

*TOWN OF  
LEE, MASSACHUSETTS*



*1998*  
***ANNUAL REPORT***  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS

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# ***AMBULANCE - FIRE - POLICE***

## ***EMERGENCY DIAL - 911***

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***24 Hour Non-emergency Or  
After Office Hours - 243-2100***

### ***Town Board Meetings***

Board of Assessors	Monday, 7:30 p.m.
Board of Health	2nd Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Airolodi Building
Board of Public Works	1st, 3rd & 5th Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m.
Board of Selectmen	2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.
Building Inspector	8 a.m. to 12 noon, Mon-Thur ; Fri 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Conservation Commission	1st, 3rd & 5th Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.
Council on Aging	2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Airolodi Building
Housing Authority	3rd Tuesday of the month, 4:30 p.m. Brown Court
Planning Board	1st, 3rd & 5th Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m.
School Committee	2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m.
Veterans Agent	By appointment only
Youth Commission	2nd Monday of the month, 8:00 p.m.

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***Business Hours of Town Officers***  
***Hours 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday***

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### ***TELEPHONE DIRECTORY***

Accountant	243-5510
Administrator	243-5501
Assessors	243-5512
Board of Selectmen	243-5500
Building Inspector	243-5518
Council on Aging	243-5545
Downtown Manager	243-5511
Department of Public Works	243-5520
Health Department (Tri-town)	243-5540
Library	243-0385
Planning Board	243-5517
Sewer Plant	243-5525
Tax Collector	243-5515
Tobacco Awareness Program	243-5543
Town Clerk	243-5505
Treasurer	243-5506
Veterans Agent	243-5510
Youth Association	243-5535
Zoning Board of Appeals	243-5517

## COMMUNITY PROFILE

<b>Location:</b>	Western Massachusetts, Berkshire County
<b>First Settlement:</b>	Dodgetown, 1760's
<b>Incorporated:</b>	October 21, 1777 Named after Major General Charles Lee
<b>Government:</b>	<b>First Congressional District</b> John Oliver <b>Fourth Berkshire District</b> State Senator, Andrea Nuciforo State Representative, Christopher J. Hodgkins <b>Representative Town Meeting</b> Six districts, 54 members
<b>Town Meeting:</b>	Second Thursday in May
<b>Population:</b>	5,875
<b>Registered Voters:</b>	3,750
<b>1998 FISCAL TAX:</b>	\$14.90 per thousand
<b>Area:</b>	Square Miles            27 Land                      .55% (98.8%) Water                     0.60% (2.2%) State Highways        11.39 miles Town Highways        51.99 miles Sidewalks              16.00 miles
<b>Geographical Features:</b>	Highest Elevation - 2,050 (October Mountain) Lowest Elevation - 888 (Steps of Memorial Hall) Housatonic River, 4 lakes, ponds, 2 mountains (October Mountain State Forest, Beartown Mountain State Park), lime quarry, marble quarry
<b>Services:</b>	<b>Electric</b> - Western Mass. Electric Co. <b>Gas</b> - Berkshire Gas Co. <b>Cable</b> - Century Berkshire Cable <b>Bus</b> - Berkshire Regional Transit Authority <b>Fire Department</b> - Volunteer <b>Ambulance Department</b> - Volunteer
<b>Distances:</b>	9 Miles to Pittsfield 122 Miles to Boston 138 Miles to New York City

**TOWN OF LEE**  
**TOWN ELECTION MAY 12, 1997**  
**TOWN REPRESENTATIVES**

***District I***

Dennis Kelly	2001
540 East St. (243-1353)	
Edith Parker	2001
105 E. Center St. (243-0358)	
<b>Vacancy</b>	2001
David E. Brown	2000
225 Washington Mt. Rd. (243-2986)	
Edward D. Forfa	2000
45 Maritta Ave. (243-1569)	
Elizabeth Leahey	2000
172 Reservoir Rd. (243-2893)	
<b>Vacancy</b>	1999
George Inman, Jr.	1999
65 Paul Dr. (243-1579)	
James Castegnaro	1999
111 Woodland Ave. (243-9938)	

***District II***

Margaret E. Biron	2001
25 Housatonic St. (243-0489)	
David S. Bravo, Jr.	2001
P.O. Box 321 (243-0533)	
Thomas D. Kennedy	2001
30 Hartwood Rd. (243-1698)	
Bill F. Tyer	2000
60 Cliffwood St. (243-0888)	
<b>Vacancy</b>	2000
William E. Noonan, <b>Chair.</b>	2000
36 E. Center St. (243-0263)	
Neil F. Clarke	1999
85 Orchard St. (243-3649)	
Robert Giarolo	1999
145 Tamarack Ave. (243-0557)	
John DeVarenes	1999
25 St. Mary's Ave. (243-0478)	

***District III***

Mary McDarby	2001
425 Marble St. (243-2967)	
<b>Vacancy</b>	2001
<b>Vacancy</b>	2001
Ottavio J. Biasin	2000
515 Marble St. (243-3328)	
John B. Giarolo	2000
500 Marble St. (243-3465)	
Susan Horsford	2000
155 Silver St. (243-3261)	
Helen Linton, <b>Chair.</b>	1999
75 Birch St. (243-2090)	
Mayme Peltier	1999
140 Old Pleasant St. (243-0603)	
John Coty, Jr.	1999
50 First St., Box 74 (243-2813)	

***District IV***

Robert W. Lester	2001
P.O. Box 336 (243-2612)	
Sandra E. Parker, <b>Chair.</b>	2001
55 West Rd. (243-2344)	
Kathleen Daoust	2001
165 Highfield Dr. (243-3667)	
Gordon D. Bailey	2000
734 Pleasant St. (243-3110)	
Edward M. Briggs	2000
715 Fairview St. (243-3244)	
Joseph F. DuPont	2000
395 Fairview St. (243-9834)	
Stephen A. Cozzaglio	1999
60 Davis St. (243-3204)	
Arthur A. Mack	1999
130 Highfield Dr. (243-2156)	
Joan A. Piacquadio	1999
170 Fairview St. (243-0663)	

### ***District V***

Larry Maffuccio	2001
20 Prospect St. (243-0482)	
William Enser, Jr.	2001
49 School St. (243-0669)	
<b>Vacancy</b>	2001
Richard Burns	2000
190 W. Park St. (243-3548)	
Dedre Consolati	2000
57 Main St. (243-2318)	
Pauline E. Pollard	2000
121 High St. (243-0252)	
Kathleen P. Corbitt	1999
46 Railroad St. (243-2021)	
<b>Vacancy</b>	1999
Thomas Unsworth	1999
15 Academy St. (243-2988)	

### ***District VI***

William F. Derrick	2001
225 Summer St. (243-1489)	
James F. Nolan	2001
155 Laurel St. (243-3372)	
Jerome J. Scully	2001
460 Devon Rd. (243-2660)	
Charlotte P. Davis	2000
35 Navin Ave. (243-1092)	
Martin V. Deely,	2000
60 Pease Terrace (243-2824)	
Robert D. Boynton	2000
225 Prospect St. (243-1131)	
Frank A. Consolati	1999
5 Debra Ave. (243-2364)	
Francis D. Foley, Jr., <b>Chair.</b>	1999
45 Pease Terrace (243-1383)	
John Glomb,	1999
85 Theresa Terrace (243-1916)	

### ***Members at Large***

Nelson Daley	1999
135 Maple St. (243-1065)	
Christopher Hodgkins	1999
100 Franklin St. (243-2022)	
Aldo V. Pascucci	2000
450 Devon Rd. (243-1113)	
Patricia D. Carlino	2001
80 East Center St. (243-2825)	
Suzanne M. Scarpa	
165 Old Pleasant St. (243-1664)	
David Parker	
55 West Rd. (243-2344)	

## ***ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS***

### ***MODERATOR One Year Term***

Christopher J. Hodgkins	1999
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### ***SELECTMEN Three Year Term***

Patricia D. Carlino	2001
Aldo V. Pascucci	2000
Nelson L. Daley	1999

### ***CONSTABLES Three Year Term***

Stephen Cozzaglio	2000
John Piacquadio	2000
Pauline Pollard	2000
Dennis B. Forshee	2000

### ***HOUSING AUTHORITY Five Year Term***

William O'Brien	2003
Rosemary Hughes (State Appointee)	2003
Francis Foley	2002
Frank McCarthy	2001
Diane Shepardson	2000

### ***PLANNING BOARD Five Year Term***

Bill Tyer	2003
William Russell	2002
Aldo V. Pascucci, Chairman	2001
William Roche, Clerk	2000
Robert W. Birch, V. Chairman	1999

### ***SCHOOL COMMITTEE Three Year Term***

Carol LePrevost	2001
Joan Piacquadio	2001
Jeanne Davidson	2000
Margaret Biron	2000
Edward Lahey, Chairman	1999
Diane Wespiser, V. Chairman	1999

***MODERATOR APPOINTMENT  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
9 Members, 3 year term***

Town By-law 2.69, MGL 39-16

2001	David Parker
2001	Malcom Chisholm, Jr..
2001	Marylou Antoniazzi
2000	Joseph Furgal, Jr.
2000	Maynard Clemons
2000	Anthony Caropreso
1999	John W. Graziano
1999	John W. Philpott
1999	Joann M. Sullivan



