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"The Coastal Agricultural Resource Community of New England"

COVER PHOTO: TOWN HALL WEATHERVANE
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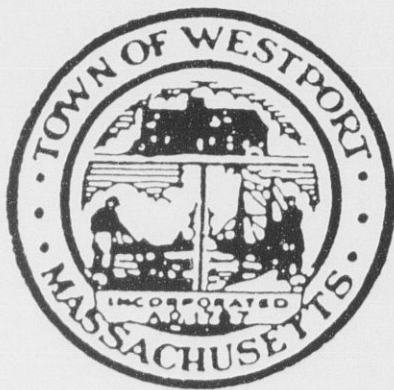
A copper schooner named *Kate Cory* now sails atop the Westport Town Hall cupola. The weathervane was a donation to the Town from the *Ronald A. Desrosiers Memorial Fund*. Ba Tieu, an employee of Cape Cod Cupola Co. in North Dartmouth, MA crafted the vessel.

David Hebert and Robert Collette, employees of Roland Hebert, Inc. installed the weathervane and Chris Bennett, proprietor of Heritage Wholesalers of North Dartmouth, MA, donated the crane to lift the weathervane to its final resting place.

Historically, the *Kate Cory* was the last large sailing ship built in Westport. "The schooner sailed out of The Point and was later re-rigged as a brig" according to Richard C. Kugler, town resident and former New Bedford Whaling Museum curator. The *Kate Cory* was named after Mr. Kugler's great aunt. Town resident and Historical Commission member Barbara Koenitzer is a relative as well. In 1862 the schooner made its last voyage off the coast of Brazil when the Confederate raider *Alabama* set her afire and she later sank.

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
&
OTHER BOARDS OF OFFICERS

Including a Statement of the
Receipts and Expenditures
for the Fiscal Year Ending

June 30, 1998

DEDICATION

THIS TOWN REPORT IS DEDICATED IN MEMORY OF

CHARLES A. PIERCE
CHIEF OF POLICE 1984 - 1996



RESERVE POLICE OFFICER 1965 - 1967
REGULAR POLICE OFFICER 1967 - 1972
DETECTIVE 1972 - 1977
SERGEANT/HEAD DETECTIVE 1977 - 1984

IN MEMORIAM

OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WHO SERVED THE TOWN OF WESTPORT
AND PASSED AWAY DURING THE YEAR 1998

LILLIAN C. CAHOON

Home Economics Teacher (Retired)
1936 - 1973

ALBERT H. "Bucky" FIELD

Landing Commissioner
1986 - 1995

ALLEN R. FLECHSIG

Social Studies Teacher (Retired)
1973 - 1983

GERALD G. MICHAUD

Police Department Reserve, Regular Officer, Detective
1970 - 1988

JAMES F. RAPOSA

Westport Highway Department

ARTHUR SCHENE

Finance Committee Member
1987 -1993

ALBERT SHERMAN

Landfill Bulldozer Operator 1977 - 1981
Assistant Health Agent 1980 - 1981
Assistant Animal Inspector 1980 -1981

ARLENE H. SILVA

School Custodial Services
1983 - 1988

A TRIBUTE

TO THE FOLLOWING FORMER EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE
DEDICATED TEN OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE TOWN
NOW RETIRED OR NO LONGER WORKING FOR THE TOWN

LT. RAYMOND A. BENOIT - 1976 - 1998 (Retired)

Call Firefighter 1963 - 1968
Full-Time Firefighter 1968 - 1976

ORA CAYA

Retired - Cafeteria Worker - 15 years

COLLEEN E. DENARDO

Teacher - 22 years

DOLORES GRILLO FELL

Retired - Assistant Assessor 1995 - 1998
Clerk in Assessor's Office 1979 - 1995

JEAN FLYNN

Retired - School Teacher - 24 years

PATRICIA MORSE

School Media Paraprofessional - 10 years

SANDRA PORTER

School Teacher - 29 years

JOSEPH REDDINGTON

School Teacher - 11 years

RICHARD P. VOHNOUTKA

Town/School Building Committee - 10 years

FRED T. WEBB IV

Highway Department - 13 years

LT. WILLIAM C. WHITE - 1988 - 1998 (Retired)

Reserve 1968 - 1970
Regular Police Officer 1970 - 1980
Sergeant 1980 - 1988
Acting Police Chief/Officer in Charge - Sporadic

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING

FORMER TOWN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES WHO SERVED
THE TOWN FOR A MINIMUM FIVE YEARS

RONALD J. ASSAD - Community Center Committee

DARRIN M. BLAIS - Reserve Police Officer/E-911 Dispatcher

DAVID P. CABRAL - Board of Health

GEORGE COSTA - Finance Committee

DAVID E. CUNNEEN - Highway Department

PAUL R. LEDOUX - Deputy Emergency Management Director

DAVID LIBRERA - School Custodial Services

WILLIAM LONG - School Custodial Services

JOHN H. MARQUES - Housing Authority

LANA PAOLILLO - School Grants Management Director

ROBERT T. REED - Administrative Assistant

EDWARD J. RITTER - Director of Financial/Physical Resources

ROBERT E. REYNOLDS - Harbor Advisory Committee

WILLIAM RUSSELL - Planning Board

JOAN M. TRIPP - School Committee

MARILYN WHALLEY - Grant Program Manager/Writer

ROBERT S. WICKS - School Committee

SHARON WYPYCH - Teaching Assistant

ABOUT WESTPORT

| | |
|---|--|
| <u>SETTLED:</u> | 1670 - Incorporated July 2, 1787 200 years old in 1987 |
| <u>COUNTY:</u> | Bristol |
| <u>POPULATION:</u> | 1950 - 4,987 1960 - 7,185 1970 - 9,313 1980 - 13,604 1990 - 13,241 1998 - 13,627 |
| <u>AREA:</u> | 61 Square Miles - 33,900 acres (Road Mileage - approximately 140 miles of accepted street, not including Routes 6, 88 & 177) |
| <u>HIGHEST ELEVATION ABOVE SEA LEVEL:</u> | 240 Feet |
| <u>TAX RATE:</u> | 1998 - 1999 \$ 10.12 1997 - 1998 \$ 9.98 1996 - 1997 \$ 9.98 1995 - 1996 \$ 9.05 1994 - 1995 \$ 8.88 |
| <u>FORM OF GOVERNMENT:</u> | Open Town Meeting - Annual Meeting 1st Tuesday in April Board Of Selectmen/ Administrative Assistant |
| <u>ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION:</u> | 2nd Monday in March |
| <u>HOSPITALS NEARBY:</u> | Charlton Memorial & St. Anne's in Fall River St. Luke's in New Bedford |
| <u>HUMAN SERVICES:</u> | Council on Aging Veterans Services |
| <u>HEALTH:</u> | Part-Time Community Nurse |
| <u>PUBLIC SAFETY:</u> | Full-Time Fire Department with two fire stations Trained EMT's provide emergency & ambulance service Full-Time Police Department |

UTILITIES:

Electrical service provided by Eastern Edison Company & Commonwealth Electric Company
Natural gas service provided by Fall River Gas Company
Phone service provided by Bell Atlantic

SCHOOLS:

Public:

Elementary - Alice A. Macomber & Westport Elementary School
Westport Middle School
Westport High School
Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School
Bristol County Agricultural High School

Private:

Several private schools, nursery schools & day care centers

CHURCHES:

Three Catholic; two Congregational; one Methodist; one Quaker, Calvary Bible; one Chapel (seasonal)

RECREATION:

State Reservation - Horseneck Beach; thirty-five miles of shoreline and ponds provide for boating; sailing; fishing and other water related sports; hunting; wide variety of seasonal programs and events under the jurisdiction of the Community Center Committee

POST OFFICES:

Main Office - 649 State Road (Route 6), 02790
Central Village Station - 10 Adamsville Road, 02790
Noquochoke Station - Old County Road, 02790
Westport Point - Main Road, 02791

THE PEOPLE WHO REPRESENT YOU

GOVERNOR

His Excellency, Argeo Paul Cellucci (R)
Room 360, State House
Boston, MA 02133

SENATORS IN CONGRESS

The Honorable Edward M. Kennedy (D)
U.S. Senate, Russell Office Building, Rm.315
Washington, D.C. 20510 or
John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Rm.2400-A
Boston, MA 02203

The Honorable John Kerry (D)
U.S. Senate, Russell Office Building, Rm.421
Washington, D.C. 20510 or
One Bowdoin Square, Tenth Floor
Boston, MA 02214

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 3RD DISTRICT

The Honorable James McGovern (D)
512 Cannon Building, Washington, D.C. 20515
or 218 So. Main Street, Suite 204
Fall River, MA 02721

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT 2ND BRISTOL DISTRICT

The Honorable Thomas C. Norton (D)
Room 312D, State House, Boston, MA 02133
or 427 Reading Street, Fall River, MA 02720

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT 8TH BRISTOL DISTRICT

The Honorable Michael Rodrigues (D)
Room 146, State House, Boston, MA 02133
or 151 State Road, Westport, MA 02790

BRISTOL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

P.O. Box 208
Taunton, MA 02780

Maria F. Lopes, Chairman
Arthur R. Machado
Christopher T. Saunders
Marc J. Santos, Esq., Clerk of the Board
(508) 824-9681

TOWN OFFICERS - 1998

SELECTMEN

| | |
|--------------------|------|
| Steven H. Tripp | 1999 |
| Marjorie A. Holden | 2000 |
| David P. Dionne | 2001 |

TOWN CLERK

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Marlene M. Samson | 1999 |
|-------------------|------|

MODERATOR

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Brad C. Brightman | 2001 |
|-------------------|------|

TREASURER

| | |
|------------------|------|
| George E. Foster | 1999 |
|------------------|------|

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Pauline M. Raposa | 1999 |
|-------------------|------|

ASSESSORS

| | |
|----------------------|------|
| John J. McDermott | 1999 |
| Charles Barboza, Jr. | 2000 |
| Stephen J. Medeiros | 2001 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Wayne H. Turner | 1999 |
| Shawn U. Pariseau | 2000 |
| Sean Leach | 2001 |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Dennis L. Pucello | 1999 |
| Deana Chase | 2000 |
| Cynthia T. Zembo | 2000 |
| Anne Brown | 2001 |
| Richard Tongue | 2001 |

REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | |
|------------------|------|
| Thomas J. McGarr | 1999 |
|------------------|------|

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

| | |
|-----------------|------|
| Paul T. Pereira | 1999 |
|-----------------|------|

FISH COMMISSIONERS

| | |
|--------------------------|------|
| Russell T. Hart | 1999 |
| James S. Manchester, Jr. | 2000 |
| Daniel P. Sullivan | 2001 |

CONSTABLES

Eric S. Martins
William A. Pariseau

TERM EXPIRES

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1999

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Ruth S. Manchester
Pauline B. Dooley
Margaret M. Panos
Mary L. Medeiros
Francis C. Kirkaldy
Deborah J. Lee

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LANDING COMMISSIONERS

Christopher R. Gillespie
Stafford Hart
Harold Sisson, Jr.
Carl Tripp

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HOUSING AUTHORITY

Kevin Hill
George Yeomans
Richard Vohnoutka
Timothy Ford
Patricia Pariseau (State Appointed)

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PLANNING BOARD

John S. Penney, Jr.
David Wallace
John Montano
Timothy H. Gillespie
Glenn E. Mauk (Resigned 6/1/98)
David J.S. Emilita (Appointed 7/13/98)

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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF TRUST FUNDS**

Stafford Sheehan
Lori Ann Ethier
Roberta V. Costa

1999
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2001

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

VITAL STATISTICS

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| BIRTHS | 103 |
| MARRIAGES..... | 65 |
| DEATHS | 122 |
| POPULATION | 13,627 |
| NUMBER OF VOTERS..... | 9,263 |

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Town Clerk has been advised through the Department of Vital Statistics not to publish births and deaths in the Annual Town Report, thus the reason for said records not appearing in this report.

MARRIAGES

Registered in Westport 1998

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|--|--|
| JANUARY | | |
| 1 | Edward H. Ritchotte, Sr. Susan M. Pastore | Tiverton, RI Tiverton, RI |
| 3 | Joseph Patrick Gould, Jr. Jennifer Ann Bouchard | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| FEBRUARY | | |
| 14 | Patrick C. Minkle Pamela Michaud | Somerset, MA Somerset, MA |
| 14 | Gordon G. Costa, Jr. Carol Annette Coroa | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 14 | Dean B. Ponte Susana E. Faria | Westport, MA Acushnet, MA |
| 14 | Joseph A. Cabral Kimberly A. McFarland | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 14 | Bradford J. Pavao Theresa St. Germain | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 20 | Mark S. Smith Lynn E. Shaw | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| MARCH | | |
| 21 | William Craig Kauffmann Sheila V. Greene | Little Compton, RI Little Compton, RI |

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|--|------------------------------------|
| APRIL | | |
| 17 | John J. Silvia Janet M. Nugent | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| MAY | | |
| 1 | Steven Paul Murphy Gail Martin | Swansea, MA Westport, MA |
| 2 | Nathan Mignone Angela Bryanne Allen | Seattle, WA Seattle, WA |
| 16 | Ronald Moniz Soares, Jr. Lisa Lee Baldwin | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 16 | Norbert P. Ponte, III Lynda S. Carlson | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 23 | James J. LeBelle II Holly E. Gifford | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 23 | Stephen Robert Pacheco Janet Lee Desrochers | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 23 | David Raposo Cristina M. Viveiros | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 24 | John Benton Carney Kimberly Anne Magner | Rockville, MD Rockville, MD |
| 30 | Joseph L. Jordan Kerri Ann Tompkins | Bridgeport, CT Bridgeport, CT |
| 30 | Christopher S. Borghesani Sarah Elizabeth Kidwell | Westport, MA New York, NY |
| JUNE | | |
| 6 | Philip George Lima, Jr. Jennifer Ann Rocha | Tiverton, RI Little Compton, RI |
| 6 | Tony R. Borges Melissa A. Viveiros | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 6 | Matthew D. Olson Traci L. Bowman | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 12 | Timothy John Leahy Erica Walker Hardin | Alpharetta, GA Alpharetta, GA |
| 13 | Mikel James Rooks Lynne Marie Kamionek | Denver, CO Denver, CO |

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|---|--|
| 20 | John N. Sylvain Debbi A. Souza | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 20 | Joseph D. Pacheco Melissa M. Rebello | Dartmouth, MA Westport, MA |
| 26 | Frank Robert Swain Andrea Leigh DeFusco | Swansea, MA Westport, MA |
| 26 | Robert M. Letendre Julie A. Foley | Fall River, MA Milton, MA |
| 27 | Jeffrey A. Moss Polly Blue Cass | Fall River, MA Fall River, MA |
| 27 | Robert C. Moeller IV Patricia A. Tipton | Fort Lauderdale, FL Fort Lauderdale, FL |
| JULY | | |
| 4 | Kenneth J. Hurley Jennifer J. Greenwood | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 4 | Joseph Arthur Jacques Margarida Stone | New Bedford, MA New Bedford, MA |
| 6 | Henry A. Truslow, III Marcia Colby Frame | Lewisburg, PA Lewisburg, PA |
| 11 | Elton C. Pacheco Holly S. Edwards | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 24 | Frank Morra, Jr. Melody Lee Crossley | Smithfield, RI Exeter, RI |
| AUGUST | | |
| 6 | Michael E. Goodell Heidi I. Chapple | Sharon, MA Sharon, MA |
| 7 | Brian T. Valcourt Shelley J. Honeycutt | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 8 | Adam C. Martineau Sara Rusin | Westport, MA New Bedford, MA |
| 15 | Darrin Medeiros Bethany M. Davis | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 22 | John M. Bettencourt Tammy A. Therrien | Peabody, MA Westport, MA |

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 22 | Mark A. Petrosso Bonnie Ann Lawrenson | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 29 | Jeffrey David Arruda Kimberly Marie Medeiros | Fall River, MA Fall River, MA |
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| 5 | Donald Henry DeGagne Michelle Norma Duquette | Fall River, MA Fall River, MA |
| 5 | Benjamin C. Baker Sarah Anne Mellor | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 5 | Ronald J. LePage Heather C. Murphy | Fall River, MA Fall River, MA |
| 6 | David R. Palmer Judith R. Cambra | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 12 | Brian John Wilkie Wendy Arline Peckham | Tiverton, MA Westport, MA |
| 12 | Dennis J. Galinski Meredith A. Norton | Hawley, PA Hawley, PA |
| 18 | Christopher C. LePage Dawn A. Pires | Fall River, MA Westport, MA |
| 19 | Joseph Thomas West, Jr. Cindy Diane Woodward | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 19 | Jeffrey E. Condon Pamela Rosenberg | New York, NY New York, NY |
| 19 | Mark F. Willse Kellie Ann Kirker | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| OCTOBER | | |
| 3 | Christopher N. Berl Elizabeth B. O'Brien | Newport, RI Newport, RI |
| 3 | John Albert Allen Susan Marie McCabe | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 9 | Robert J.M. Porawski, II Lisa Ann Duquette | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 16 | Michael S. Perry, Jr. Cherie A. DaCosta | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 17 | Rafael Robles, Jr. Jill Lupachini | Westport, MA Westport, MA |

| DATE | NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM | RESIDENCE |
|----------|---|---------------------------------|
| 18 | James Anthony McConnell Christine Carmichael | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 24 | Richard M. Gagne Dawn A. Young | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| 11 | Bradford W. Sherman Joann G. Brierley | Westport, MA New Bedford, MA |
| 14 | Manuel F. Mendonca III Denise Lynn Spinney | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 27 | John M. Hughes, III Mildred L. DiRienzo | Westport, MA Malden, MA |
| 28 | William James Hersh Paula Marie Bolduc | Tiverton, RI Tiverton, RI |



Carol Borden, Wilma Woodruff, Thelma Wood, Eileen Martin, Sharon Potter
& Sue Foster at Bob Reed's Going Away Party

LICENSES ISSUED BY THE TOWN CLERK 1998

| <u>Dog Licenses</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Individual | 1047 |
| Kennel | 21 |
| Amount Paid to Treasurer | \$ 4,838.00 |

| <u>Hunting & Fishing Licenses</u> | 315 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Massachusetts Waterfowl Stamps | 83 |
| Archery Stamps | 48 |
| Primitive Firearms Stamps | 24 |
| Amount Paid to Treasurer | \$ 8,958.75 |

| <u>Beach Stickers</u> | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Amount Paid to Treasurer | \$20,640.00 |

AUCTIONEERS LICENSES 1998 FEE \$20.00 (License Expires One Year from Date of Issue)

| | ISSUED |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Julia Anne Tache | 07/10/98 |
| 208 Derby Street, Salem, MA | |
| Arthur N. Wyman | 10/07/98 |
| 114 Plain Street, Bridgewater, MA | |

GASOLINE REGISTRATION RENEWALS FEE \$5.00

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| (Due: On or before April 30th) | ISSUED 25 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|

JUNK COLLECTORS LICENSES 1998

FEE \$15.00

(License Expires May 1, 1999)

| | ISSUED |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Joseph Bothelo | 04/01/98 |
| Ellen Drapeau | 04/14/98 |
| William White | 04/24/98 |
| Anthony Fragoza | 04/28/98 |
| Edward Pereira | 05/01/98 |
| Robert J. Desmarais | 05/12/98 |
| Roger Chandanaïs | 05/26/98 |
| John Ellis Perry, Jr. | 05/29/98 |
| Mid City Scrap Iron | 06/15/98 |

RAFFLE-BAZAAR PERMITS 1998

FEE \$10.00

(License Expires One Year from Date of Issue)

| | ISSUED |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| St. George School Bingo | 01/05/98 |
| Westport Art Group, Inc. | 01/21/98 |
| St. George Church | 01/30/98 |
| SMBA/SBCWB | 01/30/98 |
| Portuguese Ind. Band Club | 02/05/98 |
| Tiverton Women's Community Club | 02/26/98 |
| Westport Music Boosters | 03/25/98 |
| Shellfish Advisory Committee | 04/06/98 |
| Paskamansett Engine Co. | 05/08/98 |
| Westport River Watershed Alliance | 06/01/98 |
| St. John the Baptist Church | 06/22/98 |
| Westport Yacht Club, Inc. | 07/21/98 |
| Westport Federation of Teachers | 09/28/98 |
| Westport Historical Society Inc. | 11/16/98 |
| Westport High School | 11/19/98 |
| People Incorporated | 12/04/98 |



Aerial View of the Landfill after Closure

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to submit this annual report for 1998.

Once again, we have had a very busy year in the Selectmen's office. We have continued to work on many positive projects as you will see later on in this report.

David P. Dionne was re-elected to the Board in March and we look forward to working with him in the next few years. Steven H. Tripp, in the third year of his term, was unanimously chosen to serve as Chair. Marjorie A. Holden continued to serve as the third member of the Board.

Personnel

This year we have seen several changes in personnel in our office as well as the grant office. The Board hired Thomas Borden as the Housing Rehab Specialist for the grant program and Beth Crocker filled the Grant Clerk position. In August, Marilyn Whalley resigned her position as Grant Program Manager/Writer and Robert T. Reed resigned as the Board's Administrative Assistant in September. Both Ms. Whalley and Mr. Reed moved on to serve other towns in similar positions. In December, Beth Crocker resigned, which left our staff taking on more responsibilities than anticipated. We wish to thank those employees for their years of fine service.

Charlene R. Wood assumed the position of Acting Administrative Assistant from October 1st through the end of the year. The Board appointed an Administrative Assistant Search and Screening Committee to recommend candidates for final interviews with our Board. It was the unanimous vote of the Board to appoint Jack Dolan from New Hampshire to the position beginning January 1, 1999. We look forward to working with Jack in the years to come.

The Board received the final report of the Wage and Classification Study late this year. The report will be reviewed by the Selectmen, Personnel Board and perhaps the former Wage and Classification Study Committee for recommendation and presentation at a future town meeting. Proposed amendments to the Personnel By-Law will also be considered.

Financial Issues

The Town continues to operate to the best of its ability under the constraints of Proposition 2 2 and meet its obligations under the provisions of the Education Reform Act. While several capital items and projects have been funded over the past few years with the blessing of the Finance Committee, we continue to need funding for repairs to town and school buildings as well as several other items such as heat, air conditioning, generators etc.

The Town unfortunately was the victim of a couple hazardous waste incidents, one on Reed Road and one at Hix Bridge. These occurrences are very costly and a lengthy process must be followed in order to bring it to a close.

This year the Board appointed a Capital Improvement Committee which has been meeting regularly to address prioritizing capital expenditures and planning for the future. An article will appear on the 1999 Annual Town Meeting Warrant to create more formally a Capital Improvement Committee and to adopt a by-law to govern its formation and function.

Waterline Projects

The Davis Road/Route 6 waterline project is completed with the exception of striping, some curbing and minor repair work near the railroad tracks.

The Greenwood Terrace waterline has been completed. This extension was funded through the Massachusetts Highway Department and was administered by the Town.

With monies left over from the Davis Road/Route 6 grant, the Town was granted approval by the State to extend the waterline to Idola, Donna, and Masson Streets to address polluted wells in that area. All the residents on these streets have been provided hook-ups, as well as an additional four houses on Davis Road, where pollution was found through another round of water testing. In the Spring of 1999, paving and landscaping will be completed on these streets and another round of testing will be performed on the five properties not presently tied into the waterline.

Housing Rehab Grant

This grant will provide housing rehabilitation to at least twenty residents in the town. Even though the office is not staffed full time, with the expansion of hours for Mr. Borden and through the assistance of our staff and consultant Sharon Gay, several projects have been completed. It is anticipated the remainder of the program will be completed no later than September.

Miscellaneous Projects

There were several projects completed during 1998. The biggest project this year was the mandatory removal of underground tanks. All of the Town's tanks were removed by the end of the year with the exception of the one at Briggs Road Fire Station which was removed shortly thereafter. We experienced a contamination problem when the Highway Department attempted to remove a tank behind the Police Department garage. The tank was removed and the contaminated soil has been hauled away. It is anticipated we will be required to monitor the wells in the parking lot for approximately a year. The Board is proud of the above-ground tank installation that is located between the Highway and Police Departments and we wish to thank the Highway Department for its cooperation and a job well done. The Town secured a \$28,585.00 reimbursement for this project.

Both the Town Hall and Town Hall Annex electrical services were upgraded and water filtration systems were installed. The Town was awarded a grant for the purchase of recycled paint. With this grant and the assistance of the inmates in the Pre-Release Program run by the Bristol County Sheriff's Office and Sheriff Thomas Hodgson, we were able to paint the exterior of the Town Hall, Annex, and the American Legion Hall. We wish to thank the Sheriff's office for providing the labor to complete these tasks. The highlight of building projects arose when the cupola at the Town Hall was repaired and painted and the Board received a beautiful copper weathervane of the Kate Cory ship to place on top from the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund.

The Community Center bathrooms have been completed through the efforts of Diman students. Thanks to the students and Diman's administrative staff for providing the labor. In addition, the handicapped Community Center doors were installed this year. Thanks to the Recreation/Community Center Committee and the Building Department for overseeing these projects.

The Town held a successful auction in August. George and Steve Medeiros, who donated their auctioneer services, made the event memorable as usual. In

September, we held a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day event which was also a success.

Last but not least, the Town is in the process of upgrading its computer system. To date much of the work has been completed with the capable oversight of Town Accountant Kitty Benoit.

The Board wishes to recognize Glen Ballou and George Cunningham for their outstanding ability to maintain the Town Hall, Town Hall Annex, Police Station and Police Department Substation as well as the grounds at the various facilities. We appreciate their willingness to perform various tasks on projects they have undertaken to help defray the costs of repairs and making noticeable improvements.

In closing, we wish to acknowledge the many citizens who have served on various Boards, Committees and Commissions having helped to develop policy direction and planning for the future through their time and expertise; and to the officials and employees for their continued dedication and accomplishments. We would also like to recognize our past and present office staff Bob Reed, Charlene Wood, Denise Bouchard, Marilyn Whalley, Beth Crocker and Tom Borden for their dedicated service during the course of the year. Without their assistance, the aforementioned projects would not have been possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven H. Tripp
Marjorie A. Holden
David P. Dionne
Board of Selectmen



Tom Borden, Ron Costa, Dolores Fell, Bob Reed, Beth Crocker, Kitty Benoit
& Pauline Raposa at Bob Reed's Going Away Party

APPOINTMENTS 1998

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|---------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Robert T. Reed | Administrative Assistant (Resigned 9/25/98) | 6/30/2000 |
| Charlene R. Wood | Secretary to the Board of Selectmen | |
| Denise Bouchard | Confidential Clerk to the Board of Selectmen | |
| Robert T. Reed | Parking Clerk | 6/30/2000 |
| Daniel C. Perry | Town Counsel | At Will |
| George C. Decas | Town Counsel | At Will |
| Kevin Feeley | Labor Counsel | At Will |
| Walter Smith | Special Counsel | 6/30/99 |
| Daniel Murray | Special Counsel | |
| Joseph Hannon | Special Counsel | |
| David J. S. Emilita | Planning Board | 3/8/99 |
| Katherine Benoit | Town Accountant | 6/30/2000 |
| Glen Ballou | Maintenance Supervisor - Town Hall, Annex, Police Station | |
| George Cunningham | Assistant Part-Time Custodian Town Hall, Annex, Police Station | |
| Michael C. McCarthy | Emergency Management Director | 6/30/2000 |
| Paul Ledoux | Deputy Emergency Management Director (Resigned) | 6/30/98 |
| Leonard Moniz | Emergency Management Radio Equipment Operator | 6/30/99 |
| Michael Altshuler | Emergency Management Radio Equipment Operator | 6/30/99 |
| Charlene R. Wood | Emergency Management Secretary | 6/30/2000 |
| William Preston Henderson | Emergency Management - Public Relations (Resigned) | 6/30/98 |
| Michael C. McCarthy | Energy Coordinator | 6/30/2000 |
| Elaine Rioux | Dog Officer | 4/30/2000 |
| Brian Rioux | Assistant Dog Officer | 4/30/99 |
| Ronald E. Costa | Veterans Service Agent | 4/30/2000 |
| Ronald E. Costa | Graves Registration Officer | 4/30/2000 |
| Ronald E. Costa | Citizens for Citizens Representative | 6/30/99 |
| Albert A. Palmer | Special Deputy Shellfish Warden | 6/30/99 |
| Richard B. Earle | Harbormaster | 6/30/2000 |
| Jonathan Paull | Assistant Harbormaster | 6/30/99 |
| Roger Reed | Assistant Harbormaster | 6/30/99 |
| Gary A. Tripp | Assistant Harbormaster | 6/30/99 |
| John R. Bevis | Assistant Harbormaster | 6/30/99 |
| James Perry | Assistant Harbormaster | 6/30/99 |
| Henry Vaillancourt | Assistant Wharfinger | 6/30/99 |
| Robert Maltais | Inspector of Buildings | 6/30/99 |
| Lynwood Comstock | Assistant Inspector of Buildings | 6/30/99 |
| Ernest Vohnoutka | Wire Inspector | 6/30/2000 |
| William Plamondon | Assistant Wire Inspector | 6/30/99 |
| Dane R. Winship | Assistant Wire Inspector | 6/30/99 |
| Robert Labonte | Plumbing Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/99 |
| Robert Labonte | Gas Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/99 |

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|-----------------|---|----------|
| Roger Olivier | Assistant Plumbing Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/99 |
| Roger Olivier | Assistant Gas Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/99 |
| Paul Audet | Sealer of Weights & Measures | 6/30/99 |
| John Ciccotelli | Water Certifying Officer | 10/31/99 |

MISCELLANEOUS POSITIONS AND/OR OFFICIALS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
|--------------------|--|
| Robert T. Reed | Chief Procurement Officer |
| Robert T. Reed | Affirmative Action Officer |
| Charlene R. Wood | National Organization on Disability Representative |
| Denise Bouchard | Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator |
| Doris Silvia | Municipal Census Supervisor |
| William D. Tripp | Municipal Coordinator of the "Right to Know" Law |
| Stephen A. Motta | Acting Coordinator of the "Right to Know" Law |
| Vacancy | Hazardous Waste Coordinator |
| Gary Sherman | Oil Spill Coordinator |
| Marjorie A. Holden | Mooring Assignment Committee |
| George Foster | Custodian of Tax Title Properties |
| John Andrade | E-911 Coordinator |
| David P. Dionne | Railroad Commissioner |
| Leonard Cunningham | Water System Administrator |
| David Dionne | Westport River Watershed Council |
| David Dionne | SouthCoast emPOWERment Alternate |
| Robert T. Reed | SouthCoast emPOWERment Representative |

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT SEARCH & SCREENING COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| David Dionne | George Foster |
| Marjorie Holden | Richard Huczek |
| Charlene Wood | |

ARTS COUNCIL (2-3 YEAR TERMS)

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Susan Branco | 6/30/98 | Mary Ellen Guptill | 6/30/98 |
| Elaine Stevens | 6/30/98 | Elizabeth Thurber | 6/30/99 |
| Nancy Rodrigues | 6/30/99 | Rylan Brenner | 6/30/2000 |
| Barbara B. Wicks | 6/30/2000 | Peter Fradley | 6/30/2000 |
| Sarah Jackson | 6/30/2001 | Jean Lozinski | 6/30/2001 |
| Martha Farrar | 6/30/2001 | Sally F. Yeomans | 6/30/2001 |
| Eunice White Healey | 6/30/2001 | Brenda K. Burke | 6/30/2001 |
| Sally Huntington | 6/30/2001 | | |

BEACH COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | |
|------------------|------------|-----------|
| James A. Burns | Precinct A | 6/30/99 |
| Arlene Rybicki | Precinct B | 6/30/2001 |
| J. Duncan Albert | Precinct C | 6/30/2000 |
| Arthur G. Caesar | Precinct D | 6/30/2000 |
| Pauline Laursen | Precinct E | 6/30/2000 |

BIKE PATH COMMITTEE

| | | | |
|--------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|
| James Bisagni | 6/30/99 | Robert Caron | 6/30/99 |
| Normand Ouellette | 6/30/99 | Daniel Pontes | 6/30/99 |
| Richard Lambert | 6/30/99 | Michel Jusseaume | 6/30/99 |
| Leslie E.J. Badham | 6/30/99 | Jennifer L. Atwood | 6/30/99 |
| Carlos DeFreitas | 6/30/99 | | |

BOARD OF APPEALS

5 Year Terms - Regulars

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Joseph L. Keith III | 6/30/2000 |
| Clayton Harrison | 6/30/99 |
| Raymond Medeiros | 6/30/2003 |
| Gerald Coutinho | 6/30/2002 |
| Kendal Tripp | 6/30/2001 |

1 Year Term - Associates

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Eliot C. Holden | 6/30/99 |
| Thomas Costello | 6/30/99 |

BOARD OF SURVEY (1 YEAR TERM)

David Bernier (by Inspector of Buildings)
Fire Chief William D. Tripp 6/30/99
Fred Hanack 6/30/99

BUZZARDS BAY ACTION COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

Marjorie Holden 6/30/99
Steven H. Tripp (Alternate) 6/30/99

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| George R. Cataldo | 6/30/99 | Robert Rayno | 6/30/99 |
| Brian R. Corey, Jr. | 6/30/99 | Robert Perry | 6/30/99 |
| Leone F. Farias | 6/30/99 | Margot desjardins | 6/30/99 |
| Edward A. Martins | 6/30/99 | Carlton Lees | 6/30/99 |
| Richard Tongue | 6/30/99 | | |

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|---------|------------------|---------|
| Jack Baughan | 6/30/99 | Katherine Benoit | 6/30/99 |
| Margot desJardins | 6/30/99 | George Foster | 6/30/99 |
| Michael Healy | 6/30/99 | Paul Pereira | 6/30/99 |
| Robert Reed | 6/30/99 | William Tripp | 6/30/99 |
| Ralph Urban | 6/30/99 | | |

CONSTABLES (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| Daniel Sullivan | 6/30/99 | Timothy Ford | 6/30/99 |
| Joseph Migliori | 6/30/99 | William Neugent | 6/30/99 |
| Leo St. Onge | 6/30/99 | | |

COUNCIL ON AGING (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Reverend Robert Lawrence | 6/30/2001 | Donald A. Maynard | 6/30/2001 |
| Janice Trepanier | 6/30/2000 | Irene Pacheco | 6/30/2000 |
| Lois E. Spirlet | 6/30/99 | Joanne Devlin | 6/30/99 |
| Cynthia Reynolds | 6/30/99 | | |

EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE (2 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------|
| Marjorie A. Holden | 6/30/99 | Veronica Beaulieu | 6/30/99 |
| Deana Chase | 6/30/2000 | Margot desJardins | 6/30/99 |
| George Foster | 6/30/99 | | |

WESTPORT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GREATER FALL RIVER EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES COORDINATING COMMITTEE, REGION 7 (1 YEAR TERM)

Arthur Briggs 6/30/99

FAIR HOUSING/HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| Michael Alexander | 6/30/96 | Sara Lou Motta | 6/30/96 |
| Douglas Baer | 6/30/96 | John Montano | 6/30/96 |
| Anthony Melli | 6/30/96 | William Greeley | 6/30/96 |
| Ruth Heath | 6/30/96 | Katharine Preston | 6/30/96 |
| John Jennings | 6/30/96 | Shirley Lakin | 6/30/96 |

(3) FENCE VIEWERS (3 YEAR TERM)

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Paige Gibbs | 6/30/99 |
| Armand Goyette | 6/30/99 |
| Francois Napert III | 6/30/99 |

GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|
| Deana Chase | 6/30/99 | Dolores Fell | 6/30/99 |
| Calvin Hopkinson | 6/30/99 | Robert Reed | 6/30/99 |
| Barbara Hanley | 6/30/99 | Richard DesJardins | 6/30/99 |
| Richard LaFrance | 6/30/99 | John Ledwidge | 6/30/99 |
| Ken DeCosta | 6/30/99 | Paul Chase | 6/30/99 |
| David Emilita | 6/30/99 | Steven DeMello | 6/30/99 |
| Patrick Sullivan | 6/30/99 | Christopher Gillespie | 6/30/99 |
| Sally Wyatt | 6/30/99 | Byron Trefonides | 6/30/99 |
| George Cataldo | 6/30/99 | | |

GRANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|------------------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Calvin Hopkinson | 6/30/99 | Shawn Pariseau | 6/30/99 |
|------------------|---------|----------------|---------|

HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------|---------|---------------|---------|
| John Azevedo | 6/30/99 | Arnold Tripp | 6/30/99 |
| Edward B. Carey | 6/30/99 | James Robeson | 6/30/99 |
| Ann C. Rosinha | 6/30/99 | | |

HISTORICAL COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM)

| <u>Regular</u> | | <u>Alternates</u> | |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Geraldine Millham | 6/30/2001 | Leonard Silvia | 6/30/99 |
| Lincoln Tripp | 6/30/2001 | Richard Wertz | 6/30/99 |
| Barbara Koenitzer | 6/30/2000 | Suzanne Lentini | 6/30/99 |
| William Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/2000 | Barbara Wood | 6/30/2000 |
| Christopher Wise | 6/30/99 | Norma Judson | 6/30/2000 |
| Jacqueline Hill | 6/30/99 | Eleanor S. Tripp (Honorary) | |
| Virginia Edgcomb | 6/30/99 | | |

LAND STUDY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------|---------|---------------------------|---------|
| Benjamin Guy | 6/30/99 | David P. Dionne | 6/30/99 |
| David Wallace | 6/30/99 | William J. Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/99 |

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| Paul Pereira | 6/30/99 | Michael C. McCarthy | 6/30/99 |
| Richard Earle | 6/30/99 | William D. Tripp | 6/30/99 |
| Christopher Capone | 6/30/99 | Michael R. Healy | 6/30/99 |
| Brian Souza | 6/30/99 | Steven Tripp | 6/30/99 |
| Leonard Gunningham | 6/30/99 | John Ciccotelli | 6/30/98 |
| Gary Sherman | 6/30/99 | Michael Duarte | 6/30/99 |
| Carl Tripp | 6/30/99 | Ralph Urban | 6/30/99 |

MASTER PLAN UPDATE COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|
| Jack Baughan | 6/30/99 | Jean Borges | 6/30/99 |
| Dawn Clifton | 6/30/99 | Gregory Werthessen | 6/30/99 |
| David Dionne | 6/30/99 | David Emilita | 6/30/99 |
| Timothy Ford | 6/30/99 | John Gifford | 6/30/99 |
| Gay Gillespie | 6/30/99 | Timothy Gillespie | 6/30/99 |
| Richard Tongue | 6/30/99 | Clayton Harrison | 6/30/99 |
| Louise Houghtelling | 6/30/99 | Sean Leach | 6/30/99 |
| Carlton Lees | 6/30/99 | James Long | 6/30/99 |
| Stephen Medeiros | 6/30/99 | John Montano | 6/30/99 |
| John Penney | 6/30/99 | John Perry, Jr. | 6/30/99 |
| Tom Richardson | 6/30/99 | Byron Trefonides | 6/30/99 |
| Steven Tripp | 6/30/99 | William Tripp | 6/30/99 |
| David Wallace | 6/30/99 | | |

PERSONNEL BOARD (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------|
| Ann Chandanais | 6/30/2000 | Richard E. Huczek | 6/30/99 |
| James W. Coyne, Jr. | 6/30/99 | Marlene Pelletier | 6/30/99 |
| Richard Vohnoutka | 6/30/99 | | |

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police

Michael R. Healy

Executive Officer

John Gifford

Lieutenants

William C. White

Joseph E. Carvalho

Sergeants

Pauline Q. Field

John J. Bell

Paul E. Holden

Stephen D. Kovar, Jr.

Jeffrey Majewski

Thomas Plourde

Regular Police Officers

Scott Arrington

Michael D. O'Connor

David Arruda

Keith Pelletier

Douglas Britland

Michael S. Perry

Gary L. Cambra

Richard Rodrigues

Antonio Cestodio

Marshall Ronco

John P. Couto

Michael R. Roussel

Mario DaCunha

Michael Silvia

Reginald Deschenes

David Simcoe

Gary M. Foley

Daniel Sullivan

David Morrisette

Robert Thatcher

Francois Napert III

Stephen D. Kovar, Jr. (Range & Firearms Officer)
 John P. Couto (Assistant Range & Firearms Officer)
 Jeffrey Majewski (Special Agent in Charge of Kegs)

Chaplain

Reverend Gerard Hebert

Secretary / Dispatcher

Nancy Braga

E-911 Dispatchers

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Marianna Butler | Jennifer Mahaney |
| Darrin Blais (Resigned) | Mary Ellen Morelli |

Reserve Police Officers

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Raymond Araujo | Christopher M. Mello |
| Kristen Barboza | Carl D. Mendoza |
| David Bellavance | Ryan Nickelson |
| Erika L. Bussiere | Keith J. Novo |
| Kristine Carreiro | Todd Oliver |
| Sean Crook | Douglas Orr |
| Michael Cusick | Steven Ouellette |
| Christopher A. Dunn | Robert Plummer |
| William Falandys | Fernando Pontes |
| Richard Greaves | Mark Rosinha |
| Scott Joseph | Brian Souza |
| Nia Ketchen | Justin Tripp |
| David Leite | William C. White |
| Brian C. McCarthy | |
| Daniel Martin (L.C.P.D.) | Sidney Wordell (L.C.P.D.) |
| James Costa (Tiv.P.D.) | Michael Jones (Tiv.P.D.) |
| Patrick Jones (Tiv.P.D.) | Charles Mulcahy (Tiv.P.D.) |
| William Munroe (Tiv.P.D.) | Gilbert Pavao (Tiv.P.D.) |
| Neil Sullivan (Tiv.P.D.) | Joe Wieszbicki (Tiv.P.D.) |

Raymond Benoit (Special F.R. Rod & Gun Club)

PUBLIC WEIGHER (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | |
|----------------|------------------------|---------|
| Jason Fonseca | at 548 State Road | 6/30/99 |
| Kenneth Kehoe | at 548 State Road | 6/30/99 |
| Herman Gitlin | at 548 State Road | 6/30/99 |
| Louis Gitlin | at 548 State Road | 6/30/99 |
| Mark Gitlin | at 548 State Road | 6/30/99 |
| Jeffrey Clarke | at 536 Old County Road | 6/30/99 |
| Jason Dessert | at 536 Old County Road | 6/30/99 |

RECREATION COMMISSION / COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE
(3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| George R. Cataldo | 6/30/2001 | James J. Long | 6/30/2001 |
| Paul Izyk | 6/30/2001 | Lorna Frederick | 6/30/2001 |
| Steven W. Fors | 6/30/2001 | Delores Rego (Honorary) | 6/30/2001 |
| Ronald Assad (Resigned) | 6/30/98 | | |

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS (3 YEAR TERM)

| <u>Democrats</u> | | <u>Republican</u> | |
|------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Marlene Samson | 4/1/99 | Jean Louis Clapin | 4/1/2001 |
| Robert St. Amour | 4/1/2000 | Geraldine Craveiro | 4/1/99 |

SAFETY REGULATION BOARD (1 YEAR TERM)
(Art. 30 - Section 1, 1978)

Steven H. Tripp, Selectmen's Representative 6/30/99
Paul Pereira, Highway Surveyor 6/30/99
Paige Gibbs, Fence Viewer 6/30/99

SHELLFISH WARDEN / WHARFINGER (3 YEAR TERM)

Gary Sherman 6/30/2001

DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Edmie P. Bibeau | 6/30/99 | Robert W. Pierce | 6/30/99 |
| Diane Baraby | 6/30/2000 | Mike Andrade | 6/30/2000 |
| Thomas Mello | 6/30/2000 | Henry Vaillancourt | 6/30/2001 |
| Daniel P. Sullivan | Honorary | John Doherty | Honorary |
| Edward T. Earle | Honorary | | |

SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| Kenneth Manchester | 6/30/99 | Edward A. Martins | 6/30/99 |
| Richard Hart | 6/30/99 | Alexander Smith | 6/30/99 |
| George Smith | 6/30/99 | | |

SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD / CONSERVATION COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Calvin Hopkinson | 6/30/2000 | Claude Ledoux | 6/30/2000 |
| Elliot Lamontagne | 6/30/98 | Richard Lambert | 6/30/2000 |
| John Reynolds | 6/30/99 | David Pichette | 6/30/2001 |
| John Ciccotelli | 6/30/99 | Christopher Capone, Agent | |
| Robert J. Caron | 6/30/2001 | | |

SRPEDD & SRTA (1 YEAR TERM)

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| John Penney | SRPEDD - Selectmen's Representative |
| John Penney | SRPEDD - Planning Board Representative |
| Steven Tripp | SRTA - Selectmen's Representative |
| Mary Ellen Gomes | SRTA - Selectmen's Designee |
| John Penney | Joint Transportation Planning Group |
| Mary Ellen Gomes (Alternate) | Joint Transportation Planning Group |
| Carlos Costa | Small Town Economic Development Committee |

TOWN BEACH LIFEGUARDS

Summer 1998

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Gustin N. Cariglia | Head Lifeguard |
| Amy Costa | Full-Time Lifeguard |
| Dana M. Reis | Full-Time Lifeguard |
| Edwin F. Williams | Full-Time Lifeguard |
| David B. Stratton | Part-Time Lifeguard |

TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| Roger Olivier | 6/30/99 | William Gifford | 6/30/99 |
| William J. Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/99 | Richard Tongue | 6/30/99 |
| William E. Lawton | 6/30/99 | Terry M. Moor | 6/30/99 |

TOWN DOCK COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|---------|--------------|---------|
| Richard Earle | 6/30/99 | Ann Rosinha | 6/30/99 |
| Gary Sherman | 6/30/99 | Steven Tripp | 6/30/99 |
| Henry Vaillancourt | 6/30/99 | | |

WATERLINE CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|---------|---------------|---------|
| Robert Labonte | 6/30/99 | Robert Reed | 6/30/99 |
| Paul Pereira | 6/30/99 | Joseph Rego | 6/30/99 |
| William Underwood | 6/30/99 | David Wallace | 6/30/99 |
| Marilyn Whalley | 6/30/99 | | |

WESTPORT CITIZENS BETTERMENT COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|------------------|---------|
| Shirley Desrosiers | 6/30/2000 | Charlene R. Wood | 6/30/99 |
| Walter Craveiro | 6/30/99 | Lena Napert | 6/30/99 |
| Marguerite Plamondon | 6/30/99 | | |

BONDS

| | |
|----------------|--------------|
| Town Treasurer | \$150,000.00 |
| Tax Collector | \$150,000.00 |
| Town Clerk | \$ 15,000.00 |

TRAILER PERMITS

Issued 94 (\$24.00 ea.)

SUNDAY LICENSES

Issued 25 (\$5.00 ea.)

Sales of Frozen Desserts, Ice Cream Mix
Confectionery Soda Water or Fruit on the Lord's Day

COMMON VICTUALLERS LICENSES

Issued 44 (\$25.00 ea.)

