2412. We look forward to continuing our service to the town of Thetford.

Respectfully submitted,
Mariah Capurso, President

Thetford FAST Squad Roster

President - Mariah Capurso	Drew Havens (through 7/01)	Tim Moore
Vice President - Don Fifield	Karen Ingalls (through 9/01)	Tim Ouellette
Secretary - Wendy Cole	Spunk Kuehlwein	David Saturley
Treasurer - Janet Stowell	Roxy Maxfield	Jeff Sirjane
Ethan Cole	Brenda Moore	George Stowell
David Goodrich		Bill Wallace

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE, INC.

We are pleased to present our 11th annual report to the citizens we serve. Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service since July 1, 1990. In the past eleven years, Upper Valley will have responded to over 14,700 ambulance calls. This year we will have responded to over 800 requests for medical assistance from the eight communities we serve.

2001 has proven to be a very challenging year. Like many small businesses, we have absorbed double digit increases in both Health Insurance and Workers Compensation costs. Reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid and most other payors continues to lag well behind the actual cost of providing service. Despite this, we continue to provide a high level of service. We have expanded the range of ambulance services we contractually provide to DHMC, and we are undertaking a more vigorous campaign to increase the volume of our non-emergency transfers which will help stabilize some of the anticipated revenue losses. Of course, even though we offer these non-emergency services, there is no compromise of our primary mission of providing emergency services in the eight town coverage area.

2002 should be no different. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 which places ambulances on a fixed fee schedule will finally be implemented April 1 2002. Additionally, Vermont Medicaid has been targeted for serious budget cuts. The effect this will have on our budget is not yet known. After countless hours of discussion and thought, the UVA Board of Directors have approved the 2002 budget reflecting no increase in our per capita request of \$15.00 per capita based on the 2000 census numbers.

Our Domicile Risk Assessment Program, "Home Sweet Home...Home Safe Home" continues to grow. Members of Upper Valley Ambulance trained in identifying hazards in and around your home will meet with you to offer recommendations for a safer home environment. This no cost program was developed to reduce risks around your home and help you identify hazards 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, or at our business office on Lake Morey Road in Fairlee. We encourage you to join your friends and neighbors who stop by to visit, or have their bloodpressure 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.

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.

Sincerely,

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

UNION VILLAGE BRIDGE PROJECT

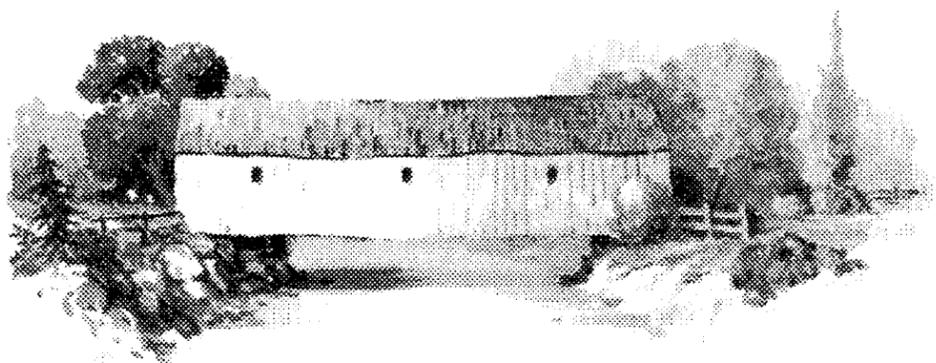
In July of 2001, the State of Vermont held their final site visit before construction. The project is on track to start construction on April 1st of 2002. At this time, we do not know who the General Contractor will be.

There will be a detour across the top of Union Village Dam. Only automobiles and pick-up trucks will be allowed to use this detour. Trucks of 1 ton capacity or larger will not be permitted and must find an alternative route. Emergency Services vehicles will be the only exception.

This project is expected to be completed in one construction period. Even though this may create some inconvenience, we anticipate a smooth transition. Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Raymond, Town Project Coordinator
UV Bridge Report



ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

When I began working for the Town of Thetford Highway Department in February 2001, I had little knowledge of the immense task that lay before me. However, with the help of the highway crew and with the assistance of Selectboard members Paul Raymond and Mark McMahon, I learned quickly and pushed forward to get the job done.

This year we completed extensive work on the West Fairlee Rd. On behalf of the Highway Department I would like to thank the residents of the West Fairlee Rd. for their support and cooperation in this project. In addition we were fortunate in receiving a grant from VTRANS which enabled the town to recoup more than half the cost of the project.

Similarly, with the input and cooperation of the residents of Sanborn Rd., we began work to provide for safer year round maintenance and safer vehicle travel on Sanborn Rd., while respecting the pristine, aesthetic qualities of the road and resolving potential safety or maintenance issues through a more creative road engineering approach.

We continued to remove brush along certain roadsides as well as ditching where necessary. We replaced the last door at the Town garage that will help further reduce heat loss in the winter months.

The Town received a grant for a Culvert Inventory and Capital Budget Plan for maintaining and replacing culverts. Other grants awarded to the Town for projects in the coming year include an Engineering Design and Replacement grant for the bridge on Stowell Rd. Also a Historic Preservation grant for an over height early warning system design and implementation of such a system for the Tucker Hill Covered Bridge. And finally with a grant through the Two Rivers Ottaquechee Regional Planning Commission, we purchased a 12,000 kw generator in a continued effort to update our Emergency Response Plan.

The Ford F350 truck, due to escalating repair costs, was replaced early with a new Ford F550. It was decided to equip the vehicle with a slide-in sander to help limit the weight load that we believe was a significant contributing factor in some of the major repairs to the F350.

This coming year we plan to replace several of the failing culverts identified in the Culvert Inventory grant, concentrate on more ditching and remove brush where needed to continue to provide safe travel on our roads. We will begin Phase 1 of our 2-year re-paving project of Tucker Hill Rd. And finally in coordination with our Police department, we will begin traffic-engineering studies to reduce speed limits on some of the roads in our community.

In conclusion I would like to thank the Highway crew for all their help this past year. Also, to thank them for their hard work and often long hours during the winter months. We will continue to work hard to provide safe and well-maintained roads. Thank you for your support.

David Lefevre
Road Commissioner

HIGHWAY DEPT INVENTORY

Garage Equipment

- Steam Jenny
- 20 Ton Jack
- 3 Ton Hydraulic Jack - 2001
- Transmission Jack
- Air Grease Gun
- Chop saw
- Line Feed Welder
- Torch Set
- Stick Welder
- Pressure Washer
- Battery Charger - 2001
- Assorted Hand Tools (wrenches, hammer, etc.)
- Ladders (20' metal, 32' wood, 16' fiberglass)
- Water Pump
- Drill Press
- Air Compressor
- Creepers (3)
- Hand Dolly (2)
- Roll - around Tool Box
- 12,000 kw Portable Generator - 2001

Highway Equipment

- 2002 Ford F-550 1 1/4 Ton Truck
- 2000 International Dump Truck
- 1999 International Dump Truck
- 1996 International Dump Truck
- 1997 Galion Grader
- 1996 Fiat Allis Loader/Backhoe
- 1990 John Deere Tractor w/bucket and mower
- 1986 York Road Rake
- Plows, Wings and Sanders
- Trailer Mounted Chloride Tanks (2)
- Chloride Tank (2500 gal.)
- Equipment Trailer
- Eager Beaver Chipper
- Chainsaw (4) - 1 new 2001
- Logger's Chaps (2)
- Limb Pruner
- Power tamp (compactor)
- Transit
- Shovels, Rakes, Etc.

THETFORD HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CAPITAL EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE										
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Chipper-15yrs '03, '18			10,000.00	10,000.00						
Mower-10yrs '05, '15					7,500.00	7,500.00				
Truck 1-6 yrs '96, '01, '08	11,500.00	11,500.00	11,500.00	11,500.00			16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
Truck 2-7 yrs '96, '03, '10			20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00				24,000.00
Truck 3-7 yrs '98, '05, '12	13,956.00				22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00		
Truck 4-7 yrs '00, '07, '14	15,600.00	15,600.00					24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
Grader-10 yrs '97, '07, '17									30,000.00	30,000.00
Loader-10 yrs '99, '09, '19	19,855.00	19,855.00							25,000.00	25,000.00
Projected Expenditures:	\$60,911.00	\$46,955.00	\$57,100.00	\$41,500.00	\$49,500.00	\$49,500.00	\$62,000.00	\$62,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$119,000.00
Fund Balance on January 1:	\$67,787.61	\$75,470.44	\$77,191.21	\$89,345.77	\$118,488.06	\$140,687.46	\$163,996.84	\$175,346.68	\$187,264.01	\$165,127.21
Projected Contribution:	\$65,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
Projected Expenditures:	\$-60,911.00	\$-46,955.00	\$-57,100.00	\$-41,500.00	\$-49,500.00	\$-49,500.00	\$-62,000.00	\$-62,000.00	\$-95,000.00	\$-119,000.00
Fund Balance December 31:	\$71,876.61	\$73,515.44	\$85,091.21	\$112,845.77	\$133,988.06	\$156,187.46	\$166,996.84	\$178,346.68	\$157,264.01	\$111,127.21
Balance w/ Ave. Interest:	\$75,470.44	\$77,191.21	\$89,345.77	\$118,488.06	\$140,687.46	\$163,996.84	\$175,346.68	\$187,264.01	\$165,127.21	\$116,683.58

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

The Budget Committee is endorsing the proposed Town and Highway Budgets for FY 2002 because they are essentially level-funded. We congratulate them for their conscientious attention to budget restraints.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Brown
Nancy Vosburg

(LACK OF) AUDITORS' REPORT

For the *fourth* year in a row, the Town of Thetford is without a Board of Auditors. Let this report serve as notice that:

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

Roberta C. Howard
Treasurer, Town of Thetford

FINANCIAL REPORTS

YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2001

TOWN OF THETFORD - NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2001

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 are organized 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, 2001, the Town's long-term debt consisted of three notes payable:

- To Merchants Bank, annual principal payments of \$ 57,724.25 plus interest, due November 15, 2002, total \$ 57,724.25.

- To State of Vermont, interest at 2%, annual principal payments of \$ 11,270.50 plus interest, due July 15, 2004, total \$ 30,054.67

- To State of Vermont, interest at 2%, annual principal payments of \$ 9,375.00 plus interest, due December 31, 2004, total \$ 28,125.00.

The total amount of long term debt is \$ 115,903.92.

III. Receivables: Taxes receivable and other receivables are recorded net of allowance for collectibles. In addition, a reserve for delinquent receivables is 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 receivables which won't be collected in 2002. State of Vermont statutes require that these reserves be subtracted from the current year surplus or deficit calculation.

TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 2001						
	General Fund	Highway Fund	Special Revenue Fund	General Long Term Debt	TOTALS (memo only)	
ASSETS						
Cash	941,018.26	0.00	113,939.39	0.00	1,054,957.65	
Taxes Receivable	134,529.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	134,529.19	
Due from Employees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other Receivables	9,889.36	31.61	0.00	0.00	9,920.97	
Due from (to) Other Funds	(416,948.49)	159,966.13	202,811.40	0.00	(54,170.96)	
Long-Term Debt				134,607.86	134,607.86	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$668,488.32	\$159,997.74	\$316,750.79	\$134,607.86	\$1,279,844.71	
LIABILITIES & EQUITY FUNDS						
Accounts Payable	8,146.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,146.56	
Due to Schools	532,209.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	532,209.00	
Due to (from) other Funds	(54,170.96)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(54,170.96)	
Accruals	(4,734.99)	(18.99)	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Notes Payable		0.00	0.00	134,607.86	134,607.86	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$481,449.61	(\$18.99)	\$0.00	\$134,607.86	\$616,038.48	
FUND BALANCE						
Restricted	0.00	0.00	316,750.79	0.00	316,750.79	
Unrestricted	112,038.71	160,016.73	0.00	0.00	272,055.44	
Restricted for Delinquent Taxes	75,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75,000.00	
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$187,038.71	\$160,016.73	\$316,750.79	\$0.00	\$663,806.23	
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	\$668,488.32	\$159,997.74	\$316,750.79	\$134,607.86	\$1,279,844.71	

TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT STATEMENT OF CHANGES TO FUND BALANCE TOWN AND HIGHWAY FUNDS - 2001						
	General Fund			Highway Fund		Totals (Memo Only)
	Undesignated	Reserved for Delinquent Taxes	Special Revenues Transfer	Undesignated	Special Revenues Transfer	
FUND BALANCE 12/31/00	\$110,393.52	\$50,000.00		\$15,144.87		\$175,538.39
Total Revenues	670,994.82			615,873.69		1,286,868.51
Total Expenses	644,349.63			471,001.83		1,115,351.46
Transfers to Designated and Reserved			65,143.00		70,000.00	135,143.00
Additional Amount Reserved for Delinquent Taxes - 2001	(\$25,000.00)	\$25,000.00				
FUND BALANCE 12/31/01	\$112,038.71	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$160,016.73	\$0.00	\$347,055.44

TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT				
STATEMENT OF CHANGES TO SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				
Year Ending December 31, 2001				
Account	Balance 12/31/00	Revenues	Expenses	Balance 12/31/01
Town Hall Improvements	\$12,352.00	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$12,562.00
Treasure Island	3,979.31	93.75	4,073.06	0.00
Emergency Mgmt/E-911	1,261.68	42.00	0.00	1,303.68
Cruiser Replacement	8,312.07	5,210.00	0.00	13,522.07
Restoration of Records	5,499.98	731.00	0.00	6,230.98
Recycling	75,755.33	1,256.79	0.00	77,012.12
Act 200	6,743.52	84.00	0.00	6,827.52
Equipment	42,406.79	94,005.00	68,624.18	67,787.61
UV Bridge	52,420.87	880.00	0.00	53,300.87
Conservation Commission	1,710.73	2,284.16	1,650.00	2,344.89
COPS Account	3,723.71	25,042.00	16,822.33	11,943.38
EEGL Funds - Re-appraisal	20,312.32	10,563.00	0.00	30,875.32
Town Hall Feasibility Study	10,000.00	84.00	7,550.23	2,533.77
Recreation Park Post Mills		11,006.58	10,500.00	506.58
Town Hall Development Fund				25,000.00
Tucker Hill Bridge Fund				5,000.00
TOTALS	\$244,478.31	\$151,492.28	\$109,219.80	\$316,750.79

TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT					
SUMMARY OF LONG TERM DEBT - DECEMBER 31, 2001					
Equipment	Financing Source	Balance 12/31/00	Principal Paid	Interest Paid	Balance 12/31/01
International Dump Truck (1998)	State of VT Municipal Loan	15,000.00	15,000.00	300.00	0.00
Fire Engine (1999)	Merchants Bank	115,448.50	57,724.25	5,223.65	57,724.25
Fiat-Allis Backhoe-Loader (Leased)	Associates Commercial Leasing	36,324.21	17,620.27	2,233.94	18,703.94
International Dump Truck (2000)	State of VT Municipal Loan	45,082.00	15,027.33	901.64	30,054.67
Ford F-550 Dump Truck (2001)	State of VT Municipal Loan	28,125.00	0.00	0.00	28,125.00
Totals		\$239,979.71	\$105,371.85	\$8,659.23	\$134,607.86