## ***TOWN ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT***

### ***(Department Heads and Town Officials)***

Fiscal Year July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999

Ambulance Director	Ken LaBier
Animal Control Officer	James L. Shea
Civil Defense Director	Ken LaBier
Communications Director	Ken LaBier
Council on Aging Director	Norma Maroney
D.P.W. Superintendent	Donald Chester
Fire Chief	Ronald J. Driscoll
Deputy Fire Chief - Lee	Alan Sparks
Deputy Fire Chief - South Lee	Richard Ford
Inspector of Buildings	Daniel Keenan
Asst. Inspector of Buildings	James Toomey
Inspector, Gas	Paul Jakacky
Inspector, Plumbing	Paul Jakacky
Inspector, Wiring	Charles Grady
Asst. Inspector, Wiring	David Comalli
Lee Library Director	Georgia Massucco
Lee Youth Director	David Canterbury
Police Chief	Ronald Glidden
Principal Assessor	Timothy Taylor
Sealer/Weights & Measures	Gerald Cahalan
Secretary, Sel., Town Admin.	Suzanne M. Alderman
Town Accountant	Mary Lou Dadak
Town Clerk	Suzanne M. Scarpa
Town Collector	Janice Smith
Assistant Town Collector	Eleanor Baumann
Town Treasurer	Susan E. Kelly
Veterans Agent	Mary Lou Dadak

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS**  
**(Town Counsel & Multi-Member Boards)**

Fiscal Year July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999

**Town Administrator**  
Robert L. Nason

**(Special Legislation)**  
**(Chief Financial Officer)**

**ONE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS**

**Town Counsel**

MGL 40:5-15

Attorney Jerome Scully

**Cable Television Commission**

3 Members

Edward Lahey, Chairman

Clark Nicholls

Neil Flint

**Capital Planning Committee**

(Capital Outlay Committee)

Town By-law 2.3

Planning Board, Aldo V. Pascucci

Finance Committee members (5)

**Cemetery Committee**

Millard R. Eckert, Co-chairman

Charlotte P. Davis, Co-chairman

Peter R. Biasin

John J. Kelly

Lisa A. Stanton, Secretary

Don Chester, DPW Advisor

Edward Thomas, Advisor

**Planning Board Associate Member**

MGL 40A, 9 - One member only

Matthew P. Carty

**Jacob's Ladder Trail**

**Scenic By-Way Commission**

Dee Dee Fraser

Naomi Gordon

**Personnel Board**

Town By-law, MGL Ch. 40, 41

Thomas Unsworth

Susan Stevens

John DeVarennes, Chairman

David Parker, Advisor

**Personnel Relations Review Board**

Susan Stevens

Norma Maroney

Rev. Noel Bailey

**Recycling Committee**

Maynard Clemons, Chairman

William O'Brien, Vice Chairman

Caroline Young, Secretary

Karen Horak

**Sandy Beach Committee**

Deidre Consolati, Chairman

Linda Cysz

Bill Abderhalden

Dale Dedrick

David Babcock

**Juvenile Diversion Committee**

Ronald C. Glidden, Police Chief

Paul Collins

Erin O'Brien

Kathy Bort

**School Building Commission**

Town By-law 2-163 to 166  
Minimum 5, Maximum 9 Members  
Robert Boynton, Chairman  
Gordon Bailey  
Richard Burns  
Edward Lahey  
Henry Zukowski  
James Gralla  
Donna Toomey  
John DeVarenes  
Neil Merwin

**Traffic Committee**

Ronald Glidden, Police Chief  
Gerald LeProvost, Chairman  
Edward Forfa  
Robert Lester  
Robert Giaroli

***BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TWO YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS***

**Board of Public Works**

MGL 40-69D, Enabling Act, Ch. 438- Seven Members

Robert Bartini, Chairman  
Maurice Leahey  
Michael Field  
David Forrest  
Martin Barenski  
Thomas Arment  
Daniel Pascucci

# ***BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS***

## ***THREE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS***

### **Board of Assessors**

MGL 41-24 - Three Members

2001 - Dayton DeLorme

2000 - William Derrick, Chairman

1999 - Edward Briggs

### **Board of Health**

MGL 41-1, 21 - 3 Members

2001 - Dr. Robert Wespiser

2000 - Karen Norton

1999 - Dr. Barry Kellogg

### **Board of Registrars**

2001 - Donald Fillio

2000 - Sandra Cozzaglio

1999 - Frank McCarthy

### **Conservation Commission**

MGL 40-8C - Minimum 5, Maximum 7

2001 - Stuart Dalheim, Chairman

2001 - Jan Kegler

2000 - Noel Bailey

2000 - John Rohane

1999 - Marilyn Hansen

1999 - Deborah Garry

1999 - Joan Clemons, Vice Chairman

### **Council on Aging**

2001 - Alma Allen, Chairman

2001 - Angelo Esoldi

2000 - Helen Botto

2000 - Val Baldisserotto

2000 - Maurice Larrivee

1999 - Lester Clarke

1999 - Stephen Cozzaglio

1999 - Val Masiero

1999 - Amelia Zatorski

### **Historical Commission**

MGL 40-8D, Minimum 3, Maximum 7

2001 - Mary Morrissey\*

2001 - Caroline Young, Secretary

2001 - Kathy Arment

2001 - Betty Dennis

2000 - Barbara Allen\*

2000 - Robert Macintosh\*

1999 - Patricia LaChapelle\*

1999 - Dawn Borst

Advisor - DeeDee Fraser

Charlotte Davis

Betty Dennis

Florence Consolati

\*Rotating Chairs

### **Lee Cultural Council**

MGL 962 CMR 2 - Two 3 Year Terms

only - Min. 5, Max. 22 Members

2001 - Sharon E. MacDonald, Chairman

2000 - Frances Steinert

2000 - Sarah Atchley

2000 - Freda Grim

1999 - Gloria Arnold

1999 - Mary Theresa Valleri

1999 - Alexandra Heddinge

### **Lee Youth Commission**

2001 - Carol LeProvost

2001 - Patricia Carlino

2000 - Margaret Biron

1999 - Sandra Parker

### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

2001 - William O'Brien

2001 - Sheila Wood

2000 - George A. Inman, Jr.

1999 - Timothy O. Taylor, Chairman

1999 - William Bean

Alternates - Pauline Pollard

Robert W. Lester

## ***BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS***

### ***AD-HOC COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS***

#### **Golf Course Study Committee**

Dayton DeLorme  
Tom Unsworth  
Louis Scaramuzzi  
Helen Gasparian  
Clare Lahey

Dan Sullivan  
Dan Soules  
Frank Consolati  
Peter Scolforo

#### **Central School Reuse Committee**

Patricia Carlino, Chairman  
Carol LePrevost  
Edward Briggs  
Robert Birch  
Bart Miller  
Joseph Toole  
Charlotte Davis  
Sharon MacDonald  
Pauline Pollard  
Nelson Daley

Robert Bartini  
David Parker  
Daniel Pascucci  
Norma Maroney  
Don C. Hunter  
Parul Porrini  
Martin Deeley  
Rep. Christopher Hodgkins  
Aldo Pascucci

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

The Year 1998 will go down as a year of new beginnings. With the resignation of Town Administrator Frank Abbondanzio in late 1997 and a budget season upon us, it was necessary for all department heads, as well as the Finance Committee, to work overtime in preparing the FY 1999 budget. And they did! We applaud them. We also owe a great debt of gratitude to former Selectman Bill Maroney for filling in as interim administrator. At the same time, the Town Administrator Search Committee was working their own overtime to bring someone on board as soon as possible, and that goal was realized when Bob Nason joined us in March of 1998. We welcome Bob and his wife Lisa to Lee, and wish them the best.

1998 saw some other significant personnel changes. Long time employee Patricia Carlino, Town Clerk and Town Treasurer, left after eighteen years of service to take a position in the private sector. She soon returned though, with her election in May to the Board of Selectmen. Her assistant, Suzanne Scarpa, was appointed Town Clerk and Susan Kelley, former DPW secretary, was appointed Town Treasurer, along with part time treasurer's clerk Donna Toomey. Lisa Crawford Stanton stepped into the DPW slot, Kathy Arment joined the Assessors office, and Jaimy Messana replaced Cynthia Weber as Administrative Assistant to the Planning Board. In addition, Alan Starzyk joined us as the primary water treatment plant operator.

In July the new water treatment facility went on line, with a grand opening held. This facility will provide water quality for the next forty years for the Town of Lee, and was financed through a grant/loan program with Rural Farm Development. 1998 also saw the completion of the long awaited James Burt Veterans Memorial Park at its Lee Library location. Hats off to Selectman Pascucci for his dedicated persistence.

On December 10th, town representatives passed a 25.5 million dollar school project, which encompasses a new pre-K through sixth grade building, an addition for seventh and eighth grades to the High School, and a renovation to the High School. As of year end close, we await the outcome of the exclusion question to be voted upon at the Special Town Election to be held January 12, 1999.

On an economic development level, the Quarry Hill Business Park was finished, and awaits their first tenant. Spring, summer and fall, tourists walked our beautiful downtown, tax dollars from the Berkshire Outlet Village amounted to over a half of million dollars, the new Laurel Lake Village Nursing Home is pushing for an early 1999 completion date, and Silverleaf Resorts (formerly Oak 'n' Spruce) is becoming once again a destination spot in the Berkshires. We believe our restaurants and businesses also had a profitable year, and we look forward to the Morgan House reopening in 1999.

In closing, the Board would like to thank the department heads, employees of the Town, the numerous boards, committees, and commissions made up of dedicated volunteers; Town Administrator Bob Nason, our secretary, Suzanne Alderman, for putting up with us, and most especially, our Fire Dept. and Ambulance crew, for their commitment to the residents of the Town of Lee. Their diligence to their duties personifies one of the reasons Lee is such a nice place to live and raise a family.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Nelson L. Daley, *Chairman*  
Aldo V. Pascucci  
Patricia D. Carlino

## ***REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Inasmuch as I began my service as your Town Administrator on March 24, 1998, this report highlights activities during the last three-quarters of 1998. That transition period began with the preparation of the Town budget for the fiscal year (FY) beginning July 1, 1998 (FY99) and ended with the Town Representatives' conditional approval of a major school construction project.

