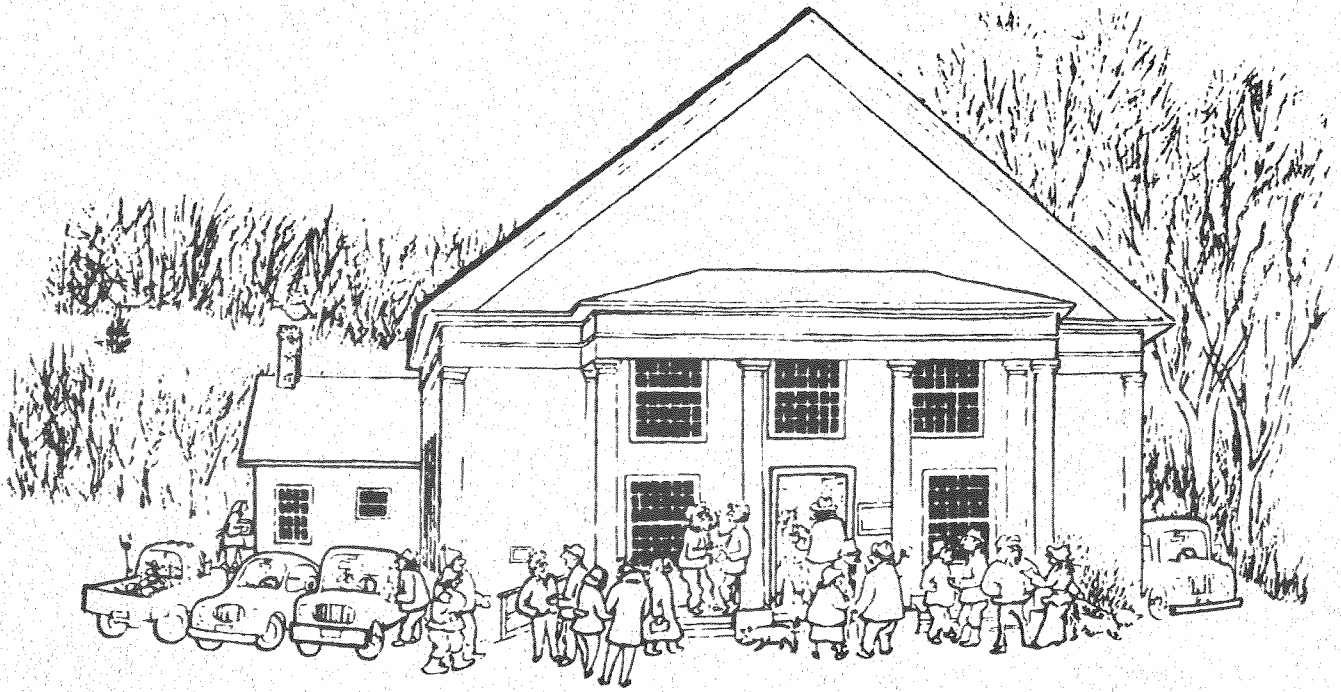


TOWN & TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
POMFRET, VERMONT



POMFRET TOWN MEETING NOON RECESS

BY FRANK LIEBERMAN

ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

2005

GENERAL INFORMATION

2000 U.S. Census Population 979
..... Housing Units 535
Town Clerk's Office Telephone 457-3861

Town Clerk's Hours:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Vehicle registration renewals available.

Town Garage Telephone 457-2767
Fire Departments & Ambulance **911**
Abbott Memorial Library Telephone 457-2236

Library Hours:
Tuesdays 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Thursdays 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Saturdays 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

School Superintendent, Mary Ellen Gallagher Telephone 457-1213
The Pomfret School Telephone 457-1234

The Select Board meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Town Clerk's Building at 7:00 PM.

The School Board meets the 1st Thursday of each month at the Pomfret School at 6:30 PM.

The Planning Commission meeting dates are posted in the Town Clerk's office and on the Town Hall bulletin board.

Trustees of the Abbott Memorial Library meet the 3rd Monday of each month at the Library at 7:00 PM.

The Planning Commission and Zoning Administrator remind residents that new residential, commercial and certain agricultural buildings, most renovating, home businesses and ponds require a permit application to the Town Administrative Officer before construction begins. Sewage disposal systems and access permits are required before a building permit can be issued. Failure to observe this procedure not only jeopardizes our zoning ordinance, but could result in serious penalties or other financial losses to those involved.

Residents are required to have an annual permit sticker and coupons to use the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District Center in Hartford, VT. Both are available at the Town Clerk's office. The cost of a permit is \$15.00, and the coupons are \$3.25 each or \$32.50 for a book or punch card of ten.

REPRESENTATIVE, WINDSOR 2-1

Michael S. Reese Telephone 457-4575

STATE SENATORS, WINDSOR COUNTY

John F. Campbell, Quechee Telephone 295-6238
Matt Dunne, Hartland Telephone 295-5009
Peter F. Welch, Hartland Telephone 436-2110

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Pomfret town business has been running smoothly this year, with only a few items of special interest to note here.

This year we had the north side of the Town Hall painted. We also had the old Center School building painted.

In June, Brian Sawyer replaced Adam Lynch on the road crew.

Work was done on Bridge #10 including widening the bridge and resurfacing the deck. The Town received a State Bridge & Culvert Grant in the amount of \$ 57,119.08 for this project.

We ground and reclaimed all of Pomfret's section of Howe Hill Road along with a short section on Town Highway 1 by Oatways. This was paid for in part with a \$150,000.00 paving grant from the State. We put a "Band-Aid" on a section of Stage Road just beyond Suicide Six, as well as on a section of Pomfret Road between the North Pomfret Post Office and bridge #17.

A new computer was purchased for use by the Town Clerk. This required the services of a computer technician to get it all set up. This technician has also been helping the Listers with the changes they have had to make in their current system. A window-sized air-conditioner, a new vacuum cleaner, and a new office chair were also purchased for the office.

It was with regret the Selectmen accepted the resignation of Fran Capposela as Lister. We thank her for her years of devoted service to the town. Norman Buchannan has been appointed to take her place and we welcome him to the board. We also have been notified that Steve Brown will be resigning as Lister in 2006. We are seeking a replacement for him. Anyone interested in serving the town in this capacity, please contact the Selectmen as soon as possible.

The Pomfret cemeteries have no more available space for burials. The Selectmen and Cemetery Commissioner are actively seeking additional space either adjoining the existing cemeteries or land for a new cemetery. If anyone knows of available space, please contact the Selectmen or Cemetery Commissioner.

There has been some discussion regarding the need for more space in the Town Clerk's office. A significantly larger vault is needed for storage of irreplaceable data and maps. This will be discussed further during the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pomfret Board of Selectmen
James Havill, Chair
Robert Harrington
Miller Hewitt

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have verified the existence of the stated cash balances, examined the accounts and records of the Town Officers, and to the best of our knowledge the statement of accounts appearing in this report portray the conditions of the finances of the Town of Pomfret and the Pomfret School District.

In 2005, we continued to duplicate the Town's hand-written financial records on its computer system. The process to do so, which we have been fine-tuning over the last few years, has proven to be a real asset this year. We are pleased to report that the computer system has helped streamline our routine review of the Town's accounts throughout the year, and it has assisted us with the creation of this annual report.

Due to the growing demand to convey a steadily increasing amount of information in the annual report and to the quantity of time that it takes to do so, this year we made the decision to have the Town Report undergo some major formatting changes. The most apparent include the larger layout and the various formats in which you will find the items reported, especially in the section that includes "Other Reports to the Town." Here, in general, we have accepted the reports as submitted, only making slight formatting changes to the margins and/or fonts, so they will fit on the pages; for the most part, the contents of each report is as we received it. We hope that you find the larger layout easier to read and to digest, and we welcome your thoughts on this and any other aspect of the Town Report.

Finally, due to feedback that we received and to the new larger layout of the report, please find the full minutes of 2005 Town Meeting on pages 31 through 34. This is in addition to the summary of the 2005 Town Meeting that can still be found on page five.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Mann
Elizabeth L. Rhodes
Lucinda T. Hewitt

SUMMARY OF 2005 TOWN MEETING
March 1, 2005

ARTICLES:

1. Robert J. O'Donnell was elected Moderator.
2. JoAnn Webb was elected Town Clerk.
3. The reports were accepted as submitted.
4. Election of other Town Officers, see inside back cover of this Town Report.
5. Fred S. Doten, Sr. was elected as a Trustee for the Russ, Hawkins and Hutchinson Funds for a three year term.
6. Albert C. Eiselein was elected as a Pomfret Emergency Services Commissioner for a five year term.
7. The sum of \$23,380 was appropriated for the Abbott Memorial Library.
8. The sum of \$24,500 was approved for the Pomfret Emergency Services Organization to be used for operating expenses.
9. The sum of \$20,000 was approved for the Fire Equipment Reserve Fund.
10. Voters approved the sum of \$3,476 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire, Inc.
11. The sum of \$200 was approved for A Community Resource Network (ACORN).
12. The sum of \$1,500 was approved for the Ottauquechee Community Partnership which includes the Spectrum Teen Center and the Shining Light Mentorship Program.
13. After much discussion, voters denied the sum of \$14,685 for library services provided by the Norman Williams Public Library in Woodstock.
14. The budget of \$1,230,820 for town and highway expenses was approved.
15. The sum of \$568,240 to be raised in taxes for town and highway expenses was approved.
16. It was voted that the Town Treasurer collect taxes in two installments, on August 5, 2005 and November 5, 2005. Late payments to be subject to interest at 1% per calendar month or part thereof until November 5, 2006 when the interest will increase to 1½ % per month or part thereof. All taxes outstanding on November 6, 2005 to be delinquent and subject to a penalty of 8% for the Constable.
17. Under other business, Andy Mann, Betsy Rhodes and Christine Pilot, the auditors, were recognized for putting together a great town report. The road crew was thanked for the tremendous job they do keeping our roads safe and in good shape. Lastly, it was suggested that more young people get involved with attending Planning Commission meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Webb
Town Clerk

Note: The full 2005 Town Meeting Minutes appear on pages 31 through 34 of this report.

WARNING - TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Pomfret are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 7, 2006, at 9:00 A.M.

1. To elect a Town Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To elect a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To act on reports submitted.
4. To elect the following Town officers: Selectman, 3 yr. term; Treasurer, 1 yr. term; Constable, 1 yr. term; Cemetery Commissioner, 1 yr. term; Lister, 1 for a 3 yr. term and 1 for a 1 yr. term; Auditor, 3 yr. term; Grand Juror, 1 yr. term; Town Agent, 1 yr. term; and Library Trustees, 2 for 3 yr. terms.
5. To elect a Trustee for the Russ, Hawkins and Hutchinson Funds for a 3 year term.
6. To elect a person to serve on the Pomfret Emergency Services Commission for a 5 year term.
7. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the Abbott Memorial Library. The sum of \$25,315 was requested. (see page 25)
8. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the Emergency Services Organization account administered by the Town Treasurer to be used for operating expenses. The sum of \$25,725 was requested. (see page 22)
9. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the Fire Equipment Reserve Fund. The sum of \$25,000 was requested. (see page 24)
10. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$3,476 to support the home care and hospice care of patients in their homes by staff and volunteers of the Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire. (by petition) (see page 41)
11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1500 to support programming of the Ottauquechee Community Partnership which includes the Spectrum Teen Center and the Shining Light Mentoring program. Our common objective is to keep our youth in the WCSU area drug-free, engaged in healthy activities, and provided with opportunities for leadership and personal growth. (by petition) (see page 45)
12. To see if the Town will vote the budget of \$1,328,138 for town and highway expenses as shown in the town report. (see page 13)
13. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise in taxes. The sum of \$907,418 as estimated in the comparative statement may be altered by actions taken on previous articles. (see page 13)
14. To see if the Town will have the treasurer collect taxes in two installments, on August 5, 2006 and on November 5, 2006. Late payments to be subject to interest of 1% per calendar month or part thereof until November 5, 2007 when the interest rate shall increase to 1 ½ % per month or part thereof. All taxes outstanding on November 6, 2006 to be delinquent and subject to a penalty of 8% for the constable.
15. To do any other proper and necessary business.

Dated at Pomfret, Vermont this 1st day of February, 2006.

James M. Havill, Chairman
Miller G. Hewitt
Robert S. Harrington
Selectmen of Pomfret

RECORDED VITAL STATISTICS

Births

2004

Aug. 08 Gabriella D'Alvina Dumas Rivera, daughter to Jeffrey Rivera and Diane Lynn Rivera.

Births

2005

Mar. 26 Graham Brendan Farrington, son to Matthew John Farrington and Andrea Farrington.

Sep. 06 Adeline Howard Smith, daughter to Tao Kaharick Smith and Elizabeth Ingham Smith.

Marriages

2005

Aug. 20 Sean Brian Smith and Sara Marie Adams, both of Pomfret, VT.

Aug. 20 Seth Cottrell Westbrook and Tessa Heather Benoit, both of Pomfret, VT.

Sep. 30 Gaylord R. Livingston of White River Jct., VT and Melanie Henderson of Pomfret, VT.

Oct. 01 Robert Benjamin Azar to Brittany Leigh Welsch, both of Lexington, MA.

Nov. 27 Kyle Jason Scott and Christina Marie White, both of Pomfret, VT.

Deaths/Burials

2005

Jan. 01 Lowell Glenn McRae of Pomfret, VT, age 80.

Jan. 11 Joe Houser Shockcor of Pomfret, VT, age 75.

Jan. 17 Cathlene Iola Flack of Granville, NY, age 79.

May 09 Kim Moses Chase of Baltimore, MD, age 49.

Jun. 20 Nathan M. LaBrecque of Pomfret, VT, age 24.

Oct. 05 Douglas E. Longley of Northford, CT, age 72.

Nov. 21 Dale "Hoss" B. Lewis of Pomfret, VT, age 41.

Dec. 07 John "Jake" Bell Wilson of Pomfret, VT, age 84.

SUMMARY OF DATA IN GRAND LIST

Breakdown by Status on Taxable Grand List Values:

	No.	%	Grand List	%
Owned by Town Residents	396	61	93,173,582	55
Owned by Other Vermont Residents	41	6	5,023,078	3
Owned by Out-of-State Individuals	179	28	56,820,733	34
Owned by Corporations	<u>31</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>13,236,491</u>	<u>8</u>
TOTAL	647	100	168,253,884	100

Form 411 Using Taxable Grand List Values:

Category	No. of Parcels	Municipal Full Value	Municipal Tax Value	Homestd Ed Full Value	Non Res Ed Full Value	Homestd Ed Tax Value	Non Res Ed Tax Value
Resident (R1)	144	20,562,970	20,562,970	17,342,142	3,220,828	17,342,142	3,220,828
Resident (R2)	219	69,659,460	57,776,237	58,901,944	10,757,516	49,287,407	8,488,830
Mobile Home (MH)	3	84,688	84,688	42,706	41,982	42,706	41,982
Mobile Home w/Land (ML)	6	447,755	447,755	447,755	-	447,755	-
Vacation (V1)	34	4,647,404	4,647,404	307,602	4,339,802	307,602	4,339,802
Vacation (V2)	122	55,696,877	46,910,364	805,523	54,891,354	538,750	46,371,614
Commercial (C)	15	4,375,151	3,352,409	-	4,375,151	-	3,352,409
Industrial (I)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities Electric (UE)	1	1,114,689	1,114,689	-	1,114,689	-	1,114,689
Utilities-Other (UO)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Farm (F)	4	869,791	288,253	162,353	707,438	162,353	125,900
Woodland (W)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Misc. (M)	99	10,795,099	5,027,624	280,530	10,514,569	167,889	4,859,735
TOTALS	647	168,253,884	140,212,393	78,290,555	89,963,329	68,296,604	71,915,789

TOWN TREASURER'S TAX ACCOUNT

2005 Property Taxes:	
Property Taxes Paid to School	\$ 1,927,004.00
Taxes to Be Paid to State, Act 68	797,706.00
Taxes Retained by Town Per Act 68 Formula	<u>1,853.00</u>
Total School Taxes	2,726,563.00
Town Tax for Town and Highway Expenses	<u>568,240.00</u>
TOTAL Taxes to Be Raised	\$ 3,294,803.00

	2004 Resident	2004 Non-Resident	2005 Resident	2005 Non-Resident
Grand List	66,303,808	68,198,754	68,296,604	71,915,789
Tax Rates				
School, per State	1.7440	1.6524	2.0408	1.8737
Town and Highway	<u>0.42</u>	<u>0.42</u>	<u>0.4000</u>	<u>0.4000</u>
Total Tax Rate	2.1626	2.0710	2.4408	2.2737

1 cent on the tax rate raises \$14,021 (2005)

For each \$100,000 of assessment, each 1 cent adds \$10.00 to the individual's tax bill

2005 PROPERTY TAXES COMPUTED:

Resident Grand List	\$68,296,604 x \$2.4408	\$ 1,666,983.51
Non-Resident Grand List	\$71,915,789 x \$2.2737	1,635,149.29
		<u>\$ 3,302,132.80</u>
Adjustment		3,313.25
		<u>\$ 3,305,446.05</u>
Credit per 2004 Settlement Agreement		683.85
Credit Teago Community Hall Association		<u>1,292.58</u>
2005 Property Taxes		\$ 3,303,469.62

2005 PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED & DELINQUENT:

2005 Property Taxes	
Collected by Treasurer	\$ 3,202,832.55
Collected by Constable	<u>79,550.37</u>
Total 2005 Taxes Collected	\$ 3,282,382.92
Delinquent 2005 Taxes as of 12/31/05	<u>21,086.70</u>
2005 Property Taxes	\$ 3,303,469.62

INTEREST AND PENALTIES COLLECTED ON TAXES:

Collected by Treasurer - 2005	\$ 1,295.26
Collected by Constable - 2005	1,655.86
Penalties for Late Filing of HS 131	<u>1,572.79</u>
Total Collected on 2005 Taxes	\$ 4,523.91
Collected by Constable Prior Years	<u>3,253.04</u>
TOTAL Interest and Penalties Collected on Taxes	\$ 7,776.95

DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX LIST

		TAXES	INTEREST
1999	Christian, Gail D.	\$ 1,904.57	\$ 628.14
2000	Christian, Gail D.	\$ 2,258.28	\$ 1,998.13
	Cole, Estate of Beautilla May	449.82	396.00
	TOTAL 2000	<u>\$ 2,708.10</u>	<u>\$ 2,394.13</u>
2001	Christian, Gail D.	\$ 3,073.03	\$ 2,166.68
	Cole, Estate of Beautilla May	612.10	431.46
	Dunn, Joan	1,299.14	
	TOTAL 2001	<u>\$ 4,984.27</u>	<u>\$ 2,598.14</u>
2002	Christian, Gail D.	\$ 1,466.21	\$ 750.20
	Cole, Estate of Beautilla May	481.27	252.63
	TOTAL 2002	<u>\$ 1,947.48</u>	<u>\$ 1,002.83</u>
2003	Christian, Gail D.	\$ 1,872.28	\$ 618.84
	Cole, Estate of Beautilla May	731.47	252.28
	Feinberg, Elizabeth	779.98	257.40
	TOTAL 2003	<u>\$ 3,383.73</u>	<u>\$ 1,128.52</u>
2004	Christian, Gail D.	\$ 1,856.61	\$ 288.39
	Feinberg, Elizabeth	1,067.64	160.20
	Waetjen, Mrs. Waltrant	1,573.69	259.58
	TOTAL 2004	<u>\$ 4,497.94</u>	<u>\$ 708.17</u>
2005	Carpenter, Russell	\$ 385.87	\$ 8.05
	Christian, Gail D.	3,602.40	126.07
	Coccia, Anthony J.	4,155.27	145.45
	Cole, Estate of Beautilla May	669.08	23.44
	Collins, Gary & Judith	2,023.66	64.80
	Feinberg, Elizabeth	2,850.44	99.75
	Morey, Frederick A.	477.54	9.56
	Pierce, Patrick & May	1,279.89	25.60
	Pomfret Mt. View, LLC	460.49	
	Pomfret Mt. View, LLC	66.72	
	Russell, William A.	2,845.13	99.69
	<i>(NOTE: Not Wm A. Russell of Chippers)</i>		
	Tipton, Frederick	542.49	21.68
	Waetjen, Mrs. Waltrant	1,727.72	60.48
	TOTAL 2005	<u>\$ 21,086.70</u>	<u>\$ 684.57</u>
SUMMARY	1999	\$ 1,904.57	\$ 628.14
	2000	2,708.10	2,394.13
	2001	4,984.27	2,598.14
	2002	1,947.48	1,002.83
	2003	3,383.73	1,128.52
	2004	4,497.94	708.17
	2005	<u>21,086.70</u>	<u>634.57</u>
TOTAL DELINQUENT TAXES, DECEMBER, 31, 2005		\$ 40,512.79	\$ 9,094.50

CONSTABLE'S ACCOUNT

Total Delinquent Taxes, January 1, 2005 (prior years)		\$	34,957.70
Delinquent Taxes for 2005 (Nov. 6th)			<u>100,637.07</u>
TOTAL DELINQUENT TAXES, 2005 & PRIOR YEARS			135,594.77
Delinquent 2005 Taxes Collected	\$	79,550.37	
Delinquent Prior Years' Taxes Collected		<u>15,531.61</u>	
TOTAL DELINQUENT TAXES COLLECTED IN 2005			<u>(95,081.98)</u>
TOTAL Delinquent Taxes Due December 31, 2005	\$		40,512.79

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

December 31, 2005

Balance on hand, January 1, 2005:			
Charter One Bank, Checking Account #4010071630	\$	10,985.17	
Charter One Bank, Money Market Account #4910075859		<u>454,940.90</u>	
Total on hand, January 1, 2005	\$	<u>465,926.07</u>	
Less Act 68 Funds Paid Out 6/1/05		<u>(207,378.00)</u>	
	\$		258,548.07
Receipts for 2005			1,125,513.28
Receipts Reserved for Act 68			<u>398,853.00</u>
	\$		<u>1,782,914.35</u>
Less Disbursements for 2005			<u>(1,158,770.63)</u>
Balance on hand, December 31, 2005	\$		624,143.72
Reconciliation:			
Citizens Bank, Checking Account #4010071630	\$	221,568.09	
Citizens Bank, C.D. #0509272554 due 5/26/06 @ 3.50%		<u>402,575.63</u>	
Balance on hand, December 31, 2005	\$		624,143.72

RESERVE ACCOUNT

Reconciliation:			
Reserve January 1, 2005	\$	258,548.07	
Act 68 Funds Reserved		398,853.00	
Loss For 2005 as Shown in Comparative Statement		<u>(33,257.35)</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2005	\$		624,143.72

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

None

TOWN OF POMFRET
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types
December 31, 2005

	General Funds	Special Funds	Capital Funds	— Trust Funds —		Totals
				Restricted	Designated	
ASSETS						
Cash on Hand	221,568.09	500,120.10	230,996.87	122,189.89	57,370.14	1,132,245.09
Emergency Services Accounts		13,786.91				13,786.91
Library Checking Account		18,103.47				18,103.47
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	40,512.79					40,512.79
Delinquent Tax Interest Rcvble.	9,094.50					9,094.50
TOTAL ASSETS	271,175.38	532,010.48	230,996.87	122,189.89	57,370.14	1,213,742.76

LIABILITIES/DEFERRED REVENUE, ADDED RESERVES & FUND BALANCES

Liabilities: None						
Deferred Revenue	49,607.29					49,607.29
Fund Balances:						
General Accounts	221,568.09	429,976.29*				651,544.38
Emergency Services		13,786.91				13,786.91
AT Land Sale Fund		70,143.81				70,143.81
Bridge Fund			75,061.37			75,061.37
Equipment Reserve Fund			93,108.33			93,108.33
Fire Equipment Reserve Fund			62,827.17			62,827.17
Henry T. LaBounty Fund				53,433.61	22,247.54	75,681.15
Town Hall Maintenance Fund				6,475.00	1,198.86	7,673.86
Library Funds:						
Wood/Harding/Abbott Funds		18,103.47		17,383.34	3,647.64	39,134.45
Cemetery Fund				25,765.13	23,895.76	49,660.89
Avis Keith Educational Fund				5,410.49	770.18	6,180.67
Mabel Vaughan Educational Fund				8,526.38	416.05	8,942.43
Lease Land Fund				1,720.00	41.78	1,761.78
Russ Fund				300.00	234.92	534.92
Hawkins & Hutchinson Fund				2,397.65	4,109.33	6,506.98
Churchill Fund				278.29	567.91	846.20
Vail Grange Fund				500.00	240.17	740.17
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	271,175.38	532,010.48	230,996.87	122,189.89	57,370.14	1,213,742.76

*Reserved Funds:

State funds for reappraisal	30,325.00
Act 68 funds due State 6/1/06	398,853.00
Cemetery funds	798.29
	<u>429,976.29</u>

COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Fiscal years 2003, 2004, 2005 with Budgets
For the Town of Pomfret including the Pomfret School District

— RECEIPTS —	ACTUAL 2003	ACTUAL 2004	BUDGET 2005	ACTUAL 2005	BUDGET 2006
Total Taxes Assessed	3,329,777.77	2,849,226.50	*	3,303,469.62	*
Less School Tax	-2,240,172.00	-1,866,584.00	*	-1,927,004.00	*
Less Act 60 Funds	<u>-437,034.84</u>	<u>-414,755.00</u>	*	<u>-797,706.00</u>	*
Total Town Assessment	652,570.93	567,887.50	566,540	578,759.62	907,418
Less Current Year Delinquent	<u>-18,479.87</u>	<u>-11,931.47</u>	<u>-25,000</u>	<u>-21,086.70</u>	<u>-20,000</u>
Net to Town	634,091.06	555,956.03	541,540	557,672.92	887,418
Delinquent Prior Years Taxes	6,606.42	10,400.48	8,000	15,531.61	20,000
Interest	14,898.16	11,982.24	13,000	23,837.70	26,000
Town Clerk Income Accounts	38,461.70	30,107.40	32,300	28,293.61	29,400
Selectmen's Income Accounts	4,883.60	7,908.03	4,200	8,066.15	7,700
State Funds	<u>344,606.80</u>	<u>259,166.19</u>	<u>482,080</u>	<u>466,795.52</u>	<u>262,120</u>
Subtotal	1,043,547.74	875,520.37	1,081,120	1,100,197.51	1,232,638
NVRC&D	5,000.00				
Transfer from LaBounty Fund		398.07	5,000	1,533.00	1,000
Transfer from Bridge Account	35,450.68		20,000	14,279.77	
Cemeteries Income/Transfers	2,518.53	3,184.76	3,000	9,503.00	4,500
Timber Sales		<u>18,228.54</u>			
TOTAL TOWN RECEIPTS	1,086,516.95	897,331.74	1,109,120	1,125,513.28	1,238,138
— EXPENSES —					
Voted Appropriations	70,410.00	71,610.00	74,506	76,206.00	84,066
Assessments	35,759.42	37,154.45	42,931	42,930.21	46,844
Town Clerk's Office	20,121.79	18,585.72	21,409	22,425.16	21,495
Selectmen's Other Accounts	9,067.85	10,511.39	16,000	12,826.23	11,800
Extraordinary Expenses	43,542.16	7,680.36	4,600	1,871.75	36,620
Town Officers	42,482.68	45,282.41	57,616	53,209.70	59,937
Town Hall	4,892.55	2,979.37	8,104	4,854.70	4,870
Highway Summer Account	144,230.36	154,333.66	187,500	168,506.09	194,450
Highway Winter Account	181,881.69	156,675.18	199,800	194,795.45	206,600
Highway Selectmen's Account	<u>202,197.63</u>	<u>186,026.09</u>	<u>101,154</u>	<u>98,034.98</u>	<u>143,956</u>
Subtotal	754,586.13	690,838.63	713,620	675,660.27	810,638
Highway Retreatment	120,158.93	152,353.75	407,000	401,894.06	507,000
Highway Special Projects	168,944.97	5,752.62	105,500	71,713.30	6,000
Cemeteries	<u>1,530.00</u>	<u>3,375.00</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>9,503.00</u>	<u>4,500</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,045,220.03	852,320.00	1,229,120	1,158,770.63	1,328,138
Gain or Loss	41,296.92	45,011.74	-120,000	-33,257.35	-90,000
TOTAL BALANCE	1,086,516.95	897,331.74	1,109,120	1,125,513.28	1,238,138

* Unknown because of Act 68

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	Actual 2004	Budget 2005	Actual 2005	Budget 2006
— RECEIPTS —				
Taxes				
Property Taxes Collected	2,784,310.54		3,202,832.55	
Delinquent Current Year Collected	52,984.49		79,550.37	
Deduct Act 68 Funds to State	-414,755.00		-797,706.00	
Deduct Transfer to School	-1,866,584.00		-1,927,004.00	
Net Taxes to Town	555,956.03	541,540	557,672.92	887,418
Delinquent Prior Years Collected	10,400.48	8,000	15,531.61	20,000
Interest & Penalties Received				
Interest Collected on Taxes	4,573.17	5,000	6,204.16	10,000
Penalties - Late Homestead Filing			1,572.79	
Earnings on Accounts	7,409.07	8,000	16,060.75	16,000
Total Interest & Penalties	11,982.24	13,000	23,837.70	26,000
Town Clerk Income Accounts				
Copying/Use of Records	2,087.50	2,300	2,129.11	2,300
Dog Licenses	1,534.00	1,500	2,121.00	2,200
Landfill Coupons for Resale	14,104.50	16,000	13,887.50	14,000
Liquor Licenses	200.00	200	200.00	200
Marriage/Civil Union Licenses	92.00	200	92.00	100
Recording Fees	12,017.40	12,000	9,793.00	10,500
Auto Registration Fees	72.00	100	63.00	100
Miscellaneous Town Clerk			8.00	0
Total Town Clerk Income Accounts	30,107.40	32,300	28,293.61	29,400
Selectmen's Income Accounts				
Appalachian Trail Land	1,906.00	1,000	1,837.00	1,500
Miscellaneous Selectmen	3,097.03	100	510.00	100
Rent of Town Hall	375.00	500	800.00	500
Town Permit Fees				
Access Permits	175.00	200	225.00	200
Building Permits	790.00	800	3,104.15	4,000
Excess Weight Permits	295.00	300	320.00	300
Planning Commission-Ridgeline			280.00	200
Septic Permits	900.00	900	350.00	500
Zoning Permits	370.00	400	640.00	400
Total Town Permit Fees	2,530.00	2,600	4,919.15	5,600
Total Selectmen's Income Accounts	7,908.03	4,200	8,066.15	7,700
State Funds				
State Aid for Highways	126,136.46	125,000	128,928.43	130,000
Highway Retreatment Grant		150,000	150,000.00	0
Bridge & Culvert Grant		80,000	57,119.08	0
Traffic Fines	7,713.73	7,500	9,095.01	9,000
Current Use Reimbursement	118,739.00	110,000	112,118.00	112,000
VT State Land in Lieu of Taxes	2,104.00	2,100	2,126.00	2,100
Funds for Reappraisal	3,834.00	4,000	3,882.00	3,900
Reimburse Listers	639.00	600	647.00	600
Planning Commission Grant		2,880	2,880.00	4,520
Total State Funds	259,166.19	482,080	466,795.52	262,120

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	Actual 2004	Budget 2005	Actual 2005	Budget 2006
Transfers				
From LaBounty Fund	398.07	5,000	1,533.00	1,000
From Bridge Account		20,000	14,279.77	
Cemetery Income & Transfers	3,184.76	3,000	9,503.00	4,500
Extraordinary Income-Timber Sales	18,228.54			
TOTAL RECEIPTS	897,331.74	1,109,120	1,125,513.28	1,238,138
— EXPENSES —				
Voted Appropriations				
Abbott Memorial Library	20,700.00	23,380	23,380.00	25,315
Pomfret Emergency Services	24,500.00	24,500	24,500.00	25,725
Fire Equipment Capital Reserve	20,000.00	20,000	20,000.00	25,000
Woodstock Visiting Nurses	3,310.00	3,476	3,476.00	3,476
Mental Health Services - HCRS	900.00	900	900.00	900
Council on Aging	750.00	750	750.00	950
Windsor County Partners	500.00	500	500.00	
Woodstock Area Job Bank	150.00	200	200.00	200
M. Lussier Health Referral - HIRS	200.00	200	200.00	200
Ottauquechee Community Partnership			1,500.00	1,500
ACORN			200.00	
Pentangle	600.00	600	600.00	800
Total Voted Appropriations	71,610.00	74,506	76,206.00	84,066
Assessments				
Windsor County Tax	14,070.95	17,620	17,619.71	19,532
U. Valley Recycling & Waste Management	5,384.50	5,385	5,384.50	5,385
Ambulance Service	15,664.00	17,622	17,622.00	19,580
VLCT Dues	953.00	1,222	1,222.00	1,265
Two Rivers-Ottau. Regional Commission	1,082.00	1,082	1,082.00	1,082
Total Assessments	37,154.45	42,931	42,930.21	46,844
Town Clerk's Office				
Insurance	1,000.00	934	934.00	1,035
Electricity	1,247.79	1,300	1,064.87	1,200
Telephone	635.71	650	653.26	1,300
Town Record Books	460.00	900	374.00	500
Book Restoration & Filming	520.00	1,000	898.00	1,000
Copier Expense	319.00	325	472.65	500
Landfill Coupons for Resale	13,992.50	15,000	14,185.00	14,000
Dog Licenses (to State)	284.00	750	735.00	750
Marriage/Civil Union Licenses	75.00	150	30.00	60
Building Maintenance		150	1,043.59	500
Computer Maintenance & Expense			309.75	400
New Equipment - Computer			896.50	0
New Equipment - Other			733.54	150
Miscellaneous	51.72	250	95.00	100
Total Town Clerk's Office	18,585.72	21,409	22,425.16	21,495

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	Actual 2004	Budget 2005	Actual 2005	Budget 2006
Selectmen's Other				
Town Reports	1,388.40	1,500	1,435.00	1,500
Center Building General Expense	2,977.21	3,200	3,757.47	4,000
Center Building Painting		5,000	3,067.00	0
Grounds Maintenance	750.00	800	850.00	800
Printing Notices & Ballots	978.31	400	56.00	400
Postage & Envelopes	1,586.82	1,700	1,058.51	1,500
Town Officers Supplies	495.98	600	895.24	750
Miscellaneous Listers Expenses	253.55	1,000	133.92	250
Planning Commission	286.95	1,000	734.49	1,000
Board of Adjustment	220.50	300	492.85	500
Administrative Assistant				500
Educational Conferences/Mileage	388.50	400	314.40	500
Labounty Funds Disbursed	1,185.17		25.00	
Miscellaneous		100	6.35	100
Total Selectmen's Other	10,511.39	16,000	12,826.23	11,800
Extraordinary Expenses				
Legal Fees & Professional Services	1,360.50	3,000	927.60	1,000
Planning Commission Special Projects	3,000.00			4,520
E 911 & Pomfret Sign Repair	32.36	100	15.40	100
Act 68 Compliance Expense	3,287.50	1,500	928.75	1,000
Reappraisal Expense				30,000
Total Extraordinary Expenses	7,680.36	4,600	1,871.75	36,620
Town Officers				
Town Clerk	11,700.00	16,016	16,016.00	17,400
Town Clerk Health Insurance	3,000.00	4,000	4,000.00	4,700
Town Treasurer	13,500.00	14,000	14,000.00	14,000
Town Treasurer Health Insurance	3,000.00	4,000	4,000.00	4,000
Town's Cost of FICA & Medicare	2,528.91	3,200	2,898.70	3,200
Constable	200.00	200	200.00	200
Assistant Town Clerk	220.00	400	220.00	400
Assistant Town Treasurer				600
Board of Selectmen	3,000.00	3,000	3,000.00	3,000
Board of Listers	4,637.50	6,000	4,135.00	6,000
Board of Auditors	900.00	600	600.00	600
Zoning Administrator		3,500	1,440.00	3,500
Workers Compensation Insurance	144.00	150	150.00	96
Public Officers Liability Insurance & Bond	2,452.00	2,550	2,550.00	2,241
Total Town Officers	45,282.41	57,616	53,209.70	59,937
Town Hall				
Fuel Oil & Service Calls	1,316.88	1,350	1,822.07	2,000
Electricity	477.35	500	578.62	600
Insurance	827.00	854	854.00	870
Propane	73.98	100	67.01	100
Cleaning & Miscellaneous	284.16	300		300
Repairs & Maintenance (from LaBounty)		5,000	1,533.00	1,000
Total Town Hall	2,979.37	8,104	4,854.70	4,870

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	Actual 2004	Budget 2005	Actual 2005	Budget 2006
Highway Summer Account				
<u>Labor & Benefits</u>				
Gross Pay	55,913.49		53,039.58	
SS Expense - Town's Cost	3,241.50		3,288.41	
Medicare Expense - Town's Cost	758.09		769.08	
Retirement Expense - Town's Cost	2,236.54		2,121.58	
Part-Time Labor			1,980.00	
TOTAL LABOR	62,149.62		61,198.65	
Health Insurance - Town's Cost	13,822.34		11,939.69	
Dental Insurance - Town's Cost	1,093.66		859.81	
TOTAL LABOR & BENEFITS	77,065.62	82,500	73,998.15	85,000
Diesel	7,397.65	8,000	12,740.35	14,000
Cold Patch and Hot Mix	2,921.94	4,000	2,457.76	2,500
Signs and Posts	583.97	700	340.54	350
Culverts & Headwalls	4,275.47	5,000	5,501.07	5,500
Bandrail	3,629.50	10,000	9,976.25	10,000
Crushed Stone, Gravel, etc.	34,272.94	45,000	29,763.66	45,000
Chloride	6,025.21	10,000	9,234.50	10,000
Parts & Labor, Equipment Repair	4,423.83	5,000	10,639.95	7,500
Oil & Maintenance Items	3,326.51	3,500	3,973.58	4,000
Blades & Rake Teeth	1,560.93	4,000	4,869.22	5,000
Contractor & Equipment Rental	8,625.14	9,000	4,578.98	5,000
Small Tools	87.32	300	320.65	500
Miscellaneous	137.63	500	111.43	100
Total Highway Summer Account	154,333.66	187,500	168,506.09	194,450
Highway Winter Account				
<u>Labor & Benefits</u>				
Gross Pay	46,772.93		62,383.49	
SS Expense - Town's Cost	3,125.04		3,867.83	
Medicare Expense - Town's Cost	730.84		904.56	
Retirement Expense - Town's Cost	1,870.92		2,488.95	
Part-Time Labor			1,515.00	
TOTAL LABOR	52,499.73		71,159.83	
Health Insurance - Town's Cost	8,288.71		9,902.92	
Dental Insurance - Town's Cost	635.96		689.13	
TOTAL LABOR & BENEFITS	61,424.40	85,000	81,751.88	87,000
Diesel	7,948.03	10,000	13,009.72	15,000
Salt	28,686.71	40,000	31,978.00	35,000
Sand (includes hauling)	40,908.00	40,000	43,531.85	40,000
Parts & Labor, Equipment Repair	3,006.39	5,000	5,214.23	5,000
Oil & Maintenance Items	3,348.20	5,000	4,190.89	4,500
Blades and Shoes	3,259.18	4,000	855.30	3,500
Tires and Chains	5,322.83	6,000	8,669.10	10,000
Contractor & Equipment Rental	1,840.00	3,500	4,804.50	5,500
Snow Fence and Posts	342.00	500	741.38	500
Pagers	151.50	200	48.60	
Small Tools	325.03	400		500
Miscellaneous	112.91	200		100
Total Highway Winter Account	156,675.18	199,800	194,795.45	206,600