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
GENERAL FUND REVENUES					
1 Town Clerk Fees	15,000.00	16,205.30	15,000.00	28,308.68	18,000.00
2 Delinquent Tax Penalty	12,000.00	14,310.85	12,000.00	19,988.65	15,000.00
3 Interest Delinquent Taxes	13,500.00	17,274.47	14,000.00	31,230.78	17,000.00
4 Interest	15,000.00	27,557.38	15,000.00	13,427.88	15,000.00
5 Use of Town Records	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
6 Liquor Licenses	200.00	200.00	200.00	150.00	200.00
7 Dog Fines	50.00	30.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
8 Dog Penalties	700.00	900.00	700.00	1,325.00	1,000.00
9 Dog Licenses	2,000.00	1,932.00	2,000.00	1,949.50	2,000.00
10 Zoning Fees	4,000.00	4,777.26	4,000.00	4,752.12	4,000.00
11 Subdivision Fees	400.00	380.00	400.00	215.00	300.00
12 PC/ZBA Fines	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13 Septic Fees	1,200.00	1,120.00	1,200.00	1,290.00	1,200.00
14 Copying Fees	2,500.00	1,967.51	2,000.00	2,412.85	2,200.00
15 Office Supplies	50.00	93.00	50.00	231.55	100.00
16 Zoning Materials	200.00	112.50	150.00	185.00	150.00
17 Communications	25.00	40.75	25.00	31.74	25.00
18 Computer Receipts	100.00	47.50	50.00	0.00	50.00
19 Traffic Fines	2,000.00	11,604.39	2,000.00	6,773.50	1,000.00
20 Police Receipts	500.00	1,283.83	500.00	1,072.20	0.00
21 Police Dept - Outside Funding	6,000.00	4,200.66	5,280.00	7,595.36	0.00
22 Sale of Equipment	0.00	40.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
23 Listers' Research	25.00	5.00	25.00	0.00	25.00
24 Listers Changes - Re-Bills	0.00	440.74	0.00	0.00	0.00
25 Current Use Withdrawals	0.00	3,588.60	0.00	1,479.20	0.00
26 Recycling Receipts	1,500.00	2,297.31	1,500.00	2,914.71	2,000.00
27 Treasure Island	17,500.00	14,949.00	15,000.00	18,299.85	15,000.00
28 Insurance Refunds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
29 Federal Land Entitlement	700.00	772.00	700.00	1,105.00	800.00
30 Flood Control/Water Resources	900.00	966.00	900.00	837.00	800.00
31 Forest & Parks Tax	970.00	1,038.34	1,000.00	21.00	500.00
32 Railroad Tax	0.00	2,595.84	1,500.00	2,595.84	2,500.00
33 PILOT Revenues	100.00	851.00	100.00	1,000.00	750.00
34 Miscellaneous	500.00	286.88	500.00	123.78	500.00
35 Special Appropriations Tax Levy	77,800.00	77,800.00	27,250.00	27,250.00	0.00
36 Town Tax Levy	458,802.92	458,802.92	494,428.63	443,420.63	477,304.50
37 Hold Harmless Revenue	0.00	43,964.00	0.00	51,008.00	0.00
38 Subtotal General Revenue Fund	634,222.92	712,435.03	617,508.63	670,994.82	577,454.50
39 Gen. Fund Surplus - Prior Year	70,644.08	70,644.08	108,512.37	108,512.37	100,000.00
40					
41 Total General Fund Revenues	\$704,867.00	\$783,079.11	\$726,021.00	\$779,507.19	\$677,454.50
42					
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES					
44 Selectmen's Salaries	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
45 Selectmen's Clerk	2,000.00	2,401.53	2,500.00	1,753.15	2,500.00
46 Selectmen's Contingency	2,500.00	2,387.08	2,500.00	359.56	3,500.00
47 Social Security	10,650.00	11,333.76	11,334.00	11,959.94	13,000.00
48 Advertising	1,500.00	1,674.05	1,500.00	2,846.09	3,000.00
49 V.L.C.T. Dues	1,466.00	1,569.00	1,588.00	1,588.00	1,659.00
50 Other Dues & Meetings	500.00	165.00	500.00	71.00	500.00
51 Unemployment	2,205.00	2,205.00	3,305.00	3,307.00	3,500.00
52 Workers Comp		1,074.18	0.00	205.07	0.00
53 Insurance	22,258.00	22,430.00	27,000.00	27,069.00	29,000.00
54 Dental Plan			7,300.00	4,043.13	7,300.00
55 Tax Mapping	1,235.00	1,235.00	1,235.00	1,235.00	1,235.00
56 Legal Services	7,500.00	1,991.08	2,500.00	1,014.57	2,500.00
57 Travel	300.00	735.28	500.00	451.98	500.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
58 Professional Audit	2,000.00	970.00	2,000.00	1,610.00	2,000.00
59 Fire Warden	3,500.00	2,987.52	3,568.00	3,526.51	2,100.00
60 Total Selectmen	\$61,114.00	\$56,658.48	\$70,830.00	\$64,540.00	\$75,794.00
61					
62 Town Report	4,000.00	3,816.27	4,000.00	3,068.32	4,000.00
63 Restoration of Records					
64 Total Records	\$4,000.00	\$3,816.27	\$4,000.00	\$3,068.32	\$4,000.00
65					
66 Town Office Supplies	2,500.00	2,588.96	3,000.00	3,701.65	3,500.00
67 Copier Contract Support	500.00	325.00	500.00	650.00	500.00
68 Copier Maintenance & Supplies	1,000.00	789.49	1,000.00	539.00	1,000.00
69 Computer Software & Support	1,750.00	1,446.90	1,960.00	1,808.88	2,000.00
70 Computer Maintenance	300.00	180.00	300.00	172.50	300.00
71 Computer Supplies & Equipment	500.00	116.68	500.00	620.88	750.00
72 Telephone	3,500.00	3,653.70	3,700.00	2,981.38	3,700.00
73 Postage	2,500.00	2,577.41	2,700.00	2,316.53	3,000.00
74 Dues and Meetings	400.00	40.00	400.00	40.00	400.00
75 Payroll Service	1,600.00	2,141.37	1,800.00	2,072.55	2,000.00
76 Equipment Maintenance	200.00	34.35	200.00	34.45	200.00
77 Tools & Equipment	500.00	411.10	1,000.00	62.87	500.00
78 Total Town Office	\$15,250.00	\$14,304.96	\$17,060.00	\$15,000.69	\$17,850.00
79					
80 Board of Civil Authority					
81 BCA Expenses	300.00	755.00	1,000.00	310.00	1,500.00
82 BCA Ed Workshops	100.00	0.00	\$100.00	0.00	100.00
83 BCA Totals	\$400.00	\$755.00	\$1,100.00	\$310.00	\$1,600.00
84					
85 Election Officials	1,000.00	751.00	500.00	100.00	500.00
86 Election Supplies	0.00	252.60	0.00	0.00	0.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
87 Travel	0.00	31.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
88 Election Totals	\$1,000.00	\$1,034.96	\$500.00	\$100.00	\$500.00
89					
90					
91 Auditors	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
92 Dues & Meetings - Auditor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
93 Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
94 Total Bookkeeping/Auditors	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
95					
96 Listers Salaries	29,500.00	26,525.19	36,300.00	29,464.61	32,000.00
97 Supplies & Miscellaneous	250.00	148.52	1,000.00	261.56	500.00
98 Copier Service Contract	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	300.00
99 Telephone & Advertising	70.00	36.49	250.00	0.00	100.00
100 Postage	200.00	246.65	2,500.00	157.33	2,300.00
101 Dues & Meetings	500.00	255.00	300.00	155.00	300.00
102 Professional Services	500.00	0.00	30,300.00	17,772.00	15,000.00
103 Travel	300.00	274.84	300.00	288.68	300.00
104 Equipment	500.00	677.00	5,000.00	5,654.64	500.00
105 Legal fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
106 BCA Appeals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
107 Total Listers	\$32,020.00	\$28,363.69	\$76,150.00	\$53,753.82	\$56,300.00
108					
109 Town Clerk's Salary	31,032.00	31,432.80	32,273.00	30,776.60	33,500.00
110 Asst Clerks/Bookkeeper	23,185.00	24,784.90	24,600.00	27,221.82	28,500.00
111 Town Assistant	3,117.00	1,121.16	3,000.00	0.00	0.00
112 Town Clerk Benefits	4,332.00	4,383.61	4,770.00	4,042.23	5,100.00
113 Asst. Clerk Benefits	2,700.00	2,885.30	2,970.00	2,543.92	3,600.00
114 Deductibles -Clerk	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
115 Deductibles - Asst.Clerk	200.00	400.00	200.00	147.46	200.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
116	\$64,766.00	\$65,007.77	\$68,013.00	\$64,732.03	\$71,100.00
117					
118	Zoning Administrator	4,843.32	6,240.00	5,274.82	6,400.00
119	Supplies	600.00	134.05	500.00	500.00
120	Advertising	650.00	302.39	500.00	500.00
121	Postage / Telephone	400.00	229.36	400.00	400.00
122	Dues & Meetings	120.00	90.00	120.00	200.00
123	RPC Dues	2,695.00	2,694.00	2,695.00	2,892.00
124	Legal Services	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
125	Travel	75.00	89.36	75.00	75.00
126	Equipment	500.00	332.00	4,500.00	500.00
127	Total Planning /Zoning	\$11,540.00	\$8,714.48	\$15,530.00	\$11,967.00
128					
129	Janitor	1,200.00	1,173.02	1,200.00	1,500.00
130	Supplies	50.00	119.17	100.00	150.00
131	Rubbish Removal	300.00	231.37	300.00	300.00
132	Repairs & Maintenance	20,000.00	16,721.32	0.00	4,000.00
133	Grounds Maintenance	350.00	87.84	350.00	350.00
134	Utilities	3,000.00	3,480.82	3,000.00	3,500.00
135	Equipment	600.00	275.00	600.00	600.00
136	Alarm Service	170.00	170.00	135.00	100.00
137	Total Town Hall	\$25,670.00	\$22,258.54	\$5,685.00	\$10,500.00
138					
139	Conservation Supplies	75.00	0.00	75.00	75.00
140	Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
141	Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
142	Dues & Meetings	150.00	114.95	150.00	150.00
143	Professional/Legal Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
144	Newsletter	250.00	35.00	250.00	350.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
145	Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
146	Conservation Trust Fund	250.00	250.00	250.00	300.00
147	Project Support	450.00	149.00	450.00	600.00
148	Total Conservation	\$1,175.00	\$548.95	\$1,175.00	\$1,475.00
149					
150	Emergency Management	1,800.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
151	Total Emergency Mgmt	\$1,800.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
152					
153	Constable	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
154	Police Chief	11,008.00	11,008.00	17,230.00	30,000.00
155	Special Officer	22,064.00	21,221.95	24,960.00	20,000.00
156	Police Benefits	---	---	5,280.00	8,000.00
157	Grants/Outside Funding Payroll	6,000.00	2,285.34	0.00	3,000.00
158	Supplies	600.00	1,149.34	600.00	600.00
159	Computer	8,762.00	5,601.83	2,000.00	2,000.00
160	Special Officer Start-up		0.00	0.00	0.00
161	Radio/Dispatch	11,500.00	12,914.50	7,600.00	7,600.00
162	Dues & Meetings	200.00	276.00	200.00	200.00
163	Police Training	1,000.00	312.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
164	Contracted Services	0.00	22.50	200.00	200.00
165	Vehicle Repair	1,500.00	2,169.37	1,500.00	1,000.00
166	Travel	3,000.00	2,850.96	4,000.00	3,000.00
167	Equipment, Repair, Radio	6,000.00	7,648.41	2,000.00	2,000.00
168	Vehicle Replacement	9,000.00	9,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
169	Telephone	3,500.00	2,256.28	3,500.00	2,500.00
170	Total Police	\$84,135.00	\$78,716.48	\$75,071.00	\$86,601.00
171					
172	Fire Department Operations	53,750.00	53,750.00	56,500.00	59,500.00
173	Fire Truck Payment	65,560.00	65,559.72	65,000.00	65,000.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
174	Total Fire Department	\$119,310.00	\$121,500.00	\$119,447.90	\$124,500.00
175					
176	Upper Valley Ambulance	36,570.00	36,570.00	36,570.00	36,570.00
177	Total Ambulance	\$36,570.00	\$36,570.00	\$36,570.00	\$36,570.00
178					
179	Health Office Wages	1,000.00	1,000.00	363.00	750.00
180	Dues & Meetings	75.00	0.00	75.00	75.00
181	Legal Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
182	Travel	150.00	3.20	150.00	100.00
183	Total Health Officer	\$1,225.00	\$246.54	\$1,225.00	\$925.00
184					
185	Animal Control Wages	700.00	244.76	700.00	700.00
186	Pound Fees	200.00	0.00	200.00	500.00
187	Humane Supplies	100.00	92.45	100.00	100.00
188	Licensing Supplies	450.00	194.62	450.00	300.00
189	Dues & Meetings	100.00	59.84	100.00	100.00
190	Dog Damage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
191	Legal Fees	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00
192	Travel	200.00	160.32	200.00	200.00
193	Total Animal Control	\$2,000.00	\$751.99	\$2,000.00	\$1,900.00
194					
195	GUVSWMD	13,904.00	13,047.00	13,904.00	14,393.50
196	Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
197	Total Solid Waste	\$13,904.00	\$13,047.00	\$13,904.00	\$14,393.50
198					
199	Recycling Salaries	7,500.00	7,681.91	8,000.00	8,000.00
200	Supplies	200.00	721.53	700.00	700.00
201	Bin Lease	0.00	1,533.80	0.00	4,000.00
202	Bin Pickup	15,000.00	15,326.78	16,000.00	21,000.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
203	Community Education	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
204	Travel	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
205	Facility Const & Maint	4,500.00	610.66	2,000.00	2,000.00
206	Capital Reserve	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00
207	Land Lease Start up Cost	2,200.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
208	Container Purchase	0.00	734.00	0.00	0.00
209	Rubbish Removal - Recycling Site	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
210	Total Recycling	\$79,600.00	\$79,008.68	\$29,300.00	\$38,400.00
211					
212	Cemeteries - Mowing	2,000.00	1,155.00	2,000.00	2,500.00
213	Hillside Cemetery Assn	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
214	Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	225.00
215	Repairs	10,115.00	48.38	11,000.00	1,000.00
216	Total Cemeteries	\$12,315.00	\$1,403.38	\$13,200.00	\$3,925.00
217					
218	Clara Martin Center	4266.00	4266.00	4,266.00	4,266.00
219	VNA/VNH	7633.00	7633.00	7,633.00	0.00
220	Library Federation	29256.00	29256.00	29,256.00	0.00
221	WR Council on Aging	4950.00	4950.00	4,950.00	4,950.00
222	FAST Squad	5286.00	5286.00	5,286.00	5,286.00
223	VT Ctr Independent Living	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
224	Adult Basic Education	725.00	725.00	725.00	0.00
225	The Family Place	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
226	Hospice of the Upper Valley	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
227	Headrest	1518.00	1518.00	1,518.00	1,518.00
228	CVCAC	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
229	George Aiken RC&D	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
230	Orange County Diversion	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00
231	Upper Valley Services	1500.00	1500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
232 Safeline	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
233 Vt Green Up	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
234 GMEDC	1264.00	1264.00	1264.00	1,270.50	1,239.00
235 VT Assn for the Blind	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
236 ACORN	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
237 Single Year Appropriations	0.00	0.00	25250.00	25,000.00	0.00
238 Milfoil/Aquatic Nuisance Control	2000.00	2000.00	4000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
239 Maple Leaf Treatment Center	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
240 Total Appropriations	\$62,023.00	\$62,023.00	\$89,273.00	\$89,029.50	\$26,384.00
241					
242 School District	2,816,567.18	2,816,567.18	2,853,702.74	2,853,702.74	
243 Total School District	\$2,816,567.18	\$2,816,567.18	\$2,853,702.74	\$2,853,702.74	\$0.00
244					
245 Recreation Development/Supplies	0.00	0.00	500.00	319.50	500.00
246 Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
247 Telephone, Utilities	500.00	457.82	500.00	614.94	500.00
248 Repairs & Maintenance	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	725.36	1,500.00
249 Total Recreation	\$2,000.00	\$1,957.82	\$2,500.00	\$1,659.80	\$2,500.00
250					
251 Treasure Island Wages	8,000.00	7,020.00	8,000.00	8,270.53	10,200.00
252 Property Taxes	11,000.00	13,466.76	14,000.00	15,415.58	16,000.00
253 Supplies	200.00	107.87	300.00	714.23	800.00
254 Advertising		0.00	0.00	33.60	50.00
255 Telephone	250.00	0.00	250.00	68.59	170.00
256 Insurance	550.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	650.00
257 Repairs & Maintenance	1,300.00	3,848.96	7,500.00	8,154.99	10,000.00
258 Utilities	550.00	596.41	550.00	386.32	600.00
259 Training & Miscellaneous	200.00	0.00	0.00	1,073.96	300.00
260 Total Treasure Island	\$22,050.00	\$25,040.00	\$31,100.00	\$34,117.80	\$38,770.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
261					
262 Interest Expense	10,000.00	5,685.27	10,000.00	3,463.22	10,000.00
263 Total Interest	\$10,000.00	\$5,685.27	\$10,000.00	\$3,463.22	\$10,000.00
264					
265 County Tax	31,000.00	36,835.00	36,835.00	34,310.00	38,000.00
266 Total County Tax	\$31,000.00	\$36,835.00	\$36,835.00	\$34,310.00	\$38,000.00
267					
268 Veterans' Flags	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
269 Scholarships	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
270 Miscellaneous	0.00	49.22	0.00	54.44	0.00
271 Town Clerk Refunds	0.00	0.00	0.00	121.00	0.00
272 Real Estate Refunds	0.00	0.00	0.00	160.61	0.00
273 Real Estate Abatements	0.00	94.26	0.00	854.66	0.00
274 Bank Fees	1,000.00	1,465.28	1,500.00	1,507.91	1,500.00
275 Other Transfers to Res. Funds	10,000.00	10,000.00			
276 Total Miscellaneous	\$11,900.00	\$12,508.76	\$2,400.00	\$3,598.62	\$2,400.00
277					
278 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,523,434.18	\$3,491,133.92	\$3,579,723.74	\$3,498,052.37	\$677,454.50
279 School District	\$2,816,567.18	\$2,816,567.18	\$2,853,702.74	\$2,853,702.74	\$0.00
280 Town Expenditures less School	\$706,867.00	\$674,566.74	\$726,021.00	\$644,349.63	\$677,454.50
281					
282 General Fund (GF) Revenues	\$704,867.00	\$783,079.11	\$726,021.00	\$779,507.19	\$677,454.50
283 GF Revenues less Expenditures	(\$2,000.00)	\$108,512.37	\$0.00	\$135,157.56	\$0.00
284					
285 General Fund Surplus(Deficit)	(\$2,000.00)	\$108,512.37	\$0.00	\$135,157.56	\$0.00
286 Unutilized 1999 Surplus		\$1,881.15		\$1,881.15	
287 2001 Actual Surplus (Deficit)		\$110,393.52	\$0.00	\$137,038.71	\$0.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
1 HIGHWAY FUND REVENUES					
2 State Highway Aid	105,000.00	122,784.74	115,000.00	118,347.67	115,000.00
3 Highway Receipts	10,000.00	4,474.19	10,000.00	35,227.27	10,000.00
4 Sale of Fuel	250.00	1,032.82	500.00	496.26	500.00
5 Highway Materials Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6 Highway Equipment Fund	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00
7 Overweight Vehicle Permit Fees	0.00	200.00	200.00	215.00	225.00
8 Appropriation - UV Bridge	39,000.00	39,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9 Appropriation - Tucker Hill Bridge	--		5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
10 Insurance Claims Receipts			0.00	9,371.07	0.00
11 Highway Tax Levy	295,127.90	295,127.90	382,216.42	382,216.42	234,745.00
12					
13 Total Highway Revenues	\$514,377.90	\$527,619.65	\$577,916.42	\$615,873.69	\$360,470.00
14 Utilized Surplus(Deficit) Highway Fund Prior Year	76,933.10	76,933.10	15,144.58	15,144.58	150,000.00
15 Total Available Highway	\$591,311.00	\$604,552.75	\$593,061.00	\$631,018.27	\$510,470.00
16					
17 HIGHWAY FUND EXPENDITURES					
18 Total Highway Wages	142,305.00	128,760.38	144,000.00	146,290.60	150,000.00
19 Employee Benefits	15,000.00	13,541.73	28,400.00	18,285.10	28,400.00
20 Clothing Allowance	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
21 Social Security	10,886.00	9,850.00	11,016.00	11,191.23	12,000.00
22 Deductibles	1,000.00	580.30	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
23 Office Supplies	200.00	97.72	200.00	0.00	200.00
24 Telephone	1,400.00	1,155.35	1,400.00	1,282.65	1,400.00
25 Radio Maintenance	800.00	742.91	1,200.00	1,465.08	1,200.00
26 Dues & Meetings	100.00	174.00	200.00	150.00	200.00
27 Travel	150.00	165.76	150.00	443.04	250.00
28 Contingency Fund		0.00		5,694.90	0.00
29 Retirement Administration		30.00	75.00	0.00	75.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
30 Service Charges		37.40		13.05	0.00
31 Total Administrative	\$172,841.00	\$156,135.55	\$188,641.00	\$185,815.65	\$195,725.00
32					
33 Maintenance Supplies	40,000.00	43,252.21	40,000.00	9,642.37	30,000.00
34 Other Maintenance Expenses	3,000.00	12,960.84	5,000.00	4,439.87	5,000.00
35 Retreatment Supplies	125,000.00	126,280.05	125,000.00	64,638.18	125,000.00
36 Other Retreatment Expenses	4,000.00	3,000.00	4,000.00	2,081.99	4,000.00
37 Resurfacing Supplies	11,250.00	10,616.58	11,250.00	3,246.57	9,000.00
38 Other Resurfacing Expenses	11,250.00	12,057.10	11,250.00	0.00	9,000.00
39 Construction Supplies	2,500.00	2,171.53	2,500.00	525.00	2,000.00
40 Other Construction Expenses	1,000.00	436.95	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
41 Winter Road Supplies	45,000.00	45,372.75	48,000.00	46,186.25	46,000.00
42 Other Winter Road Expenses	9,000.00	5,433.70	11,000.00	8,907.26	11,000.00
43 Total Road Expenses	\$252,000.00	\$261,581.71	\$259,000.00	\$139,667.49	\$242,000.00
44					
45 Bridge Supplies	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
46 Bridge Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
47 Other Bridge Expenses	39,000.00	39,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
48 Equipment Rental	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
49 Streetlights	6,000.00	6,275.49	6,500.00	6,548.15	6,700.00
50 Total Bridge & Streetlights	\$45,200.00	\$45,275.49	\$11,700.00	\$11,548.15	\$6,900.00
51					
52 Garage Equipment	500.00	1,145.16	500.00	871.74	500.00
53 Garage Supplies	800.00	749.06	800.00	3,176.78	800.00
54 Garage Repairs	7,500.00	2,383.47	5,000.00	855.14	5,000.00
55 Garage Utilities	3,000.00	3,186.41	3,400.00	3,731.19	3,400.00
56 Rubbish Removal	300.00	351.57	350.00	833.87	375.00
57 Alarm Service	170.00	170.00	170.00	100.00	170.00
58 Vehicle Fuel	11,000.00	16,507.64	15,000.00	14,836.03	15,000.00