TOTAL COLLECTED

(Fees & Miscellaneous)

\$35,903.70



Preparing the "Kate Cory" Weathervane for Placement on Top of Town Hall

1998 MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES

CLASS I

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Big Boar Harley-Davidson, Inc. | 1030 State Road |
| Coach Light RV Restoration | 131 Old Bedford Road |

CLASS II

| | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| A.J. Turner | 1052 State Road |
| A.J. Turner Inc. Annex | 914 State Road |
| Amaral Bus/Truck Sales & Service | 1090 State Road |
| Art Caesar, The Car Man | 1016A State Road |
| Auto Mart | 851B State Road |
| Automotive Services, Inc. | 337 American Legion Highway |
| Transferred To: | |
| Unlimited Sales & Service | |
| Beaulieu's Garage | 497 Sanford Road |
| A.G. Bettencourt, Inc | 821 Main Road |
| Brookside Motors | 415 Main Road |
| Carabello Auto Sales & Repair | 851A State Road |
| The Car Store | 237 State Road |
| Transferred To: | |
| Distinctive Autobody, Refinishing & Sales, Ltd. | 1121 State Road |
| Carvalho's Bargain Motors, Inc. | 935 State Road |
| C & H Auto Sales | 660A Main Road |
| Consumer's Auto Sales | 10 Sanford Road |
| Dan's Auto Sales | 559 State Road |
| DC Auto Sales | 575 State Road |
| Deke's Auto Sales | 128 Old Bedford Road |
| Den-Rod Motors | 23 Barbara Street |
| Drift Road Auto Sales | 541 Drift Road |
| Ferreira's Auto Body & Sales | 91 Forge Road |
| Frank E. Brayton Jr. Auto Sales & Service | 626 Adamsville Road |
| Glenwood Motors, Inc. | 10 Glenwood Avenue |
| G. Souza's Hillside Motors | 1175 State Road |
| Hart Auto Sales | 431A Main Road |
| Hebco, Inc. | 795 American Legion Highway |
| Highland Auto & Truck Sales | 560 Highland Avenue |
| High Tech Auto Sales & Service | 956 State Road |
| Goldstein's Farm Equipment | 287 Gifford Road |
| Hometown Motors | 620 Sanford Road |
| Jack & Paul's Used Cars | 758 State Road |
| J.B.S. Auto Corporation | 505 State Road |
| Jim's Used cars | 280 State Road |
| J & J Used Auto Sales & Service, Inc. | 972 State Road |
| John Soares Village Garage, Inc. | 660 Main Road |
| J.R.'s Precision Auto Sales | 729 State Road |
| Katie's Auto & Truck Sales | 449 American Legion Highway |
| Langton's Quality Cars | 1018 State Road |
| Leclairs Auto Sales | 702 State Road |
| Bass Inc. d/b/a Mike's Toyota | 983 State Road |
| Negotiable Car Store | 237 State Road |
| Nu-Way Auto | 837 State Road |
| Patriot Auto Center Inc. | 337 American Legion Highway |
| Paul's Auto Sales | 685 Main Road |

Pine Hill Auto Service
 Pond View Auto Sales
 Quality Auto Sales
 Rick's Used Cars
 Roland's Auto Sales
 R & R Auto Body & Sales
 Sanford Auto Sales
 Souza's Garage
 State Road Auto Sales, Inc.
 State Road Motors, Inc.
 Steve's Auto Center
 Thad's Auto Sales
 Ty's Used Cars
 Union Avenue Auto Sales
 Val's Auto Sales
 Wells Auto Sales
 Transferred To:
 Marc's Motors
 Westport Auto & RV Center

929 Pine Hill Road
 25 Borden Street
 835 State Road
 312 American Legion Highway
 585 State Road
 800A American Legion Highway
 735 State Road
 308 Sanford Road
 327 State Road
 712 State Road
 1016B State Road
 37 Charlotte White Road
 1134 American Legion Highway
 8 Union Avenue
 757 State Road
 683A American Legion Highway

 1058 State Road

CLASS III

Lantic Salvage
 Mid-City Scrap Iron, Inc.
 Richie's Auto Parts
 Robert J. Desmarais
 Thad's Auto Salvage, Inc.
 Westport Auto Recycling

58 Charlotte White Road
 548 State Road
 8511 State Road
 560 Highland Avenue
 37 Charlotte White Road
 443 American Legion Highway

CLASS IV

GARAGE & SERVICE STATION REPAIR LICENSES

Adamsville Garage
 A.J. Turner Inc. Annex
 Amaral Bus/Truck Sales & Service
 Arel's tune Up & Trouble Shooting
 Auto Mart
 Automotive Services, Inc.
 Transferred To:
 Unlimited Sales & Service
 The Auto Salon
 Auto Tech
 Beaulieu's Garage
 Big Boar Harley-Davidson, Inc.
 Bothelo's Garage
 Carabello Auto Sales & Repair
 Carvalho's Bargain Motors, Inc.
 C & D Automotive Repair
 Circle ("M") Truck & Auto Repair
 Coach Light RV Restoration
 Consumer's Auto Sales
 Deke's Auto Sales
 Dick's Auto Repair
 Distinctive Auto Body & Refinishing

626 Adamsville Road
 914 State Road
 1090 State Road
 615 State Road
 851B State Road
 337 American Legion Highway

 1018 State Road
 443 American Legion Highway
 497 Sanford Road
 1030 State Road
 154 Old Pine Hill Road
 851A State Road
 935 State Road
 276A State Road
 683A American Legion Highway
 131 Old Bedford Road
 10 Sanford Road
 128 Old Bedford Road
 280 State Road
 12 Union Avenue

Double L/L Auto Waxing
 Eddy's Repair Shop
 Ferreira's Auto Body & Sales
 Four Square Garage
 G. Souza's Hillside Motors
 Hart Auto Body
 Head Small Engine Repair
 High Tech Auto Sales & Service
 Jack & Paul's Used Cars
 J.B.S. Auto Corporation
 J & J Used Car Sales & Service
 Joal's Garage
 John Mooney's Auto Service
 John Soares Village Garage, Inc.
 J.R.'s Precision Auto Sales
 J's Repair Garage
 Martin's Repair Shop
 Mendes Auto Repair
 Norwest Automotive, Inc.
 Nu-Way Auto Repair
 Paul's Auto & Boat Repair
 Pine Hill Auto Repair Inc.
 Pond View Auto Sales
 Richie's Auto Repair
 Rick's Auto Service
 R & R Auto Body & Sales
 Sanford Auto Sales
 State Road Auto Sales, Inc.
 Steve's Auto Center
 Street Cars Ltd.
 T.C. Used Cars & Repairs
 Thad's Auto Salvage & Service
 Westport Auto Clinic
 Westport Auto & Truck Repair
 Westport Citgo
 Westport Tire Center
 Wilfrid's Garage, Inc.

10 Glenwood Avenue
 25 Elmwood Avenue
 91 Forge Road
 618 Sanford Road
 1175 State Road
 51 Cross Road
 493 Old County Road
 956 State Road
 758 State Road
 509 State Road
 972 State Road
 500 Adamsville Road
 541 Drift Road
 660 Main Road
 729 State Road
 140 Old Bedford Road
 112 Sanford Road
 130 Plymouth Boulevard
 175 State Road
 837A State Road
 685 Main Road
 929 Pine Hill Road
 25 Borden Street
 851F & G State Road
 1134 American Legion Highway
 800A American Legion Highway
 735 State Road
 327 State Road
 1016B State Road
 1018 State Road
 648 State Road
 37 Charlotte White Road
 422 Sanford Road
 137 Forge Road
 162 State Road
 718 State Road
 427 Main Road

STORAGE YARD LICENSE

Richie's Affordable Storage

851I State Road

1997 LIQUOR LICENSES

PACKAGE GOODS STORE ALL ALCOHOLIC

| | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Briere's, Inc. | 233 Sanford Road |
| Ed's Package Store, Inc. | 655 State Road |
| Albert E. Lees, Inc. d/b/a Lees Supermarket | 796-800 Main Road |
| State Road Package Store | 787 State Road |
| Watuppa Package Store, Inc. | 151 State Road |
| Westport Market, Inc. | 291 American Legion Highway |

PACKAGE GOODS STORE WINES AND MALT

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Harry's Country Store Inc. | 646 American Legion Highway |
| J. Inc. d/b/a Westport Mini Mart | 1239-1241 State Road |
| Olde Westport Trading Post | 1031R Main Road |
| Westport Point Market, Inc. | 1968 Main Road |

RESTAURANT - ALL ALCOHOLIC

| | |
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| Bittersweet Restaurant Inc. | 438-440 Main Road |
| B.J.F.L., Inc. d/b/a Club Oasis | 549 American Legion Highway |
| Ellie's Place | 1403 Main Road |
| Fred and Ann's Restaurant, Inc. | 977 Main Road |
| P. & G. Bowling W., Inc. d/b/a Holiday Lanes | 236 State Road |
| House of Chu, Inc. d/b/a Oriental Pearl | 576 State Road |
| Westport Club, Inc. | 904 Main Road |
| Lafrance Brothers, Inc. d/b/a White's Restaurant | 66 State Road |

RESTAURANT - WINES AND MALT

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Bayside Restaurant | 1253 Horseneck Road |
| Kozy Nook | 655 State Road |
| Spooners | 140 Charlotte White Road |
| Westport Country Kitchen, Inc. | 778 Main Road |

RESTAURANT (COMMERCIAL CLUB) ALL ALCOHOLIC

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Holy Ghost Club, Inc. | 171 Sodom Road |
| W.A. & R. Ouellette Post #8502 | 843 State Road |

SEASONAL MISCELLANEOUS

Acoaxet Club, Inc.
Acoaxet Club, Inc. d/b/a The Pro Shop
Windward Food Service Corp. d/b/a
Moby Dick Wharf Restaurant
Village Pizza

152 Howland Road
152 Howland Road
1 Bridge Road
760 Main Road



Dave Hebert, Bob Coauette & Joe Smith positioning the "Kate Cory" Weathervane

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WESTPORT
WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**

BRISTOL, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport: GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to assemble at the respective polling places, namely:

| | | |
|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| PRECINCT A | American Legion Hall | 489 Sanford Road |
| PRECINCT B | Town Hall Annex | 856 Main Road (rear) |
| PRECINCT C | Alice A. Macomber School | 154 Gifford Road |
| PRECINCT D | Fire Station | 85 Briggs Road |
| PRECINCT E | Westport High School | 19 Main Road |

On Monday, the ninth day of March next, it being the second Monday of the month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon then and there to choose the following Offices, viz: One Selectman, One Moderator, One Assessor, One Board of Health Member, Two School Committee Members, One Fish Commissioner, Two Trustees of the Free Public Library, One Commissioner of Trust Funds all for a term of Three Years; One Planning Board Member, One Housing Authority Member, both for Five Years; Four Landing Commissioners for One-year terms; One Trustee of the Free Public Library for a One-year unexpired term.

The polls will be open for balloting for the officers, or any questions contained on the official ballot at 10:00 a.m. and shall be closed at 8:00 p.m.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting five or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said Town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

Hereof and fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport this 9th day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

David P. Dionne
Steven H. Tripp
Marjorie A. Holden
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
February 11, 1998

I this 11th day of February, 1998 posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Town Hall
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. d/b/a. Country Liquor & Variety

Daniel Sullivan
Constable of Westport

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

Westport, Mass. 02790
March 9, 1998

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town assembled at the polling places in their respective voting precincts on the above date. Ballots were given in for the following persons, assorted, counted and public declaration made thereof in open meeting, the total result of the balloting from the five precincts as certified by the Precinct Officers, being as follows:

Selectmen - three years

| | |
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| David P. Dionne had one thousand eight hundred fifty-eight | 1858 |
| James J. Long had one thousand six hundred twenty-nine | 1629 |
| Blanks, eighty-six | 86 |

Moderator - three years

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|--|------|
| Brad C. Brightman had two thousand four hundred eighty-six | 2486 |
| Blanks, one thousand eighty-eight | 1088 |

Assessor - three years

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|---|------|
| Stephen J. Medeiros had two thousand three hundred eighty-two | 2382 |
| Blanks, one thousand one hundred ninety-two | 1192 |

Board of Health - three years

| | |
|--|------|
| Joseph Bothelo had five hundred four | 504 |
| John Ciccotelli had one thousand two hundred seventy-one | 1271 |
| Sean Leach had one thousand four hundred seventy-nine | 1479 |
| Blanks, three hundred twenty | 320 |

School Committee - three years

| | |
|--|------|
| Anne M. Brown had one thousand nine hundred thirty-two | 1932 |
| Richard M. Tongue had one thousand seven hundred seventy-eight | 1778 |
| Blanks, three thousand four hundred thirty-eight | 3438 |

Fish Commissioner - three years

| | |
|--|------|
| Daniel P. Sullivan had two thousand three hundred seventy-nine | 2379 |
| Blanks, one thousand one hundred ninety-five | 1195 |

Trustees of Free Public Library - three years

| | |
|---|------|
| Frances C. Kirkaldy had two thousand two hundred twenty-three | 2223 |
| Deborah J. Lee had one thousand six hundred forty-seven | 1647 |
| Blanks, three thousand two hundred seventy-six | 3276 |

Landing Commissioners - one year

| | |
|--|--------|
| Carl F. Tripp had two thousand thirty | 2030 |
| Christopher R. Gillespie had one thousand eight hundred twenty-two | 1822 |
| Stafford Hart (write-in) had one hundred fifty-one | 151 |
| Harold J. Sisson, Jr. (write-in) had seventy | 70 |
| Ann Chandanais (write-in) had forty-nine | 49 |
| Kendal Tripp (write-in) had fourteen | 14 |
| Thomas Pereira (write-in) had seven | 7 |
| Brian Leach (write-in) had four | 4 |
| George Hancock (write-in) had two | 2 |
| Mike Cushing (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Mike Hanley (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Brenda Figueiredo (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Arthur Briggs (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Kendal Turner (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, ten thousand one hundred forty-one | 10,141 |

Housing Authority - five years

| | |
|--|------|
| Timothy M. Ford had two thousand one hundred seven | 2107 |
| Blanks, one thousand four hundred thirty-one | 1431 |

Planning Board - five years

| | |
|--|------|
| Glenn E. Mauk had two thousand one hundred forty-three | 2143 |
| Blanks, one thousand four hundred thirty-one | 1431 |

Commissioners of Trust Funds - three years

| | |
|--|------|
| Roberta V. Costa had two thousand one hundred eighty-six | 2186 |
| Blanks, one thousand three hundred eighty-eight | 1388 |

Trustee of Free Public Library - one year unexpired term

| | |
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| Pauline B. Dooley had one thousand four hundred sixty-nine | 1469 |
| Nancy M. Silva had one thousand two hundred forty-eight | 1248 |
| Blanks, eight hundred fifty-seven | 857 |

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk



**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WESTPORT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
APRIL 7, 1998**

BRISTOL, SS.

To either of the constables of the Town of Westport in said County: GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to assemble at the Westport High School on Tuesday, April 7, 1998 at 7:30 p.m., and then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Agreeable to the warrant calling said meeting, the voters of the Town of Westport assembled at the Westport High School on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by Moderator Brad C. Brightman, who appointed Ann Chandanais, Margaret McCarter, Cathy Madsen and Gil Bliss to act as Tellers and they were duly sworn before the Town Clerk. Beverly Kut acted as timekeeper for the meeting in accordance with a By-Law adopted under Article 45 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1963.

The Moderator introduced Ms. Betsy Acheson and students from the 4th grade of the Westport Elementary School who are studying Town Government. Also introduced were students from the High School.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

Article 1

To see if the Town will vote to transfer to reduce taxation certain sums of money from various articles approved by Town Meeting, when there is a balance remaining that is no longer required to accomplish the purpose for which the articles were originally passed, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: To pass over Article 1. Carried.

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elected Town Officers, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| | |
|---|---------------|
| MODERATOR | \$ 560 |
| SELECTMEN - Chairman | 5,293 |
| Board Members (2) - \$5,143 | 10,286 |
| TOWN CLERK | 40,328 |
| ASSESSORS - Board Members (3) - \$4,909 | 14,727 |
| BOARD OF HEALTH - Members (3) - \$2,091 | 6,273 |
| HIGHWAY SURVEYOR | 47,934 |
| TAX COLLECTOR | 40,328 |
| TREASURER | <u>40,328</u> |
| TOTAL | \$206,057 |

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money considered necessary to defray the Town's expenses for a twelve month period beginning July 1, 1998 and appropriate the same to several departments and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| | |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| ACCOUNTANT | |
| Personal services | 56,668 |
| Expenses | <u>2,800</u> |
| Total | 59,468 |
| APPEALS | |
| Personal Services | 2,200 |
| Expenses | <u>3,045</u> |
| Total | 5,245 |
| ASSESSORS | |
| Personal Services | 114,913 |
| Expenses | <u>6,000</u> |
| Total | 120,913 |
| BOARD OF HEALTH | |
| Personal Services | <u>100,863</u> |
| Expenses | 12,224 |
| Total | 113,087 |
| BUILDING INSPECTORS | |
| Personal Services | 63,124 |
| Expenses | <u>5,050</u> |
| Total | 68,174 |
| CEMETERY | |
| Personal Services | 66,165 |
| Expenses | <u>6,543</u> |
| Total | 72,708 |
| CIVIL DEFENSE | |
| Personal Services | 614 |
| Expenses | <u>1,980</u> |
| Total | 2,594 |
| COLLECTOR OF TAXES | |
| Personal Services | 93,195 |
| Expenses | <u>15,345</u> |
| Total | 108,540 |
| CONSERVATION COMMISSION | |
| Personal Services | 46,538 |
| Expenses | <u>6,085</u> |
| Total | 52,623 |

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| COUNCIL ON AGING | |
| Personal Services | 74,379 |
| Expenses | <u>17,556</u> |
| Total | 91,935 |
| DATA PROCESSING | |
| Personal Services | 7,830 |
| Expenses | <u>34,570</u> |
| Total | 42,400 |
| DOG OFFICER | |
| Personal Services | 9,811 |
| Expenses | <u>7,710</u> |
| Total | 17,521 |
| ELECTION & REGISTRATION | |
| Personal Services | 39,132 |
| Expenses | <u>20,271</u> |
| Total | 59,403 |
| EMPLOYEE BENEFITS | |
| Health | 825,000 |
| Life | 6,000 |
| FICA / Medicare | 75,000 |
| Unemployment | 40,000 |
| Worker's Comp. | <u>60,000</u> |
| Total | 1,006,000 |
| FINANCE COMMITTEE | |
| Personal Services | 2,000 |
| Expenses | <u>2,000</u> |
| Total | 4,000 |
| RESERVE FUND | 100,000 |
| FIRE | |
| Personal Services | 1,025,198 |
| Expenses | <u>100,550</u> |
| Total | 1,125,748 Unanimous |
| GAS INSPECTORS | |
| Personal Services | 5,200 |
| Expenses | <u>900</u> |
| Total | 6,100 |
| HARBOR ENTERPRISE | 66,190 |
| HIGHWAY | |
| Personal Services | 508,273 |
| Expenses | <u>106,530</u> |
| Total | 614,803 |

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| HIGHWAY / SNOW & ICE REMOVAL | |
| Personal Services | 34,000 |
| Expenses | <u>30,000</u> |
| Total | 64,000 |
| HISTORICAL COMMITTEE | |
| Expenses / Total | 350 |
| LANDFILL | |
| Personal Services | 66,653 |
| Expenses | <u>110,555</u> |
| Total | 177,208 |
| LEGAL | |
| Expenses / Total | 65,000 |
| LIBRARY | |
| Personal Services | 121,737 |
| Expenses | <u>34,475</u> |
| Total | 156,212 |
| MODERATOR | |
| Personal Services | 560 |
| Expenses | <u>150</u> |
| Total | 710 |
| NURSING, BOARD OF HEALTH | |
| Personal Services | 22,711 |
| Expenses | <u>4,610</u> |
| Total | 27,321 |
| PARKING TICKETS | |
| Expenses / Total | 3,880 |
| PERSONNEL BOARD | |
| Personal Services | 500 |
| Expenses / Total | <u>600</u> |
| Total | 1,100 |
| PLANNING BOARD | |
| Personal Services | 11,317 |
| Expenses | <u>5,550</u> |
| Total | 16,867 |
| PLUMBING INSPECTORS | |
| Personal Services | 8,000 |
| Expenses | <u>1,625</u> |
| Total | 9,625 |
| POLICE | |
| Personal Services | 1,492,999 |
| Expenses | <u>285,003</u> |
| Total | 1,778,002 |

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| PROPERTY INSURANCE | |
| Expenses/Total | 95,000 |
| RECYCLING | |
| Expenses/Total | 0 |
| REGIONAL SCHOOLS | |
| Diman | 198,135 |
| Bristol Aggie | <u>14,490</u> |
| Total | 212,625 |
| RETIREMENT | |
| Expenses/Total | 618,819 |
| SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES | |
| Personal Services | 1,305 |
| Expenses | <u>500</u> |
| Total | 1,805 |
| SELECTMEN | |
| Personal Services | 130,488 |
| Expenses | <u>5,650</u> |
| Total | 136,138 |
| SHELLFISH/WHARFINGER | |
| Personal Services | 48,925 |
| Expenses | <u>22,612</u> |
| Total | 71,537 |
| SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE | 0 |
| STREET LIGHTING | |
| Expenses/Total | 17,460 |
| TOWN BEACH | |
| Personal Services | 17,322 |
| Expenses | <u>1,400</u> |
| Total | 18,722 |
| TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE | |
| Personal Services | 1,000 |
| Expenses | <u>200</u> |
| Total | 1,200 |
| TOWN CLERK | |
| Personal Services | 51,618 |
| Expenses | <u>1,340</u> |
| Total | 52,958 |
| TOWN FARM | |
| Expenses/Total | 3,000 |

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| TOWN HALL / ANNEX | | |
| Personal Services | 38,173 | |
| Expenses | <u>45,700</u> | |
| Total | 83,873 | |
| TOWN REPORTS | | |
| Expenses / Total | 4,850 | |
| TREASURER | | |
| Personal Services | 80,948 | |
| Expenses | <u>41,325</u> | |
| Total | 122,273 | |
| UNCLASSIFIED | | |
| Expenses / Total | 21,710 | |
| WATER ENTERPRISE | 30,000 | |
| WIRE INSPECTOR | | |
| Personal Services | 21,527 | |
| Expenses | <u>2,935</u> | |
| Total | 24,462 | |
| VETERAN GRAVES | | |
| Personal Services | 662 | |
| Expenses | <u>1,602</u> | |
| Total | 2,264 | |
| VETERAN SERVICE | | |
| Personal Services | 24,258 | |
| Expenses | 88,761 | |
| Out of State Travel | <u>0</u> | |
| Total | 113,019 | |
| SCHOOL DEPARTMENT | | |
| Salaries & Expenses | 9,134,147 | **(See April 8th) |
| Transportation | <u>854,298</u> | |
| | 9,988,445 | |
| INTEREST | | |
| Long Term | 43,975 | |
| Short Term | 22,500 | |
| DEBT RETIREMENT | | |
| School | 225,000 | |
| TOTAL | | |
| EXPENDITURES | \$17,949,362 | |

VOTED: Except where otherwise indicated, all budgets carried.

There was a Hold placed on the Fire and School Department budgets. Action will be taken on these budgets after the Special Town Meeting.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to recess the Annual Town Meeting at 8:03 p.m. and to open the Special Town Meeting.

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
TOWN OF WESTPORT
APRIL 7, 1998**

BRISTOL, SS.

To either of the constables of the Town of Westport in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to assemble at the Westport High School on Tuesday, April 7, 1998 at 8:00 p.m., and then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

VOTED: (Unanimously) to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

Article 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or transfer from various line items within the current appropriations such sums of money necessary to supplement the budgets of various departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1997, and/or to take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| FROM | TO | AMOUNT |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|
| Highway Department Personal Services | Highway Department Expenses | \$50,000 |
| Data Processing Personal Services | Police Department Expenses | \$ 2,000 |

VOTED: (Carried)

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money necessary for the purpose of paying outstanding bills from prior fiscal years, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Planning Board Mileage | \$ 19.63 |
| Scottsdale Insurance Company | \$ 20,000.00 |

VOTED: (Unanimously) from Free Cash.

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or transfer from a sum of \$48,000 for the purchase of electronic voting machines, including a reader for the memory pack, and/or take any other action relative thereof.

TOWN CLERK/BOARD OF REGISTRARS

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$42,000 from Free Cash.

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money sufficient to fully fund the cost items contained in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Westport and the Town Hall Departments, Library & Cemetery Union, Labor Advantage for Workers, Local 254, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: The sum of \$92,040 of which \$77,040 from Free Cash and \$15,000 from Solid waste Management. Carried.

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the removal of underground tanks and the installation of an above-ground fuel storage tank system at the Highway Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$75,000 from Free Cash.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to adjourn the Special Town Meeting and reconvene the Annual Town Meeting at 8:20 p.m..

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting five or more copies in as many places within said Town at least fourteen days before the time of said meeting. Hereof and fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands at Westport this 2nd day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

David P. Dionne
Steven H. Tripp
Marjorie A. Holden
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
March 6, 1998

I this 6th day of March, 1998 posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Senior Center
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety

Daniel P. Sullivan
Constable of Westport

Article 3

VOTED: (Unanimously) to accept the Fire Department budget as read.

VOTED: SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

| | | | |
|---------------------|------------|------------------|----------|
| Salaries & Expenses | 9,558,431 | Yes: 238 No: 181 | Carried. |
| Transportation | 854,298 | Unanimous. | |
| Total | 10,412,729 | Carried. | |

TOTAL - ARTICLE 3 — \$18,373,646.

At 9:15 p.m. the Moderator called a recess to afford the Finance Committee time to discuss their recommendations for the remaining warrant articles.

An intention was made to reconsider Article 3.

The Moderator reconvened the Town Meeting at 9:36.

Motion made to take the total of Article 3 (\$18,373,646.) from Taxation.

Voted: to postpone action on Article 3 until tomorrow night. Carried.

VOTED: to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 10:20 p.m. Carried.

There were 496 registered voters and 21 officials, press and guests in attendance.

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

APRIL 8, 1998

The adjourned Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Moderator Brad C. Brightman who appointed Ann Chandanais, Margaret McCarter, Elmira Beals and Calvin Hopkinson to act as tellers and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk. Beverly Kut acted as timekeeper for the meeting.

Article 3

The motion to take the total of \$18,373,646 from Taxation for Article 3, made on the previous night, was withdrawn after the Finance Committee was asked and gave their recommendation of funding sources.

Finance Committee recommendations:

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| \$17,623,458.00 | Taxation |
| 590,838.37 | Free Cash |
| 17,100.00 | Waterways |
| 24,320.00 | Perpetual Care |
| 30,000.00 | Water Receipts |
| 87,929.00 | Harbor Receipts |
| <u>\$18,373,645.37</u> | TOTAL |

VOTED: To accept the Finance Committee recommendation with the following:

MOVED: "To amend the appropriation of the School Department by specifying that \$9,134,147 be unconditional and that \$424,284 be contingent on approval from the

voters by exempting such sum from the levy limits of Proposition 2 1/2. That the Town seek such approval from the voters to assess taxes in the amount of such sum and that Article 3 be funded in accordance with the recommendation of the Finance Committee, subject to the condition that \$424,284 be raised by taxation only if the voters approve such exemption."

VOTED: Lost — Yes: 273 No: 164 (2/3 vote needed)

VOTED: To accept Article 3 with the funding sources recommended by the Finance Committee listed previously. Yes: 221 No: 189 Carried.

A motion to adjourn the Town Meeting was lost.

A motion to reconsider Article 3 by paper ballot was Carried. Yes: 200 No: 179

VOTED: The paper ballot vote taken to reconsider Article 3 was lost. Yes: 225 No: 185

VOTED: To adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 10:59 p.m. and to reconvene at 7:30 p.m. on April 9, 1998.

There were 477 registered voters and 14 press, officials and guests in attendance.

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

APRIL 9, 1998

The adjourned Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Moderator Brad Brightman who appointed Ann Chandanais, James Perry, Calvin Hopkinson and Elmira Beals to act as tellers and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk. Beverly Kut acted as timekeeper for the meeting.

At this time, Town Counsel, Dan Perry made an opening statement concerning the vote taken on the amendment made pertaining to the School Department budget line item under Article 3. Mr. Perry believed that a 2/3 vote was needed to amend the motion but upon further research, found that a majority vote was all that was necessary, therefore, the original vote taken, making the additional \$424,284 contingent upon the passage of a ballot question legal and proper and all votes taken thereafter void and invalid. A motion to reconsider Article 3 would still be in order.

VOTED: A motion to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting was Lost. Yes: 102 No: 226

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1998 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: Carried.

VOTED: A motion to reconsider Article 3 was Lost. Yes: 18 No: 252

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a 35,000 GVW Dump Truck for the Highway Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

VOTED: To amend Article 5 to make this appropriation (\$65,000) contingent upon the Town voting to exempt this sum from the limitations of total taxes imposed by Proposition 2 2 was lost.

VOTED: The sum of \$65,000 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$70,000 for the purpose of purchasing a Four-Wheel Drive Backhoe for the Highway Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

VOTED: The sum of \$20,000 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$33,000 for the purpose of purchasing a Four-Wheel Drive Vehicle for the Fire Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 7.

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of removing an underground tank and installing an above-ground tank at the Briggs Road Fire Station, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$20,000 from Taxation.

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$160,000 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Briggs Road Fire Station, and to determine how such sum shall be raised, and if by borrowing, to see if the Town will seek approval from the voters to exclude debt service payments made on bonds or notes issued by the Town for such purpose from the levy limits of Proposition 22, so-called and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: To amend Article 9 by deleting all wording after "Briggs Road Fire Station" up to and including "so-called". Carried.

VOTED: The sum of \$160,000 from Overlay Surplus. Carried.

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing computer hardware, software and peripherals, for use by students at the High School, and to determine how such sum shall be raised, and if by borrowing, to see if the Town will seek approval from the voters to exclude debt service payments made on bonds or notes issued by the Town for such purpose from the levy limits of proposition 2 2, so-called, or take any other action relative thereto.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

VOTED: To postpone Article 10 indefinitely. Carried.

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of remodeling, reconstructing and/or making extraordinary repairs to school buildings owned by the Town, and to determine how such sum shall be raised, and if by borrowing, to see if the Town will seek approval from the voters to exclude debt service payments made on bonds or notes issued by the Town for such purpose from the levy limits of Proposition 22, so-called and/or take any other action relative thereto.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

VOTED: To postpone Article 11 indefinitely. Carried. Yes: 180 No: 168

Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from other available funds and/or borrow a sum of money to be used in conjunction with, and/or in addition to any funds allocated by the Commonwealth and/or County for the construction, reconstruction, and/or improvements of Town roads, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

VOTED: Carried.

Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or transfer from within existing appropriations a sum of \$125,000 to be used for the repair, resurfacing, reconstruction, drainage, and maintenance of Town roads, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$125,000 from Taxation.

Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$1.00 for the purpose of maintaining during the ensuing year the mosquito control work as estimated and certified by the State Reclamation Board in

accordance with the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Acts of 1931 and/or to take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: The sum of \$1.00 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000.00 to provide annual maintenance as agreed under the Critical Area Treatment Plan of Horseneck Point Recreation Conservation Area, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 15.

Article 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$20,000 for participation in the cost of purchasing development rights on agricultural land in the Town in accordance with the Agricultural Preservation Act, Chapter 780 of the Acts of 1977, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

VOTED: To pass over Article 16. Carried.

VOTED: A motion to adjourn until Tuesday, April 14 was lost.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to take action on Article 21 at this time.

Article 21

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$2,000,000 for capping and closing the Westport Landfill, including design and engineering services and construction supervision services; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF HEALTH

VOTED: That the sum of \$2,350,000 is appropriated for the purpose of capping and closing the Westport Landfill, including design and engineering services and construction supervision services related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the sum of \$750,000 be expended from the Landfill Enterprise Fund, and the Treasurer of the Town, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$1,600,000, and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, determines that they should be issued as limited obligations of the Town, and may be secured by local system revenues as defined by Section 1 of Chapter 29C; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C, and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and/or otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental

Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; and that the Board of Selectmen and Board of Health, and either of them acting singly are authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and take any other action necessary to carry out the project.

VOTED: (Unanimously) as amended. The \$1,600,000 borrowing to be paid from Taxation.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting until Tuesday, April 14, 1998 at 7:30 p.m.

There were 438 registered voters and 14 press, officials and guests in attendance.

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

APRIL 14, 1998

The adjourned Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Moderator Brad Brightman who appointed Ann Chandanais, Rebecca C. Anderson, Margaret McCarter and Elmira Beals to act as Tellers and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk. Beverly Kut acted as timekeeper for the meeting.

Article 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$7,500 for a Fourth of July fireworks display and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: The sum of \$5,000 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,000 for the purpose of conducting one or more Household Hazardous Waste Collection events for residents of Westport and properly disposing of the hazardous materials, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$12,000 from Taxation.

Article 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money for the purpose of financing the following water pollution abatement facility projects: repair, replacement and/or upgrade of septic systems, pursuant to agreements with the Board of Health and residential property owners, including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; to

determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust or otherwise, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: The provisions of Article 19 were lost.

Article 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds, a sum of \$40,000 to be used by the Board of Assessors for fees and expenses for the second portion of a two-year program to update the revaluation program mandated by M. G. L. Chapter 797, Acts of 1979 to place the Town on a 100% valuation assessment basis and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

VOTED: The sum of \$40,000 from Taxation. Carried

Article 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or the Municipal Waterways Fund a sum of \$4,500 for the purchase of a new outboard motor for the Shellfish Department and/or take any other action relative thereto.

SHELLFISH CONSTABLE

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$4,500 from the Municipal Waterways Fund.

Article 23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or the Municipal Waterways Fund a sum of \$23,000 for the purchase of a new Pick-up Truck for the Shellfish Department and/or take any other action relative thereto.

SHELLFISH CONSTABLE

VOTED: The sum of \$23,000 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 24

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 from taxation or available funds in the treasury for use in the Shellfish Department's Propagation Program, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

SHELLFISH CONSTABLE

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 24.

Article 25

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of an engineering study, sampling, dredging, jetty reconstruction or dune restoration of Horseneck Point or the Westport River and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HARBORMASTER/HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTED: The sum of \$10,000 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 26

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,000 to paint and insulate the ceiling in the Westport Community Center/Town Hall Annex, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$15,000 from Taxation.

Article 27

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$6,200 from Perpetual Care Trust Fund Interest for the purchase of a tractor and associated equipment for the Cemetery Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$6,200 from Perpetual Care Trust Fund Interest.

Article 28

To see if the Town will vote to transfer available funds from Article 37 FY'98 to a separate article for the purchase of equipment for the Cemetery Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

VOTED: (Unanimously) to transfer the sum of \$3,760 from Article 37 FY'98.

Article 29

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$25,000 to develop a summary updated Master Plan for the Town of Westport, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

STRATEGIC GROWTH COMMITTEE/ CONSERVATION COMMISSION

VOTED: The sum of \$15,000 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 30

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$3,966.60 to refund real estate taxes paid by Marie H. Hadfield and Clemontine Hadfield pursuant to erroneous assessments made by the Town, in accordance with authority granted to the Town by the General Court, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

TREASURER/ BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) to delete "in accordance with authority granted to the Town by the General Court" and insert "subject to final approval granted to the Town by the General Court, such sum to be raised by taxation."

VOTED: (Unanimously) as amended.

Article 31

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available

funds a sum of \$60,000 to be used for the completion of the digitation of the Westport parcel map and to establish a link with the Assessors database, which will complete the first level of the Geographic Information System (GIS) for the Town of Westport, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

STRATEGIC GROWTH COMMITTEE / CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

VOTED: The sum of \$60,000 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 32

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring for conservation purposes, by eminent domain, negotiated purchase or otherwise, all or a portion of certain property owned by Eric P. Rothenberg and Richard A. Scherr, Trustees of River Farm Realty Trust consisting of approximately 78 acres of land, such property being shown as Lots 1 and 1A on Westport Assessors Plan 37, that said land be conveyed to said Town of Westport under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8c, and as it may hereafter be amended and other Massachusetts Statutes relating to Conservation, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission of the Town of Westport, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow all or a portion of such sum, and the Conservation Commission be authorized to execute on behalf of the Town any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts deemed necessary under the Self-Help Act (Chapter 132, Section 11) and/or any others in any way connected with the scope of this Article, and the Town of Westport and the Conservation Commission be authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Westport to affect said purchase; and further, to see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into agreements with Westport Land Conservation Trust, Inc. to fund a portion of such acquisition costs by a loan, non-recourse or otherwise, or by purchase of agricultural preservation restrictions on other land of the Town; and further, to see if the Town will vote to seek approval from the voters to exclude debt service payments on all or a portion of bonds or notes issued by the Town for such purpose from the levy limits of Proposition 2 1/2, so-called; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 32.

Article 33

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of \$125,000 for the preparation of a comprehensive wastewater management plan for the Town, and to determine how such sum shall be raised, whether by borrowing from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, or to see if the Town will seek approval from the voters to exclude debt service payments made on bonds or notes issued by the Town for such purpose from the levy limits of proposition 2 1/2, so-called, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: to amend Article 33 as follows: That \$125,000. is appropriated for the preparation of a comprehensive wastewater management plan for the Town, includ-

ing without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1, of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$125,000. and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; and that the Board of Selectmen or other appropriate body or official is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project; provided, however, that this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by G.L. c.59, s21C (Proposition 2 1/2) amounts required to pay the principal of and interest on the borrowing authorized by this vote.

VOTED: To accept Article 33 as amended. Yes: 74 No: 8 Carried.

Article 34

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or transfer from various line items within the current appropriations a sum of \$2,500.00 for expenses such as electricity, public pay phone, trash pick-up and port-a-john rental necessary to maintain the Bicentennial Park for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1998, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COMMITTEE OF PROJECT SKATE-SAFE / BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$2,500 from Taxation.

Article 35

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or transfer from various line items within current appropriations a sum of \$20,000.00 necessary to continue the repairing/remodeling of the Bicentennial Park for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1998, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COMMITTEE OF PROJECT SKATE-SAFE / BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$20,000 from Taxation.

Article 36

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 97a allowing the Chief of Police the authority to from time to time make suitable regulations governing the police department of the officers thereof, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CHIEF OF POLICE

VOTED: The provisions of Article 36 were lost. Yes: 87 No: 122

Article 37

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, independently or in joint action with other towns, to do any or all of the following:

- I. To negotiate and enter into a contract for power supply;
- ii. To develop local energy-efficiency and renewable energy plans;
- iii. To aggregate electrical loads in the Town in connection with such power supply contract and/or plans; or
- iv. To take any other appropriate action relative thereto.

Such power contract shall be subject to approval by the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy and individual consumers wishing not to participate shall be given the option not to do so pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 164, Section 134, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 38

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000 in connection with the hiring of legal counsel, technical consultants and otherwise to accomplish the purposes of Article 37.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: To pass over Article 38. Carried.

Article 39

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$50,000 to purchase from James L. and Carolyn Sharples land located 256 Drift Road as shown on Assessor's Map 52, Lot 19A auctioned by the Town, being the price paid for such land plus expenses for engineering, construction, and improvements thereon, including the well and foundation, and if so, to determine whether such purchase shall be contingent on a final decision adverse to the Town in Zoning Appeal court case A97-01704, Thomas A. Rezendes, et alii, Plaintiffs v. Board of Appeals and James L. Sharples and Carolyn Sharples, Defendants, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) to amend Article 39 as follows: delete "and if so, to determine whether such purchase shall" and insert "such purchase to".

VOTED: To amend Article 39 by adding after the word "Defendants" the following: "such sum to be raised by taxation, provided that the foregoing contingency shall not be in force if the court has not entered a final judgement in the foregoing civil action within six months hereof." Carried.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to accept Article 39 as amended.

Article 40

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions

of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 1999, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from health care promotion, recreational and social programs for seniors, except for receipts from the social day care program, from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$10,000.00 for these same services may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of Selectmen, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 41

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 1999, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from the social day care program, from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$20,000.00 for these same services may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of Selectmen, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 42

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 1999, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from income-generating activities, except receipts from health care promotion, recreational and social programs, transportation activities, and the social day care program which are the source of receipts for other revolving funds, to support the Westport Senior Center from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$10,000, for building operating/maintenance expenses, excluding salaries and wages of all full-time and part-time employees who are employed at said Senior Center, may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of Selectmen, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 43

To see if the Town will vote to establish pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 1999, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from transportation for seniors, from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$10,000.00 for these same services may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of Selectmen and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 44

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 1999, a revolving fund for the Westport Fire Department into which will be paid all receipts from Ambulance Fees, from which costs not to exceed \$80,000 for the purchase of an ambulance, ambulance equipment and/or supplies may be expended without further appropriation by the Fire Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: Carried.

Article 45

To see if the Town will vote to revoke its acceptance of the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F 1/2, establishing an enterprise fund, with respect to the Town landfill, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF HEALTH

VOTED: (Unanimously) To amend Article 45 by deleting the word "landfill" and inserting "Solid Waste Recycling Enterprise Fund".

VOTED: (Unanimously) To amend Article 45 by adding after "Fund" "effective November 30, 1998".

VOTED: (Unanimously) as amended.

Article 46

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A—Highway Department:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Pay Basis</u> | <u>Type</u> |
|--|--------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| Skilled Laborer/ Light Truck Driver | 4 | 40 | K-B | FT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of money to the Highway Department Personal Services Budget and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

VOTED: (Unanimously)

VOTED: (Unanimously) to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 10:48 p.m. and reconvene tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

There were 269 registered voters and 9 press, officials and guests in attendance.

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

APRIL 15, 1998

The adjourned Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Moderator Brad C. Brightman who appointed Ann Chandanais, Margaret McCarter and Calvin Hopkinson to act as Tellers and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk. Beverly Kut acted as timekeeper for the meeting.

Article 47

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Board of Selectmen:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Pay Basis</u> | <u>Type</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| Grant Program Assistant | 2 | 35 | Hourly | FT |

and inserting therein:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Pay Basis</u> | <u>Type</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| Grant Program Manager/Writer | 2 | 40 | Hourly | FT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 48

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A—Board of Selectmen

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Pay Basis</u> | <u>Type</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| Housing Rehab Specialist | 2 | N | Hourly | Temp. PT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 49

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Custodians:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Pay Basis</u> | <u>Type</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| Town Hall | 3 | 40 | K-A | FT |

and insert therein:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Pay Basis</u> | <u>Type</u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| Town Hall/Annex/ Police Station | 3 | 40 | K-A | FT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 50

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Custodians:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-----------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Town Hall | 3 | 20+ | K-A | PT |

and insert therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Town Hall/ Annex/ Police Station | 3 | 40 | K-A | FT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$8,688.00 to the Town Hall Personal Services Budget therefor, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$8,688 from Taxation.

Article 51

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Custodians:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|----------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Library | 3 | 20 | K-A | PT |

and insert therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Library/ Senior Center | 3 | 40 | K-A | FT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$2700.00 to the Council on Aging Personal Services Budget therefor and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$2,700 from Taxation.

Article 52

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Planning Board:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Principal Clerk | 2 | -20 | Hourly | PT |

and inserting therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Principal Clerk | 2 | -30 | K-A | PT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$5,720.00 to the Planning Board Personal Services Budget therefor, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PLANNING BOARD

VOTED: The sum of \$5,720 from Taxation. Carried.

Article 53

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Fire Department:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|----------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Clerk | 2 | -20 | Hourly | PT |

and insert therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Principal Clerk | 2 | -20 | Hourly | PT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate and /or transfer from available funds a sum of \$1,555 to the Fire Department Personal Services Budget therefor, and /or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$1,555 from Taxation.

Article 54

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Conservation Commission:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|--------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Senior Clerk | 2 | 30 | K-A | PT |

and insert therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Principal Clerk | 2 | 30 | K-A | PT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate and /or transfer from available funds a sum of \$1,800.00 to the Conservation Commission Personal Services Budget therefor, and /or take any other action relative thereto.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$1,800 from Taxation.

Article 55

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Council on Aging:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|--------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Senior Clerk | 2 | 35 | K-A | FT |

and insert therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Principal Clerk | 2 | 35 | K-A | FT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate and /or transfer from available funds a sum of \$1,626 to the Council on Aging Personal Services Budget therefor, and /or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$1,626 from Taxation.

Article 56

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A—Council on Aging:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Assistant Social Day Care Director | 2 | -20 | Hourly | PT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 57

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A—Community Center:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Coordinator | 2 | -20 | Hourly | PT |

and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$10,000 to the Community Center Personal Services Budget therefor, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$10,000 from Taxation.

Article 58

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Board of Health:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|----------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Director | 1 | R | Salary | FT |

and insert therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|--------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Senior Agent | 2 | 40 | Hourly | FT |

and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$36,000 to the Board of Health Personal Services Budget and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Accepted as part of the main motion: to change the word "deleting" to "adding" and to delete "Position-Director; Group-1; Hours-R; Pay-Basis-Salary; and Type-FT".

VOTED: A motion to amend Article 58 by changing "Hourly" to "Salary" was lost.

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$36,000 from Taxation.

Article 59

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under

Schedule A—Police Department:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Secretary/Dispatcher | 2 | 35 | K-C | FT |

and insert therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|--|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Administrative Asst./ Communications Supervisor | 2 | 35 | Hourly | FT |

and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$13,331 to the Police Department Personal Services Budget and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CHIEF OF POLICE

VOTED: (Unanimously) the sum of \$9,732 from Taxation.

Article 60

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A—Police Department:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Executive Officer | 1 | 40 | Salary | FT |

and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,000 to the Police Department Personal Services Budget and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CHIEF OF POLICE

VOTED: The sum of \$8,000 from Taxation. Carried. Yes: 106 No: 47

Article 61

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A—Police Department:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| E-911 Dispatcher | 2 | -20 | Hourly | PT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CHIEF OF POLICE

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 62

To see if the Town will vote to amend the following Town By-Law Article XLVI which pertinent sections currently read as follows:

4603. FALSE ALARM CHARGES - Any person who maintains or has connected an alarm system which has caused any signal, message, or alarm to be transmitted to the Police Department or Fire Department either by direct telephone or other communication which has been determined to be a false alarm shall pay a false alarm charge to the Town as follows:

- 4603.1 First through fourth false alarm - No charge
- 4603.2 Fifth through eighth false alarm - \$25.00 each
- 4603.3 Ninth or more false alarm - \$50.00 each

To amend 4603.1 by deleting the word "forth" and inserting therein the word "third"; to amend Article XLVI 4603.2 by deleting the words "Fifth through eight" and inserting therein the words "Fourth through sixth"; and to amend Article XLVI 4603.3 by deleting the word "Ninth" and the number "\$50.00" and inserting the word "Seventh" and the number "\$100.00", and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CHIEF OF POLICE / FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 63

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town by adding the following new article:

ARTICLE 8 AQUIFER PROTECTION DISTRICT

8.0 PURPOSE OF DISTRICT

The purpose of this Aquifer Protection District is:

- A. To protect, preserve and maintain the groundwater supply and the major groundwater recharge areas within the Town.
- B. To preserve and protect the sources of water supply for the public health and safety.
- C. To conserve the natural resources of the Town.
- D. To protect the groundwater and the major groundwater recharge areas of the Town from adverse land use practices.

8.1 SCOPE

The Aquifer Protection District encompasses those areas of the Town where groundwater flow rates equal 1400 gallons per minute (G.P.M.) or greater, as delineated on a map on file at the office of the Town Clerk, which map reflects the best USGS hydrogeologic information as of the date of enactment hereof. The boundaries encompass the aquifer, and the aquifer's most significant recharge areas. The Aquifer Protection District overlays all other zoning districts.

8.2 ESTABLISHMENT AND DELINEATION OF AQUIFER PROTECTION DISTRICT

There is hereby established within the Town an Aquifer Protection District, consisting of aquifers and/or aquifer recharge areas. Aquifers and aquifer recharge areas are defined by USGS standard geologic and hydrologic investigations which may include drilling observation wells, utilizing existing boring data and stratigraphic profiles, conducting seismic surveys or other geophysical techniques, performing pumping tests, water sampling and geologic mapping. The boundaries of this District are delineated on a map at a scale of 1 inch to 1,000 feet entitled "Aquifer Protection District, Town of Westport" on file in the office of the Town Clerk. These boundaries reflect the best USGS hydrogeologic information available as of the date of the map.

8.3 USE REGULATIONS

8.3.1 The following uses, if allowed within the underlying District, are allowed within the Aquifer Protection District.

A. All primary uses permitted by the underlying District where the land is located, except those expressly prohibited under Section 8.3.2 or requiring a special permit under Section 8.3.3 below, and subject to the following:

1. Pesticides and fertilizers shall not be stored in amounts exceeding what is necessary for household or business use on the premises for a period of twelve (12) months.
2. Storage of home or business fuel intended to be consumed on-site for space heating, hot water heating and cooking purposes shall be in tanks not exceeding 660 gallons for residential use and 2,000 gallons for commercial use, whose design and installation is reviewed and approved by the Fire Department in accordance with applicable safety regulations, 527 CMR 9.0. Storage must be above ground, either in a free standing container within a building or outdoors with protection adequate to contain a spill the size of the container's total storage capacity.

B. Existing non-conforming prohibited uses in conformance with any applicable state and local regulations.

8.3.2 The following uses are prohibited within the Aquifer Protection District:

- A. The manufacture, use, storage or disposal of toxic materials or hazardous wastes.
- B. Car washes, laundromats, automotive service and repair facilities, sanitary landfills, dumps, junk yards, storage or disposal of solid waste. Sludge or septage may only be stored in compliance with 310 CMR 32.30 and 32.31.
- C. Storage of animal manures, unless such storage is covered or contained, or in accordance with the specifications of the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS).
- D. Storage of commercial fertilizers as defined in M.G.L. c. 182, '64, unless such storage is within a structure designed to prevent the generation and escape of contaminated runoff or leachate.
- E. The removal of soil, loam, sand, gravel or any other mineral substances within four (4) feet of the historical high groundwater table elevation (as determined from monitoring wells and historical water table fluctuation data compiled by the United States geological survey), unless the original substances removed are redeposited within forty-five (45) days of removal on site to achieve a final grading greater than four (4) feet above the historical high water mark and except for excavations for the construction of building foundations or the installation of utility works and roadway construction.