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	Actual 2004	Budget 2005	Actual 2005	Budget 2006
Highway Selectmen's Account				
Garage Utilities & Expense	2,258.64	3,500	2,009.99	2,500
Fuel oil	3,446.63	4,000	4,882.47	5,500
<u>Insurance</u>				
Worker' Compensation Insurance	9,460.00	10,148	7,673.71	7,137
Property & Liability Insurance	7,749.00	8,006	8,006.00	7,319
TOTAL INSURANCE	17,209.00	18,154	15,679.71	14,456
Sheriff's Department, Patrol	13,572.50	14,000	14,507.00	16,000
Drug & Alcohol Testing	65.00		65.00	
2005 International 4WD Truck w/ Sander & Blade, less trade-in	107,740.00			
2006 International 2WD Truck w/ Plow,Wing,Sander less trade-in				102,000
Hot Box	19,189.15			
Two Radios	1,680.00			1,600
Mower		7,000	6,237.61	
Sander		4,000	3,995.00	
Power Brooms/Weed Wacker				1,200
Miscellaneous	865.17	500	658.20	700
Equipment Reserve Fund	20,000.00	50,000	50,000.00	0
Total Highway Selectmen's Acct	186,026.09	101,154	98,034.98	143,956
SUBTOTAL EXPENSES	690,838.63	713,620	675,660.27	810,638
Highway Retreatment Account				
Reclaiming / Repaving - 2004	152,353.75		2,673.60	
Reclaiming / Repaving - 2005		400,000	399,220.46 ¹	500,000
Crack Sealing		7,000		7,000
Total Highway Retreatment Account	152,353.75	407,000	401,894.06	507,000
Highway, Special Projects				
Rip Rap		2,500		2,500
Garage Doors/Furnace	2,752.62	3,000	314.45	3,500
Garage Roof Repairs	3,000.00			
Bridge #10 Repair		100,000	71,398.85 ²	
Total Highway, Special Projects	5,752.62	105,500	71,713.30	6,000
Cemeteries				
Commissioner Expenses	3,225.00		6,140.00	
Repurchase Space	150.00		2,738.00	
Cemetery Expense	3,375.00	3,000	9,503.00	4,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	852,320.00	1,229,120	1,158,770.63	1,328,138

¹ Offset by \$150,000 Retreatment Grant

² Offset by \$57,119 Bridge Grant and \$14,280 transferred from Bridge Account

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY LABOR COSTS

	2004	2005
Gross labor, highway employees, full- & part-time	\$ 102,686.42	\$ 118,918.07
Town's cost of employee health insurance	22,111.05	21,842.61
Town's cost of employee dental insurance	1,729.62	1,548.94
Town's cost of employee retirement program	4,107.46	4,610.53
Town's cost of Social Security & Medicare	7,855.47	8,829.88
Workers' Compensation insurance	9,460.00	7,673.71
	\$ 147,950.02	\$ 163,423.74

TOWN ROAD EQUIPMENT

2001 John Deere Loader	\$ 90,000
2002 John Deere Grader, model 672CH	210,000
2003 John Deere 5520 Tractor, 4WD with mower & bucket.....	55,000
2005 Truck, International. 4WD with sander & blade.....	120,000
2003 Truck Freightliner 4WD with plow, sander & wing.....	90,000
2001 Truck, Int. 2WD with plow, sander & wing <i>(will be traded for 2006 International)</i> ...	25,000
1999 Truck, International. 2WD with plow and sander.....	25,000
2001 One Ton Pickup, Ford, with plow.....	15,000
Hotbox.....	19,000
Bandit chipper	15,000
Disc Mower	6,200
Sander	3,900
Austin-Western V snowplow	250
Kelley backhoe.....	2,000
1989 Pressure washer.....	500
2001 Steam cleaner	2,500
2001 Rock rake	4,500
Air Compressor	1,500
Snow fence and posts, 5000 feet.....	2,000
Chain saw, Jonsered, model 2095.....	100
Chain saw, Husquvarna, model 61	75
Chain saw, Husquvarna, model 357.....	300
Chain saw, Husquvarna, model 257.....	300
Welder, Lincoln wire feed.....	1,500
Small tools.....	12,500
TOTAL	\$ 702,125

SURETY BOND

All Town Officers are covered by a blanket \$500,000 bond through the Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

BRIDGE FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2005:		
Charter One Bank, C.D. #401-3-01354-0 due 10/1/05 @ 2.30%	\$	86,525.91
Received:		
Interest from Charter One Bank	\$	1,990.11
Interest from W-O Credit Union		825.12
TOTAL RECEIPTS		2,815.23
Less Disbursement: Repairs to Bridge #10		(14,279.77)
BALANCE Bridge Fund, December 31, 2005	\$	75,061.37
Windsor-Orange Credit Union C.D. #519200 S due 12/6/06 @ 4.70%	\$	75,061.37

EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2005:		
Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200 B due 9/17/05 @ 1.50%	\$	21,546.37
First Community Bank, C.D. #3400020164 due 9/7/05 @ 2.47%		20,000.00
Total Balance on hand, January 1, 2005		41,546.37
Received:		
Interest from W-O Credit Union	\$	523.35
Interest from First Community Bank		1,038.61
2005 Appropriation		50,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		51,561.96
BALANCE Equipment Reserve Fund, December 31, 2005	\$	93,108.33
Reconciliation:		
Windsor-Orange Credit Union C.D. #519200 B due 11/19/06 @ 4.70%	\$	22,069.72
First Community Bank, C.D. #3400024851 due 7/7/06 @ 3.93%		71,038.61
TOTAL Equipment Reserve Fund, December 31, 2005		93,108.33

AT 1984 LAND SALE FUND (Appalachian Trail - Bunker Hill)

Balance on hand, January 1, 2005:		
First Community Bank, C.D.#3400020214 due 9/10/05 @ 2.47%	\$	68,186.24
Received: Interest Earned in 2005		1,957.57
BALANCE AT 1984 Land Sale Fund, December 31, 2005	\$	70,143.81
First Community Bank, C.D. #3400025064 due 7/12/06 @ 3.93%	\$	70,143.81

History of AT Land Sale Fund

Received from U.S. Treasury, sale of 76.27 acres on Bunker Hill for the Appalachian Trail, May 1984	\$	99,200.00
Interest Received 1984 - 2005		174,605.74
		\$ 273,805.74
Disbursements:		
Used in regular budget or no special purpose	\$	57,661.93
Used toward 1987 reappraisal expenses		25,000.00
1991 Guardrail and roadway shoulder work		26,000.00
1993 Paving		25,000.00
1995 Garage renovations		25,000.00
1998 Firehouse Bridge (#11)		25,000.00
2001 Rehabilitation Highway #1		20,000.00
TOTAL Disbursements to 12/31/05		(203,661.93)
BALANCE AT 1984 Land Sale Fund, December 31, 2005	\$	70,143.81

TOWN AND SCHOOL ASSETS

Town Hall with land
 Town Clerk's office, Center School and town shed with land
 Town Garage with land
 The Pomfret School with 38 acres of land, more or less
 Hewittville Cemetery
 Burns Cemetery
 Bunker Hill Cemetery
 Land, 35 acres, more or less, formerly Joe Ranger's property
 Land, 100 acres, more or less off of Joe Ranger Road
 Land, 1 acre, more or less at junction of Mill Brook and the White River
 Land, small parcel at Kenyon Hill bridge
 North Pomfret picnic area (near firehouse)
 Abbott Memorial Library
 Abida Smith Tavern sign
 Thomas Ware portraits (7)
 O'Dea paintings (4)
 One share at Windsor-Orange Credit Union, purchased @ \$5.00, valued 12/31/05 at \$14.22
 Landfill Coupons, valued 12/31/05 at \$1,173.25 (34 punch cards @ \$32.50 and 21 individual coupons @ \$3.25)

TOWN CLERK'S DOG ACCOUNT

Fees from January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005

108	Neutered/spayed	@	7.00	\$ 156.00
21	Unaltered dogs	@	11.00	231.00
106	Neutered/spayed with penalty	@	9.00	954.00
<u>10</u>	<u>Unaltered with penalty</u>	<u>@</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>
245	Dogs			\$2,091.00
			Paid/Licenses pending – 2 @ \$15.00	<u>30.00</u>
				\$2,121.00

NOTE – License dogs by April 1st if dog is over 6 months old

IMPORTANT – Current Rabies Certificate needed

For the purposes of licensing a dog or wolf-hybrid, a current vaccination against rabies means that:

- (1) All dog and wolf-hybrid vaccinations recognized by state and local authorities shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian.
- (2) All dogs and wolf-hybrids over three months of age shall be vaccinated against rabies. The initial vaccination shall be valid for 12 months. Within 9 to 12 months of the initial vaccination, the animal must receive a booster vaccination.
- (3) All subsequent vaccinations following the initial vaccination shall be valid for 36 months.
- (4) All vaccinations, including the initial vaccination, shall be with a U.S. Department of Agriculture-approved three-year vaccine product.

Pomfret does have a dog ordinance in effect. For more information, refer to the 1984 Town Report or the Town Clerk's Office.

POMFRET EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT

2005 was a busy year for our emergency services volunteers. Construction of the new firehouse in North Pomfret was completed and the Pomfret Volunteer Fire Dept. and the Pomfret Fast Squad moved into their new quarters in the early fall. An open house was held in October. In December, the old station was torn down.

All departments train on a regular basis to be prepared for all types of emergencies. This past year Pomfret hosted the state Firefighter I course which met weekly at the new station and five of our members took the course.

Through federal grants and the many generous donations from fundraising, Teago Fire Dept., Pomfret Fire Dept. and the Fast Squad were able to purchase new fire protection gear, SCBA's (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus), radio batteries, fire hose, Indian packs, medical supplies, a water pump and a generator. Another grant was received to install a dry hydrant in the village of South Pomfret in 2006.

The Commission would like to thank our emergency service volunteers for their dedication to serving our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Antal
William Arkin
Richard Cherella
Albert Eiselein
Marjorie Wakefield

EMERGENCY CALLS DURING 2005

Brush Fires	1
Car Accidents	4
Chimney Fires	3
False Alarms	6
Mutual Aid Calls	3
Other Fires	3
Structure Fires	3
Tree on Wires	1
Medical Emergencies	38

**POMFRET EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSION
BUDGET FOR 2006**

TO BE WARNED TO THE TOWN

Insurance	\$13,500
Maintenance	3,250
Utilities	3,225
Supplies	1,000
Administration	450
Infection Control	200
Training	1,000
Water Resources Development	1,000
New Equipment	<u>2,100</u>
TOTAL	\$25,725

**POMFRET EMERGENCY SERVICES (PESC) ACCOUNT
Town Treasurer's Report of Tax Dollars Spent**

Balance on Hand January 1, 2005			
Charter One Bank, Accounts #401-001383-4 and #491-0055552			\$ 28,484.64
Receipts:			
2005 Town appropriation		24,500.00	
Interest on accounts		<u>275.21</u>	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 24,775.21
	<u>2005 Budget</u>	<u>2005 Actual</u>	
Disbursements:			
Insurance	\$12,500	\$16,389.00 *	
Maintenance	3,250	2,174.50	
Utilities	3,000	7,106.60	
Supplies	1,000	1,549.34	
Administration	450	703.00	
Infection Control	200	0.00	
Training & Education	1,000	0.00	
Water Resources Development	1,000	0.00	
New Equipment	2,100	5,692.50	
Grant for TVFD	-	<u>5,858.00</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$24,500</u>		<u>(\$39,472.94)</u>
TOTAL PESC Account, Dec. 31, 2005			\$ 13,786.91

BALANCE Citizens Bank Checking Account #401001-383-4, December 31, 2005 \$ 13,786.91

* Includes \$3,583.00, first insurance payment for 2006

**PRIVATE EMERGENCY SERVICES ACCOUNT BALANCES
As of December 31, 2005**

PESC Private Account #1640005672	\$24,203.14
Pomfret Volunteer Fire Department Checking Account	\$ 3,116.22
Teago Volunteer Fire Department Checking Account	\$12,270.04
Fast Squad Checking Account	\$ 150.00
Fast Squad Savings Account	\$15,983.93*

\$7,000 reserved for Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs)

NOTE: These private account balances are not audited and are provided by the departments for information only.

FIRE EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 2005		
Windsor-Orange County Credit Union, C.D. #519200 D, due 9/17/05 @ 1.50%	\$21,543.90	
First Community Bank, C.D. #3400020172, due 9/7/05 @ 2.47%	<u>20,000.00</u>	\$41,543.90
Receipts:		
2005 Town appropriation	\$20,000.00	
Interest on C.D. from Windsor-Orange Credit Union	523.30	
Interest on C.D. from First Community Bank	<u>759.97</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>21,283.27</u>
BALANCE Fire Equipment Reserve Fund, Dec. 31, 2005		<u>\$62,827.17</u>
RECONCILIATION:		
Windsor-Orange County Credit Union, C.D. #519200 D due 9/17/06 @ 4.70%	\$22,067.20	
First Community Bank, C.D. # 3400024869 due 7/7/06 @ 3.93%	<u>40,759.97</u>	
TOTAL Fire Equipment Reserve Fund, Dec.31, 2005		\$62,827.17

STATE OF VERMONT FIRE STATISTICS FOR 2005

Number of human caused fires	220
Number of lightning caused fires	1
Number of acres burned caused by humans	540.14
Number of acres burned caused by lightning	7
Total number of fires	221
Total number of acres burned	547.14
10-year total average number of fires	130
10-year total average number of acres burned	240

TOWN OF POMFRET FIRE STATISTICS FOR 2005

Number of fires	1
Number of acres burned	0.33
Number of reimbursements submitted	0
Fire permits issued	333

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

On January 1, 1906, the new Abbott Memorial Library opened with 1,000 books, many of them given by "old-time Pomfret boys who came back for the summer," wrote first librarian Abba Doten Chamberlain. That first year, the library was only open on Saturdays; but once Abba Chamberlain had moved into what's now the attic, she served residents seven days a week for the next ten years. In 1917, trustee Walter Perkins undertook listing the library's 3000 or so books. Since "every citizen of Pomfret is a farmer and farmers are of necessity artificers," Perkins explained, he lumped "Useful Arts" together under "The Farmer." As for "nineteenth century fiction," he simply omitted it, "except for standard authors."

Once again, we're beginning to make a record of Abbott's books. This time it will be an online catalog, with the help of last year's \$4,200 Freeman Foundation grant and this year's \$2,000 Graham Foundation grant for much-needed new computers. With the capable work of librarian Cory Smith and assistant JoAnn Webb, we hope, in the foreseeable future, to have computer access not only to books all over Vermont but also to the contents of our own library.

While quick access to such a wealth of books and audio materials is new, much about the library remains the same. Abba Chamberlain helped Pomfret people find just the right books and offered them lively programs; we still do. Preschool and pajama story times and holiday events are well attended; Halloween, with the sixth grade's nifty haunted house, was especially popular. The kindergarten visited the library; our librarian frequently visits the school. Adults enjoy a reading group. The Pomfret Fest, to which the library contributed its grounds, a storyteller, a book sale, and lots of volunteer help, offered fun for the whole family.

In the last ten years, as we've extended hours and services, all kinds of activity has increased. So has our budget--driven by inflation, particularly by increases in such costs as fuel and utilities; by the need for technology; and by recognition that we must set funds aside for building repairs. This year we are asking Town Meeting for an appropriation of \$25,315, an increase of \$1,935.

The board has been diligent in raising funds to supplement town appropriations. This year, in addition to our annual appeal, we took part in two events given for the benefit of the library: an art auction and Chuck Gunderson's popular Rock and Roll Dance. Typically, we've been able to cover more than 30% of our expenses with the generous gifts of Pomfret citizens and other friends of the library, and thanks to the continuing efforts of the trustees and many others. We hope to be able to continue to do so.