Through the combined efforts of Selectman Bill Maroney, who served as acting Town Administrator, the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee and the Department Heads, the FY99 budget was prepared for the May 14, 1998 Annual Town Meeting. That budget forecast a nominal increase in the FY98 tax rate of \$14.90. However, increased revenues during the second half of the year led to no rate increase on November 25, 1998, when the State Department of Revenue approved the FY99 tax rate.

The non-union Classification and Compensation Plans for FY99 were not adopted until the fall. Nonetheless, the Town Representatives created a Personnel Relations Review Board at the Annual Town Meeting. Throughout the spring and summer, a reconstituted Personnel Board entertained individual employee classification and/or compensation appeals. That Board recommended adjustments that were upheld by the new Personnel Relations Review Board and adopted by the Town Representatives at an October 8, 1998 Special Town Meeting.

A few days earlier, on October 5, 1998, a state Mediator joined the negotiations with Teamsters Local 404 concerning the Emergency Dispatchers' first contract. Although an agreement has not been reached, later in October the Select Board and Local Union 404 agreed to include two Water Department employees in the collective bargaining agreement that covers other Department of Public Works (DPW) employees.

Through the efforts of the DPW and Lee Economic Action for the Downtown (LEAD), the River Park project was completed in the spring; and the Town Park renovation project was bid in December. The DPW and LEAD also collaborated with the Chamber of Commerce and the BRTA to place in service in July a trolley connecting the Berkshire Outlet Village (now Prime Outlets at Lee) and the downtown. The trolley was a gift to the Town from the Outlet Village and the BRTA received a federal grant to operate it for one year. The new Water Treatment plant began to "make water" in September and the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project Engineer was contracted in November. In December the Town Representatives approved a \$25,520,000 school construction project that will proceed, if the debt exclusion referendum is approved.

Whatever contribution I made to these efforts is due to the support and assistance that I received from you, and our Secretary Suzanne Alderman. Together with the Boards, Commissions, Committees and Department Heads, you and Suzanne have made this a smooth transition period for the Community and me. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert L. Nason, *Town Administrator*

## ***DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Five years have passed since the community rallied and created L.E.A.D. in response to the Massachusetts Historical Commission's designation of Lee's downtown as one of the "Ten Most Endangered Historic Sites in Massachusetts". Thanks to everyone's efforts the designation has been reversed to "saved".

**Organizational** changes within L.E.A.D. included the election of a new Board President, Pamela Loring. She has been instrumental in our fundraising efforts, while continuing the work of Lee's on-going downtown improvements.

**The Facade Improvement Program** is so popular that all grant moneys available have been committed. The owners of Joe's Diner, Lee National Bank, 151 Main Street, formerly The Hayes house, and Pietro's outdoor patio completed construction this past fiscal year. The remaining projects will be completed by the end of the 1999 construction season.

**Riverwalk Park** was constructed this past spring. Later in June, Lee Bank underwrote the Gazebo Grand opening Gala with a fun filled evening of food, great music and dancing. The Bank's staff coordinated the food preparation and sale proceeds were then donated to L.E.A.D. Sunday afternoon concerts were held throughout the summer, every Friday afternoon the Park hosted the Lee Farmer's Market, and later in the summer the LYA sponsored a Latino Festival with ethnic dancing, cuisine and events.

**The Town Park** is our next endeavor. The bids are in and the contractor has been selected. Construction will begin as soon as the ice is out of the ground. The Massachusetts Historic Preservation Project Fund has just announced a \$50,000 historic restoration grant infusion into the project bringing the total funds available to \$295,000 for construction.

**The Lee Trolley** began running July 11, 1998 with a grand christening at Prime Outlets at Lee followed by many of us embarking on her maiden voyage through the downtown and back to Prime. It is currently funded through a Massachusetts Transportation grant for pollution control and traffic mitigation secured by the B.R.T.A., the trolley operators. The Trolley Committee hosted a public forum and is diligently looking for ways to secure funding to keep the trolley on the road, at least seasonally.

**Main Street's West Side Project** (Eaton Street to the Housatonic River from Price Chopper to Sullivan Station) is in the design phase. We hope to secure funding for this in the Town's FY99 C.D.B.G. application. It will open up the river for more access, demolish the Quonsett Hut, green and light up well laid out parking areas as well as making the area pedestrian friendly.



***The Future*** holds many more tasks to be completed. It is important that we seek any and all funding opportunities to complement the many downtown improvements in place. The Gateway Project needs to happen, which it will with the persistence of our new Town Administrator, Bob Nason. This is a beautification project to green up and add period lighting to Housatonic Street. The Jacob's Ladder project, which is a beautification program for Route 20 through the Pioneer Valley up to exit 2 in Lee, should be completed this year.

This year the Town and the Downtown Partnership have worked very closely to make certain that all these projects happen and continue to get funded. There has been a very close working relationship between L.E.A.D., the Town Administrator and Don Chester, the Superintendent for the Lee Department of Public Works. It has been a most beneficial relationship that has and will continue to pay dividends for the residents of Lee. Downtown Lee's revitalization would not be possible without this cooperation.

*Respectfully submitted,*

***L.E.A.D. Board of Directors***

Pamela Loring, ***President***

Marilyn Kelly, ***Vice President***

Pat LaChapelle

Tom Unsworth

Bunny Larson

Scott LePrevost

Patrick Downing

Ann Vedder, ***Downtown Manager***

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**  
**Combined Balance Sheet**  
**30 June 1998**

**Schedule 1**

		GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES				FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES			Totals
ASSETS:		General Fund	Special Revenue	Water/ Sewer	Capital Projects	Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Long-Term Debt	
	Cash	\$1,473,790	\$712,822	\$1,165,993	\$207,438	\$238,110	\$205,352		\$4,003,505
	Personal Property Taxes Receivable 1997	2,923							2,923
	Personal Property Taxes Receivable Prior	2,448							2,449
	Real Estate Taxes Receivable 1996	121,656							121,656
	Real Estate Taxes Receivable 1997	8649							8649
	Overlay	(209,303)							
	Tax Liens Receivable	164,461							164,461
18	Motor Vehicle Excise Receivable	39,295							39,295
	Other Excise Receivable								0
	Sewer User Fees Receivable			38,362					38,362
	Water User Fees Receivable			60,866					60,866
	Sewer Liens Receivable			2,500					2,500
	Water Liens Receivable			2,640					2,640
	Departmental Receivable	111,327							111,327
	Amount to be Provided for Debt.							3,551,623	3,551,623
	Due From Commonwealth		515,613						515,613
	Due from Tel. Vendors	1,314							
	Loans Authorized							8,590,775	8,590,775
	Tax Foreclosures Receivable	11,830							11,830
	Taxes in Litigation Receivable	1,531							1,531
	Deferred Taxes R. E. Receivable	6,105							6,105
TOTAL ASSETS:		\$1,736,027	\$1,228,435	\$1,270,361	\$207,438	\$238,110	\$205,352	\$12,142,398	\$17,236,110

# **LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES:**

Payroll Withholdings Payable	25,654							25,654
Due to Other Governments	0							0
Notes Payable			4,755,352			3,551,623		8,306,975
Deferred Revenues	260,923	515,613	104,368					880,904
Fund Balance Reserved for Appropriation	(3,495)							(3,495)
Loans Authorized & Unissued						8,590,775		8,590,775
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	234,864		37,657					272,521
Fund Balance Reserved for Overlay Deficit								0
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditure	50,000	250,039	292,000		6,500			598,539
Fund Balance Reserved for Over/Under Ass.	(2,275)							(2,275)
Undesignated Fund Balance	1,170,356	462,783	836,336	(4,547,914)	231,610	205,352		(1,641,477)
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BAL:	\$1,736,027	\$1,228,435	\$1,270,361	\$207,438	\$238,110	\$205,352	\$12,142,398	\$17,028,121
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# **TOWN ACCOUNTANT** **Special Revenue Funds**

## **Schedule 1-A**

<b>FUND:</b>	<b>Balance 1 Jul 97</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Transfers In</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Transfers Out</b>	<b>Balance 30 Jun 98</b>
Mass. Recycling Incentive .....		5,667				5,667
Tri Town Health.....	48,802	83,531		126,138	6,195	0
Highway: Chapter 113.....	(72,761)	134,128		249,997		(188,631)
Highway: Chapter 85.....	(70,766)	130,211		7,445		52,000
Building Inspector.....	29,485	46,744		49,803	3,608	22,818
Wire Inspector.....	3,465	7,435		4,795		6,105
Gas Inspector.....	731	3,369		3,836		264
Sealer W & M.....	2,354	2,619		2,068		2,906
Plumbing Inspector.....	2,474	5,897		4,820		3,551
Small Cities and Towns Grant .....	2,054	120				2,174
MSCP Community Dev.....	62	141,343		128,514		12,892
CDAG Lee Business Park .....	(546)	210,054		210,054		(546)
PWED 95 .....	23,951	9,447		22,630		10,767
MSCP Community Dev .....		159,994		158,424		1,570
Peer to Peer Assist. Program.....				78		(78)
HUD 107 .....	500					500
Rural Business Development .....		16,944		20,350		(3,407)
Partnership 120K .....		77,201		60,201		17,000
Lee Industrial Park .....		600,196		600,196		0
CDAG Admin. Funds.....	1,111					1,111
Reimbursed Expenditures .....	1,699	4,865		4,412		2,151
Compostin Bins .....	972	220		1,140		52
L.E. Block Grant .....	(295)	298				3
Drug Task Force .....	8					8
Mass. Cleanup Grant .....		27,250			27,250	0
COPS More .....	305			305		0
County Dog Fund .....	1,317					1,317