- F. Impervious cover on any lot, including buildings, structures, driveways, parking areas, gravel areas, patios, storage areas or any other impermeable surfaces that exceed fifteen (15) per cent of land area or 2,500 square feet, whichever is greater, unless a system for artificial recharge of precipitation is provided that will not result in the degradation of groundwater quality.
- G. Sewage treatment facilities except the following:
 - a. The replacement or repair of an existing private subsurface septic systems(s) that will not result in a design capacity greater than the design capacity of the existing systems(s).
- H. Stockpiling and disposal of snow or ice removed from highways and streets located outside of the Aquifer Protection District that contains sodium chloride, calcium chloride, chemically treated abrasives or other chemicals used for snow and ice removal.
- I. Truck or bus terminals.
- J. Disposal of solid wastes with the exception of brush and stumps.
- K. Storage of liquid hazardous materials, as defined in M.G.L. c.21E, unless such storage is either in a free standing container within a building or in a free standing covered container above ground level with protection adequate to contain a spill one and one half the size of the container's total storage capacity.
- L. Storage of liquid petroleum products of any kind, except those incidental to normal household use and outdoor maintenance or the heating of a structure.
- M. Industrial uses that discharge process waste water to the ground.
- N. Floor drainage systems discharging to the environment in any facility managing hazardous materials and wastes.
- O. Storage of road salt or deicing chemicals.
- P. Individual sewage disposal systems where observed percolation rates are ten (10) minutes per inch or less, unless such system is installed above appropriate fill material that retards the rate of discharge to groundwater above such rate.

8.3.3 The uses set forth below are permitted within the Aquifer Protection District by SPECIAL PERMIT only, and are subject to the approval of the Granting Authority with such conditions as they may attach to their approval and subject to Section 8.3.2. The Special Permit Granting Authority shall be the Zoning Board of Appeals.

- A. All commercial and industrial activities permitted in the underlying district, after site plan review that demonstrates compliance with the requirements of this section:

All such commercial and industrial uses may be constructed and operated in such a manner as to discharge no waste water except normal sanitary waste to subsurface disposal systems.

- B. Replacement, rehabilitation and modification of pre-existing non-conforming uses, in accordance with section 4.1 of Westport's Zoning By-Laws. The Special Permit Granting Authority shall not grant such approval unless it shall find that such expansion shall not increase the risk of contamination of groundwater.

8.4 SITE PLAN SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A. General

Eight copies of a site plan including all of the information required below shall be submitted at a scale no smaller than one inch (1") equals forty feet (40'). The site plan shall have been prepared, stamped and signed by a registered professional engineer, registered land surveyor or registered architect for each pertinent design element.

B. Legal

1. Name and address of the applicant and authorization of the owner, if different from the applicant.
2. Name and address of the owner(s) of record, if different from the applicant.
3. Name and address of person and firm preparing the plan.
4. Assessor's plat and lot number.
5. Existing zoning classification of the property, including the location of any zoning district boundary. All setbacks shall be clearly shown on each parcel.
6. Real property boundary of the parcel. All distances, angles, and total parcel area to be shown. Tie lines shall be used, if necessary to provide closure.
7. North arrow, scale and date of plan preparation. Bench mark data to be referenced. Dates of field surveys and dates of revisions to the plan, including purpose of each revision, shall be shown.
8. Location, width and purpose of all existing easements, reservations, restricted development areas, and areas dedicated to public use within and adjoining the parcel.
9. Description of all existing deed restrictions or covenants applying to the property, and their depiction on the plan if they apply to less than the entire parcel.

C. Physical Features

1. Geological features, such as depth to bedrock, rock outcrops, depth to groundwater.
2. Existing topography at a two foot (2') contour interval.

3. Vegetative cover, including existing wooded areas, significant isolated trees, meadows, cultivated fields, orchards, vineyards and similar features. A recent aerial photograph at a scale no smaller than the scale of the site plan may be submitted to illustrate these features, provided that the parcel boundaries are superimposed thereon.
4. USDA-SCS soil type.
5. Wetlands, streams, drainage swales, waterbodies, shorelines with mean high water reference, flood hazard areas.
6. Location, right-of-way and pavement width and location, and name of existing streets, roads, or ways bounding or intersecting the parcel.
7. Location of all existing structures including stone walls, culverts, and drain pipes on the parcel.
8. Location of all wells, water mains, and other underground utilities and storage facilities.
9. Location of all septic tanks and leaching fields with appurtenant approval references noted.
10. Location of all uses not requiring structures, including outdoor storage, vehicular or equipment parking or repair areas.

D. Proposed Development

1. Grading and drainage plan showing proposed topography at two foot (2') intervals. This information may be combined with the map showing existing conditions if it can be clearly depicted.
2. Location and proposed use of buildings and other structures, such as retaining walls, fences, and outdoor storage tanks.
3. Location and arrangement of site access and egress, including all paths for pedestrian and vehicular travel within the site. Cross-sections and profiles shall be supplied as necessary.
4. Location and size of well, water lines, sewage lines including septic tanks and leaching fields.
5. Proposed alterations to any of the physical features shown in Section D, item 2 above.
6. Location of all proposed uses not requiring structures, as in Section D, item 2 above.
7. Additional information or detail as the SPGA may deem necessary to review the plan.

8.5 PROCEDURES FOR ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PERMIT

- 8.5.1 Each application for a special permit shall be filed with the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Zoning Board of Appeals shall transmit a copy of the application to the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Board of Health and Fire Department, and request

their comments and recommendations upon the application.

- 8.5.2 The Zoning Board of Appeals shall hold a hearing in conformity with the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 40A, § 9, within sixty-five (65) days after the filing of the application with the Zoning Board of Appeals. Notice of the Public Hearing shall be given by publication and posting and by first class mailing to "parties of interest" as defined in M.G.L. chapter 40A, § 11. The decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals and any extension, modification or renewal thereof shall be filed with the Town Clerk within thirty (30) days following the closing of the Public Hearing. Failure of the Zoning Board of Appeals to act within ninety (90) days after the application is filed shall be deemed as a Granting of the Permit.
- 8.5.3 The Special Permit Granting Authority shall grant a special permit only upon findings that (i) the proposed use does not pose an actual or potential threat of material damage to groundwater quality, and (ii) that all adverse impacts to groundwater and disturbance of natural vegetation have been avoided or minimized to the maximum extent reasonably practicable, giving due regard to the economic scope of the project, and the public benefits to be secured from the project.
- 8.5.4 The Special permit Granting Authority may impose reasonable restrictions and conditions upon an approval action to achieve maximum compliance with this By-Law.

8.6 ENFORCEMENT OF THIS BY-LAW

Enforcement of this by-law shall be by the Zoning Enforcement Officer of the Town.

8.7 RIGHT OF APPEAL

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Board of Appeals may seek judicial review thereof in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Section 17.

8.8 SEVERABILITY

A determination that any portion or provision of this Aquifer Protection District By-Law is invalid shall not invalidate any other portion or provision thereof.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION/STRATEGIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously) to amend Sec. 8.4.C.4 to read USDA-NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service).

VOTED: To amend Sec. 8.3.2.F to add after "groundwater quality", the following: "and exempting land primarily used for Agricultural or Horticultural purposes". Carried.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to amend Sec. 8.3.2.G by deleting "except the following" and inserting "but not individual sewage disposal systems" and to delete subsection a.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to amend Sec. 8.3.2 P by deleting this section.

VOTED: To accept Article 63 as amended. Carried. Yes: 108 No: 8

Article 64

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIV of the General By-Laws known as the Zoning By-Laws, as follows:

By adding the following definitions to Section 1.1:

- T. **ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENT** - A business in business premises which as a form of entertainment to customers allows a person or persons to perform in a state of nudity as defined in General Laws Chapter 272, Section 31, as amended, or allows a person or persons to work in a state of nudity as so defined.
- U. **ADULT THEATER** - A business in business premises which presents to customers live or filmed performances distinguished by an emphasis on matter depicting, describing, or relating to sexual conduct or sexual excitement as defined in General Laws Chapter 272, Section 31 as amended.
- V. **SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS** - A business in business premises having as a substantial or significant portion of its stock in trade any of the following:
 - a. Books, magazines, newspapers, or other written material which are distinguished or characterized by depicting or describing sexual conduct or sexual excitement as defined in General Laws Chapter 272, Section 31 as amended;
 - b. Videos, movies, photographs or other filmed material which are distinguished or characterized by depicting sexual conduct or sexual excitement as defined in General Laws Chapter 272, Section 31 as amended;
 - c. Toys and novelty items which are distinguished or characterized by depicting sexual conduct or sexual excitement as defined in General Laws Chapter 272, Section 31 as amended;
 - d. Sexual paraphernalia consisting of devices, objects, tools or toys which are distinguished or characterized by depicting sexual conduct or sexual excitement as defined in General Laws Chapter 272, Section 31 as amended, and which are without medical utility;

As used in this definition a "substantial or significant portion of stock in trade" shall be deemed to exist under any of the following circumstances.

- e. When the cost of such a portion of the stock in trade on hand exceeds more than ten percent (10%) of the cost of all stock in trade on hand;
- f. When monthly sales, including rentals, from such a portion of the stock in trade exceeds more than ten percent (10%) of the monthly sales of all stock in trade;
- g. When an area of more than ten percent (10%) of the floor area open to or observable by customers is wholly or partially used for the display or storage of such portion of the stock in trade; or

- h. In the event a business with any stock in trade listed in (a), (b), (c) or (d) fails upon request of the building commissioner to produce accurate figures establishing costs for determining (c) and sales for determining (f).

As used in this and the two preceding definitions "business premises" are a building or buildings or part of a building or buildings occupied by a business in a Business district, as defined by Section 4.0.2. below.

By adding the following Paragraph D to section 4.0.2:

- D. Notwithstanding the provisions in Paragraphs (a) through (c) of this subsection, no Adult Live Entertainment Establishment, No Adult Theater, and no Sexually Oriented Business, as defined in Section 1.1, shall be established or maintained in a Business District except as authorized by a special permit from the Board of Appeals, subject to the procedure established by Section 2.5 of this By-Law. Each application for such a special permit shall be made by the owners of the property at which the business will be located and shall include the following:
 - a. The name of the proposed business, a copy of the lease for the business premises, a detailed description of the type of business for which the special permit is sought, and the proposed days and hours of operation.
 - b. The name and address of each person who has or will have a legal or beneficial interest in the business. If a corporation has such a legal or beneficial interest, the application shall include the names and addresses of the officers and directors and, if such corporation is not publicly owned, the names of the stockholders. If a partnership has such a legal or beneficial interest, the application shall include the names and addresses of all general and limited partners and all persons with a beneficial interest in the partnership.
 - c. The name and address of each person who will have management responsibility for the proposed business and specification of the days and times at which each such person will be present at the business premises. The application shall include the names and addresses of each person with management responsibility who shall be authorized and available to respond promptly to complaints at any time when a manager is not present at the business premises and shall specify how each such person can be contacted without delay at any such time.
 - d. A certification that none of the persons named in the previous two subparagraphs has ever been convicted of violating the provisions of General Laws Chapter 119, Section 63 or General Laws Chapter 272, Section 28.
 - e. A plan to scale showing the lot on which the proposed business will be located, including all buildings designation of parking spaces to be used by the proposed business, driveways, abutting streets and lots and any pro-

posed landscaping; a floor plan to scale showing the proposed layout of the business premises; and exterior elevations to scale showing the proposed exterior appearance of the business premises, including each proposed sign and its content and the treatment of doors and windows.

- f. A traffic study reliably determining the effect on traffic which is likely to be caused by the proposed business and setting out all measures proposed to be taken to mitigate any adverse traffic impact. The traffic study shall reliably determine the parking needs of the proposed business and shall specify how these needs will be met without adverse impact on other businesses.
- g. Specification of the number of employees to be employed by the proposed business and the hours during which they are expected to work.
- h. A proposed security plan ensuring that minors in no event be exposed to sexually explicit material or performances except as authorized by law.
- i. A proposed plan for ensuring that the stock in trade of the business or any performances presented shall include no obscene material.
- j. If an application seeks a renewal special permit, it shall contain a certification that there has been compliance with the terms and conditions of the special permit or which renewal is sought.

The Board of Appeals shall promulgate rules governing the issuance of special permits for such Adult Live Entertainment Establishments, Adult Theater, and/or Sexually Oriented Businesses and shall file a copy of said rules in the office of the Town Clerk, as required by General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 9A.

In considering whether to grant a special permit for an Adult Live Entertainment Establishment, Adult Theater, or Sexually Oriented Business, the Board of Appeals shall apply its guidelines and rules as it has established them, except that the Board of Appeals shall not grant such a special permit unless the proposed use complies with the following requirements:

- 1. An application containing inaccurate or incomplete information shall be cause for denying a special permit. If a special permit is issued and information in the application is later discovered to be false, this shall be cause for revoking the special permit. In determining whether to issue a special permit and in specifying conditions, limitations and safeguards, the Board of Appeals shall consider the information in the application and all other relevant information presented to it. An application for a renewed special permit shall be determined in the same manner as the original application except that failure to comply with the conditions, limitations and safeguards of an original special permit shall be cause for denial or a renewed special permit, as well as cause for revoking the

original special permit. Any special permit issued under this paragraph shall be for a term specified by the Board of Appeals not to exceed two (2) years; and to act on anything relating thereto.

2. A maximum lot coverage of less than fifty percent (50%) is required. Parking and driveway areas shall be included in the calculation of the lot coverage.
3. A minimum four thousand (4000) foot separation between different adult uses is required.
4. An eight hundred (800) foot minimum setback is required from existing residential uses and districts, educational uses, public parks, public recreational facilities, and religious uses.
5. A five hundred (500) foot minimum setback is required from any establishment licensed under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 138, Section 12.
6. A one hundred (100) foot vegetative buffer consisting of evergreen shrubs or trees not less than five (5) feet in height at the same time of planting, shall be provided between adult uses and abutting residential districts.
7. At a minimum, a twenty (20) foot wide landscaping buffer shall be provided along the side and rear property lines of the use authorized pursuant to this section, consisting of evergreen shrubs or trees not less than five (5) feet in height at the time of planting.
8. All building openings, entries and windows shall be screened in such a manner as to prevent visual access to the interior of the establishment by the public.

By adding the following Paragraph C to Section 4.0.3:

- D. Notwithstanding the provisions in Paragraphs (a) through (c) of this subsection, no Adult Live Entertainment Establishment, no Adult Theater, and no Sexually Oriented Business, as defined in Section 1.1 shall be established or maintained in an Unrestricted District except as authorized by a special permit from the Board of Appeals, subject to the procedure established by Section 2.5 of the By-Law, and the requirements set forth in Section 4.0.2.(D) of this By-Law.

By adding the following new entries to the Table of Use Regulations:

| USES | RESIDENTIAL | BUSINESS | UNRESTRICTED |
|--|-------------|----------|--------------|
| Adult Live Entertainment Establishment | N | SPBA | SPBA |
| Adult Theater | N | SPBA | SPBA |
| Sexually Oriented Business | N | SPBA | SPBA |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: Carried. Yes: 129 No: 1

Article 65

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by adding the following new "Article 9: Telecommunications Facility Overlay District," or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES OVERLAY DISTRICT

9.0 Establishment of District

This section establishes a Telecommunication Facilities Overlay District in addition to the zoning districts described in Article 3 and other overlay districts described herein. The District is established as a special district which may overlay any other zoning district.

9.1.1. Purpose

The telecommunications Facilities Overlay District is established for the purpose of permitting wireless communications towers and related facilities in specific areas of Westport, in order to minimize visual impacts from such towers and facilities on the Town's rural, residential and village areas.

9.1.2. Location

The Telecommunications Facilities Overlay District consists of all areas of the Town zoned as "Business" or "Unrestricted," and any other areas that may be added thereto by amendment to the Zoning Map duly adopted in accordance with law.

9.1.3. Use Regulations

Land within the Telecommunications Facilities Overlay District may be used for all the purposes permitted in the underlying zoning district, as modified by any other overlay district, and for telecommunications facilities subject to the provisions of Section 9.2. All development shall be subject to the regulations of the underlying zoning district, and of any applicable overlay district that are not specifically modified by the provisions of Section 9.2.

9.2 Telecommunications Facilities

9.2.1. General Provisions for Wireless Communications Facilities

9.2.1.1. Special Permit Requirement: Wireless communications towers and facilities (including antennas and accessory structures, if any) may be erected only in a Telecommunications Facilities Overlay District upon the issuance of a special permit with site plan approval by the Board of Appeals, subject to the condition herein.

9.2.1.2. Applicability: The provisions of this Section 9.2 (except Section 9.2.7) shall apply to any wireless communication tower or facility except the following:

- a. An antenna structure used by a federally licensed amateur radio operator, provided that the (1) tower shall be set back from property lines a distance at least equal to its height, and (2) the tower must be removed if the use is discontinued for six months.

9.2.2. Standards for Towers

Construction of wireless communication towers shall be subject to all of the following conditions:

- 9.2.2.1. Only self supporting towers shall be permitted. Guyed towers are specifically prohibited.
- 9.2.2.2. Tower height shall not exceed 190 feet above the existing terrain.
- 9.2.2.3. A tower shall not be erected nearer to any property line than a distance equal to the vertical height of the tower (inclusive of any appurtenant devices), measured at the mean finished grade of the tower base.
- 9.2.2.4. A tower shall be set back from any public way, except interstate highways, a distance at least equal to three times the vertical height of the tower, measured at the mean finished grade of the tower base.
- 9.2.2.5. Towers shall be designed to accommodate facilities for at least three separate carriers, and the owners shall allow co-location by such carriers, on terms and conditions prevailing in the market place.
- 9.2.2.6. Towers shall not include facilities for microwave transmission.
- 9.2.2.7. All network interconnections from the communications site shall be via land lines.
- 9.2.2.8. One telecommunications facility accessory building, not to exceed in the aggregate 300 square feet gross floor area per carrier may be constructed, provided that the building is similar in architectural style and materials to other structures on the site.
- 9.2.2.9. Any electrical generators shall be shielded so as to prevent unreasonable noise impacts on neighboring properties.
- 9.2.2.10. Tower lighting shall not be permitted. If the FAA would require lighting of proposed tower because of its height, the height should be reduced to eliminate the need for lighting.
- 9.2.2.11. Existing on-site vegetation shall be preserved to the maximum extent practicable.

9.2.3. Special Permit Procedures

9.2.3.1. Submittal Requirements

An application for a permit for a wireless communications tower or other exterior wireless communications facility shall include seven copies of a site plan prepared by a professional engineer or land surveyor registered to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which shall show the following at minimum:

- a. Ownership, zoning, use, the general location of structures and topography within two hundred feet of the property line of the site; and

- b. All major site features; including:
 - i. Driveways, including widths;
 - ii. Parking areas;
 - iii. Street line, including widths;
 - iv. Roadways, including widths;
 - v. Pedestrian walks, including widths;
 - vi. Wetlands;
 - vii. Drainage, including detail design data, pipe sizing, etc.; and
 - viii. Stone walls.

The applicant shall also describe the capacity of the tower, including the number and types of antennas that it can accommodate and the basis for the calculation of capacity, and any accessory structures.

9.2.3.2. Required Findings: The Board of Appeals may grant a special permit for a tower only if it makes all of the following findings:

- a. Existing or approved towers available for use by the applicant cannot accommodate the wireless communications equipment planned for the proposed tower.
- b. The design of the tower and supporting facilities will minimize adverse visual effects on the environment to the extent feasible.
- c. Traffic associated with the tower and accessory facilities and structures shall not adversely affect abutting ways.

9.2.3.3. Conditions: The Board of Appeals may impose reasonable conditions on a special permit granted under this section, including fencing requirements and painting and lighting standards.

9.2.4. Modification of Approved Facility

9.2.4.1. Additional antennas and equipment may be added to a facility that has received a special permit under this section, unless specifically prohibited in the special permit decision. The Zoning Enforcement Officer must be notified at least 30 days prior to any such modification.

9.2.4.2. Any modifications to approved facilities must be consistent with the requirements of this Section 9.2.

9.2.5. Non-Use

Any wireless communications tower, facility or accessory structure which has not been used for two years shall be dismantled and removed at the owner's expenses.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 66

To see if the Town will vote to instruct its representative in the General Court to file a home rule petition requesting enactment of legislation establishing a Westport Land Bank, and imposing a fee equal to one percent of the purchase price upon the seller for any transfer of an interest in real property within the Town of Westport for monetary consideration, such legislation to contain substantially the following provisions, among others:

- (a). The Westport Land Bank shall be administered by a Land Bank Commission, which shall be a public body corporate, consisting of five members who shall be elected by the Town for three year staggered terms, but who shall be appointed by the selectmen prior to such election;
- (b). The Land Bank Commission shall have the power to acquire and hold by purchase, gift, or eminent domain, fee and less than fee interest in real property, for the purpose of protecting and preserving land for the following uses: (1) buffers for the protection of drinking water resources; (2) agricultural use; (3) forestry use; (4) protection of environmentally sensitive resources; (5) passive recreation use; (6) protection of nature and wildlife; (7) protection of scenic resources; and (8) hunting, fishing and trapping.
- (c). Land held by the Land Bank Commission shall be retained predominantly in its natural scenic and open state, and shall be subject to the restriction that any significant development and improvement thereof shall require the approval of Town Meeting and the Secretary of Environmental Affairs or his/her designee, except that this restriction shall not prevent improvements to land held for passive recreational use that are consistent with such use;
- (d). The Land Bank Commission shall pay its obligations by drawing on a fund to be set up as an account within the treasurer's office of the Town of Westport, and to borrow money, but only in either case if approved by a two-thirds vote of the Westport Town Meeting;
- (e). The Land Bank Commission shall pay its obligations by drawing on a fund to be set up as an account within the treasurer's office of the Town of Westport, into which shall be deposited proceeds of the transfer fee authorized hereby, appropriations that may be made by Westport Town Meeting for such purpose, and voluntary contributions of money and other liquid assets to the fund. The treasurer shall prudently invest the assets of the fund, and income thereon shall accrue to the fund;
- (f). The one percent transfer fee shall be collected by the Registrar of the Southern District of the Bristol County Registry of Deeds on any transfer of an interest in real property for consideration, subject to exemptions for involuntary transactions, intrafamily trans-

fers, charitable contributions and other transfers where imposition of the fee would be a hardship; and

- (g). Final approval of such legislation shall require ratification by the majority vote of the Town at a regular Town election.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: The provisions of Article 66 were lost. Yes: 62 No: 84

A motion to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting until tomorrow night was lost.

Article 67

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Brookwood Drive, Westport, Massachusetts.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 68

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Andrea Court, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: Carried.

Article 69

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Forsythia Lane, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously)

Article 70

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Appletree Lane, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: To pass over Article 70. Carried.

Article 71

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Oak Ridge Lane, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 71.

Article 72

That the Town vote to accept the layout of Shannon Drive, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 72.

Article 73

To see if the Town will vote to coordinate the establishment, creation, location, and construction of any bike path, bike lane, or bike route with the efforts of the Strategic Growth Committee and delay all such action until the Town receives the information and planning to be provided by the GIS System and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 73.

Article 74

To see if the Town will assist those persons who, in good faith, processed plans before the Planning Board and subsequently made conveyances, obtained building permits, and obtained mortgages, which have now been ruled by Town Counsel to be in violation of zoning by amending the Zoning By-Laws by adding the following section to Article 7:

- 7.8 Any lot on a previously recorded plan which was endorsed by the Planning Board under General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 81P because the plan depicted a division of land on which two or more substantial buildings were standing when the Subdivision Control Law went into effect in the Town into separate lots on each of which one of such buildings remained standing on the date the plan was endorsed shall constitute a separate buildable lot for the purposes of the Zoning By-Laws notwithstanding any other provision of the Zoning By-Laws.

BY PETITION

VOTED: to accept as the main motion, the following:

- 7.8 Any lot shown on a recorded plan which has been endorsed by the Planning Board under General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 81P because the plan depicted a division of land on which two or more substantial buildings were standing when the Subdivision Control Law went into effect in the Town into separate lots, on each of which one of such buildings remained standing on the date the plan was endorsed, shall hereafter be treated for all purposes hereunder as a lawful, pre-existing non-conforming lot. No such lot shall hereafter be changed to create a new violation of any provision of these By-Laws, or increase or change an existing non-conformity with these By-Laws.

Carried. Yes: 85 No: 8

Article 75

To see if the Town will ensure the safety of persons using the public way by adopting the following by-law:

All persons using public ways for non-motorized purposes, including but not limited to, bicycles, rollerblades, rollerskates, jogging, walking and running, during the period beginning one-half hour after sunset and ending one-half hour before sunrise, shall have reflective or illuminating equip-

ment or clothing to warn other motorized or non-motorized users of the public ways of their presence, and /or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: The provisions of Article 75 were lost.

Article 76

To see if the Town will vote to grant a permanent easement over Town land for purposes of access and egress to the current owners, Ruth and Hugh Murray and their successors of the abutting land designated as Lot 12, on Map 39, which contains approximately four (4) plus acres.

The Town land is road frontage on the south side of Old County Road, known as Lot 11 on Map 39, containing approximately 9200 square feet and is contiguous to aforementioned land. This would eliminate the requirement of tons of fill in order to gain reasonable and convenient access to the four (4) acre parcel.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 76.

Article 77

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and /or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund and /or take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

VOTED: The sum of \$130,000. from Taxation. Carried.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 11:32 p.m.

There were 210 registered voters and 3 press and guests in attendance.

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting five or more copies in as many places within said Town at least fourteen days before the time of said meeting.

Hereof and fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands at Westport this 2nd day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

David P. Dionne
Steven H. Tripp
Marjorie A. Holden
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
March 6, 1998

I this 6th of March, 1998 posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Senior Center
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety

Daniel P. Sullivan
Constable of Westport

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WESTPORT
WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION**

BRISTOL, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport: GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to vote at the following places:

| | | |
|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| PRECINCT A | American Legion Hall | 489 Sanford Road |
| PRECINCT B | Town Hall Annex | 856 Main Road (rear) |
| PRECINCT C | Alice A. Macomber School | 154 Gifford Road |
| PRECINCT D | Fire Station | 85 Briggs Road |
| PRECINCT E | Westport High School | 19 Main Road |

On Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of May next, it being the fourth Wednesday of the month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon then and there to vote on the following questions, viz:

Question No. 1

Shall the Town of Westport be allowed to assess an additional \$424,284.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of supplementing the operating budget of the School Department for the fiscal year beginning July first, nineteen hundred and ninety-eight?

Question No. 2

Shall the Town of Westport be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for bonds or notes issued in order to fund preparation of a comprehensive wastewater management plan?

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting five or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said Town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

Hereof and fail not and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport this 17th day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

Steven H. Tripp
Marjorie A. Holden
David P. Dionne
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
April 21, 1998

I this 21st day of April, 1998 posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Town Hall
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. d/b/a. Country Liquor & Variety

Daniel Sullivan
Constable of Westport

STATE ELECTION

Westport, Mass. 02790
May 27, 1998

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town assembled at the polling places in their respective voting precincts on the above date. Ballots were given in for the following questions, assorted, counted and public declaration made thereof in open meeting, the total result of the balloting from the five precincts as certified by the Precinct Officers, being as follows:

Question 1

| | |
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| Yes, five hundred eighty | 580 |
| No, one thousand four hundred ninety-seven | 1497 |
| Blanks, thirty-one | 31 |

Question 2

Yes, six hundred fourteen

614

No, one thousand four hundred forty-one

1441

Blanks, fifty-three

53

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

Glenn E. Mauk
785 Old County
Westport, MA
June 1, 1998
Marlene Samson

Town Clerk
Town of Westport
816 Main Road
Westport, MA 02790

Re: Planning Board

Dear Ms. Samson:

Effective immediately, I do hereby resign my position as a member of the Planning Board. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Glenn E. Mauk

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WESTPORT
WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY**

BRISTOL, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport: GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries, to vote at the following places:

| | | |
|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| PRECINCT A | American Legion Hall | 489 Sanford Road |
| PRECINCT B | Town Hall Annex | 856 Main Road (rear) |
| PRECINCT C | Alice A. Macomber School | 154 Gifford Road |
| PRECINCT D | Fire Station | 85 Briggs Road |
| PRECINCT E | Westport High School | 19 Main Road |

On Tuesday, the fifteenth day of September, 1998 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Primary for candidates of political parties for the following offices:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| GOVERNOR | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| ATTORNEY GENERAL | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| SECRETARY | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| TREASURER | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| AUDITOR | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS | 3RD MASS. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT |
| COUNCILLOR | 1ST COUNCILLOR DISTRICT |
| SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT | 1ST BRISTOL SENATORIAL DISTRICT |
| REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT | 8TH BRISTOL REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT |
| DISTRICT ATTORNEY | BRISTOL COUNTY |
| SHERIFF | BRISTOL COUNTY |
| COUNTY COMMISSIONER | BRISTOL COUNTY |

Hereof and fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting..

Given under our hands at Westport this 10th day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

Steven H. Tripp
Marjorie A. Holden
David P. Dionne
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
August 20, 1998

I this 20th day of August, 1998 posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Town Hall
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. d/b/a. Country Liquor & Variety

Daniel Sullivan
Constable of Westport

STATE PRIMARY

Westport, Mass. 02790

September 15, 1998

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town of Westport assembled at the polling places in their respective voting precincts on the above date. Ballots were given in for the following persons, assorted, counted and public declaration made thereof in open meeting, the total result of the balloting from the five precincts as certified by the Precinct Officers, being as follows:

DEMOCRATIC

Governor

| | |
|--|-----|
| Brian J. Donnelly had two hundred | 200 |
| Scott Harshbarger had six hundred five | 605 |
| Patricia McGovern had five hundred seven | 507 |
| Malone (write-in) had one | 1 |
| S. Moss (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, eighty-seven | 87 |

Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|--|-----|
| Dorothy A. Kelly had six hundred twenty-two | 622 |
| Warren E. Tolman had four hundred thirty-seven | 437 |
| S. Moss (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred forty-one | 341 |

Attorney General

| | |
|---|-----|
| Lois G. Pines had seven hundred thirty-five | 735 |
| Thomas F. Rielly had five hundred ten | 510 |
| S. Moss (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, one hundred fifty-five | 155 |

Secretary of State

| | |
|--|-----|
| William Francis Galvin had nine hundred fourteen | 914 |
| Blanchette (write-in) had one | 1 |
| S. Moss (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, four hundred eighty-five | 485 |

Treasurer

| | |
|---|-----|
| Shannon P. O'Brien had nine hundred three | 903 |
| Blanks, four hundred ninety-eight | 498 |

Auditor

| | |
|--|-----|
| A. Joseph DeNucci had nine hundred eight | 908 |
| S. Moss (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, four hundred ninety-two | 492 |

Representative in Congress

| | |
|--|------|
| James P. McGovern had one thousand fifty-eight | 1058 |
| R. Wallace (write-in) had one | 1 |
| S. Moss (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred forty-one | 341 |

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| <u>Councillor</u> | |
| David F. Constantine had six hundred fifty-three | 653 |
| J. Mark Treadup had four hundred twenty-four | 424 |
| S. Moss (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Hodgson (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred twenty-two | 322 |
| <u>Senator in General Court</u> | |
| Thomas C. Norton had one thousand seventy-nine | 1079 |
| Kilby (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred twenty-one | 321 |
| <u>Representative in General Court</u> | |
| Michael J. Rodrigues had one thousand one hundred eighty-eight | 1188 |
| David Dionne (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, two hundred twelve | 212 |
| <u>District Attorney</u> | |
| Paul F. Walsh, Jr. had nine hundred fifty-nine | 959 |
| Butts (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, four hundred forty-one | 441 |
| <u>Sheriff</u> | |
| Joseph McIntyre had four hundred seventy-five | 475 |
| Robert J. St. Jean had three hundred twenty-nine | 329 |
| Steven Michael Walsh had three hundred sixty-seven | 367 |
| Hodgson (write-in) had four | 4 |
| Wiley (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, two hundred twenty-five | 225 |
| <u>County Commissioners</u> | |
| Maria F. Lopes had two hundred sixty | 260 |
| James W. Coyne, Jr. had one thousand thirty-five | 1035 |
| Blanks, one hundred six | 106 |
| <u>REPUBLICAN</u> | |
| <u>Governor</u> | |
| Argeo Paul Cellucci had two hundred thirty-two | 232 |
| Joseph D. Malone had one hundred fifty-one | 151 |
| Blanks, twelve | 12 |
| <u>Lieutenant Governor</u> | |
| Janet E. Jeghelian had one hundred sixty-five | 165 |
| Jane Marie Swift had one hundred sixty-nine | 169 |
| Blanks, sixty-one | 61 |
| <u>Attorney General</u> | |
| Brad Bailey had two hundred eighty | 280 |
| Payne (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, one hundred fourteen | 114 |
| <u>Secretary of State</u> | |
| Dale C. Jenkins, Jr. had two hundred sixty-eight | 268 |
| Blanks, one hundred twenty-seven | 127 |

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| <u>Treasurer</u> | |
| Robert A. Maginn had two hundred sixty-five | 265 |
| Malone (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, one hundred twenty-nine | 129 |
| <u>Auditor</u> | |
| Michael T. Duffy had two hundred sixty-three | 263 |
| Blanks, one hundred thirty-two | 132 |
| <u>Representative in Congress</u> | |
| Matthew J. Amorello had two hundred eighty-three | 283 |
| Blanks, one hundred twelve | 112 |
| <u>Councillor</u> | |
| R. Wallace (write-in) had one | 1 |
| J. Machado (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Foley (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred ninety-two | 392 |
| <u>Senator in General Court</u> | |
| R. Wallace (write-in) had one | 1 |
| R. Wallace (write-in) had one | 1 |
| K. Phelan (write-in) had one | 1 |
| R. DesJardins (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred ninety-one | 391 |
| <u>Representative in General Court</u> | |
| Michael J. Rodrigues (write-in) had one | 1 |
| B. Brightman (write-in) had one | 1 |
| R. Wallace (write-in) had one | 1 |
| J. Machado (write-in) had one | 1 |
| David Dionne (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred ninety | 390 |
| <u>District Attorney</u> | |
| Paul F. Walsh, Jr. (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Sean Leach (write-in) had one | 1 |
| R. Wallace (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred ninety-two | 392 |
| <u>Sheriff</u> | |
| Thomas M. Hodgson had three hundred twenty-three | 323 |
| Blanks, seventy-two | 72 |
| <u>County Commissioners</u> | |
| James W. Coyne, Jr. (write-in) had five | 5 |
| J. Poulton (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Dufort (write-in) had one | 1 |
| J. Smith (write-in) had one | 1 |
| R. Wallace (write-in) had one | 1 |
| J. Machado (write-in) had one | 1 |
| Blanks, three hundred sixty-five | 365 |

REFORM

Governor

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Lieutenant Governor

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Attorney General

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Secretary of State

No Candidate

Blanks, one h\

1

Treasurer

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Auditor

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Representative in Congress

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Councillor

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Senator in General Court

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Representative in General Court

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

District Attorney

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

Sheriff

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

County Commissioners

No Candidate

Blanks, one

1

A true record,

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WESTPORT
WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION**

BRISTOL, SS.

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| | | |
|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
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| PRECINCT C | Alice A. Macomber School | 154 Gifford Road |
| PRECINCT D | Fire Station | 85 Briggs Road |
| PRECINCT E | Westport High School | 19 Main Road |

On Tuesday, the third day of November, 1998 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes for the candidate of political parties for the following offices:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| GOVERNOR & LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| ATTORNEY GENERAL | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| SECRETARY | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| TREASURER | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| AUDITOR | FOR THE COMMONWEALTH |
| REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS | 3RD MASS. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT |
| COUNCILLOR | 1ST COUNCILLOR DISTRICT |
| SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT | 1ST BRISTOL SENATORIAL DISTRICT |
| REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT | 8TH BRISTOL REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT |
| DISTRICT ATTORNEY | BRISTOL COUNTY |
| SHERIFF | BRISTOL COUNTY |
| COUNTY COMMISSIONER | BRISTOL COUNTY |

QUESTION #1 - Setting Compensation of State Legislators

QUESTION #2 - Public Campaign Financing

QUESTION #3 - Tax Rate on Interest and Dividend Income

QUESTION #4 - Electric Utility Industry Restructuring

Hereof and fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands at Westport this 19th day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

Steven H. Tripp
Marjorie A. Holden
David P. Dionne
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
October 22, 1998

I this 22nd day of October, 1998 posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Senior Center
Town Hall
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. d/b/a. Country Liquor & Variety

Daniel Sullivan
Constable of Westport

STATE ELECTION

Westport, Mass. 02790
November 3, 1998

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town of Westport assembled at the polling places in their respective voting precincts on the above date. Ballots were given in for the following persons, assorted, counted and public declaration made thereof in open meeting, the total result of the balloting from the five precincts as certified by the Precinct Officers, being as follows:

Governor

| | |
|---|------|
| Cellucci & Swift had two thousand three hundred ninety-four | 2394 |
| Harshbarger & Tolman had two thousand three hundred twelve | 2312 |
| Cook & Israel had sixty-three | 63 |
| Blanks, seventy-seven | 77 |

Attorney General

| | |
|---|------|
| Brad Bailey had one thousand six hundred fifty-three | 1653 |
| Thomas F. Rielly had two thousand eight hundred eighty-nine | 2889 |
| Blanks, three hundred four | 304 |

Secretary of State

| | |
|---|------|
| William Francis Galvin had three thousand one hundred seventy | 3170 |
| Dale C. Jenkins, Jr. had one thousand one hundred fifty-seven | 1157 |
| David L. Atkinson had one hundred ninety-one | 191 |
| Blanks, three hundred twenty-eight | 328 |

Treasurer

| | |
|---|------|
| Robert A. Maginn had one thousand four hundred fifty-one | 1451 |
| Shannon P. O'Brien had two thousand nine hundred thirteen | 2913 |
| Merton B. Baker had one hundred twenty-nine | 129 |
| Blanks, three hundred fifty-three | 353 |

Auditor

| | |
|---|------|
| A. Joseph DeNucci had two thousand nine hundred ninety-four | 2994 |
| Michael T. Duffy had one thousand two hundred forty-two | 1242 |
| Carla A. Howell had two hundred fourteen | 214 |
| Blanks, three hundred ninety-six | 396 |

Representative in Congress

| | |
|--|------|
| James P. McGovern had three thousand one hundred forty | 3140 |
| Matthew J. Amorello had one thousand five hundred twenty-two | 1522 |
| George Phillies had fifty-one | 51 |
| Blanks, one hundred thirty-three | 133 |

Councillor

| | |
|--|------|
| David F. Constantine had three thousand three hundred thirty-six | 3336 |
| Blanks, one thousand five hundred ten | 1510 |

Senator in General Court

| | |
|---|------|
| Thomas C. Norton had three thousand five hundred thirty-seven | 3537 |
| Blanks, one thousand three hundred nine | 1309 |

Representative in General Court

| | |
|--|------|
| Michael J. Rodrigues had three thousand nine hundred fifty | 3950 |
| Blanks, eight hundred ninety-six | 896 |

District Attorney

| | |
|--|------|
| Paul F. Walsh, Jr. had three thousand five hundred two | 3502 |
| Blanks, one thousand three hundred forty-four | 1344 |

Sheriff

| | |
|--|------|
| Thomas M. Hodgson had two thousand five hundred thirty-six | 2536 |
| Joseph McIntyre had one thousand eight hundred forty-eight | 1848 |
| Wayne C. Rego had one hundred ten | 110 |
| Edward J. Wiley had one hundred eighty | 180 |
| Blanks, one hundred seventy-two | 172 |

County Commissioners

| | |
|---|------|
| Maria F. Lopes had two thousand five hundred fourteen | 2514 |
| Patrick H. Harrington had nine hundred eighty-two | 982 |
| Joan E. Harwood had six hundred eighty-two | 682 |
| Blanks, six hundred sixty-eight | 668 |

Question 1

| | |
|---|------|
| Yes, three thousand seventy-six | 3076 |
| No, one thousand two hundred ninety-one | 1291 |
| Blanks, four hundred seventy-nine | 479 |

Question 2

| | |
|---|------|
| Yes, two thousand seven hundred forty-seven | 2747 |
| No, one thousand five hundred eighteen | 1518 |
| Blanks, five hundred eighty-one | 581 |

Question 3

| | |
|--|------|
| Yes, three thousand four hundred seventy-three | 3473 |
| No, eight hundred forty-five | 845 |
| Blanks, five hundred twenty-eight | 528 |

Question 4

Yes, three thousand four hundred nine

3409

No, one thousand forty-six

1046

Blanks, three hundred ninety-one

391

A true record.

Attest: Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk



Bud Smith & Baskets of Oysters Awaiting Relocation

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT ARTS COUNCIL

| <u>Members</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Elizabeth Thurber, Chairman | 6/30/99 |
| Barbara B. Wicks, Vice-Chairman | 6/30/2000 |
| Peter Fradley, Secretary | 6/30/2000 |
| Nancy Rodrigues, Treasurer | 6/30/99 |
| Rylan Brenner | 6/30/2000 |
| Brenda Burke | 6/30/2001 |
| Martha Farrar | 6/30/2001 |
| Eunice W. Healey | 6/30/2001 |
| Sally Huntington | 6/30/2001 |
| Jean Lozinski | 6/30/2001 |
| Sally Yeomans | 6/30/2001 |

The Westport Arts Council (WAC) received two grants for 1998. From the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC), \$8,100 and from The Helen Ellis Charitable Trust administered by BankBoston, \$5,000.

MCC Grant - \$8,100

From the thirty-five applications totaling \$49,991.50, the following fourteen applicants were awarded full or partial funding: Claude Cobert \$300 for a musical performance for students in grades K-8; Jean Lozinski \$425 for a poetry reading and publication of a poetry book of Westport residents; the Macomber School \$650 for a puppet show for elementary students by the Crabgrass Puppet Theater; Marguerite Moniz \$750 for a performance by Magnolia, a Cajun dance band, at the Senior Center; New Bedford Symphony Orchestra Association \$200 for an orchestra concert for 3rd through 6th grade students; Linda Richter \$600 for storytelling workshops for 1st grade students; Westport Elementary School \$750 for a performance by storyteller Len Cabral for elementary students; Westport Elementary School \$600 for a theater performance by the Looking Glass Theater; Westport Elementary School \$610 for a trip to the R.I.S.D. Museum for 5th graders; Westport Free Public Library \$550 for a concert of stories and songs by Davis Bates and Roger Tincknell; Westport High School \$855 for a performance by the Boston Symphony Orchestra Youth Symphony; Westport Point United Methodist Church \$1,400 for a classical chamber music concert; Westport Theatre Company \$250 for a production of a Shakespearean play; Westport High School \$160 for a PASS grant to Zeiterion Theatre, Inc.; \$322 to Westport Arts Council for Administrative Funds.

Helen Ellis Grant - \$5,000

From eleven applications totaling \$11,450, the following eight applicants were awarded full or partial funding: Steven Young \$1,000 to create and perform a musical suite paralleling the life of Helen Ellis; Westport Free Public Library \$300 for a family program with storyteller Marc Joel Levitt; Westport Arts Council \$550 to reproduce watercolors of Westport artist Mary Giles as note cards (proceeds to be used for special events and reganting); Westport Theatre Company \$1,000 for a performance of a Shakespearean play; Westport Community Center \$500 for a holiday celebration with local bands and theatre troupe; Beth Easterly \$600 for four one-hour sessions for seniors using movement, song, art; Elaine Stevens \$550 to purchase a collection of arts and crafts books and videos to be given to the Westport Free Public

Library; Westport Historical Commission \$500 to create and sustain a web site about historical Westport.

WAC held a very successful Community Input Night on September 10, 1998 at the Westport Free Public Library which approximately 25 people attended. The evening's guest speaker was Lisa Hergenrother, Communities Program Officer from MCC, who spoke of the limited funding which must be distributed to many local towns with arts councils. Miss Hergenrother also addressed the concerns of participants that some groups in Town were not being fairly represented in the grant awards. Participants suggested that the Arts Council provide more detailed press releases and reports to help applicants understand how the Council awards grants. The Council has also begun compiling data on all past granting trends to insure an equitable distribution of funds. The Council will examine granting in categories of music, theater, painting, etc. and will also examine the frequency of distribution of grants to different groups, i.e., individuals, schools, libraries, cultural organizations, churches, etc. as suggested by Miss Hergenrother. The Council has also begun to offer a more detailed set of instructions with the grant applications and is working to improve the visibility of Council-funded projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Thurber, Chairman



Bud Smith working the "Oyster Relay"

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board of Appeals is submitting its report for the year ending December 31, 1998. The organization of the Board is as follows:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Clayton Harrison - Chairman | Term expires 6/30/99 |
| Raymond L. Medeiros - Vice-Chairman | Term expires 6/30/03 |
| Joseph L. Keith III - Clerk | Term expires 6/30/2000 |
| Kendal D. Tripp | Term expires 6/30/01 |
| Gerald Coutinho | Term expires 6/30/02 |
| Eliot C. Holden - Associate | Term expires 6/30/99 |
| Thomas Costello - Associate | Term expires 6/30/99 |
| Charlene R. Wood | Recording Clerk |

During the course of the calendar year the Board conducted nine hearings. One variance was granted allowing the placement of a trailer at East Beach; one variance was granted with conditions; two variance granted allowed the conveyance of land; two special permits were issued, one to an existing marine and the other to allow the Westport Harvest Festival to take place at the Westport Fairgrounds on Pine Hill Road; a finding was made to allow the expansion of the Boan Pit which is presently being appealed. Two Administrative Appeal hearings were held pertaining to the same property. The Board's decision regarding this matter is under appeal as well.

The Board of Selectmen is presently looking for an associate member to replace Thomas Costello who recently moved out of state.

As the Board's representative, I have been attending the Update Master Plan Committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Clayton Harrison, Chairman



Aerial View of the Landfill

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1998 with organization as follows:

Mr. John J. McDermott, Chairman
 Mr. Charles Barboza Jr.
 Mr. Stephen J. Medeiros

 Mr. Lido Jerome, Assistant Assessor / Appraiser
 Ms. Sharon M. Potter, Principal Clerk
 Mrs. Sharon L. Martori, Senior Clerk
 Mrs. Carol F. Bird, Clerk

Tax Rate Summary For Fiscal 1999 Fiscal 1999 Tax Rate \$10.12 per m

| | | | |
|------|---|--------------|-----------------|
| I. | Tax Levy Calculation | | |
| A. | Total Amount to be Raised | \$ | 20,329,858.66 |
| B. | Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds | | 8,927,097.00 |
| C. | Tax Levy | \$ | 11,402,761.66 |
| II. | Amount to be Raised | | |
| A. | Appropriations | \$ | 19,805,151.23 |
| B. | Other Amounts to be Raised: | | |
| | 1. Total Cherry Sheet Offsets | | 21,811.00 |
| | 2. Final Court Judgements | | 13,000.00 |
| | 3. SRPEDD | | 2,077.80 |
| | Total IIB | | 36,888.80 |
| C. | State & County Cherry Sheet Charges | | 284,137.00 |
| D. | Allowance for Abatements & Exemptions | | 203,681.63 |
| E. | Total Amount to be Raised | \$ | 20,329,858.66 |
| III. | Estimated Receipts & Other Revenue Sources | | |
| A. | Estimated Receipts - State | | |
| | 1. Cherry Sheet Estimated Receipt | 4,576,337.00 | |
| | 2. Cherry Sheet Overestimates | 119.00 | |
| | Total IIIA. | | \$ 4,576,456.00 |
| B. | Estimated Receipts-Local | | |
| | 1. Local Receipts not Allocated | 2,446,953.00 | |
| | 2. Offset Receipts | 0.00 | |
| | 3. Enterprise Funds | 882,950.00 | |
| | Total IIIB. | | \$ 3,329,903.00 |
| C. | Revenue Sources Appropriated for Particular Purposes | | |
| | 1. Free Cash | 804,898.00 | |
| | 2. Other Available Funds | 215,840.00 | |
| | Total IIIC. | | \$ 1,020,738.00 |
| D. | Other Revenue Sources Appropriated to Reduce Tax Rate | | 0.00 |

| | | |
|-----|---|------------------|
| E. | Total Estimated Receipts and Other Revenue Sources | \$ 8,927,097.00 |
| IV. | Summary of Total Amount to be Raised and Total Receipts From All Sources | |
| A. | Total Amount to be raised | \$ 20,329,858.66 |
| B. | Total Estimated Receipts and Other Revenue Sources | 8,927,097.00 |
| C. | Total Real and Personal Property Tax Levy | 11,402,761.66 |
| | Total Receipts from All Sources | \$ 20,329,858.66 |

Under General Laws, Chapter 58, Section 10, we classify property reportable to the State as follows:

| <u>Property Class</u> | <u># Of Parcels</u> | <u>Valuation as of 1/1/98</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| 101-Single Family | 4,934 | \$ 856,184,169 |
| 102-Condominiums | 14 | 2,885,600 |
| Misc-Res | 137 | 40,700,100 |
| 104-2 Family | 290 | 46,602,800 |
| 105-3 Family | 14 | 2,392,900 |
| 111-125 4-8 Units | 26 | 5,588,000 |
| 130-132,106 Vacant Land | 1,441 | 72,123,500 |
| 300-393 Commercial | 249 | 63,750,825 |
| 400-442 Industrial | 19 | 4,651,500 |
| 600-606 Ch.61 Forest | 18 | 378,886 |
| 700-717 Ch.61A Agriculture | 249 | 5,759,785 |
| 800-811 Ch.61B Recreational | 13 | 1,821,090 |
| 012-043 Mixed Use | 16 | 2,632,100 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Total Real Estate Fiscal 1999 | 7,420 | \$ 1,105,471,255 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|

| | | |
|-------------------|-----|--------------|
| Personal Property | 924 | \$ 6,808,650 |
| Public Utilities | 10 | 14,475,200 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Total Personal Property | 934 | \$ 21,283,850 |
|--------------------------------|------------|----------------------|

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|---|-----|
| Numbers Of Transfers Of Property - 1998 | 598 |
|---|-----|

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 1998

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Number of Vehicles Assessed \$25 per m | 17,532.00 |
| Excise Assessed | \$ 1,128,203.22 |
| Value of Automobiles | \$ 51,380,108.00 |

Farm Animal Excise Tax

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Number of Farms | 30 |
| Taxes Assessed \$5 per m | \$ 4,632.04 |
| Valuation of Animals & Machinery | \$ 926,402.00 |

Boat Excise

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Number of Boats | 856 |
| Taxes Assessed \$10 per m | \$ 44,853.00 |
| Valuation of Boats | \$ 4,185,300.00 |

We wish to thank the various departments in the Town Hall for their continued cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. McDermott
Charles Barboza Jr.
Stephen J. Medeiros
Board of Assessors



Assistant Assessor / Appraiser Dolores Grillo Fell

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health respectively submits the following report for the year ending 1998:

At their organized meeting, the Board organized as follows:

Chairman Wayne H. Turner
Secretary Shawn U. Pariseau
Member Sean M. Leach

Licensed Funeral Directors for the year were:

Jonathan H. Potter Jr.
Harry L. Potter

The following appointments were made during the year:

Ralph Urban Full-Time Public Health Agent/State Animal Inspector
Ralph Urban... Temporary Senior Public Health Agent/State Animal Inspector
Beth M. Farias/Baillargeon Part-Time/Full-Time Health Agent
Sharon A. Dixon Part-Time Agent
Lucy L. Lord Principal Clerk-Full Time
Nancy Paquet Senior Clerk-Full-Time
Quentin D. Lord Assistant Agent/Landfill Operator
Scott Wordell Assistant Agent/Landfill Operator
Harold J. Sisson Landfill Worker/ Assistant Agent/Landfill Operator
Joseph Carreiro Temporary Assistant Agent/Landfill Operator
Dr. Stewart Kirkaldy Medical Advisor
Marlene Samson Burial Agent/Special Board of Health Agent
Dale Thomas Special Agent of the Board of Health
June Johnson Special Agent of the Board of Health
Kathleen Burns, R.N. Part-Time Public Health Nurse

The following diseases, classified as dangerous to public health, were reported to the state as follows:

35 Dog Bites, 11 Cat Bites, 1 Ferret Bite, 3 Campylobacter Jejuni, 3 Giardia, 128 Chicken Pox, 13 Hepatitis, 11 Lyme Disease, 5 Salmonella, 1 Streptococcus Pneumoniae, 1 Tuberculosis, 1 Viral Meningitis.