Special thanks this year to our loyal, hardworking staff--Cory Smith, JoAnn Webb, Mike Corrow, and Nancy Griffin; and to our volunteer helpers--Brian Hewitt, Jennifer Donaldson, Chuck Gunderson, Krit Maxham, Jane Scialdone, Francie Uptegrove, Cynthia Emerlye, and many other wonderful friends and neighbors, too numerous to list. Their contributions have been invaluable.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Long, Chair
Kris Graham
Marie Harrington

Nancy Ambrose
Susan Heston
Betsy Siebeck

**ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Banknorth Checking Account Balance as of January 1, 2005

\$ 17,629.45

Income

Town Appropriation Income	
Town Appropriation	23,380.00
Fundraising Income	
Annual Appeal	5,658.00
Auction Income	1,951.00
Fundraising--Other	411.00
Grant Income	
Grants--Other	2,000.00
Other Income	
Interest--Banknorth Checking	253.95
Interest--Trusts & Reserves	139.91
Book Sales	474.06
Miscellaneous	500.00
Petty Cash Activity	<u>313.94</u>

Total Income

35,081.86

Expenses

Payroll Expenses	
Wages--Librarians	17,895.39
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	2,959.43
Library Collection Expenses	
Books	997.63
Collection Materials--Other	872.56
Program Expenses	
General Programs	60.51
Building Expenses	
Electricity	731.36
Telephone	1,434.55
Fuel Oil	1,829.38
Maintenance	583.74
Insurance	1,019.00
Fundraising Expenses	
Annual Appeal Expenses	118.01
Fundraising--Other	345.90
Auction Expenses	353.79
Other Expenses	
Conference & Travel	111.89
Supplies	853.18
Information Technology	2,570.74
Miscellaneous	56.77
Transfer to Reserves	1,500.00
Petty Cash Activity	<u>314.01</u>

Total Expenses

(34,607.84)

Banknorth Checking Account Balance as of December 31, 2005

\$ 18,103.47

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

TOTAL TRUST FUNDS AND ENDOWMENT RESERVES JANUARY 1, 2005 **\$ 18,976.30**

TRUST FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2005

Ira Abbott Fund:

Centennial Money Market Trust	\$	2,087.07
Citizen's Bank C.D.		4,973.25
Vanguard 500 Index Fund		4,841.81
Vanguard Value Index		5,023.45
Total Ira Abbott Fund		16,925.58

Wood & Harding Fund:

Wood & Harding Fund at A.G. Edwards		457.76
		<u>457.76</u>

Total Trust Funds **\$ 17,383.34**

UNRESTRICTED RESERVES

Banknorth C.D. maturing 05/13/04	\$	1,052.17
Banknorth Money Market--Capital Reserves		1,500.00
Lake Sunapee Savings C.D. maturing 06/22/04		1,031.35
Petty Cash		64.12
Total Unrestricted Reserves		3,647.64

Total Unrestricted Reserves **\$ 3,647.64**

TOTAL TRUST FUNDS AND ENDOWMENT RESERVES DECEMBER 31, 2005 **\$ 21,030.98**

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S ACCOUNT

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, January 1, 2005		\$ 24,952.63
Lots sold: Hewittville Cemetery, 6.5 full lots @ \$125		812.50
Balance Principal Account, December 31, 2005		\$ 25,765.13

INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, January 1, 2005		\$ 30,429.56
Receipts:		
Rec'd interest from C.D.	\$	1,329.99
Perpetual care on new lots @ \$375		2,437.50
Total Receipts		3,767.49
Disbursements:		
Mowing and general maintenance	\$	6,140.00
Flags		138.00
Hired labor & equipment for tree removal		2,600.00
Repurchase of lots		625.00
Total Disbursements		(9,503.00)
Balance Income Account, December 31, 2005		\$ 24,694.05

Principal as shown above 25,765.13

TOTAL Cemetery Trust Funds, December 31, 2005 **\$ 50,459.18**

Mascoma Savings Bank, C.D. #68017208 due 1/30/07 @ 3.92% \$ 49,660.89

Funds in Selectmen's Account 798.29

50,459.18

HENRY T. LABOUNTY TRUST

To be used to improve gravel roads and/or Town Hall

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200Y due 9/17/05 @ 1.50% \$ 53,433.61

INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 2005:

Windsor-Orange C.D. as above	\$ 13,648.12	
Banknorth, C.D. #17816 due 10/12/05 @ 2.09%	8,331.69	
BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, January 1, 2005		\$ 21,979.81

Received interest:

Banknorth C.D.	\$ 137.51	
W-O Credit Union C.D.	1,629.40	
Citizens Bank C.D.	58.82	
Total Interest Received 2005		1,825.73

Paid under terms of trust:

Court filing fee (due Town)	\$ 25.00	
Painting Town Hall	1,533.00	
Total Disbursements 2005		\$ (1,558.00)

BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005 22,247.54

TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005 \$ 75,681.15

RECONCILIATION:

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200Y due 9/17/06 @ 4.70% \$ 53,433.61

INCOME ACCOUNT

W-O Credit Union, C.D. as above	\$ 15,277.52	
Citizens Bank, C.D. #0510212530 due 11/24/06 @ 4.24%	6,995.02	
Due Town of Pomfret	(25.00)	

TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005 \$ 75,681.15

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE FUND

In Memory of Dorothy S. Moore

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Vanguard Group investment, January 1, 2005 \$ 6,475.00

INCOME ACCOUNT

Vanguard Group, January 1, 2005	\$ 867.65	
Gain in 2005	331.21	
BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005		\$ 1,198.86

TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005 \$ 7,673.86

KEITH EDUCATIONAL TRUST FUND

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	
Windsor-Orange Credit Union, MM #519200 M1	\$ 5,410.49
INCOME ACCOUNT	
Balance, January 1, 2005	\$ 827.32
Interest from W-O Credit Union	\$ 19.45
Interest from Citizens Bank	<u>123.41</u>
Total Interest Received	142.86
Paid under terms of trust:	<u>(200.00)</u>
BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005	\$ <u>770.18</u>
TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005	\$ 6,180.67
Lake Sunapee Bank C.D. # 1000281770, due 7/27/06 @ 3.445%	\$ 6,180.67

MABEL E. VAUGHAN EDUCATIONAL TRUST FUND

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	
Windsor-Orange Credit Union, MM #519200 M2	\$ 8,526.38
INCOME ACCOUNT	
Balance, January 1, 2005	\$ 409.50
Interest from Lake Sunapee Bank	\$ 178.55
Interest on C.D. from W-O Credit Union	<u>28.00</u>
Total Interest Received	206.55
Paid under terms of trust:	<u>(200.00)</u>
BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005	\$ <u>416.05</u>
TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005	\$ 8,942.43
Lake Sunapee Bank, C.D. #1000281730 due 7/27/06 @ 3.445%	\$ 8,942.43

LEASE LAND ACCOUNT

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT	
Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200 F due 12/3/05 @ 1.50%	\$ 1,720.00
INCOME ACCOUNT	
Balance, January 1, 2005	\$ 13.71
Interest Received from C.D.	<u>28.07</u>
BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005	\$ <u>41.78</u>
TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005	\$ 1,761.78
Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200 F due 12/3/06 @ 3.00%	\$ 1,761.78

VAIL GRANGE ACCOUNT

To be used for upkeep of Picnic Area

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, #519200 K1 due 12/31/05 @ 2.00% \$ 500.00

INCOME ACCOUNT

Income Balance, January 1, 2005 \$ 225.41

Interest Received 14.76

Less Disbursements 0.00

BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005 \$ 240.17

TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005 \$ 740.17

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. # 519200 K1 due 12/31/06 @ 3.00% \$ 740.17

RUSS FUND

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Banknorth, Savings Account # 1042106 \$ 300.00

INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance, January 1, 2005 \$ 225.64

Interest from Banknorth \$ 1.62

Interest from Lake Sunapee Bank 7.66

Total Interest Received 9.28

BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005 \$ 234.92

TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005 \$ 534.92

Lake Sunapee Bank, C.D. #1000285580 due 9/5/06 @ 3.445% \$ 534.92

HAWKINS AND HUTCHINSON FUNDS

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200 L due 4/12/05 @ 1.50% \$ 2,397.65

INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 2005 \$ 3,989.48

Interest from Windsor-Orange Credit Union 119.85

BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005 \$ 4,109.33

TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005 \$ 6,506.98

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200 L due 4/12/06 @ 2.00% \$ 6,506.98

CHURCHILL FUND

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200 K2 due 12/31/05 @ 1.625% \$ 278.29

INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 2005 \$ 551.28

Interest from Windsor-Orange Credit Union 16.63

BALANCE INCOME ACCOUNT, December 31, 2005 \$ 567.91

TOTAL Principal & Income Accounts, December 31, 2005 \$ 846.20

Windsor-Orange Credit Union, C.D. #519200 K2 due 12/31/06 @ 3.00% \$ 846.20

**POMFRET ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 1, 2005—FULL MINUTES**

Moderator, Robert J. O'Donnell called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. to allow residents a little extra time to arrive due to a snowstorm. The Rev. Sami McRae was asked to begin with a prayer.

Articles:

1. Robert J. O'Donnell was elected Moderator for a 1 year term. He was given the oath of office by the Town Clerk, JoAnn Webb. Mr. O'Donnell asked for a moment of silence for those residents who have passed away this past year. He then outlined the basic rules of town meeting.
2. JoAnn Webb was elected Town Clerk for a 1 year term and given the oath of office by Robert O'Donnell.
3. Fred Doten moved that the reports be accepted as presented. Bill Emmons seconded. The reports were accepted by voice vote after discussion of a few points brought up by Doug Tuthill; namely, where the titles are kept for the town fire trucks and reasons for the increase in salary for the Town Clerk. Bob Harrington said the titles to the vehicles were held by the fire department but would transfer them to the Town Clerk's office if required. Jim Havill and Bob Harrington both explained the increase in the Town Clerk's salary was due to the actual number of hours necessary to accomplish the amount of work required. (The average is 22 hours per week as opposed to 18 as previously budgeted.) The selectmen also noted that the town's pay-scale was much lower than other surrounding towns and wanted Pomfret to be more in keeping with them and the changing times.
4. The following officers were elected:

Selectman	3 year term	James M. Havill	Unopposed
Treasurer	1 " "	Hazel B. Harrington	"
Constable	1 " "	David E. Luce with 79 votes, and Jay Potter received 35 votes.	
Cemetery Comm.	1 " "	William T. Cole	Unopposed
Lister	3 " "	Stephen G. Brown	"
Auditor	3 " "	Lucinda Hewitt	"
Grand Juror	1 " "	Michael S. Reese	"
Town Agent	1 " "	Michael S. Reese with 58 votes, and Stephen Johnson received 55 votes.	
Library Trustee	3 " "	Joanna R. Long	"
Library Trustee	3 " "	Susan D. Heston	"

Note: Nancy Ambrose had been appointed by the Selectmen as a Library Trustee in August, 2004 to finish Liza Bernard's term ending in 2006. Her name was inadvertently omitted from the Town Report and Charley Jackson raised some questions regarding whether or not voting for this position at this time should be taken since it had not been warned. Moderator, Bob O'Donnell decided to go ahead with an advisory vote and Nancy Ambrose was elected.

5. Fred S. Doten, Sr. was elected for a 3 year term as Trustee for the Russ, Hawkins and Hutchinson funds.
6. Albert C. Eiselein was elected for a 5 year term on the Pomfret Emergency Services Commission.
7. Tim Thacher moved that the town appropriate the sum of \$23,380 for the Abbott Memorial Library. Joanna Long seconded. Tim Thacher spoke in favor of the Article and referred to the Trustees' report in the town report. He noted that one third of the budget comes from donations and grants. These funds are earmarked to begin putting the Abbott's collection (i.e. shelf list/catalogue) into the computer, but will not cover the costs entirely as it will probably take three years to complete. Also, more money is needed this year as part of the Long Range Plan to start a capital reserve fund for anticipated library expenses, such as, replacement of the furnace and fuel oil tank. This capital reserve fund is something new for the library but very similar to what the town usually sets aside for new plows, trucks and graders. Tim remarked that the library will not participate in the rebate program

for telephone usage, which had previously saved the town money. The rebate amount has been reduced and along with the time and effort needed to implement the program, it no longer made sense to continue. So the expenses for telephone will go up this year along with general operating costs. As one way to save money, the Trustees decided to change the insurance to the town's policy from a fiscal year to a calendar year. Tim also thanked the Pomfret Historical Society for the exhibit in the foyer which depicted the Abbott over the years. 2005 marks its 100th anniversary. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

8. Marge Wakefield moved that the Town appropriate \$24,500 for the Emergency Services Organization account administered by the Town Treasurer to be used for operating expenses. Dana Emmons seconded. Bob Harrington, Pomfret Fire Chief and member of the Pomfret Fast Squad spoke in favor of the motion. He began by thanking the community for its support in the construction of the Teago and North Pomfret fire stations, from both donations and with the actual construction. He noted the organization is alive and well with many new members joining and one of the main goals is to get these members trained and ready to respond. License renewal and recertification are also priorities for those already on board and requires ongoing training to stay current, which requires funding. Another goal of Emergency Services is to keep the organization a volunteer one, thus saving the town money. Doug Tuthill commented that as he thinks the amount being requested is fine. However, he said he has a problem with the Homeland Security Grants funded by the federal government which he feels are a fraudulent way for towns to receive money, and which Pomfret has taken part in and benefited. He questioned where these funds were being spent and for what purpose. Marge Wakefield and Bob Harrington responded by saying that the money was used to purchase a generator so that the town would have an emergency shelter should the need arise. Turn-out gear and protective clothing was also purchased. Rod Williams thanked the Emergency Services and the Fire Department for their response to an emergency at his residence and commented that without their rapid response he might not have a house right now. Other comments in support of the motion were made by Elaine Chase and Marge Wakefield. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
9. Marge Wakefield moved that the Town appropriate \$20,000 for the Fire Equipment Reserve Fund. Leon Stetson seconded. Bob Harrington spoke in favor of the motion and explained that the purpose is to have good equipment on hand and keep maintenance costs down. It helps the town maintain a high level of service which in turn supports homeowners. Marge Wakefield mentioned that these funds help to offset costs down the road, citing the Town of Bridgewater as recently having to come up with a big payment to purchase a new truck. Doug Tuthill stated this fund isn't being used the way it was designated, citing that the equipment the town now owns is in excellent condition and is rarely used. He said it isn't necessary to keep putting money into this fund for new equipment and suggested putting this \$20,000 into highway department. He further commented that there isn't a need for all this equipment for a town this size. Leon Stetson, spoke in favor of the motion and added that 50 years ago the town had "zilch" for its fire department and through the years has built it to what it is today. Its purpose is to save a life or a house in Pomfret and to give aid to a neighboring town in a time of need. There was no further discussion and the motion carried.
10. Judy Repp moved that the Town appropriate \$3,476 to support the home care and hospice care of patients in their homes by staff and volunteers of the Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire, Inc. Andy Mann seconded. Nancy Bassett spoke in favor of the motion and wanted to call attention to a couple of things, namely, there is a Wellness Center in Woodstock which is available to Pomfret residents for blood pressure and cholesterol screenings, flu shots, and foot care. Also, Pomfret residents received 337 visits from the VNA as well as hospice and maternal/child healthcare. On a personal note, she acknowledged how much it meant to her husband, John Bassett, to be home during his failing health and be able to rely on the VNA for their caring services. Cathy Hazlett stated that the terrific service provided by the VNA helps keep healthcare costs down. Peter Gratiot also spoke in favor of the motion from his own personal experience. The motion carried by voice vote.

Suzy Hallock-Bannigan asked the Moderator if Michael Reese, our Representative, could speak to the voters at this time, as he had just arrived. Earlier in the meeting this deviation from the order of business had been discussed and approved. Michael Reese began by stating it was an honor for him to serve the town as State Representative. He spoke about several issues including the education funding problems, being sensitive to the needs of small towns and small schools, affordable housing, soaring healthcare costs and property taxes, and the budget deficit with the Medicaid shortfall. He reported that we may finally see the construction for the replacement of the West Hartford bridge this summer. Doug Tuthill asked why Pomfret has the highest per pupil cost in the whole Upper Valley. Michael Reese answered that it is primarily attributed to the way our education funding system is set up and because the CLA dropped dramatically this past year due to skyrocketing property sales. He

does not see any major reform in the near future but will continue to seek ways to address this problem. Kurt Clifford asked for clarification regarding Lottery money. Where is it funneled and does it only go to education as advertised? Michael replied that yes it does go to education; however, funds seem to be channeled to the general funds in other ways. With no further questions, Bob O'Donnell thanked Michael for his service as our Representative and the town positions of Grand Juror and Town Agent. Bob also informed him that he had been re-elected for the two town positions for another year and asked if he was going to accept these positions. Laughter broke out when Michael replied, "Do I have a choice?" He quickly added that he would be honored to serve the town again. The meeting continued with Article 11.

11. Dottie Deans moved that the Town appropriate \$200 for A Community Resource Network (ACORN) for financial support to maintain and continue to provide assistance to people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS and HEPATITIS C to live fully and with dignity, and to STOP the spread of these diseases through education, information and understanding. Phil Dechert seconded. Emily Grube asked whether or not this request was included in the selectmen's budget as some others. The answer was, no, not included. Dottie Deans spoke in favor of the motion citing that ACORN is the only agency in the region which addresses these problems. In the last fiscal year, ACORN provided approximately \$40,000 in direct financial assistance to people living with HIV/AIDS. These funds helped pay for housing, transportation, prescription medication, nutrition, household expenses, testing and counseling services. The motion passed by voice vote.
12. Cathy Hazlett moved that the Town appropriate \$1,500 to support programming of the Ottauquechee Community Partnership which includes the Spectrum Teen Center and the Shining Light Mentoring program. The common objective is to keep our youth in the WCSU area drug-free, engaged in healthy activities, and provided with opportunities for leadership and personal growth. Deborah Milne seconded. Cathy Hazlett spoke in favor of the motion stating that the focus of this organization is to promote healthy communities and reduce substance abuse, which is higher in the WCSU than the state average. Vermont state average is also higher than the national average. She noted that the Shining Light Mentoring program is open to all middle school kids, not just those who may be at risk. The Spectrum Teen Center is open to all high school students on the weekends. These programs are designed to provide healthy alternatives for our youth. One problem they would like to work on is providing transportation back home for those who use the Spectrum. She said that the organization needs support from the town which in turn helps acquire additional funding from private foundations. Doug Tuthill also spoke in favor of the motion and expressed high praise for The Spectrum. Dana Emmons asked if Shining Light Mentoring Program had any affiliation with any other group. Cathy Hazlett replied that it did not. It is run through the school here. Suzy Hallock-Bannigan noted that the mentoring program can continue all through high school and is not just a one-year relationship. The motion carried by voice vote.
13. Cindy Jones moved that the Town appropriate \$14,685 for library services provided by the Norman Williams Public Library in Woodstock. This amount is based on \$15 per capita using the 2000 census figure of 979. Joyce Hiebert seconded. Cindy Jones spoke in favor of the motion. She gave a brief history of the renovations to the library and cited the services available: high-speed computer access, word processing and computer use mentoring, inter-library loans, books on tape, music CD's, new art books, free Sunday afternoon programs, film showings, and public meeting rooms. Cindy stated that it is important to provide free and equal access of information to all. She noted that while the Abbott Library is a wonderful asset to Pomfret, it does not provide the services and resources which older children and adults need. She added however, that the Norman Williams Library wants to work with the Abbott to provide all these services. A lively discussion took place as many residents were not in favor of raising this amount of money. Doug Tuthill, and Terry Kenison spoke against the motion, noting that residents who wished to use the Norman Williams Library could purchase library cards for themselves and their family members (\$23.00 per person) and not put the burden on the town. With only 40% of the residents using the Norman Williams, they felt the amount wasn't justified, particularly since the town helps support the Abbott. Sami McRae spoke in favor of the motion stating not everyone can afford to buy books or library cards and everyone should have free access to information. Stephen Johnson also spoke in favor of the motion stating that the two libraries compliment one another and that his family uses both. He said the one cent increase in the tax rate, which this motion would create, is well worth it, given all the services the Norman Williams provides. Fred Doten said he felt the town could not afford to support both libraries and made a motion to amend it to appropriate \$7,000. Doug Tuthill seconded. Discussion on the amendment began with Stephen Johnson explaining that Norman Williams Library is a private library open to the public which happens to be located in Woodstock, but serves all the surrounding towns. Kevin Rice asked what the reduction would do for the residents. Eric Wegnar, who is a Trustee at the Norman Williams, said it would reduce the cost of a library card, but it wouldn't be for free. Public money supports only 40% of the library's expenses and it relies a great deal on

public support. Tim Thacher spoke in favor stating that it is important to have a strong regional library in the area for our high school students, particularly the access to high-speed computers. Hazel Harrington noted that funds are available through the town for those who may not be able to afford the fees. Laura Kent stated that perhaps some of the \$7,000 could be used to make sure students' fees were paid and they would have free access. Further discussion about the reduction in fees included Kevin Geiger, Joanna Long, Jennifer Kirkland, Sheila Murray Terry Kenison, and Cindy Jones. A vote was taken by paper ballot on the amendment and it was defeated. Yes - 48 No - 63. While the votes were being tallied, Bob O'Donnell paid tribute to Daphne and Peter Gratiot for their service to the town over the years. Andy Mann thanked Chuck Gundersen for writing the tribute to the Gratiots for this year's annual town report. Bill Schellong noted an error in the town report – the census date should be for the year 2000, not 2002. Further discussion from those in favor of the motion as warned included: Joyce Hiebert and Joanna Long. Those opposed included: Kurt Clifford, Kevin Rice, Emily Grube, and Doug Tuthill. Steve Brown suggested that appropriations for both libraries be added together as one line item in the budget. Fred Doten called the question and a paper ballot vote was taken. The motion was defeated. Yes - 40 No - 73. While the votes were being tallied, Betty Emmons noted that Peter Fox Smith would be on PBS television next Monday evening. Kathy Wendling commented that at the 1903 town meeting, there was a lengthy debate about building the Abbott Library.