Sale of the Real Estate . . . . .	1,336				1,336
Sale of Cemetery Lots . . . . .	24,752			1,800	25,133
Conservation Commission . . . . .	917			2,159	725
Ambulance . . . . .	54,183			127,880	17,868
Sewer Easement . . . . .	1,610				1,610
Library Dog Fund . . . . .	1,171				1,706
Land Easement . . . . .	1				1
SBAB Reserve for Debt . . . . .	233,298			120,000	113,298
Police V.A.M.A. . . . .			3,216		(2,000)
State Aid to Libraries . . . . .	351		5,914		462
Arts Lottery Council . . . . .	7,148		4,002		6,662
Council on Aging . . . . .	(823)	823	4,495		1
Community Policing . . . . .	5		9,535		5,970
Police D.A.R.E. . . . .	55		7,557	282	343
Cops Fast . . . . .	(7,757)		20,400		(0)
Title V Septic . . . . .	9,849		13,244		17,849
Ambulance . . . . .		127,880	126,648	1,232	0
C.O.A. Service Incentive . . . . .					2,000
School Lunch . . . . .	9,225		217,497		9,404
School Athletic . . . . .	4,080		6,172		11,379
Adult Education . . . . .	10,604		22,174		7,001
Industrial Arts . . . . .	1,980		3,901		2,445
School Book Damage . . . . .	829		2,433		1,387
Greenhouse . . . . .	324		4,069		532
Berkshire Alliance . . . . .	22,661		7,381		26,460
Music . . . . .	613		810		478
Drama . . . . .	4,416		9,605		4,228
Reading . . . . .	1				1
Tennis . . . . .	1,221		46		1,325
Preschool . . . . .	1,003		847		344
Student Fund . . . . .	4,964		22,316		2,684
School Choice . . . . .	333,350		406,965		253,108
Student Activities . . . . .	325		1,149		5

Cable TV .....	60					60
Mead Specialty .....	124					0
Chapter I .....	55,067			124		0
SPED 94-142 .....	82,417			55,067		0
Teacher Training Math/Science .....	3,136			82,417		0
MA High School Alliance .....	4,922			2,250		886
Adult Curriculum Development .....	5,841			29,922		0
Adult Basic Ed. .... (11,529)	73,524			5,841		0
BTEP Summer .....	4,291			73,506		(11,511)
Drug Free Schools .....	5,343			9,683		3,009
AP Calculus/AP Physics .....	10,000			5,343		0
Emergency Immigrant Act .....	1,493			10,000		0
Early Childhood .....	14,210			1,493		0
Health Education .....	2,194			14,210		0
Curriculum Frameworks .....	4,051			22,947		0
Curriculum Study Group .....	1,500			4,051		0
Safe Schools .....	1,200			1,500		0
Palms Grant .....	1,433			1,200		0
Palms Mini .....	1,101			1,433		0
IT Bond Technology .....	27,870			1,101		0
Gifted & Talented .....	7,500			27,870		0
Berk. Coalition to Prevent Pregnancy .....	988			7,500		0
Essential Skills .....	10,000			1,000		(12)
B.C.C. Tech Rep. ....	2,000			10,000		0
Title VI .....	2,525			2,000		0
Skate Board .....	110			2,525		0
Police D.A.R.E. .... (497)	8,606	2,272		110		110
Explorers Donation .....	344			8,282	2,272	(173)
Sandy Beach Raft .....	877	247		344		344
Flag Donation .....	150	50		397		727
Sandy Beach Donation .....		75		28		200
Hazardous Waste Donation .....	81			66		47
Ambulance Donation .....		7,000		1,856		14
TOTALS: .....	\$697,627	\$2,866,054	\$130,975	\$2,939,194	\$292,678	\$462,784

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**  
**Capital Projects Fund**  
**30 June 1998**

**Schedule 1-B**

<b>FUND:</b>	<b>Balance 1 Jul 97</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Transfers In</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Transfers Out</b>	<b>Balance 30 Jun 98</b>
Fire Station Roof .....			9,650	2,324		7,326
Landfill Well Testing .....	13,076			2,180		10,896
Union Street / Sewer Line .....	(92,101)		80,000	(60,387)		(72,488)
Fire Truck .....	26					26
Woodland Bridge .....	20,214			2,405		17,810
Fire Station Windows/Heat .....				7,525		(7,525)
School Playground .....				23,784		(23,784)
Tennis/Basketball Fences .....				7,615		(7,615)
Sidewalk Plow .....				60,000		(60,000)
High School Gym Roof .....				33,845		(33,845)
23 Stockbridge Road .....	1,038					1,038
School Underground Tank .....	(34,265)		27,250			(7,015)
School Computer Lab .....	100,000			100,000		0
208K Watershed .....	15,000					15,000
Washington Mountain .....	22,101					22,101
S.H.L.D. ....	25,044					25,044
Sewer #7 .....	2,251					2,251
Ambulance .....				82,158		(82,158)
Ambulance Garage .....	11,913	200		7,583		4,530
Water Filtration .....	(189,264)			3,840,064		(4,029,328)
40K Watershed .....	722					722
Water Meters .....	26,684					26,684
Water Testing .....	16,623					16,623
Landfill Closure .....	(262,866)			4,650	58,000	(325,516)
Lee Industrial Park .....				63,692		(63,692)
Lee Business Pk. Wetland .....	15,000					15,000
<b>TOTALS: .....</b>	<b>\$(308,803)</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>116,900</b>	<b>\$4,177,437</b>	<b>\$58,000</b>	<b>(\$4,547,915)</b>

# TOWN ACCOUNTANT

## Schedule 1-C

### Trust Funds

30 June 1997

FUND:	Balance 1 Jul 96	Revenues	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Expenses	Balance 30 Jun 97
Cemetery .....	\$142,000		1,800			\$143,800
Morgan Jones .....	4,700					4,700
St. Mary's .....	5,870					5,870
A.A. Jones .....	1,000					1,000
<b>TOTAL RESTRICTED</b> .....	<b>\$153,570</b>					<b>\$155,370</b>
Cemetery .....	5,472	8,718		6,500		7,690
Gravestone Repair .....	255	8				262
A.A. Jones .....	116	22				138
Morgan Jones .....	663	632				1,295
Lee Players Club .....	764	23			101	686
Law Enforcement .....	901	27			100	828
Lee Historical .....	831	681			100	1,412
St. Mary's .....		403			403	0
Conservation .....	3,398	103				3,501
Stabilization .....	7,257	2,201	50,000			59,458
Nagle Scholarship .....		970				970
<b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED</b> .....	<b>\$19,655</b>	<b>\$13,789</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>	<b>\$704</b>	<b>\$76,240</b>
<b>TOTALS:</b> .....	<b>\$173,225</b>	<b>\$13,789</b>	<b>51,800</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>	<b>\$704</b>	<b>\$231,610</b>



**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**  
**Agency Funds**  
**30 June 1998**

**Schedule 1-D**

<b>FUND:</b>	<b>Balance 1 Jul 97</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Transfers In</b>	<b>Transfers Out</b>	<b>Balance 30 Jun 98</b>
Police Outside Detail . . . . .	\$1,288.10	\$147,216.55	\$145,189.60		\$1,139.32	\$2,175.73
Conservation Commission . . . . .	287.50				287.50	0.00
Town Collector Fees . . . . .						0.00
Hoff. . . . .	1,207.76	28.10	1,235.86			0.00
Fraser . . . . .	3,492.56	76.91				3,569.47
Davis . . . . .	287.62	17.09				304.71
Tri Town Health. . . . .		8,604.00	9,634.00			(1,030.00)
Deputy Fees . . . . .	97.00	1,530.00	1,627.00			0.00
Conservation/Oak 'n Spruce . . . . .		21,659.82				21,659.82
Horizon Traffic . . . . .	160,000.00	7,120.03				167,120.03
Berkshire Village . . . . .	11,154.60	397.71				11,552.31
<b>TOTALS: . . . . .</b>	<b>\$177,815.14</b>	<b>\$186,650.21</b>	<b>\$157,686.46</b>		<b>1,426.82</b>	<b>\$205,352.07</b>

# TOWN ACCOUNTANT

## Schedule 3

Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures  
For the Fiscal Year Ended 30 June 1998

	Balance from 1997	FY 1998 Appropriations	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance to Source	Balance to 1999
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:						
Moderator						
Salaries .....		\$ 150.00		\$ 150.00		
Selectmen						
Salaries .....		27,219.00		26,856.59	362.41	
Expenses .....	1,000.00	9,329.00		9,260.36	68.64	1,000.00
Town Administrator						
Salaries .....		51,208.00		39,644.11	11,563.89	
Expenses .....		4,058.00		3,934.22	123.78	
Town Reserve fund						
Transfers .....		20,000.00		14,888.55	5,111.45	
Finance Committee						
Expenses .....		500.00		305.79	344.00	
Town Accountant						
Salaries .....		24,209.00		24,209.00		
Expenses .....		15,759.00		14,460.89	1,298.11	
Assessors						
Salaries .....		36,772	723.00	44,133.76	870.24	
Expenses .....	2,700.00	47,555.00		10,899.60	12.35	39,343.05
Town Treasurer						
Salaries .....		22,510.00	450.00	22,960.00		
Expenses .....		3,647.00	1,855.00	5,271.60	230.40	
Town Collector						
Salaries .....		35,264.00	705.06	35,969.05	0.01	
Expenses .....		13,172.74		12,942.34	228.40	