Licenses and Permits Issued During 1998

4 Bakery Permits, 10 Bottled Water Permits, 26 Tobacco Permits, 2 Catering Permits, 154 Food Handler's Certificates, 42 Food Service Establishment Permits, 27 Retail Food Service, 9 Seasonal Food Service Permits, 6 Mobile Food Service Permits, 45 Temporary Food Service Permits, 56 Oleo Permits, 4 Frozen Dessert Permits, 61 Milk & Cream Permits, 1 Pasteurization Permit, 1 Residential Kitchen Permit, 5 Camps, Cabins & Motels Permits, Pool Permits: 10 Above-ground, 4 In-Ground, 4 Semi-Private; 40 Installer's Permits, 6 Massage Therapy Permits, 3 Massage Therapy Establishment Permits, 12 Port-a-Jon Permits, 7- 1 to 4 Piggery Permits, 3 Piggery Permits, 11 Stable Permits, 2 Tanning Salon Permits, 5 Removal of Rubbish Permits, 8 Removal of Sewage Permits, 134 Well Permits, 165 New Construction Perc Applications, 107 Repair Perc Applications, 4 Emergency Repair Perc Applications, 4 Upgrade Perc Applications, 37 Extra Percolation Holes, 2 Water Tables, 7 Strata Holes, 100 Septic System Disposal Works Permits for Repairs, 144 Septic System

Disposal Works Permits for New Construction, 39 Septic Plan Renewals, 144 Septic Plan Reviews, 2 Revisions, 1 Tight Tank Permit, 19 Stamps & Envelopes, 779 Copies.

To the Citizens of the Town of Westport

Once again the Board of Health (BOH) enjoyed a full year of accomplishments. The managerial reorganization begun last year continues to evolve and work effectively addressing the changing needs of the Town while remaining a streamlined, efficient, and "citizen-friendly" department.

Without question, the most significant accomplishment of the BOH during 1998 was the final capping of the Town's sanitary landfill on Hix Bridge Road and the subsequent launching of the Town's public solid waste transfer station.

As anticipated, in early 1998, the Board of Health entered into a financially attractive, yet environmentally-safe, agreement with EIRCO ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC, a New Hampshire based construction and demolition (C&D) debris broker specializing in preparing landfills for closure and final capping by filling remaining airspace with C&D debris. The BOH found EIRCO's service to be beneficial with highlights of the agreement including:

- Approximately \$475,000 cash
- 1998 Mack Tri-Axle Roll-Off Truck (Value = \$101,000)
- Five (5) Roll-Off Containers (Value = \$25,000)
- Filling of Airspace to Achieve Required Closure Grades
- Financial Savings in Regard to Final Capping Expenses

The EIRCO contract commenced in late January and extended through the end of July 1998 at which time the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) rejected the Board of Health's request to continue filling the remaining airspace by not allowing the BOH to extend its contract with EIRCO. Despite the BOH's best efforts and those of Westport's Representative, Michael Rodrigues, Tighe & Bond (the BOH's landfill engineers) and Daniel Perry (Town Counsel), DEP chose not to extend or renew the Town's permit to deposit C&D debris or municipal solid waste (household trash) in the Town's landfill.

It should be noted that DEP's adverse decision not to extend or renew the Town's landfill permit for the requested thirty (30) day period is estimated to have cost the taxpayers of the Town of Westport between \$300,000 and \$450,000 in lost revenues from C&D debris and EIRCO's inability to continue its grading activities on the landfill, which was completed at Town expense during the final capping project.

In early July, the Board of Health issued its specification requirements for the final capping construction project. Five (5) companies returned sealed bids to the BOH in early August. The BOH awarded KRR, Inc. of Assonet, Massachusetts the final capping contract and construction began in late August.

KRR, Inc. brought the landfill to final closure during the fall of 1998 completing the job in mid December - thirteen (13) months ahead of schedule and under budget.

With the closure and capping concluded, so ends a long chapter in the history of the BOH. As a note to the citizens of the Town, the Board of Health is required to maintain the landfill by mowing and other general groundskeeping activities and is required to conduct regular analyses of the monitoring wells that surround the site.

This will be required for the next thirty (30) years. Due to the elevation of the landfill and the extraordinary views, the Board of Health is exploring the possibility of establishing a community park on the top, which will be open to the citizens of the Town in the future. If you have ideas about what type of activities may be appropriate for the park, the BOH would like to hear from you.

With the closing of the landfill, the Board of Health opened the doors to its public solid waste transfer station. Having negotiated an attractive agreement with the City of Fall River, the BOH began employing its Transfer Truck (acquired as part of the EIRCO agreement) to haul trash to the Fall River Municipal Incinerator. Although this agreement has been temporarily suspended due to renovations being made at the incinerator, the BOH intends to return to the incinerator as soon as DEP authorizes the City of Fall River to re-open the facility which is expected to occur in June 1999. In the meantime, the BOH has been hauling its trash to the BFI Landfill in Fall River.

Though not the intention of the Board of Health to compete with private rubbish disposal companies, the existence of a public transfer station serves as a brake on the rates these companies charge to the citizens who partake of their services by offering an alternative to potentially pricey pick-up fees. To bring about this desired effect, the BOH moved to abolish the Transfer Station "Enterprise Account" at the 1997 Annual Town Meeting. An enterprise account, by its very nature, requires that the fees assessed for the service rendered be sufficient to cover 100% of the costs to deliver the service.

As a foregone conclusion, fees were anticipated to climb as the cost of trash disposal increased which would result in skyrocketing fees assessed to the citizens who utilize the transfer station. Eventually, it was surmised that economics would drive the public transfer station out of existence, at which point the Town would be at the mercy of the private haulers. The actions taken by the BOH were seen as a long-term insurance policy guaranteeing the citizens of Westport a safe and economical alternative to private trash disposal. The cost of this so called insurance policy is approximately \$50,000 per year which reflects the cost of operating the public transfer station offset by the revenue generated by the fees assessed to the citizens who utilize the facility.

Board of Health Goals for Next Year

The BOH continues to work to improve its operations in: communications with other Town departments and the State as well as the Board's of Health of other towns, personnel management, accounting, and identification of areas critical to protecting the public health of our community. We are proud of our accomplishments and we will continue striving for excellence. We thank all the citizens who have participated in the public process. We thank the professional employees of the Town who have assisted the BOH in its efforts to provide the very best service to the citizens of our Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne H. Turner
Shawn U. Pariseau
Sean M. Leach
Board of Health

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSING DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the report for the Nursing Department for the year 1998.

Group of Professional Personnel:

Kathleen Burns R.N. Staff Nurse
J.K.S. Kirkaldy, M.D. Medical Advisor
Jean Liemert, M.D. Well Child Clinic Pediatrician
Carmen Maiocco. Lead Testing

Well Child Clinic Volunteers:

Ruth Howland
Lois Simon
Germaine Baker

Nursing services rendered from January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998

Well Child Clinic:

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Total exams..... | 49 |
| D.T.A.P..... | 16 |
| M.M.R..... | 14 |
| O.P.V..... | 10 |
| I.P.V..... | 2 |
| H.I.B..... | 7 |
| Lead Tests..... | 28 |
| Hepatitis B..... | 5 |
| Varivax..... | 10 |
| Questionnaire for Tine Test..... | 20 |

Office Visits:

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Walk-in/Blood Pressure Clinic..... | 791 |
| Flu Shots..... | 683 |
| Mantoux Tests..... | 155 |
| B12 Injections..... | 55 |
| Glucose Screenings..... | 2 |
| Med Bins Filled..... | 15 |
| Dsg..... | 4 |

Communicable Disease Follow-up (New Cases This Year):

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Hepatitis A | 3 |
| Hepatitis B | 3 |
| Hepatitis C | 8 |
| Enteric | 10 |
| Lyme Disease | 10 |
| TB Infection - No Disease | 9 |
| Chicken Pox | 123 |
| Aseptic Meningitis | 2 |
| Pneumonia Streptococcus | 1 |

Adult Immunizations Given Out:

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Measles, Mumps and Rubella | 13 |
| Tetanus and Diphtheria | 49 |
| Hepatitis B | 72 |
| Pneumonia | 3 |

Adolescent Immunizations

A) At Westport Middle School

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Measles, Mumps & Rubella | 65 |
| Hepatitis B | |

1) 6th grade students completed series of 3 shots

2) First and second shot of series of three given to 6th grade students
in November & December (series to be completed in 1999)

B) At Westport High School

Hepatitis B

1) 117 students completed series of vaccine at 3 clinics
held in January, February and June

2) First and second shot of series of three given to students in
November & December (series to be completed in 1999)

C) In Office

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| O.P.V | 2 |
| M.M.R | 6 |
| Hepatitis B | 8 |
| Tetanus & Diphtheria | 21 |
| Varivax | 11 |
| Home Visits | 99 |

Maternal & Child Health Follow-ups

Referrals

Deposits to Treasurer

The main functions of the Nursing Department, which consists of one, part-time Town Nurse, are to promote healthy behaviors in individuals and to prevent disease. This is accomplished through education, working with community resources and services provided at the Nurse's office. The services provided for the Westport community include blood pressure clinics, mantoux testing, Well Child Clinics, health education, referrals to appropriate agencies, communicable disease follow-ups and reports, Flu clinics and immunization updates of adults and adolescents.

1998 has been an enjoyable and productive year. Home visits for health promotion have increased. The Hepatitis B school based immunization program has expanded to include the High School with the hepatitis B Clinic and MMR at the Westport Middle School continuing. These have been possible because of the availability of State supplied vaccines along with the support of the school nurses. Another service to the community has been the establishment of a WIC satellite program at the Nurse's office.

I would like to thank the faithful volunteers for their continued service.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Burns R.N.



Removal of Underground Storage Tanks Behind Police Department Garage

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

On June 30, 1998 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project completed thirty-nine years of service to the cities and towns of Bristol County.

The Mosquito Control Project works year-round in its efforts to reduce mosquito breeding sites and adult mosquito populations. The Project uses several different measures of control in its never ending fight against mosquitoes.

Winter Pre-hatch - To treat breeding areas that are accessible only on the ice during the winter months.

Spring and Summer Larviciding - To reduce the emergence of adult mosquitos in areas where mosquito larvae is present.

Catch Basin Treatment - To stop mosquito emergence from rain-filled catch basins and storm drains.

Light Trapping Program - To monitor mosquito populations as to their type and number - a program necessary in encephalitis surveillance. Light trapping of mosquitos is also useful to determine what areas have high mosquito populations and should be sprayed.

Water Management - A year round endeavor to clean and construct mosquito drainage ditches in lowland swamps to reduce their favorability as breeding sites for mosquito larvae.

It is the policy of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project to use pesticides that are environmentally safe so that the safety of the people and environment are not jeopardized. We use as many of the biological insecticides as are practical with the environmental conditions present in the New England area. We are presently using three different formulations of B.T.I. in our larviciding program.

All of our spray equipment is calibrated periodically in order to insure that dosage rates remain at safe levels but are adequate to reduce mosquito populations. The operators of our spray equipment are state certified pesticide applicators that are required to attend classes on pesticide safety on a yearly basis.

The 1998 mosquito season started about the same time as past years with larvae appearing in most wetland areas during the month of March.

Adult mosquitos began to appear in many areas of the county in the latter part of April, however, our fogging program did not start until the third week of May as temperatures before this time were too cold for early morning fogging.

Mosquito populations varied throughout the county. Many areas that had extremely large populations of adult mosquitos in past years did not seem as bad this year and areas that are usually quiet turned into a problem. We are not certain what caused this situation to occur.

The calls for service this year were the highest yet, probably due to the storm that dumped 14 inches of rain in most of the county. Certain types of mosquitos were extremely high and others were very low. Melanura mosquitos, which play an

important part in the EE cycle, were very high. There were a number of EE virus isolations in this non-human biting mosquito this year but no human cases were reported. However, the virus effected two flocks of emus in eastern Massachusetts. A total of 30 emus died, 19 in Essex, MA and 11 in Norton, MA. The emus that were tested at the State Virus Lab tested positive for EE.

The Project sprayed all known mosquito-infested areas and answered all requests for spraying, for a total of 11,055.6 sprayed areas.

During the spring and summer months 5.13 acres of breeding wetlands were larvicided.

During the fall and winter months a total of 600 feet of drainage ditch was reclaimed. Our crawler tractor also dug 5,975 feet of drainage ditch.

I would like to thank the town officials and the people of Westport for their continued support and cooperation and look forward to serving them in the coming year. Should anyone have a question as to what might be done to relieve a mosquito problem in their area, whether it is water management work, treatment of a breeding site, or just having an area checked, please feel free to call our office.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan W. DeCastro, Superintendent



Arnold Tripp Measuring Oyster Seed at the Town Dock

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

I hereby submit my report as Inspector of Buildings for the year ending December 31, 1998.

A total of 503 building permits were processed and 135 single family dwellings. Seventy-eight woodstove, fireplace and chimney permits were processed. The total number of permits issued was 487, with a valuation of \$26,997,442.00.

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|-----|---|---------------|
| 124 | Single Family Dwellings | \$ 19,956,210 |
| 2 | Accessory Apartments | 334,630 |
| 5 | Duplex | 41,200 |
| 21 | Garages | 763,166 |
| 59 | Alterations and Additions | 1,428,230 |
| 2 | Rebuild Boathouses | 38,560 |
| 4 | Replace Windows/Doors | 12,160 |
| 21 | Commercial | 2,640,735 |
| 2 | Foundations | 8,000 |
| 20 | Pools.....6 Aboveground & 14 Inground | 136,566 |
| 61 | Decks, Porches, Gazebos | 412,811 |
| 29 | Barns, Sheds, Workshops | 402,560 |
| 3 | Greenhouse/Sunrooms | 46,088 |
| 12 | Demolitions | N/A |
| 18 | Renovate, Repair, Remodel | 97,120 |
| 17 | Tank Removals | N/A |
| 4 | Handicap | 4,135 |
| 2 | Miscellaneous | N/A |
| 3 | Church, Clubs, Municipal | 438,360 |
| 78 | Woodstove, Chimney Fireplace | 236,911 |
| | Yard Sale Permits | 65 days |
| | Miles Traveled | 6,950 |
| | Fees to Treasurer | \$64,281 |

(Including Building Permits, Yard Sale Permits, Woodstove Booklets, Requested Inspections, Certification Inspections, Re-Inspections, Occupancy Permits, etc.)

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Maltais

Inspector of Buildings

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

The following is a summary of the inspections made by the Gas Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1998. Included are all residential, commercial, club and municipal permits.

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Rough Inspections | 138 |
| Final Inspections | 115 |
| Conversion Burners | 5 |
| Ranges | 15 |
| Direct Vent Heaters | 12 |
| Water Heaters | 3 |
| Gas Logs | 1 |
| Furnaces | 6 |
| Boilers | 9 |
| Dryers | 2 |
| Generators | 2 |
| Consultations | 1 |
| Re-Inspections | 14 |
| Gas Fireplaces | 3 |
| Meter Relocations | 1 |
| Piping | 1 |
| Pool Heaters | 4 |
| Underground Services | 11 |
| Chimneys | 2 |
| Roof Unit | 2 |
| Building of Health | 1 |
| Total Inspections Made | 348 |
| Total Permits Issued | 210 |
| Fees to the Treasurer | \$5,967 |
| Miles Traveled | 2,191 |

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Labonte
Gas Inspector

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

The following is a summary of inspections made by the Plumbing Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1998. Included are all residential, commercial, club and municipal permits.

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Rough Inspections | 228 |
| Final Inspections | 181 |
| Water Heaters | 17 |
| Re-Inspections | 27 |
| Consultations | 9 |
| Water Service | 30 |
| Boilers | 5 |
| Building Department | 1 |
| Kitchen Sink | 1 |
| Grease Trap | 2 |
| Water Piping | 3 |
| Septic Tie-In | 9 |
| Total Inspections Made | 513 |
| Total Permits Issued | 284 |
| Fees Paid to Treasurer | \$8,301 |
| Miles Traveled | 2,233 |

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Labonte
Plumbing Inspector



Terry & Hank Vaillancourt, Pat Stetson & Bob Maltais at Bob Reed's Going Away Party

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

I hereby submit my report as Wire Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1998.

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|--|-----|
| New Residences | 125 |
| Duplexes & Accessory Apartments..... | 2 |
| Alterations and Additions | 28 |
| New Services..... | 24 |
| Rewire and Repair | 19 |
| Barns, Garages, Sheds..... | 13 |
| Commercial..... | 46 |
| Alarms and Security Systems | 68 |
| Temporary Services | 17 |
| Upgrade, Relocate, Repair Services..... | 69 |
| Service Entry Cable, Meter Socket..... | 22 |
| New Meter..... | 2 |
| New Sub Panel | 7 |
| Septic Pump | 4 |
| Water Pump..... | 4 |
| Water Heater..... | 3 |
| Hot Tub | 3 |
| Furnaces & Boilers | 7 |
| Generators..... | 1 |
| Pools..... 5 In-ground..... 2 Above-ground..... | 7 |
| Municipal, Federal, State, Utilities, Churches | 16 |
| Trench Inspection..... | 1 |
| Trailer..... | 2 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 1 |

There were 493 permits issued and 83 annual inspections made of trailers and services located in the beach area.

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| Miles traveled by Inspectors | 9,206 |
| Fees paid to Treasurer (including reinspections) | \$ 27,760 |

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest Vohnoutka
Inspector of Wire

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Reimbursements to the Town of Westport

| | | |
|----|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| 67 | Interments | \$ 23,450.00 |
| 16 | Cremations | 1,600.00 |
| 67 | Foundations | 4,475.26 |
| 65 | Grass & Device | 1,950.00 |
| 12 | Saturday & Sunday Fees | 2,100.00 |
| 1 | Infant | 100.00 |
| | Sale of Lots (Resident) | 5,500.00 |
| | Perpetual Care (Resident) | 8,250.00 |
| | Sale of Lots (Non-Resident) | 2,400.00 |
| | Perpetual Care (Non-Resident) | <u>4,200.00</u> |
| | | \$ 54,025.26 |

The Cemetery Department is responsible for 36 cemeteries under Perpetual Care. Normal maintenance was carried out on all cemeteries and three not under Perpetual Care were also cleaned.

Work on the main building continued with most of the materials coming from the Town Hall Annex and Police Station. We hope to have the addition complete as time and money allows.

The Cemetery purchased a new dump truck this year with funds from Perpetual Care. We continue to clear brush and trees to prepare for new lots. A two-acre lot is being cleared, which is necessary to figure the land grades for future lots.

The Highway Department continues work on four new sections. This year they have installed a drainage system to help with water run-off.

At this time, I would like to thank Paul Pereira and the Highway Department for their continued help. I would also like to thank Ann Chandanaïs for her donation of the repair and painting of the sign at Beech Grove.

Respectfully submitted,

Westell G. Norman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION/SOIL BOARD

The Conservation Commission and Soil Board submits the following report for the 1998 calendar year.

Our staff, Chris Capone, Agent, and Leone Farias, Principal Clerk, accomplished a great task maintaining progress in all areas, i.e. planning meetings, scheduling hearings, updating files, preparing applications for processing, minutes and expenditures for meetings and hearings.

During the year the Commission processed ninety-two (92) Notices of Intent, seventy-two (72) Requests for Determination, three (3) Amended Order of Conditions, twenty-seven (27) Certificates of Compliance, sixteen (16) Enforcement Orders, nine (9) Extensions and three (3) Abbreviated Notices of intent.

The Soil Board issued sixteen (16) Soil Permits and twelve (12) renewals.

Continued work in all areas (barrier beach, riverfront and inland) is reflected in the aforementioned documents. The Conservation Commission still endorses and will administer applications by farmland owners and will support owners obtaining funds for sale of development rights.

Critical treatment area was reviewed by N.R.C.S. Recommendations were made and refertilizing of the dunes by helicopter was completed. A yearly evaluation of this area is required with concerns for protection of wildlife, specifically piping plovers.

Wetlands Fund - Under the new law the Conservation Commission has direct access to funds for the procurement of services from engineers, hydrologists and wetlands specialists to assist the Commission in rendering decisions before issuing an Order of Conditions. Legal services are not included, therefore, the Commission pledges to be efficient and frugal with its expenditures.

The Conservation Commission welcomed two new members to the board, Robert Caron and John Ciccotelli, in July. The Commission would also like to thank Elliot Lamontagne and Thomas Perkins for their input on deliberations and discussions during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Calvin Hopkinson, Chairman
Claude Ledoux
Richard Lambert
John Reynolds
David Pichette
Robert Caron
John Ciccotelli

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging respectfully submits this report for the year ending December 31, 1998.

| <u>Council Members</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Joanne Devlin | June 30, 1999 |
| Secretary, 7/12/96 to date | |
| Member, 6/30/96 to date | |
| Robert P. Lawrence | June 30, 2001 |
| Member, 6/30/95 to date | |
| Donald A. Maynard | June 30, 2001 |
| Vice-Chairman, 7/12/96 to date | |
| Member, 6/30/95 to date | |
| Irene Pacheco | June 30, 2000 |
| Member, 6/30/94 to date | |
| Cynthia Reynolds | June 30, 1999 |
| Treasurer 7/22/98 to date | |
| Member, 10/22/90 to date | |
| Lois E. Spirlet | June 30, 1999 |
| Chairman, 7/12/96 to date | |
| Member, 8/16/93 to date | |
| Janice Trepanier | June 30, 2000 |
| Liason to FWCOA 7/297 to date | |
| Member 6/30/97 to date | |

Staff

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Director | Mary Ellen Gomes |
| Principal Clerk | Lorraine C. Roy |
| Elder Visitors | Cynthia Bolduc |
| | Gloria Chester |
| | Elsie DeMenezes |
| Companion | Alice Manchester (EOEA Grant) |
| Van Drivers | Roland Chretien |
| | Richard Fragoza |
| | Roland Malenfant |
| | Evelyn O'Hara |

(All van drivers are paid 1/2 Town funding, 1/2 SRTA Grant)

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|---|--------------------------------|
| Senior Social Day | |
| Program Director | Beverly Roynestad |
| Assistant Director | Alice Rezendes |
| (Day Care workers are paid from EOEA Grant or Revolving Fund) | |
| Senior Aide | Marilyn DeJesus (BESI Funded) |
| | Barbara Teixeira (BESI Funded) |
| Elder Service Corps | |
| Volunteers | Marion Lagasse (EOEA Stipend) |
| | Elinor Gay (EOEA Stipend) |

The primary function of the seven member Council on Aging Board and Staff is to identify and meet the needs of Westport's elder population (2,915 residents aged 60 and over, who represent over 21% of the Town's population) and to inform elders and the community of available services. One of the Council's primary interests is to serve elders who are poor, frail, and/or homebound. It works toward this goal by

working with Bristol Elder Services, Inc., the Aging Service Access Point (ASAP), and by providing four of its own part-time outreach workers who visit approximately 100 homebound elders regularly. Three of the outreach workers are Elder Visitors, who check on the physical and emotional well-being of the homebound, bringing support and friendship while serving as the Council's "eyes and ears" to recognize elders at risk. In addition, the Elder Service Corps Volunteers continue to be available to accompany elders on the Council on Aging's mini-vans. In addition, they do the assessments for the "Meals-on-Wheels" program, work in the Social Day Program, and also assist in the COA office and at various COA activities.

The two senior aides provided through BESI are a very valuable and integral part of the daily activity. Barbara Teixeira is in charge of scheduling activities and helps in the office. Marilyn DeJesus works in the Social Day Program and assists in the office.

The Council on Aging offers a wide-range of services for both information and referral. Questions about health insurance coverage increased more than 100% over previous years. Three major HMO's left the State and those that remain have seriously reduced the coverage for medications. The SHINE volunteers, Shirley Wordell and Lorraine Roy, have spent many long hours in class to keep up with the constantly changing picture of health insurance coverage. Westport's two SHINE counselors provided health and information, free of charge, to over 200 individuals. Fuel assistance information, income tax preparation assistance, pharmacy program information, holiday food baskets, identification cards, general counseling, crisis intervention, flu clinics, podiatry clinics, monthly blood pressure clinics, cooking classes, volunteer grocery shopping and a medical equipment supply closet are some of the other services provided.

In addition, the COA offers classes of various types including: low-impact aerobics, crafts, knitting, T'ai Chi, watercolor painting, woodcarving, osteoporosis prevention, weight training and line dancing.

The Senior Center has been the center of many interesting, informative and entertaining activities. We have had frequent parties and dances, legal information seminars, how to classes, health issues seminars and opportunities to meet with officials from both state and local government. The lending library offers books and periodicals available to be borrowed or read in the pleasant atmosphere of the Senior Center. A wide variety of musical concerts were offered for the enjoyment of all.

Poetry Workshop

The Poetry Workshop meets weekly on Tuesday afternoons. Jean Lozinski, the convener of the workshop, produced a volume of poems honored at the Westport Harvest Festival since its inception. Several prize-winning photographs were featured on the front and back cover of the volume. Poems written in the Poetry Workshop often appear in the "Evergreen Newsletter".

"Friends Of The Westport Council On Aging, Inc."

The "Friends of the Westport Council on Aging, Inc." is a volunteer non-profit organization which gives fiscal support and publicizes the aims and activities of the Council on Aging. Robert Holt is the current president of the "Friends". In spring the "Friends" produced the current edition of the Westport Telephone Book. A very

successful Garden Tour took place in June. The "Friends" use the funds they raise to provide capital items for the Senior Center. The Council on Aging wishes to thank all of the members of the "Friends" for their support and hard work.

Landscaping

Many volunteers worked long and hard to provide the landscaping for the Senior Center. Donations of material came from a wide variety of individuals, organizations and nurseries. Under the supervision of Lucille Chase, monthly crews maintained the shrubs and flowers. The Highway Department cut the grass and during the winter months kept the driveway and parking lot clear of ice and snow. A very special thank you to each one who worked so hard to keep the building and surrounding grounds looking lovely.

Grants

The Council on Aging received three grants in 1998, including a Formula Grant of \$12,225.00 from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. A Service Incentive Grant of \$4,410.00 was received from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs to provide for the Assistant Director of the Social Day Program. The grant from the Southeastern Regional Transit Authority in the amount of \$15,113.00 was for the operating costs for the mini-vans.

"EVERGREEN" Newsletter

Fourteen hundred (1,400) copies of the newsletter are distributed monthly to area locations. The Council wishes to thank the advertisers, whose support defrays the cost of publication, and the volunteers who assist with the distribution.

Mini-Van

Westport is a mostly rural community with only limited public transportation. The mini-vans provide transportation to medical appointments in Dartmouth, Fall River, New Bedford and Westport and a variety of other needs on an as space is available basis. The vans traveled 27,614 miles and provided 4,490 trips. The number of trips is an increase of approximately 18% over the previous year. The Department of Transportation and Construction notified the COA that they have been awarded a new mini-van that should be arriving sometime after July 1, 1999. The mini-van is a vital link in keeping frail elders in their own homes.

Nutrition Program

Under Title III of the Older Americans Act, 10,900 meals were delivered to home-bound elders in Westport and approximately 2,998 meals were served at Westport's congregate meal site at the Senior Center.

Volunteers

Approximately 177 volunteers contributed over 7,000 hours of services to the COA. It would be impossible to provide all of the services that are now available without the help of these dedicated individuals. Thank you to each of you. Westport Senior Social Day Program

The Westport Senior Social Day Program, under the direction of Beverly Roynestad, is currently open five days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to provide

a nurturing, structured environment for elders who require social support. Alice Rezendes is the Assistant Social Day Director, and also working in the program is one Senior Aide and five volunteers. There is a special area in the Senior Center for the Social Day Program, but they join in many of the Center's daily activities. The participants are generally very frail, but judging from the smiles and laughter, they are still enjoying life to the fullest. This program is financially self-supporting.

In Summary

Westport has approximately 2,915 residents that are sixty years old or older. The over 80-year-olds are the fastest growing age range. The responsibility of assisting elder's falls on families, friends and neighbors. The Council on Aging will continue to be a resource for these elders and their care givers.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois E. Spirlet, Chairman



Westport High School Color Guard at USSBA Championship at
Giants Stadium, New Jersey

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RONALD DESROSIER MEMORIAL FUND & WESTPORT CITIZENS BETTERMENT FUND & COMMITTEE

The following is a report of the Westport Citizens Betterment Committee for the year ending December 31, 1998.

Members Walter Craveiro, Lena Napert, Maggie Plamondon and Charlene R. Wood were reappointed to the committee by the Board of Selectmen. All terms expire June 30, 1999 with the exception of Shirley Desrosiers whose term does not expire until the year 2000.

We had a very successful fund raiser at the Westport Harvest Festival and enjoyed being at the Westport Fair Grounds. Thanks to all of our volunteers - without you this event could not happen.

Since the inception of the Westport Citizens Betterment Committee, each year the Trustees give out grants up to \$1,000-\$1500 to a department or organization whose application would most benefit the citizens of the Town. This year we did something very different. The Kate Cory weathervane sailing above the cupola of the Town Hall was donated by the committee through funds from the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund. The copper and brass weathervane was made by Ba Tieu of Cape Cod Cupola Co. in North Dartmouth. We would especially like to thank the employees of Roland Hebert, Inc. for their efforts and also Brad Bennett for providing the equipment to lift and place the weathervane atop the cupola. I just know Ron was smiling during this historic event.

The Trustees of the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund and the Westport Citizens Betterment Fund would like to remind the general public that contributions to either of these two funds would be greatly appreciated. Any person or organization wishing to donate to either of these funds may do so through the Board of Selectmen's office. Remember the money is put back into the community!

Town flags are available at the Town Clerk's office or Board of Selectmen's office for the price of \$65.00 for a 4' X 6' flag or \$60.00 for a 3' X 5' flag. Door banners are now available for \$60.00. These items make great gifts!

The balance in the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund as of 12/31/98 was \$22,372.53. Our portion of the Westport Citizens Betterment Fund has a balance of \$3,157.51. A minimum balance will be kept in this fund for seed money for fund raisers and grants. The remainder of excess funds will be transferred to the principal balance of the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Desrosiers, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit my report as Fire Chief for the year ending December 31, 1998.

ORGANIZATION

Fire Chief

William D. Tripp

Deputy Fire Chief

Stephen A. Motta

Lieutenants

Raymond A. Benoit

William G. Baraby

Christopher L. Kirby

John W. Andrade

Acting Lieutenant

Glenn A. Wood (Eff. 10/8/98)

Firefighter/EMT's

Glenn A. Wood

Michael P. Silvia

Timothy A. Palmer

Douglas P. Orr

Brian D. Souza

Alfred L. Manchester

Brian A. Beaulieu

Michael D. Medeiros

Bruce Martin, Jr.

Stephen A. Pettey

James C. Thibault

Kendall G. Nickelson

Allen N. Manley, Jr.

Raymond E. Benoit

Daniel F. Ledoux

Brian Legendre

Glenn R. Nunes

Call Firefighters

John W. Andrade, III

Peter Brown

Gordon Costa

Paul Duhon

Glenn Mackillop

Keith Nickelson

Darren Nunes

Kenneth Reilly

Daniel Baldwin

Richard Carvalho

Matthew Cowell

Robert Kirby

Roger Maynard

Ryan Nickelson

Stephen Oliveira

Joseph Reilly

Ambulance Billing Clerk

Theresa A. Vaillancourt

E-911 Coordinator

John W. Andrade

Drillmaster

Brian D. Souza

Fire Investigation Unit

Michael P. Silvia

Daniel F. Ledoux

Public Education Committee

Brian A. Beaulieu

Brian D. Souza

Kenneth Reilly

Peter Brown

EMS Coordinator

Glenn A. Wood

ALS Committee

Glenn A. Wood

Douglas P. Orr

Allen N. Manley, Jr.

Alfred L. Manchester

Brian R. Legendre

The Fire Department answered 1,576 calls for a total of 1,960 vehicle runs during 1998, classified as follows:

| | |
|---|-------|
| Buildings | 6 |
| Woods | 1 |
| Brush and Grass | 25 |
| Vehicles | 4 |
| Lost Person | 0 |
| Electrical | 12 |
| False Alarms | 6 |
| Needless Runs | 17 |
| Mutual Aid | 7 |
| Wash Down | 1 |
| Chimney | 3 |
| Assist Rescue | 2 |
| Cooking & Heating Appliances | 8 |
| Bomb Scares | 1 |
| Pump Cellar | 26 |
| Jaws-of-Life | 9 |
| Unclassified | 18 |
| Investigations | 108 |
| Dumpsters | 1 |
| Box Alarms | 8 |
| First Aid in Stations | 1 |
| Illegal Burning | 48 |
| Public Service | 16 |
| Faulty Alarms | 15 |
| Hazardous Materials | 28 |
| Drowning | 1 |
| Tires | 0 |
| Carbon Monoxide Detector Investigations | 10 |
| Emergency Ambulance | 1,260 |
| Fire Related Calls | 417 |

The following is a summary of vehicle runs for the year:

| | |
|------------------------|-----|
| Engine 1..... | 95 |
| Engine 2..... | 113 |
| Engine 3..... | 52 |
| Engine 4..... | 67 |
| Engine 6..... | 85 |
| Engine 7..... | 17 |
| Forestry 1..... | 6 |
| Tanker 1..... | 52 |
| Chief's Car..... | 77 |
| Deputy's Car..... | 80 |
| Rescue Boat..... | 5 |
| Personal Vehicles..... | 25 |
| Car 3..... | 13 |
| Car 4..... | 13 |
| Ambulance 1..... | 533 |
| Ambulance 2..... | 727 |

Permits for the following were issued during the year:

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|---|-------|
| Smoke Detectors..... | 53 |
| Oil Burners..... | 54 |
| Underground Tank Removal..... | 26 |
| Underground Tank Installation..... | 3 |
| Tank Trucks..... | 5 |
| Open Air Fire..... | 3,168 |
| Blasting..... | 0 |
| Underground Tank Registration..... | 5 |
| Black Powder..... | 1 |
| LPG Storage..... | 5 |
| Aboveground Storage of Flammables..... | 4 |

Loss due to fire:

| | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Buildings..... | \$167,375.00 |
| Vehicles..... | 63,100.00 |
| Miscellaneous..... | <u>10,660.00</u> |
| Total Loss..... | \$241,135.00 |

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank all of the officers and fire-fighters who have volunteered numerous hours serving in positions and on committees to provide better service to the Town of Westport.

I would also like to thank all of the Town departments and boards that have assisted the Fire Department throughout the year. It is with pride that I have worked with these people knowing that everyone is willing to work together.

During 1998, the Westport Fire Department, in conjunction with Radio Shack and ABC-6, participated in Operation Firesafe. This program allows us to install smoke detectors at no charge to the elderly and/or needy in Town. We had to terminate this program because the smoke detectors are no longer available.

Again this year we were fortunate to receive donations of equipment and money from individuals and businesses within our community. Mid-City Steel, Four Square Garage and St. Vincent's Home made substantial financial donations which were deposited in the Fire Department Gift Account. Westport Permanent Firefighters Association donated two computers that are used for various record keeping procedures. Through a small grant we were able to purchase a Sparky, the Fire Dog outfit, which is used for school visits and parades. School students are taught to "stop, drop and roll", fire exits, the hazards of matches and different ways one can get burned, how to prevent burns and what to do if they do get burned.

Respectfully submitted,

William D. Tripp

Fire Chief



Removal of Vehicle from Hix Bridge

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FISH COMMISSIONERS

The 1998 activities of the Fish Commissioners were directed towards the following areas:

The Fish Commissioners are very pleased to report the success of the fish ladder at Adamsville Pond. During the spring spawning season, many alewives were observed utilizing the fish ladder. The Fish Commissioners hope this fish ladder will help restore the declining herring population in the Westport River. To this end, all fishing for herring at the Albert Rosinha Herring Run will be prohibited until further notice. The herring run at Cockeast Pond was also productive. Signs regulating the fishing dates were installed at Kirby Brook and at Hoyt's Dam. These areas showed signs of productivity.

The Westport Fish Commissioners will continue to promote positive and progressive programs to benefit the Westport fishing community and invite any constructive input that will make our activity more meaningful.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Sullivan

Russell T. Hart

Edmie Bibeau, Jr.

Fish Commissioners



Dick Gifford, Ab Palmer, Richard Hart & Russ Hart
Cleaning the Up-Weller at the Town Dock

GREATER FALL RIVER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY

JULY 1, 1997 - JUNE 30, 1998

Introduction

I am very proud of the accomplishments of Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School and Diman Regional School of Practical Nursing, as I submit this annual report to the Greater Fall River Vocational School District Committee and the district communities of Fall River, Somerset, Swansea, and Westport.

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School continues to prepare students to enter employment as skilled apprentices requiring minimum employer training. Diman also prepares students to go on to a two or four year college, or advanced technical training where Diman graduates perform very well.

Diman has completed 30 years of providing quality academic and vocational technical education to the Greater Fall River Vocational School District. Our students develop positive work ethics, which employers highly desire and which serves the student well in college study. I am extremely proud of the educational achievements of our student body and the many projects that have been completed throughout the year. I remain confident of parental satisfaction with the academic education and vocational training programs of this school.

On behalf of the students, faculty, staff, and administration, I extend a sincere "thanks" for the support of Diman Regional from the Greater Fall River Vocational School District Committee, governmental leaders, citizens, and parents of Fall River, Somerset, Swansea, and Westport.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Martins
Superintendent-Director

Summer Programs (1997)

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School offered remedial make-up programs in English, math, and shop related theory as our continuing commitment to assist students experiencing difficulty. The remedial program was self-funded with an enrollment of 146 students.

Through grant funding from the Bristol County Training Consortium two programs could be continued. A Building and Grounds Program in which thirty students were enrolled provided training in building and grounds maintenance.

The second BCTC program was Street Cleaning/Vocational Exploratory where students cleaning city streets alternated between working throughout the City of Fall River and receiving vocational instruction here at Diman Regional by rotating through two shop programs. Those shop programs were Culinary Arts and House and Mill Carpentry. Fifty-two students participated in this program.

Orientation Program

On August 26, 27, and 28, 1997, an orientation program was held in the school cafeteria for all new students.

A "Parent Night" was held on September 23, 1997 to familiarize parents of new students with school programs and the school's philosophy and policies.

Admissions

For the school year 1997-98, there were 578 applications for grade nine. Three hundred twenty-six were enrolled as of October 1, 1997.

Diman Regional School of Practical Nursing enrolled 49 post-graduate students into the Licensed Practical Nursing full-time program and 20 in the part-time LPN program.

Enrollment

| | Class | Grade | Males | Females | Total |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| | 1998 | 12 | 171 | 79 | 250 |
| | 1999 | 11 | 177 | 90 | 267 |
| | 2000 | 10 | 197 | 116 | 309 |
| | 2001 | 9 | 194 | 132 | 326 |
| HIGH SCHOOL TOTAL | | | 739 | 413 | 1152 |
| Post Graduate LPN Program | | | 4 | 45 | 49 |
| TOTAL ENROLLMENT | | | 743 | 458 | 1201 |

High School Enrollment By Community

| City/Town | Class | Grade | Males | Females | Total |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Fall River | 1998 | 12 | 127 | 64 | 191 |
| | 1999 | 11 | 127 | 78 | 205 |
| | 2000 | 10 | 145 | 93 | 238 |
| | 2001 | 9 | 154 | 109 | 263 |

| | | | | | |
|--------|--|--|-----|-----|-----|
| TOTALS | | | 553 | 344 | 897 |
|--------|--|--|-----|-----|-----|

| City/Town | Class | Grade | Males | Females | Total |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Somerset | 1998 | 12 | 13 | 3 | 15 |
| | 1999 | 11 | 12 | 5 | 17 |
| | 2000 | 10 | 18 | 2 | 20 |
| | 2001 | 9 | 13 | 8 | 21 |

| | | | | | |
|--------|--|--|----|----|----|
| TOTALS | | | 55 | 18 | 73 |
|--------|--|--|----|----|----|

| City/Town | Class | Grade | Males | Females | Total |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Swansea | 1998 | 12 | 14 | 8 | 22 |
| | 1999 | 11 | 26 | 3 | 29 |
| | 2000 | 10 | 15 | 11 | 26 |
| | 2001 | 9 | 18 | 9 | 27 |

| | | | | | |
|--------|--|--|----|----|-----|
| TOTALS | | | 73 | 31 | 104 |
|--------|--|--|----|----|-----|

| City/Town | Class | Grade | Males | Females | Total |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Westport | 1998 | 12 | 18 | 4 | 22 |
| | 1999 | 11 | 12 | 4 | 16 |
| | 2000 | 10 | 19 | 6 | 25 |
| | 2001 | 9 | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| TOTALS | | | 58 | 20 | 78 |

Post-Graduate License Practical Nurse Enrollment by Community

| | Day Program | Evening Program |
|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Fall River | 19 | 12 |
| Somerset | 2 | 2 |
| Swansea | 1 | 1 |
| Westport | 1 | 0 |
| Out-of-District | 26 | 9 |
| TOTALS | 49 | 24 |

Career Day

Pupil Personnel Services sponsored their 14th College Career Day on November 12, 1997, with 29 colleges and technical school represented. Approximately 350 seniors and juniors took advantage of the opportunity to speak with the representatives present.

Scholarships and Awards

At Class Night, activities held for the Class of 1998, numerous scholarships and awards were given to the graduates. Scholarships were awarded to the following Westport students:

Scholarships

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Thomas Rodrigues Memorial | Michelle Tavares |
| Westport Call Firefighters | Joseph Reilly |
| Robert P. Alves Memorial | David Reynolds |
| Diman Alumni Hockey | Nathaniel Henderson |
| Westport Firefighters Local 1802 | John Cabral |
| | Joseph Reilly |
| Westport Lions Club | Kevin Marshall |

Awards

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| President's Outstanding Achievement | Louis Perry |
| Military Scholastic Excellence | David Reynolds |
| Scholastic Achievement | Steven Desmarais |
| Tandy Technology | David Reynolds |
| Vietnam Veterans | Joseph Rielly |

Assessment Testing

All sophomores were administered the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) exam which began on May 4, 1998 and was completed on May 22, 1998. Students were tested during sixteen 45-minute test sessions, which included the areas of mathematics, science and English language arts.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Governor's Alliance Against Drugs - School Community Access Center - Comprehensive Health Committee - Noreen Burns, Health Protection Coordinator

In 1997-98 Diman Regional received a Health Protection Grant in the amount of \$26,384, and a Drug Free School Grant for \$5,484. These funds were used to support comprehensive health education of our students.

School Improvement Council

The following individuals served upon the School Improvement Council: Rogerio Ramos, Tanya Carvalho, Pat Conroy, Jessica Farias, Michael Gaudencio, Leonard Freeman, Edward Szydal, Carl F. Sawejko, and William Sylvia. Through their efforts, the School Improvement Plan was revised, and working along with the Parent Advisory Council, an after-prom party was hosted for seniors.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

English Department - Margaret Hopkins, Lead Teacher

English Department faculty have been involved in various forms of professional improvement. Many have attended conference, especially in portfolio development and the improvement of writing skills. Faculty members have agreed that this has paid off in better writing being demonstrated by students in their classes.

The MCAS testing program has become an issue of concern to the English Department and many conferences have been attended. Most faculty members feel that our students were not prepared with the strategies to take the test and understand what the questions were asking. In the future, faculty members will be teaching test-taking skills to their classes to better enable them to handle these tests.

Ongoing review of new course offerings occurred through the year. A majority of English Department members instituted portfolio development for all English classes. All freshmen and sophomore classes were required to keep portfolios as part of their English requirement.

Mathematics Department - Edward Gillespie, Lead Teacher

The academic year 1997-1998 was the final year of removing any parts of the "old curriculum" and completing the adoption of the "new curriculum." Starting in the fall of 1998, all the sequencing of courses in the three major categories, "School-to-College", "School-to-Tech Prep", and "School-to-Work" will be in place and functional. This process has taken time in the Mathematics Department due to the sequential nature of course offerings. The courses are now in place and it is only a matter of refining the process of identifying students for each of the categories that needs to be addressed.

In May the MCAS test was administered to all tenth grade students. As everyone awaits the results, the future direction of any or all changes in curriculum will be affected by the student's performance on this tests. Hopefully, no major revisions will be necessary to the present curriculum as it already reflects the standards of the NCTM and the Massachusetts Department of Education Curriculum Frameworks.

For the seventh consecutive year, the AMHSME test was given to a selected group of highly motivated mathematics students. This nation-wide and highly competitive scholarship test proved to be a positive experience for all the students who took the exam. Jason Medeiros, Class of 1999 from Health Careers, was the highest scorer at Diman. For his efforts, he will receive a pin recognizing his achievements and his nameplate will be placed on the "Twelve Year Award Plaque."

Science Department - John Maurer, Lead Teacher

The Science Department introduced an Aquaculture Program as a means of applying science, physics, chemistry, and biology to a "real time" purpose which has future growth expansion of sea food production. The Telapia fish raised remained healthy through the efforts of the students participating in the project under the instruction of Mr. Frank Kuthan. The protection controlled feeding, and system engineering. The fish were ultimately harvested, cooked, and served by Culinary Arts shop students. Mr. Kuthan participated in two aquaculture program courses at Bristol Community College and observed the aquaculture program of the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth.

The Earth Service Core under the direction of Mr. Kuthan participated in Earth Day activities by cleaning the area of Dave's Beach in Fall River. This activity promotes student respect for environmental issues and provides an avenue for students to get involved with community service.

Mr. John Maurer, in cooperation with the Science Department faculty, coordinated the Eighth Annual Science Fair. The participating students benefited by developing a wide variety of projects from physics/science experiments to demonstrating the properties of physics and science as found and applied in their shops of study. The judges for the Science Fair from several district community schools were favorably impressed with the abilities of Diman students.

Mr. Kertyzak developed Diman's first Women In Technology Program. Under the direction of Mr. Kertyzak, five female students participated with teams from Taunton High School and New Bedford Vocational to design and build a test jig for Texas Instruments of Attleboro. Each school made an initial design, then teamed together for a final test jig design. The final design test jig was constructed at Diman, which out-performed the simultaneously designed and constructed test fixture by Texas Instrument engineers.