14. Hazel Harrington moved that the Town vote a budget of \$1,230,820, which reflects the addition of sums appropriated in Articles 11 and 12, for town and highway expenses as shown on pages 17 of the town report. The motion was seconded. Jennifer Kirkman made a motion to amend the article to remove \$14,000 which was budgeted for the sheriff's department. Bob O'Donnell noted that voters do not have the authority to cut any line items in the budget, but may reduce the total amount. And if amended, the Selectmen do not have to follow the recommendations suggested and could use their discretion for the reduction. Doug Tuthill seconded and expressed his support of the amendment. Bob Harrington said he thinks the presence of the sheriff in town is a good thing. Bev Lewis and Kurt Clifford spoke in favor of keeping the sheriff in town. A voice vote was taken and the amendment did not carry. With no further discussion, the original motion carried by voice vote.
15. Hazel Harrington moved that the Town raise \$568,240 in taxes. This figure reflects an increase due to the addition of the sums appropriated in Articles 11 and 12. The motion was seconded by Jim Havill. The motion carried by voice vote.
16. Fred Doten moved that the Town have the treasurer collect taxes in two installments, on August 5, 2005 and on November 5, 2005. Late payments to be subject to interest at 1% per calendar month or part thereof until November 5, 2006 when the interest rate shall increase to 1-1/2% per month or part thereof. All taxes outstanding on November 6, 2005 to be delinquent and subject to a penalty of 8% for the constable. Kurt Clifford seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.
17. Other Business:

Andy Mann, Betsy Rhodes and Christine Pilot, the auditors, were recognized for putting together a great town report.

Fred Doten thanked the Selectmen for all their efforts and the highway crew for the tremendous job they do keeping our roads in good shape.

Doug Tuthill hoped that more young people would get involved with attending Planning Commission meetings. Bob Harrington followed up with requesting that anyone interested in serving the town get in touch with the Town Clerk.

Bill Emmons moved to adjourn the meeting. Fred Doten seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12.45 P.M. Several new officers were sworn to their duties by JoAnn Webb.

Lunch was served by the 4H group.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Webb, Town Clerk

POMFRET HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Pomfret Historical Society has continued to care for the collection of artifacts and papers that were in the basement of the Abbott Library. Our files are organized well enough to enable us to find information for others. After Vermont Historical Society publicized our email address, PomfretHistory@aol.com, several people throughout the country have contacted us for information. We are about half way through computerizing our catalog of artifacts.

The PHS, mostly through the efforts of Elaine Chase, has accumulated a file of barn photographs from town. As many will recall, the town used to have many more barns than are presently standing. We are still looking to extend this collection of photos with any historic photos of structures in town. Alan Graham has been digitally scanning photographs for the collection. This has allowed us to inexpensively copy loaned photographs.

John Leavitt and Elaine Chase continued with the PHS Oral History Project. We now have over a dozen interviews stored on magnetic tape and also transcribed through the generous help of Loie Havill.

This year we began to do some community mapping, starting with known historical structures, as well as cellar holes that we have been visiting and surveying with a GPS unit. Recently John Leavitt purchased a collection of digitized Vermont maps which will be useful in our mapping project.

In the spring and fall we organized two field trips. The spring hike took place at White River Ledges, a site in town owned by the Nature Conservancy. It contains good examples of riparian forest, springs and forested hill land. In October Jim Kenison researched all of the original 16 school districts in Pomfret and led a 4 hour tour of most of the sites, some standing and some simply a pile of stones. Jim compiled a wealth of information containing both historic information and photos for this tour. We are continuing to collect any information about schools in Pomfret and would appreciate any lists of students and especially old school photographs.

We appreciate the continued support provided by PHS members and the town. The Pomfret Historical Society continues to meet on most Friday mornings at the Center School. It is open to anyone who is interested in helping with our work.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan C. Graham, President

POMFRET PLANNING COMMISSION Annual Report, 2005

In July, two new members joined the Commission, replacing Gordon Marshall and Norwood Long, whose terms expired: Mike Doten, who has returned to Pomfret after living in Fort Collins, Colorado, and serving on the Larimer County Planning Commission; and Bob O'Donnell, who has worked previously on the Commission, at the time when Ridgeline zoning was being created. In March, the town hired John Schempf as Pomfret's Zoning Administrator; his extensive experience in Windsor's town government is valuable in his new position here.

2005 was a relatively busy year for Ridgeline activity. Public hearings were conducted, and decisions made on three applications, each one difficult and complicated. As other parts of Vermont struggle with large homes mushrooming up in clearings across hillsides, Pomfret is lucky to have protective zoning to retain the scenic beauty of the hills and ridges rising undeveloped above the traditional settlement patterns along the valleys.

For the past many years the Commission has worked diligently to bring Pomfret's outdated zoning up to date. We had hoped to have new zoning bylaws adopted at the 2005 Town Meeting, but this was not to be. After a number of concerns were raised at the Selectman's Hearing, the draft was returned to the Commission for revision. From March to July, 6 public meetings were held, eliciting comment from townspeople on all the key issues of zoning bylaws, from minimum lot size to mega-houses, and from business performance standards to subdivision rules. In response to frequent comments that one new zoning document was too complicated to understand and adopt, the Commission plans to revise each existing bylaw separately. Revisions will include administrative changes and modifications to clarify inconsistencies or correct problems. Sections will be presented for approval and adoption as they are completed, with the Ridgeline and Subdivision rules being revised first. Additionally, new State zoning rules took effect this year, referred to as Chapter 117. All changes required by this new law must be incorporated into the bylaws, and will be included in these revisions as well.

Looking ahead to 2006, the Town Plan must be revised and re-adopted, and we have secured a municipal planning grant to help fund this project. Anyone who would like to become involved in this significant undertaking is encouraged to contact the Commission. Towns frequently rely on Town Plans to clarify zoning questions, especially when matters proceed to court, so this is a vital document for Pomfret.

**TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE REGIONAL COMMISSION
2005 YEAR-END REPORT**

During 2005, the Regional Commission provided technical expertise and resources for municipal officials as well as advocated for members' needs with the State Legislature and with state and federal agencies. TRORC functions as staff for many of our towns and most of our work was initiated at the request of Selectboards, Planning Commissions, and other town officials. Major accomplishments for the past year included:

Regional and Local Transportation Planning - The Commission's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) worked with member municipalities on numerous local transportation projects. Two Rivers' staff wrote many Transportation Enhancement Grants and assisted our towns in procuring design engineers, processing requisitions for payment, and organizing public meetings for local input - Two Rivers helped projects get built. TRORC also assisted communities as they worked their way through the environmental permitting process on transportation projects and conducted many traffic counts, speed limit studies and intersection analyses.

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

Emergency Planning Activities - The Regional Commission's emergency management planning program continued to be funded by FEMA and the Department of Homeland Security. Projects focused on all-hazards planning associated with natural and man-made disasters. Our staff helped write and coordinate many of the First Responder Grants for safety equipment received by our towns. A number of Emergency Response exercises were conducted in 2005.

Economic Development Planning - In 2005, the Regional Commission continued working on a \$200,000 Environmental Protection Agency grant to assess the level of contamination on many sites throughout our Region. Once the level of contamination is known, the Regional Commission helps towns locate funding sources for clean-up. An additional \$200,000 was received by TRORC this year further strengthening this initiative. In addition, TRORC spent considerable time maintaining the eligibility of our Region for federal economic development administration money.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Peter G. Gregory, AICP, Executive Director

William B. Emmons, III, Chairperson, Pomfret

GREATER UPPER VALLEY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
2005 Annual Report of Activities
— POMFRET —

Pomfret is a charter member of the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District which was created in 1990 for the express purpose of managing waste generated within its member municipalities. The District provided direct service to Pomfret in 2005 while also planning for the member towns' long-term waste management needs, including continued planning and development of the North Hartland landfill.

In our last report, we noted the GUV proposed landfill had received all necessary permits to begin construction. However, the district has a policy that as long as Lebanon City Landfill continues to provide adequate service to the district at reasonable prices it is not necessary to construct our landfill. Several times this past year the Lebanon City Council took up the issues of landfill usage and pricing and stated that they are likely to implement changes but have yet to make any decisions that will adversely affect GUV residents. We will be monitoring the situation closely and District staff will work with Lebanon officials to plan for future landfilling needs of the region.

District staff has also been working the Vermont Agency of Transportation regarding interstate airspace usage for the North Hartland landfill access road bridge. VAOT reversed their determination that the district is an exempt public agency. This action may require that compensation be paid to the AOT for the right to lease airspace over Interstate I-91. An appraisal of that airspace will determine fair market value and annual lease payments will be derived from that value. The district believes it qualifies for an exemption but will proceed with the appraisal to expedite this phase of the project. Borings for the bridge footings are complete and final bridge design will follow.

In 2005, 42 Pomfret residents participated in District sponsored events including: household hazardous waste events, used motor oil collections, compost bin sales, computer recycling, and bulky trash, tire, and scrap metal collections.

Vern Clifford continues to be Pomfret's representative to the District Board of Supervisors, with Steve Johnson as the Alternate.

We are always on the outlook for new opportunities to reduce, reuse and recycle so please share with us your suggestions on ways to improve our services. District events for the upcoming collection season will be available at Town Meeting, at all Town Clerks' offices, and the District office at 296-3688 or on the web at www.guvswd.org.

Fred Moody
Executive Director, GUVSWMD

**Vermont Department of Health
Annual Report – Town of Pomfret, 2005**

The Vermont Department of Health works to protect, improve and promote the health of Vermonters. The following are some of the Department's services that are available to residents of Pomfret.

Emergency Preparedness: The Vermont Department of Health is actively working with local, state and federal agencies to assure a rapid and effective response to public health threats or emergencies. Local Health Offices may be involved with; monitoring and early identification of disease; investigating disease sources; providing accurate and timely information to the public and health professionals; collaborating with other agencies during biological, environmental or weather events; assuring availability of personnel training; as well as planning and testing regional drills with hospitals and Local Emergency Preparedness Committees (LEPC) and; planning of and participation in joint exercises. In an actual event, if needed, Local Health Offices could operate vaccination clinics or clinics to distribute medications to prevent infections. To achieve this, efforts are being made both centrally and locally to identify volunteers who could assist with these special clinics. To assist with these local preparedness activities, Vermont's Emergency Preparedness Unit is gathering the names of individuals who are willing to assist in the event of an emergency. Interested Pomfret residents may contact the Vermont Emergency Response Volunteers through the following internet link VERV@vdh.state.vt.us. The Emergency Preparedness Unit has participated in exercises in several Vermont communities during the past year. Members of the unit have worked closely with Vermont Emergency Management, Homeland Security, Local Emergency Planning Committees and District Offices throughout the state. Exercises conducted in 2005 were held in Hinesburg, Essex, the University of Vermont, Burlington International Airport and a statewide Pandemic Influenza tabletop exercise held in Burlington. Other communities hosting were: Grand Isle, Norton, Derby, St. Johnsbury, Norwich, Orwell, Randolph, Tunbridge and Bennington.

Food & Lodging Inspections: National surveys show that more people are eating out more often. Public health sanitarians inspect eating establishments (restaurants, schools, fairs) to decrease the risk of food borne disease outbreaks. The five greatest risks for food borne outbreaks are: keeping food too long at improper temperatures, inadequate cooking, contaminated equipment, food from an unsafe source, and poor personal hygiene among food handlers. Inspections include review of a 44-item check list to evaluate food storage, preparation and handling as well as to identify where there is a high likelihood of practices contributing to illness if left uncorrected. Of the 1 establishment in Pomfret, 2 inspections were completed by a sanitarian during 2004. For the most recent inspection scores and results in your area, please go to www.healthyvermonters.info and select "Program List" then scroll down to "Division of Health Protection" and select "Restaurant Inspection Scores."

Reportable Disease Case Investigations: Infectious diseases continue to be a major source of illness, disability and death in the U.S. and Vermont, accounting for 25% of all doctor visits each year. The Health Department investigates all cases of disease such as meningitis, hepatitis, pertussis (whooping cough), and infectious diarrhea to determine their source, to recommend control measures (including current treatment standards) and to prevent further spread of the disease. In 2004, the department investigated 115 cases of disease in Windsor County.

Special Supplemental Nutrition Education Program for Women, Infants and Children

('WIC'): One of the most effective ways to improve the health of the overall population is to improve nutrition and physical activity. WIC improves the health of pregnant and postpartum women, infants and young children by assuring access to health care, teaching families about good nutritional practices, and providing an individually designed package of nutritious food to eligible individuals. During 2004, 10 women, infants and children living in Pomfret received foods as well as health screening and individualized nutrition education through this program. The average value of foods provided is \$40.00 per person per month.

Town Health Officer Program: Every town in Vermont has a town health officer who is nominated by the select board and appointed by the commissioner of health. Town health officers work on a variety of environmental and health issues, and respond to calls on public health concerns as varied as animal bites, West Nile virus, rental code complaints, and septic systems. The Health Department supports health officers with training, information and technical assistance. From July 1, 2004 – June 30, 2005, the Health Department assisted your town health officer and Pomfret residents 1 time.

Vaccine-Preventable Diseases: Vaccine-preventable disease rates are at their lowest level ever. In 2004, there were Vermont reports of one case of mumps, 180 cases of pertussis, and no reports of measles, rubella, polio or tetanus. Disease levels, while they are one of the chief outcomes of interest, are a late indicator of the soundness of the immunization system. Immunization levels are a better indicator than vaccine-preventable disease rates to determine if there is a problem with immunization delivery. Immunization levels for Vermont children, while high, still fall short of the 90% coverage goal. During 2004, the Health Department distributed childhood vaccines to healthcare providers in White River Junction District valued at \$245,700.

West Nile Virus (WNV) Surveillance: WNV is a virus that is spread by mosquitoes. West Nile virus has a widespread distribution in Africa, West Asia, and the Middle East. In late summer 1999, the first domestically acquired human cases of WNV were documented in the United States in the New York City metropolitan area. The virus has since spread to the west coast of the United States. Each year, from June until cold weather limits mosquito activity, the Vermont Department of Health and the Vermont Agency of Agriculture track WNV in dead birds, mosquitoes, and horses in order to monitor the epidemic. As of September 8, 2005, 20,892 mosquitoes had been collected, of which 18,842 were tested. So far, no mosquito pools have tested positive for WNV. As of that date, one horse from Orange County had been reported to the Vermont Department of Health as having tested positive for WNV. In Windsor County from June-September 8, 2005, 56 dead birds were reported, 21 were tested, and none were found to be infected with WNV. There have been no probable human cases of WNV reported during this same time period.

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If you would like more information about these and other Health Department activities or if you have a public health concern, please call the White River Junction District Office at 802-295-8820. For information about public health, Department initiatives, publications, and news releases go to the Department's website at *www.HealthyVermonters.info*

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION & HOSPICE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE
Home Care, Hospice and Family Health Services in the Town of Pomfret

The VNA & Hospice is like the local police and fire departments—a strategic part of the community's safety net—with services that must be continuously available to anyone in need. The town's support continues to be crucial for patients. Surrounded by memories, familiar furnishings, and family photographs, people almost always wish to confront the issues of illness, accident or aging, and dying in the comfort of their homes.

Town funding ensures that the following medically necessary and supportive services are provided to all citizens, including the uninsured and under-insured:

- Skilled clinical care and support during times of injury, short-term or chronic illness, or recovery from surgery or accidents. The most common conditions under our care are congestive heart failure, emphysema, diabetes, vascular disease, muscle disorders, and joint replacement.
- Nursing and physician care for pain and symptom management during terminal illness. Also addresses the psychosocial, emotional, spiritual, and financial concerns for patients, their families and their caregivers.
- Assistance to young families at risk. We help fathers and/or mothers who want to be more effective parents and care for newborns and children who have chronic illnesses requiring long-term support and care.
- Community wellness clinics including blood pressure, foot care, and flu vaccines

VNA & Hospice provided the following services in the Town of Pomfret this past year: (7/1/04 – 6/30/05)

Hospice Program		Wellness Center	
Patients served	2	Foot care/blood pressure visits	37
Home Care Program		Family Support Services	
Patients served	13	Fatherhood dads served	1
Home visits*	380	Individuals served	3
		Direct service hours	20
*Includes Nursing Care, Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy, Medical Social Workers, Home Health Aides, Personal Care or Homemaker Services		Maternal Child Health	
		Patients served	2
		Home visits	8

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

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Larman

Susan H. Larman, BSN, MBA
 President and CEO
 VNA & Hospice of VT and NH

**HEALTH CARE AND REHABILITATION SERVICES (HCRS)
OF SOUTHEASTERN VERMONT
Request for support from the Town of Pomfret**

Health Care and Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont requests an appropriation of \$900.00 from the Town of Pomfret at the 2006 Town Meeting to help defray the cost of services to its residents for the Mental Health Walk-In-Clinic. In the year ending June 30, 2005, our agency provided a comprehensive range of community based services to 4,666 residents of Windsor and Windham counties. The services that are available to the residents of your community are as follows:

Outpatient Mental Health Services: The mission is to provide caring, high quality, cost-effective mental health care for our community at every level of need. Our highly trained staff of professional therapists, social workers, and psychiatrists helps individuals and families cope with stress and anxiety, develop their full potential and maximize control of their lives. We make it our paramount goal to ensure that children, adolescents, and adults who come to us receive appropriate, timely care. We are now offering walk-in clinics to any resident who has an urgent need to see a mental health counselor for support and more effective coordination of services.

Alcohol & Drug Treatment Services: For adults and family members who are adversely affected by the use of alcohol or drugs, we offer a comprehensive program of assessment, inpatient referral, outreach, outpatient treatment and aftercare dedicated to aiding the recovery from chemical dependency and its effects.

Community Rehabilitation & Treatment Program: The CRT program provides comprehensive services to adults over the age of 18 who are suffering from a mental illness so serious that it interferes with that person's capacity to function in the community. We provide help and information to concerned family members and help clients reintegrate into the community as they recover and learn how to manage their mental illness. We provide crisis and peer support, psychiatric and counseling services plus residential and housing support.

Developmental Services Program: The DS provides services to people with developmental disabilities and their families. Services are available to people of all ages who have been found eligible, and each person being served receives an individually written program to meet his or her needs.

The Alternatives Program: A short-term alternative to hospitalization, the Alternatives Program provides crisis stabilization, respite and support to clients with psychiatric disabilities or to any adult experiencing an acute mental health crisis. We also provide a transitional residence for those stepping down from an inpatient setting. Our program provides a very desirable alternative to hospitalization in being less costly and less structured, while at the same time providing individualized attention in a more homelike, community based setting.