	Balance from 1997	FY 1998 Appropriations	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance to Source	Balance to 1999
Town Counsel						
Salary .....		\$ 13,000.00		\$ 13,000.00		
Expenses.....	1,797.30	2,525.00		766.60	3,555.70	
Raises.....		11,398.00	3,912.00	14,710.00	600.00	
Data Processing						
Expenses.....		4,590.00		4,510.00	80.00	
Administrative Assistant						
Salary .....		13,070.00	261.40	12,937.84	446.56	
Expenses.....						
Town Clerk						
Salaries .....		26,620.00	533.00	27,153.00		
Expenses.....		1,325.00		1,257.76	67.24	
Board of Registrars						
Salaries .....		5,700.00		6,593.25		
Expenses .....	250.00	4,480.00		4,831.46	205.29	
Conservation Commission						
Salaries .....		1,216.00		1,235.17		
Expenses.....		1,225.00		860.05	345.78	
Planning Board						
Expenses.....	4,996.81	3,425.00		2,762.65	89.16	5,570.00
Board of Appeals						
Expenses.....		1,045.00	73.01	1,118.01		
Community Development						
Expenses.....		500.00		500.00		
Airolidi						
Salaries .....		9,341.00	180.00	9,453.08		
Expenses.....	5,000.00	32,750.00		25,113.24	1,379.68	11,325.00
Memorial Hall						
Salaries .....		8,273.00		7,785.57	487.43	
Expenses.....	7,000.00	27,100.00		24,350.11	3,617.00	8,000.00

	Balance from 1997	FY 1998 Appropriations	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance to Source	Balance to 1999
Town Reports						
Expenses .....		2,550.00		2,500.00	50.00	
Copy Machine						
Expenses .....		3,060.00	975.00	4,006.89	28.11	
Staff Training						
Expenses .....		1,500.00		885.20	614.80	
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b> .....	<b>\$22,744.11</b>	<b>\$486,045.74</b>	<b>\$9,667.47</b>	<b>\$432,215.74</b>	<b>\$31,780.43</b>	<b>\$65,238.05</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY:</b>						
Police Department						
Salaries .....		502,694.57	1,130.84	503,788.78	36.63	
Expenses .....		73,280.00		73,107.16	172.84	
Fire Department						
Salaries .....		13,451.54		13,277.63		
Expenses .....		46,727.00		46,734.53	166.38	
Ambulance						
Salaries .....		31,250.00		27,794.70	3,455.30	
Expenses .....		58,802.00		49,191.72	9,610.28	
Dispatch Services						
Expenses .....	266.68			225.00	41.68	
Civil Defense						
Expenses .....	453.63	570.00		647.02		376.61
Dog Officer						
Salaries .....		8,760.00		8,760.00		
Expenses .....		1,302.00				

	Balance from 1997	FY 1998 Appropriations	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance to Source	Balance to 1999
Communications						
Salaries.....		108,013.46	2,160.16	109,488.59	233.11	1,800.00
Expenses.....		11,900.00		10,551.72		
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY:.....	\$720.31	\$856,750.57	3,291.00	\$843,566.85	\$13,716.22	\$2,176.61
EDUCATION:						
Lee School Department						
Expenses.....	12,698.03	5,111,135.00		5,117,312.52	19.98	6,500.53
TOTAL EDUCATION:.....	\$12,698.03	\$5,111,135.00		\$5,117,312.52	\$19.98	\$6,500.53
PUBLIC WORKS:						
Highway Department						
Salaries.....		25,252.00		20,982.85	4,269.15	
Expenses.....		3,013.71		3,013.71		
Highway Construction & Maintenance						
Salaries.....		84,829.00		84,828.72		
Expenses.....	38,488.79	158,900.00		104,676.54	492.09	92,220.44
Snow and Ice Removal						
Salaries.....		80,455.00		96,169.04	(3,495.24)	
Expenses.....		92,050.00		64,831.20		15,000.00
Street Lights						
Expenses.....		51,656.00		49,650.42		2,005.58
Forestry						
Salaries.....		1,000.00		963.90		
Expenses.....	8,504.00	6,412.90		5,610.00	166.10	9,176.90

	Balance from 1997	FY 1998 Appropriations	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance to Source	Balance to 1999
Sanitary Landfill						
Salaries .....				13,658.82	601.44	2,958.73
Expenses .....	17,218.99					
Cemetery Department						
Salaries .....		38,000.00		35,888.69		
Expenses .....		15,720.00		15,582.99	2,248.32	
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS: .....	\$64,211.78	\$557,288.61	0.00	\$495,856.88	\$7,777.10	\$117,866.41
HUMAN SERVICES:						
Board of Health						
Salaries .....		2,010.00		2,101.00		
Expenses .....		255.00		124.80	130.20	
Tri-Town Health						
Salaries .....		42,813.00		42,813.00		
Expenses .....		5,989.00	83,531.00	89,520.00		
Visiting Nurse Association						
Expenses .....		18,779.00		18,779.00		
Berkshire Mental Health						
Expenses .....		2,029.00		2,029.00		
Council on Aging						
Salaries .....		17,544.00		17,544.00		
Expenses .....		12,547.00		12,546.05	0.95	
Lee Youth Commission						
Salaries .....		31,468.00		31,468.00		
Expenses .....		1,013.00		672.38	340.62	

	Balance from 1997	FY 1998 Appropriations	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance to Source	Balance to 1999
Veterans' Services						
Salaries.....		3,582.00		3,582.00		
Expenses.....		22,434.00	7,750.00	22,080.56	353.44	
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES:	\$ 0.00	\$160,463.00	91,281.00	\$243,168.79	\$825.21	\$0.00
CULTURE & RECREATION						
Lee Library Association						
Salaries.....		38,880.00		38,880.00		
Expenses.....		106,976.00		106,976.00		
Sandy Beach						
Salaries.....		12,900.00		12,658.40	8.50	
Expenses.....		4,830.00		4,830.00	0.00	
Playgrounds						
Salaries.....		4,540.00		4,530.00		10.00
Expenses.....		18,550.00		8,059.03	10,490.97	1,500.00
Historical Commission						
Expenses.....		485.00		470.48	14.52	
Golf Course Study						
Expenses.....	2,285.76					2,285.76
Memorial Day						
Expenses.....		2,000.00		1,902.79	97.21	
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION:	\$2,285.76	\$189,161.00	\$0.00	\$178,306.70	\$10,611.20	\$3,795.76
DEBT SERVICE						
Maturing Debt & Interest						
Principal Long-Term Debt.....		364,400.00		364,400.00		
Interest Long-Term Debt.....		80,894.98		80,895.00	0.02	
Interest Short-Term Debt.....		30,000.00		26,438.11	3,561.89	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE:	\$0.00	\$475,294.98		\$471,733.11	\$3,561.91	\$0.00

	Balance from 1997	FY 1998 Appropriations	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance to Source	Balance to 1999
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS:						
State Assessments						
Energy Conservation . . . . .				58.00		
Berkshire Regional Transit . . . . .				24,160.00		
Air Pollution Control. . . . .				1,393.00		
School Choice. . . . .				309,235.00		
RMV Charges . . . . .				2,060.00		
County Assessments						
Berkshire County. Reg. Plng, Comm. . . . .		2,813.95		2,813.95		
County Tax . . . . .				47,134.31		
TOTAL STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS: . . . . .		2,813.95		\$386,854.26	\$ 0.00	
MISCELLANEOUS:						
Berkshire County Retirement . . . . .		256,737.00		256,737.00		
Medicare/Unemployment . . . . .		44,051.00	5,387.10	47,438.10		
Employee Benefits . . . . .		750,805.88		675,173.12	75,632.76	
Liability Insurance . . . . .		52,863.00		52,863.00		
Other Insurances . . . . .		18,215.00		18,152.00	63.00	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS: . . . . .		\$1,122,671.88		\$1,050,363.22	\$75,695.76	\$ 0.00



# TOWN ACCOUNTANT

## Debt Schedule

### 30 June 1998

## Schedule 5

PURPOSE:	Outstanding 30 Jun 97	Issued This Year	Retired This Year	Outstanding 30 Jun 98	Interest Paid
<b>Inside Debt Limit</b>					
Memorial Hall .....	\$ 175,000		\$ 95,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 12,688
Fire Truck .....	195,000		16,000	179,000	9,641
Computer Lab .....	70,000		15,000	55,000	3,385
School Energy .....	22,000		6,000	16,000	1,024
Bossidy Block .....	83,000		13,000	70,000	3,940
Ambulance Garage .....	550,000		40,000	510,000	27,425
Hyde Wing Roof .....	44,000		14,000	30,000	2,075
High School Parking Lot .....	41,000		11,000	30,000	1,985
High School Roof .....	810,470		120,370	690,100	31,694
TOTALS: .....	\$ 1,990,470		\$ 330,370	\$ 1,660,100	\$ 93,857
<b>Outside Debt Limit</b>					
Sewer Town's Share .....	100,200		33,400	66,800	5,010
Sewer Marble/George .....	33,000		11,000	22,000	1,650
Water Filtration .....	1,650,000		17,177	1,632,823	74,250
Stockbridge Rd. ....	199,530		29,630	169,900	7,803
TOTALS: .....	\$1,982,730		\$ 91,207	\$ 1,891,523	\$ 88,713

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT  
Water & Sewer Department  
Balance Sheet  
30 June 1997**

	Water	Sewer	Totals (Memorandum)
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash .....	\$ 891,785	\$ 274,208	\$ 1,165,993
Water User fees Receivable .....	60,866		60,866
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1998 .....	2,214		2,214
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1997 .....	426		426
 Sewer User Fees Receivable .....		38,362	38,362
Sewer Liens Added to Taxes 1998 .....		2,380	2,380
Sewer Liens Added to Taxes 1997 .....		120	120
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>	<b>\$ 955,291</b>	<b>\$ 315,070</b>	<b>\$ 1,270,361</b>
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<b>LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES:</b>			
Deferred Revenue .....	\$ 63,506	\$ 40,862	\$ 104,368
 Fund Balance Designated .....	272,000	20,000	292,000
Undesignated Fund Balance .....	619,785	254,208	873,993
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES:</b>	<b>\$ 955,291</b>	<b>\$ 315,070</b>	<b>\$ 1,270,361</b>
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## TOWN ACCOUNTANT