Social Studies Department - Roger Dugal, Lead Teacher

The Department's move to offer electives to both juniors and seniors and offering Government to juniors has proven to be wise and educationally sound. During the past year the Department has been actively engaged in revising its varied curriculums to coordinate with the State's Curriculum Frameworks for Social Studies and to prepare students for the MCAS.

During the current academic year, a ten-computer "mini-lab" was set up in Mr. Mullaly's classroom. Mr. Mullaly had his students write reports using Microsoft Word and do research utilizing the Internet in Geography, History, and Economics.

Students were taught how to integrate the Internet into their written papers. Browsers were utilized along with skills in using Search Engines that enable com-

puters to retrieve information from around the world. The Massachusetts State Police gave a presentation to Mr. Dugal's classes on the various jobs which the State Police are required to do. The highlight of the presentation was a classroom K-9 demonstration. Mr. Dugal had his students do a comparative study of foreign nations' governments. In addition, Mr. Dugal's Government and Law classes took part in a Moot Court program.

Title One Reading Program

The Title I Reading Program continues to remediate students in grades 9-12 who were determined to be deficient in reading skills. A total of 146 students (grade 9 ' 79, grade 10 ' 38, grade 11 ' 9, grade 12 ' 20) received services provided by the three reading teachers. The fifth annual Reading Awards Night was held in May. This was a huge success as well as a beneficial night for the teachers, students, and their parents.

The Title I Grant of \$63,684 covered the salary and benefits of one reading teacher, the opportunity for teachers to attend conferences, and the purchase of supplies.

Special Education

The October 1, 1997 Report demonstrates Diman's continued efforts to serve the special needs population of the district. Diman accepted 50 special needs students into the freshman class. The total enrollment of special needs students at Diman is 206, which represents 19% of the total school population. The distribution of special needs students throughout the various prototypes is as follows:

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| 502.1 | 75 |
| 502.2 | 93 |
| 502.3 | 22 |
| 502.4 | <u>16</u> |
| TOTAL | 206 |

Co-OP and Job Placement - Henry Champagne, Coordinator

The 1997-98 Co-operative (Co-op) Education Program mandated by the "School-to-Work Opportunities Act" in Massachusetts offers skilled training for Diman seniors in a real-world, work-based setting, which allows students exposure to the latest industry standards.

Co-op is a structured work experience with a training outline developed by the employer and agreed upon by the trainee, the coordinator, parents or guardian matching each student's skills and competencies to the needs of this past year's seventy-three participating employers.

A total of 145 Co-operative Education agreements and training plans were initiated with 98 participating employers to bridge that gap between school and the real world of work. Each co-op approved training site is required to be supported by an agreement, which must be signed by the school district's coordinator, student, and employer/supervisor. The program accountability is as follows:

1. The students are monitored for time and attendance and must turn in a time card signed by the immediate supervisor for hours and days worked while school is in session.

2. Quarterly evaluations are requested from the employer/supervisor regarding student trainees' progress, made part of each term report card grade, and shared with instructors.
3. The co-op trainee acquires marketable skills, learns to work with others, and earns money and an opportunity to test some of their career interests.

During the summer of 1997, Diman placed twenty-seven juniors going into the senior year with companies such as Aquidneck Mgt., Lightolier, Clifton Rehab. Nursing Center, Johnson & Johnson Professional, area electrical contractors, several auto repair facilities, nursing homes, local restaurants, and Reardon, Montle, Andrade, O'Brien Plumbing & Heating companies are a few of the participating employers.

Connecting Activities

Several new employers have engaged in becoming partners with Diman providing co-op education opportunities and full-time employment for Diman graduates as follows: Lightolier Corp., Home Depot, E.M.I. Electrical, Stanley Bostitch Company, W. J. Griffin Electric Co., Aquidneck Management Association (R&D), Tilly Realty Association, Olympus Health Center, Regan Engineering, and Culinary Institute. Also, Johnson & Johnson and Sapphire Engineering have joined the advisory board and have hired co-op trainees as full-time employees. Over one hundred graduates accepting full-time employment were offered hourly rate of pay ranging from \$7 to \$10 plus benefits.

End-of-Year Placement

During June and July 1998, the Job Placement Office continued to assist the graduates who were not on co-op during their senior year and not planning to attend higher education programs or join the military with job placement.

The following placement data is as of July 31, 1998, and subject to change due to placement of additional graduates prior to finalizing the Department of Education October 1, 1998 report.

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| 130 | Trade Related |
| 55 | Higher Education |
| 29 | Employed outside trade area |
| 11 | Military |
| 6 | Not in Labor Force |
| 11 | Status Unknown |

Diman has thus far achieved a 93% overall placement of graduates working in their trade, going on to higher education, entering the military, or working outside of their trade. Efforts continue to place the remaining seven percent.

Career Awareness

A variety of speakers on different subjects are scheduled to enhance student awareness about careers. Recent speakers were the Superintendent of Fall River Schools, school's maintenance division, American Medical Response Ambulance, Poirier Buick, Pontiac, GMC Truck, Lincoln-Mercury Dealership, Alden Yachts Boatbuilding, Ryan Iron Works, and included a gender equity program for all students.

Other Programs - School to Work and Careers

The School-to-Work Committee, with direction from Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School, has made several videos of work-settings viewing students in an applied work-setting which was taped by broad-casting students and will be utilized by area school counselors in their talks to middle school 7th and 8th graders about various occupations and career choices. Distribution will be accomplished during 1998-99 school year.

Tech Prep

The Tech Prep Program currently has 77 members from drafting, electricity, electronics and machine shop, the four shops with articulation agreements with Bristol Community College. All members have expressed an interest in further education in the field of engineering or engineering technology.

Students are encouraged to enroll in one course each semester at BCC during the fall and spring semesters of their junior and senior years and also one course in the summer following their junior year. College credit is also given in their area of expertise based on the curriculum completed in shop and related classes while at Diman. All credits appear on their college transcript at BCC and apply to associate degree requirements with a major in engineering or engineering technology.

Tech Prep activities are arranged largely by the Tech Prep office at BCC and usually include a tour of the college with mentoring activities and hands-on workshops within the BCC Engineering Labs. This past year, students toured the Engineering Department of Northeastern University.

Women in Technology

The Women In Technology (WIT) program is an offshoot of the Tech Prep Program engaging Diman's female students studying drafting, electricity, electronics, or machine shop, the four shops with which Diman and Bristol Community College currently have articulation agreements. Girls appreciate all benefits of the Tech Prep Program.

The WIT program was initiated for the purpose of providing a strong support system for female Tech Prep students interested in pursuing further education in engineering or engineering technology beyond high school. Each high school has a mentor for this component of the Tech Prep Program.

BCC has entered into a partnership with the Attleboro Division of Texas Instruments (TI), which has an emphasis on WIT members. During the school year 1997-98, three Diman students were involved in a project resulting in the solution of a technical program at the TI plant. The girls worked with WIT students from Taunton High School and Greater New Bedford Vocational Technical High School. They were directed by a teacher from each school throughout the duration of the project, which concluded in May 1998 with a presentation of their prototype (built in the machine shop at Diman). Among the attendees at the presentation were Texas Instruments employees, school superintendents, and members of the Massachusetts Department of Education. This initiative is being repeated again this year with two groups of students from four schools, including Diman, and two projects. Work will begin in September and conclude with a presentation in May 1999.

VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Auto Collision Repair - Ronald Duclos, Department Head

The Auto Body Program is constantly making modifications to stay abreast of changes in the industry. These include different refinishing techniques and structural repair procedures. We changed Mr. Ashton, a shop instructor of four years, to teach related theory, and moved Mr. Tabicas, who taught related theory for 10 years, into the shop. Mr. Tabicas' expertise in all phases of the trade has greatly enhanced the educational opportunity of the students. His assistance with shop management, student discipline and student placement has been a great help to me.

Capital Cost Purchases: To be installed in July is a Garmat Crossflow prep-station. We also purchased two computers and a printer for shop tech. Students are now learning appraisal on a computer estimating program

The Auto Body and Collision Repair Program has repaired vehicles, which include those from the schools, public works, fire department and police department. The Auto Body Shop is fully NATEF certified in all of its areas.

The Auto Body Program has made modifications that include state-of-the-art refinishing techniques, structural repair procedures, installation of a new Garmat Cross Flow Prep Station, new computers, printers, and collision estimating software.

Auto Mechanics - John Miranda, Department Head

The Auto Mechanics Program has experienced some new changes and achieved special accomplishments. The Auto Mechanics Program is fully certified by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (NATEF), Perkins standards, Chapter 74, and NEASC. The shop was given new textbooks, O.B.II Ignition Trainer, Mitchell on Demand CD Rom Internet Connections. All data computer systems computer, OSHA approved retractable droplights, fuel injection testing systems, and additional computers.

The auto mechanics curriculum has met state requirements for National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence, NATEF, Perkins 74-731, and has met NEASC requirements.

The advisory board members approved the new competencies and tasks list, which meets the A.S.E. competency outlines.

Student Accomplishments: Three students, two juniors, and a senior competed in VICA district competition and qualified for the state competition in automotive machine and automotive technology. Two seniors competed in the Massachusetts Dealers Association contest at the Boston Expo Center and placed second in the state. They were awarded scholarship funds and tools for the trade.

Six senior students were tested by the Ford AAA Competition. These students, as a group, averaged the highest written score in the state and received a brand new Ford Probe for their shop training. This vehicle will be Diman's property for instructional purposes. The two highest scoring students proceeded to the hands-on competition. They trained in the shop on a new Mercury Sable, which was donated by Lawrence Poirier of Poirier Incorporated of Fall River. These students finished in third place in the state. Students were awarded tools and scholarship funds. All six

seniors were awarded certificates for their outstanding performance in shop.

Building Technology - Edmond Bichel, Department Head

The Building Technology Program has provided current training as recommended by business and industry. This valuable experience also assisted the school and community by having their projects built or repaired free of any labor charges.

The Building Technology bus has been refitted and serves several needs such as transporting students to work sites and houses tools needed for projects.

New equipment and tools have been purchased to improve the working conditions and bring the training up to date. A laser-guided level has greatly assisted students when building their projects. The high-volume, low-pressure, (HVLP) spray system allows students to do a more professional job.

The Building Technology Program has had a highly productive year that allowed students the opportunity to receive a variety of work experiences. An office was built for Painting and Decorating; a boy's room at the Westport Community Center was rebuilt and bathroom partitions were installed as well as the demolition, redesign and construction of a new ladies' rooms and construction of new storage areas. Other work experiences included the placement and removal of holiday decorations for Fall River, and the design, prefabrication and erection of two dugouts for the Somerset High School Athletic Department.

Various projects throughout the Diman campus; projects were completed to assist staff, maintenance personnel, and administration, as needed

Culinary Arts - Edward Kerr, Department Head

The Culinary Arts Department had a very productive year. Because of the amount and variation of production, the students' benefit is great.

Some of the activities that the department was involved in include the following: Senior citizen luncheons (42); lunches for the Council on Aging (4); luncheons for the Somerset School Department (7); Thanksgiving Dinner; Thanksgiving pies; turkeys for the Salvation Army; weekly processing of food for the Soup Kitchen; two dinners for the Boy Scouts; several dinners at the First Baptist Church; Holiday Buffet; two breakfasts for counselors; luncheon for the Salvation Army; Valentine Luncheon; National Honor Society Buffet; luncheon for the Health Fair; coffee breaks for the SouthCoast Hospital Group; Peer Leadership Fashion Show Dinner; Rotary Club Luncheon; Day on the Hill; Alumni Hall of Fame Dinner; Outstanding Vocational Student Banquet; Sports Banquet; preparation of food for many fundraiser breakfasts.

In addition, thousands of rolls, doughnuts, muffins were prepared for the cafeteria along with the hot food preparation. Over 13,000 meals were served in the Tea Room.

The Culinary Arts Department was very active in VICA. Special thanks to Paul Bertoncini and David Viveros for their leadership. At the district level, silver medals went to Michael Makuch, Brad Costa and Joshua Pacheco in cooking. In baking, medals went to Mindy Southworth, Kim Silvia, and Linda Holland. At the State competition, gold medals went to Jay Mello and Victoria Byrne and bronze to Kira

Medieros. At the Nationals in June, Victoria Byrne and Jay Mello will compete.

Drafting - John Cantwell, Department Head

Program Management: The program meets the needs of business and industry. In many instances, the same companies request Diman drafting students to fill their co-op needs year after year. Lightolier Manufacturing Company has hired two junior students to work as interns over the summer and, along with two other students, they will continue to work in the co-op program next school year.

Student Growth and Development: Student growth and development is accomplished by continually upgrading the curriculum to reflect the most up-to-date computer hardware and CAD software. Both the hardware and software will be upgraded for the 1998-99 school year.

The department continues to supply drawings, layouts, and copies as requested by the various shops and administration. Drawings for a baseball dugout and a weight room were given to the Somerset School Department as requested.

Electrical Shop - Daniel Pacheco, Department Head

This school year, our maintenance instructor and his students have worked diligently to stay ahead of the plant maintenance projects that seemed never ending. Because Mr. Pillarella was so busy this year, I have tried to lend assistance to Mr. Martel who has had the difficult job of instructing both freshmen and sophomore students. It is my opinion that through this joint teaching effort, our electrical students have benefited and will benefit in the future.

This year we have added several new electrical trainers to our course of study. Each new trainer has come with a complete curriculum, which will add to our present Electrical Shop curriculum. As always, the Electrical Shop instructors are trying to keep abreast of the current changes in our field so that our curriculum reflects the latest in electrical technology. The 1997-98 school year has been very productive. This year the electrical shop students were involved with the electrical wiring for the two-family house that was built for Habitat for Humanity. This type of dwelling, although rather small, was different from the single family homes usually built by the Diman students. In my opinion, I think the students felt good about the fact they were helping to build a home for two families who might have never had a chance to purchase a dwelling under different circumstances.

Electronics Technology - Kenneth Rapoza, Department Head

The Electronics Shop met all the goals that had been set and a little more. We did well in the exploratory project and, as a result, had close to a full group of freshmen that chose this Department.

Students were made aware that extra help was available to them. The Shop, loaning our laptop computer to students, also helped. This was for students who would be out for medical reasons. By having this available, the student could perform experiments by using Electronics Work Bench (Computer program allowing full lab experiments to be built and tested) along with reading.

The Trades Fair had some impressive projects on display. The Shop worked hard to repair and maintain the school equipment. The student have updated some of the

school computers and helped UMASS-Dartmouth to set up fifty computers for SHARE.

The Shop computers have all been upgraded again by the students. Students with higher skills were used to help others who needed a review.

General Shop - James Pereira, Lead Teacher

The General Shop Special Needs Program accepted its maximum number of 16 students who are classified as 502.4 special education with specific I.E.P. programs of study. Each student is enrolled in a program that fits his or her learning style. Special modified programs have been developed to assist student achieve their maximum academic and vocational potential. This year, we integrated six students at the half-year point. We lost one student to the sending school.

Projects that were manufactured were the usual curriculum projects and the following: 1 large trash bin for the Council on Aging; 6 stepping stools for Council on Aging; 6 doll houses for St. Anne's Hospital; 1 trailer for Mr. Ramos; 3 easels for the Little Red School House; 3 mystery boxes for Little Red School House; 1 sign for Little Red School House; 3 coat trees for Little Red School House; 1 sign for Amvets Hall in Somerset; six 3' x 8' tables for Diman; painted clapboards for the house; and refurbished one field liner for Somerset High School.

Graphic Arts - Joseph Souza, Department Head

Mr. Sousa and staff have consulted with their advisors in order to recognize the competencies and tasks to meet the needs of industry. In addressing these issues, we saw a need for updating equipment. Under a Perkins Grant, we were able to purchase a new MBO folding machine.

We are pleased that we were able to place 93% of our students in co-op jobs and in higher education. This does not include two students in their junior year who are working in co-op positions in the last quarter of the year.

The work year for 1997-98 has been a productive year. The number of jobs printed this year total over 300. Work is also done for church and non-profit organizations, small businesses, the surrounding communities, and other schools. The graphic arts shop does the majority of printed material for Diman.

The number of jobs produced by the graphic communication students has been many. Productivity has increased over last year's production. This also generates a responsibility for students to learn how industry works and how the needs of customers are important to support businesses. Students are also being trained on computer typesetting and layout and design. Training on the large GTO press and smaller presses has been very successful. Students are responding very well. The department has purchased an MBO folding machine. The training on the MBO machine is going very well.

Community Jobs: Chamber of Commerce Honor Roll Student Coupon Books (customer supplied stock); Bank Street Armory Printed Flyers; Fall River Celebrates American July Fourth Flyers (customer supplied stock); Greater Fall River Softball League Raffle Tickets; Senator Thomas Norton Resource Brochures; Knights of Columbus Monthly Scroll Book; Westport Foundation four-color brochure.

Health Careers - Maureen Cain, Department Head

Health Careers was the most requested shop based on first choice at the conclusion of the Exploratory Program. In addition, Health Careers achieved 100% placement of students after graduation based on the October 1, 1997 Report.

The change in the clinical and laboratory assignment, piloted in September of 1997, resulted in improved utilization of staff. That plan called for the senior shop teacher to supervise students at St. Anne's Hospital while the sophomore teacher supervised junior students who stayed behind because of excessive clinical ratios.

Technology is increasingly being integrated into the curriculum. The Internet is being used to research topics on all shop grade levels and in related. Students researched, accessed visuals, and produced written documents and Powerpoint presentations that were displayed during the Trade Fair. Health Careers faculty were asked to develop a brief plan on how they will be using technology in each unit to better allocate resources in the Fall and plan for acquisition of appropriate hardware and software.

Health Careers students have been active in athletics, peer leadership, peer mediation, newspaper, National Honor Society, Key Club, Explorer's Post, VICA, Spotlight, community activities, and more.

House & Mill Carpentry - Robert Ciosek, Department Head

Program Management: Mr. Peter Nowell completed his first year as the outside housebuilding coordinator with a minimum number of problems. Mr. Gerald Barboza worked at his highest ability level to teach the related technology of carpentry during his first year in the classroom. Mr. Stephen Marciszyn, our freshman instructor, worked towards helping improve the quality of students accepted into the carpentry program. Mr. Ronald Silvia continued to provide his students in the sophomore class with the sound basic skills required to become successful in the field of carpentry.

Productivity: The mill carpentry program completed over 100 projects during the 1997-98 school year. Among the highlights were two hexagonal shaped lifeguard stations constructed for the town beach in Swansea; several tables and showcases for the Marine Museum in Fall River, five Scholarship City signs for the City of Fall River; and twelve new voting booths for the Town of Westport. Students were also introduced to a new Computerized Numerically Controlled (CNMC) programming project which required them to construct two computer work stations as team projects.

Diman's Housebuilding Carpentry Program completed its first duplex dwelling for Habitat for Humanity of Fall River. The house is a vinyl-sided, side by side, duplex incorporating a large "farmer's" porch in the front. Each unit contains three bedrooms, a full bath upstairs, a first floor half-bath adjacent to the back entryway, an eat-in kitchen area, living room, and a full basement. The majority of the floor area is carpeted with the kitchen and bath floor areas covered with vinyl sheet goods.

Carpentry students worked at Camp Welch replacing floors in ten cabins with new tongue and groove plywood sheathing. Students also reconstructed several

exterior stairways, which led into these cabins.

HVAC & R - John Pimentel, Department Head

The EPA amendments to the Clean Air Act have changed air conditioning and refrigeration to the degree that HVAC & R service requires new equipment, new procedures, new refrigerants, and even new attitudes.

Students who study HVAC & R service must meet another important EPA regulation. They must be certified in the use of refrigerants. This certification is obtained through testing. The HVAC & R shop must be updated constantly to keep in step with the rapid change of the industry.

Because of the changes in the HVAC & R industry and the changes in the EPA Amendments, new curriculum was implemented this year as was new computer software, which also made changes in the student's competencies and tasks necessary.

HVAC & R shop installed heat in this year's house and maintained all the refrigeration and air conditioners in the school.

Machine Shop - Stephen Blanchette, Department Head

The Machine Shop averaged 40 outside jobs per month. These were maintenance jobs for other shops, work done for the Department of Public Works, a variety of jobs done for UMASS-Dartmouth, private citizens, local machine shops, and private citizens from the community to name a few.

Diman and Bristol Community College developed a program together to educate BCC students in an Applied Manufacturing Certificate Program.

Students in the Machine Shop designed and constructed a boat trailer for the Department of Environmental Protection.

The Machine Shop has proven that it meets the needs of business and industry. Students continue to apply their skills on co-op jobs. The Machine Shop curriculum is constantly changing to meet the needs of the industry. In the past year, 1997-98, sophomores, juniors, and seniors used the CAD/CAM system. The shop still tries to instill the basic values in the students such as conscientiousness, dedication, and work ethic.

In the past few year, industry has shown a great interest in Diman's Machine Shop students. Because of this, many of our senior students leave the shop in early September and October. For this reason, sophomores are now being trained in CNC programming and are now getting hands-on experience. The new equipment that was purchased this year has added to the development of the Machine Shop students.

Metal Fabrication & Welding - Stephen Russell, Department Head

The Metal Fabrication Shop had a very productive year with many school district projects completed which included: 6 gates for the Fall River Water Department; 14 signs for the Fall River Recreation Department; 6 chairs for Swansea schools; 3 drip pans for the Fall River Fire Department; 5 tree stands for Fall River Recreation; 3 security cabinets for Dartmouth prison; 40 repaired screens for Dartmouth prison; 2

rebuilt drink stands for MASS Department of Recreation; 3 aluminum I beams for the Environmental Protection Agency; 6 chock blocks for the Council on Aging; 97 student desks repaired; 24 stools repaired; 43 gym baskets repaired; repaired and replaced school railings; repaired lockers CA, HC & GA; 8 trash barrels, 22 dust pans - various shops; repaired school plow; repaired school trailer; 6 fish tank stands; repaired partitions (stairways); 36 chairs repaired for Community Connections; 2 tables repaired for Community Connections; and repaired wheelchair.

Painting & Decorating - Michael Berube, Department Head

The Painting and Decorating Shop began the school year without the benefit of a department head. Although added responsibility was placed on the Department, the students still received their entire designed curriculum. P&D students learned spray-painting application on two different, newly purchased machines. A high-volume, low-pressure machine and an airless system were used to apply paint on our own new-constructed sign-room/office. These techniques were also utilized when we painted the Habitat for Humanity duplex. Throughout the year, P&D students produced many projects including signs, banners, T-shirts; painted and finished furniture for the City of Fall River, charitable groups and individuals.

The Painting and Decorating Program has provided a diversity in its curriculum by adding several new state-of-the-art systems. The high-volume, low-pressure spray system and an airless system were used for the first time for the 1998 housebuilding project. These methods are currently being used by painting contractors.

The Painting and Decorating Program was instrumental in completing many jobs for our community. Many signs, banners, holiday decorations, pictures, and city furniture were made or restored.

Plumbing & Heating Technology - Kenneth Pacheco, Department Head

The 1997-98 school year was a year of many changes—the MCAS testing, school accountability, expanded exploratory program, and the preparation for the COP exam, just to name a few. The Plumbing Program has enjoyed another successful and productive year in many areas.

Diman has been the benefactor of having all its plumbing needs met by students from within this program who routinely accept the many in-house plumbing challenges which surface throughout the year.

Our plumbing students receive the bulk of their hands-on training within the shop area. However, our housebuilding program and, also the other projects, offer the on-site, live-work opportunity which tests the skills of our future plumbers. All of the plumbing systems which are required to be installed in any residential or commercial project are estimated, laid out, and installed by our students as part of their learning experience at Diman. Some of the many systems may include waste and drain, hot and cold water piping, gas piping, baseboard heat installations, soil and copper drainage work, boiler installations, as well as fixture and accessory installations.

Since Massachusetts Plumbing Code regulations are extremely rigid in allowing students to work on only approved job sites, it becomes crucial that a program such as the off-campus jobs be maintained in order to provide the opportunity for these

students to apply their talents and learn on actual live work.

The Plumbing Program has had a very productive year—Diman house project, Driscoll Arena (showers), Westport Community Center, Diman Regional repairs. The administration's ability to be open-minded to our needs is the second part of this successful effort.

School of Practical Nursing - Barbara Pitara, Department Head

This Annual Report will reflect the success of the 1997-98 school year of the Practical Nurse Program in its continued effort to provide quality vocational/technical education.

The Day Program started with 49 students; 40 students are anticipated to graduate on June 30, 1998. Of the graduating students, 40 are from the original September group with no readmissions. The full-time day program comprised the following:

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| Fall River | - 19 |
| Somerset | - 2 |
| Swansea | - 1 |
| Westport | - 1 |
| Out-of-District | - 26 |
| TOTAL | 49 |

The Evening Program started its second cycle September 1997.

Admitted: 20
Males: 1

Re-admit: 4
Females: 19

IN-DISTRICT

Fall River: 12
Somerset: 2
Swansea: 1
Westport: 0

OUT-OF-DISTRICT

Middletown, RI: 1
Rehoboth: 1
Fairhaven: 3
Acushnet: 1
New Bedford: 3

Students affiliated at the following clinical sites:

Southcoast Hospitals Group:
Charlton Memorial Hospital, Fall River
St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford
Addiction Recovery Institute, Pawtucket, RI
Berkley Community School
Brockton VA Medical Center
Catholic Memorial Home
Clifton Rehabilitative Nursing Center
Crystal Springs, Assonet
Diman Regional Voc-Tech High School, Health Careers
Early Intervention
Head Start of Fall River
New Bedford Primary Care Clinic

St. Anne's Hospital
Sacred Heart Nursing Home

Employment opportunities for the 1997 class remained bright with a documented 98% placement including those continuing their education. This class achieved a 98% State Board pass rate.

Open House & Trade Fair

On March 7 and 8, 1998, Diman hosted a Technical Trade Fair and Open House that brought in judges from business and industry to evaluate students' projects and current work done by the students. They awarded first, second, and third place winners with ribbons. More than 3,000 visitors toured the school to view projects, machines, and curriculum applications. Several shops had students putting on working demonstrations showing their technical skills.

Student Housebuilding Program

Diman's Housebuilding Program completed its first duplex dwelling in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity, Fall River Chapter. The house is located on Buffington Street in Fall River and is a vinyl-sided, side-by-side duplex incorporating a large "farmer's porch" in the front. Each unit contains three bedrooms and a full bath on the second floor. Each unit has an eat-in kitchen, a half-bath with laundry hook-ups, and a living room on the first floor. In addition, each unit has its own front and back entry, and a full basement. The majority of the floor areas are covered with vinyl sheet good and carpeting. Both units are heated by two-zone, forced hot water.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America)

During the 1997-98 school year, 130 students and 46 advisors participated in Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School's VICA Chapter.

David Reynolds received the gold medal in the Residential Wiring contest at the national level of competition after working his way up winning first place at the local level, second place at the district level, and first place at the state level of competitions. Jay Mello finished first in the Job Skill Demonstration "A" category at the local level of competition. He went on to earn the first place award at the state level and secured the first place gold medal at the national level of competition. Victoria Byrne captured a first place win at the local level in a contest called Action Skills. She received a gold medal during the state conference, then went on to repeat her outstanding performance at the national level of competition where she earned a national gold medal.

Nearly 100 students participated in pre-contest demonstrations prior to the selection of 11 students who made presentations during the annual school-wide Local Job Skill Demonstration and Action Skills contests.

On March 3, 1998, fifty-four students entered the hands-on competitive events category at the district level of competition. Diman students earned eight gold, six silver, and four bronze medals, as well as three fourth-place qualifying awards at the central district level of competition. These victories allowed Diman to send over

55% of these students who participated in our local leadership events and the district contests forward to compete at the state level of competition.

At the state level, Diman received 13 gold, six silver, and six bronze medals. Cesar Duarte, a Mill Carpentry student, earned a first place award, as well as a best of show prize, in a brand new contest called Techspo '98. Michael Nadeau, a Machine Shop student, and Albertina Senra, a Drafting student, received second place show ribbons. Earlier in the year, Cesar participated in a Lapel Pin Design Contest sponsored by the General Motors Service Technology Group. His design was selected as a third-place winner in a field of over 1500 entries. Cesar joined the Diman delegation that went to Kansas City, MO as part of an all-expense paid trip by General Motors to claim his prize of a Quick-Take Digital camera donated by Apple Computer, Inc.

At the state level of competition, the following students earned first place awards.

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| Action Skills: | Victoria Byrne |
| Industrial Motor Controls: | Craig Saucier |
| Job Skill Demonstration "A": | Jay Mello |
| Metal Fabrication: | John Souza |
| Opening and Closing Ceremonies: | Regina Amaral, Karen Carreiro, Tonya Monica DaPonte, Stephanie Duarte, Jessica Farias, and Rebecca Steen |
| Residential Wiring: | David Reynolds |
| Technical Drafting: | Thomas Gamache |

NOTE: Only those students who receive the first place award at the state level of competition are eligible to represent the State of Massachusetts at the national level.

Second place awards were earned by Bradford Costa, Culinary Arts; Christopher Makuch, Electronic Technology; David Garipey, Industrial Motor Controls; Carmen Cabral, Job Skill Demonstration "B"; Joshua Oliver, Precision Machining; and Andrew Medeiros, Technical Drafting.

Third place awards went to Jonathan Buchanan, Industrial Motor Controls; Kimberly Marchand, Job Interview; John Cabral, Metal Fabrication; Michael Nadeau, Precision Machining; Scotty Teixeira, Sheet Metal; and Michael Medeiros, Welding.

Gold medal winners represented the State of Massachusetts at the 34th annual VICA National Skills U.S.A. Championships. The conference was held in Kansas City, MO from June 22-27, 1998. David Reynolds' advisor was Mr. Rene Martel. David is now eligible to compete at the international level of competition which will take place during 1999 in Montreal, Canada. In the Job Skill Demonstration and the Action Skills contests, respectively, Jay Mello and Victoria Byrne were coached and advised by Mr. David Viveros. He was assisted by Mr. Paul Bertoncini. Mr. Robert Ciosek coordinated the Job Skill Demonstration and the Action Skills contests.

This was the second consecutive year that Diman students earned three medals during the national competition. However, this is the first year that Diman students received three gold medals in three individual events.

The success of our students is directly proportionate to the help, encouragement

and support received from members of Diman's School Committee, as well as administrators and advisors. On behalf of all VICA members, THANKS for being there when we needed you.

Athletics - James Ashley, Athletic Director

This year, our teams won two championships in the Mayflower League: Boys Cross Country and Varsity Baseball. Our Cross Country team won the State Vocational Championship.

The most outstanding players from each team are as follows:

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| Boy's Cross Country | Chad Carreiro |
| Girl's Cross Country | Lisa Miranda |
| Soccer | Helder Barroso |
| Golf | Brett Codega |
| Winter Track | Jay Carreiro |
| Cheerleading | Jessica Farias |
| Boy's Basketball | Harry Guimond |
| Girl's Basketball | Nicole Rego |
| Ice Hockey | Len Dutra |
| Baseball | (none) |
| Softball | Jessica Farias |
| Tennis | Sean Kenyon |
| Spring Track | Jason Carreiro |

Athletes of the Year: Brett Codega and Jessica Farias

Project Spotlight

The Spotlight Program, supervised by Mrs. Elizabeth Jonsson, sponsored a trip to New York City in the Fall and a trip to Boston in the Spring where they visited the following: Fanueil Hall/Quincy Market and the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. Also, the students went on a trip to the Trinity Repertory Theatre in March.

Project Spotlight is a weekly program at UMass-Dartmouth consisting of presentations by staff and guests. Small group discussions and mini-courses ranging from line drawing, French films, poetry, psychology, drama, and SAT math review are offered. These are enrichment activities, which provide a bridge into higher education as well as an opportunity for high school students to feel comfortable in a college setting while meeting students from other area high schools.

The program director is Robert L. Piper, professor of Political Science at UMass-Dartmouth. Begun in September of 1980 as Project Excel, the Spotlight program has served over 3700 students from 36 high schools throughout Southeastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

National Honor Society - Margaret Hopkins, Advisor

The National Honor Society, supervised by Mrs. Margaret Hopkins, inducted 20 new members this year at a ceremony and reception held in the Diman Tea Room on May 6, 1998. The principal's address was presented by Mr. Rogerio Ramos with over 100 parents and friends in attendance. The Master of Ceremonies was President Jessica Farias and Karen Carreiro, Bradford Costa, Lisa Pacheco, and Amanda Santos participated in the candle lighting ceremony. At the present time, there are 35 mem-

bers in good standing in the Diman Chapter of the National Honor Society. Because of a large number of qualified applicants in the junior class, the scholarship requirement had to be raised for the first time ever. Junior members achieved an average of 87 for their first two years of Diman.

The following Westport students are members of the National Honor Society.

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| Lisa Pacheco | Kevin Marshall |
| David Reynolds | Amanda Santos |
| Nathaniel Henderson | |

Student Government - Roger Dugal, Advisor

The Student Government was pleased with the result of the first "After-Prom" party and was anticipating a similar result this year. The Student Senate also spent time revising the Student Handbook. As last year, the students expressed an interest for a football team. However, once again, the idea of a football team dissipated when the students were told they would need to do their 'homework' to provide the student representative to the Regional School Committee with the information needed to make an accurate and detailed presentation; i.e., cost, insurance, liability, scheduling, etc. Next year, the Student Government plans to become more actively involved in assisting other clubs in school activities and fundraising.

The Executive Council of the Student Senate for the 1997-98 school year comprised of the following students: Ryan Andrade, Tanya Carvalho, Jessica Farias (alternate to School Committee), Erica Followwill, Gennine MacDonald, Ernest Raposa (student representative to the School Committee), Kristine Rodrigues, and Nicole Wright.

Peer Leadership - Noreen Burns, Advisor

The students decided to begin the year with the creation of fall baskets as a fundraiser. The materials were donated by local farmers and the students spent many hours making and selling their baskets. At Christmas, teddy bears were collected by the Peer Leaders from staff and community members. Over 100 bears were given to the children at the Salvation Army.

In March, a presenter came into the school to talk to the students about violence in our society. The Peer Leaders helped her set up the Clothesline Project to provide a nationwide network of support, encouragement and information for the remaining student body. A school-wide canned good drive was offered to the First Baptist Church on North Main Street. In April, the Peer Leaders volunteered their time and energy to set-up and work at the First Baptist Church soup kitchen. A second fundraiser, an Easter bunny raffle, helped defray the cost for the soup kitchen.

Officers were nominated and elected for the Peer Leaders—President - Regina Amaral; Vice President - Tanya Carvalho; Secretary - Paulette Forcier; and Treasurer - Priscilla Sousa. The students decided that in September 1998 they will dedicate a portion of their efforts to smoking issues, AIDS, and teen pregnancy.

The "Tradesman" Student Newspaper - Susan Sayre, Advisor

This year, the school newspaper was a disappointment, some fun, and a new start. The "disappointments": We only published three issues; we lost our editor-

in-chief; we experienced several problems getting the newly installed computer program up and running, including a malfunctioning printer and software glitches, which demoralized the staff.

The "new start"; We now have a new Mac "clone" computer which is loaded with the graphic arts software (now functioning), so that the staff can completely write and layout the paper and present a disc to Graphic Arts for printing; We also have a good printer to facilitate that process.

The "fun": Some staffers were taken to several after school seminars at the New Bedford Standard Times where we developed a working relationship with that paper and other high school journalists and had two articles published on the Standard Times' regional high school page (one by Ryan Andrade on cliques, and one by Melissa Albergaria on the prom); on two occasions, a professional journalist came to my class and conducted an informal seminar on newspaper writing; my classes and I visited the county jail in Dartmouth, interviewed prisoners, and wrote a subsequent article on the experience.

Key Club - Suzanne Thibert, Advisor

The Key Club actively assisted in the celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Kiwanis Club of Fall River. In addition to being sponsors of the anniversary program, Key Club President Jocelyn Motta, Secretary Danielle Concepcion, Vice-President Erin Rodrigues, and Key Club Advisor Suzanne Thibert attended the celebratory banquet held at White's on the Watuppa.

The Key Club also assisted the Kiwanis Club at the Annual Bicycle Safety Day held to provide children of the community with riding helmets and safety information.

Fundraising activities were sponsored by the Key Club throughout the school year. Examples of highly successful fundraisers included candy sales and novelty item sales.

Highlighting the academic year's activities were two large events: the Annual Christmas Food Basket Drive and the Bowl-A-Thon for Rose Hawthorne Lathrop Cancer Home. Twenty-five families from our Diman community were given food baskets for a traditional Christmas dinner and enough staples for a week of family dining.

A check for \$350 was presented to Rose Hawthorne Lathrop Cancer Home. The patients also received cards and picture frames.

The Key Club donated a generous monetary gift to a Swansea thirty-something Cerebral Palsy wheelchair-bound mother of two. This assisted her in converting her home into a handicapped accessible building. She was featured in local news publications. The Club received a lovely note of appreciation from her and her husband.

Key Club officers for the 1997-1998 school year were: President, Jocelyn Motta - Fall River; Vice President, Erin Rodrigues - Fall River; Secretary, Danielle Concepcion - Fall River; and Treasurer, Stacey Gonsalves - Fall River.

"The Artisan 1998" - Yearbook - Lisa Pacheco, Advisor

The Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School yearbook, 49th edition of

THE ARTISAN, under Advisor Lisa Pacheco, has undergone several changes. For the first time, the yearbook staff attended a seminar at Johnson and Wales in Seekonk, on how to create and edit innovative yearbooks. With their quick answers and thorough knowledge, the Graphic Arts, yearbook staff members won various contests and returned to Diman with an array of prizes and integrity.

The 1998 graduating class dedicated the 49th edition of THE ARTISAN to two inspirational faculty members, Mr. John Cantwell, computer aided drafting instructor, and Mr. Thomas Aubin, social studies teacher, cross-country and women's basketball coach. Both educators, vocational and academic, have made a positive impact on the lives of the Diman Regional Vocational students.

The yearbook staff is looking forward to celebrating the 50th edition of THE ARTISAN and the 30th anniversary of Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School's existing facility

Senior Class - Margaret A. Hopkins, Advisor

The Senior Prom Committee of the Class of 1998 consisted of a representative sampling of all shops. Approximately thirty-five students were involved in fundraising, fostering class spirit, and planning the prom. Many of the fundraising activities place the emphasis on "fun." The first activity of the year was the Senior Class group picture. Sales of this class picture were good with many students purchasing the memento. Other activities were the sale of candy canes at Christmas and carnations for the Valentine's Day holiday. Money raised by the committee is used to defray prom expenses and to keep the ticket price as low as possible.

The Senior Prom was held on Friday evening, June 5, 1998, at the Providence Biltmore. With an attendance of approximately 312, this prom again broke attendance records. Twelve faculty members were in attendance as chaperones. The disc jockeys were former Diman students and enjoyed having the opportunity to visit with friends and acquaintances. Once again, the after-prom party back at the school was well attended and enjoyed by our seniors.

Both Class Night and Graduation activities ran smoothly. The Class of 1998 received compliments from many of those people attending their Graduation events as being a well-behaved and courteous class. As class advisor, I was particularly impressed with the number of students who thanked me for all my work in preparing such a "fun" prom for them. Although rain dampened the Graduation, it did not dampen the spirits of students and parents who attended. I thoroughly enjoyed the time spent with this Senior Class and believe that our students represent the best of young people today.

Junior Class - Lorraine Caine, Advisor

With the guidance of class advisor, Mrs. Lorraine Caine, the Junior Class held two major fundraisers. A Christmas Candy Sale netted a profit of \$8,214 while an Easter Candy Sale netted a profit of \$4,475. The Junior Prom was held on Friday, May 22, 1998, at Independence Harbor in Assonet, MA, with 224 in attendance. The fifth Annual All-Junior Class Bay Queen Cruise was on Tuesday, June 16, 1998. Both events were a tremendous success.

Sophomore Class - Susan Mullen, Advisor

The Sophomore Class had its main event on June 12, 1998, at Pleasure Island in Swansea. The event is mainly a dance, although there are other activities such as basketball, volleyball, sumo wrestling, and twister. Food was also served. This activity is accomplished in conjunction with the Freshman Class.

Freshman Class - Elizabeth Jonsson, Advisor

The Freshman Class held a dance at Pleasure Island on June 12, 1998, which included a cookout, dancing, games, etc. During the school year, candy was sold to defray the cost of the tickets. Students helped with organizing the candy sales and ticket sales, posters and the distribution of directions to Pleasure Island.

Explorer Post - Susan Mullen, Advisor

The Explorer Post is a self-supporting group, which raises funds through candy sales and spaghetti and meatball suppers. All advisors are volunteers. The Post consists of 30 Explorers, five advisors, and two committee members. The Explorer Post went on two deep-sea fishing charters, one ski night, one ski weekend, one white-water rafting weekend, and a field trip to Martha's Vineyard.

Graduation

High School - At the graduation ceremonies on June 7, 1998, 240 diplomas were awarded to members of the Class of 1998. The Honorable James McGovern, U.S. Congressman, was the keynote speaker.

School of Practical Nursing - Diman Regional's School of Practical Nursing continued to fulfill the needs of the community during the past school year. A total of 54 students, comprised of 40 day students and 14 evening students, graduated from Diman's School of Practical Nursing on June 30, 1998.

Evening School - Edward Gillespie, Director

In our effort to serve the adult community, we continued to offer programs that are not only educational but provide for a career change. Also, many of the students use our programs to upgrade their skills to advance themselves in their particular trade.

A total of 232 adults participated in our evening school for the 1997-98 school year. They were enrolled in the following programs: Masters Electric Code, Journeyman Electric Code, Electric Code Update, Journeyman and Masters Plumbing Code, Fireman 2nd Class, Arc Welding, Mig Welding, Windows 95, Internet, Basic Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning, Advanced Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning, and Refrigerant Transition and Recovery.

Thirteen students took the Fireman 2nd Class written state examination sponsored by the Department of Public Safety. This exam was administered in the Diman library. Out of thirteen students, twelve students passed the exam.

Seven students took the EPA masters certification test for HVACR, also given at Diman.

Grants - Debbie Silveira, Coordinator

Diman applied for and received funding for various grants which totaled \$430,048.

The Carl Perkins Grant (\$183,806) Funded:

1. Auto Mechanics: Brake lathe, simulator trainer, trouble shooting lights, shop computer, monitor 4000E, basic hand tools, fuel injection test kit, cart for the simulator trainer, sandblaster, multiple tool chest, drill bits, refrigerant I.D. instrument.
2. Building Technology: Finishing spray system HVLP.
3. Culinary Arts: Market Forge Steam Kettle, Tilt Skillet.
4. Graphic Arts: Folding machine pile feeder.
5. Machine Shop: Lathes and accessories (4).
6. Metal Fabrication and Welding: Plasma Cutter software package, vertical band saw, Di-Acro Power Bender.

Diman also received grants for:

1. The Special Needs 94-142 Grant (\$77,760) purchased the services of one special needs teacher and supplies.
2. Title VI Grant (\$10,289) purchased computer, electric library, software, books and videos.
3. The Drug Free School Grant (\$5,484) purchased supplies and provided presentations which educated students about drugs and their effect.
4. The Health Protection Grant (\$26,348) provided Diman with a Health Coordinator, supplies and health related presentations.
5. The D.D. Eisenhower Grant (\$6,660) was utilized for out-of-state travel as professional development for re-writing the curriculum.
6. Title I Grant (\$63,684) covered the salary and benefits of one reading teacher. In addition, the opportunity for teachers to attend conferences and the purchase of supplies.
7. Support Access to Curriculum (\$5,317) was utilized for professional development in re-writing the curriculum and supplies.
8. Tech Prep Grant (\$700) was applied toward promotion of Tech Prep services.
9. Tech Bond Matching (\$35,000) was utilized to re-wire the building.
10. Tech Literacy (\$10,000) was utilized for Internet training.
11. Score (\$5,000) provided Peer Mediation training.

**GREATER FALL RIVER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 1998
BUDGET**

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| <u>Foundation Revenue</u> | |
| Chapter 70 Foundation Aid | 8,713,956 |

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| <u>Local Receipts</u> | |
| Interest On Investments | 25,000 |
| Productivity | 22,000 |
| Rental Of Facilities | <u>1,200</u> |
| Total Local Receipts | 48,200 |
| Total Foundation Revenue | 8,762,156 |

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| <u>Foundation Operating Expenses</u> | |
| 1000 School Committee | 273,701 |
| 2000 Instruction | 6,400,233 |
| 3000 Student Related Expenses | 216,884 |
| 4000 Plant Operations/ Maintenance | 1,080,667 |
| 5000 Retirement & Insurance | 1,346,500 |
| 7000 Fixed Assets | <u>468,730</u> |
| Total Operating Expenditures | 9,786,715 |

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| <u>Foundation Community Assessments</u> | |
| Foundation Operating Expenses | 9,786,715 |
| Foundation Revenue | <u>8,762,156</u> |
| Total Foundation Community Assessments | 1,024,559 |

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|------------|----------------|--|
| Fall River | 432,430 | |
| Somerset | 93,344 | |
| Swansea | 374,905 | |
| Westport | <u>123,880</u> | |
| Total | 1,024,559 | |

Non-Foundation Budget

Non-Foundation Enrollment (Transportation)

| | # Students | Assessment |
|------------|------------|----------------|
| Fall River | 900 | 432,430 |
| Somerset | 71 | 93,344 |
| Swansea | 107 | 374,905 |
| Westport | <u>78</u> | <u>123,880</u> |
| Total | 1,156 | 1,024,559 |

Transportation (By Regional Agreement)

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|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Student Transportation Expenses | 295,500 |
| Chapter 71 Transportation Aid | <u>177,300</u> |
| Regional Transportation Assessment | \$ 118,200 |

| | Ratio | x | Regional Assessment | Community Assessment |
|---|---------|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| FALL RIVER | (.7785) | x | \$ 118,200 | \$ 92,019 |
| SOMERSET | (.0614) | x | 118,200 | 7,257 |
| SWANSEA | (.0926) | x | 118,200 | 10,945 |
| WESTPORT | (.0675) | x | 118,200 | 7,979 |
| Total Regional Transportation Assessments | | | | \$ 118,200 |

Total Community Assessments

| | Foundation | Transportation | Total |
|------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| FALL RIVER | \$ 432,430 | \$ 92,019 | \$ 524,449 |
| SOMERSET | 93,344 | 7,257 | 100,601 |
| SWANSEA | 374,905 | 10,945 | 385,850 |
| WESTPORT | 123,880 | 7,979 | 131,859 |
| Total | \$1,024,559 | \$ 118,200 | \$1,142,759 |



Fire Chief William Tripp & Helena Tripp During 4th of July Parade

PERSONNEL BY DEPARTMENTS

Administration

Dennis Abdow, Occupational Coordinator
Brian Bentley, Dean of Students
Deborah Kenney, District Treasurer
George Letendre, Academic/Post-Secondary Coordinator
Joseph Martins, Superintendent-Director
Rogerio Ramos, Assistant Superintendent-Director/Principal

Auto Body

Clifford Ashton
Serafin Cabral
Ronald Duclos
Louis Tabicas

Auto Mechanics

John Chicharro
Stephen Cloutier
Roland Levesque
John Miranda
Raymond Phenix

Building Maintenance

Edmond Bichel
Steven Camara
Armand Larginha
Theodore Lopes

Culinary Arts

Paul Bertoncini
Jeffrey Coulombe
Edward Kerr
Roger Salpietro
David Viveros

Drafting

David Belliveau
John Cantwell
William Pavao
Edward Skelly

HVAC

Frederick Brown
Edward Costa
John Pimentel

General Shop

James Pereira

Electricity

Armand Duquette
Rene Martel
Daniel Pacheco
Michael Pillarella

Electronics

Alvaro Depaco
Ronald Guay
Kenneth Rapoza

Graphic Arts

Bernard Comeau
Joseph Sousa
Paul Viveiros

Health Careers

Maureen Cain
Patricia Daley
Karen Oliveira
Theresa Silva
Kathleen St. Martin

House & Mill Carpentry

Gerald Barboza
Robert Ciosek
Stephen Marciszyn
Douglas Marsden
Ronald Silvia

Machine Shop

Robert Avilla
Martin Bernat
Steven Blanchette
Michael Oliveira
Michael Valerio

Painting & Decorating

Michael Berube
Jeanne Schwamt
Joni Souza

Plumbing

George Flanagan
Kenneth Pacheco
Warren Rodgers

Practical Nurse

Stephen Alves
Carol Legault
Barbara Pitera
Marguerite Sheahan
Joan Waring

Aides

Richard Cournoyer - Computer
Deborah Dore - Guidance
Joy Frain - Health
M. Elizabeth Primo - Tea Room
Donald Rogers - Housebuilding

Custodial

Fernando Andrade
Clifford Ford
Robert Grimes
Michael Lacroix
Henri Levesque
Charles Medeiros
John Pereira
Thomas Ridge
Donald Talgo

Metal Fabrication & Welding

Edward Carreiro
Paul Nogueira
Stephen Russell
Richard Vickrey

Clerical

Amy Beth Arruda
Judith Avilla
Rosemary Blanchette
Amy Bosse
Mary Lacroix
Kathleen Laprise
Colette O'Halloran
Jean Pappas
Mariana Rodrigues
Christine Silvia

Permanent Substitutes

Emilio Estacio
Ronald Dufault
David Gauvin
Arnold Harnois
Robert Parks
Joseph Pitera

Cafeteria

Janice Brown
Rachel Cabral
Lucille Cardoza
Jeanne Martel
Ann Reynolds

Support Staff

Henry Champagne, Job Placement Coordinator
Glenn Benevides, Supervisor of Building and Grounds
Noreen Burns, Health Protection Coordinator
Edmund Silva, Central Receiving Coordinator
Debbie Silveira, SPED-Team Chairperson/Grants
Helen Whipple, Secretary to Superintendent-Director and
Regional School District Committee

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HARBORMASTER

The 1998 boating season was very active with the newly renovated State Boat Ramp open for the entire year, the exceptional weather with only one weekend (Columbus Day) a rain out and below average amounts of fog. The Harbormaster Department responded to over 114 calls for assistance using 2 vessels from April 1, 1998 through December 22, 1998. The mobile pumpout vessel pumped out more than 6,000 gallons of boat septage for the season (up from 4,800 gallons for 1997). Boaters keep responding very well to the CVA (Clean Vessel Act) pumpout program.