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget	2001 Actual	2002 Proposed
59 Oil	2,000.00	1,323.38	2,000.00	2,976.10	2,000.00
60 Vehicle Supplies	200.00	40.48	100.00	211.53	100.00
61 Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	33.00	0.00
62 Insurance Deductible	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
63 Highway Equipment Fund	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00
64 Equipment & Payments	3,300.00	0.00	3,700.00	479.00	3,700.00
65 Vehicle Repair Parts	21,000.00	28,079.77	30,000.00	36,506.03	27,000.00
66 Vehicle Repair Tools	3,000.00	3,417.97	3,200.00	1,932.13	2,600.00
67 Vehicle Warranties	2,000.00	2,030.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
68 Total Town Garage	\$120,270.00	\$124,384.91	\$131,720.00	\$131,542.54	\$63,645.00
69					
70 Highway Signs	1,000.00	2,030.51	2,000.00	2,428.00	2,200.00
71 Total Highway Signs	\$1,000.00	\$2,030.51	\$2,000.00	\$2,428.00	\$2,200.00
72					
73 Total Highway Expenditures	\$591,311.00	\$589,408.17	\$593,061.00	\$471,001.83	\$510,470.00
74					
75 Highway Fund (HF) Revenues	\$591,311.00	\$604,552.75	\$593,061.00	\$631,018.27	\$510,470.00
76 HF Revenues less Expenditures	\$0.00	\$15,144.58	\$0.00	\$160,016.44	\$0.00
77					
78 Highway Surplus (Deficit)	\$0.00	\$15,144.58	\$0.00	\$160,016.44	\$0.00

SUMMATION OF TAX RATE AND MONIES RAISED

YEAR	TOTAL TAX	HIGHWAY TAX	TOWN TAX	SCHOOL TAX	ARTICLES TAX
1991	2.9373	244,694.41	196,913.46	2,327,776.32	122,220.00
1992	1.7944	217,526.92	344,518.43	2,327,776.32	5,709.00
1993	1.8637	215,706.27	300,773.86	2,412,429.43	34,949.00
1994	1.9346	283,067.09	303,576.07	2,416,321.00	86,789.00
1995	2.0158	283,704.37	272,388.21	2,586,914.00	91,289.50
1996	2.0492	229,981.97	258,946.00	2,557,808.00	93,706.79
1997	2.1713	283,535.49	283,182.24	2,780,342.00	87,447.50
1998	2.1465	351,148.90	296,283.14	2,525,262.00	103,800.00
1999	2.2255	416,473.00	281,145.00	2,658,334.00	97,233.00
2000	2.3675	295,127.90	458,802.92	2,816,567.18	131,800.00
2001	2.6769	382,216.42	443,420.63	3,379,143.00	97,250.00

DELINQUENT TAX LIST - DECEMBER 31, 2001

	2001	2000	1999	1998 /prior	TOTAL
Bacon, M Estate	1,642.01				1,642.01
Bailey, W & F	1,946.11	1,330.59			3,276.70
Baker, P	1,049.34				1,049.34
Berecz, T.	760.50				760.50
Brown, J	1,102.88				1,102.88
Cadwell, L & M	1,643.62	1,453.65			3,097.27
Charpiot, R	2,181.67	1,929.51	1,813.78	5,189.11	11,114.07
Cocanour, N	44.81				44.81
Cook, G & W	2,053.09				2,053.09
Davidonis, T	1,394.66				1,394.66
Dresser, D Estate	200.77				200.77
Dube, L & B	256.98	27.28			284.26
Ferguson, S	2,824.26				2,824.26
Harper, H	1,375.93				1,375.93
Hill/Fulton	1,154.51				1,154.51
Howard, A & T	155.15				155.15
Johnson Trust	5,720.54	1,437.26			7,157.80
Kostintina's	5,450.17	4,820.23			10,270.40
Lucy, R	744.18		1,655.77		2,399.95
Manning, G & L	966.36	854.67	803.41	774.89	3,399.33
Manning, Jr., A	2,936.56		2,441.37	4,730.11	10,108.04
Marsh, W	781.65			386.98	1,168.63
Martin, R & P	460.43	407.21			867.64
McClure, et als	720.09				720.09
Montague, J & J	860.07				860.07
Pero, G et als	406.89				406.89
Provost, D & A	1,000.00				1,000.00
Slack, R & D**	3,611.14				3,611.14
Spanos, V & T	2,829.48	2,502.45	2,352.35		7,684.28
UV Landfill	2,170.97	1,920.04	1,804.88	11,334.12	17,230.01
Stearns, W & D	1,943.43				1,943.43
Stone, A & D	2,874.99	2,836.27	2,666.15		8,377.41
Stone, S	775.63				775.63
Stunkel, E	4,272.91				4,272.91
Vernon, D	17.85				17.85
White, B	4,044.80	685.42			4,730.22
Due from Escrow Accts	3,290.42				3,290.42
Abatements not booked	3,506.51	0.40			3,506.91
Abatements Pending	1,266.18	1,119.83	1,052.66	4,753.70	8,192.37
TOTALS	\$70,437.54	\$21,324.81	\$14,590.37	\$27,168.91	\$133,521.63

**indicates taxes paid since January 1, 2002

Division of Tax Rates - 2001	
Town	0.2760
Highway	0.2378
Warned Articles	0.0605
School District	2.1026
TOTAL TAX RATE	2.6769

STATEMENT OF CHANGES TO DELINQUENT TAXES Year Ending December 31, 2001		
Delinquent Taxes as of December 31, 2000		\$195,420.35
Total Taxes Billed - Tax Year (TY) 2001	\$4,302,030.05	
Tax Abatements - TY 2000 and prior	(854.66)	<u>4,301,175.39</u>
		\$4,496,595.74
Total Taxes Collected - TY 2001	4,231,592.51	
Total Taxes Collected - TY 2000 and prior	<u>131,481.60</u>	
		<u>(\$4,363,074.11)</u>
Total Delinquent Taxes as of December 31, 2001		\$133,521.63

Estimated Tax Rates for 2002 (Town, Highway, Warned Articles) Using 2001 Grand List	
Town	0.2970
Highway	0.2200
Warned Articles	0.0687
TOTAL	0.5857

NOTES

ANNUAL REPORTS

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PEABODY LIBRARY

In its 135th year, children met every Wednesday to read together at the Peabody Library. Young patrons carried the library banner in the West Fairlee Memorial Day Parade. West Indian Literature was explored every other Tuesday night during the summer. This series was made possible by the VT Council on the Humanities. In August, the sixth Penny Carnival brought large crowds while Myllarit drew a standing room only crowd for their energetic music and stories. September saw a familiar library presence in the Post Mills Labor Day parade. The Thirteenth Annual Holiday Readings were read for young and old by the librarian.