## Schedule 2

### Statement of Revenue Receipts

June 30, 1998

#### GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES:

Personal Property Taxes 1997 .....	\$ 2,523.88
Personal Property Taxes 1998 .....	285,173.58
Real Estate 1996 .....	7,051.35
Real Estate 1997 .....	295,941.29
Real Estate 1998 .....	5,660,841.75
Tax Liens Redeemed .....	115,008.95
Motor Vehicle Excise 1994 .....	662.57
Motor Vehicle Excise 1995 .....	1,018.12
Motor Vehicle Excise 1996 .....	8,336.12
Motor Vehicle Excise 1997 .....	153,421.08
Motor Vehicle Excise 1998 .....	389,476.00
Prior Years .....	696.71
Urban Excise .....	12,088.00
Other Excise .....	1,413.50
Penalty/Interest on Taxes .....	62,691.51
Payment In Lieu of Taxes .....	48,629.96

\$ 7,044,974.37

#### DEPARTMENTAL:

Veterans .....	5,068.16
Cemetery .....	12,190.00
Other Departmental .....	3,003.51

#### CHARGES FOR SERVICES:

Outside Detail Fees .....	4,715.83
Municipal Lien Fees .....	4,725.00
Trailer Park Fees .....	6,768.00
Tri Town Health Fees .....	18,690.92
Town Clerk Fees .....	896.00
Tuition .....	175,655.00

\$211,450.75

## ***LICENSES AND PERMITS***

### **ALCOHOLIC**

All Alcoholic .....	\$ 18,400.00	
Other Licenses/Permits .....	4,778.00	
		\$23,178.00

### **REVENUES FROM STATE (CHERRY SHEET)**

Tuition State Wards .....	3,929.00	
Abatements to the Elderly .....	53,131.00	
Loss of Taxes: State Owned Land .....	31,603.00	
Veterans' Benefits .....	9,434.59	
School Aid Chapter 70 .....	1,322,787.00	
Lottery, Beano, .....	554,095.00	
Highway Fund .....	76,649.00	
Miscellaneous State Income .....	45,589.00	
Hotel/Motel Tax .....	197,923.00	
		\$2,295,140.59

### **REVENUES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS:**

Court Fines .....	33,487.00	
Other Fines & Forfeits .....	50.00	
Parking Tickets .....	1,415.33	
		\$34,952.33

### **MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:**

Post Office Rents .....	12,219.96	
Earnings on Investments .....	175,642.80	
Miscellaneous Revenue .....	167,863.90	
		\$355,726.66

<b>TOTAL REVENUE RECEIPTS:</b>		<b>\$9,965,422.70</b>
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## ***TOWN CLERK REPORT***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Town Clerk's office continues to be a very busy office. This year we started keeping the office open through the lunch hour to be more accessible to our residents. This has worked very well.

The issuance of hunting and sporting licenses has been quite a challenge this year with the new gun laws in effect. I now require either an old license, an FID card, a pistol permit or a Hunter Safety Course card before I can issue a license. Though most hunters are accepting these new laws, some are not too happy with it. Hopefully, educating the public will help with this transition.

Census 2000 is going to be a very time consuming project for City and Town Clerk's. The State wants this to be the most accurate Census done to date. Clerks will have to document all new developments and each and every house in the development as well as every new house in Town. Working with the residents of Lee should help the process run smoothly.

I appreciated all the support and advice given to me in my new position as Town Clerk.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Suzanne M. Scarpa  
***Town Clerk***

### ***VITAL STATISTICS 1997***

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Number of Births	62
Number of Marriages	53
Number of Deaths	77
Registered Voters	3,750
Population	5,875
Raffle Permits Issued	4
Business Permits Issued	41
Inflammable Certificates Issued	18

### ***DOG LICENSE REPORT***

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Males	27
Males - Neutered	120
Females	18
Females - spayed	138
Kennels	2

Payments made to Berkshire County Treasurer	1,313.25
Fees Retained	228.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,542.00</b>

### ***FISH & WILDLIFE REPORT***

Fishing Licenses	475
Hunting Licenses	117
Sporting Licenses	409
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,001</b>

  

Payments made to Division of Fisheries & Wildlife	29,002.00
Fees Retained	452.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29,454.20</b>

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### ***ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the year January 1, 1998, to December 31, 1998, the Lee Zoning Board of Appeals met as needed throughout the year. The Board received two (2) Special Permit Applications one petition in (Flood Plain District), and one modification of a Special Permit, four (4) petitions for Variances, and three (3) Appeals. The two Special Permits and two Variances were granted; one Variance application was withdrawn without prejudice; and one was denied. Three Appeals were entered; two were denied; one was withdrawn without prejudice.

Members attended several training sessions sponsored by the Massachusetts Association of Zoning Board of Appeals, as well as informative meetings of the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission. As the laws of the Commonwealth change or are reinterpreted, Board members must stay current of developments.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Timothy O. Taylor, *Chairman*  
 William O'Brien  
 Sheila Wood  
 George Inman, Jr.  
 William Bean  
 Pauline Pollard, *Alternate*  
 Robert W. Lester, *Alternate*

## **TOWN COLLECTOR**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report covering fiscal year July 1, 1997 – June 30 1998.

	<b>Collected</b>	<b>Balance as of June 30, 1998</b>
<b>Real Estate Taxes</b>		
1996	\$ 7,051.35	0
1997	295,941.29	8,648.83
1998	5,660,841.75	121,656.30
<b>Personal Property Taxes</b>		
1993	0	2,448.82
1997	2,523.88	0
1998	285,173.58	2,923.08
<b>Motor Vehicle Excise Tax</b>		
1984	26.15	0
1985	22.52	0
1986	26.89	0
1987	49.17	0
1988	43.13	0
1989	12.50	0
1990	26.98	199.04
1991	230.21	0
1992	162.08	545.12
1993	97.08	203.24
1994	662.57	690.01
1995	1,018.12	1,091.68
1996	8,336.12	5,114.75
1997	153,421.08	8,160.63
1998	389,476.00	23,290.59
1997 Water Lien Added to Tax	2,501.41	426.00
1997 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	1,880.00	120.00
1998 Water Lien Added to Tax	9,999.60	2,214.00
1998 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	9,008.71	2,380.00
1997 Farm Animal Excise Tax	695.00	0
1998 Farm Animal Excise Tax	718.50	0
Registry of Motor Vehicle Fees	2,300.00	
115 marks cleared @ \$20.00 each		
Municipal Lien Certificates	4,725.00	
189 issued @ \$25.00 each		
Parking Tickets	1,535.33	

	<b>Collected</b>	<b>Balance as of June 30, 1998</b>
Trailer Park Fees	6,768.00	
Bad Check Fees	40.00	
Small Claims Court Fees	70.00	
Deputy Fees	1,530.00	
Fees	10,201.00	
Interest Added to General Fund	48,999.51	
Tax Taking Advertisement	28.50	
Water Receipts	553,092.63	
Sewer Receipts	476,279.42	
	<u>\$ 7,935,515.06</u>	

**Added to Tax Title in Fiscal 1997**

Real Estate Tax	\$ 32,008.58
Water Lien Added to Tax	663.00
Sewer Lien Added to Tax	640.00

Fiscal 1998 Real Estate Taxes Deferred	<u>\$ 1,606.22</u>
Total Real Estate Taxes Deferred and Due	\$ 6,105.40

Respectfully submitted,

**Janice G. Smith**  
***Town Collector***



## **REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER**

**July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This has been a very busy year for the Treasurer's office. In December Patricia Carlino resigned from the Town after serving eighteen years. I was appointed the position and began learning in January 1998. Many changes occurred during that time, the biggest being that the Town Clerk and Treasurer's positions were separated. As I progressed into my new position I realized that this office demanded more help thus the Selectmen appointed Donna Toomey as a part time Treasurer's Clerk. Learning all the details of this job has been very challenging and I am committed to continuing to educate myself to provide the best services I can for the Town of Lee. After having completed one year as Treasurer I look forward to this next year with new goals and more ideas on how to run the office more efficiently.

The treasurer report is as follows:

<b>BALANCE IN TREASURY JULY 1, 1997</b>	<b>3,294,877.20</b>
Receipts July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998	20,669,602.43
Less Payments July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998	19,706,025.37
<b>Balance June 30, 1998</b>	<b><u>4,258,454.26</u></b>

### **DEPOSITORIES**

Boston Safe Deposit Money Market account	580,204.21
Boston Safe Collateralized	710.89
Lee Bank General Fund	493,002.05
Fleet Bank	326,455.77
First Trade	528,973.78
Lee Bank	6,875.36
City Savings	160,766.83
BankBoston	327,709.41
Citizens Bank	73,623.37
City Savings	60,583.51
U.S. Trust	10,964.15
State Street	5,079.01
Berkshire Bank	205,412.68
Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust	1,011,993.03
Boston Safe Stabilization Fund	59,457.69
Lee Bank Cultural Council	3,508.21
Lee Bank Historical	1,411.81
Lee Bank Law Enforcement	828.05

Lee Bank CDAG	2,173.71
Lee Bank Sale of Lots	24,594.20
AA Jones	1,138.31
Morgan Jones	5,994.86
Fairmount Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	151,489.70
Conservation Commission Trust Fund	3,500.97
Sharon Davis Dog Fund	304.71
Gravestone Repair	262.49
Horizon Outlet Traffic Mitigation Bond	167,120.03
St. Mary's Perpetual Care Account	5,870.00
Horizon Conservation Commission Bond	11,552.31
Peter Fraser	3,577.00
Lee Players Fund	686.34
Nagle Scholarship	970.00
Conservation/Silverleaf	21,659.82
<b><u>TOTAL DEPOSITORIES</u></b>	<b><u>4,258,454.26</u></b>

*Respectfully submitted,*

Susan E. Kelly  
***Treasurer***

## ***BOARD OF ASSESSORS***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Town of Lee underwent the triennial certification of assessed values by the Department of Revenue again in 1998. This requires reviewing the assessed value of every property and account, comparing it to two years of real estate market activity, and adjusting values as necessary to bring assessed values as close to market values as possible.