A new 1,000 gallon fiberglass holding tank has been installed at the State Boat Ramp through a \$5,500 CVA Grant at no cost to the Town. It replaced the old steel tank which rusted out after about 5 years,

The new non-resident user fees, as approved by the Board of Selectmen, of \$2.50 per foot went into effect and raised approximately an additional \$7,000 of revenue. The Police Department made themselves available on weekends with a jet ski officer and spent time on both rivers, outside the harbor and on Watuppa and Sawdy Ponds. They look at this help as part of community policing and public service and use monies provided through grants, etc. to support their efforts. The permits for the Hix Bridge Landing floats were approved and the floats were in place for the 1998 season along with a 22 foot gangway with rope railings. Depending on the repair of Hix Bridge, the adjacent boat ramp and landing (parking area) should be available for the 1999 season.

General activity on the waterways was under control and the boaters, for the most part, followed the rules and behaved appropriately. There was a minimum amount of theft and very little vandalism of property on the waterfront. There appears to be continued shoaling of areas inside the west branch of the River east toward the Route 88 Bridge. These conditions, along with Town Dock repairs, are being looked at and will require some action down the road.

Revenues collected during the 1998 boating season were as follows:

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| Slip and mooring fees (approximately 1250) | \$ 39,000.00 |
| Daily mooring rentals | 250.00 |
| Seasonal mooring rentals | 2,600.00 |
| State Boat Ramp (daily gate) | 7,550.00 |
| State Boat Ramp (Town Clerk seasonal) | 4,075.00 |
| Boat Excise Taxes (to municipal waterways fund) | 18,500.00 |
| and to the General Fund | 18,500.00 |
| Total paid by boaters in 1998 | \$ 90,475.00 |

As always, I would like to thank my dedicated assistants Roger Reed, Jonathan Paull, John Bevis, James Perry and Gary Tripp for a great job done in 1998. These assistants risk their lives when called upon for the sake of the Town and area boaters. Special thanks go out to Kitty Benoit and Terry Vaillancourt in Accounting for keeping things in order, Sharon Potter, Sharon Martori and Carol Bird in the Assessors' office, Charlene Wood and Denise Bouchard in the Selectmen's office and the people in the Treasurer's, Town Clerk's and Tax Collector's office and the Highway Department and Police Dispatchers, as these people are a great help to the Harbormaster and his department.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Earle, Harbormaster

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Major activities of the Westport Historical Commission during 1998 were as follows:

| <u>Regular</u> | | <u>Alternates</u> | |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Geraldine Millham | 6/30/2001 | Richard Wertz | 6/30/99 |
| Lincoln Tripp | 6/30/2001 | Leonard Silvia | 6/30/99 |
| Barbara Koenitzer | 6/30/2000 | Suzanne Lentini | 6/30/99 |
| William Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/2000 | Barbara Wood | 6/30/2000 |
| Christopher Wise | 6/30/99 | Norma Judson | 6/30/2000 |
| Jacqueline Hill | 6/30/99 | Eleanor S. Tripp (Honorary) | |
| Virginia Edgcomb | 6/30/99 | | |

In 1998, the Westport Historical Commission conducted three public hearings, issued two certificates of appropriateness and one certificate of non-applicability.

The Commission worked on a page for the Town's web site and completed plans for new gates for the Westport Point Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Underwood, Chairman



The "Kate Cory" Weathervane

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Westport Housing Authority is a public agency operated by a Board of Commissioners composed of five members, four elected and the fifth appointed by the Governor through the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Community Development of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

A Message From The Authority

The members of the Westport Housing Authority would like to commend its staff for an exemplary job in keeping Greenwood Terrace running smoothly. The complex is a fine addition to our community and serves a specific segment of the population. The age requirement has been lowered from 62 to 60 years of age. The individuals with a handicap/disability can be of any age. On August 9, 1996, the Department of Housing and Community Development implemented 760 CMR 5:00 which removed the asset limit.

The Board of Commissioners hold their regular meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members

Kevin Hill, Chairman

Richard Vohnoutka, Vice-Chairman

Patricia Pariseau

George Yeomans, Treasurer

Timothy Ford

Staff

Sandra Keighley, Executive Director

Helen Beaulieu, Administrative Assistant

Gerard R Lebeau, Maintenance

Eligibility Requirements

1. You must be 60 years or older and/or handicapped/disabled.
2. Your income cannot exceed \$26,250 for one person and \$30,000 for two persons.
3. There is no asset limit.

Greenwood Terrace is a seven-building, 48-unit complex consisting of 7 buildings. Each building has 8 one bedroom units. The community hall with laundry facilities and office is open daily.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Hill, Chairman

WESTPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LANDING COMMISSION

TREASURER

I hereby submit my annual report as Treasurer, December 31, 1998

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| Balance January 1, 1998 | \$ 22,599.19 |
| Received from Leases | 2,400.00 |
| Interest Received on Deposits | <u>1,106.84</u> |
| TOTAL | \$ 26,106.03 |
| Expenditures 1998 | 1,395.32 |
| Balance December 31, 1998 | \$ 24,710.71 |

Respectfully submitted,

George E. Foster
Treasurer

LANDING COMMISSION

In 1998 two new members were elected to the Board, Stafford Hart and Harold (Jack) Sisson, Jr. They replaced Kenneth Manchester and Robert Sykes, both of whom chose not to run for re-election. Carl Tripp remained as Chairman for his third year.

Because of increased staffing and new equipment, the Highway Department was able to provide the grounds maintenance at the Head Landing, which in past years had been done by outside contractors.

With the efforts of Marilyn Whalley, the Town's Grant Administrator, an engineering survey of the Head Landing was performed and sent with an application to the State with hopes of acquiring grant funds for the enhancement of this historical site. Unfortunately, State cutbacks of grant funding for such projects will not allow the Commission to move forward at this time. Further attempts to procure grant money will continue.

For the first time River Day, held at the Head Landing in June, was canceled due to extremely inclement weather. On the brighter side, Westport's Council on Aging held an afternoon band concert in July for the listening pleasure of the seniors and other Town residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Tripp, Chairman
Christopher Gillespie
Stafford Hart
Harold Sisson, Jr.
Landing Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE WESTPORT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Frances Kirkaldy
Pauline Dooley
Margaret Panos

Ruth Manchester
Deborah Lee
Mary Medeiros

Staff

Library Director
Assistant Library Director
Library Clerk
Library Clerk
Custodian

Anita Baron
Susan Branco
Gayle Boudria
Jane Young
John Medeiros

The year started with a vacancy on the Board of Trustees due to the death of Rhoda Sheehan in November of 1997. Her one year unexpired term was filled at the 1998 Town Election by Pauline Dooley.

A new custodian was hired in January to work for both the Library and the Council on Aging, thus making one full-time job out of two part-time ones. An appropriate time schedule was easily arranged and the job sharing is working out satisfactorily for all concerned.

Two new personal computers were purchased to allow patrons access to the Internet. An Internet Use Policy has been established and is posted near the PC's. Patrons are requested to read this policy before accessing the Internet.

The lighting in the parking area in front of the library was insufficient for patron safety, so two new lights were installed.

Several years ago the library purchased passes that entitled patrons to visit the Rhode Island School of Design Museum. However, these were not used sufficiently to make the continued purchase worthwhile, so they were not renewed. A recent upsurge of interest in museum passes prompted us to try again. This time we purchased passes to the Museum of Science in Boston enabling up to four people at a time to be admitted for only \$2.00 apiece. These have turned out to be popular.

The Friends of the Westport Library (FOWL) held their yearly book sale at the Harvest Festival which netted \$825.00. This entire sum was turned over to the library. FOWL's annual meeting was held in November. Following the business meeting those attending were treated to a slide show on Alaska given by Ruth Edwards.

The Lions Club once again made a donation of \$500.00 for the purchase of large print books. We are grateful to both FOWL and the Lions Club for their support.

We are particularly fortunate that our Assistant Library Director has a strong background as a Children's Librarian. Year after year her programs continue to be extremely popular. Throughout the past year there were pre-school storytimes for ages 3-5 and six after-school programs for ages 6-12. A total of 131 children attended these activities.

For ages 3-12 there was the annual summer reading club entitled "Unlock the

Mystery....Read!". Sixty children earned certificates for this program, which also included the annual pajama storytime.

During June, the six 2nd grade classes from Westport Elementary School visited the library to receive library cards and to check out books.

A grant from the Westport Arts Council made possible in August a family concert with Davis Bates and Roger Tincknell entitled "Nature's Mysteries: "Celebration in Story and Song". This program was attended by 125 children and adults.

In October, the Helen Ellis Charitable Trust funded a family evening of Halloween stories called "Tales from the October Moon" told by storyteller Marc Joel Levitt. This evening presentation was enjoyed by 80 children and adults. The funds for these two special events were awarded to the library as a result of the grant applications prepared by the Assistant Library Director.

During the year, the Board of Trustees undertook a planning process as required by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. This necessitated an analysis of our policies, procedures, personnel, technology, space and funding to help us determine what our most pressing needs are and how to satisfy those needs. A week-long user survey was conducted by volunteers (Trustees, patrons and members of Girl Scout Troop 906) who helped distribute and collect questionnaires.

The following needs were identified - more shelving, space for public access terminals, a consolidated area for the Westport Collection, meeting space, parking space, storage space - in other words, SPACE! It became obvious that an addition to the library was the only way to go, so the decision was made to investigate the building of such an addition.

This year-long planning process culminated in a document entitled "Westport Free Public Library, Plan of Service, 1998-2003". Copies were sent to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and several Town boards.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Kirkaldy, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MODERATOR

I respectfully submit my 1998 Annual report as Moderator of the Town of Westport.

During the year, I presided at all Town Meetings, attended the Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Moderators' Association, and made appointments and reappointments to the Finance Committee.

Town Meetings

During the year, the Town held two Town Meetings; the Annual of April 7th and the Special of April 7th.

I would like to thank all the voters who took the time to fill out the survey "Conducting Town Meeting". Your comments were much appreciated and will be used as a tool to improve the process.

Massachusetts Moderators' Association

In October, I attended the annual meeting of the Association held at Old Sturbridge Village. Two annual workshops were held. The first, was the annual "Free Fire Zone" of discussion and the second, was to discuss the role of town counsel and bond counsel in the town meeting process. After the annual meeting, a highlight, was a recreation of an 1830's style town meeting.

Finance Committee

During the year, I acted on the following, regarding the Finance Committee:

I reappointed for three years, term expires June 30, 2001, Mr. John J. Baughan of River Road and Mr. Robert N. McCarthy of Drift Road.

I accepted with regret the resignation of Mr. George Costa, who served since 1992.

I appointed for three years, term expires June 30, 2001, Mr. Chester B. Adams, Jr. of Tickles Road, who replaced Mr. Costa.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

AS OF
DECEMBER 31, 1998

| <u>MEMBERS</u> | <u>TERM EXPIRES</u> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| George F. Dean | 1999 |
| John M. Margarida (Chairman) | 1999 |
| Angelina Souza | 1999 |
| Veronica F. Beaulieu (Vice-Chairman) | 2000 |
| Richard E. Huczek | 2000 |
| Gary E. Mauk | 2000 |
| Chester B. Adams, Jr. | 2001 |
| John J. Baughan | 2001 |
| Robert N. McCarthy | 2001 |

Respectfully submitted,

Brad C. Brightman
Moderator



10,000, 4,000 & 500 Gallon Underground Storage Tanks
Removed from Town Property

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

The Westport Personnel Board hereby submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1998.

During the course of the year the Board held meetings on the third Wednesday of the month when called for. Two new positions were added in the Police Department, Executive Officer and Administrative Assistant. The Wage and Classification Study was completed. Once it is fully reviewed and updated it ultimately will be presented to Town Meeting for approval. Several positions have to be decided in 1999.

Our recording clerk, Amy Legendre, tendered her resignation in the Summer. We wish to thank Amy for all her work on behalf of the Personnel Board.

The current members include Ann Chandanais, Chairman, Richard Huczek, Vice-Chairman, James W. Coyne, Jr., Marlene Pelletier, Richard Vohnoutka.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Chandanais, Chairman



Kevin Mello's "The Ocean Hunter"

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Westport Planning Board was organized for the 1998 year as follows:

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Timothy Gillespie, Chairman | Term expires 2002 |
| John S. Penney, Jr., Clerk | Term expires 1999 |
| John Montano | Term expires 2001 |
| David D. Wallace | Term expires 2000 |
| David J.S. Emilita | Term expires 1999 |

At the Town election in March, Glenn Mauk was elected for a term to expire in 2003. Mr. Mauk resigned June 1, 1998. David J.S. Emilita was then jointly appointed by the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board to fill the term until the 1999 Town election.

The Board meets every other Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex. During the past year the Board held 27 meetings. The Board held 14 public hearings to consider the following: 1 to consider amendments to the Zoning By-Laws and 13 to consider proposed subdivisions. Activity of subdivision is as follows:

| | | |
|--|----|----------------------|
| <u>Definitive Subdivisions Submitted</u> | 10 | Creating 59 New Lots |
| Number Approved | 7 | Creating 36 New Lots |
| Number to be Acted on in 1999 | 3 | Creating 23 New Lots |
| Submitted in 1997 - Approved in 1998 | 3 | Creating 20 New Lots |

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|---|---|----------------------|
| <u>Preliminary Subdivisions Submitted</u> | 2 | Creating 19 New Lots |
| Number Approved | 1 | Creating 5 New Lots |
| Number Disapproved | 1 | Creating 14 New Lots |
| Number Withdrawn | 0 | Creating 0 New Lots |
| Number to be Acted on in 1999 | 0 | Creating 0 New Lots |
| Number Which Became | | |
| Definitive Subdivisions | 1 | Creating 5 New Lots |

| | | |
|------------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| <u>Approval Not Required</u> | | |
| <u>Plans Submitted</u> | 41 | Creating 115 New Lots |

In addition to business as usual, the Planning Board has continued its determined efforts to take some proactive measures in the interest of addressing the need for the Town to manage its own growth.

The Strategic Growth Committee worked very hard for the second year of its existence and enjoyed success at the 1998 Annual Town Meeting.

An article to establish a Master Plan Update Committee passed with an appropriation of \$15,000. The task of this Committee is to develop an Executive Summary of an updated Master Plan. It is composed of members of the Planning Board, other Town boards and committees, as well as members at large. The Committee hired an assistant to go over all past plans and compile a report that would help us consolidate all available information that could contribute to the executive summary. The first phase of the project has involved meeting every two weeks and discussing each element of the Master Plan. This process has served to develop a better under-

standing of the Master Plan elements and their inter-relationship. The next phase will involve forming sub-committees that will address specific elements and then reaching out to the community for its input.

An Aquifer Protection By-Law passed with strong support. The Town will now have better control of activities within the aquifer district, which will help protect our groundwater.

The Strategic Growth Committee went to Town Meeting with a request for an appropriation of \$60,000 to complete the development of Westport's GIS (Geographic Information System). The article passed with strong support and the firm of Cartographic Associates from New Hampshire has been hired to complete the digitizing of Westport's parcel maps and linking them to the Assessor's database. This is happening at the same time as the Town's own LAN (Local Area Network) is being set up, which includes new software and hardware for the Assessor's office as well as integrated permitting software for the Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Building Department and Planning Board. By the end of 1999, Westport will have in place, a computer network and GIS that will be state of the art and will be an invaluable tool in managing the Town's growth and protecting its multitude of natural resources.

One other important success at Town Meeting was the approval of a request to extend the hours of our clerk from less than twenty hours per week to less than thirty. We should now be able to attend to other tasks that have gone unattended due to the limited hours.

One sad note for 1998 was the announcement by our clerk, Cindy Keene, that she would be leaving for employment elsewhere. She has been the key player in redefining the way the Planning Board does business. In the three years she held the position, she carried the major workload for the board members and kept us organized and focused on the matters that needed our attention. Our new and first real office space at the Town Hall Annex was given form and identity by Cindy's gentle touch. We will truly miss her and wish her all the best.

With Cindy's help, we have fortunately found a worthy replacement for her in the person of Fran Rocha from New Bedford. Fran has shown enthusiasm for the position and is learning quickly all the details of the job. We are hopeful that Fran will have the same patience with the board members as Cindy has shown and will tell us when we ask her to do too much.

Respectfully submitted,
Timothy Gillespie, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the following as the report of the Westport Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1998.

ORGANIZATION

Chief of Police

Michael R. Healy

Executive Officer
John R. Gifford

Administrative Assistant
Nancy A. Braga

Lieutenants

William C. White (Retired)

Joseph E. Carvalho

Sergeants

John R. Gifford
Stephen D. Kovar Jr.
Thomas R. Plourde

Paul E. Holden (Detective)
Pauline Q. Field
Jeffrey F. Majewski

Regular Police Officers

Douglas J. Britland
Reginald Deschenes
David M. Morrisette
Mario DaCunha (K-9)
Gary L. Cambra (SRO)
David B. Arruda
Scott W. Arrington

Michael R. Roussel
Michael S. Perry
Keith A. Pelletier
Antonio J. Cestodio
David Simcoe
Michael D. Silvia
Francois A. Napert III

John P. Couto
Marshall A. Ronco
Richard J. Rodrigues
Gary M. Foley
Michael D. O'Connor (Detective)
Daniel R. Sullivan (Academy)
Robert E. Thatcher (Academy)

E-911 Dispatchers

Marianna M. Butler
Jennifer Mahaney

Darrin Blais (Resigned)
Mary Ellen Morelli

Reserve Police Officers

Raymond J. Araujo
David E. Bellavance
Brian D. Souza
Robert Plummer
Fernando P. Pontes
Kristen R. Barboza
Christopher M. Mello
Christopher A. Dunn
Todd C. Oliver

Douglas P. Orr
Richard M. Greaves
Justin P. Tripp
Keith J. Novo
Michael P. Cusick
David M. Leite
Kristine M. Carreiro
Ryan S. Nickelson
Scott P. Joseph

Steven J. Ouellette
Nia D. Ketchen
Carl Mendoza
Sean J. Crook
Mark C. Rosinha
Erika L. Bussiere
Bryan McCarthy
William J. Falandys Jr.

As Chief of Police for the Town of Westport I respectfully submit the Police Department's 1998 Annual Report. Reflecting back over the year I was gratified with the success that was achieved by the men and women of the Westport Police Department. It was through their individual efforts that we successfully implemented a rewarding community policing program. The pinnacle of the community-policing program came in June when our Department was awarded the Robert Trojanowicz Memorial Award for community policing. This award is presented each year to one community within the six New England States. Representatives from each New England State nominate a community they feel best epitomizes the true

intent of Robert Trojanowicz's community policing philosophy. This was the first year all six states voted for the same community.

Our community policing program this year has been responsible for many programs, projects and citizen interaction groups. Some of those have been a bicycle safety training seminar, numerous seat belt awareness checkpoints, two civilian police academies, three safety programs for seniors, vehicle etching program, which reduces auto insurance costs, establishing a baby sitter training program for potential baby sitters, created a Police Advisory Board to solicit community input into the operation of the Police Department, initiated the process for a Police Explorer Post, expanded our D.A.R.E. program and worked more diligently with MADD and SADD to address alcohol abuse. These accomplishments could not have been achieved without the cooperation of the members of the Department and community support. As a result of our tenacity to the community policing philosophy and mission, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Safety through the Secretary of Public Safety awarded the Town of Westport Police Department a grant of \$40,000 to continue our efforts. This award was higher than most communities our size, I believe, because of our previous achievements and commitment to community interaction.

During 1998, we added three new police officers under the COPS Universal-hiring program. For the next three years the federal government will reimburse the Town of Westport two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars which equals seventy-five percent of the officers' salary. With these officers we are approaching a staffing level appropriate to meet Westport's public safety needs. Also in 1998, the Department initiated a canine program and assigned Officer Mario DaCunha and his canine Casar (pronounced sayzar) to that duty. Town Meeting in March approved the positions of Executive Officer and Administrative Assistant. John Gifford and Nancy Braga were promoted respectively to those positions on July 1st. Both are deserving of the promotions and are true assets to the Department.

In January, the Westport Police Department was responsible for what has been described by the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) as the largest drug lab



"Westport's Finest"

seizure on the East Coast and possibly the United States. Two Westport Police Officers were responsible for initiating the investigation and its success. As a result of their professional handling of the case, Sergeants John Bell and Thomas Plourde were awarded the Sherman C. Griffiths Memorial Award by the New England Narcotics Enforcement Officers Association at their annual banquet in Hyannis. This is one of the most prestigious awards presented annually by the narcotics officer's association in the memory of Boston Detective Sherman Griffiths, a member of the N.E.N.E.O.A. who was killed on duty in February of 1988.

The Department conducted numerous educative community service safety programs. You may have had the opportunity to participate in one of them. They included seat belt awareness checkpoints at the schools, various intersections and at Horseneck Beach. Radar enforcement has increased in many neighborhoods at the request of those residents. We have placed the speed control sign, which we borrowed from the Town of Dartmouth, at several locations with a positive response from the community. Bicycle safety was, and continues to be, a concern of this Department. During the year members of the Department conducted bicycle safety education sessions for the young members of our community. These programs included safety checks of bicycles, operational safety lessons and issuance of helmets to those who did not have one. We also provided training and awareness information regarding child restraining seats.

The Westport Police Department has not only focused our attention on youth. Several members of the Police Department have assisted Officer John Couto, the Department's senior liaison, in conducting informative educational programs for our senior citizens. These training programs have been provided at the Senior Center on Reed Road and the Greenwood Terrace Housing for the Elderly at 666 State Road. The programs have included home security, personal security and the dangers of con artists and telephone exploitation. Additionally, the residents at Greenwood Terrace had a legitimate concern with pedestrian safety as they crossed State Road (Route 6). Because of their safety concerns several police officers conducted an enforcement effort at that location which enlightened both the motoring public and the Greenwood residents themselves. As you can see, the Westport Police Department takes a proactive approach to community safety. The traditional mind set of reactionary policing is a thing of the past.

Various supervisors of the Westport Police Department have described some of their individual tasks and programs in the following reports.

D.A.R.E

The Westport Police Department D.A.R.E. program finished the (97-98) school year with flying colors. Sergeant Pauline Q. Field continues as the program's administrator and as one of the D.A.R.E. Team instructors. Sergeant Field and Officer Gary Foley completed instruction of the 5th grade program and the culmination was held in March 1998. The event recognized students who had successfully completed the seventeen-week course of instruction. The school year was completed with an official D.A.R.E. Day Barbecue. Officers returned to school in June to host an afternoon with 5th grade students. Officer Antonio Cestodio (better known as Officer Tony) joined the D.A.R.E. Team at the start of 1998 and completed the instruction of the 1st grade program. Grade 3 instruction was also added to the program this year.

Sergeant Field and Officer Foley did the instruction at the grade 3 level, as well as, at the Middle School level. The D.A.R.E. curriculum was presented to all 8th grade students. The Westport Police Department D.A.R.E. program achieved great success through the support and funding from the Executive Office of Public Safety's D.A.R.E. Grant.

In April the D.A.R.E. Team attended a 3-day training seminar that was funded through a grant from the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs. The officers came back with many exciting ideas and techniques for encouraging positive interaction with our community's youth. Officer Tony learned to tie balloon animals. He has taught the skill to several officers of the Department. Volunteer officers attending the Prime Time event held at both the Macomber and Westport Elementary Schools made over 700 balloon animals. Officer Tony always has a balloon in his pocket and has used them to calm children at accident scenes and other traumatic incidents. Since the first appearances at Prime Time, our ABalloon Tying Officers" have made several public appearances at community events.

When the school year ended, our D.A.R.E. Team carried on. We participated in several community safety days and health fairs. Sergeant Field participated in the first Bristol County District Attorney's D.A.R.E. Summer Camp. She spent a week at camp as an instructor and team leader. She was also involved in the planning and organizing of the week's events. Officer's Foley and Cestodio also assisted at the camp by participating in the instructional portion. Sergeant Field also participated in the Barnstable County District Attorney's D.A.R.E. Summer Camp. The respective District Attorneys recognized the officers for their efforts.

The D.A.R.E. Team started the (98-99) school year with three instructors targeting the 5th grade core curriculum. D.A.R.E. Day at Westport Elementary is Friday. Officers join the students at lunch and on the playground. The 5th grade program will be completed in February 1999. We have received funds for this school year from the D.A.R.E. Grant through the Executive Office of Public Safety.

Officer Foley became certified in the High School curriculum. He has been instructing in grades 10 and 11. While discussing the topic of "Teen Dating Violence", he was assisted by Sergeant Jeffrey Majewski, a certified instructor of the "Teen Dating Violence Program". Officer Cestodio made a guest appearance at the High School level with a presentation on "Fatal Vision". This program is an informational demonstration on the dangers of drinking and driving. The use of a special pair of "Fatal Vision" goggles simulates the vision of an individual with an intoxication level of .18 BAC (blood alcohol concentration). Students were able to experience the disabling effects that liquor has on the body.

An after-school project (D.A.R.E. Club) was implemented this fall that is supported in part by a grant from the Westport Arts Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The program, "Magnificent Me" is a partnership between the Westport Police Department and the Council On Aging. 5th Grade D.A.R.E. students are invited to participate in a series of workshops to be held at the Senior Center. The workshop is conducted once a month and includes exercises in Etiquette, Arts-creative and performing, Exploring Literature, and Social Skills for Violence Prevention, Being a Good Citizen, self-esteem and Hygiene. The goal of the after school project is to encourage students to become positive peer lead-

ers. The Program Mentors include: Sergeant Field, Officer John Couto, Liaison to the Seniors, Mrs. Mary Ellen Gomes, Director of the Council on Aging, Ms. Barbara Teixeira, Senior Aide and Mrs. Lisa Pereira, a dedicated community member, who has been involved in several educational programs and has been an asset to this endeavor.

Students from the after school D.A.R.E. club, assisted Police & Fire Department Volunteers at the second annual "Santa is Coming to Town". Over one hundred children attended the event. Santa was flown in by helicopter and children were assisted in writing letters to the jolly old elf. Following a performance by a group of Westport and Dartmouth wind instrumentalists, each child was able to visit with Santa. The Westport Federal Credit Union supplied enough film for each family to have a "mugshot" with Santa. The event also received donations from other community groups: The Quiet Place, Perry's Bakery, Westport Permanent and Call-Firefighters and members of the Westport Police Department.

We will complete instruction in grades 1, 3, 5, 8 and high school as we continue into the second half of the school year. The D.A.R.E. Team will foster positive interactions with the community youth by participating in school and community events.

Training

This was an outstanding year for professional development within the Department. A number of officers were sent for a wide variety of training and have since implemented many successful techniques in Community Policing. In June, we sent four officers to the New England Community Policing Partnership Symposium (NECP2). While there the officers attended a number of seminars on Community Policing. Upon completion of these seminars, our officers returned to the Department with plenty of new ideas to improve our Community Policing ideology. We also sent two officers and two civilians from Westport to a four-day Community Policing Symposium at Northeastern University. To better our commitment to Community Policing, we sent four officers to Safe Sitter Instructor School. Now these officers can instruct the youth of our community on how to be responsible baby sitters. This Department also sent two officers to Rape Aggression Defense Instructor School (R.A.D). With the addition of these instructors, we will be able to teach women and senior citizens how to defend themselves against possible attackers. We instituted a Domestic Violence Unit and sent officers to various seminars on domestic violence. We created a Search and Recovery unit and trained all assigned divers as Public Safety Divers. This, coupled with our marine patrol Jet Ski unit will provide a much needed water rescue team. We trained one of our firearm instructors in non-lethal force. This officer is now able to instruct fellow officers on using the so-called "bean bag" gun. We also provided long overdue supervisory training for line supervisors. Next year we will have provided this training for all sergeants and lieutenants.

Members from the Department also attended classes on basic computer skills, updated firearm laws, supervisory training, narcotics enforcement, suicide prevention, gang intervention, search and seizure, teen dating violence and child restraint seats. Along with the training in specialized areas, officers attended an annual in-service at Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Police Academy.

Firearm Training

The Firearms Division has experienced several new aspects of training both in the classroom and at the firing range this past year. Both Sergeant Stephen Kovar and Officer John P. Couto attended the Smith and Wesson Firearms Academy in Springfield during February and in completing the course are both certified armorers.

In the Spring of this year, our first Police Academy for Citizens (PAC) attended range day at the Woodcock Range in Dartmouth. All students had the opportunity to fire revolvers, semi-automatic pistols, shotguns, and patrol rifles. Many students had never fired weapons before and were a bit apprehensive at the task. However, after classroom and range safety instructions, they all enjoyed and were intrigued by the whole experience. A second PAC class attended a similar type range program in the fall.

In September, Sergeant Stephen Kovar attended a less than lethal shotgun instructor class. The less than lethal or "Bean Bag" shotgun round, has been used nationwide in non-deadly force situations with great success. The weapon will be in place and used by our Department in the New Year. In December, Officer John Couto attended a week long instructor course at Massachusetts State Police Academy, located in New Braintree, Ma, certifying him as a Defensive Tactics Instructor. He will be teaching open hand defense tactics and police baton classes at the station for our Department's officers and other local departments. Additionally, Sergeant Kovar and Officer Couto are both instructors for the Southeastern Massachusetts Police Training Academy (SEMPA) at the Woodcock Range during in-service training. The training is the combined effort of area departments to continually train officers in the tactical use of firearms and updates the officers on all recent changes to the use of force laws.

Detective Bureau

Over the past year the Detective Bureau has been involved in numerous types of investigations pertaining to narcotics, larcenies, fraud, sudden deaths, and house breaks. The detectives also performed other functions such as background investigations on individuals being considered for employment with the Department, cigarette and liquor stings, searches for fugitives and checks of local license holders for By-Law compliance at the request of the Board of Selectmen. The uniform personnel of the Department should be applauded, for without their support and information a lot of the arrests and investigations would not have occurred.

During 1998, the Detective Bureau has gained strong alliances with outside agencies such as Mass State Police Unit in the District Attorney's Office, Army National Guard, U.S. Coast Guard, Mass State Police Auto Theft Unit and Mass Environmental Police. By working together, we have established a comprehensive intelligence database on individuals who operate illegally throughout the Bristol County area effecting numerous communities. The alliance established with members of the South Bristol Multi-Jurisdictional Counter Crime Task Force consisting of Tiverton, Somerset, Fairhaven, Bristol County Sheriff's Office, and Dartmouth Police Departments has provided the Westport Police Department with personnel and diverse expertise in the numerous investigations we have been involved in. Some of these investigations resulted in large quantities of narcotics being taken off the

streets prior to being sold. A special thanks has to be given the business of Northeastern Technical Services for the investigative equipment given to the Westport Police Department and used by the Task Force. The equipment would have been cost prohibited to the Town but was badly needed.

Firearms Licensing

During its 1998 session, the Massachusetts Legislature enacted comprehensive legislation that substantially modified the laws regulating the licensing and possession of firearms and other weapons. These changes impacted the Department significantly. Fixed hours were set for the processing of applications and licenses. The changes in the processing system were created to better serve the community members and comply with the new licensing requirements. Sergeant Pauline Field is the Department's Firearms Licensing Designee and has overseen the smooth transition since the laws took effect on October 21, 1998. The Department is planning a public education program after the first of the year to enlighten the community of the changes.

School Resource Officer

Gary Cambra was assigned School Resource Officer in September and has had the opportunity to organize and participate in various community awareness programs. He has also been involved in numerous school-related investigations and incidents. The following are some of the events or incidents that he has been involved with since September; School Bus Safety Program at the Westport Elementary School, Health Fair at Lees Supermarket, Child Safety Day at the Macomber Primary School with The Westport Federal Union and the Westport Fire Department (ID Kits & Bike Safety), Operation ABC Seat Belt Awareness Program at all schools and the 2nd annual "Santa is Coming to Town Day". Additionally, Officer Cambra is in the process of making a "Home Safety Video" with the help of Westport High School students and faculty and Police Officer John Couto. School Resource Officer Cambra is also trying to obtain a "Speed Sign" to be used in front of the schools.

As the School Resource Officer since September, Gary has investigated 69 complaints broken down as follows; served 6 summons, arrested 2, drug/alcohol investigations, weapons confiscated 5, truancy investigations 4, residency investigations 13, assaults 2, assaults & battery 6, larceny 2, malicious damage 5, school bus incidents 6, threats 8 and harassment 7. Also, during the same four-month period, he has made 13 classroom presentations, counseled 30 students for various reasons and attended numerous meetings with students and staff.

Marine Patrol

This past summer proved to be a very busy and at times very successful period for the Westport Police Marine Patrol Unit. A Tiger Shark Personal Watercraft donated to the Police Department by Route 6 Auto and Marine served as a successful tool for implementing routine patrol and for rescues. The Marine Unit conducted patrols along the Westport River and the South Watuppa Pond. During these patrols the officers handed out water safety pamphlets at area boat ramps, monitored the waterways for unsafe conditions, enforced boating laws and assisted the boating public with any other problems that would arise. Along with the routine patrols officers

from the Marine Patrol Unit were also called in on the following dates; June 15, 1998, the Marine Patrol Unit assisted in the rescue of four youths on Watuppa Pond after their three-person dinghy capsized; July 21, 1998, members of the Marine Patrol assisted in the recovery of a young male who with great misfortune drowned while swimming at Horseneck Beach; July 22, 1998, officers of the Marine Unit assisted in the rescue of three males from Sawdy Pond after their boat capsized while fishing; and August 8, 1998 officers of the Marine Patrol assisted in rescuing two males from the East Branch of the Westport River after a Cessna Airplane crashed while attempting to land on the river.

During the past year, officers of the Marine Unit have participated in several classes on enforcing boating and personal watercraft laws, boating and personal watercraft safety and a two-day course on personal watercraft rescue conducted by the College of Search and Rescue. Because of the highly trained and dedicated officers assigned to the Marine Unit and the generous donation by Route 6 Auto and Marine the Marine Patrol Unit has proven to be a true asset to the Westport Police Department and to the members of our community.

Police Fleet Vehicles

The following is a breakdown of the Westport Police Departments fleet of vehicles. Although some might criticize the amount of vehicles assigned to the Department, the high mileage on most of the vehicles should be noted and the fact that we need an average of six vehicles per shift. Of the ten marked patrol line cruisers only three have less than 100,000 miles. The number of vehicles necessary for patrol increases during the summer months. Also, of the twenty-one vehicles, four are specialty vehicles not applicable to patrol, two are administrative vehicles, and three are unmarked detective cars of which one is six years old and only used as a back up when other unmarked units are down for service. From April through October there were many days no cruisers were parked at the station or available for use.

This year the Department acquired six vehicles through a lease agreement with Ford. As a result of the lease program we were able to meet the Department's needs with the same funding normally available to purchased three vehicles. At the present time, we are looking at an "officer assigned vehicle program" which I feel will save the community money in the future. Many communities have implemented the program across the country with positive results. With this program we will see a longer lifetime of vehicles and a reduced maintenance cost.

Cruiser Inventory

| <u>Fleet#</u> | <u>Year</u> | <u>Make</u> | <u>Model</u> | <u>Mileage</u> | <u>Status</u> | <u>Miles Traveled in 1998</u> |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| #1 | 98 | Ford | Explorer | 4,500 | unmarked | 4,500 |
| #2 | 97 | Ford | CrownVic | 6,300 | unmarked | 6,300 |
| #3 | 97 | Ford | Explorer | 55,600 | marked | 39,200 |
| #4 | 95 | Chevy | Caprice | 117,650 | marked | 20,350 |
| #5 | 95 | Chevy | Caprice | 100,850 | marked | 15,400 |
| #6 | 95 | Chevy | Caprice | 104,950 | marked | 21,100 |

| <u>Fleet#</u> | <u>Year</u> | <u>Make</u> | <u>Model</u> | <u>Mileage</u> | <u>Status</u> | <u>Miles Traveled in 1998</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| #7 | 96 | Ford | CrownVic | 107,200 | marked | 61,700 |
| #8 | 96 | Ford | CrownVic | 96,200 | marked | 50,750 |
| #9 | 95 | Chevy | Caprice | 102,550 | marked | 17,050 |
| #10 | 95 | Chevy | Caprice | 128,600 | marked | 43,075 |
| #11 | 97 | Ford | CrownVic | 24,250 | marked | 24,250 |
| #12 | 97 | Ford | CrownVic | 27,350 | marked | 27,350 |
| #13 | 97 | Ford | CrownVic | 19,700 | marked | 19,700 |
| #14 | 89 | Chevy | Blazer | 112,475 | marked | 2,505 |
| #15 | 99 | Ford | Taurus | 3,400 | marked | 3,400 |
| #k-9 | 96 | Ford | CrownVic | 36,300 | marked | 23,775 |
| Det#1 | 95 | Chevy | Caprice | 84,300 | unmarked | 23,700 |
| Det#2 | 97 | Ford | Taurus | 25,600 | unmarked | 16,300 |
| Det#3 | 93 | Chevy | Lumina | 95,100 | unmarked | 9,300 |
| Cycle#1 | 80 | Harley-Davidson | | 12,620 | marked | 1,345 |
| Dare#1 | 85 | Dodge | Van | 141,310 | marked | 250 |
| Trailer | 97 | Karat | Trailer | 225 | marked | 225 |
| Total Miles Traveled 1998 | | | | | | 431,525 |

1998 CRIMINAL STATISTICS

| <u>Offense</u> | <u>Adult</u> | <u>Juvenile</u> |
|---|--------------|-----------------|
| Murder | 1 | |
| Attempted Murder | 1 | |
| Solicitation to Commit a Felony (Murder) | 1 | |
| Assault | | 1 |
| Assault & Battery | 18 | 15 |
| Assault & Battery with EMT | 1 | |
| Assault & Battery Police Officer | 4 | |
| Domestic Assault | 4 | |
| Domestic Assault & Battery | 32 | 2 |
| Violation of 209A (Family Protective Order) | 12 | |
| Assault with a Dangerous Weapon | 20 | 8 |
| Assault with a Dangerous Weapon on a person over 65 | 1 | |
| Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon | 4 | 1 |
| Unlawful Possession of a Dangerous Weapon | 5 | |
| Threats to do Bodily Harm | 8 | |
| Threatening / Annoying Phone Calls | 2 | |
| Attempt to Commit a Crime (Kidnaping) | 1 | |
| Accessory before the Fact of a Bomb Threat | | 2 |
| False Report of a Bomb Threat | | 2 |
| False Report of a Fire | | 1 |
| Unlawful Possession of a Firearm / Ammunition | 2 | |
| Possession of a Firearm (Serial Number Removed) | 1 | |

| <u>Offense</u> | <u>Adult</u> | <u>Juvenile</u> |
|--|--------------|-----------------|
| Unlawful Possession Class B | 7 | |
| Unlawful Possession Class C | 2 | |
| Unlawful Possession Class D | 31 | 1 |
| Unlawful Possession Class E | 3 | |
| Conspiracy to Violate Controlled Substance Act | 10 | |
| Unlawful Possession of a Hypodermic Instrument | 5 | |
| Manufacturing Class C Substance | 2 | |
| Acquisition of a Controlled Substance by Fraud | 1 | |
| Unlawful Poss. Class A Substance w/ Intent to Distribute | 1 | |
| Unlawful Poss. Class B Substance w/ Intent to Distribute | 6 | |
| Unlawful Poss. Class C Substance w/ Intent to Distribute | 4 | |
| Unlawful Poss. Class D Substance w/ Intent to Distribute | 3 | |
| Unlawful Poss. Class E Substance w/ Intent to Distribute | 2 | |
| Trafficking Class B | 3 | |
| Minor in Possession of Liquor | 26 | 1 |
| Procuring Liquor for a Minor | 1 | |
| Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor | 1 | |
| Burglary | 1 | |
| Possession of Burglarious Tools | 6 | |
| Breaking & Entering B Daytime | 8 | 2 |
| Breaking & Entering B Nighttime | 14 | 2 |
| Breaking & Entering - Nighttime - Intent Misdemeanor | 3 | 1 |
| Breaking & Entering into a Motor Vehicle | 1 | 15 |
| Conspiracy to Commit (Breaking & Entering) | 4 | |
| Malicious / Wanton Injury to Real Property | | 1 |
| Malicious Damage to Personal Property | 6 | 11 |
| Malicious Damage (Under \$250) | 1 | |
| Malicious Damage (Over \$250) | 9 | 2 |
| Attempted Larceny of a Motor Vehicle | 1 | |
| Larceny of a Motor Vehicle | 5 | |
| Receiving Stolen Motor Vehicle | 1 | |
| Malicious Damage to a Motor Vehicle (Over \$250) | 4 | 1 |
| Filing False Police Report | 1 | |
| Larceny of Mail | | 9 |
| Larceny Under \$250 | 6 | |
| Larceny Over \$250 | 31 | |
| Larceny from a Vessel | | 3 |
| Larceny of Leased/Rented Property | 4 | |
| Larceny by False Pretense | 5 | |
| Larceny of Checks | 1 | |
| Larceny by Check (Under \$250) | 7 | |
| Forgery | 7 | |
| Uttering | 12 | |
| Receiving Stolen Property | 4 | |
| Poss. Instrument to Obtain Telecommunication Service (Fraud) | 1 | |
| Shoplifting | | 1 |
| Evasion of a Cab Fare | | 1 |

| <u>Offense</u> | <u>Adult</u> | <u>Juvenile</u> |
|---|--------------|-----------------|
| Trespassing | 9 | 5 |
| Disorderly Person | 8 | 4 |
| Disturbing a School Assembly | | 4 |
| Resisting Arrest | 5 | 1 |
| Cruelty to Animals | 2 | |
| Failure to Leave Name after Striking Dog | 1 | |
| Soliciting to Commit a Felony (Burning Motor Vehicle) | 1 | |
| By-Law Violation – Barking Dog | 1 | |
| Protective Custody | 34 | |
| Total Arrests in 1998 | | 392 |

1998 MOTOR VEHICLE STATISTICS

| <u>Offense</u> | <u>Citations</u> | <u>Warnings</u> |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Motor Vehicle Homicide | 1 | |
| Drug Offense Citations (to Registry) | 22 | |
| Operating Under the Influence – Liquor | 85 | |
| Operating Under the Influence – Drugs | 2 | |
| Operating Vehicle so as to Endanger | 100 | |
| Operating License Suspended | 38 | |
| Operating Licensed Revoked | 15 | |
| Revoked License (Reason OUI) | 7 | |
| Unlicensed Operator | 30 | |
| Refusing to stop for a Police Officer | 10 | |
| Giving False Name to Police Officer | 6 | |
| Refusing to Produce License / Registration | 1 | |
| Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle | 3 | 2 |
| Reckless Operation of a Motor Vehicle | 1 | |
| Registration Revoked | 17 | |
| Unregistered Vehicle | 38 | |
| Uninsured Vehicle | 21 | |
| Illegally Attached Plates | 12 | |
| Failure to Report Accident | 2 | |
| Leaving Scene Accident (Property Damage) | 9 | |
| Leaving Scene Accident (Personal Injury) | 4 | |
| Invalid Inspection Sticker | 94 | 7 |
| Forged / Altered Inspection Sticker | 1 | |
| Failure to Keep within Marked Lanes | 60 | 16 |
| Weaving Between Marked Lanes | 9 | 2 |
| Failure to Keep in Right Lane | 5 | 5 |
| Improper Passing | 19 | 3 |
| Passing on the Right | 7 | 2 |
| Failure to Yield to Another Vehicle | 10 | 12 |
| Red Light Violations | 96 | 33 |
| Stop Sign Violations | 61 | 29 |
| Failure to Stop for School Bus Lights | 5 | |

| <u>Offense</u> | <u>Citations</u> | <u>Warnings</u> |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Seat Belt Violations | 92 | 13 |
| Child Restraint Violations (Under 12) | 3 | |
| Allowing Improper Operator | 2 | |
| Allowing Unregistered Operation | 4 | 1 |
| Failure to Use Care in Turning | 5 | 12 |
| Failure to Use Care in (Stopping/Starting/Backing) | 9 | 22 |
| Failure to Use Care in Passing | 6 | 1 |
| Failure to Use Care at Intersection | 5 | 6 |
| Making an Illegal U Turn | 10 | 11 |
| Following Too Closely | 7 | 6 |
| Improper Turn (Signal) | 8 | 2 |
| No License in Possession | 47 | |
| No Registration in Possession | 8 | 3 |
| Defective Equipment | 40 | 24 |
| Loud, Harsh, Unnecessary Noise | 31 | 4 |
| No Registration Sticker Displayed | 1 | 2 |
| Registration Plate Obscured | 4 | 5 |
| Dog Not Restrained (Open Truck) | 1 | 2 |
| Overweight load | | 1 |
| Operating over Channelized Island | 1 | |
| Failure to Dim Headlights | 4 | |
| Vehicle Parked on State Highway | 3 | |
| SPEEDING | 1395 | 477 |

Total SPEEDING Offenses **1872**

Total Motor Vehicle Citations Issued (Including Warnings) **2401**

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Identification Cards Issued | 53 |
| License to Carry Firearms Issued | 277 |
| Fatal Accidents | 1 |
| Drownings | 1 |
| Accidental Deaths | 0 |
| Suicides | 2 |
| Homicides | 1 |
| Auto Accidents Investigated | 384 |
| Injured in Auto Accidents | 185 |
| 911 Calls Received | 1,929 |
| Complaints Investigated/Initiated | 13,402 |
| Response to Burglar Alarms | 1,126 |
| Stolen Motor Vehicles | 19 |
| Stolen Registration Plates | 16 |
| Motor Vehicles Recovered | 26 |
| Value of Stolen Motor Vehicles Recovered | \$ 90,200.00 |
| Value of Stolen Motor Vehicles | \$ 72,500.00 |

During the year 1998, the Police Department turned over to the Town Treasurer, or were reimbursed, the following monies:

| | |
|--|----------------------|
| For Firearms Identification Cards Issued | \$ 122.00 |
| For Licenses to Carry Firearms Issued | \$ 5,235.00 |
| For Licenses to Sell Firearms/ Ammunition/ Gunsmith | \$ 405.00 |
| For License to Carry Machine Gun | \$ 20.00 |
| For Photostatic Copies of Police Reports | \$ 1,655.00 |
| For 5% Administrative Service Charge | \$ 2,373.00 |
| For Court Default Fees | \$ 734.00 |
| For Fines and Restitution (Fall River & New Bedford District Courts & Bristol County Juvenile Court) | \$ 20,700.00 |
| For MV Citations (Registry of Motor Vehicles) | \$ 79,417.50 |
| For Parking Violations | \$ 22,038.00 |
| Police Career Incentive (C.41, S.108L) | \$ 32,215.00 |
| Drug Forfeiture | \$ 17,268.01 |
| Total Monies | \$ 182,182.51 |

Respectfully submitted,

Michael R. Healy
Chief of Police



Lieutenant William C. White

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION/COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE

The following is the report for the Recreation Commission/Community Center Committee for the year ending December 31, 1998.

The Recreation Commission / Community Center Committee meets once a month at the Town Hall Annex. The Committee has been working on renovating the Community Center and has also been working, in conjunction with the Police Department, on the renovations at Bicentennial Park.

Heidi C. Abdallah was hired as the new part-time Recreation Commission/Community Center Coordinator effective July 1, 1998. Recreational and educational programs have been offered at the Community Center as of September 1998. The programs have been very successful and will continue to run year round. The Community Center has also opened its doors to the Town basketball leagues, the Westport Theatre Company and the Wednesday Morning Play Group.

The Community Center has received a grant for \$3,500 from the Helen Ellis Trust Fund for a Halloween theater production scheduled for October of 1999.