The Paperback Book Sale continued on the porch all summer, thus providing reading material to the many folks of the Lake Fairlee region. Flowers continued to grace the front of the library all summer thanks to friends with green thumbs.

The Library had 1,393 visitors borrowing 764 books from the library's own collection with more than 466 state books lent from the Regional Library. 250 Books on Tape also circulated from the library to enrich hours spent driving, ironing, and gardening. A total of 1,480 titles circulated from the library in 2001 for an average of 28 titles a week.

On Wednesday afternoons throughout the year, younger readers gathered to practice their skills by working on projects together and listening to stories. Their energy and enthusiasm was inspired by Jean Gerber, the new Children's Librarian.

The vigorous energy of the library trustees and volunteers have wrought some improvements to the library. Successful fund raising efforts and many good wishes have led to a new chandelier and balcony railing for this cherished library.

Come visit Thetford's oldest library in 2002 and experience an environment of abiding grace and dignity. Your support insures that the Peabody Library continues to serve the people of the town for its 136th year.

Hours:

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

Peter Blodgett, Librarian

Peabody Library Trustees

Murray Burk
Barbara Condict
Brad Gellerstedt
Stacey Glazer

Nancy Hughes
Samantha Moffatt
Phebe McCosker
El Wilson

LATHAM MEMORIAL LIBRARY

In 2001, the trustees expanded library services with additional library hours on Wednesday mornings. The board also hired Jean Gerber as Children's Librarian. Programs included a book discussion series exploring "Lovers in Love", made possible by the Vermont Council on the Humanities. Opera North offered a program in May. Coordinating with Thetford Reads, the library co-hosted a book giveaway on Halloween. All-year Science in the Stacks exhibits co-sponsored by the Montshire Museum and the Institute for Museum and Library Services rotated through the library as part of a national pilot project between libraries and science museums.

From three visits to the Regional Library, the Town Library borrowed 1,784 books and these state books were taken out 1,357 times. Books featuring Large Type were also borrowed from the state. 1,176 videos were borrowed from almost 30 video series offered by the library from the LUV Video Co-op. 120 requests for books were made through Inter-Library Loan and 63 of our books were sent around the state on loan this past year.

The total number of library materials borrowed from this library was 14,473 with 12,586 people coming to use the library. 282 visitors came to view the exhibits in the Bicentennial Gallery. 862 books-on-tape circulated this year. During the past year the library bought 170 books and 23 books on tape for children and adults. 343 titles were added to the library's shelves. 70 donated subscriptions produced a total of 97 magazines with three newspapers.

The library provided space for 53 meetings of 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, Pat Pinder and Inge Trebitz worked with patience and good humor behind the scenes to process books and download records. Charlie Eastridge put away many books, sorted magazines and covered the front desk. Nina Strauss is invaluable to keeping the collection current. Nancy Schindler keeps story time eternally young. Gladys Boyd, Susan Fetter, and Anne Scotford have worked at your library for more than sixty years cumulatively! The warm tone set by them is carried on by all the other front desk volunteers who keep the library open six days a week throughout the year as well as those who make possible the antique show in August. Your support of the Library through the annual appeal assures the success of your library. Come visit in 2002. If we don't have what you need, we can get it for you. Trustee meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM and you are always welcome.

Peter Blodgett, Librarian

Library Hours: Mon: 2:00 - 8:30 PM; Tue: 2:00 - 5:00 PM; Wed: 10:00 - 5:00 PM;
Thu: 2:00 - 5:00 PM; Fri: 10:00 - 5:00 PM; Sat: 10:00 - 1:00 PM.

THETFORD LIBRARY FEDERATION

Our Federation works through its member libraries to maintain and improve library service in the Town. We make grants to Latham Memorial/Thetford Town Library and Peabody Library which provide half the operating budget of Latham and two-thirds that of Peabody. During the year both school libraries have completed automating their catalogs and circulation. Reading has been encouraged by book discussion groups for adults and by numerous programs for children. There have been programs to bring history to class groups.

Our second main purpose is to maintain our Bicentennial Building as a free home for Latham/Town Library and for the library/archives of the Historical Society. In addition, several local organizations use the building regularly for meetings, and the downstairs gallery has monthly exhibits by local schools and by painters and photographers. This year operating the building has been expensive, with increased oil prices and with complete repainting of the exterior, including replacement of several shutters. We are facing the need for a new roof in the near future.

We have three sources of income for our work. Every year the Town has voted us an appropriation which pays for most of our grants to Latham and Peabody Libraries. For the rest of our expenses we depend on an endowment, and on money raised by an annual giving campaign, which last year produced \$5,075 from 79 donors, and to which in the campaign begun in September 2001, 78 donors have given \$4,155. We ended last year barely in the black. Because of painting costs, and increased grants to Latham and Peabody Libraries, we project a deficit of about \$8,500 for this year.

Charles Latham, Clerk



THETFORD LIBRARY FEDERATION 2001 FINANCIAL REPORT

	2001 BUDGET	2001 ACTUAL	2002 PROPOSED
INCOME			
Town Appropriation	\$29,256.00	\$29,256.00	\$31,404.00
Computing Support from Member Libraries	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Investment Interest	9,000.00	8,903.00	8,000.00
Donations	5,000.00	4,720.00	5,000.00
Bank Interest	800.00	558.00	500.00
Withdrawn from Endowment	0.00	6,000.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$46,056.00	\$51,437.00	\$46,904.00
EXPENSES			
Member Library Support	36,000.00	36,000.00	38,000.00
Building	1,500.00	7,445.00	1,500.00
Equipment & Furnishings	0.00	467.00	0.00
Computing Services	3,325.00	1,405.00	3,920.00
Electricity	4,000.00	3,710.00	4,000.00
Heat	2,600.00	2,873.00	2,600.00
Water	300.00	375.00	450.00
Insurance	1,200.00	1,214.00	1,200.00
Alarm System	450.00	822.00	550.00
Repairs & Maintenance	2,000.00	755.00	1,200.00
Custodial	1,600.00	1,500.00	1,600.00
Rubbish Removal	235.00	248.00	260.00
Snow Removal/Mowing	1,000.00	1,050.00	1,200.00
Supplies & Postage	250.00	331.00	250.00
Miscellaneous	50.00	6.00	50.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$54,510.00	\$58,201.00	\$56,780.00
<i>Gain or Loss for Year</i>	<i>(8,454.00)</i>	<i>(6,764.00)</i>	<i>(9,876.00)</i>
* Assumes \$ 12.00 per capita Town Appropriation based on new census figure.			
Prepared by Dianne Sharkey, Treasurer			

THETFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our Society had another busy year. We continued to keep our library in the Bicentennial Building open three days a week, on Monday and Thursday afternoons and Tuesday mornings. Regular volunteers were Joyce Bonnett, Barbara Condict, Marian Fifield, Louise Vaughan, Martha Wiencke, and Lina Willey. Besides local residents and schoolchildren, we served patrons from Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, North Carolina, Michigan, and Wisconsin. We have processed several large collections, including many articles and hundreds of photographs from the estate of Charles Hughes, and the papers of Paul Rodgers, the Thetford Civic Association, the 1911 Thetford Pageant, and Aloha Camp. We set up a separate 'Folio' section for oversize books, and made some progress in organizing our oversize documents, prints, and photographs.

During the year we received many donations, including books, papers, and photographs from the estate of Marion Fitzgerald; photographs from Jim Southworth; aerial photographs of the Town from Ronn Koepfel; and a family plow from Warren Bacon.

During Vermont History Expo at Tunbridge in June, we did an exhibit on the yearly militia musters which were held in town until the Civil War. Joyce Bonnett, Joe Deffner, Roberta Howard, and Charles Latham tended the booth. During the weekend we learned that our Civil War drum, carried at Gettysburg by Deacon John T. Quimby, had its entire history inscribed on its inside, and that it did date from before the Civil War. We had several exhibits for the Thetford Hill Fair.

We had sessions on school history with Thetford Academy's seventh grade, and on bridges with the third grade classes at the Morey School in Fairlee. In April we had a meeting with readings from the archives, and at our annual meeting in July, Steve Niederhauser talked to us about music of the Civil War.

We were represented at two meetings concerning the proposed cleanup of the copper mines in Strafford and Vershire. Interest in this cleanup has spurred sales of our reprint of Collamer Abbott's book on 'Green Mountain Copper,' and we have had another printing done. The 2000 Town Report carried an article by Charles Latham about Thetford's share of the Orange County court documents retrieved from a dumpster in Chelsea.

The Hughes Barn Museum was open as usual for Sunday afternoons in August, and we had about eighty visitors. We have made improvements in the lighting of our storage building and our smaller exhibit building, and made some progress in sorting artifacts from the Hughes collection. With the help of Ken Gleason, and of Bryce Lyon of Hanover, we fitted tarpaulins to protect the open section of the main barn during the winter.

Submitted by

Charles Latham

HISTORICAL ARTICLE

NOTE: Twenty-five years ago Town Clerk Emily Hood entrusted to the Historical Society a pine cabinet filled with early documents, all folded in six and tied in bundles. Working over several years, volunteer Martha Wiencke unfolded these documents, sorted them, put them in chronological order and indexed them. One of the first people to make use of the collection was Mary Eysenbach of New London, who came to the library to do genealogy and found that she had an unusual ancestor. This short paper shows, first, the use that can be made of the collection, and, second, that genealogy can go far beyond tracing family trees. It illustrates a side of Thetford history about which little has been written.

THETFORD CARES FOR ITS POOR, 1790's STYLE

The story of one family's sufferings, and of the extensive care afforded them by their new neighbors in Thetford, can be reconstructed from a remarkable collection of early town documents held at the Thetford Historical Society.

John Baker, after serving for four years in the Revolutionary army, was discharged in December 1780, and moved from Mansfield, Connecticut to Thetford. He and Elizabeth Rich married in July of 1782. By 1792 they had a family of six children, ranging in age from eleven to a newborn. But John and Elizabeth did not prosper. The tax rolls show John as one of the smaller landowners, and by 1786 his name disappeared from the rolls. Sometime during that decade John became too ill to care for his family. Selectmen Israel Smith and Jonathan Nichols took the action required of them by Vermont's poor law:

2 June 1792: Whereas John Baker an inhabitant of this Town has become insane in mind and altogether unfit to trade and do business necessary for the support of himself and family and has by his indolent mismanagement become reduced to a state of necessity and want, therefore we...by virtue of authority vested in us ... have for the safety of this town and good of the family ... taken into our care all the Estate both personal and real belonging to the said John to the intent that the same together with the Earnings of ... John's wife may be better applied ... for their support. [T]herefore no bargain or contract made with the said John after this date...will be considered valued and good in Law ... but such as is allowed and approved by Mr. William Child.

Care of the town poor was a substantial burden on a young town where almost all the residents were relative newcomers, but the residents of Thetford, through their town government, cared for Elizabeth Baker until her death in 1812, and for John Baker until 1817. Beginning in 1804 and covering the next thirteen years, receipts show what the Town spent on behalf of the Bakers. The items include board at a dollar a week, pasturing a cow for a dollar a month, and making "large stout thick shoes" for two dollars. Beginning in 1808 the Town paid for a doctor making frequent visits to Mrs. Baker, at about fifty cents per visit including medicine. From 1812 on, the visits are weekly or fortnightly, and the medicine listed is 'tinct opia' or 'gum opia', the usual painkiller of the time. Elizabeth Baker's account ends in June 1812 with two dollars for a coffin and one dollar for a grave.

Meanwhile the Town was paying \$1.16 a week for keeping John Baker, first to Aaron Hosmer and later to Charles Chamberlin. The last record for John Baker is the notice that

Charles Chamberlin placed in *Spooner's Vermont journal* on 18 October 1817:

'Went away from the subscriber on Monday the First Day of September ...JOHN BAKER, a pauper... Said Baker is about sixty years old, middling sized, light sandy complexion and hair, and commonly wears a long beard; is frequently delirious, and talks to himself. He had on when he went away a linen tow frock and pantaloons. Whoever will give notice ...where said Baker can be found will exercise an act of humanity, and shall be handsomely rewarded.'

By declaring John Baker insane in 1792, Thetford made itself legally responsible for the welfare of his children. As the state law provided, the younger children were soon placed with other families in the area. In November, the youngest boy, Simon, then "about four years of age," went to William Judd of Strafford. In March 1793, Anne, 'two years old last May,' was placed with William Moor, Jr., The same day Abigail, 'about ten months old' was placed with John and Nellie Way of Thetford, after 1796 of Barnet. Five years later Zechariah, then twelve, was placed with Captain William Heaton. All these families were substantial members of their communities, the Judds early settlers of Strafford, Moor and Heaton among the wealthiest men in Thetford and both former selectmen. The Ways were newcomers but already members of the church. Most had children older than the ones they were taking in. To encourage families to take in the three younger children, who would be unable to work for some time, Thetford paid ten pounds nineteen shillings to the Ways, four pounds ten shillings to Moor, and gave a cow to the Judds.

The legal way in which these children were placed was by an indenture, a form similar to an apprenticeship. Each of these young children, even ten-month- old Abigail, was indentured to serve and dwell with his or her master until they came of age, girls at 18, boys at 21, serving according to their 'Wit and Ability,' and behaving 'Honestly Orderly & Obediently'. On his part, the master undertook to instruct him or her 'in the Business & Art of Housewifery (or Husbandry) and In the Art of reading and Writing' and to provide 'Sufficient Meat Drink Lodging & Apparel and all other things Necessary & Fit for ... Comfortable Subsistence,' and to prevent his charge's becoming 'in any wise Chargeable to the Town of Thetford.'

While these indentures may sound harsh to modern ears, they seem to have functioned as guardianships. What was expected of the indentured children was what parents expected of their own children. And Thetford demanded more of masters than Vermont law required: the girls were to be taught writing as well as reading, and the boys 'cyphering' as well as reading and writing. In Abigail's case the arrangement was apparently a happy one; she named her first son John Baker Way McIndoe. What became of the other indentured children is not clear, nor is there any information about the two oldest children, Lovinia and Samuel.

Mary L. Eysenbach

THETFORD HILL PARISH PLAYERS

Since our last report progress continues at the Eclipse Grange. Last summer the players became the newest members of the Thetford Hill Water Coop and now the Grange has working bathrooms and running water. Other improvements include new stairs inside, two new fire escapes with roofs outside, new exits, and the building has been insulated to insure comfort for audience and cast alike. Completely new wiring has been installed to the latest code requirements and the lighting grid has been rehung. The wood stoves have been removed and a propane gas furnace now provides heat as needed. A new access ramp leads to the porch and theater.