There are many statistical tests that must be performed and passed before the Department of Revenue will certify that assessments are fair, equitable, and at market value. It is very time consuming and labor intensive activity for the assessor's office. We began in early September 1997. Values were certified November 11, 1998 by the DOR.

As part of the certification process, we gathered information on all the commercial, industrial, and mixed use properties in town. Some of our files were very old and this effort was overdue. The Board wishes to thank the business and property owners in Lee for their cooperation in this effort.

In total, 2,811 real estate parcels and 514 personal property accounts were reviewed. The total taxable value is \$422,879,747. Exempt properties (state forest, etc.) adds \$60,672,000 for a record \$483,551,747 total town value. Unfortunately, the tax levy of \$6,300,908.23 was also a record, although we were able to keep the tax rate constant. It was approved November 25, only a month later than last year which is remarkable considering the extra requirements of certification.

Many other notable events and activities took place in addition to the certification effort. A counter was installed in the office April 30 with a computer access to assessment information. The software for this was written by Mr. Taylor and has been well received.

Annual Town Meeting on May 14 approved expansion of the clerk's position to full time, and we completed all the requirements of the new personnel procedures in time to have her confirmed as clerk on July 28. This was just in time for Kathy to attend the annual school in Amherst. She successfully completed the rigorous basic course required of assessors. Kathy was awarded a diploma in Assessment Administration, Law, Procedure & Valuation.

In 1998, in addition to our regular work, this office processed 67 real property abatement applications, 411 motor vehicle abatement applications, 167 elderly and veteran tax exemptions, and responded to more than 2200 requests for information. Two Appellate Tax Board cases were defended for the Town with the able assistance and guidance of Attorney Scully and brought to satisfactory conclusions. Our success record in front of the ATB allowed the Board to release \$120,959.78 of overlay reserves to the general fund. Having a full time clerk helps with the workload of the office immensely.

The Assessors also responded to a US Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census boundary certification and map update project, as well as address verification and electronic data extracts. This was part of the preparation for the Federal census

in 2000. We also provided address verification services to the US Postal Service to help keep synchronized with the 911 addressing plan. Both the Federal government and the Regional Planning Commission sent Geographic Information System (GIS) surveys. This is a newer technology that takes advantage of modern computer power to analyze and organize geographic data in useable ways. We are several years away from this capability.

Other projects this year were development of a standard eminent domain procedure for Town departments to follow, also a pamphlet on Elderly Exemptions that was given to the Council on Aging for distribution among our over-70 citizens. We also organized and catalogued all the property photographs gathered in recent years for use in bench-marking the outward appearance and condition of property at the time it was visited. Our continuing deed research added five acres of land to the tax roles that had become "lost" over the years. This year also marked the first time we valued a telecommunications tower and an electric generating facility within the town.

*Respectfully submitted,*

William F. Derrick, *Chairman*  
Dayton F. DeLorme, *Appointed Assessor*  
Edward M. Briggs, *Appointed Assessor*  
Timothy O. Taylor, *Principal Assessor*  
Kathy Arment, *Clerk*

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## ***DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Department of Public Works experienced another busy and productive year in 1998. Some of the highlights are as follows:

**Highway Division:** A combination of efforts by our personnel and outside contractors saw continued maintenance efforts as well as new work. With the addition of a tailgate spreader to our equipment inventory, we embarked on an extensive program of overlaying existing bituminous concrete sidewalks. Sidewalks on Orchard Street and most of Greylock Street were improved. Other activities included roadside brush cutting and mowing, ditch cleaning, street sweeping, pothole repairs and guardrail repairs and improvements. Snow fighting and winter road maintenance efforts were ongoing throughout the winter season.

Culverts were replaced and/or improved by our crew on Chanter Road, East Center Street, George Street and Church Street. Several drainage structures were rebuilt and frames and grates were replaced. Dirt roads were graded, and cemetery, park and playground maintenance continued through the summer season. Crosswalks were repainted. Traffic signage was maintained. The Highway Crew also assisted the Water and Sewer Divisions in repairing various water main breaks, leaking services and plugged or collapsed sewer pipes.

A full complement of maintenance and repair was also performed by outside contractors. The Abby Court drainage project was completed and adjacent drainage ditches were dredged. Road resurfacing was done on Tamarack Avenue, Myrtle Avenue, William Parkway, Joseph Avenue, David Avenue, Martin Avenue, Margerie Street, Fuller Street, Mountain View Terrace, and portions of George Street, Marble Street and Fairview Street. Several hundred catch basins were cleaned out. Center lines were repainted. Various trees were trimmed and/or removed. The reconstruction and resurfacing of Center, Columbia, Bradley and Mill Streets started in the summer and is scheduled to be completed this coming year.

**Water Division:** Construction was completed and water filtration operations commenced at our new dissolved air flotation filtration plant. We now have the ability to fully treat drinking water from any of three sources: Vanetti, Leahey and Schoolhouse Reservoirs.

**Sewer Division:** The Wastewater Treatment Plant, with a major upgrade just at the beginning of the design process, experienced another full year. The aging and obsolete dual cell gravity sludge dewatering machine was replaced with a gravity belt thickener. Our continued program of eliminating infiltration and inflow into the collection system continued with numerous point repairs. The 30 year old plant looks forward to a long overdue upgrade, now scheduled for completion by the end of 2000.

**Town Facilities:** Central Fire Station received a new tower roof, unit heaters in the truck bays, and is still awaiting execution of the window replacement contract. The Library renovation commenced during the summer and is awaiting only terra cotta roof tile replacement for project completion. A new Town Park complete with Gazebo was built near the river at the foot of Eaton Street. The coming year will see the renovation of the Town Park at Park Square.

**Recycling:** The Town continues to participate in the Department of Environmental Services Municipal Recycling Incentive Program, and this year took advantage of programs that awarded us recycling bins, a waste oil storage tank, public education materials and cash. Some of the programs established this year include a paper recycling program for town buildings and the High School.

In conclusion, we wish to thank all of the employees of the D.P.W. for a successful and productive year and look forward to continued success for the coming year.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Donald A. Chester, P.E. *Superintendent*  
Robert Bartini, *Chairman*  
Mike Field, *Clerk*  
Dave Forrest, *Member*  
Maurice Leahey, *Member*  
Dan Pascucci, *Member*  
Tom Arment, *Member*  
Martin Barenski, *Member*

## ***TRAFFIC COMMISSION***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This has been a year of many traffic concerns as the town still continues to have economic growth in tourism and a healthy economy. Areas of concern were as follows: Crosswalk signage Housatonic Street, and South Lee Fire Station. Handicap assignments for two area churches. Three streets were addressed for HCVE truck exclusion; High Street, Greylock Street and Marble St. All necessary permits awaiting final approval from Mass. Highway.

Assigned new parking configuration for new Eaton Street parking and traffic flow around River Park.

Met with Post Office manager for placement of new roadside mail snorkel boxes.

Met with Oak 'n Spruce consultants to discuss placement of stop signs from their driveway onto Meadow Street. Presently working with them on the development of 72 more condo's as to crosswalks, speed limits and sidewalks.

Speed limit signs for the entire length of Fairview Street has been approved and placement to be done by D.P.W. Slow signs have been installed at entrance of Via Franco and Via Maria.

The design of new town park parking and traffic flow is now being developed. Many other traffic issues were addressed from concerned citizens either by letter or telephone. 1999 should bring more safety issues before the board for a better town.

Thank you for the cooperation of town residents and town boards.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Gerald H. LePrevost, ***Chairman***

Edward Forfa

Robert Lester

Robert Giarolo

Ronald C. Glidden, ***Police Chief***

## ***POLICE DEPARTMENT***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The past year was a busy one for the police department as we experienced a increase in numerous areas of both reported and Officer initiated activity. Throughout the year, the department brought numerous criminal investigations to a successful conclusion, including an armed robbery, largely as a result of Officer initiative and specialized training. This year's specialized training included Officer Todd Briggs completing training in motorcycle gangs; Officer William Bartini completing narcotics investigation training; Officer Craig DeSantis completing sexual assault investigation training; and Officers John Farina and William Tierney completing advanced arson investigation training.

Over the past year, larcenies increased by 89%. This increase was primarily caused by an increase in reported shoplifting cases at Prime Outlets. These cases resulted in numerous arrests and a significant increase in the amount of time Officers must spend in court. The good news, however, is that this increase appears to have been the result of effective surveillance measures and good reporting practices, rather than an increase in actual shoplifting occurrences. To further enhance surveillance and reporting of shoplifters, Crime Prevention Officer James Loring gave loss prevention seminars to numerous retail businesses.

The past year saw a 24% reduction in motor vehicle accidents in town. This reduction is believed to be the result of stricter traffic enforcement which saw a 39% increase in citations for speeding and similar offenses, and a 46% increase in arrests for operating under the influence of alcohol. Unfortunately, the good news about the reduction in accidents was offset by two fatal motor vehicle accidents that resulted in the deaths of three individuals. These motor vehicle fatalities were investigated by the Department's accident investigator, Officer William Tierney who did an excellent job on these difficult cases.

The D.A.R.E. program continued to be successful with D.A.R.E. Officers Sgt. Joseph Buffis and Officer Adrian Kohlenberger presenting the program to both the fourth and sixth grades.

It was also a busy year administratively as a result of new firearms laws that went into effect in October. Changes in licensing requirements resulted in a 150% increase in pistol permits processed by the police secretary, Cathy Massacani. The time spent processing licenses is expected to increase another 100% beginning in July when the FID cards become renewable. The various aspects of the new law also brought about the need for public information, and the department has become one of the major sources for that information in western Massachusetts. In addition, the department now sponsors a state approved basic firearms safety course each month for new pistol permit applicants.