Emergency Services: The Emergency Services Team has a very specific mission to act quickly in critical situations. Specially trained mental health professionals are available 24 hours a day for emergencies. Anyone may use this service when an emergency arises including individuals of any age, family or friends of an individual in crisis; hospitals and nursing homes; police; schools; clergy; businesses and other community agencies.

We thank the board and the citizens of Pomfret for you're past support and for your continued interest in Health Care & Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont.

Martha Lussier Health Information & Referral Service, Inc. (HIRS)
34 Pleasant Street
Woodstock, VT 05091
802-457-3478

The difficulty of finding an experienced caregiver when you need help to keep someone at home during a period of illness can be very stressful. A phone call to the HIRS office asking for a referral receives a prompt response from our coordinator. Each family interviews the individuals who are referred and arranges schedules and hourly rates. Our registry of caregivers includes RNs, LPNs, and many others with long experience in the caregiving profession. From that list 126 families hired caring individuals who helped them through a crisis during this past year.

Since 1999 the HIRS Board of Directors has made this vital community service available, **without charge**, to all those who live in Barnard, Bridgewater, Hartford, Hartland, Plymouth, Pomfret, Reading and Woodstock. During our last Fund Drive we received gifts from 106 individuals, some of them given in memory of clients whom we served. We are grateful to have received support, voted at Town Meetings, from each of the seven towns in the greater Woodstock area and from eight local organizations.

The HIRS office on the second floor of Simmons House, in front of Dartmouth-Hitchcock/ Woodstock, is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8am until noon. The answering machine is checked regularly during non-office hours. Lynne Tracy, our reliable and compassionate coordinator, is there to help those who are seeking to identify in-home caregivers or requesting guidance about health care resources.

One of our recent clients wrote when she sent a gift, "Your help was a miracle to me - very efficient, kind and considerate." Please consider helping us to continue to perform such "miracles" by voting in favor of our request for \$200. Thank you for your past support!

Board of Directors: Gerry Fields - president, John Brand - vice president, Jane Smith - secretary; Art Boniface - treasurer, Joanne Boyle, Jim Christy, Judy Deep, Mary Jenne, Cordie Merritt, Joanne Roth

WINDSOR COUNTY PARTNERS

Mentors for Youths

Last year Windsor County Partners supported mentoring partnerships for 37 children throughout the 24 towns in Windsor County. Fourteen of these friendships were new. Our corps of Senior Partner volunteer mentors spent over 4,300 hours with area children, providing them with guidance, modeling healthy behaviors, enjoying fun activities and opportunities outside of home and school. Thanks to implementation of our new evaluation program, we can provide data to support the assertion that new Junior Partners felt and exhibited increased confidence, connection, and competence within six months of being matched with their Senior Partners.

With WCP's support, Partnerships engage in healthy behaviors together. Our All-Partner activities continued at a successful monthly frequency with high attendance and group enthusiasm. Junior Partners especially enjoyed the opportunity to socialize and have wholesome fun with peers outside of home and school. We supported 13 All-Partner activities attended by a total of 126 Partners, including: holiday singing at the Cedarcrest Children's Home in Keene, a pool and pizza party, a picnic and trips to Dartmouth College sporting events.

We remain proud of each of our Senior Partners who continue to devote their time, energy, and enthusiasm to supporting the positive development of their Junior Partners. Several were recognized this past year. Of special note, the Vermont Mentoring Partnership presented Board Chair, Joe Rohrer, and his Junior Partner, Damian, the Mentoring Partnership of the Year award at the annual Mentors Make A Difference Conference. Thanks to the commitment and diligent support of each of our Senior Partners the program continues to thrive and enrich the lives of youth in our community.

Our adult volunteers initially commit to meet about three hours each week for a year with a child of the same sex. Many mentoring relationships last three or more years. All our services are free of charge to volunteers, children and families. We continue to grow and work to better serve more of the community's youth.

For information or to volunteer, please contact Mary Beth Heiskell, Executive Director, at (802) 674-5101 or (800) 491-5101 or windsorcountypartners@adelphia.net.

**THE OTTAUQUECHEE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP/SPECTRUM TEEN CENTER/
SHINING LIGHT MENTORING PROGRAM**

Ottauquechee Community Partnership

The Ottauquechee Community Partnership (OCP) is a community coalition dedicated to “reducing the abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs in our communities, and providing an atmosphere of intergenerational support and mutual concern for the well being of all community members” in Barnard, Bridgewater, Killington, Pomfret, Reading, and Woodstock. OCP meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month from September-June at the Woodstock Union High School’s Teagle Library from 5:00-7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend! Pizza is always offered. OCP can be reached at 457-4780.

2005 was a busy year for OCP focusing on both organizational development issues as well substance abuse prevention initiatives. In 2005, OCP hired its first Executive Director, became incorporated in the state of Vermont, approved its first Board of Directors and Officers, established by-laws and submitted its application to the IRS to become a non-profit organization. In addition, OCP was successful in receiving 3 grants to support its mission: a \$13,000 grant from the Ottauquechee Health Foundation, a \$47,500 grant from the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention & the Vermont Department for Families and Children, and a \$36,311 grant from the Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs, Vermont Department of Health. In the spring of 2005, the Ottauquechee Community Partnership:

- ❖ Published an article in the Vermont Standard illustrating 8th – 12th grade youth’s use of alcohol and drugs;
- ❖ Teamed up with the Woodstock High School’s Teen Prevention Council and asked area retailers to pledge not to sell alcohol to people younger than 21 as part of Zero, Nada, None program;
- ❖ Sent 3 resources on substance abuse prevention to the families of Woodstock Union High School students; and
- ❖ Hosted the After Prom Event at the Spectrum Teen Center.

In the fall and early winter of 2005, the Ottauquechee Community Partnership:

- ❖ Provided funding to support the Shining Light Mentoring School Liaison position;
- ❖ Conducted the 7-week Strengthening Families program for families of middle school students;
- ❖ Purchased the Toward No Drug Abuse curriculum to be incorporated into 10th grade health class at Woodstock Union High School;
- ❖ Supported the Toward No Drug Abuse curriculum training for the High School’s Health Teacher;
- ❖ Planned sobriety check points and substance abuse prevention public service announcements as a member of the Windsor County Stop Teen Alcohol Risk Team (START);
- ❖ Worked with Spectrum teen members to design a Community Youth Activity Survey and;
- ❖ Planned a community based Underage Drinking Prevention initiative for the spring of 2006.

Thank you for your support. OCP welcomes your involvement and participation.

Catherine T. Hazlett, MPH
Executive Director

Spectrum Teen Center

The Spectrum Teen Center is located north of the village of Woodstock on route 12 at Mount Tom. The Spectrum Teen Center is available to all high school students who live in Barnard, Bridgewater, Killington, Pomfret, Reading, and Woodstock on Friday and Saturday nights from 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. The Spectrum Teen Center is committed to offering a fun, substance and alcohol free environment to students and strives to provide a safe environment free from fear, verbal or physical abuse, intimidation or sexual harassment. Spectrum is run by two Directors and a teen board, who work directly with the Directors to plan activities and events.

On weekends, teens can enjoy pool, foosball, video games, television, and movies at the Spectrum Teen Center. In addition, Spectrum also offers a number of special activities throughout the year including a Super Bowl Sunday Party, Halloween Party, Christmas Caroling at Mertens House, Open Mic Nights, Sledding Parties, Night at the Woodstock Health & Fitness Center, Summer Pool Party, and the Eighth Grade Transition Barbecue. Each summer, Spectrum organizes an adventure-based weekend retreat to Cape Cod. The weekend includes camping at Sweetwater Forest Camp Ground, swimming, sunbathing, volleyball, surfing and great picnics on the beach, interactive games around the campfire and delicious barbecues. The weekend also includes a Teen Forum on the dangers of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use. The forum is organized, prepared, and presented by a smaller group of Spectrum teens; giving teens the opportunity to discuss substance abuse issues peer to peer, which as research demonstrates is quite an effective prevention strategy.

In 2005, the Spectrum Teen Center was awarded a \$2,762 youth initiated grant from the Community Partnership of Orange and Windsor. The grant was written by Spectrum Teens to support youth programs at Spectrum. Spectrum Teens have also been very involved with the development of a Community Youth Activity Survey that is being done in conjunction with the Ottauquechee Community Partnership. The survey will identify which community activities youth would like to see available in their community and if there are obstacles to participating in currently available activities. Results of the survey will be known by spring, 2006.

The Spectrum Teen Center is a non-profit organization; therefore we rely solely upon fundraisers, grants and private donations. In today's economic times we are noticing a lot of cut backs and work very hard to try and maintain our funding so we do not lose this valuable asset that we are able to offer the kids of our community. We have been able to be successful thanks to the support of people and organizations such as your self. Thank you for believing in what we do.

Sincerely,

Joni Kennedy and Heather Rubenstein
Co-Directors Spectrum Teen Center

Shining Light Mentoring Program

The Shining Light Mentoring Program is a mentoring program available to all middle school youth who attend the Woodstock Union Middle School. Shining Light Mentoring matches a middle school age youth with an adult-volunteer in the community. The mentor and mentee meet once per week during the school year at pre-approved off campus locations. Currently there are 15 mentoring matches; many of those are a continuation from the previous year which demonstrates the strong bond that is established between mentor and youth.

Research has shown that youth with mentors are 46% less likely to get involved with drugs and 58% more likely to get better grades, and 77% of teachers, parents, and volunteers involved in mentor programs have reported noticing increases in youths' self-confidence, according to the National Mentoring Partnership. Likewise, Shining Light Mentoring provides middle school youth with the opportunity to engage in a relationship with a positive adult role model, reducing the youth's risk for drug use and building self-esteem and confidence to better handle peer pressure, and set positive goals.

There are many more youth who could be served by the Shining Light Mentoring program, but more mentors are needed. If you are interested in learning more about the program, please contact Vali Stuntz at the Woodstock Union Middle School at 457-1330 x 140. Shining Light also wants to hire a part-time director so that the program can be expanded. Your financial support will go directly to that purpose, which will better position Shining Light to sustain its programs in the future.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Vali Stuntz
Shining Light Mentoring Program School Liaison

**EDWIN J. THOMPSON SENIOR CENTER
WOODSTOCK AREA COUNCIL ON AGING**

The Woodstock Area Council On Aging, Inc., Edwin J. Thompson Senior Center is dedicated to serving the seniors in the community by providing a wide variety of programs and services. Services include nutritional noon meals, Meals-On-Wheels, Medical Transportation, Senior Advocate, Diabetic, Foot and Blood Pressure Clinics and various support groups. The Center's programs that relate to the welfare of the community continue to grow and include the Commodities Food Program, Medical Equipment to Borrow, and a daily check in call for seniors living alone-entitled *Good Morning Vermont*.

As we approach our 15th anniversary this January, it is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on how far so many dedicated individuals have taken this Center. Seniors are changing and the challenge for our Center is to have programs that appeal to both the young seniors and the older seniors of our community. I am proud of the staff for rising to the occasion and providing opportunities that appeal to both groups.

This year we were fortunate to be awarded many grants that allowed us to bring new and interesting programs to the public. The Center was pleased to present an End Of Life Care Forum that brought noted speakers throughout the state to our community. They included Dr. Ira Byock, Palliative Care Director, Dartmouth Hitchcock, Wendy Morgan, State of Vermont – Assistant Attorney General, John Campbell, Director- Vermont Ethics Network, to name a few of the many speakers of this forum.

The building is fourteen years old; the board has made a conscientious effort to address the inevitable wear and tear on a happily well-used building. Small projects will be tackled each year to keep pace and prevent too great a burden in any one-year.

The trend for home delivered meals is on the rise, as more seniors in this community would like to remain in their homes. Our kitchen staff has worked hard to bring quality meals to our neighbor's homes. We have just introduced a new packaging system that will better preserve the quality of the delivered meal as well as aid in the containment of packaging costs. The current Meals-On-Wheels route is over 86 miles long and growing. It takes four volunteer drivers each day to cover the many miles to ensure a hot meal is delivered.

I am proud to report that each year our services and program offerings continue to expand while we see minimal rise in operational cost or staff hours to support these. Our Senior Center is recognized as a leader for other centers in the State. This can only be achieved through the dedication, commitment and love that the staff, volunteers and board members have toward this Center and our senior community.

Joan Randall, Executive Director

PENTANGLE COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

Pentangle would like to thank the community for the continued support. It has been an exciting and challenging year of growth for the council. We know that our services are important to the community and the schools by the number of people we serve. Ticket sales support only 50% of the cost of our services and we need your support to raise the rest. Our mission reads: "Presenting the Art to enrich our Community and Schools." We do this in so many different ways and we are expanding our programs.

This year we increased our outreach to the underserved and elderly through the *Seedfolks* project in partnership with The Vermont Humanities Council. *Seedfolks* is part of a statewide project that focused on literacy and building community, which we took into the elementary schools and elder housing.

Since May of 2005 we have been planning an Asian Cultural Festival, which will serve all 4-12th grades in the school district on March 29, 2006 and will also be open to the general public. Our goal is to engage and educate through the arts about a culture that is beautifully complex and begin to prepare our students for life in the global economy.

After years of requests from the community and artists, Pentangle expanded its programming to include a film society. The program presents independent, classic and documentary films. It has allowed us to showcase local film makers and keeps the Town Hall Theater "live" an additional night per week with world issues or simply great entertainment.

Also this year Pentangle initiated a "Welcome Program" offering a six-month trial membership to new residents of Woodstock and its five surrounding communities. We believe that actively engaging people in the arts is a perfect introduction and a vehicle for further engagement in the community.

Our volunteer program headed by Mary MacVey has continued to increase. The numbers of people who give freely of their time and efforts can be used to assess the strength of a community. Pentangle offers this opportunity to everyone including students.

Pentangle continues to generate dollars for the local economy by bringing in touring artists that draw large numbers of fans who attend the concerts, stay in our local lodging establishments, eat in restaurants and shop in our local businesses. The arts are an economic engine that is a vital part of a rich and vibrant community.

Consistent instruction and exposure to the arts continues to be cut from the schools. It is imperative that Pentangle continue to be an advocate on the state and local level for the arts and continue to provide exposure to high quality art programming.

The rent at the Woodstock Town Hall Theater increased significantly this year and maintenance of the historic space continues to be an important function of the council. Membership, fundraisers, annual appeal and grants request help keep our prices reasonable and Pentangle in business. Pomfret's support is an investment in our children's creativity and the vitality of our communities. We appreciate your continued support.

Respectively submitted,
Sabrina Brown
Executive Director
Pentangle Council on the Arts

THE WOODSTOCK AREA JOB BANK

For more than 30 years, the Woodstock Area Job Bank has helped hundreds of people in the greater Woodstock community, matching those with jobs to be done with those looking for work. This indispensable service is offered free of charge.

Our Coordinator, Beverly Moodie, is in the Job Bank office on the second floor of the Woodstock Town Hall, from 9 to noon, Monday through Friday. The jobs offered vary from full time to hourly, professional to the most basic work. People of all ages, qualifications and skills seek employment. In addition to helping both the prospective employer and employee, Bev counsels people in a wide variety of ways, and has information on area training programs and social services.

The Job Bank is a 501(c)(3) organization. Our small annual budget depends on the generosity of individual donors, a few local organizations, and the area towns we serve, primarily Barnard, Bridgewater, Pomfret and Woodstock. A volunteer board, with members from these four towns, oversees the work of the Job Bank. In the past year, the office has helped 50 Pomfret residents with their job needs. Given present economic conditions and the Job Bank's vital services, we are receiving calls for help from an increasing number of outlying towns.

The Woodstock Area Job Bank requests the voters of Pomfret to approve a grant of \$200 to enable us to continue meeting the job needs of this community.

Jane Smith for the Job Bank Board: Janice Bean, June Campbell, Loie Havill, Gerry Hawkes, Gina Lancaster-Salguero, Patsy Mathews, Sheila Murray, Patty Potwin and Vassie Sinopoulos.

A COMMUNITY RESOURCE NETWORK (ACORN)

ACORN (A Community Resource Network) has been providing direct comprehensive services to people living with HIV/AIDS, their partners, and other family members since 1991. In the summer of 2004, ACORN's Board of Directors voted to expand our services to include individuals and families infected and affected by Hepatitis C (HCV).

ACORN currently provides

- case management services to our clients infected with HIV/AIDS or Hepatitis C (HCV). The case management services provides a crucial link to assistance programs that allow our clients access to funds in support of their medical needs as well as aid in day to day expenses such as food, heat, medications, transportation, electricity, and housing.
- Support groups
- HIV/AIDS and HCV education/ prevention programs
- A prison outreach program to include education, prevention, counseling, and testing for HIV/AIDS or HCV.
- FREE counseling and testing for HIV and HCV (pending) to any individual in the community with past risk factors.
- updating our services as new and innovative services become available

Our services remain confidential. Each individual consumes approximately \$3000 per year in financial assistance. ACORN exists to provide a physical support for individuals affected and infected by HIV and HEP C. Any individual that is questioning, curious, and possibly fearing they have contracted either one of these virus's has a place to go to, to answer questions and get confidential assistance to guide them. In addition, ACORN is the only agency in the entire Upper Valley area that helps the community remain aware that both HIV and HCV are real health concerns that all of us must pay attention to and help eradicate.

ACORN would like to sincerely thank the Town of POMFRET for their continued support. ACORN welcomes any questions about our services or requests for information at 603-448-8887.

POMFRET SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORTS

On the evening of August 26 fried chicken, hot dogs, salads and desserts helped to welcome parents and children to another school year. Fourth grade teacher Jenny Hewitt, fifth grade teacher Bill Yates and spouses, organized the food, games, and activities with support from our PTO.

School officially began on August 29th with ninety-five students. Although predictions for a reduction in enrollment persist our enrollment has remained steady in part due to the thirteen tuition students enrolled throughout the grades. Our Kindergarten has eleven students, first grade fourteen, second grade sixteen, third grade twelve, fourth grade fourteen, fifth grade fifteen, and sixth grade thirteen. In the middle and high school the seventh grade enrollment is twelve, eighth grade is thirteen, ninth grade eleven, tenth grade three, eleventh grade fifteen and in the twelfth grade eleven students

Several faculty changes took place this year. Joyce Hiebert, our special educator, retired after over thirty years in education, the last fourteen here at The Pomfret School. After many weeks of searching for a replacement Amy Dressler, a recent graduate of Castleton, was hired to replace Joyce. The vacant Kindergarten position was filled by Amy Zayas who came to us from Connecticut.

A review of our assessment scores helped us focus our professional development in two areas: the first is a continuation of professional development in the area of mathematics and the second is in the area of writing. In October we participated in the New England Common Assessment (NECA) in grades 3-6. Results on the NECA will be arriving after the first of the year. Last spring our current third graders took the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA). Ninety percent met or achieved the standard with honors. This test assesses reading accuracy and reading comprehension. The fifth and sixth grade took the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT) in March and scored between the seventieth and ninetieth percentile in all areas but prewriting and editing which were at the fifty-fifth and fifty-seventh percentile respectively and math procedures at the fifty-fourth percentile. National percentile ranks indicate the relative standing of a student in comparison with other students in the same grade who took the test at a comparable time.