All this work has resulted in a Certificate of Occupancy permit from the state. The next production of the Parish Players will open in mid-February and run into March. Please come enjoy "Lend Me a Tenor" and explore Thetford's newest theater. More events are also planned for March.

When warm weather returns, the Players intend to scrape, paint and landscape the building to blend harmoniously once more within the National Historic District of Thetford Hill. The neighbors of the Grange have been very patient and encouraging through the long process of renovation and reconstruction.

The Players wish to thank the Town of Thetford for their efforts in helping improve this historic structure. With the help and support of many people from Thetford, the Players are pleased to come home after four years and to provide quality community theater in the beloved Eclipse Grange.

Submitted by

Peter Blodgett



THETFORD HILL VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY

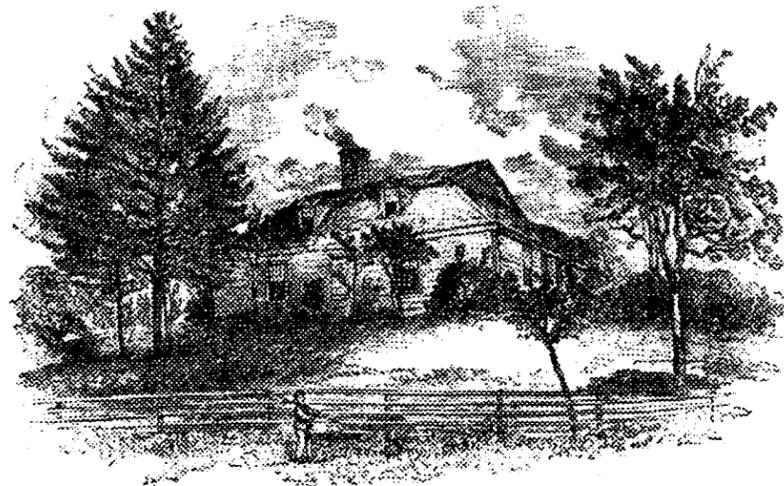
The Thetford Hill Village Improvement Society (THVIS) dates from the adoption of its first constitution on August 3, 1905. The State of Vermont incorporated the Society on February 21, 1991. The Society's constitutional purpose is "to improve and beautify the village of Thetford Hill and, in general, to promote the welfare of the community". There are no paid positions in the society and most services are rendered by volunteer citizens of the community.

Two major events occur with the Society. The Thetford Hill Fair and the Annual Meeting. The Thetford Hill Fair is run by THVIS, and the Ladies Benevolent Society of Thetford Congregational Church. Last year, the Fair took place on July 28 and, thanks to the efforts of loyal community members, it was successful in raising funds for the general upkeep of the Common, and for emergency outreach to people in need in the Thetford Community. This year, the Fair will be held on July 29, 2002. The Fair Planning Committee will meet in June and volunteers are always appreciated to assist with this community activity. Anyone interested in lending a helping hand can call Peter Blodgett at the Library for details (785-4361).

The year 2005 will mark the 100th anniversary of THVIS. We would like to plan an appropriate celebration of the event, so if anyone has ideas on how to honor the anniversary or has photographs and/or stories that they would like to share about the Thetford Hill Common, THVIS wants you!! The Annual Meeting of THVIS will be held on Monday, September 9, 2002, 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 is encouraged to attend all THVIS activities. Also, we welcome suggestions for any new or additional activities.

Nancy King, President



THE AMERICAN LEGION, INC. - THETFORD POST #79

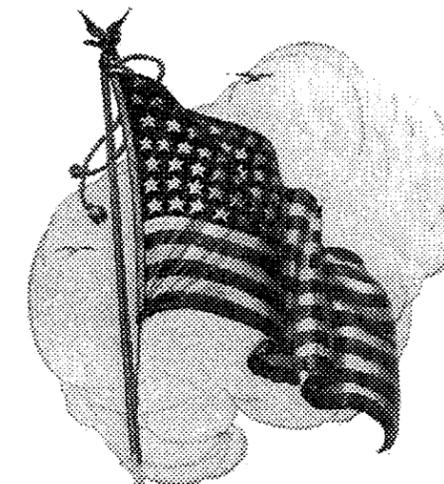
The purposes of this Post are to foster all those values for which our country stands, to help people in need whenever we can and to give special help to our veterans. Our meetinghouse is located on Thetford Hill, opposite Thetford Elementary School. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month, except January and February, at 7.00 PM.

Flags for all known Veterans' graves are put out before Memorial Day, and removed after November 11th, whenever possible. We would like to thank the Thetford Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts for their help on this project. Please notify the Legion of any veterans buried in the town of Thetford so that a flag can be placed at the gravesite. Flag etiquette has been taught for several years at the area schools.

Available on loan to anyone who needs their use are the following items of hospital and invalid equipment: hospital beds, wheelchairs, bedpans, crutches, walkers, commodes, various canes, and other items. Some of the listed items are in short supply. Borrowers 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. 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 of our wars and conflicts. We ask that you join in remembering our fallen comrades. Thank You from Post #79.

Commander: Raymond "Fred" Adams	785-4331
Adjutant: Nathan Pero	333-4671
Chaplain: Robert L. Bacon	785-2663
Financial/Service Officer: Stephen F. Ingalls	785-3190



UPPER VALLEY FISH AND GAME CLUB

- PURPOSE:
- ✧ To work for improvement and 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 area.
 - ✧ 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:	Amy Vance	Thetford Center	785-4503
	Vice President:	Robert Stone	Thetford Center	785-4237
	Treasurer:	Bruce Avery	North Thetford	333-9671
	Secretary:	Rhett Scruggs	East Thetford	333-4067

MEMBERSHIP: Currently 184 members, 11 are junior members. Open to any person interested in helping with our stated purpose. Junior membership is available to persons aged 15 and under. Membership chairman is Bill Rose, 333-9325.

MEETINGS: 3rd 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 - 132 participants in 2001. Children's fishing derby in June - 25 children participated in 2001. Sponsored a Hunter's Safety class in the summer and fall - certificates were presented to 40 Firearms Safety Students and to 15 Bow Hunter Safety Students in 2001. The club sponsors local youngsters to the State Conservation Camp each summer - 2 were sponsored in 2001.

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 BOY SCOUT TROOP 772

Each Spring and Fall, Boy Scouts from all over the State of Vermont gather for a Camporee. On May 11-13, 2001, the Spring Camporee was hosted by the Thetford Boy Scout Troop. Nearly 700 people came to Thetford for a weekend of camping, fun, and the chance to hone Scout skills. Events that helped reinforce Scout skills included Morse Code, a pioneering challenge, fire building and orienteering. A mock air disaster gave the boys the opportunity to learn from area experts how to conduct a search for a downed aircraft and then how to rescue the injured occupants. A life-size aircraft was constructed by the Troop ahead of the event, and stashed in the woods. Two Scouts were made up to look as if they had sustained serious injuries.

A prolonged shower on Saturday afternoon allowed us to light our traditional bonfire using a flaming arrow launched from over 100 feet away. Numerous awards were presented and the crowd was entertained by Tim Jennings, a story teller from Burlington. The leaders of our Troop are especially proud of our Scouts for the way they conducted themselves. Rather than participate in the events, they decided to work the entire weekend to ensure our camping guests had an unforgettable experience. The boys directed traffic, ran events, emceed the campfire, and conducted the Sunday Service all on their own.

This was not an ordinary summer for the Thetford Boy Scouts. Of course, as we do every year, we had a few boys attend Mt. Norris Scout Reservation. We once again took our newest patrol, the Blue Beavers, to Kettle Pond in Groton State Park for three days of skill building. Despite the rain, all of the boys had a lot of fun, learned they really can do a lot on their own or with each other's help and moved rapidly toward their next rank advancement.

The first "out-of-the-ordinary" event took place in the wilds of northwestern Maine. A group of older Scouts and four adults first kayaked down the east outlet of the Kennebec River. We camped on an island that night and early the next morning prepared for a white water raft trip below Harris Dam. Needless to say the ride was wet and wild! Several times, a rafter was swept from the raft into the white foam and then retrieved almost as quickly as they disappeared. A riverside picnic completed what was a very exciting trip. Biking was also a big part of our fall activities. We camped at Waterbury State Park for a weekend of biking both to the east and west of Mt. Mansfield. Almost 30 miles of rolling terrain was covered over the two days. Later, at the fall Camporee in Victory, a morning bike hike amounted to over 20 miles for some riders.

Last summer, two Thetford Scouts, Eric LaMontagne and Daniel Huff, joined over 30,000 other Scouts at Fort AP Hill in Virginia for one of the world's largest Scouting events, the Scout Jamboree. Included in the event were two stage shows with over 40,000 in attendance, an address from President Bush, static displays, ropes courses, a merit badge midway, water sports, fishing, and Order of the Arrow Native American dancers to name just some of the activities. Prior to the Jamboree, the Vermont contingent toured Civil War Battlegrounds, visited Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, as well as Washington DC, touring the museums and monuments. The Vermont Scouts took part in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Community service is, of course, an important part of our routine. We have had Scouts help the Community Center Association with their "Springfest" and help at the "Fall Foliage Run" that benefits the Fire Department. Some Scouts picked milfoil at Treasure Island, several adult leaders and youth are now certified scuba divers, and plan to help keep the swim area free from the fast growing intruder.

On behalf of the all the Scout leaders and Scouts, I'd like to thank everybody for your enduring support.

Bill Huff
Thetford Assistant Scout Leader

THETFORD GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scouts: "Where Girls Grow Strong". Girl Scouts is the world's leading organization dedicated solely to girls, where, in an accepting and nurturing environment, girls build character and skills for success in the real world. In partnership with caring adults, girls develop qualities that will serve them all their lives....like strong values, social conscience and conviction about their own potential and self-worth. In Girl Scouts, girls discover the fun, friendship and power of girls together. Through many enriching experiences provided by Girl Scouting, they grow courageous and strong.

Girl Scouting in Thetford is definitely "Growing Strong" !! This fall two new troops, or groups as we now refer to them, have started. The Daisy Girl Scouts, who are kindergarten age, have twelve members and are under the leadership of Troi Lynn Ulman and Roxanne Eastman. A new Cadette Girl Scout Group recently began meeting every Wednesday with their leader Megan Cartier. These four seventh-graders are looking for others to join them from the 6th, 7th, 8th or 9th grades. The Brownie Girl Scouts continue this year with sixteen girls in grades 2 & 3 with Tracy Borst, Julie Mullen & Cindy Grigel as their leaders. The Junior Girl Scouts have fifteen 4th, 5th and 6th grade girls this year with Helen Huff and Carol Mullen as their leaders. Anyone wishing more information about how they can become involved with scouts are encouraged to contact one of the leaders.

Submitted by Helen Huff

JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP 2064

Our past year of scouting has been full of fun, travel and excitement. Of our many adventures, our most favorite was attending an overnight council event, "Be your Best: Lock in", last March at the Hampshire Hills Health Club in Milton, NH. The girls participated in workshops on 'substance abuse: just say no', nutrition & healthy snacks, a kick boxing class, swimming, and the ever popular wall climbing. Other activities were tennis, giant kick ball, basketball and racquet ball. We all had a GREAT time!

Some of our other favorite activities over the past year were: working on our Frosty Fun badge with a winter hike and a sledding party, attending Thinking Day celebration with our new friends in Lebanon, helping the Community Center serve a dinner for our Emergency Services Personnel, helping with the opening flag ceremony and then providing child care for more than 30 children so their parents could attend the annual town meeting, helping out at the Recycling Center on Green-up Day, participating in two weekend camping trips, one to Camp Farnsworth for Eco-Antics and a visit to VINS in Woodstock. The second to Camp Kettleford for Laura Wilder weekend where we did old fashioned craft projects and games.

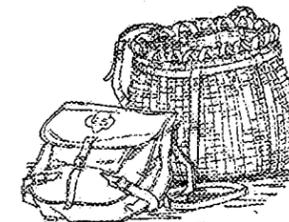
Last year's troop was awarded the "Tip Top Troop" award and a \$25 certificate toward any council sponsored event. It was the third year in a row that we have earned this award. "A troop that earns this award should know that they have had an outstanding, well rounded, year in scouting."

This past Fall we had sixteen girls register. So far we have been quite busy with an awesome time at Riverview farms, where e rode in the horse-drawn wagon to the orchard to pick apples, helping out at the Fall Foliage-Five run, hiking to the Girl Scout Adirondack shelters on Mt. Monadnock in Dublin, NH for some exploring and picnic lunch, decorating for the PTO's Halloween party, holding a joint Rededication Ceremony with the Brownie Group at Camp Farnsworth, traveling to Essex Junction to participate in the Vermont State wide Veterans' Day parade, and helping the American Legion Post remove flags from the towns cemeteries. We have also had a tour of the fire station and taken a "friends and family" CPR course.

One of our favorite activities is selling Girl Scout cookies. The girls not only raise their own funds for projects and events but learn some valuable lessons along the way goal setting, teamwork to reach those goals, and social and business skills. Almost every one of our scouts attended summer camp at our own Camp Farnsworth. They all had a blast and can't wait to go back. Most girls helped pay their own way by using credits they earned from the cookie sale. A huge "Thank You" to all who supported us in this fund raiser.

It isn't often that an organization celebrates nine decades. In the case of the Girl Scouts, those 90 years translate into millions and millions of girls served and countless lives changed. To celebrate this milestone in Girl Scout history, our Group would like to hear from anyone who has been a Girl Scout in the past, so we may plan a get together during Girl Scout week in March to learn how things were when you were a Scout. Please contact Helen Huff at 785-4640.

We would like to thank the Thetford Center Community Association for allowing us to use their facility for our weekly meetings, Tim Ouelette and Mariah Capurso for helping us earn our first aid badge, Roberta Howard for keeping us in touch with our community, 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 & Carol Mullen

THETFORD SNOW COASTERS

Our members have continued to work hard to improve and widen trails with the help of many landowners. We have also done a number of fund-raisers to help pay for trail renovations. One of the projects we have completed this year is reopening the 244 trail from North Thetford to Fairlee. We have also replaced some snowmobile bridges in town.

We would like to thank the landowners for the continued use of their land. An extra effort has been made by a number of landowners, allowing reroutes and new route construction. Thank you!

Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, November through April at C.W. Gray's shop in East Thetford. They start at 6:00 p.m. with a potluck dinner, then the meeting. All members and landowners are welcome.

For additional information, please contact myself at 785-4701 or attend one of the meetings.