The Recreation Commission / Community Center Committee would like to thank the Tot Time volunteers, Cynthia Rosa and Deborah Sullivan. We would also like to extend a BIG thank you to the Highway Department, local volunteers and area businesses who have helped to build and renovate Bicentennial Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Recreation Commission/
Community Center Committee



Bob Pierce, Hank Vaillancourt & Andrew Sherman Working at the Shellfish Advisory Committee Food Booth at the Westport Harvest Festival

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

The following is my report for the Department of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1998.

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Scales over 10,000 lbs. | 0 |
| 5,000 to 10,000 lbs. | 4 |
| 1,000 to 5,000 lbs. | 0 |
| 100 to 1,000 lbs. | 7 |
| 10 to 100 lbs. | 42 |
| 0 to 10 lbs. | 0 |
| Gas and Diesel Pumps Sealed | 50 |
| Apothecary Weights Sealed | 6 |

Total Fees Paid To Town Treasurer. \$ 815.00

Respectfully submitted,

Paul C. Audet
Sealer of Weights and Measures

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF WESTPORT DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Be it known to all concerned that in accordance with General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 98, Section 41, Public Notice is hereby given to all persons having usual places of business and using a weighing and/or measuring devices (for the purpose of buying and selling goods, wares of merchandise) that between January 1 and December 31, 1997 such devices must be checked and sealed at least once. Such inspection and sealing is controlled by the Board of Selectmen and done at the expense of the person owning or using the weighing or measuring device.

Paul C. Audet
Sealer of Weights and Measures

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT

The following is the Shellfish Department's annual report for the year ending December 1998.

There were 877 shellfish licenses and permits this year, of which 87 were commercial licenses, 720 were resident permits and 72 were non-resident permits. The projects the department undertook this year to enhance the shellfish resources for the diggers were as follows:

An *oyster relay* from Hix Bridge to Gunning Island in the East Branch. These oysters came from the permanently closed area of our river to an area which stayed closed until the Division of Marine Fisheries (D.M.F.) could test the meats for safe bacteria levels. At that time the area was opened to the public for harvest.

A second relay involved 450 bushels of *quahogs*. These were purchased by the department in conjunction with the Division of Marine Fisheries contaminated relay program. The 450 bushels were relayed from the Coles and Lees rivers over a four day period. They too were planted in the East Branch of the estuary. The first three days (350 bushel) went off David Road and the last days (100 bushel) went on Half Moon Flat opposite the State Beach parking lot. Both areas were posted with red NO SHELLFISHING - CONTAMINATED RELAY AREA signs and kept closed until the State tested the shellfish meats to certify the crop was ready for harvest by both commercial and recreational fishermen. Once the area met the criteria many enjoyed this resource.

A third relay was the insertion of *bay scallops*. This program was designed to insure a scallop population for spawning by bringing in stocks from other communities. We place the scallops in trays with some of Westport's scallops to protect them from predators and hopefully to get a gene pool mix when they reproduce. All three of these programs will be implemented again in 1999.

The Shellfish Department also received two money grants for shellfish projects this year. Both were in conjunction with organizations in town in a community spirited building program. The funding organization, *Community Building Mini-Grants Programs* was coordinated by Claudia Kirk of the United Way Office in New Bedford. The idea for them came from Arnold Tripp of the Westport Fisherman's Association. One grant was for the creation of a mini shellfish hatchery and related equipment through and in conjunction with the Southeast Shellfish Association (S.S.A.) for \$2,115. This money and moneys the S.S.A. contributed, was enough to get us started with the hatchery. The S.S.A. through the D.M.F. had the necessary permits for a hatchery and they were renting a building on the Leach property as the site for the equipment to be set up. Department staff and members of the S.S.A. went to work growing algae, spawning quahogs and were successful to the velager stage. The only problem we had was in the setting stage of the quahog life. This year we will be able to start the project sooner and work some of the problems out for a truly successful hatchery.

The second money grant for \$1,500, was with the Westport Fisherman's Association, to purchase oyster seed and compare the growth to naturally collected local seed. This sounds easy, but is equally as difficult as trying to spawn quahogs. To catch oyster spat you need something to collect the oysters on. That's not as easy as it sounds when the money in the project is going for comparison seed. We decid-

ed to try using recycled plastic milk bottles with the bottoms cut off. The landfill had all we needed. Next, the Fisherman's Association crew dipped them into a very thin cement mix, this gave the oyster spat something to stick to. All the jugs were tied on a ground line and anchored at Hix Bridge. We collected the bottles and flexed them to detach the oysters that naturally had affixed to the cement. The comparison between the natural set and the hatchery purchased oysters was unbelievable! Our native stock was much larger. The reasons for this are being worked out. The Shellfish Department and the Fisherman's Association and the Southeast Shellfish Association are planing to work together again in 1999 with these projects and expand them to include more community involvement.

The Quahog seed program that has been ongoing for over twenty years, was another positive project the department continued this year. Approximately one million seed quahogs were purchased and placed in the two up-weller systems that the S.S.A. built (tidal and electric up-wellers as described in past annual report). The seed in various sizes was purchased from two commercial hatcheries, Mook Sea Farm and Aquacultural Research Corporation. This year we kept some of the seed wintered over in plastic wood trays in the propagation area in Horseneck Channel. The intent is to return the seed to the up-weller system in the Spring to achieve a larger size before broadcasting them into the wild. This should increase survivability due to less consumption by predation. The up-wellers are a welcome dimension to the seed programs. There is also a small portion of the seed that was planted under predator mesh or netting. This seed will be allowed to grow naturally and dug and broadcast at a later date.

Town propagation permits had two independent groups working to enhance Town Shellfish resources. The S.S.A. purchased seed quahogs and raised them in half of the electric up-weller system at Town Dock. They gave the department over 120,000 of the seed and I planted them on Whites Flat as well as Little Ram Flat. The Association also paid for the electric used by the up-weller, paid for the dock space used by the up-weller and allowed the Town to use half of the system. My hats off to them for being so generous in so many ways.

The other party on the Town's permit was the Water Works Group. Wayne Turner and company had the Bay Scallop Restoration Project collecting scallop spat again. This project was reduced from 2000 collection bags to 300 bags and reduced from five to two sites. The reduction did not seem to interfere with the enthusiasm the students generated, whether in Westport or in Dartmouth at that site. The scallop crops over the past few years have not been anything extraordinary but it has been a very good educational program for the students having a hands on experience in the estuaries.

The Massachusetts Shellfish Officers Association (M.S.O.A.) in conjunction with the Massachusetts Maritime Academy held the two week Shellfish Constables training course again at the Academy. This year Deputy Mike Andrade and I attended. The course is designed to review all aspects of the shellfish officer's duties from ethics to shellfish diseases and bring us up to date on regulations and procedures in the business.

I have served as a member of the Board of Directors on the M.S.O.A. for the past ten years and as the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee for the past five years. This year was the most difficult as far as selecting the recipients for the three (North

Shore, South Shore, and Cape and Islands) awards. There are sixty three towns that have coastal waters and have representation in the organization. It is refreshing to see the numbers of students applying for the grants we offer and there are many outstanding students with interests in the field.

The Shellfish Department participated in the Lee's Market receipts fund raiser. We accepted receipts from the purchase of food, alcohol and tobacco from any Lee's shoppers that would give them to us. For the year we collected and deposited into the Shellfish Gift Fund over \$1,200. A very respectable sum for the purchase of seed shellfish for the Westport river. The Shellfish Gift Fund has been a tool to help the Shellfish Department and the Town help purchase seed shellfish stocks for the river for three years. In addition to Mr. Lee's generous program, the Shellfish Advisory Committee and the Shellfish Department worked the Harvest Festival again. This year we served hot steamer clams, raw little necks and oysters on the half-shell along with local native boiled corn on the cob. It was a positive success as we were able to deposit over \$1,555 into the fund. We also for the first time, had a *clamboil and supper* raffle at LePages Seafood Restaurant. This was a huge success and a real fun time for everyone who came to the event. We had a supper raffle ticket drawing for three great prizes at a buck a chance or six for five dollars. The prizes were a Hot Air Balloon ride for two by Balloon Adventures of New Bedford, a Chauffeured Limousine provided by Arrive in Style of Acushnet to Venus DeMilo Restaurant for dinner, and air transportation to and from Cuttyhunk Island via Bayside Air Services for a weekend at Cuttyhunk Bed and Breakfast. The clamboil was the best, put on by Eric LePage and his staff. After the meal we raffled off over 70 prizes to finish the night. All this and the great food brought in over \$3,600 to the Gift Fund. We are planning to have all three of the Fund Raisers again in 1999! The Gift Fund also accepts donations of any size and is tax deductible for anyone who wishes to contribute. All donations are welcome!

As some of you know, on a personal note I lost both of my parents this year. I truly wish to thank all who sent cards and condolences to me. It was heart felt to know there are so many good people who knew and appreciated my folks. We also accepted gifts to the Shellfish Fund in memory of my folks and in memory of Charles Pierce. Charlie was a lover of the river and knew it like the back of his hand. As a kid and an adult he truly enjoyed the river to the point where he became a member of the Shellfish Advisory Committee in its inception. He was a good guy and is missed. I wish to thank all who donated in time or money to all the projects and fund raisers promoted by the Shellfish Department. I wish to thank my dependable staff, especially Robert Pierce, Henry Vaillancourt and Diane Baraby for their extra efforts this difficult year. I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the Shellfish Advisory Committee as well as the members of the Southeast Shellfish Association and the Westport Fisherman's Association for their diligence in all our endeavors. I also wish to thank the Fire, Police and Highway Departments for their vigilant energy in the everyday activities around our department. Thank you.

Remember to always use the Shellfish Hotline at 636-1104 before you go shell-fishing. Enjoy your resources.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Sherman
Shellfish Constable

The following is the Shellfish Departments Catch Report and statistics of revenue.

LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED

| <u>TYPE</u> | <u>NUMBER ISSUED</u> | <u>FEES COLLECTED</u> |
|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Commercial Scallop | 10 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Commercial Shellfish | 74 | 5,500.00 |
| Special Commercial Shellfish | 3 | 45.00 |
| Duplicate | 10 | 20.00 |
| Family Scallop | 33 | 495.00 |
| Family Shellfish | 541 | 8,115.00 |
| Non-resident Shellfish | 57 | 4,275.00 |
| Non-Resident Scallop | 0 | 0.00 |
| 14 Day Permit | 15 | 375.00 |
| Senior Citizen Shellfish | 123 | 922.50 |
| Senior Citizen Scallop | 11 | Free |
| Dredging | 0 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 877 | \$ 20,797.50 |

ESTIMATED COMMERCIAL SHELLFISH CATCH

| <u>SPECIES</u> | <u>HARVEST IN BUSHELS</u> | <u>VALUE</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Oysters | 11 ¹ / ₂ | \$ 563.50 |
| Mussels (Blue & Ribbed) | 18 | 360.00 |
| Quahogs (Chowders) | 1032 | 25,782.75 |
| (Little Necks & Cherrystones) | 705 | 47,810.00 |
| Scallops | 65 | 5,070.00 |
| Soft-Shelled Clams | 45 | 2,812.50 |
| Surf Clams | 10 | 100.00 |
| SUBTOTAL | 1886¹/₂ | \$ 82,498.75 |

ESTIMATED RECREATIONAL SHELLFISH CATCH

| <u>SPECIES</u> | <u>HARVEST IN BUSHELS</u> | <u>VALUE</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Oysters | 10 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Mussels (Blue & Ribbed) | 11 | 660.00 |
| Quahogs (Chowders) | 380 | 19,950.00 |
| (Little Necks & Cherrystones) | 325 | 59,150.00 |
| Scallops | 10 | 960.00 |
| Soft-Shelled Clams | 52 | 8,666.66 |
| Surf Clams | 6 | 126.00 |
| SUBTOTAL | 794 | \$ 90,512.66 |
| STATE AID REIMBURSEMENT | | \$ 0.00 |
| SHELLFISH VIOLATIONS WRITTEN | | \$ 400.00 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 2680¹/₂ | \$ 173,411.41 |

NOTE: Value of commercial landings based on wholesale prices. Value of recreational landings based on retail prices.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)

The Town of Westport is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-pid) is a regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and towns in Southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment and general planning for the future. SRPEDD is governed by a commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members and at-large members. We are funded by federal and state grants and local assessments. For 1998, the Town of Westport paid \$2,077.80 for our services, based on an assessment of 15¢ per capita.

During the past year, the Town of Westport was represented on the SRPEDD Commission by John Penney, Jr. and David Dionne. The Joint Transportation Planning Group representatives were John Penney and Mary Ellen Gomes. John Penney also served on the Executive Committee.

Some of SRPEDD'S MORE SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 1998 WERE:

- Initiation of the Southeastern Mass: Vision 2020 Project in conjunction with the Old Colony Planning Council and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. This project examined sprawl and growth issues in a 51 city and town region and was guided by a Task Force of regional leaders from throughout Southeastern Massachusetts. The Task Force sponsored a major regional growth conference in October and issued a final report early in 1999.
- Completion and certification of the annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which set regional priorities for Federal transportation funds. The TIP sets priorities for \$92 million in Federal and State dollars for regional transportation projects over the next 3 years.
- "Building Partnerships for Economic Development in Southeastern Massachusetts", a regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for Federal economic development grants from EDA.
- "The 100 Most Dangerous Intersections in Southeastern Massachusetts" was compiled by SRPEDD utilizing accident information for the 1994-1996 three year period. The list will be updated this year to cover the period 1996-1998. All 100 intersections are evaluated and ranked according to level of danger, and the report is used to identify needed safety improvements at these intersections.
- SRPEDD continued work to develop commuter rail service to Taunton, Fall River and New Bedford, and SRPEDD is continuing to monitor MBTA studies of alternative routes.
- Southeastern Massachusetts is represented on the Internet by SRPEDD's web site. The site contains data and information about every city and town in the region, and can be reached at <http://www.srpedd.org>.

- An inventory of sensitive environmental areas impacted by roadway runoff is being prepared by SRPEDD in the Buzzards Bay region as part of its Geographic Roadway Runoff Inventory Program (GRIPP), funded by the Massachusetts Highway Department.
- SRPEDD approved \$1,437,000 in grants from our regional transportation allocation for six "enhancement" projects. Included were: Fall River Bike Path Phase 1, construction; Wareham Bike Path Phase 1, construction; Mattapoisett Bike Path, planning and design; Fairhaven Bike Path, planning and design; Seekonk Stormwater Mitigation, installation of new stormwater drains; and Buzzards Bay Stormwater Runoff Project, inventory and ranking.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook counts at 80 locations this year. SRPEDD also compiled computerized accident records for Acushnet, Fairhaven, Norton, Rehoboth, Rochester, Seekonk, Taunton and Freetown.
- SRPEDD completed studies of four highway interchanges (Route 140 @ Route 24 in Taunton; I-95 @ Toner Boulevard on the Attleboro/North Attleborough line; Route 140 @ I-495 in Mansfield; Route 6 @ I-195 in Swansea) to address safety, congestion and inadequate design issues..
- An extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. This year, new computerized "data layers" were added to the system, including local zoning and environmental data.
- SRPEDD has worked on the welfare to work issue with State agencies, regional Chamber of Commerce, Employment Boards and Human Service Coalitions in efforts to make needed transportation connections between welfare recipients and job locations. SRPEDD worked with the two regional transit authorities, GATRA and SRTA, to complete State and Federal grant applications for funding to address some of the transportation needs of welfare recipients.
- SRPEDD continued to provide planning and technical support to the two regional transit authorities, GATRA and SRTA, on route evaluations, marketing and data analysis. SRPEDD staff also provides support to each of the transit authorities' consumer advisory committees.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion. In 1998 SEED approved loans to 127 small businesses in the amount of \$19 million. These loans are projected to create 600 new jobs. SEED also became the #1 Small Business Administration lender of SBA 504 loans in Massachusetts.
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns and individuals.

In addition, municipal assistance was provided to the Town of Westport in the following areas:

- SRPEDD provided technical assistance in the development of the Aquifer Protection By-Law; the Westport River Regional Watershed Council project grant; the Town's Grant Administrator on the Head of Westport project; and the Bike Path Committee.

SRPEDD was created to serve the cities and towns of Southeastern Massachusetts. We are governed by elected and appointed officials from all the cities and towns. We look forward to serving you in the future.



Dick Gifford at the Town Dock

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending June 30, 1998. Our records are available for review.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHERINE A BENOIT

TOWN OF WESTPORT BALANCE SHEET

Assets

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Cash | \$3,915,530.84 | |
| Personal Property '95 | 106.56 | |
| Personal Property '96 | 13.58 | |
| Personal Property '97 | 563.66 | |
| Personal Property '98 | 3,670.42 | |
| Personal Property '99 | 105,503.60 | |
| Real Estate '98 | 282,673.24 | |
| Real Estate '99 | 5,438,935.54 | |
| Allowance for Abatements '96 | | \$ 160,000.00 |
| Allowance for Abatements '97 | | 278.94 |
| Allowance for Abatements '98 | | 183,572.35 |
| Tax Title Liens Receivable | 237,795.42 | |
| Deferred Property Tax Receivable | 22,715.72 | |
| Taxes in Litigation | 1,781.90 | |
| Motor Vehicle '90 | 32.50 | |
| Motor Vehicle '91 | 37.50 | |
| Motor Vehicle '92 | 81.98 | |
| Motor Vehicle '93 | 291.26 | |
| Motor Vehicle '94 | 1,010.63 | |
| Motor vehicle '95 | 2,798.96 | |
| Motor Vehicle '96 | 6,481.56 | |
| Motor Vehicle '97 | 19,900.18 | |
| Motor Vehicle '98 | 89,782.72 | |
| Boat Excise '97 | 176.00 | |
| Boat Excise '98 | 1,201.39 | |
| Farm Animals | 292.25 | |
| Ambulance Receivable | 303,614.43 | |
| Veterans Receivable | 45,600.36 | |
| Tax Foreclosure Receivable | 26,303.00 | |

Liabilities & Fund Equity

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Warrants Payable | 810,912.54 |
| Accrued Payrolls | 254,844.68 |
| Tailings & Unclaimed Items | 7,729.14 |
| Access/Sale of Low Value Land | 20,134.02 |
| Deferred Revenue-Real Estate Tax | 5,377,657.49 |

| | |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Deferred Revenue-Personal Property Tax | 109,857.82 |
| Deferred Revenue-Taxes (141A) | 22,715.72 |
| Deferred Revenue-Tax Liens | 237,795.40 |
| Deferred Revenue-Tax Foreclosures | 26,303.00 |
| Deferred Revenue-Deferred Taxes in Litigation | 1,781.90 |
| Deferred Revenue-Motor Vehicle Excise | 120,417.31 |
| Deferred Revenue-Boat Excise | 1,377.39 |
| Deferred Revenue-Farm Animal Excise | 292.25 |
| Deferred Revenue-Department Receivable | 349,214.79 |
| Fund Balance Reserved-Over/Under | |
| Fund Balance Reserved-Encumbrances | 343,782.72 |
| Fund Balance Reserved-Continued Appropriations | 413,943.15 |
| Fund Balance Reserved-Expenditures | 599,838.37 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | 1,462,346.24 |
| ===== | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$10,504,795.22 \$10,504,795.22 |

SCHOOL LUNCH

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cash | \$ 24,041.96 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 14,748.28 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | | 9,293.68 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 24,041.96 | \$ 24,041.96 |

HIGHWAY FUND

| | | |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash | | \$ 173,855.19 |
| Warrants Payable | | 226.00 |
| Due From State | \$ 174,081.19 | |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 174,081.19 | \$ 174,081.19 |

SCHOOL GRANTS

| | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Cash | \$ 60,368.25 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 21,062.77 |
| Federal Grants: | | |
| FY'98 Sped Early Childhood Allocation | | 462.00 |
| FY'98 Teacher TRNG Math/Science | | 1,746.00 |
| FY'98 Drug Free Schools | | 869.55 |
| FY'98 Evaluation & Therapy | | 16,984.74 |
| FY'98 Title I | 15,834.28 | |
| FY'98 Title VI | | 746.70 |
| FY'97 Drug Free School | | 8.28 |
| FY'97 Chapter 1 Remedial Reading | | 5,829.15 |
| FY'98 State Lead - Curriculum Development | | 4,390.28 |
| FY'98 Sped Curriculum Frameworks | | 6,688.00 |
| FY'98 Tech Literacy | | 750.00 |
| FY'98 EPA Environmental | 49.60 | |

State Grants:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| FY'98 Middle Grade Alliance | | 2.18 |
| FY'98 Smoking Cessation | | 1,700.17 |
| FY'98 Palms | | 80.49 |
| FY'98 Essential Skills | | 237.28 |
| FY'98 CSL - School Based | | 1,443.40 |
| FY'98 Teen Dating/Violence | | 1,514.57 |
| FY'98 School Trust/Tech Matching | | 13,785.00 |
| FY'98 Safe Schools | | 1,071.60 |
| Cesame/Bioteck | 1,362.27 | |
| FY'98 Cesame II/Bay Scallops | 1,800.92 | |
| FY'98 Peer to Peer | | 22.96 |
| H.S. Alliance | | 20.00 |

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|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 79,415.32 | \$ 79,415.12 |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|

TOWN GRANTS

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Cash | \$ 139,897.82 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 14,920.34 |
| Hurricane Bob-FEMA | | 9,082.07 |
| FY'98 Cops | 1,148.18 | |
| COA/BESI Social Day Care | 401.64 | |
| Libraries/Incentive | | 27,786.35 |
| MA Cultural Council | | 7,887.57 |
| Library/Municipal Equalization | | 25,256.86 |
| Library/Nonresident Circular | | 3,528.05 |
| State Election Extended Hours | | 823.98 |
| Police D.A.R.E. | | 43.16 |
| FY'98 Counter Crime Task Force | | 3,155.40 |
| FY'98 Community Policing | | 17,064.77 |
| Lab Equipment | | 1.94 |
| Recycling/Compost Bins | | 1,483.69 |
| Recycling/MMA | | 500.00 |
| Clean Vessel Act | | 8,557.84 |
| MSCP/General Administration | | 1,281.29 |
| MSCP/Housing Rehab | | 1,769.44 |
| Tank Removal | | 3,663.20 |
| S.A.F.E./Fire Department | | 1,010.00 |
| Healthy Changes/Nurses | | 291.06 |
| COA SRTA Van | | 5,047.79 |
| CDBG/Community Development | | 9,218.06 |
| Shellfish Committee Bldg Mini Grant | 925.22 | |

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|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 142,372.86 | \$ 142,372.86 |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|

RESERVED FOR APPROPRIATION

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Cash | \$ 177,417.26 | |
| Municipal Waterway Improvement | | \$ 29,539.39 |
| Sale of Cemetery Lots | | 31,555.00 |

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|---------------------|--|------------|
| Wetland Filing Fees | | 11,830.50 |
| Landfill Closure | | 104,492.37 |

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|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 177,417.26 | \$ 177,417.26 |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|

SCHOOL REVOLVING

| | | |
|----------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Cash | \$ 12,619.64 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 5,945.28 |
| Ext. School Services | | 5,539.07 |
| Athletic Revolving | | 135.29 |
| Scholarship Account | | 1,000.00 |

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|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 12,619.64 | \$ 12,619.64 |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|

TOWN REVOLVING

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Cash | \$ 259,429.91 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 8,393.97 |
| MA Cultural Council | | 353.71 |
| Police Drug Account | | 2,012.70 |
| Wetland Filing Fees | | 9,789.50 |
| Nurse/COA Health Care | | 5,087.56 |
| COA Clinic Gift | | 5,303.44 |
| COA/Mini Van Gift | | 5,810.08 |
| COA/Senior Center Building Revolving | | 885.00 |
| COA/Senior Day Care Revolving | | 17,464.30 |
| Library Gift Account | | 2,911.74 |
| Police Gift Account | | 1,710.90 |
| Kid Care ID Program | | 33.33 |
| Shellfish Propagation Gift | | 7,980.65 |
| Ambulance Revolving | | 176,939.15 |
| Fireworks Gift | | 3,790.24 |
| Nursing Revolving | | 4,561.92 |
| Insurance Reimbursement | | 4,851.72 |
| Fire Department Gift Account | | 1,550.00 |

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|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 259,429.91 | \$ 259,429.91 |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|

BETTERMENTS

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Septic: | | |
| Cash | \$ 20,891.46 | |
| Levy Year 98 | | \$ 20,138.08 |
| Septic Betterment Received | 69,399.76 | |
| Interest Year 98 | | 134.06 |
| Interest Banking | | 619.32 |
| Septic Assessment Deferred Revenue | | 69,399.76 |

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|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 90,291.22 | \$ 90,291.22 |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|

TOWN CAPITAL PROJECTS

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash | | \$ 91,041.09 |
| Warrants Payable | | |
| Water Main - Town Share | | 40,537.11 |
| MA Highway/Waterline Due | \$ 135,699.12 | |
| Water Line - State | | 4,120.92 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 135,699.12 | \$ 135,699.12 |

WATER ENTERPRISE

| | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cash | \$ 25,544.31 | |
| User Charges Receivable | 3,791.53 | |
| Deferred Revenue-User Charges | | \$ 3,791.53 |
| Retained Earnings | | 25,544.31 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 29,335.84 | \$ 29,335.84 |

HARBOR ENTERPRISE

| | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Cash | \$ 54,232.09 | |
| Wharfage Receivable | 1,027.78 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 5,347.23 |
| Deferred Revenue-Wharfage | | 1,027.78 |
| Fund Balance Reserve/Capital - Wharfinger | | 10,000.00 |
| Fund Balance Reserve/Capital - Harbormaster | | 14,605.00 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | | 24,279.86 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 55,259.87 | \$ 55,259.87 |

SOLID WASTE/RECYCLE ENTERPRISE

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash | \$ 424,512.04 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 5,538.98 |
| Reserved for Encumbrances | 837.22 | |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | | 419,810.28 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 425,349.26 | \$ 425,349.26 |

NON-EXPENDABLE TRUSTS

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Restricted Savings | \$ 568,097.05 | |
| Reserved Fund Balances: | | |
| Salisbury Memorial | | \$ 52,966.53 |
| William Hicks Library | | 500.00 |
| Imogene Weeks Library | | 1,000.00 |
| Perpetual Care | | 274,038.66 |
| Ron Desrosiers Memorial | | 17,091.86 |
| Mary Brown Library | | 5,000.00 |
| Pelletier Public Library | | 2,500.00 |
| H.Hoyt Library | | 10,000.00 |

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|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Tripp Library | | 200,000.00 |
| Tripp High School Library | | 5,000.00 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 568,097.05 | \$ 568,097.05 |

EXPENDABLE TRUSTS

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash | \$ 694,600.64 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 18,152.77 |
| Law Enforcement | | 24,692.51 |
| School Improvement | | 5,762.65 |
| Salisbury Memorial | | 3,821.94 |
| Ambulance | | 13,496.72 |
| William Hicks Library | | 26.08 |
| Imogene Weeks Library | | 79.36 |
| Town Farm | | 32,135.30 |
| Landing Commissioners | | 23,682.97 |
| Bicentennial Playground | | 4,875.57 |
| Conservation | | 9,825.31 |
| Veterans Memorial | | 1,096.09 |
| Perpetual Care | | 360,591.48 |
| High School Library | | 182.77 |
| Open Space | | 1,340.89 |
| Westport Betterment/Fuel | | 1,505.51 |
| Ronald Desrosiers Memorial | | 4,956.32 |
| Mary Brown Library | | 1,706.31 |
| Westport Betterment | | 4,096.25 |
| Westport Betterment/Community Center | | 9,980.99 |
| Westport Betterment/Playground | | 6,746.26 |
| Pelletier Public Library | | 220.82 |
| Westport Historical | | 3,680.64 |
| Arts Lottery Trust | | 5,133.46 |
| H. Hoyt Library Trust | | 3,400.99 |
| Tripp/Senior Center | | 29,832.57 |
| Tripp/Library | | 62,840.72 |
| Tripp/High School Library | | 2,815.61 |
| Planning Board Review Fees | | 57,921.78 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 694,600.64 | \$ 694,600.64 |

OTHER TRUSTS

| | | |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Cash | \$1,479,238.90 | |
| Rehabilitation Trust | | \$ 882.53 |
| Stabilization Fund | | 499,502.68 |
| Retirement Fund | | 978,853.69 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$1,479,238.90 | \$1,479,238.90 |

AGENCY FUND

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash | \$ 455,079.69 | |
| Warrants Payable | | \$ 58,049.15 |
| Police Extra Detail | | 3,268.80 |
| School Extra Detail | | 178.02 |
| Insurance-NAA | | 2,706.14 |
| Insurance-PPO | | 7,299.96 |
| Insurance-Pilgrim | | 20,086.81 |
| Insurance-Voluntary Life | | 379.32 |
| Insurance-Life Insurance | | 24.49 |
| Sales Tax | | 20.15 |
| Sporting Licenses | 322.50 | |
| Performance Bonds/Passbooks | | 338,919.80 |
| High School Student Activity | | 17,532.69 |
| Middle School Student Activity | | 2,858.99 |
| Elementary Student Activity | | 2,059.54 |
| Macomber Student Activity | | 2,018.33 |
| ===== | | |
| FUND TOTALS | \$ 455,402.19 | \$ 455,402.19 |

OUTSTANDING DEBT

| | |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| School Construction Bond | \$ 850,000.00 |
| School Lease/Purchase | |
| School Lease/Purchase | |
| Police Lease/Purchase | |

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 1998

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| <u>ACCOUNTANT</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 55,175 | 54,363 | | 812 |
| Expenses | 3,100 | 2,931 | | 169 |
| <u>APPEALS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 2,080 | 2,056 | | 24 |
| Expenses | 3,045 | 1,255 | 1,545 | 245 |
| <u>ASSESSORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 114,028 | 110,348 | | 3,680 |
| Expenses | 4,200 | 4,149 | | 51 |
| FY'91 Map Revision | 2,500 | | 2,500 | |
| FY'92 Revaluation Pro | 6,646 | 6,646 | | |
| FY'96 Appellate Hearing | 2,418 | 953 | 1,465 | |
| FY'97 Appellate Hearing | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| FY'98 Revaluation Pro | 40,000 | 23,798 | 16,202 | |
| <u>BOARD OF HEALTH</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 118,964 | 115,711 | | 3,253 |
| Expenses | 15,519 | 11,165 | | 4,354 |
| FY'94 PT Health Agent | 8,505 | 1,192 | 7,313 | |
| FY'97 Rabies Control | 2,630 | | 2,630 | |
| FY'98 Annex Water Sys | 3,000 | | 3,000 | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 35 | 35 | | |
| <u>BUILDING INSPECTORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 55,789 | 55,276 | | 463 |
| Expenses | 5,000 | 3,758 | | 1,242 |
| FY'98 PT Clerk Bldg | 5,600 | 5,292 | | 308 |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 133 | 133 | | |
| <u>CEMETERY</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 60,715 | 53,642 | | 7,073 |
| Expenses | 6,543 | 6,363 | | 180 |
| FY'90 Perp Care Grave | 170 | | 170 | |
| FY'96 Cemetery Upkeep | 8,137 | 4,749 | 3,388 | |
| FY'98 Cemetery Upkeep | 10,000 | | 10,000 | |
| FY'98 Cemetery Truck | 28,000 | 24,240 | 3,760 | |
| Prior year Encumbered | 336 | 336 | | |
| <u>CIVIL DEFENSE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 606 | 606 | | |
| Expenses | 1,830 | 1,753 | | 77 |
| FY'93 C.D. Equipment | 4,554 | | 4,554 | |
| FY'95 C.D. Equipment | 5,000 | | 5,000 | |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| <u>COLLECTOR</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 95,785 | 95,645 | | 140 |
| Expenses | 14,145 | 14,145 | | |
| <u>CONSERVATION</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 46,012 | 46,012 | | |
| Expenses | 5,685 | 4,271 | 1,281 | 133 |
| FY'89 APR | 15,000 | 8,000 | 7,000 | |
| FY'93 Critical Area | 2,000 | 1,452 | 548 | |
| FY'94 Critical Area | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| FY'95 Critical Area | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| FY'96 Critical Area | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| FY'96 APR | 10,000 | | 10,000 | |
| FY'97 Critical Area | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| FY'97 APR | 20,000 | | 20,000 | |
| FY'97 Admin. N.O.I. | 3,000 | 3,000 | | |
| FY'98 Admin. N.O.I. | 3,500 | 1,564 | 1,936 | |
| FY'98 Critical Area | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| <u>COUNCIL ON AGING</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 69,889 | 69,888 | | 1 |
| Expenses | 18,287 | 14,790 | 2,700 | 797 |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 27 | 27 | | |
| <u>DATA PROCESSING</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 8,000 | 7,830 | | 170 |
| Expenses | 31,880 | 27,567 | | 4,313 |
| FY'98 Computer Upgrade | 200,000 | 12,213 | 187,787 | |
| <u>DOG OFFICER</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 9,789 | 9,786 | | 3 |
| Expenses | 7,660 | 7,533 | | 127 |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 48 | 28 | | 20 |
| <u>ELECTION & REGISTRATION</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 35,989 | 31,760 | | 4,229 |
| Expenses | 13,268 | 10,072 | 1,000 | 2,196 |
| FY'98 Voting Machines | 42,000 | | 42,000 | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 1,200 | 676 | | 524 |
| <u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u> | | | | |
| Health Insurance | 845,000 | 766,005 | | 78,995 |
| Life Insurance | 6,000 | 5,205 | | 795 |
| FICA/Medicare | 60,000 | 86,313 | | |
| Unemployment | 40,000 | 36,410 | | 3,590 |
| Workers Compensation | 60,000 | 46,381 | | 13,619 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| <u>FINANCE COMMITTEE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 2,000 | 703 | | 1,297 |
| Expenses | 2,000 | 1,619 | | 381 |
| Reserve Fund Transfers | 100,000 | 57,445 | | 42,555 |
| <u>FIRE DEPARTMENT</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 968,274 | 937,257 | | 31,017 |
| Expenses | 142,727 | 121,464 | 18,498 | 2,765 |
| FY'97 Fire Pumper | 3,102 | 3,102 | | |
| FY'98 Fireworks | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| FY'98 Fire Chief Inc. | 6,962 | 6,962 | | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 2,938 | 2,207 | | |
| <u>GAS INSPECTORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 5,000 | 4,998 | | 2 |
| Expenses | 1,000 | 539 | | 461 |
| FY'98 Prior Year Bills | 49 | 49 | | |
| <u>HIGHWAY</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 411,023 | 406,505 | 750 | 3,768 |
| Expenses | 221,380 | 71,661 | 149,101 | 618 |
| FY'96 Road Construction | 6,441 | 6,441 | | |
| FY'97 Road Maintenance | 125,000 | 125,000 | | |
| FY'98 Road Maintenance | 125,010 | 95,817 | 29,193 | |
| FY'98 Prior Year Bills | 300 | 300 | | |
| FY'98 Rem/Rep Gas Tanks | 75,000 | 66,547 | 8,453 | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 9,950 | 9,950 | | |
| <u>HIGHWAY/SNOW & ICE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 24,000 | 17,812 | | 6,388 |
| Expenses | 20,090 | 20,090 | | |
| <u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 310 | 310 | | |
| <u>LANDFILL</u> | | | | |
| FY'96 Waste/Recyc Ctr | 95,398 | 15,715 | 79,683 | |
| FY'97 Land Heavy Equip | 30,000 | | 30,000 | |
| FY'98 Landfill Closure | 94,521 | 34,145 | 60,376 | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 1,385 | 750 | | 635 |
| <u>LEGAL</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 55,761 | 55,761 | | |
| Negotiations & Grieve | 9,239 | 6,762 | 2,477 | |
| FY'98 Sp.Counsel/Power | 1,500 | 1,500 | | |
| FY'98 Prior Year Bills | 7,709 | 7,709 | | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 12,869 | 12,869 | | |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|
| <u>LIBRARY</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 117,814 | 117,442 | | 372 |
| Expenses | 34,575 | 34,575 | | |
| <u>MODERATOR</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 553 | 553 | | |
| Expenses | 150 | 85 | | 65 |
| <u>NURSING</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 22,141 | 17,355 | | 4,786 |
| Expenses | 11,866 | 10,432 | 150 | 1,284 |
| <u>PARKING TICKETS</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 3,880 | 3,446 | | 434 |
| <u>PERSONNEL BOARD</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 500 | 360 | | 140 |
| FY'98 PT Clerk | 500 | 166 | | 334 |
| <u>PLANNING BOARD</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 11,087 | 8,441 | | 2,646 |
| Expenses | 6,200 | 4,833 | | 1,367 |
| FY'98 Prior Year Bills | 20 | 20 | | |
| <u>PLUMBING INSPECTOR</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 8,000 | 7,888 | | 112 |
| Expenses | 1,625 | 866 | | 759 |
| FY'98 Prior Year Bills | 65 | 65 | | |
| <u>POLICE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,313,933 | 1,301,383 | | 12,550 |
| Expenses | 233,600 | 230,241 | | 3,359 |
| FY'97 Beach Patrol | 1,849 | 1,849 | | |
| FY'98 Police Repeaters | 40,000 | 377 | 39,623 | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 217 | 217 | | |
| <u>PROPERTY INSURANCE</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 106,522 | 106,522 | | |
| FY'98 Prior Year Bills | 20,000 | 20,000 | | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 5,700 | 5,432 | | 268 |
| <u>REGIONAL SCHOOLS</u> | | | | |
| Diman Regional | 131,859 | 131,859 | | |
| Bristol Aggie | 14,490 | 14,490 | | 80 |
| <u>RETIREMENT</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 595,060 | 595,060 | | |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|
| <u>SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</u> | | | | |
| Gen.Ed. Salaries | 6,151,941 | 5,966,461 | 185,480 | |
| Gen.Ed. Expenses | 1,501,614 | 1,394,846 | 106,768 | |
| Gen.Ed. Encumbered | 84,062 | 82,137 | | 1,925 |
| Spec.Ed. Salaries | 1,162,774 | 1,095,108 | 67,666 | |
| Spec.Ed. Expenses | 292,034 | 283,219 | 8,815 | |
| Transportation Salaries | 80,135 | 78,433 | 1,669 | 3 |
| Transportation Gen. Ed. | 530,357 | 526,539 | 2,938 | 880 |
| Transportation Sp. Ed. | 225,615 | 225,615 | | |
| Summer Salaries | 206,297 | 206,261 | | 36 |
| FY'98 Prior Year Bills | 3,373 | 3,373 | | |
| <u>SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,289 | 1,289 | | |
| Expenses | 500 | 132 | | 368 |
| <u>SELECTMEN</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 128,706 | 128,084 | | 622 |
| Expenses | 5,710 | 5,463 | 221 | 26 |
| <u>SHELLFISH</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 47,772 | 47,772 | | |
| Expenses | 18,332 | 10,538 | 7,793 | 1 |
| FY'94 Town Dock Repair | 1,710 | 649 | 1,061 | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 8,900 | 8,900 | | |
| <u>STREET LIGHTING</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 17,460 | 16,258 | | 1,202 |
| <u>TOWN BEACH</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 15,747 | 10,935 | | 4,812 |
| Expenses | 1,400 | 1,134 | | 266 |
| <u>TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE</u> | | | | |
| FY'98 PT Clerk | 1,200 | 134 | | 1,066 |
| <u>TOWN CLERK</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 50,396 | 50,013 | | 383 |
| Expenses | 1,330 | 1,293 | | 37 |
| <u>TOWN FARM</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 3,003 | 1,966 | | 1,037 |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 939 | 921 | | 18 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| <u>TOWN HALL</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 35,348 | 35,334 | | 14 |
| Expenses | 66,500 | 40,015 | 22,735 | 3,750 |
| FY'92 Repair Town Bldgs | 8,919 | | 8,919 | |
| FY'96 Handi BR/Septic | 9,911 | 9,911 | | |
| FY'96 TH Elect Upgrade | 13,000 | 1,056 | 11,944 | |
| FY'98 TH Annex Repairs | 33,000 | 28,556 | 4,444 | |
| FY'98 TH Water Filtrate | 3,000 | 120 | 2,880 | |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 18,881 | 18,745 | | 136 |
| <u>TOWN REPORTS</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 4,850 | 3,301 | | 1,549 |
| <u>TREASURER</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 79,985 | 79,934 | | 51 |
| Expenses | 38,100 | 30,073 | 6,435 | 1,592 |
| Bank Service Charge | 3,000 | 1,939 | | 1,061 |
| <u>UNCLASSIFIED</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 31,148 | 30,621 | 139 | 388 |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 1,432 | 1,307 | | 125 |
| <u>WIRE INSPECTORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 21,380 | 20,780 | | 600 |
| Expenses | 2,935 | 2,743 | | 192 |
| <u>VETERANS GRAVES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 653 | 653 | | |
| Expenses | 1,353 | 1,345 | | 8 |
| <u>VETERANS SERVICES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 23,949 | 23,949 | | |
| Expenses | 2,913 | 2,913 | | |
| Out of State Travel | 160 | 159 | | 1 |
| Veterans Benefits | 81,375 | 46,989 | 5,000 | 29,386 |
| Veterans Services | 3,900 | 3,860 | | 40 |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 10,000 | 575 | | 9,425 |
| <u>LONG TERM DEBT</u> | | | | |
| Bond Principal | 225,000 | 225,000 | | |
| <u>LONG TERM INTEREST</u> | | | | |
| Bond Interest | 56,913 | 56,913 | | |
| <u>SHORT TERM DEBT</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 22,500 | | | 22,500 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| <u>OTHER GOVERNMENT</u> | | | | |
| FY'79 Dredge West River | 5,000 | | 5,000 | |
| FY'94 Pro Water Equip | 1,418 | 400 | 1,018 | |
| FY'96 Sex Assault/Abuse | 1,521 | | 1,521 | |
| FY'97 Com Ctr Bathroom | 11,726 | 10,342 | 1,384 | |
| FY'97 Pay Class | 5,920 | 4,200 | 1,000 | 720 |
| FY'97 Rape Counseling | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| FY'97 Latessa Sq Upkeep | 26 | 26 | | |
| FY'98 Sex Assault/Abuse | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| FY'98 Hire Grant Writer | 10,000 | 4,489 | 5,511 | |
| FY'98 Mosquito Control | 1 | | 1 | |
| FY'98 Latessa Sq Main | 1,500 | 399 | 1,101 | |
| FY'98 Main Bicent Play | 15,000 | 9,784 | 5,216 | |
| FY'98 Community Ctr Flr | 5,000 | 4,450 | 550 | |
| FY'98 ADA Proj Comm Ctr | 17,000 | 244 | 16,756 | |
| <u>STATE ASSESSMENTS</u> | | | | |
| Charter School | | 28,317 | | |
| School Choice | | 2,996 | | |
| Special Education | | 9,366 | | |
| Mosquito Control Proj | | 39,574 | | |
| Air Pollution Control | | 3,811 | | |
| Criminal Justice Train | | 7,200 | | |
| Trans. Authority GATRA | | 13,907 | | |
| Non-Renewal Surcharge | | 7,600 | | |
| SRPEDD | | 2,078 | | |
| <u>COUNTY ASSESSMENTS</u> | | | | |
| County Tax | | 199,795 | | |
| TOTALS | 18,920,930 | 17,670,983 | 1,255,927 | 334,977 |



STATEMENT OF REVENUE
BUDGET VS. ACTUAL FISCAL YEAR 1998

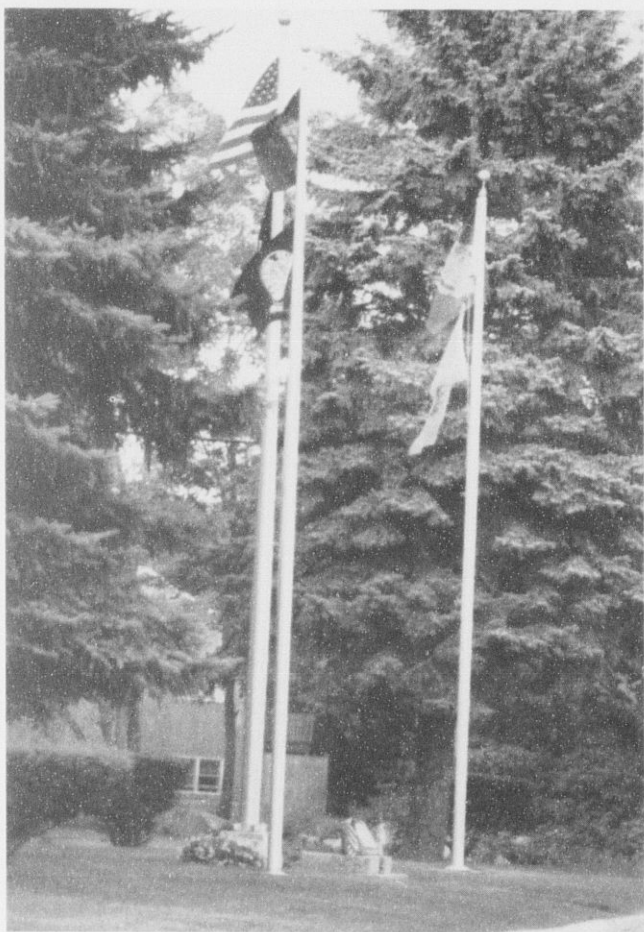
| <u>Taxes & Local Receipts</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Real Estate Taxes | 10,812,598 | 10,820,316 |
| Personal Property | 203,866 | 204,117 |
| Conveyance Taxes | | 42,264 |
| Elderly Deferred Taxes | | 2,852 |
| Tax Liens Redeemed | | 46,291 |
| Litigated Taxes Collected | | 4,892 |
| Motor Vehicle Taxes | 875,000 | 1,158,347 |
| Boat Excise | 18,000 | 19,429 |
| Farm Animal & Machine | 5,510 | 6,264 |
| Forest Excise | 290 | 291 |
| Rentals | 14,000 | 13,996 |
| Telephone Commission | 100 | 73 |
| Public Hearings | 550 | 420 |
| Liquor Licenses | 14,000 | 14,764 |
| Miscellaneous Licenses | 200 | 260 |
| Cable Commission | 2,000 | 2,209 |
| Entertainment | 1,000 | 800 |
| Auctioneers | 50 | 20 |
| Auto Repair | 5,750 | 5,725 |
| Common Victualer | 700 | 585 |
| Auto Licenses | 6,700 | 6,700 |
| State & Sunday Licenses | 600 | 210 |
| Trailer Permits | | 2,136 |
| Yard Sales & Flea Markets | | 4 |
| Assessors Fees | 100 | |
| Tax Title Release & Postage | 400 | 237 |
| Interest on Investment | 147,000 | 224,355 |
| Treasurer Miscellaneous Fees | 350 | 637 |
| Interest on Taxes | 40,000 | 44,365 |
| Interest on Excise | 4,000 | 5,510 |
| Demands on Taxes | 3,000 | 5,755 |
| Demands on Excise | 17,000 | 17,109 |
| Interest on Liens | 51,000 | 16,380 |
| Payment in Lieu of Taxes | 6,400 | 6,866 |
| Municipal Liens Fees | 15,000 | 20,025 |
| Registry Release Fees | 4,000 | 6,220 |
| Tax Collector Miscellaneous Charges | 1,700 | 768 |
| Interest on Deposits | 3,000 | 6,045 |
| Data Processing Fees | 250 | 165 |
| Town Clerk Miscellaneous Fees | 2,400 | 1,084 |
| Zoning By-Laws | 400 | 363 |
| Town Clerk Charges | 7,000 | 8,651 |
| Raffle, Junk, Peddler, Hawkers | 300 | 475 |
| Voter List | 350 | 535 |
| Conservation Miscellaneous Fees | 100 | 12 |
| Conservation Filing Fees | 2,800 | 3,402 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Conservation Soil Permits | 1,500 | 1,735 |
| Planning Board Fees | 9,350 | 8,094 |
| Planning Board Miscellaneous Fees | | 78 |
| Board of Appeals Miscellaneous Fees | 1,500 | 1,635 |
| Unclassified Miscellaneous Fees | 3,000 | 363 |
| Miscellaneous General Gov't Fees | 18,000 | 1,888 |
| Police Reports | 1,500 | 1,310 |
| Police Administrative Fees | 3,500 | 2,828 |
| Fire Arms & ID Cards | 3,500 | 5,451 |
| Non-Criminal Fines | | 1,152 |
| Court Fines | 20,000 | 21,310 |
| Registrar Fines | 65,000 | 72,345 |
| Parking Fines | 20,000 | 26,335 |
| Fire Department Charges | 3,100 | 4,343 |
| Ambulance Charges | 200,000 | 228,371 |
| Building Permits | 48,000 | 56,927 |
| Gas Permits | 4,700 | 7,073 |
| Plumbing Permits | 12,000 | 18,696 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures Permits | 1,000 | 596 |
| Electrical Permits | 18,000 | 27,286 |
| Dog Officer Charges | 50 | 64 |
| Dog Licenses | 4,000 | 4,506 |
| Shellfish Licenses | 19,000 | 20,255 |
| School Miscellaneous Revenue | 400 | 1,621 |
| Cemetery Interment Fees | 24,000 | 27,315 |
| Cemetery Foundation Fees | 4,500 | 4,138 |
| Cemetery Saturday/Sunday Fees | 1,500 | 3,125 |
| Board of Health Permits | 58,000 | 53,653 |
| Board of Health Miscellaneous Fees | 200 | 155 |
| Nursing Department Charges | 5,700 | 2,301 |
| Library Charges | 2,900 | 3,697 |
| Beach Stickers | 19,000 | 19,440 |
| Historical Commission Charges | 200 | 240 |
| TOTAL LOCAL RECEIPTS | 12,840,564 | 13,350,249 |

STATE AID

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Hotel & Motel Taxes | 71,200 | 78,438 |
| Abatements to Veterans | 15,100 | 23,396 |
| Abatements to Surviving Spouse | 617 | 1,050 |
| Abatements to Blind | 900 | 1,400 |
| Abatements to Elderly | 73,201 | 73,302 |
| School Aid-Chapter 70 | 2,473,332 | 2,473,332 |
| School Transportation - Chapter 71 | 226,981 | 206,592 |
| Tuition for State Wards | 136,681 | 81,899 |
| Police Career Incentive - Chapter 41 | 34,817 | 32,215 |
| Veteran Benefits | 44,069 | 52,304 |
| Lottery, Beano & Charity Games | 1,046,115 | 1,046,115 |
| Highway Fund | 177,243 | 177,243 |
| State Owned Land | 167,860 | 167,860 |

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Medicaid Reimbursement | | 44,230 |
| Civil Defense | | 7,748 |
| Miscellaneous State Reimbursements | | 33 |
| TOTAL STATE AID | 4,468,116 | 4,467,157 |



Latessa Square

HARBOR ENTERPRISE
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | TO FUND BALANCE |
|------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>STATE BOAT RAMP</u> | | | |
| Salaries | 5,556 | 4,928 | 628 |
| Expenses | 2,900 | 2,642 | 258 |
| Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Indirect Costs | <u>0</u> | <u>2,444</u> | <u>-2,444</u> |
| Total | 8,456 | 10,014 | 1,558 |
| <u>HARBORMASTER</u> | | | |
| Salaries | 26,006 | 25,989 | 17 |
| Expenses | 9,980 | 9,547 | 433 |
| Capital | 5,000 | 5,000 | 0 |
| Indirect Costs | <u>0</u> | <u>14,848</u> | <u>-14,848</u> |
| Total | 40,986 | 55,384 | -14,398 |
| <u>WHARFINGER</u> | | | |
| Salaries | 3,046 | 3,046 | 0 |
| Expenses | 7,059 | 4,199 | 2,860 |
| Capital | 5,000 | 5,000 | 0 |
| Indirect Costs | <u>0</u> | <u>3,994</u> | <u>-3,994</u> |
| Total | 15,105 | 16,239 | -1,134 |
| TOTALS | 64,547 | 81,637 | -17,090 |

HARBOR ENTERPRISE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES
BUDGET VS ACTUAL

| | <u>BUDGET</u> | <u>ACTUAL</u> |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| <u>STATE RAMP</u> | 9,000 | 9,045 |
| <u>HARBORMASTER</u> | | |
| Moorings | 2,500 | 2,510 |
| Interest | | 1 |
| Dock and Slip Fees | 31,700 | 34,503 |
| Mooring Rentals | 495 | 660 |
| <u>WHARFINGER</u> | | |
| Wharfage | 15,629 | 14,747 |
| Interest | 229 | 73 |
| Service Charges | 1,358 | 1,114 |
| WATERWAY REVENUE | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| TOTALS | 75,911 | 77,653 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN BEACH

The Westport Town Beaches were patrolled by four full-time lifeguards and one part-time lifeguard in 1998. Lifeguards are certified in Lifesaving, First Aid and CPR. They are responsible for patrolling Cherry & Webb Beach from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., seven days a week and East Beach on weekends. Other duties include cleaning both beaches, parking lots and the dunes.