We are so fortunate to have a beautiful environment for the children to work and play. The nature trails have been further developed under the guidance of Marie Hanson and volunteers who maintain the trails. These trails are clearly marked and easily accessible to all community members. Several of the classes have done "quests" with clues to various points of interest on the trails. The PTO coordinated a project to upgrade our playground. Family and community members purchased tiles and then came together to paint them on several sessions. Proceeds from the tile project went toward the playground fund and are now displayed along the hallway in the school. We have replaced and added new swings, established a new climbing structure and in the spring of 2006 a new structure will be built by volunteers designed from ideas generated by the students.

Several events spotlighted our students' talents last year. In the spring the children performed a very successful "Music Man" under the direction of Sharon Groblicki and at our open house we dedicated the Horizon Observatory with a K-6 speak chorus performance, the text of which was a conversation between the observatory and the sugar house. Did you know the Observatory is open every Saturday night if the stars are out? Many community members have already visited the observatory. The drum corps under the direction of Bill Yates led us in our Memorial Day parade from the Suicide Six parking lot to the Abbott Library in South Pomfret and the school band played several pieces as part of the ceremony. Under the leadership of Barb Leonard, Sarah Woodhead, Jean Souter, and Jenny Hewitt our children have helped to organize food drives, tsunami relief, community dinners, and UNICEF drives.

In summary our school continues to offer a stimulating curriculum in a joyful setting. I am thankful for the continued support of our parents, school board and the greater Pomfret community.

POMFRET SCHOOL TEACHERS' REPORT

Since the consolidation in 1991 The Pomfret School has grown in many ways. The teaching staff would like to take this opportunity to share some of these with you, the taxpayers. These endeavors have enriched the community with negligible financial impact on the budget. Annual events have been organized to open our doors to the community, including the Turkey Supper, the Second Grade Special Friends Tea, the Third and Fourth Grade Harvest Feast, the Holiday and Spring Programs and the biannual musical. Over the years, we have also welcomed many community members into the school as volunteers. These volunteers have helped in the classrooms and library and most recently worked together to help make the observatory a reality.

The staff has taken the initiative to provide additional opportunities for all Pomfret students. Drumming, Chess Club, extra instrumental lessons, landscaping, garden and bridge construction, Saturday night stargazing, and the use of the nature trails are all possible due to volunteer time donated by the staff.

There are many components of the Pomfret School program that extend the curriculum without adding to the budget. The Horizons Observatory was funded entirely by donations, grants, and volunteer labor. The fourth grade salmon raising project was made possible through the receipt of a grant to fund the chiller, an expensive cooling device necessary to incubate eggs. Volunteers assist with the hatchery trip and release. The sugarhouse, built by volunteers, is visited by all students and heavily utilized. The Nature Trails on the school property behind the school have been established through the time and initiative of teachers and community. All are welcomed and encouraged to take walks on them. Several quests have been written by the children and are available at the school. (One has been published in the second edition of Valley Quests.) Quests are comparable to treasure hunts and are written to teach about the woods while guiding the quester on a path in the woods.

Improvements to the curriculum often have been made by the teaching staff participating in grant funded courses and workshops. The reading curriculum was strengthened by teachers attending several workshops and bringing the information back to the staff through staff development days over a two year period. Math has been a focus more recently with one teacher participating in state math curriculum development and sharing her knowledge and expertise for the benefit of all our teachers and students. These endeavors have enhanced the education received by the students of Pomfret. Additionally, they have helped to recruit a record number of tuition students. We are proud of our school and eager to continue the tradition of developing programs and curriculum that "challenge the mind and encourage the heart." We owe much of the strength of the school to the support of the parents and greater Pomfret community and would like to publicly extend our appreciation for the continued support of the Pomfret taxpayers.

SUMMARY OF 2005 SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
March 1, 2005

ARTICLES:

1. Daphne P. Gratiot was elected Moderator.
2. The reports were accepted as submitted. Lynn McMorris spoke briefly about the progress of the observatory which was built at The Pomfret School. A special tribute was given to Ron Reynolds for his 13 years of service on the school board.
3. Kevin Lessard was elected as Town School Director for a three year term.
4. Kevin W. Griffin was elected as Woodstock Union High School Director for a three year term.
5. The local school appropriation of \$1,174,900 was approved following discussion. An amendment to increase the budget by \$100,000 was proposed, but the voters chose not to debate this as the legality of increasing the budget without warning was questioned.
6. The voters authorized the Board of School Directors to spend \$9,451 of the proceeds from the sale of wood for the computer lease payment due in the 2005-2006 year.
7. Authorization was given to the Board of School Directors to borrow money to cover current expenses, if necessary.
8. After some discussion, the voters agreed to have representation for a state funded study of the advisability of forming a union school district with other districts in the area. The purpose of the study is to analyze ways of keeping budgets down. There would be no cost to the town for this study.
9. Other business:
A short discussion about the pros and cons of Australian balloting vs. active participation in Town Meeting.

Ron Reynolds was presented with a "Board" book in appreciation of his service.

Short discussion about a town-wide reappraisal.

Appreciation given to the school board, the administration, and the teachers.

Results of Pomfret vote: WUHS budget - \$8,809,928: Yes - 67 / No - 28
Capital improvements - 191,000: Yes - 78 / No - 17
Auditorium improvements - 98,000: Yes - 73 / No - 22

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Webb
Town Clerk

**WARNING
POMFRET SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The legal voters of the Pomfret School District are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at 1:00 PM to act on the following business:

1. To elect a School District Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To act on reports submitted.
3. To elect a Town School Director for a three year term.
4. Shall the voters of the Pomfret School District appropriate \$1,152,343 (One Million One Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Three Dollars) as the amount necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning July 1, 2006?
5. Shall the voters authorize the Board of School directors to borrow money, if necessary, for payment of current expenses of the District pending receipts of payment of taxes?
6. To do any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Board of School Directors:

Hannah Nichols
James Tracey
Kevin Lessard

February 1, 2006

POMFRET SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNT
Town Treasurer's Report
Cash Accounting, FY July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005

Balance on hand, July 1, 2004
 Charter One Bank, Checking Account #401-005413-6 \$ 14,705.09

Receipts:

Town of Pomfret, property taxes	\$1,866,584.00
Pomfret Trust:	
Donations for books	200.00
Grant for French program	3,400.00
Wurster Foundation for French program	5,300.00
Logging Account	9,451.00
Reimbursements:	
Special Education	207,133.00
Health & Dental Insurance from employees	13,251.78
Other reimbursements	1,219.65
Donations	75.00
Rent of school building	275.00
Vermont Forests & Parks	1,640.37
Lease land rents	91.68
Transferred from debt service accounts	6,000.00
Medicaid Sub Grant	1,464.07
Checking account interest	6,612.80
Tuition students	44,438.00
Miscellaneous	239.45

Total Receipts 2,167,375.80

General Disbursements:

Total checks drawn (2,179,800.66)

BALANCE: Charter One Bank, 6/30/05 **\$ 2,280.23**

Breakdown of Middle & High School Expenses:

Regular operating expenses	\$ 783,176.00
Special education	181,634.00
Debt service	16,096.00
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Total	\$ 980,906.00

Pomfret's Share of WCSU Executive Administration Assessments:

General Administration	\$ 36,371.00
Special education	19,032.00
Occupational therapy	10,772.00
Early essential education services	13,958.00
Curriculum program	1,768.00
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Total	\$ 81,901.00

SCHOOL MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, July 1, 2004:

Windsor-Orange County Credit Union, C.D. #519200 J, due 12/31/05 @ 2.00%	\$ 6,788.49	
Mascoma Savings Bank, C.D. #68059284, due 6/02/06 @ 2.47%	3,000.00	
		\$ 9,788.49

Received:

Interest from Mascoma Savings Bank	\$ 165.89	
Interest from Windsor-Orange Credit Union	62.60	
Appropriation 04/05 FY	3,000.00	
TOTAL RECIEPTS		\$ 3,228.49

Disbursements

(0.00)

BALANCE Maintenance Fund, June 30, 2005 **\$13,016.98**

RECONCILIATION:

Mascoma Savings Bank, C.D. #70005065, due 12/12/05 @ 2.47%	\$ 6,921.42	
Mascoma Savings Bank, C.D. #68059284, due 6/02/06 @ 2.47%	3,074.98	
Mascoma Savings Bank, C.D. #70005205, due 2/21/06 @ 2.71%	3,020.58	
		\$13,016.98

POMFRET SCHOOL DEBT REDUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, July 1, 2004:

First Community Bank, C.D. #3400001214, due 5/6/05 @ 1.39%	\$ 13,037.84
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Interest Received 04/05 FY	166.80
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Deposited in checking account for 04/05 FY debt payment	(6,000.00)
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BALANCE Debt Reduction Account, June 30, 2005 **\$ 7,204.64**

RECONCILIATION:

First Community Bank, C.D. #3400022202, due 4/9/06 @ 3.01%	\$ 7,204.64
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SCHOOL INDEBTEDNESS

1. Pomfret's share of the Woodstock Union High School indebtedness. No definite proportion is allocated to its member towns. The amount due from each town is based on the number of pupils attending the school from their respective towns, based on the average daily membership June 30 of the previous year.

2. Vermont Municipal Bond Bank for the Pomfret School. Principal outstanding as of June 30, 2005 was \$455,000. See payment schedule reported in the 1991 annual report.

**TOWN/SCHOOL LOGGING ACCOUNT
ON 100 ACRE LOT OFF OF JOE RANGER ROAD**

Balance on hand July 1, 2004:	
Mascoma Savings Bank, C.D. #68058984, due 5/10/06 @ 1.90%	\$ 30,968.10
Interest Received 04/05 FY	498.53
Disbursements:	
Transferred to General Account for computer payment	<u>(9,451.00)</u>
BALANCE Logging Account, June 30, 2005	\$ 22,015.63
RECONCILIATION:	
Mascoma Savings Bank, C.D. #68058984, due 5/10/06 @ 1.90%	\$ 22,015.63

POMFRET SCHOOL HORIZONS OBSERVATORY

Received:	
The Canaday Family Charitable Trust Donation, October 13, 2004	\$ 24,247.00
William A. Russell, Donation, June 23, 2005	5,747.00
Interest 04/05 FY	<u>314.63</u>
BALANCE Observatory Account, June 30, 2005	\$ 30,308.63
RECONCILIATION:	
Banknorth, N.A., Money Market Account # 524-0858657	\$ 30,308.63

**Pomfret School District
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2005**

Assets		
Checking Account	\$2,280	
Maintenance Fund - Mascoma	\$3,075	
Maintenance Fund CD	\$9,942	
Debt Reduction Account	\$7,205	
Land Fund Account	\$22,016	
Observatory Account	\$30,309	
Accounts Receivable	\$33,374	
Prepaid Expense	\$13,285	
Total Assets		\$121,485
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$2,341	
Accrued Payroll	\$807	
Total Liabilities		\$3,149
Reserves		
Reserve for Encumbrances	\$354	
Reserve for Heat	\$3,000	
Reserve for Building Maintenance	\$13,017	
Reserve for Debt Reduction	\$7,205	
Reserve for Land Fund	\$22,016	
Reserve for Observatory	\$16,935	
Reserve for E-Rate	\$686	
Reserve for Audit Sinking Fund	\$1,125	
Reserve for Teachers' Share VSBIT	\$620	
Total Reserves		\$64,957
Fund Balance		
Designated for FY06 Budget		\$6,217
Undesignated Fund Balance		
Balance Reported June 30, 2004	\$6,217	
P/Y Adjustment Special Ed Reimbursement	\$5,661	
P/Y Adjustments Encumbrances	\$7,677	
	\$19,554	
Designated for FY06 Budget	(\$6,217)	
		\$13,337
Revenue 2004-2005	\$2,207,778	
Expenses 2004-2005	\$2,170,953	
Operating Balance 2004-2005		\$36,825
		\$50,163
Reserved for Heat in 2005-2006		(\$3,000)
Undesignated Fund Balance June 30, 2005		\$47,163
Total Liabilities, Reserves, Fund Balance		\$121,485

**Pomfret School District
Revenue Report and Proposed Budget
2006-2007 Budget Year**

	Budget 2004-05	Actual 2004-05	Budget 2005-06	Proposed 2006-07
Local Revenues				
Balance from Prior Years	\$15,727	\$15,727	\$6,217	\$47,163
Tuition	\$42,500	\$44,438	\$52,700	\$78,750
Interest	\$2,000	\$6,613	\$3,000	\$4,000
Rentals		\$275		
Gifts & Contributions		\$325		
Donations-For. Lang. Prog.	\$12,794	\$8,700		
Transfer from Sale of Wood	\$9,451	\$9,451	\$9,451	\$0
Refund Prior Year Expenses		\$36		
Miscellaneous Revenue		\$126		
Debt Svc Reserve Transfer	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$7,000	\$0
Substitute Reimbursement		\$195		
State & Federal Revenues				
Small Schools Grant	\$55,315	\$55,315	\$56,736	\$55,000
Transportation Reimbursement	\$28,253	\$28,109	\$27,014	\$11,964
Spec Ed Block Grant	\$49,979	\$49,979	\$49,597	\$26,465
Special Ed EEE Grant	\$7,175	\$7,175	\$7,072	\$7,943
Special Ed Intensive Reimb.	\$131,700	\$167,114	\$132,000	\$51,985
Lease Land		\$92		
Special Ed Extraordinary Reimb.		\$3,829		
Sub-Total	\$360,894	\$403,498	\$350,787	\$283,270
Local Education Spending				
Transfer from Education Fund	\$1,804,280	\$1,783,160	\$1,842,087	\$1,803,571
Tax for Tech Ctr Payment		\$21,120	\$18,204	\$10,900
Total Local Ed Spending	\$1,804,280	\$1,804,280	\$1,860,291	\$1,814,471
Total Revenue K-12	\$2,165,174	\$2,207,778	\$2,211,078	\$2,097,741

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	Budget 2004-05	Actual 2004-05	Budget 2005-06	Proposed 2006-07
INSTRUCTION				
Salaries - Teachers	\$341,810	\$332,322	\$345,201	\$380,669
Salaries - Aides	\$32,548	\$32,237	\$27,254	\$17,293
Salaries - Retirement Benefit	\$12,729	\$12,729		
Salaries - Substitutes	\$3,700	\$3,280	\$3,700	\$3,700
Sub-Total	<u>\$390,787</u>	<u>\$380,568</u>	<u>\$376,155</u>	<u>\$401,662</u>
Supplies - Art	\$1,012	\$584	\$623	\$675
Supplies - English	\$1,500	\$1,970	\$1,900	\$2,034
Supplies - Physical Education	\$600	\$489	\$600	\$500
Supplies - Math	\$2,248	\$1,876	\$2,141	\$1,868
Supplies - Music	\$623	\$506	\$866	\$500
Supplies - Science	\$2,477	\$2,076	\$2,518	\$2,459
Supplies - Reading	\$2,082	\$2,103	\$1,958	\$2,171
Supplies - Social Studies	\$1,806	\$1,384	\$1,598	\$2,616
Supplies - Foreign Language	\$500	\$457	\$500	\$348
Supplies - General	\$2,600	\$2,487	\$2,600	\$2,600
Arts Programs			\$9,435	
Textbooks	\$1,080	\$832	\$1,080	\$1,012
Sub-Total	<u>\$16,528</u>	<u>\$14,765</u>	<u>\$25,819</u>	<u>\$16,783</u>
Total Instruction	<u>\$407,315</u>	<u>\$395,333</u>	<u>\$401,974</u>	<u>\$418,445</u>
GUIDANCE				
Salary	\$13,733	\$13,733	\$14,152	\$14,718
Case Supervision	\$120	\$105	\$120	\$120
IST - Sec 504	\$1,200	\$658	\$1,200	\$1,200
Supplies and Materials	\$138	\$93	\$206	\$295
Standardized Testing	\$500	\$252	\$500	\$500
Total Guidance	<u>\$15,691</u>	<u>\$14,841</u>	<u>\$16,178</u>	<u>\$16,833</u>
HEALTH				
Salary - Nurse	\$6,964	\$6,964	\$7,188	\$7,476
Vision/Hearing Screening				\$98
Health Supplies	\$121	\$161	\$175	\$182
Periodicals	\$23		\$25	\$67
Total Health	<u>\$7,108</u>	<u>\$7,125</u>	<u>\$7,388</u>	<u>\$7,823</u>
SUPPORT SERVICES				
Professional Development	\$4,000	\$6,487	\$4,000	\$4,000
Pentangle	\$1,200	\$1,190	\$1,200	\$1,200
Total Support Services	<u>\$5,200</u>	<u>\$7,677</u>	<u>\$5,200</u>	<u>\$5,200</u>
EDUCATIONAL MEDIA				
Librarian/Media Specialist	\$16,120	\$16,120	\$16,997	\$18,066
Technology Consulting Services			\$1,000	\$1,000
AV/Equipment Repair	\$200		\$200	\$200

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	Budget 2004-05	Actual 2004-05	Budget 2005-06	Proposed 2006-07
Postage	\$150	\$93	\$150	\$150
Supplies and Materials	\$800	\$576	\$800	\$800
Books	\$2,500	\$2,572	\$2,500	\$2,500
Periodicals	\$500	\$468	\$500	\$500
Circ. Software Update	\$330	\$125	\$580	\$580
Computer Software & Hardware	\$1,000	\$954	\$1,000	\$1,000
Computer Lease/Purchase	\$9,451	\$9,451	\$9,451	\$0
Computer Service & Supplies	\$700	\$564	\$700	\$700
AV Equipment & Supplies	\$200	\$41	\$200	\$200
Total Educational Media	\$31,951	\$30,965	\$34,078	\$25,696
BOARD OF EDUCATION				
Salary - Treasurer				
Treasurer's Expenses	\$250	\$211	\$250	\$250
Legal Services	\$200		\$200	\$200
Audit - Sinking Fund	\$1,025	\$1,025	\$1,025	\$1,200
Advertising	\$250	\$692	\$250	\$250
School Board Expenses		\$47		
Supplies	\$400	\$81	\$400	\$400
Dues & Fees	\$850	\$850	\$850	\$1,200
Total Board of Education	\$2,975	\$2,905	\$2,975	\$3,500
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION				
Salary - Principal	\$59,089	\$59,089	\$60,862	\$52,900
Principal's Annuity	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$3,200
Office Equipment/Maintenance	\$1,600	\$829	\$1,700	\$1,700
Supplies/Copier	\$1,200	\$1,496	\$900	\$900
Postage	\$150	\$209	\$150	\$200
Professional Development	\$1,000	\$1,164	\$1,500	\$1,500
Expenses	\$1,700	\$1,678	\$2,000	\$2,000
Equipment	\$1,200	\$2,172		
Total School Administration	\$69,139	\$69,836	\$70,312	\$62,400
FISCAL SERVICES				
Group Health Insurance	\$111,341	\$115,625	\$124,499	\$112,495
Social Security	\$39,456	\$37,918	\$39,378	\$40,237
Dental Insurance	\$4,254	\$3,814	\$3,992	\$3,441
Municipal Retirement	\$2,465	\$2,453	\$2,288	\$1,938
Workers' Compensation	\$3,589	\$3,236	\$3,580	\$3,735
Property & Liability Insurance	\$5,369	\$5,535	\$6,000	\$6,000
E & O Insurance - School Board	\$1,490	\$953	\$1,000	\$2,000
Bond	\$190			
Total Fiscal Services	\$168,154	\$169,534	\$180,737	\$169,846
OPERATION OF PLANT				
Salary - Custodian	\$29,072	\$29,078	\$29,951	\$31,150