Phillip O'Donnell, President
Thetford Snow Coasters

List of Officers:

President - Phillip O'Donnell
Vice President - Dirk Borst
Treasurer - Bonnie Maxfield
Secretary - Bonnie Holbrook
Membership Chair Person - Roxy Maxfield
Trail Master - Phillip O'Donnell

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 many community members and individuals have contributed their efforts to help TYS. We would like to thank Twin State Sand & Gravel Co, L H Cook Co and Sam Eaton. This year we added two new sets of bleachers for our fields at the elementary school. We need to thank Fred Tefft and his shop class, especially Josh Boyd, Nick Lacasse, Scott DiFrancesco, Chris Snider, Josh Thurston, Justin Page and David Ozahowski. We also need to thank Adam and Philip Odonnell for mowing our fields. Their donation was very much appreciated. We owe everything to the support of our Directors, coaches and volunteers who have made this past year a great success.

TYS is looking forward to the new gym this community voted for. It has been a long time coming. Now maybe other communities will come and play in our gym. Also maybe children won't be running into the walls for the possibility of getting hurt and tripping over spectators feet and fall. The gym certainly will be a great asset to our school and community.

Also we are looking forward to the development of the Taylor Fields. A nature trail, sports field and family recreation place will be greatly used by all community members. All this should be happening within the next couple of years.

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. Thank you to Bev Carpenter, Robin Wagner, Susan Arnold, Tony Thurston and Brian Smith for their year(s) of service to TYS.



Submitted by Loretta Gray

Thetford Youth Sports Board

Steve Fifield	Loretta Gray
Chuck Metz	Ted Levin
Mark McMahon	Bob Leach
Kristie Gray	Ray Thorburn
Amos Kornfeld	Annemarie Linnehan

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 its 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 Center by 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. It is the meeting place for the Junior Girl Scout Troop and other non-profit organizations. The Thetford Center Fellowship of Women holds senior citizen luncheons there, as well as luncheons for the Retired Teachers Association. Families and other groups hold reunions and open houses. The Community Building has also seen wedding receptions.

The Community Association puts on community thank-you dinners, the Emergency Management Services dinner, community potluck dinners, dessert socials as well as fund-raising dinners. The Association, in conjunction with the Timothy Frost Methodist Church holds a Springfest, which is full of entertainment and crafts as well as exhibits and demonstrations from local businesses. One of the favored events is the annual "Holiday Party" which incorporates several holiday traditions during December. Each year, the Association offers a scholarship to Thetford Academy graduates.

Mark the following dates on your calendar for the community pot-luck dinners: February 16, March 9, and April 6. All are on a Saturday at 6:00 PM.

The Community Association welcomes inquiries about use of the building. There is a suggested donation to cover the cost. The Association also welcomes anyone who wishes to become a member. Come and meet your neighbors and share your ideas for Thetford Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marty Moses, Secretary

President; Bruce Slack - 785-2041
Vice-President; Sue Clark - iluvvt@madscape.com

RICE'S MILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

2001 was been a great year for Rice's Mills. In spite of continued vandalism to the brand-new handmade wooden "Center" sign, the Center's steady progress toward revitalizing its useful, fresh structure continues.

Pot luck dinners were held regularly throughout the warmer months on Sunday evenings. We held 7 potlucks this year, holding one in November this year too. In addition to good food and fine fellowship, the pot lucks featured entertainment for children young and old. This year we had juggling, slides, old 16mm movies, and a Harvest Dinner with decorated vegetables. The creativity is always astounding. The attendance varied from a low of 6 to a high of 40.

Much work was done this fall to help "spruce up" the building. Several people helped to do a thorough floor washing, while Deb Kraemer has been painting the inside, Bill Shepard and Pat Freund have been improving the "back room". We are sad that the new sign that was made this spring was vandalized. The Association is looking into grant possibilities to upgrade the electricity, install a new ceiling, etc.

Please join us in 2002! All are welcome, members or not, young and old. This is an exciting time for Rice's Mills. If you are interested in the potlucks, signs are posted around town several days in advance of the dinner. Donations of time and/or money are always encouraged. Donations can be mailed to Polly Cole, Treasurer at 790 Poor Farm Road, Thetford Center, VT 05075.

Bill Shepard and Lelia Mellen, Co-Chairs 785-2855



ELIZABETH MINE REMEDIATION PROJECT

The abandoned Elizabeth Mine is located in the southernmost corner of Strafford, with tailings from the mine spilling over into Thetford's westernmost corner. The mine, which operated from 1806 to 1958, is a major source of pollution to Copperas Brook, which lies in Strafford, and the West Branch of the Ompompanoosuc River in Thetford. The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VTANR) considers the site the state's worst source of non-point water pollution and the Environmental Protection Agency has included the site on its National Priorities List of Superfund sites.

In 1996, four Thetford residents and one from Strafford formed the Elizabeth Mine Study Group and began activities leading toward a cleanup of the site. The VTANR asked EPA to get involved in the project in 1999 and EPA has assumed the lead in organizing the clean up. Ten local community groups, including the Thetford Selectboard and Conservation Commission, are working under the umbrella of the Elizabeth Mine Community Advisory Group to give advice and direction to EPA and VTANR.

EPA has conducted many studies at the mine site and along the affected waters in order to determine the problem and propose a solution. The project is nearing a critical stage as EPA will release its Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis report, which lays out the final basic plans EPA is considering for the remediation of the site, in early March of 2002. The EE/CA lays the groundwork for many important decisions: the size and cost of the remediation, which will be paid for by EPA; the extent and cost of operation and maintenance of the site after EPA completes the clean-up, which is paid for by the state; an approximate amount of construction traffic to and from the site for at least a couple of years; how much of the historically significant aspects of the site will be preserved; and future reuse opportunities at the site.

Once the EE/CA is released, the public will have 30 days to comment. EPA will hold public information meetings in conjunction with the release of the EE/CA to explain their plans. The meetings will take place: Wednesday, March 13, 2002, at 7:00 PM at Barrett Hall in South Strafford, and either Tuesday, March 12 or Thursday, March 14, 7:00 PM at the Parish Players Hall on Thetford Hill. The EPA will hold a hearing to take public comments on the plans Wednesday, March 27, 7:00 PM at Barrett Hall in South Strafford. These dates are tentative, depending on how negotiations proceed between the EPA, state and local public.

This is one of the most important points in the community's negotiations with EPA since their decisions on the final plans will affect the community and Ompompanoosuc River for years to come. You are strongly encouraged to attend these meetings and voice your opinions. More information about the project and copies of reports are available through the EMCAG contacts or at two public repositories of mine related documents: the Norwich Public Library and the Strafford Town Hall. More information is also posted on a mine project web site at: <http://www.dartmouth.edu/~cehs/CAGsite/index.html>.

Questions and comments can be directed to these contacts:

Thetford Select Board, via Neal Meglathery, 785-2016
 Thetford Conservation Commission, Scott Stokoe, 785-2083
 Elizabeth Mine Study Group, Bob Walker, 785-4126
 EPA Project Manager, Ed Hathaway, 888-372-7341 ext. 81372

UPPER VALLEY RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

We continue to provide information and assistance to the states, towns and local landowners on projects and problems near the river, such as riverbank erosion and riparian buffers. We fulfilled our legal obligation to advise on permits, and were able to provide advice on stormwater management for the BJ Warehouse project in Lebanon and the Rivendell School in Orford. We also made suggestions for future land use at the reclaimed Elizabeth Mines, and supported the Upper Valley Land Trust in its quest to protect a riverfront farm with historic, agricultural, and scenic value.

We distributed boater education pamphlets and maps to help visitors learn about public access sites and visitor etiquette, and we are cooperating with the Town of Fairlee to see how to make the river safely accessible and enjoyable for area residents and visitors.

We have encouraged all towns in the Upper Valley region to review our *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*, and to incorporate its recommendations as they update town plans and revise their zoning ordinances, particularly for shoreland protection. Currently, Hanover and Lebanon are actively doing so.

The public is welcome at our meetings at the Lyme Town Office on the third Tuesday of every other month. Visit www.erje.org/localaction.htm for more information, including advice on bank erosion, riparian buffers, and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, a meeting calendar, and the Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan. We are pleased that Thetford is now represented by two citizens. The Subcommittee also welcomed new members from Bradford and Piermont.

Cyrus Severance & Linda Matteson, Thetford Representatives



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 PO Box 1182
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www.crjc.org

TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL COMMISSION

During 2001, the Regional Commission continued providing technical expertise and resources for municipal officials as well as advocating for members' needs with the State Legislature and with state and federal agencies. We function as staff for many of our towns and most of our work is initiated at the request of Selectboards, Planning Commissions and other Town officials. Major accomplishments for this past year included:

Regional and Local Transportation Planning - The Commission's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) continued working with member municipalities on local transportation projects. Two Rivers' staff continues to write many successful Transportation Enhancement Grants as well as pedestrian facility grants. We assist towns in procuring design engineers, process requisitions for payment and organize public meetings for local input. This office assists communities as they work their way through the environmental permitting process on transportation projects.

Local Technical Assistance - We continued to provide advice and support to all town officials on a wide range of activities over the past year. This included grant writing and administration, assistance on town plan revisions, ordinance development, GIS mapping, transportation planning, and Act 250 development review. The TRORC Region has once again received the largest share of municipal planning grants statewide. This has allowed our towns to conduct the planning necessary to respond to the changes in state and federal requirements.

Emergency Planning Activities - The Regional Commission's emergency management planning program continues to be funded in part by FEMA and State contracts. Currently, we have projects focused on hazard mitigation associated with natural and man-made disasters. Other programs included 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 by buying and installing emergency power generators and/or hook-ups in many schools in the region. During 2001, TRORC has provided each school in the region with a weather alert radio to assist administrators in protecting our children.

Economic Development Planning - In association with the Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation, the Regional Commission obtained approval in 2001 from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) that has lead to eligibility for each of our towns for federal EDA funding.

We value your continued support and look forward to serving you in the coming year. Please call us if you have any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

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

GREATER UPPER VALLEY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Thetford is a charter member of the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District which was created in 1990 for the express purpose of managing waste generated within its member municipalities.

Hazardous Waste, Recycling, and Education Programs in Thetford—

A total of 23 Thetford households brought approximately 298 gallons of HHW to six collection events this year.

Special collections were held for tires, scrap metal, textiles, computers and trash furniture with 134 Thetford households bringing in approximately 13 tons of materials. In Thetford, the District sponsored a tire collection in May and a big trash collection in September.

The District assisted Thetford in recycling 793 tires from the town stump dump in August.

The District fielded 40 calls from Thetford residents with waste-related questions.

All District members continue to have access to the Hartford Community Center for Recycling and Waste Management for recycling, trash disposal, and construction and demolition waste disposal.

Please note: Anyone who has outdated or unneeded farm chemicals can contact the District staff to arrange collection and disposal of these toxic materials free of charge.

Landfill Update

The District continues to work with area municipalities to secure participation partners when the North Hartland landfill is developed. This past year saw the beginning of the landfill re-certification process, an updated engineering analysis of landfill development costs and issues, alternative access road work, and the purchase of impacted property adjacent to the landfill site. Additionally, the District entered into agreement with the Lebanon City landfill to provide uninterrupted waste disposal for district residents and businesses until the District's landfill is constructed.

We welcome your suggestions on ways to improve our services and are always on the outlook for new opportunities to reduce, reuse and recycle. District events for the upcoming collection season will be available at Town Meeting, at all Town Clerks' offices, and the District office at 296-3688.

Also, please visit our new website at www.guvs wd.org.

Fred Moody
Executive Director, GUVSWMD

GREEN UP VERMONT

Green Up Day, unique to Vermont, is when thousands of volunteers statewide clean litter from roadsides and public places and spruce up our communities. Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501 (c) (3) organization charged with organizing this massive clean-up effort and promoting anti-litter education with the Green Up lifestyle for a lifetime. Well over 13,000 Vermonters participated in green Up Day 2001, using some 30,000 bags to clean up in excess of 200 tons of trash plus loads of mixed metals and many tires. Green Up Vermont arranged for promotional support in excess of \$ 25,000.00.

The success of Green Up Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the Combined efforts of individuals and civic 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 unique tradition of annually cleaning up our entire state, so that our children grow up with Green Up.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 15 percent of our budget. The remainder comes from financial gifts from towns, individuals and businesses and is used to purchase supplies, promote awareness and pay for services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute, according to population to help keep Green Up growing for Vermont.

Green Up Day is May 4, 2002

GREEN MOUNTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation (GMEDC) was very busy throughout the year helping our town and businesses to prosper. During the year we assisted several companies to secure Vermont Economic Progress Council tax credits to help underwrite their expansions. We also serviced a number of small business loans. We made one loan to a village corporation for an economic development project that needed funding right away. This was the first time we have been able to offer this service and it worked out very well for all parties.

We also helped two towns to secure grants for work on their municipal buildings and assisted one town in the administration of a HUD grant. We also contributed to the planning for the Vermont Technical College Business Incubator and were central to the acquisition of a million-dollar grant for the renovation of the Randolph Elementary School into an office building.

We helped several companies secure training grants totaling tens of thousands of dollars to help keep their employees current on new equipment and processes. Of course we also helped many small business to get started or to overcome problems on a day to day basis. We made countless referrals and provided support to the Small Business Development Center in our region. It's been a very productive year for GMEDC and our region, and we stand ready to help our businesses and our towns weather the uncertain economic times ahead.

VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) was organized 34 years ago to meet the education, advocacy, and group purchasing needs of cities and towns in Vermont. Proudly, today we are still a member-driven organization independent of state and federal government. We continue to depend on the membership of local governments for our sole support. Cities and towns around the state thank you for that support again this year. We are governed by a thirteen member board of directors, all of whom are local officials. This year Bill Shepeluk, Municipal Manager in Waterbury, is president of VLCT.

If you are newly elected this Town Meeting, congratulations! Please plan to use VLCT as a resource.

VLCT puts considerable effort into providing education for its members, an effort that is increasing in 2002. In addition, VLCT provides handbooks on specific subjects to guide local officials in the discharge of their responsibilities. Staff travel on request to member towns to provide technical assistance on topics such as insurance packages, personnel recruitment, mediation and negotiation. Thousands of questions are answered every year from virtually every member municipality about almost any local government subject you can imagine. The *VLCT News and Weekly Legislative Report* provides municipal officials with up-to-date legislative coverage along with articles of special interest on topics such as workplace safety, court cases affecting local governments, and municipal planning and zoning. Interested persons may access that information and much more through VLCT's web site (www.vlct.org).

VLCT offers to municipalities insurance "trust" programs that save local taxpayer dollars every year because member municipalities pool their resources to purchase insurance coverage. In 2000 and 2001, the VLCT Health Trust held insurance rate increases to 10%, well below statewide trends, thus saving member municipalities hundreds of thousands of dollars. The VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund (PACIF) returned another \$412,000 to its 232 member municipalities, and the VLCT's Unemployment Insurance Trust returned \$188,000 to its members.

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 adopted by vote of member cities and towns at the VLCT annual meeting, held September 27, 2001 in Killington. Each city and town is entitled to a vote at the annual or any special meetings.

Submitted by

Karen Horn
VLCT Executive Director

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Vermont Department of Health works to protect and promote the health of all citizens. The following are some of the essential services available to residents of Thetford.