The Fire and Highway Departments provided and maintained a four wheel drive vehicle in case of emergency and for clean-up. Two police radios allow us to communicate with the Police and Fire Departments and the Harbormaster. The Beach Department provided two port-o-johns. They are located in the Cherry & Webb Beach south parking lot and the East Beach parking lot. A dumpster is also provided at the end of Cherry & Webb Lane for beach trash. Thanks to the Selectmen, Highway, Police and Fire Departments and the Harbormaster for their cooperation

Respectfully submitted,

Gustin Cariglia
Head Lifeguard



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN FARM

1998 was another good year for the Town Farm. It was another year with few emergency repairs and because of that we were able to have all the exterior trim on the house, barn and outbuildings scraped, sanded, primed and painted. For once it all looks good at the same time.

We have good, steady tenants in both apartments who continue to maintain and improve the house. The land is now rented out to one farmer who is putting a substantial amount of work into cleaning up the rock walls and clearing the fields.

While the farm usually generates around \$15,000 in rents for the Town, its entire budget of \$3,000 is spent on maintenance and repairs. It is a self-sufficient project that provides housing, open space with ongoing agricultural use, and potential recreational and educational use and preserves a very unique 18th century farmstead.

Respectfully submitted,

Geraldine Millham

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

I hereby submit my annual report as Treasurer June 30, 1998.

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Cash balance June 30, 1997 | \$ 6,700,845.59 |
| Receipts July 1, 1997 - June 30, 1998 | <u>22,672,541.53</u> |
| Total | \$ 29,373,387.12 |
| Expenditures-Warrant July 1, 1997 - June 30, 1998 | <u>21,328,781.54</u> |
| Balance June 30, 1998 | \$ 8,044,605.58 |
| Total Cash June 30, 1998 | \$ 8,044,605.58 |

You are hereby advised the following interest was earned for the Town of Westport through the cash management system and regular investments by the Town Treasurer of cash for the period July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998.

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Interest earned on Certificates of Deposit-Stabilization Fund | \$ 25,338.61 |
| Income earned on Certificates of Deposit-Pension Reserve Fund: | |
| Special Fund for Retirement Purposes | |
| M.G.L. Chapter 40 Sec. 5D | 62,355.99 |
| Interest earned on Certificates of Deposit, Money Market and | |
| Savings-Revenue | 233,012.78 |
| Total Income Earned July 1997 Through 1998 | \$320,707.38 |

Respectfully submitted,

George E. Foster
Treasurer

TOWN OF WESTPORT DEBTS ACCOUNT JUNE 30, 1998

Amount to be provided for the retirement of
general long-term debt \$ 850,000

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| School Renovation | | \$ 850,000 |
| | \$ 850,000 | \$ 850,000 |

Schedule of Debt Interest Outstanding
June 30, 1998

| Date of Issue | Purpose | Rate | Due Date | Interest | Principal |
|---------------|-------------|-------|----------|--------------|--------------|
| 10/15/91 | School Ren. | 5.86% | 11/15/98 | 25,250.00 | 225,000.00 |
| | | | 05/15/99 | 18,725.00 | |
| | | | 11/15/99 | 18,725.00 | 225,000.00 |
| | | | 05/15/00 | 12,087.50 | |
| | | | 11/15/00 | 12,087.50 | 225,000.00 |
| | | | 05/15/01 | 5,337.50 | |
| | | | 11/15/01 | 5,337.50 | 175,000.00 |
| Total | | | | \$ 97,550.00 | \$850,000.00 |

TOWN OF WESTPORT BALANCE SHEET
TRUST & INVESTED ACCOUNTS
JUNE 30, 1998

Cash & Securities in Custody of Treasurer \$2,741,902.35

Fund Balances

Nonexpendable:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Hicks Library Principal | 500.00 |
| Interest | 26.08 |
| Imogene Weeks Library Principal | 1,000.00 |
| Interest | 79.36 |
| Salisbury Scholarship Fund Principal | 52,966.53 |
| Interest | 3,821.94 |
| Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Principal | 17,091.86 |
| Interest | 4,956.32 |
| Hazel Tripp Public Library Principal | 200,000.00 |
| Interest | 62,840.72 |
| Harry Hoyt | 10,000.00 |
| Interest | 3,400.99 |
| High School Library | 5,000.00 |
| Interest | 2,998.38 |
| Edythe M. Pelletier Library | 2,500.00 |
| Interest | 220.82 |
| Mary Brown Library | 5,000.00 |
| Interest | 1,706.31 |

Cemeteries:

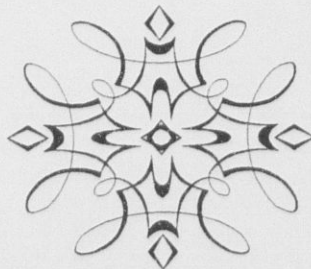
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|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Point Cemetery Principal | 8,232.00 |
| Hicks Lot Principal | 2,000.00 |
| Private Cemetery Principal | 6,907.00 |
| Peleg Peckham Principal | 6,430.00 |
| Irene Poole Principal | 2,190.00 |
| Linden Grove Principal | 16,715.00 |
| Beech Grove Principal | 237,052.00 |
| Maple Grove Principal | 70,527.66 |
| Interest | <u>298,933.97</u> |

Total Non-Expendables \$1,023,156.94

Expendable:

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Ambulance | 13,496.72 |
| Helen Ellis Trust (Arts Lottery) | 6,133.46 |
| Bicentennial Playground | 4,875.57 |
| Conservation Trust | 9,865.79 |
| Conservation-Open Space | 1,340.89 |
| Engineering/Planning Board | 60,597.82 |
| Historical Commission | 3,705.64 |
| Law Enforcement | 24,692.51 |
| Pension Trust Fund | 978,853.69 |
| Public Landing | 23,682.97 |
| Rehabilitation Fund | 882.53 |
| School Improvement Fund | 5,762.65 |
| Stabilization Fund | 499,502.68 |
| Town Farm | 32,135.30 |
| Veterans Memorial | 1,055.61 |
| Westport Citizen Betterment-Fuel Assistance | 1,505.51 |
| Westport Citizen Betterment | 4,096.25 |
| Hazel Tripp Senior Center | 29,832.57 |
| Community Center | 9,980.99 |
| Community Center Playground | <u>6,746.26</u> |

Total Expendables \$1,718,745.41



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS' AGENT

I herewith submit my report for 1998 as Director/Agent of Veterans' Services.

| | |
|--|-------|
| Cases on hand December 31, 1998 | 31 |
| Cases on hand December 31, 1997 | 38 |
| Cases opened during 1998, State & Federal | 17 |
| Cases not approved in 1998, State & Federal | 2 |
| Cases closed during 1998, State & Federal | 7 |
| Cases pending end of 1998, State & Federal | 9 |
| Veterans Hospitalized in 1998 | 128 |
| Veterans/Dependents requiring services in 1998 | 1,856 |
| Veterans Population in Westport in 1998 | 1,336 |

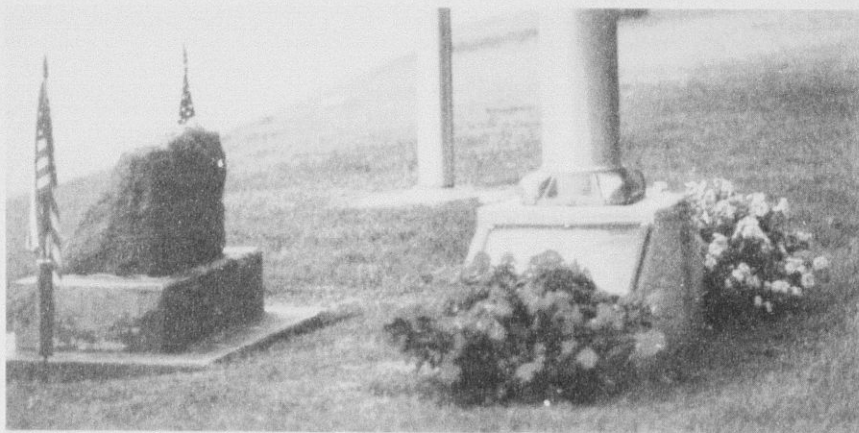
The amount of monies received by Veterans and/or dependents from compensation, pensions, education, vocational rehabilitation, insurances and indemnities resulting from claims filed through Veterans' Services and the Department of Veterans Affairs equal \$1,239,513.00.

The amount of monies received as reimbursement from the Office of the Commission of Veterans' Services and Benefits expended by the Town of Westport for the year 1998 equals \$32,061.00.

Again as always, thank you to all individuals who have donated time, money, equipment, food and compassion to the less fortunate of our community. Without you, those who were hospitalized, homebound and destitute, both Veterans and non-veterans, became a lot better off at least for a short period of time.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald E. Costa, Veterans' Agent
Director of Veterans' Services



Latessa Square

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS GRAVE REGISTRATION OFFICER

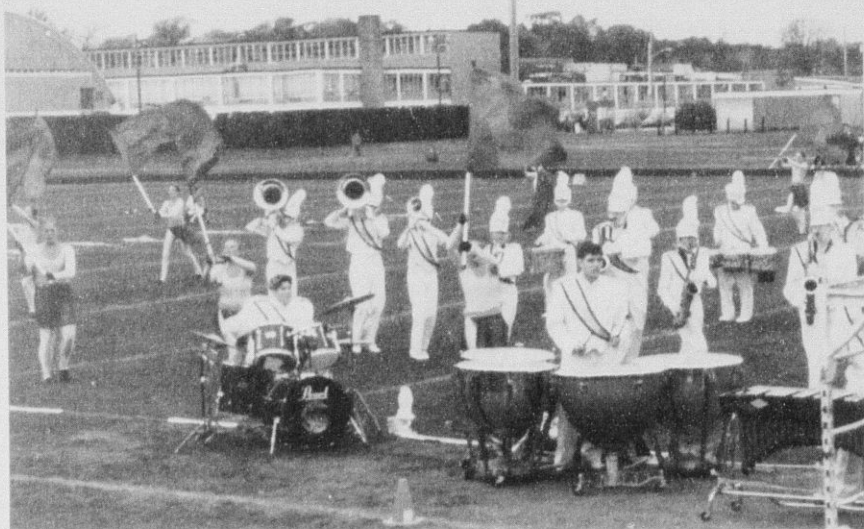
I herewith submit my report for 1998 as Veterans' Graves Registration Officer.

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|--|-----------|
| Upkeep Outlying Private Cemeteries | \$ 653.00 |
| U.S. Flags, Large, Graves & POW / MIA & | |
| Grave Flag Holders | 982.00 |
| Transportation Graves Officer | 205.00 |
| Flowers, Veterans' Day | |
| Supplies, Office / Groundskeeping | 158.00 |

On behalf of the Veterans' Graves and Memorial Department, I would like to thank our four Veterans' organizations - the V.F.W., V.V.A., D.A.V., and the American Legion and Auxiliaries. Without their support, many of my services would not be possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald E. Costa
Veterans' Graves Registration
and Memorial Officer



Westport High School Color Guard & Marching Band
at a NESBA Competition at New Bedford

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS

I herewith submit my report for 1998 as Service Officer for the Veterans' Organizations located in the Town of Westport.

Through the combined efforts of our three organizations located at the Legion Hall, A.L. Post # 145, D.A.V. Chapter # 118 and V.V.A. Chapter # 207, the following improvements were made:

The floor in the kitchen was cleaned and repainted. Hot water was added to both the ladies room and men's room. Thank you to Fred Lima, who also hooked up the huge coffee pot donated by the Crawford Home located in Fall River. An anonymous person installed electric outlets. (Thank you). The Huylers donated a small refrigerator and Norm Moreau and his wife donated a large microwave to round out our needs in the kitchen.

Thanks to the Sheriff's Department and the inmates in the Pre-Release Program, the outside of our building was painted. Every day the inmates and the correctional officer were a welcome sight and the group had their coffee and doughnuts ready for them each day. A small amount to pay for such a fine job. Thank you to the inmates, the correctional officer and, especially, Sheriff Thomas Hodgson. The veterans of Westport appreciate the help and look forward to seeing you again next year. Also, thanks to Selectman Steven Tripp for starting the project.

Officers and members of the Ouellete Post #8502 V.F.W. continue with their support in the community. Renovations were made to the building and soon the area around the building will take on a new look. The parking lot will be done over as soon as funds become available. We need a good surveyor to mark the boundaries so that we don't create problems when the work is finished. Our children's activities are a success and we still promote good will.

We wish to thank all who have remembered our veterans throughout the year. The Senior Center, which hosts a "Veterans Day" in honor of the Town's veterans each year. Our Police Chief, Michael Healy, and his officers, who help the veterans and their families with security advice. Our Fire Chief, William Tripp, who participated in a program to supply fire alarms to homes where needed. (Chief Tripp belongs to all the veterans' organizations, but has a hard time getting to the meetings.) To both, for their participation in our parades. To the Auxiliaries, for their fine work and support. Finally, to the community, for their support at all times. I don't think there is another in the Commonwealth that supports their veterans like this one. I'm proud to serve your needs.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald E. Costa
Commander D.A.V. #118

Arthur Proulx
President V.V.A. #207

Willie Thibault
V.F.W. Post #8502

Gerard Bussiere
A.L. Post #145

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WHARFINGER

The following is the Wharfinger's annual report for the year ending 1998.

There are 32 commercial boats ranging from 14' to 58' in length and the up-weller system berthed at the Town Dock. The revenue generated by them was \$15,349. Electricity used and paid for by the owners was \$3,245. These amounts added together total \$18,594. Expenses in an Enterprise Fund have estimated costs along with the regular expenses for a department. They are: Capital Outlay for dock repairs, \$5,000 — Personnel, \$3,390 — Expenses, \$7,059 (electricity for flood lights, port-o-john, office supplies, etc.)

Indirect costs are estimated to require an additional \$3,145.

This year we are trying to get the Town Dock repaired with Federal funds. The State gave us the opportunity to have engineering done at no expense to the Town and we took it. The cost would have been \$34,000! A three option report was prepared and reviewed by myself and the Dock Committee members. Option one, was to repair the dock for roughly \$600,000; option two, was to replace the dock for \$1,300,000; and option three, was to create another finger pier and not repair the existing structure for \$1,900,000. The first option was considered to be the best for the Town and should extend the life of the dock some twenty to forty years. A matching grant of 25% from us and 75% from them is what it will take to fix the dock. Our match is \$150,000 and is being presented as an article at the next Town Meeting. As an Enterprise Fund the users of the dock will have to pay this money back to where ever it comes from. If there is interest attached to the figure, than that too will have to be paid. As it stands currently, the dock fees will have to increase to around \$24 per foot or an increase of \$10 per foot. This project benefits the Town not only for the approximately \$450,000.00 which we will receive, it also reduces the liability created by the dock in it's present condition.

I wish to thank everyone involved with the project. It is hopefully heading towards reality.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Sherman
Wharfinger



Towing Shellfish Trays Back for End of Season Repairs

1997-98 Annual Report
of the
Westport Community Schools

Westport Community Schools

Superintendent's Annual Report

The Westport School Committee achieved two significant goals this past year. First, Westport students topped national and state averages on the combined Math and Verbal Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). This is a first time achievement for Westport. Second, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges has granted candidate status to the Westport Elementary and Westport Middle Schools. Accreditation of K-8 schools is voluntary and the School Committee's goal is to have all four schools formally recognized as accredited schools within the next three years. Achieving candidate status is a first step in that process. Accreditation by an outside organization such as the New England Association of Schools and Colleges will improve our schools and demonstrate the quality of our programs to the community at large.

The quality of our school programs is also documented by the 1997-98 *Iowa Test of Basic Skills* results. Westport students demonstrated proficiency in basic skills performance with 93 percent of students scoring at or above grade level. The Committee's goal is to raise the bar on basic skills performance even higher in the coming years.

Enrollment in the Westport Schools remained stable in the 1997-98 school year with a total enrollment of 1845 compared to 1830 in the 1996-97 school year. Maximum enrollment levels have been reached at the Macomber and Elementary Schools. The Middle School and High School could accommodate increased numbers of students, however. During the past year, the School Committee voted to make twenty-five Westport High School seats available to non-residents through the School Choice program. Tuition for School Choice students is provided by the students' home districts. Funds received by the School Committee under the School Choice program can be expended by the Committee to purchase supplies and materials for any current program.

The school budget for 1997-98 significantly increased resources for student extracurricular activities and for education technology. The Westport Schools ranked 90th out of the 331 communities in the state for spending on technology. The increased spending in extracurricular activities for students was the result of a recommendation of the New England Association of School & Colleges in the last re-accreditation report for the High School. We expect to maintain current spending levels in those two areas.

There were no significant changes in school curriculum or instruction this past year with the exception of providing a more structured reading program for students experiencing difficulty in reading in grades 1-8. The Westport schools now have trained, certified teachers who provide instruction from the Wilson Reading program which stresses phonics. The Wilson program showed significant gains in student achievement in reading after only one year of implementation.

A significant portion of the school budget is used to implement Special Education requirements. In the past year, Westport's schools have identified approximately 12% of the public school population as special education students. This included 229 special

education students out of an enrollment of 1855 students. This average reflects a significantly lower percentage of special education students in Westport than the 17% reported for the entire Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and appears to be a positive outcome of Westport's initiatives to provide modifications and accommodation plans designed to promote the success of all students.

The food service program receives some subsidy from the Federal and State government but is largely self-sustaining. The program receives no appropriation from the Town and therefore is not included in the budget. Menus this school year included more grains, vegetables, fruit, a greater variety of low fat foods, including fat-free and 1-percent-fat milk. The cost of a full lunch including milk was \$1.30 and a la carte offerings were available at the High and Middle Schools. Student participation levels remain in the upper 70th percentile - well above state average. The program strives to provide adequate calories, nutrients and dietary fiber while monitoring fat and cholesterol levels.

Regular education student transportation services were provided by Laidlaw Transit, Inc. during the final year of a three year contract. A total of 32 routes operated on a two-tier system which bused the High and Middle School students to their respective destinations at 7:25 and 7:30 a.m. The Elementary and Macomber School students were transported on the later tier for delivery at 8:30 and 8:45 a.m. respectively. Six buses operated at midday to accommodate kindergarten students. A Bus Safety Citation Program was initiated at the Elementary level in the spring of 1998 as a pilot program to increase bus safety awareness and as a means to reward students for positive behavior. Statistical results revealed a 62% decrease in student bus suspensions.

Enos Bus Company of Westport provided van transportation to accommodate students with special needs for the fifth consecutive year. An average of 50 students received service both in-house and to out-of-district placements.

Parents continue to be very involved in school affairs either through School Councils or Parent-Teacher organizations. The WES/MAC Parent/Teacher Organization, the Westport Middle School Association, the Westport Band Boosters, and the Westport Athletic Boosters continue to supplement the school program with various fund raising activities. The assistance of these parent organizations allows us to support many after-school programs that otherwise would not be offered.

Grant funds also provide federal and state resources which support school programs. In 1997-98, grant funds were used to support three teaching positions as well as a wide range of curriculum enhancement programs. Additionally, grant funds were used to pay for out-of-district tuition costs for some Westport students who require specific programs under their Special Needs Individual Education Plan.

School buildings and grounds are maintained with a staff of maintenance and custodial personnel. Although no major capital improvements were funded in 1997-98, routine maintenance and custodial services were provided. However, the need for significant capital improvements was documented in a feasibility study which was approved by the School Committee as well as the School Building Committee. School renovations and repairs identified in the report are estimated to cost approximately five million dollars.

These improvements are the result of routine wear and tear as well as retrofit costs to accommodate 21st century program needs in buildings which are between twenty and fifty years old. In 1997-98, the school facilities were again utilized to the maximum by youth leagues and civic groups for education and recreation purposes. This demand in school facilities is a resource to the community, which is often unrecognized.

Maintaining buildings and grounds to support the current level of community use may require additional funding in the future.

In retrospect, 1997-98 was a banner year for the Westport schools. Parents, students, and staff have worked together to achieve significant gains in our continuous goal for improvement. With the documented success achieved in 97-98, we look forward to new and greater challenges and higher performance expectations in the coming school year.

Respectfully submitted,

Margot desJardins

Superintendent of Schools for the Westport School Committee

Fiscal 1998 Actual Expenditures
And
Net School Spending Requirements

| | FY 98 Expended |
|---|---------------------|
| <u>Expenses by School Committee</u> | |
| 1000 Administration | 333,047 |
| 2000 Instructional | 7,126,096 |
| 3000 Student Services | 1,181,384 |
| 4000 Buildings | 1,053,663 |
| 6000 Civic | 23,674 |
| 7000 Acquisition/Improvement Equip. | 0 |
| 9000 Special Needs Tuition | 225,724 |
| Total School Committee Appropriation | \$9,943,588 |
| <u>Expenses by Town Hall</u> | |
| 1000 Administration | 107,023 |
| 4000 Highway Department | 12,998 |
| 5100 Employee Benefits | 196,370 |
| 5200 Insurance | 662,404 |
| 8000 Debt Service | 281,913 |
| 9100 Tuition - School Choice | 2,996 |
| 9120 Tuition Charter Schools | 28,317 |
| 9500 Regional Schools | 146,349 |
| Total Expenses by Town Hall | \$1,438,370 |
| Total Town/School Net Spending | \$10,012,900 |
| State & Federal Grant Funds | \$540,546 |

Westport School Committee

| Member | Residence | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Deana Chase, Chair | 937 Main Road | 2000 |
| Cindi Zembo, Vice Chair | 587A River Road | 2000 |
| Dennis L. Pucello | 12 Steven Street | 1999 |
| Anne M. Brown | 1470 Main Road | 2001 |
| Richard M. Tongue | 1660 Drift Road | 2001 |

Regular School Committee meetings are usually held on the second and fourth Monday of every month and are open to the public. The School Administration Offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout the school year and 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. during school vacations.

School District Personnel

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| Superintendent of Schools | Margot desJardins |
| Director of Pupil Personnel Services | Virginia A. King |
| Education Technology & Media Services Coordinator | Susan Amato |
| Student Services Coordinator | Paula Gendreau |
| Head of Maintenance & Facilities | Michael Duarte |
| Supervisor of Custodians | Richard Gaskin |
| Network Systems Engineer | Matthew Kay |
| Maintenance & Facilities Technician | Richard Vohnoutka |
| Administrative Executive Assistant | Lucille Bouchard |
| Administrative Executive Secretaries | Beverly Medeiros |
| | Kimberley Ouellette |
| School Accountant | Melissa Sousa |
| Clerical Staff | Sheila Kenyon |
| | Luella Kirby |
| | Wendy Oliveira |
| Maintenance & Facilities Assistant | Bradley Freitas |
| Courier/Custodian | Ernest Caroselli |
| School Committee Secretary | Mary Currie |
| School Physician | Dennis R. Callen |

Special Needs Programs

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Occupational Therapist | Renee Jones |
| Speech Services | Kathleen Duffy |
| | Linda Isaksen |
| | Carol Stewart |
| Language Intervention Tutor | Christine Ash |
| Preschool Teacher | Donna Edwards |
| Preschool Paraprofessional | Diane Silvia |
| Early Elementary Developmental Teacher | Renee Teotonio |
| Early Elementary Developmental T.A. | Theresa Lawrence |
| Early Elementary Developmental Paraprofessional | Claudette Alberto |
| Elementary Developmental Teacher | Gerald Rivard |
| Elementary Developmental Teaching Assistant | Joan Wood |

Prevocational Teacher

Joel Sullivan

Westport High School

High School Dean

Assistant Dean/Student Placement

Assistant Dean/Student Management

Assistant Dean/Academics

Assistant Dean/Student Affairs

English Teachers

Ronald Pacy

Edith LaBran

Robert Wood

Alan Weintraub

Anthony Melli

Stephen Cook

James Douglass

Patricia Kehoe

Janice Migneault

Harry Proudfoot

Irene Barros

Rosemarie Choquette

Glenn Lincoln

Debra Mello

Dianne Rezendes

Gus Cariglia

Cal Ellinwood

Michael Roy

Tracey Saltus

Gail Silvia

Jane Dybowski

Lori Grace

Mary Ann McQuillan

John Moniz

Lynette Ouellette

Caroline Pavao

Mary Silva

David Allen

Jeanne Arthur

Michael Davis

Joan Carpenter

Scott Frost

Kenneth Glew

Bonny Gifford

Jennifer Joseph

Chet Millett

Deborah Dahill

Joan Blake

Michelle Brunault

Sarah Oliveira

Paula Smith

Deborah Dziedzic

Constance Trepanier

Judy McNeil

Doris Michaud

Joanne Pacheco

Mathematics Teachers

Social Studies Teachers

Science Teachers

World Languages Teachers

Visual & Performing Arts Teachers

Physical Education Teacher

Music Teacher

Health Teacher

Business Teachers

Unified Media Specialist

Special Needs

Administrative Executive Secretary

Clerical Staff

Clerk/Receptionist

Guidance Teaching Assistant

Media Center Teaching Assistant
Media Center Paraprofessional
Food Service Staff

Custodial Staff

Westport Middle School

Principal
Assistant Principal
Mathematics Teachers, Grades 7-8

Social Studies Teachers, Grades 7-8

Science Teachers, Grades 7-8

Reading Teachers, Grades 7-8

Grade 6 Teachers

World Language Teacher
Physical Education Teacher
Music Teachers

Art Teacher
Special Needs Staff

Guidance/Psychologists

Health Teacher
Unified Media Specialist

Nancy Barker
Carol Sunderland
Rose Sutcliffe
Lucia Ferreira
Nancy Medeiros
Gail Menard
Wendy Neugent
Richard Hamel
James Pacheco
Kathleen Wordell
Raymond Cambra

John L. Mello
David Geraghty
Ann Marie Dostou
Martha Goldenbloom
Andre Provost
Michael Borges
Paul Menzies
James O'Hara
Janice Baker
Peter Holt
Jody Mazzarella
Jonathan Bernier
Carol Michael
Nancy Tripp
Karen Cosgriff
Frances Gilchrist
Emery Gomes
Stephen Gomes
Tami Holden
Geraldine Mullaly
David Sullivan
Susan Pavao
Deborah Johansen
Nancy DeFaria
John Furtado
Melissa Masse
Jessica Daly
Michelle Fortin
Deborah Janik
Jeanne Rivard
Cheryl Rose
Gina Sasso
Mariette Paine
Daniel Thomas
Constance Strauss
Catherine Brown

Administrative Executive Secretary
Media Services Teaching Assistant
Media Services Paraprofessional
Planning Room Teaching Assistant
Clerk/Receptionist
Pupil Personnel Clerk
Paraprofessional
Campus Supervisor
Boy's Locker Room Supervisor
Food Service Staff

Custodial Staff

Westport Elementary School

Principal
Assistant to the Principal for Student Services
Grade 2 Teachers

Grade 3 Teachers

Grade 4 Teachers

Grade 5 Teachers

Science Teacher

Diane Charette
Leona Andrade
Elaine Marshall
Leslie Vasconcellos
Mary Trepanier
Margaret Amaral
Robin Blais
Allison Vieira
Ross Latham
Anne Tansey
June DeAndrade
Denise Ferry
Priscilla Materia
Dennis Auclair
Richard Bates
Richard Mello
Mark Thibodeau

John DeFusco
Diane Desrosiers
Constance Bancroft
Linda Eastwood
Sandra Hague
Sally Harrington
Liz O'Hara
Brenda Peixe
Catherine Shockro
Joanne Allen
Beverly Bond
Linda Brown
Patricia Deane
Pamela Dumas
Jean LaFleur
Laurel O'Brien
Sandra Boudakian
Mary France
Catherine Ibbotson
Tracie Downey
Christine Staskiewicz
Cynthia Thomas
Joan Travers
Christine Carfile
Anne Clark
Muriel Croft
Lauren Driscoll
Pamela Peckham-Chace
John Sullivan
Bruce Vincelette
Helene Auger

Music Teacher
 Art Teacher
 Physical Education Teacher
 Unified Media Specialist
 Media Teaching Assistant
 Media Paraprofessional
 Guidance Counselor
 Guidance Teaching Assistant
 Special Education Paraprofessional
 Title I Paraprofessionals

Administrative Executive Secretary
 Clerk/Receptionist
 Pupil Personnel Clerk
 Food Service Staff

Custodial Staff

Alice A. Macomber Primary School

Principal
 Kindergarten Teachers

Grade 1 Teachers

Visual & Performing Arts Teacher
 Guidance/Psychologist
 Preschool Paraprofessional
 Kindergarten Teaching Assistant
 Ed. Technology/Media Services T.A.
 Title I Paraprofessional
 Administrative Executive Secretary
 Pupil Personnel Clerk/Receptionist
 Food Service Staff

Custodial Staff

Linda Desmarais
 Carol Duby
 Nancy Mercier
 Bridget Buckless
 June Palmer
 Agatha Beaulieu
 Elizabeth Bacchiocchi
 Jeanne Gizzi
 Donna Bedard
 Sandra Caya
 Jeanine Deveau
 Erin Fitzgerald
 Susan Lovell
 Madeleine Leite
 Linda Maiocco
 Judy Oliveira
 Elizabeth Carvalho
 Joyce Araujo
 Janice Carvalho
 Beverly Graves
 Veronica Kirby
 Robert Kirby
 Normand Thibodeau
 Patrick Walsh

Paula Sullivan
 Madeleine Gonsalves
 Janet Pelletier
 Nancy Raczka
 Ingeborg DeFusco
 Diane Finucci
 Gladys Kirby
 Constance Larkin
 Joanne Morris
 Maureen Pride
 Kathleen Thibault
 Jane Dufault
 Dr. Brenda Stone
 Michelle Cormier
 Cheryl Estrella
 Melissa Parker
 Lucy Cordeiro
 Joan Fuller
 Natalia Silva
 Christine DeMello
 Janice Roy
 Richard Landry
 Robert Samson

**1997-98 School Attending Children
(as of January 1, 1998)**

| Grade | Westport Community Schools | Westport Students: Bristol, Diman | Westport Tuition Placements | Private or Parochial Schools | Total |
|-------------------|---|--|--|---|--------------|
| Pre-K | 64 | | | 2 | 66 |
| K | 120 | | | 22 | 142 |
| Ungraded | | | 5 | | 5 |
| Grade 1 | 137 | | | 27 | 164 |
| Macomber | 321 | | | | |
| Grade 2 | 157 | | | 19 | 176 |
| Grade 3 | 150 | | | 21 | 171 |
| Grade 4 | 147 | | | 20 | 167 |
| Grade 5 | 154 | | | 23 | 177 |
| Elementary | 608 | | | | |
| Grade 6 | 152 | | 2 | 31 | 185 |
| Grade 7 | 152 | | | 29 | 181 |
| Grade 8 | 145 | | | 26 | 171 |
| Middle | 449 | | | | |
| Grade 9 | 130 | 22 | 1 | 22 | 175 |
| Grade 10 | 129 | 27 | 3 | 17 | 176 |
| Grade 11 | 130 | 25 | 1 | 42 | 198 |
| Grade 12 | 95 | 30 | | 30 | 155 |
| High | 484 | | | | |
| Totals | 1862 | 104 | 12 | 331 | 2309 |

This spreadsheet shows that: 85% of students attend schools paid through state & local taxes.
15% of students attend private schools.

**Westport High School
GRADUATION EXERCISES
Class of 1998**

Class Valedictorian
Class Salutatorian
Class Presidents

Lisa Ferreira
Meridith Pease
Stephanie Morais, Class President 94-95
Elizabeth Ferreira, Class President 95-96
Jason Fournier, Class President 96-97
Cheryl Vieira, Class President 97-98
Stacie Rego and Sarah Margarida

Marshalls

Certification of Class

Dr. Ronald W. Pacy, Dean

Graduating Seniors

Kenneth Abrantes, Jr.
Kimberly Alberto
Amy Lynn Alexander
John Amann
Damien Arruda
Nicole Bernier
Julie Ann Bolduc*
George Borges
Valerie Jean Borges*
Jamie Botelho
Nina Lee Botelho
Jonathan Boutin*
Matthew Paul Brenckle*
Kevin Broadbent
Katie Ann Cabral
Michael Cabral
Sheri Elise Caron
Jason Caroselli
Aaron Robert Correa
Christopher J. Davis
Craig DeCosta
Mandi Lee DeJesus
Gary Eugene DesRoches
Jasmyn Lee Desrosiers
Beth-Ann Donovan
Michaela Allery Doran*
Seth Joseph Dufort
Aaron R. Dupont
Sonia Fernandes*
Elizabeth Marie Ferreira
Lisa Ann Ferreira*
John Fitton
Jason Michael Fournier*
Nicole S. Gendron
Justin Hamel
Morgan Hobart

Jonathan E. Hunt
Paul Isidoro*
Nicholas P. Kozak
Robert J. Leeds
Melanie Ann Leiter*
Benjamin Andrew Levesque
Christine Anne Lima*
Nadine Marie Lopes
Sean Paul MacMillen
Jennifer Ann Major
Jennifer Martins
Monique Martins
Carolyn Victoria McCarthy
Margaret Eileen McMillan
Monica Arruda Medeiros
Natalie Medeiros
Stephanie Marie Morais
Derek Neronha
Melissa F. Niedzwiedz
Matthew Steven Ouellette
Catrina Pavao
Meridith Elaine Pease*
Jason W. Pettetier
Ryan Petrosso*
Julie Ann Pineau*
Tina-Marie Rachel*
Michelle Ann Raposo*
Steven Michael Rebello
Emily Ann Rozenwski
Melanie Sarah Santos
Karen A. Silva*
Colleen Sousa*
Bethany Lyn Souza
Jason R. Souza
Jason William Tripp
Michael R. Troia

Danielle Marie Vaillancourt*
 Cheryl Ambrosia Vieira*
 Kristen Elizabeth Vien*
 Derek Viveiros

Richard N. Viveiros
 Joy Ellen Ward*
 John Wood
 Dennis Woodcock

* National Honor Society Members

1998 Academic Awards

Dean's/Outstanding Citizen Award
 Phoenix Award
 Tandy Technology Scholars Nominees

Connecticut College Book Award
 Harvard Prize Book Award-Harvard Club of New Bedford
 Harvard Prize Book Award-Harvard Club of Boston
 N.E. Institute of Technology Book Award
 The 21st Century Book Award
 UMASS Dartmouth Book Award
 Wellesley Book Award

Meridith Pease
 Michael Troia
 Sonia Fernandes,
 Lisa A. Ferreira
 Ann Doran
 Sarah Margarida
 Stacie Rego
 Ryan Petrosso, Jason Souza
 Derek Viveiros
 Christopher Edwards
 Darlene Ash

Westport High School Academic Awards

Outstanding Academic Achievement

Matthew Brenckle, Michaela Doran,
 Sonia Fernandes, Lisa
 Ferreira, Jason Fournier,
 Christina Lima, Meridith Pease
 Tina Rachel, Danielle Vaillancourt,
 Joy Ward
 John Amann, Julie Bolduc, Jonathan
 Boutin, Michaela Doran, Meridith
 Pease, Julie Pineau

Outstanding Educational Improvement

Citizenship

National Merit Scholarship Corporation
 Certification of Merit

Lisa Ferreira

Awards

Academy of Mathematics & Sciences

Mathematics
 Science

Julie Pineau
 Meridith Pease, Joy Ward

Academy of Liberal Arts

Communications
 Journalism
 Literary Magazine Award
 English
 Foreign Language-French
 Foreign Language-Portuguese
 Foreign Language-Spanish
 Social Studies

Jason Sousa
 Jonathan Hunt, Melanie Leiter
 Beth-Ann Donovan
 Matthew Brenckle
 Lisa Ferreira
 Sonia Fernandes
 Michelle Raposo
 Lisa Ferreira

Academy of Visual & Performing Arts

Ceramics
 2D/3D
 Portfolio
 Multimedia
 Music

Michaela Doran, Michelle Raposo
 Matthew Brenckle, Danielle Vaillancourt
 Mandi DeJesus
 Jason Fournier
 Jonathan Boutin, Karen Silva

Photography
Theater Arts
Video Broadcasting
Academy of Business & Technologies
Business Technologies

Derek Viveiros
Meridith Pease, Danielle Vaillancourt
Julie Bolduc

Bethany Souza

Community Awards

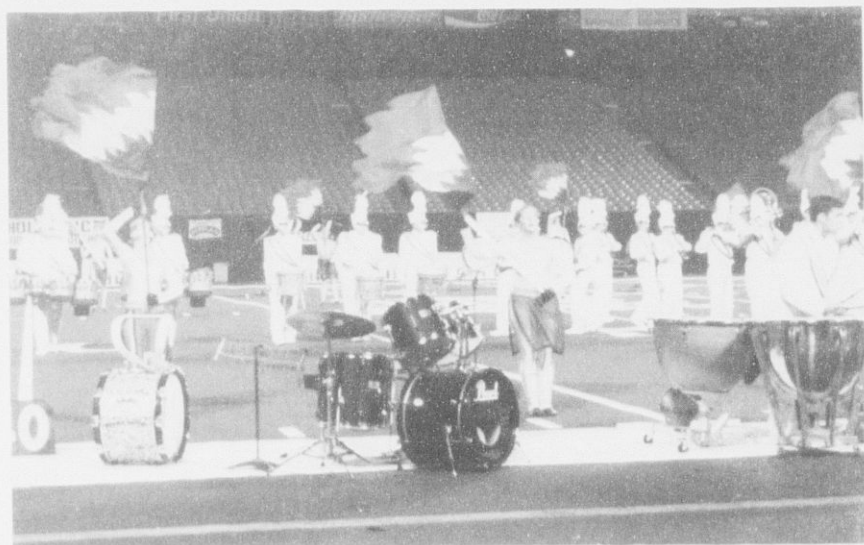
Air Force Math/Science Award
American Legion Award
Daughters of the American Revolution
Naval Leadership Awards
The Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King Award
The Vice Admiral Lawson Patterson Ramage Award
The Captain Thomas Jerome Hudner Jr. Award
Richelieu Club, Certificate of Merit
U.S. Marine Corps Award
"The Distinguished Athlete Award"
U.S. Marines Youth Foundation, Inc.
The "Semper Fidelis" Award for Musical Excellence
The Scholastic Excellence Award

Meridith Pease
Lisa Ferreira, Matthew Brenckle
Michaela Doran
Christine Lima
Sonia Fernandes
John Amann
Jason Fournier
John Fitton
Jason Fournier
Lisa Ferreira

Scholarships

| | | |
|---|--------|---|
| Athletic Boosters Scholarship | \$300 | Cheryl Vieira |
| | \$250 | Jennifer Major |
| | \$200 | Julie Bolduc |
| | \$120 | Steve Rebello |
| | \$100 | Michael Doran |
| | \$90 | Sonia Fernandes, Stephanie Morais |
| | \$70 | Melanie Leiter |
| Blue Heron Classic Scholarship in Memory of Kenneth Candeias | \$250 | Sonia Fernandes, Jason Fournier, Karen Silvia, Michael Troia, Cheryl Vieira, John Wood Michael Candeias (continuing) |
| Sidney L. Hathaway Memorial Scholarship Class of 1952 Scholarship in Memory of Charles Maines | \$350 | Melanie Leiter |
| Ricky Cruz Memorial Scholarship | \$300 | John Fitton |
| Dow Jones Newspaper Fund | \$250 | Richard Viveiros |
| Head of Westport Fire Association, Inc. | \$500 | Beth-Ann Donovan |
| Michel A. Jusseaume, D.D.S. Health Science | \$250 | Meridith Pease, Karen Silvia |
| Norman W. & Martha C. Kirby Scholarship | \$500 | Joy Ward |
| L'Association Francophone de Fall River | \$225 | John Wood |
| Lillian C. Cahoon Memorial Scholarship | \$150 | Lisa Ferreira |
| Mid City Scrap Co. Scholarship | \$350 | Christine Lima |
| National Honor Society Scholarship | \$1000 | Jason Fournier |
| New England Institute of Technology Articulation Scholarship | \$200 | Joy Ward |
| Portuguese American Civic League | \$4800 | Ryan Petrosso, Jason Souza |
| Potter Funeral Service Award | \$800 | Jason Fournier, Cheryl Vieira, John Wood, Derek Collins (continuing) |
| | \$500 | Jasmyn Desrosier |

| | | |
|--|---------|---|
| Clyde T. & Yvonne Salisbury Memorial Schol | \$500 | Julie Bolduc, Sonia Fernandes, Lisa Ferreira, Melanie Leiter, Christine Lima, Jason Pelletier, Joy Ward |
| | \$250 | Danielle Vaillancourt, Derek Viveiros, Tammy Ledoux (continuing) |
| Betsy Taber Scholarships | \$500 | Jonathan Boutin, Michaela Doran, Christine Lima, Jennifer Major, Meredith Pease, Jason Pelletier, Colleen Sousa |
| Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 207 | \$250 | John Wood |
| Westport Art Group Scholarship | \$500 | Mandi DeJesus, (Morgan Hobart) |
| Westport Fair Inc | \$500 | Jason Fournier, John Wood |
| Westport Farmers Association | \$500 | John Wood |
| Westport Federation of Teachers | \$300 | Valerie Borges |
| Westport High School Athletic Hall of Fame/ Harold S. Wood Athletic Grant | \$500 | Julie Bolduc, Sonia Fernandes |
| Westport Junior Miss Scholarships | \$1200 | Cheryl Vieira |
| | \$300 | Elizabeth Ferreira |
| | \$200 | Joy Ward |
| | (\$800) | Katie Cabral) |
| Westport Lions Club | | |
| Harold S. Wood Memorial Scholarship | \$2000 | Aaron Dupont |
| Westport Permanent Fire Fighters Assoc. | \$500 | Karen Ann Silvia, Michael Troia |
| Westport Police Association | \$300 | Michael Troia |
| Westport Police Association/ Lt. Richard Parker Memorial School | \$250 | Michael Troia, Michaela Doran |
| Westport Women's Club | \$300 | Jason Fournier, Jason Pelletier, John Wood, (Wendy Thibault, Courtney Wood, Stacey Wood continuing) |



Westport High School Color Guard & Marching Band at USSEA Championship at Giant's Stadium, New Jersey

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A MODEL OF THE KATE CORY highlights the weathervane which will be placed on top of Westport's Town Hall. Ba Tieu of Cape Cod Cupola of Dartmouth made the model which was paid through the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund. Shown here (left to right) are: Selectmen Marjorie Holden,

Richard Kugler and Barbara Koenitzer, great nephew and niece of Kate Cory, Chairman Steve Tripp, Mr. Tieu, Selectman David Dionne, Secretary Charlene Wood and Shirley Desrosiers, widow of the the late Selectman.

(Bill Hall photo)

MUNICIPAL DIRECTORY

TOWN OFFICES

| | |
|--|----------|
| Town Clerk | 636-1000 |
| Appeals Board | 636-1004 |
| Assessors, Board of | 636-1012 |
| Building Department (Wire, Gas & Plumbing) | 636-1035 |
| Cemetery Department | 636-1025 |
| Conservation Commission/Soil Board | 636-1019 |
| Health, Board of | 636-1015 |

(Transfer Station: Open - 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.)

Closed - Tuesday, Wednesdays & Holidays

Recycling Center: Open - 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday, Saturday & Sunday)

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|--------------------------------|----------|
| Highway Department | 636-1020 |
| Housing Rehab Specialist | 636-1041 |
| Planning Board | 636-1037 |
| Registrar of Voters | 636-1001 |
| Selectmen, Board of | 636-1003 |
| Administrative Assistant | 636-1150 |
| Tax Collector | 636-1010 |
| Town Accountant | 636-1040 |
| Town Treasurer | 636-1007 |

PUBLIC SAFETY (BUSINESS NUMBERS)

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|---|----------------------|
| Civil Defense | 636-5884 |
| Dog Officer | 678-6353 |
| Fire Department - Central Village | 636-1110 |
| Briggs Road | 672-0721 |
| Harbormaster | 636-1105 |
| Police Department | 636-1122 or 636-1123 |
| Detective Room | 636-1124 |
| Shellfish Warden/Wharfinger | 636-1105 |
| State Police (Dartmouth) | 993-8373 |

HUMAN SERVICES

| | |
|--|----------|
| Citizens for Citizens | 672-2221 |
| Community Nurse | 636-1030 |
| Community Center/Recreation Commission | 636-1038 |
| Council on Aging/Senior Center | 636-1026 |
| Housing Authority | 675-2039 |
| Public Library | 636-1100 |
| Senior Social Day Care Program | 636-1027 |
| Veteran's Office | 636-1028 |

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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|----------------------------------|----------|
| Administration Building | 636-1140 |
| Alice A. Macomber School | 678-8671 |
| Superintendent of Schools | 636-1137 |
| Westport Elementary School | 636-1075 |
| Westport High School | 636-1050 |
| Westport Middle School | 636-1090 |

EMERGENCY ONLY

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Ambulance | 911 |
| Fire | 911 |
| Police | 911 |
| Massachusetts Poison Information Center | 1-800-682-9211 |