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	Budget 2004-05	Actual 2004-05	Budget 2005-06	Proposed 2006-07
Water Testing		\$242	\$325	\$400
Contracted Maintenance Service	\$3,550	\$13,600	\$12,818	\$7,335
Trash Removal	\$2,500	\$1,797	\$2,500	\$2,500
Care of Grounds - Supplies	\$332	\$347	\$386	\$860
Maintenance Supplies	\$4,356	\$5,395	\$5,474	\$6,240
Care of Grounds - Contracted	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,600	\$4,660
Furniture Replacement	\$74		\$550	\$100
Equipment	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$550	
Playground Equipment			\$500	\$500
Lamp Replacement	\$750	\$35	\$600	\$600
Phone System Upgrade			\$6,597	
Sinking Fund	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
Dues and Fees	\$355	\$246	\$475	\$430
Total Operation of Plant	\$52,889	\$62,640	\$70,326	\$57,775
UTILITIES				
Telephone	\$5,000	\$2,779	\$5,000	\$4,000
Electricity	\$16,000	\$14,369	\$16,000	\$17,386
Propane	\$450	\$405	\$500	\$600
Heat	\$10,000	\$8,028	\$12,000	\$17,882
Total Utilities	\$31,450	\$25,582	\$33,500	\$39,868
TRANSPORTATION				
Contracted Services	\$39,195	\$33,236	\$33,349	\$25,700
Field Trips	\$600	\$889	\$1,500	\$1,500
Total Transportation	\$39,795	\$34,125	\$34,849	\$27,200
SUB-TOTAL	\$831,667	\$820,562	\$857,517	\$834,586
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
Salary - Teacher	\$48,517	\$48,517	\$49,981	\$32,511
Salary - Aides	\$27,927	\$28,766	\$12,996	\$35,990
Salary - Extended Year	\$2,700	\$5,252	\$3,000	\$4,000
Salary - Substitutes		\$455	\$1,500	\$1,500
Retirement Benefit			\$7,500	\$8,500
Health Insurance	\$33,277	\$34,329	\$23,439	\$24,710
Dental Insurance	\$880	\$842	\$748	\$513
Social Security	\$5,848	\$5,633	\$4,817	\$6,178
Social Security - Extended Year	\$207	\$292	\$306	\$306
Municipal Retirement	\$1,117	\$753	\$520	\$1,440
Workers' Compensation	\$361	\$322	\$289	\$386
Assessments	\$515	\$698	\$459	\$450
Consultations	\$3,900	\$5,738	\$4,000	\$4,000
Evaluation	\$1,900	\$4,825	\$3,800	\$3,800
Psychological Services	\$2,700	\$3,225	\$3,000	\$3,240
Physical Therapy	\$3,000	\$4,634		\$600

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	Budget 2004-05	Actual 2004-05	Budget 2005-06	Proposed 2006-07
Supplies	\$2,005	\$1,681	\$1,803	\$1,300
Transportation	\$7,300	\$11,017		\$0
Equipment	\$2,765		\$800	\$800
Esy Transportation	\$1,975	\$14		\$0
Extended Year Program	\$600	\$2,495	\$1,500	\$2,616
Total K-6 Special Ed	\$147,494	\$159,487	\$120,458	\$132,840
PRE-SCHOOL				
EEE Individual Aide Salary				\$5,760
EEE Individual Aide Benefits				\$468
EEE Extended Year Salary			\$0	\$720
EEE Extended Year Social Security			\$0	\$55
EEE Purchased Services			\$500	\$2,880
EEE Extended Year Purchased Services			\$510	\$1,380
EEE Physical Therapy			\$1,000	\$3,520
EEE Pre-school Tuition			\$1,750	\$3,076
Total Pre-School	\$0	\$0	\$3,760	\$17,859
Total Special Education	\$147,494	\$159,487	\$124,218	\$150,699
WCSU Exec Admin Assessment	\$36,371	\$36,371	\$34,945	\$38,419
WCSU OT Assessment	\$10,772	\$10,772	\$5,342	\$6,812
WCSU Curriculum assessment	\$1,768	\$1,768	\$1,672	\$1,812
WCSU EEE Assessment	\$13,958	\$13,958	\$12,179	\$13,749
WCSU Special Ed Assessment	\$19,032	\$19,032	\$19,109	\$19,754
Total WCSU Assessments	\$81,901	\$81,901	\$73,247	\$80,546
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,061,062	\$1,061,949	\$1,054,982	\$1,065,831
Debt Service	\$98,930	\$98,930	\$94,478	\$86,512
Total Costs K-6	\$1,159,992	\$1,160,879	\$1,149,460	\$1,152,343
Vocational Tuition	\$24,276	\$29,167	\$25,440	
Total Pomfret School District Exp	\$1,184,268	\$1,190,046	\$1,174,900	\$1,152,343
WUHS Assessment	\$980,906	\$980,906	\$1,036,178	\$945,398
Total Costs K-12	\$2,165,174	\$2,170,952	\$2,211,078	\$2,097,741

**POMFRET SCHOOL DISTRICT
THREE PRIOR YEARS COMPARISONS**

District: Pomfret	LEA: 157				
County: Windsor	SU: Windsor Central				
	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	
Expenditures:					
Local Budget	1,106,721	1,184,268	1,174,900	1,152,343	1.
Block grant pd by State to Tech Ctrs in prior years	16,384				2.
Locally adopted or warned budget	1,123,105	1,184,268	1,174,900	1,152,343	3.
Separately warned article(s)	0	0	0	0	4.
Act 68 local adopted budget	1,123,105	1,184,268	1,174,900	1,152,343	6.
Union School Assessment	1,048,051	980,906	1,036,178	945,398	7.
Special Program Expense					8.
Gross Act 68 Budget	2,171,156	2,165,174	2,211,078	2,097,741	9.
S.U.Assessment (incl. line 1-informational data)	72,988	81,901	73,247	80,546	
Revenues:					
Local Revenue-grants,donation,tuition,surplus	425,846	360,894	350,787	283,270	10.
Capital Debt Aid	37,517	0	0	0	11.
Special Programs Revenue					12.
					13.
Total Revenues	463,363	360,894	350,787	283,270	14.
Fundraising	26,440				15.
Adjusted local revenues	436,923	360,894	350,787	283,270	16.
Education Spending (Act 68 Definition)	1,734,233	1,804,280	1,860,291	1,814,471	17.
Equalized Pupils	177.63	171.41	165.41	159.62	18.
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	9,763	10,526	11,247	11,367	19.
			Threshold	11,728	
Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil	n/a	0	0	0	20.
Per pupil figure used for calculating Dist. Adj.		10,526	11,247	11,367	21.
District spending adjustment \$11,367 / \$7,300	n/a	154.794%	161.241%	155.081%	22.
Anticipated homestead tax rate, equalized 155.081 x \$.99	n/a	\$1.703	\$1.645	\$1.535	23.
Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	100.68%	93.20%	80.59%	68.10%	24.
Estimated Actual Homestead Tax Rate \$1.535 / 68.10%	\$2.000	\$1.744	\$2.041	\$2.254	25.
Household Income % for income sensitivity 155.08% x 1.80%	n/a	2.94%	2.98%	2.79%	26.

POMFRET SCHOOL TRUST

The Pomfret Trust received donations in the amount of \$9,270 to a fund established by the Chase family to honor the memory of Kim Moses Chase. The family requested that the interest from the fund be used to primarily supplement the teacher's classroom needs and activities, and/or be used to advance the needs of the Horizons Observatory.

Our annual fund raising campaign letter was mailed in November with a special request from the Pomfret Parent Teacher Association to designate annual contributions for a project to improve the acoustics in the Pomfret School multi-purpose room. We are happy to report teachers, parents, grandparents, and the greater community pledged \$12,500 to this campaign. The Teddy Foundation of Wilmington, Delaware matched that amount dollar for dollar making it possible for the project to go forward.

On the investment side we sold Wachovia Bank and diversified our assets into Vanguard Asset Allocation Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

John Moore Lynn McMorris
Geoff Nichols John Putnam

POMFRET TRUST FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash Balance December 31, 2004		\$25,478.24
Revenues		
Annual Campaign Donations	1,140.00	
Kim Moses Chase Fund	9,270.00	
Teddy Foundation Designate-Classroom	12,500.00	
Teddy Foundation – Match for acoustics		
Project for Multi-Purpose Room	12,500.00	
Designated for Acoustics	10,165.00	
Designated Theater Arts	3,500.00	
Year-to-Date Interest	265.53	
Total Revenues		\$49,340.53
Expenditures		
Administrative Expenses		
Tax Prep., Postage, printing	703.26	
Total Expenditures		(\$703.26)
Total Cash Balance December 31, 2005		\$74,115.51

NOTE:

Other Pomfret Trust Assets at Current Market Value as of December 31, 2005

<u>Description</u>	<u>Value Per Share</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
135 Shares Hercules	11.30	1,525.50
284 Shares Vitesse	1.92	545.28
521.637 Shares Vanguard Asset Allocation	25.33	3,213.07
Money Market		<u>2,784.53</u>
Total of other Pomfret Trust assets as of December 31, 2005		\$ 18,068.38

**Windsor Central Supervisory Union
Revenue & Expense Summary and Proposed Budget
Budget Year 2006-2007**

	2004-05 Budget	2004-05 Actual	2005-06 Budget	2006-07 Proposed
WCSU Operating Budget				
Revenue				
EEE	\$12,694	\$11,729	\$23,537	\$24,893
Special Services	\$126,291	\$127,035	\$126,572	\$124,092
Executive Administration	\$48,078	\$53,875	\$58,914	\$53,328
OT Services	\$38,924	\$38,551	\$39,900	\$35,261
District Wide Staff Development		\$7,094		
Assessments				
EEE	\$80,259	\$80,259	\$75,079	\$80,302
Special Services	\$236,514	\$236,514	\$250,724	\$249,446
Executive Administration	\$451,983	\$451,983	\$458,508	\$485,146
OT Services	\$72,708	\$72,708	\$75,238	\$68,121
Curriculum Coordinator	\$21,977	\$21,977	\$21,933	\$22,881
Total Assessments	\$863,441	\$863,441	\$881,482	\$905,896
Assessments by Town				
Barnard	\$44,185	\$44,185	\$54,315	\$54,661
Bridgewater	\$58,661	\$58,661	\$71,596	\$62,506
Pomfret	\$81,901	\$81,901	\$73,247	\$80,546
Reading	\$48,360	\$48,360	\$45,359	\$46,033
Sherburne	\$66,413	\$66,413	\$60,442	\$66,056
Woodstock	\$174,104	\$174,104	\$172,795	\$172,613
WUHS	\$389,817	\$389,817	\$403,728	\$423,481
Total Assessments	\$863,441	\$863,441	\$881,482	\$905,896
Total WCSU Operating Revenue	\$1,089,428	\$1,101,725	\$1,130,405	\$1,143,470
Expenses				
EEE	\$92,953	\$88,757	\$98,616	\$105,195
Special Services				
Speech/Language	\$147,172	\$145,721	\$151,348	\$159,034
Director of Instructional Support	\$126,975	\$119,115	\$131,957	\$124,952
Employee Benefits	\$84,958	\$82,035	\$89,891	\$86,152
Operating Expenses	\$3,700	\$2,806	\$4,100	\$3,400
Executive Administration				
Office of the Superintendent	\$151,660	\$152,561	\$158,939	\$161,189
Fiscal Services	\$186,919	\$155,562	\$193,269	\$194,198
Professional Development	\$2,000	\$2,270	\$2,500	\$2,700
General Administration	\$28,465	\$24,239	\$28,665	\$28,700
Employee Benefits	\$79,019	\$66,503	\$81,782	\$97,155
Board Expenses	\$4,700	\$3,026	\$4,700	\$5,060
Audit	\$2,900	\$2,750	\$2,900	\$3,300
Building Operation & Maintenance	\$44,398	\$40,180	\$44,667	\$46,172
OT Services	\$111,632	\$109,474	\$115,138	\$103,382
Curriculum/Technology Coordinator	\$21,977	\$21,906	\$21,933	\$22,881
Dist. Wide Staff Development		\$7,094		
Total WCSU Operating Expenses	\$1,089,428	\$1,023,999	\$1,130,405	\$1,143,470

WCSU Enrollment Report Opening Enrollment: August 29, 2005

ELEMENTARY

SCHOOL	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	TUITION
Barnard	11	8	9	8	5	12	8	61	0
Bridgewater	4	15	12	8	12	12	9	72	0
Pomfret	11	12	15	11	14	13	13	89	12
Reading	6	6	7	3	10	10	9	51	0
Sherburne	6	17	16	8	11	11	10	79	24
Woodstock	22	22	34	33	28	27	26	192	2
TOTAL ELEMENTARY	60	80	93	71	80	85	75	544	38

Total students K - 12
in District Towns

SCHOOL	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total	Total
Barnard	8	8	9	12	8	10	55	116
Bridgewater	9	14	13	17	13	9	75	147
Pomfret	12	13	13	4	16	12	70	147
Reading	8	7	12	10	10	11	58	109
Sherburne	13	15	6	9	16	15	74	129
Woodstock	38	40	35	31	41	31	216	406
TOTAL 9-12 students per town	88	97	88	83	104	88	548	1054

	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL	TUITION
Woodstock Union Middle School	95	113					208	23
Woodstock Union High School			106	117	100	106	429	58
TOTAL SECONDARY	95	113	106	117	100	106	637	81

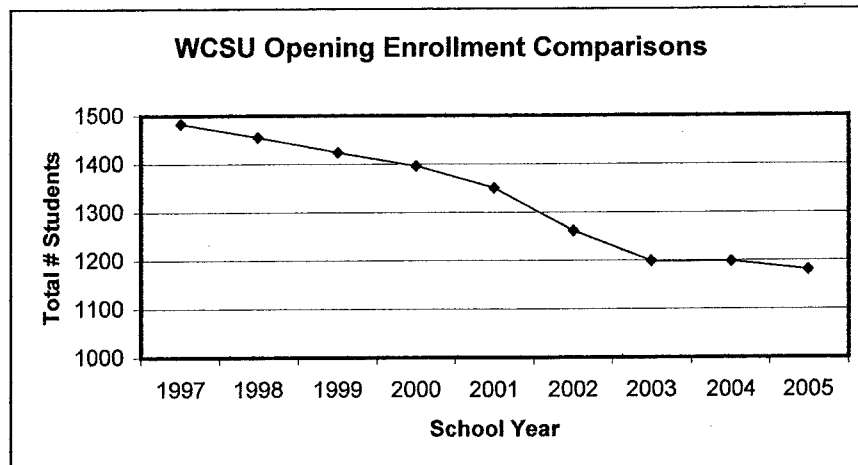
WINDSOR CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT TOTAL K-12:

1181

Total Tuition K-12:

119

YEARLY COMPARISONS OF OPENING ENROLLMENTS									
	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Barnard	82	82	79	78	77	61	56	60	61
Bridgewater	83	84	91	86	78	71	61	78	72
Pomfret	94	94	94	101	99	91	96	93	89
Reading	72	71	82	72	69	67	58	55	51
Sherburne	123	113	108	106	90	82	85	81	79
Woodstock	269	249	221	209	210	192	195	196	192
Woodstock Union Middle/High School	760	762	749	744	727	697	648	635	637
TOTALS	1483	1455	1424	1396	1350	1261	1199	1198	1181



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TOWN OFFICERS

— Elected —	Term Expires	— Appointed —	Term Expires
MODERATOR		ROAD COMMISSIONER (July 1)	
Robert J. O'Donnell	2006	James E. Potter	2006
TOWN CLERK		TOWN SERVICE OFFICER	
JoAnn Webb	2006	James M. Havill	2006
SELECTMEN		FENCE VIEWERS	
Robert S. Harrington	2006	Raymond Potter	2006
Miller G. Hewitt	2007	Robert S. Moore	2006
James M. Havill, Chair	2008	John R. Peters	2006
TOWN TREASURER		POUNDKEEPERS	
Hazel B. Harrington	2006	David E. Luce	2006
CONSTABLE		Raymond Potter	2006
David E. Luce	2006	SURVEYORS OF WOOD & LUMBER AND WEIGHERS OF COAL	
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER		Fred S. Doten, Sr.	2006
William T. Cole	2006	Robert S. Harrington	2006
LISTERS		HEALTH OFFICER	
Daphne P. Gratiot	2006	Hugh Hermann, M.D.	2006
Frances R. Capossela (resigned)	2007	Mary LaBrecque (Deputy)	2006
Norman N. Buchanan (appointed)	2006	FIRE WARDEN	
Stephen G. Brown	2008	Leon J. Stetson	2006
AUDITORS		Fred S. Doten, Sr. (Deputy)	2006
Andrew A. Mann	2006	TREE WARDEN	
Elizabeth L. Rhodes	2007	William Gross	2006
Lucinda T. Hewitt	2008	ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK	
GRAND JUROR		Hazel B. Harrington	2006
Michael S. Reese	2006	ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	
TOWN AGENT TO PROSECUTE & DEFEND SUITS		John Schempf	
Michael S. Reese	2006	ZONING BD OF ADJUSTMENT (June 1)	
LIBRARY TRUSTEES		Fred S. Doten, Sr.	2006
Nancy E. Ambrose	2006	Lois B. Havill	2006
Betsy A. Siebeck	2006	Alan R. Blackmer	2007
Kristina Z. Graham	2007	Elaine L. Chase	2008
Marie D. Harrington	2007	Phyllis M. Harrington	2008
Susan D. Heston	2008	David E. Luce	2009
Joanna R. Long, Chair	2008	Michael S. Reese	2009
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS		PLANNING COMMISSION (June 1)	
Keith W. Blake	2006	Orson L. St. John	2006
Bettina L. Lewin	2007	Nelson A. Lamson	2006
Fred S. Doten, Sr.	2008	Margery E. Fields	2007
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSION		John S. Moore	2007
William M. Arkin	2006	Ellen C. DesMeules	2007
Richard J. Cherella	2007	Philip Dechert, Jr.	2008
Marjorie Wakefield	2008	William B. Emmons, Chair	2008
Theresa I. Antal	2009	Robert J. O'Donnell	2009
Albert C. Eiselein	2010	Michael J. Doten	2009
POMFRET SCHOOL DIRECTORS		EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR	
James E. Tracey	2006	James M. Havill	2006
Hannah Nichols	2007	GUVSWMD (Solid Waste District)	
Kevin H. Lessard	2008	Vern Clifford	2006
WOODSTOCK U.H.S. DIRECTORS		Stephen Johnson (alternate)	
Charles L. Powell	2007	Stephen Johnson (recycling rep)	
Kevin W. Griffin	2008		
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE (Feb. 1)			
Elaine L. Chase	2007		
Fred S. Doten, Sr.	2007		
Charles (Chuck) Gundersen	2007		
Janet P. Salzman	2007		
Marjorie Wakefield	2007		

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Tuesday, March 7, 2006; 9:00 A.M.

SCHOOL MEETING

Tuesday, March 7, 2006; 1:00 P.M.

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