Special Supplemental Food & Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC): WIC assures a steady supply of nutritious foods to eligible individuals during pregnancy and early childhood. The average value of foods provided is \$35.00 per person per month. During 2000, 57 women, infants and children living in Thetford received foods as well as health screening and nutrition education through this program.

Vaccine-Preventable Diseases: Vermont's children enjoy one of the best immunization rates in the country. Proper vaccinations help ensure adequate protection against disease, contribute to saving health care dollars, and minimize lost time from school or childcare and for parents from work. During 2000, 4,336 doses of vaccine were distributed to medical providers in Orange County. This represents a value of \$48,173, and includes children living in Thetford.

Inspection of Food Establishments: The Food and Lodging Program, Division of Health Protection, inspects restaurants and school meal programs to educate owners/operators on safe food handling practices and identifies where there is a high likelihood of illness if left uncorrected. Of the 12 establishments in Thetford, 11 inspections were completed during 2000.

Reportable Disease Investigation: The Department of Health investigates all cases of reportable diseases such as hepatitis, meningitis, measles, pertussis (whooping cough), and epidemic diarrhea to determine the cause, to recommend control measures including current treatment standards, and to prevent further spread of the disease. In 2000, the department investigated 64 cases of disease in Orange County.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program: 'CSFP' is a US Department of Agriculture program - new to Vermont- that offers nutritious foods and nutrition information to eligible individuals. Between start-up of this service in July 2000, to 10/09/01, 5 elders residing in Thetford have received boxes of food. Each box is worth about \$50.00 and includes such staple items as canned meats, fruits, vegetables, powdered and evaporated milk, cereal, fruit juices, and cheese.

Town Health Officer Program: Every Vermont town has a Health Officer who is nominated by the Select Board and appointed by the Commissioner of Health. The Health Department works with Health Officers to investigate and reduce local public health threats, to resolve citizen complaints on topics as varied as animal bites, sewage problems, infectious diseases, rental housing concerns, and to respond to disasters. During 2001, Town Health Officers throughout Vermont assisted the department in collecting information on the number and location of swimming areas. Health Officers from over 220 towns provided information on a questionnaire, which identified about 75 designated and 200 known swimming areas. Additionally, over 150 of these swimming areas were tested for the department by Health Officers during the last week of August to get a 'point in time' picture of swimming water quality in Vermont. The magnitude of this activity would not have been possible without Health Officers' cooperation- it was greatly appreciated.

If you would like more information about these efforts, or if you have a health concern, please call the Health Department's White River Jct. District Office at 802-295-8820. Please visit our website at www.state.vt.us/health/ for recent publications and additional information about current public health issues.

VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC.

Your Visiting Nurse Alliance services are like your Police and Fire Departments. We are a vital part of your community safety net -- with services that must be continuously available for you or anyone else who might need them.

As a nonprofit agency, we are very appreciative of the continued support that the Town of Thetford provides to help us meet your residents' home care, hospice and family health service needs.

Town funds enable your family, friends and neighbors to remain at home and to receive skilled clinical services during times of injury, recovery from surgery or accidents, disability, short-term and chronic illness. Town funds provide support and symptom control during terminal illness, community wellness and important assistance to families at risk.

Town funds help provide a comprehensive range of necessary care (determined by hospital discharge planners and attending physicians) for persons of all ages and economic backgrounds including those who are unable to pay or who do not have adequate health insurance.

The Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire provided the following services in the Town of Thetford this past year:

<u>VNA Visits 7/1/2000 - 6/30/2001</u>		<u>Hospice VNH</u>	
Skilled Nursing	586	Patient/Families Served	9
Physical Therapy	171	Volunteer Hours Provided	29.
Speech Therapy	35		
Occupational Therapy	19	<u>Maternal and Child Health</u>	
Medical Social Worker	3	Children Served	15
Home Health Aide	747	Home Visits	77
Homemaker	26		
Hospice and Private Duty	13	<u>Orange County Parent Child Center</u>	
<i>Total Visits</i>	<i>160</i>	Families Served	30

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

Elizabeth J. Davis, RN, MPH
President and Chief Executive Officer

VERMONT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Thank you for making vital services for your blind and visually impaired neighbors a priority. For 75 years The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) has been providing service, training and support to visually impaired Vermonters of all ages. Our mission is to enable Vermonters with vision problems, whether blindness or impairment, to achieve and maintain independence. We are the only private organization in the state providing direct services to visually impaired Vermonters.

Our services for children include one-on-one intensive work with children, their families and teachers. In addition, we have educational overnight camps each winter and summer and we have a transition program for teenagers preparing for college or independent living. Services for adults include: individual and group rehabilitation training and peer support; orientation and mobility training; access to and training on adaptive equipment and technology. We provide a range of volunteer services including transportation, in-home assistance, companionship and Braille transcription.

Services are provided to any visually impaired Vermonter who needs them, regardless of their financial situation. With offices based in Brattleboro, Burlington, Montpelier and Rutland, we reach Vermonters in every corner of the state. During fiscal year 2001 we provided assistance to 1,331 clients, including 42 in Orange County and four in Thetford. If you would like additional information about VABVI services or volunteer opportunities, please call our Montpelier office toll free at 1-877-350-8838.

UPPER VALLEY SERVICES INC.

Upper Valley Services, Inc. is a private non-profit agency, which provides a variety of services to individuals in Orange County with developmental disabilities. We also provide a state-wide crisis program, located in Moretown, VT, for the more challenging individual. 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 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: training for competitive employment as well as job development services for those who do not need continual 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.
- ✧ 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/agencies with reintroduction into their own communities.

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

SAFELINE, INC.

Safeline, Inc. is the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Agency for all of Orange County and the five upper towns of Windsor County of Central Vermont. Safeline exists entirely on Federal Grants, State Grants and with more than one third of our funding coming from local and private donations. Safeline could not continue to provide all the necessary services to the towns in these two counties without the support of each town individually. Our Services, Programs and Advocates are provided to all people of the counties at no cost.

We not only are the primary crisis service provider for Orange and Upper Windsor County, but are members of Sexual and Domestic Abuse Task Forces in the state. We are members of different Child Protection Teams in our service area. Safeline is a member of the Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

Our Crisis Hotline is reached at 1-800-NEW-SAFE or 1-800-639-7233 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Trained Advocates are available at no charge at anytime day or night. We provide advocacy services at Family Court, Hospitals, Police Stations and any situation where we are needed. Safeline has a large library of resources and media opportunities for anyone who would like to borrow or have an actual presentation done by our trained staff. We invite business, educational and private organizations to use our services and presentations in the effort to end Domestic and Sexual Violence in our lifetime.

Safeline, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c) (3) Corporation and is not affiliated with the United Way at this time. We thank you for your continued support.

Charri A. Wright Executive Director

Board Members of Safeline, Inc.

President - Donna Soltura, MSW
 Vice President/Treasurer - Linda Rice, Randolph National Bank
 Secretary - Pam Stafford, Esq.

Community Members -

Tanya LaFrance, Human Resource Manager, VT Castings, CFM Majestic
 Ola O'Dell, - Windsor County Representative

ORANGE COUNTY COURT DIVERSION PROGRAM

The Orange County Court Diversion Program (OCCDP) is a cost effective alternative to the criminal court system for first 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 complete Diversion, resulting in a clean record.

The OCCDP 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 28 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. The main criteria for acceptance into the program is an admission of wrongdoing, and no prior history of criminal activity. Each client accepted into diversion is required to discuss all issues and questions concerning their offense with the Review Board. Throughout the discussion, the client is made aware of the concerns and needs of both the victim and the community, and is held responsible for the offense. The Review Board designs an individualized contract that 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. Approx. 85% of the clients who participate in the Orange County Court Diversion program successfully complete the program. Less than 5% of the clients who successfully complete the program end up becoming repeat offenders.

The citizen Review Board replaces the judge and jury in deciding how an offender must make amends for his/her wrongdoing. This approach is a powerful way to help the offender realize the impact and seriousness of the crime to his community and its citizens. For the offender, it takes the act out of the abstract and puts it in a real context where responsibility is both unavoidable and an expected outcome of the program. In addition to processing criminal cases from court, the Orange County Court Diversion program administers Orange County's Teen Alcohol Safety Program for first time, civil cases of underage drinking. All clients who are referred on a civil offense of underage drinking meet with our Review Board and are required, in addition to other contract conditions, to complete an alcohol assessment and any recommended follow-up counseling or treatment services.

A total of 227 clients were referred for services during the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2001. Of this amount, 88 clients were referred from juvenile and adult court for criminal offenses, and 139 clients were referred for a civil offense of underage drinking. With the exception of a few cases that were transferred from other counties throughout the state, nearly all of the client caseload represented crimes and offenses that occurred in Orange County. In cases involving criminal offenses, clients who successfully completed their Diversion contract during FY01 paid a total of \$6,951.00 in restitution to victims and victim related causes, and performed 623 hours of community service. Orange County Court Diversion budgeted \$54,672.00 for its FY01 operating budget. Approx. 80% of the operating budget was funded by a State grant and client fees. The remaining 20% came from miscellaneous and local funding sources. These local sources were Green Mountain United Way, town appropriations, and individual donations. Thank you for your continued support.

David Savidge, Executive Director

CLARA MARTIN CENTER

The Clara Martin Center, a non-profit community mental health center, has been serving the greater Orange County area 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):

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Counseling Psychiatric Services | Free Walk-In Clinic |
| Short-term crisis Intervention | Help with job training |
| School-based & Home-based services | Alcohol & other drug treatment |
| Education for families | Respite Care |
| Community resource assistance | 24-hour emergency system |

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 of our services. Many people cannot afford the full charge and do not have insurance or Medicaid. We need town support to continue the availability of these services. The services we provide save lives and improve the quality of life for individuals and our communities. Without these needed services there are social and financial costs to schools, police, towns, etc. While demands for services have accelerated, the financial support for those services has significantly deteriorated.

The Clara Martin Center has received another three-year accreditation from CARF (Commission on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities). The Center has been noted for strengths in many areas, including those listed below:

- ✧ *A cadre of staff members who appear qualified, committed and caring.*
- ✧ *Strong support in the local communities the organization serves.*
- ✧ *A strong commitment to continuous quality improvement at all levels of the organization.*
- ✧ *A commitment to seamless service delivery to both individuals and family systems across multiple programs, funding sources, locations and staff.*

FY 2000 TOTAL SERVED AT CMC::		TOTAL SERVED FROM THETFORD:	
Children & Family Services	417	Child & Family Services	5
Adult Services	256	Adult Services	7
CSP Services*	151	CSP Services	5
Substance Abuse Services	366	Substance Abuse Services	11
Walk-in Clinic Services	47	Walk-in Clinic Services	2
Emergency Contacts	1,042		
Total Served	2,317	Total Served:	30

*CSP is our community support program that serves the chronically mentally ill population.

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.

Two (2) CVABE volunteers from the community help to make the service accessible to Thetford residents. Four (4) residents of Thetford were enrolled in the program. 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
1 Main Street - PO Box 917
Bradford, VT 05033

ACORN

ACORN offers services to people living with HIV/AIDS in 94 municipalities throughout 4 counties in Vermont and New Hampshire. We provided professional case management and program services to over 60 clients living with HIV and support services to over 120 affected family members. In total, ACORN staff and volunteers devoted over 6,000 hours to our clients and their families.

ACORN distributed approximately \$35,000 in financial assistance directly to clients living with HIV/AIDS to support their living, environment, nutritional and medical needs and overall sense of personal and family well-being. ACORN staff and volunteers brought HIV/AIDS education and awareness to over 2,500 area middle and high school students.

Kylie Fauth, ACORN's Co-Executive Director, was accepted by the Global Health Council as a member of their fact-finding, delegation that traveled throughout sub-Saharan Africa. Kylie's activities here at home included public speaking to over 30 church and civil organizations where she raised more than \$5,000 to help educate others about HIV/AIDS.

The Vermont Health Department designated ACORN as one of only five agencies in Vermont to provide HIV testing and counseling utilizing the latest HIV test, OraSure. Anonymous testing and counseling for HIV is now available through ACORN, both at our office and in the community throughout the 4 counties we serve in both Vermont and New Hampshire.

Our Men's Program held its annual MSM HIV risk reduction retreat for 40 men from throughout Vermont and New Hampshire. ACORN held its first annual AIDS walk, which successfully raised over \$3,000. ACORN's Dove Program, in partnership with St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Hanover and the West Lebanon Congregational Church, collected and home delivered over 12,000 pounds of food and other household items to our clients. And ACORN, together with the Global Health Council, sponsored a local observance of the 18th Annual International AIDS Candlelight Memorial.

BUGBEE SENIOR CENTER WHITE RIVER COUNCIL ON AGING

During 2001 we celebrated our 25TH ANNIVERSARY! The center is a community focal point which has continuously grown over the past two decades. Presently we are able to offer the following network of comprehensive services: congregate and home delivered meals, transportation, paralegal assistance, health clinics, volunteer opportunities, information and referrals, intergenerational activities, housing assistance, primary case management, advocacy/assistance with social security, Medicare, food stamps, and fuel assistance, arts and humanities programming, recreational activities, exercise classes, health clinics, and more. Our "CRAFTS" retail outlet is a popular entity. All of our gifts are handmade by crafters over the age of 60. We are well known as a great place to purchase a gift for persons of any age.

During the past year, we provided an increasing amount of support to help local elders remain independent and to live in their homes longer. Our requests for transportation continue to increase as well as requests for home delivered meals to those homebound or convalescing. As the aging population continues to increase we continually strove to include more successful aging activities within our program.

UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED TO THETFORD RESIDENTS DURING 2001

1,136	Congregate meals at the senior center
991	Home Delivered Meals
1,788	Newsletters mailed out
201	Client assisted with social service concerns/problems
657	Opportunities for recreational or educational activities
149	Different persons over age 60 served

We welcome visitors of all ages. Lunch is served daily at noon. Our agency is open on Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 4:30. We welcome your participation!

Kathleen W. Avery
Executive Director

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT
MARCH 3, 2001

Moderator Joe Tofel began the day at 9:10 AM with a welcome, and an announcement about food being offered by Project Graduation. Mr. Tofel noted that the TA boys varsity team would be playing in the semifinal tournament in Barre. The Girl Scouts are providing childcare during the meeting. Following announcements the Boy and Girl Scouts of Thetford held a flag ceremony which was led by Bagpiper Frances Rich. Reverend Bertha Brown gave the invocation. Mr. Tofel said that the meeting would start with the lesser-discussed items for the town, and then break for the School Board meeting. Mr. Tofel called the meeting to order at 9:24 AM.

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

A motion was made by Mark McMahon to pass the article. It was seconded by Bill Halsey and had 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 Monday, October 15, 2001, 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.*

Mark McMahon moved the Article, and it was seconded by Bill Halsey. There was no discussion. Article 2 passed by a show of voter cards with no opposition.

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

Mark McMahon made the motion. Rick Hoffman gave a second, and there was no discussion. Article 3 passed by a show of voter cards with no opposition.

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

Mark McMahon made the motion. Lucy Young seconded it. Article 4 passed by a show of voter cards with no opposition. At this point Mr. Tofel recessed the Town Meeting to allow the School Meeting to proceed. The meeting recessed at 9:30 AM.

Town Meeting reconvened at 10:17 AM. Mark McMahon presented the Civic Pride Award to Marian Fifield for her years of dedication and devotion to the town.

ARTICLE 5: *Shall the Town raise the sum of \$494,428.63 for the budgeted expenditures of the Town General Fund.*

Mark McMahon made a motion to pass the article. It was seconded by Bill Halsey. Mr. McMahon discussed the reasons why a town-wide reappraisal was being done. He also went over the increases in town employee wages, and the additional insurance package that will now include full-time employee spouses. Lynn Miller noted the sizeable amount of delinquent taxes due to the town and wondered how they are collected. The question was raised about doing an across the board increase on property values instead of an appraisal. Mr. McMahon explained that Act 60 necessitates accurate assessment of property values and an across the board increase would not be legal according to State statutes. Laurie Ingalls asked about the \$52,000 for the Union Village Bridge project if 100% of the costs are being covered by Federal grants. Mr. McMahon said that when the money was raised last year the grants were not going to cover costs 100%. The Selectboard was hoping to have a proposal for the creation of a special fund

for covered bridge maintenance, but they ran out of time. With no other discussion Mr. Tofel called for a vote. Article 5 passed by a show of voter cards with no opposition.

ARTICLE 6: *Shall the Town raise the sum of \$382,216.42 for the budgeted expenditures of the Highway Department.*

The motion was made by Paul Raymond. It was seconded. With no discussion Article 6 passed by a show of voter cards, with 2 opposing.

ARTICLE 7: *Shall the Town raise the sum of \$65,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Equipment Replacement Fund.*

Mark McMahon made the motion. Bill Halsey gave a second. John Judd wanted to know if any money was spent on large equipment purchases without a town vote. His understanding was that when the replacement fund was started, no purchases would be made without coming to the town first. Mr. Judd was assured that purchases are brought before the town first. It was also noted that this is level funded for 10 years, and no increases are needed. Article 7 was called to vote and passed with a show of voter cards with no opposition.

ARTICLE 8: *Shall the Town raise the sum of \$5000.00 to match Federal funds for the Tucker Hill Bridge Enhancement Grant.*

Mark McMahon made the motion. Barbara Payson seconded it. Mr. McMahon noted that the covered bridge has been hit at least six times since the last repair work was done. The grant applied for would be used to create a protection device notifying a driver if his vehicle was too big for the bridge. There are no designs for this yet. Laurie Ingalls wondered if some of the money for the Union Village Bridge could be used. Mr. McMahon said that until it was moved into a special fund, by law it couldn't be used for anything other than the Union Village Bridge. The question was asked about who pays for repairs to the bridge when someone does damage to it. Mr. McMahon said that if it is known who does the damage, they pay - but it is difficult to know when damage is done. Article 8 was called to a vote and passed with a show of voter cards, (4 in opposition).

ARTICLE 9: *Shall the Town raise the sum of \$4000.00 to contribute toward the continuing Lake Fairlee Milfoil Control Project.*

The article was moved by Tofer Sharp and seconded. Mr. Sharp noted that the anticipated budget for the project would be over \$100,000. Grant monies need matching funds that will also come from Fairlee and West Fairlee. Mr. McMahon made a motion to amend the article to read "the sum of \$2,000" as the \$4,000.00 figure is in error. The amendment was seconded. The motion to amend the article carries with one vote in opposition. A motion was made to pass Article 9 as amended. It was seconded and passed with no opposition.

ARTICLE 10: *Shall the Town raise the sum of \$250.00 as a contribution for the construction of a handicapped accessible boat dock at the Fish and Game boat access on Lake Fairlee. These funds shall be contingent upon funding by the State of Vermont.*

Moved by Mark McMahon and seconded. There was discussion over the public use of the dock. The possible changes to the dock are not known at this time, but a public hearing would be held if the money became available. The article was called to a vote and passed with no opposition.

ARTICLE 11: *Shall the Town raise the sum of \$25,000.00: 1. To resolve whether the Thetford Center parcel left to the Town by Charles Hughes can be used to site a water well and a septic system, and if it can be so used, 2. To develop plans to renovate and enlarge our Town Hall according to the concept developed in the feasibility study that was funded*

by, Article 20, Thetford Town Report, 1999. The plans will be in sufficient detail to allow construction bidding and a possible future bond vote.

The article was moved by Mary Spata and seconded by Bill Halsey. Ms. Spata noted that this money would allow the feasibility study for the Town Hall in its current site to go to the next step. Questions were raised about the Smith and Vasant plans that were drawn up last year. Ms. Spata explained that the current phase of the study includes committee meetings, drawings and exploration of grant monies. This article does not lock the town into using the drawings done by Fred Keil, nor does it commit us to using them for the final design. Lucy Young had prepared a substitute motion for section 2 of Article II that reads as follows;

'To develop plans to renovate and enlarge our town hall, employing an architect chosen by the Selectboard after a public hearing or hearings at which are presented the proposals and examples of past work of several architectural firms, and in which the idea and opinions of townspeople will be solicited. The resultant plans of the designated architects will be in sufficient detail to allow construction bidding and for a possible future bond vote.'

The possible cost of having several architects draw up plans was discussed. It was suggested that the "s" on the word architects be omitted. With that change made, the amendment was voted and passed. The Article as amended was voted, and passed with no opposition.

ARTICLE 12: Public Opinion Poll - Non Binding Referendum - Which one of the following options for a permanent Town recycling program do you prefer: 1. Develop the School District Property located on Thetford Hill, down the hill from the fire station, if the property and a right-of-way can be obtained at no cost to the Town. 2. Purchase the current leased site located on Route 11 3 in Thetford Center and expand the Recycling Center.

Moved by Judy Bowden and seconded. Judy Bowden spoke on behalf on the Recycling committee. The current leased site has been in operation for more than ten years. There was a third possible site mentioned in the Recycling Committee report, but that land has covenants on it that would prohibit the building of a Recycling Center. Other sites that had been looked into by the committee were discussed. Neighbors of the current site noted that they felt they had been given no protection or input on the growth of the area. Potential problems with the Thetford Hill site were discussed such as dangerous access, weather-related difficulties, and physical challenges for the workers.

A motion was made to add a third option, which would be to develop a plan to present to the neighbors of the third site mentioned in the report, or other site options before pursuing the sites in #1 and #2. The plan would have a deadline of June 1, 2001. The Amendment to add a third option was voted and passed. Each option was voted individually, with the results as follows: Option #1, 65 votes. Option #2, 3 votes. Option #3, 27 votes.

Jim Masland also addressed the Meeting, and introduced Senator Bill Corrow at this time. Senator Corrow mentioned that there would be several controversial issues coming before the House this session, and gave his email address and phone number so people could contact him with their opinions. Senator Corrow also brought copies of the Legislative update.

ARTICLE 13 To transact any other business.

Ms. Bowden made a motion to pass the article. Lucy Young seconded the motion. Mr. McMahon discussed the tax stabilization for different properties in the town. Even if a property is exempt, the town is still responsible for the school tax as required by Act 60. The Parish Players are exempt, Camp Billings will be fully taxed, and the Rice's Mills Association and Thetford Center Community Association are still being checked on. These properties are matched up with a list of criteria given to the Listers by the state.

Mr. McMahon also mentioned property in Post Mills that was given to the town by the Taylor family for conservation and recreation purposes. There is grant money available to help develop this area. Mr. McMahon suggested starting a fund to help with engineering design and other costs for this project.

With no other business, Bill Halsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and the motion passed. Town Meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM.

ATTEST:

Roberta C. Howard
Town Clerk

Joseph Tofel
Town Moderator

ELECTION RESULTS - MARCH 2001

ELECTION OF TOWN OFFICERS

TOWN MODERATOR	
JOSEPH TOFEL	200
OTHER WRITE INS	22
SPOILED	0
BLANK	183
TOTAL	405
TOWN CLERK	
ROBERTA HOWARD	377
WRITE INS	2
SPOILED	0
BLANK	26
TOTAL	405

TOWN TREASURER	
ROBERTA HOWARD	374
WRITE INS	3
SPOILED	0
BLANK	28
TOTAL	405
DEL. TAX COLLECTOR	
ROBERTA HOWARD	374
WRITE IN	1
SPOILED	0
BLANK	28
TOTAL	405

SELECTMAN, 3 YEAR	
MARK McMAHON	354
WRITE INS	26
SPOILED	0
BLANK	45
TOTAL	405
SELECTMAN, 2 YEAR	
PAUL RAYMOND	162
RICHARD BARROWS	202
OTHER WRITE INS	7
SPOILED	0
BLANK	34
TOTAL	405
LISTER, 3 YEAR	
JANET STOWELL	343
JOHN HALL	11
OTHER WRITE INS	3
SPOILED	0
BLANK	48
TOTAL	405
LISTER, 1 YEAR	
ROXY MAXFIELD	300
JOHN HALL	21
OTHER WRITE INS	2
SPOILED	0
BLANK	82
TOTAL	405
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS	
RUEL BARRETT	111
OTHER WRITE INS	11
SPOILED	0
BLANK	283
TOTAL	405

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER	
DAVID EVILSIZER	311
WRITE INS	8
SPOILED	0
BLANK	86
TOTAL	405
BUDGET COMM., 3 YEAR	
NAN VOSBURG	66
OTHER WRITE INS	33
SPOILED	0
BLANK	306
TOTAL	405
BUDGET COMM., 3 YEAR	
WRITE INS	38
SPOILED	0
BLANK	367
TOTAL	405
BUDGET COMM., 3 YEAR	
WRITE INS	14
SPOILED	0
BLANK	391
TOTAL	405
BUDGET COMM., 2 YEAR	
WRITE INS	9
SPOILED	0
BLANK	396
TOTAL	405
BUDGET COMM., 2 YEAR	
WRITE INS	9
SPOILED	0
BLANK	396
TOTAL	405

AUDITOR, 3 YEAR	
WRITE INS	2
SPOILED	0
BLANK	403
TOTAL	405
AUDITOR, 2 YEAR	
WRITE INS	1
SPOILED	0
BLANK	404
TOTAL	405
AUDITOR, 1 YEAR	
WRITE INS	2
SPOILED	0
BLANK	403
TOTAL	405
LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 4 YEARS	
SALLY WHITLOCK	346
WRITE INS	2
SPOILED	0
BLANK	57
TOTAL	405
LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 4 YEARS	
LUCY YOUNG	42
OTHER WRITE INS	18
SPOILED	0
BLANK	345
TOTAL	405

LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 3 YEARS	
BRADLEY GELLERSTEDT	301
WRITE INS	2
SPOILED	0
BLANK	102
TOTAL	405
GRAND JUROR, 1 YEAR	
WRITE INS	16
SPOILED	0
BLANK	389
TOTAL	405
AGT TO PROS/DEF 1 YR	
WRITE INS	24
SPOILED	0
BLANK	381
TOTAL	405
AGT/CONVEY REAL PROP, 1	
WRITE INS	14
SPOILED	0
BLANK	391
TOTAL	405

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CHURCHES

Thetford Baptist Church - East Thetford Rev. John Hartley	785-2050
North Thetford Federated Church - North Thetford Rev. Gail Dimick	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 Maxfield	295-3266

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Latham Memorial Library - Thetford Hill Peter Blodgett, Librarian Hours: Monday: 2:00 - 8:30 PM Tuesday - Thursday: 2:00 - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 - 5:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 - 1:00 PM	785-4361
Peabody Library - Post Mills Peter Blodgett, Librarian Hours: Tuesday: 5:00 - 8:00 PM Wednesday: 2:00 - 8:30 PM	333-9724
Thetford Historical Library - Thetford Hill Marian Fifield Charles Latham Hours: Monday & Thursday: 2:00 - 4:00 PM Tuesday 10:00 AM to Noon, or by special appointment by calling 785-2068.	785-2430 333-4613

POST OFFICES

East Thetford - Melanie Bacon	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

PERMITS NEEDED

Access from Highways

A written permit is required from the Selectmen for any access from property to State Aid roads and all town roads. Anyone building or wishing to drive to his property from these roads must obtain a permit.

Section 43: 'It shall be unlawful to develop, construct, or regrade any driveway entrance or approach, or build a fence or building, or deposit material of any kind within, or in any way affect the grade of a highway right-of-way, or obstruct a ditch, culvert, or drainage course that drains a highway, or fill or grade the land adjacent to a highway so as to divert the flow of water onto the highway right-of-way, without a written permit from the Board of Selectmen.' VSA 19:1-64 Act 460.

Zoning Permits

No building construction or land development may commence or no land or structure may be devoted to a new or changed use within the Town without a Zoning Permit duly issued by the Zoning Administrator as provided for in section 4443 of the Act (Thetford Zoning Ordinance, Article 8, Section 820) Any business use carried on within the home requires a Home Occupation Permit or Conditional Use approval by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Subdivision Permits

No subdivision of land may legally occur without a hearing before the Thetford Planning Commission. The placing of a second dwelling on a lot constitutes a subdivision (Thetford Subdivision Regulations, Section 2.42). Application forms and copies of the Thetford Subdivision Regulations are available in the Town Clerk's Office. Sometimes there can be confusion over the meaning of the Regulations. The Zoning Administrator and/or members of the Thetford Planning Commission will be glad to try to informally answer questions. A subdivider is also welcome to come before the Planning Commission during one of its regularly scheduled meetings to ask questions. Meetings are held the first and fourth Tuesdays of each month, beginning at 7:30 PM, at the Town Hall.

Flood Hazard Area Zoning By-Law

A comprehensive Flood Hazard Area Zoning By-Law was adopted by the Board of Selectmen on July 31, 1978. This By-law regulates all new construction and development uses prescribed by the Thetford Zoning Ordinance, which fall within the federally-designated flood hazard areas, within 100 feet of these boundaries, or within 100' from the centerline of any stream designated as a flood hazard area. Copies of this By-law may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office.

Sewage Disposal Systems - Construction Permit (for new system or repairs)

A Sewage Disposal Construction Permit must be obtained for the following:

1. New Homes (including trailers, camps, or any other type of dwelling).
2. Any repairs or alterations to existing septic systems.

The sewage disposal system must be designed by a licensed engineer, an application (available from the Town Clerk) must be submitted with the engineering drawings. A \$ 75.00 application fee is charged.

After the completed application and plans are received, the Town Health Officer will review the plans and issue a Construction Permit if the plans meet State and Local septic regulations.

Occupancy Permit

The designer/engineer must make inspections during the construction of the septic system. The Health Officer may also make inspections. When the inspections are complete, the designer/engineer will submit a written report to the Health Officer. If the system has been built as specified in the approved plans, an Occupancy Permit will be issued. The house may not be occupied until this permit is issued.

Additions

The septic system capacity must be reviewed before additions to existing buildings can be approved for construction.