During the past year, we applied for and received two state grants including a D.A.R.E. grant for \$8000, and a Community Policing grant for \$11,000.

In closing, I would like to thank the Officers of the Lee Police Department for their continued professionalism, and service to this Department and the community. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen and Town Representatives for their support. In addition, I would like to thank all of the dispatchers, firemen, EMT's, and area local and state police for their assistance.

Listed below is a summary of calls the Lee Police Department responded to in 1998:

**1998 Statistical Summary**

<i>Total Incidents Handled</i>	<i>4,797</i>
Homicide	0
Sex Offense	3
Robbery	2
Assault & Battery	38
Breaking & Entering	10
Larceny	70
Motor Vehicle Theft	2
Vandalism	7
Motor Vehicle Accidents	140
Motor Vehicle Fatalities	3
Motor Vehicle Citations	535
Drug Arrests	15
Driving Under the Influence	19
Total Arrests	112
Medical Assistance	371
Parking Tickets	135
Alarms Answered	299

*Respectfully submitted,*

Ronald C. Glidden, *Chief of Police*



## ***FIRE DEPARTMENT***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Lee Fire Department responded to 192 calls in 1998:

Structures	13	Mutual Aid	8
Chimney	4	Fire Alarm Activated	43
Jaws of Life	4	Mass. Turnpike	5
Fuel Spills	7	Grass & Brush	17
Vehicle (Accident/Fire)	20	Medical / Defibrillator	12
False Alarms	12	Wires Down	3
Oil Burner	1	CO Detector	12
Electrical	4	Miscellaneous	27

Members volunteered 3,264 hours for these calls, training and upkeep of equipment.

A structure fire at 880 East Street caused the most damage in 1998. Condo Unit 3-D sustained heavy fire, smoke and water damage. One of the occupants received a burn on his foot escaping the blaze.

All Engines have again passed pump testing. Some minor repairs were needed to achieve this.

The Lee Volunteer Ambulance Service has placed a new defibrillator unit on Engine #2 to replace an older unit.

The contract for the new pumper was awarded to Fire Resources of Assonet, Ma. who represent Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp. of Nesquehoning, Pa.. The KME pumper will be equipped with a 1500 GPM pump and carry 750 gallons of water. Delivery is scheduled for September of this year.

Some painting is needed at both Stations. The new windows for the Central Station have not been installed.

The number of volunteers is down some in each Station. The need for volunteers is an important factor to this Department.

I would like to extend my appreciation to the officers and men of the Lee Fire Department for the numerous hours of volunteer time needed for incidents, training and practices. I also extend my appreciation to the Lee Ambulance Squad, Lee Police Department, Lee Dispatch Center and to all the Fire Departments from other towns that assisted us during the year. I extend my thanks to the people of the Town for their cooperation.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Ronald J. Driscoll, *Chief*

## ***TRI-TOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the calendar year 1998.

**Community Septic Management Program:** During 1998, the Tri-Town Health Department developed a comprehensive educational and training program for certifying contractors who request licensure as septic system installers. Three eight (8) hour training sessions were held which exposed participants to state and local regulations, system design criteria, site evaluation and field skills. The response has been overwhelming with a total of one hundred and twenty nine (129) installers completing the program to date. Since this program includes an ongoing educational component, there is an opportunity for all septic installers, design engineers, Boards of Health etc, to keep up to date on the latest technologies and changes to Title 5.

**Permanent Household Hazardous Waste Facility:** The Tri-Town Health Department spent considerable time during 1998 investigating the possibility of establishing a permanent household hazardous waste facility in all communities. Site visits were made to communities with permanent facilities already in place, meetings were held with D. E. P. and The Center for Ecological Technology. Based on the information collected, the Health Department advised all communities that opportunities exist for the establishment of permanent facilities at reduced costs. More importantly, such a site would be made available to residents at convenient times for the disposal of materials. This office advised all Towns that once a decision is made to proceed, we would be happy to assist in establishing the facilities.

**Food Service Sanitation Program/New Board of Health Regulations:** On August 1, 1998 new Lee, Lenox and Stockbridge Board of Health regulations became effective requiring that all food establishments have employees successfully complete an approved food safety and sanitation training program. It is important to note that the Health Department has sponsored this program on a voluntary basis to area food service establishments for over ten years. As such, many establishments were already in compliance with the new regulations. It has been very rewarding and gratifying to work with our area establishments who have embraced the program and understand the importance of proper food safety and sanitation. The State Department of Public Health has since announced that they have plans to adopt similar regulations to apply to all food establishments in the State.

**Housatonic Watershed Team:** The Health Department participates as a member of the Housatonic Watershed Team with many other Local and State officials with the goal of protecting water resources from point and nonpoint pollution sources. A comprehensive Watershed Plan is scheduled for completion by December 31, 1999.

**Certified Pool & Spa Operator Courses:** The Health Department continues to sponsor the certified pool and operators course and many area establishments have taken advantage of this training and have qualified employees on staff. Effective January 1999, all establishments with public and semi-public pools must have employees who have successfully completed this course in compliance with State Public Health Department regulations. Once again, due to the diligence and proactive posture taken by many of our area establishments, they are well ahead of their counterparts in other parts of the State.

**Internships:** The Health Department sponsored three (3) student interns during 1998. Two of the students, Alba Huex from Guatemala and Daisy Nunez from El Salvador were part of the B.C.C. Central American Students Program in Environmental Studies. Some of the projects Alba and Daisy worked on included mapping failed and repaired septic systems, analysis of water and wastewater and review of solid waste and recycling issues. We also had a local resident Mellisa Parsons, from Great Barrington who was a junior majoring in biology at Goucher College conduct a comprehensive sampling and analysis program at Laurel Lake.

**Tobacco Awareness Program:** The Tobacco Awareness Program is a state funded program which offers technical support services in the areas of policy development, smoking cessation and education. A major focus and priority continues to be the prevention of tobacco use at the middle and high school levels. This year our Board of Health program was the only one in the State to receive additional funding for Latino outreach. The person hired for this program, Klebar Salazar, has done an excellent job in providing educational materials and identifying resources via pamphlets, a bimonthly newsletter and a local monthly T.V. show on CTSB, all in Spanish.

**Reportable Diseases:**

Chicken Pox - 1 E.Coli - 1 Lyme Disease - 1

**Permits Issued:**

<i>Permit Type</i>	<i>Number Issued</i>
Food Service	89
Retail Food	39
Catering	6
Mobile Food	9
Bakery	5
Tobacco	19
Indoor Pool	2
Outdoor Pool	9
Hot Tubs	2
Frozen Desert	7
Milk/Cream Store	18
Milk/Cream Vehicle	3
Milk/Cream Dealer	1
Pasteurization	1
Disposal Works Installers	13
Septage Hauler	6
Garbage Hauler	2
Rec. Children's Camp	2
Motel/Hotel/Cabin/Trailer	15
Massage Practitioner	7
Massage Establishment	2
Biological Wastes	2
Disposal Works Construction	11
Well Permit	8
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>278</u></b>

**Seminars/Conferences Attended:** Berkshire County Board of Health Association spring and fall meetings, Massachusetts Food and Environmental Association spring and fall meetings, D.E.P. training on determining high ground

water for Title S inspection, Municipal Recycling Incentive Workshop, Annual Buy Recycled and EPPs Vendor Fair/Conference, Northeast Region National Environmental Health Association Conference, Mass Health officers Association yearly conference.

Many thanks to the Lee, Lenox and Stockbridge Boards of Health for providing the guidance and support necessary for carrying out the many mandated responsibilities and maintaining a leadership role in the region. Thanks also to the Tri-Town Health staff who continually strive to provide exceptional service to area residents.

**Laboratory/Water Supplies:** (Lee, Lenox, Stockbridge)

Town Water Supplies	269
Wastewater Supplies	61
Private Wells	24
Swimming Facilities	22
Lakes & Rivers	44
Quality Control & Proficiency	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>449</b>

**Subsurface Sewage Disposal 310 CMR 15.00 Title 5:** (Lee only)

Disposal Works Construction	11
Disposal Works Installers	13
Septage Haulers	6
Title 5 Inspections-Property Transfers	12
Soil Evaluations/Percolation Tests	14

**Children's Camps:**

Inspections	2
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**Food Service Inspections:** (Lee only)

Food Service/Restaurants	108
Schools	12
Retail Food	14
Bed & Breakfast	18
Special Events	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>171</b>

**Inspections:**

Health/Fitness/Massage Establishments	2
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**Miscellaneous Complaints/Nuisance:**

21

**Housing Inspections/Chapter II:**

6

**Budget/Revenue Information Fiscal 97/98:**

Lee Total Budget –	\$49,667.00
Revenue Generated –	\$17,660.92

*Respectfully submitted,*

Peter J. Kolodziej, R.S.,  
**Director/Sanitarian**  
 Tri-Town Health Department

## ***BUILDING INSPECTOR***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my report for the calendar year 1998:

<b><u>Permit Category</u></b>	<b><u>Issued</u></b>	<b><u>\$ Value</u></b>
New Dwellings	22	2,901,241.00
Additions/Alterations	51	693,200.00
Garages	14	190,900.00
Pools	8	18,400.00
Commercial	26	13,681,829.00
Porches/Decks/Roofs	27	164,300.00
Sheds/Barns	11	20,115.00
Demolition	2	6,500.00
Certificate of Occupancy	44	N/A
Wood Stoves	8	N/A
Signs	38	N/A
Total Permits Issued and Value	<u>161</u>	<u>\$ 17,676,485.00</u>
Permit Fees Collected		\$ 28,461.80

*Respectfully submitted,*

**Daniel C. Keenan**  
***Building Inspector***

## ***ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

<b>APPLICATIONS FOR WIRING</b>	<b>NO. OF PERMITS</b>
New Services	5
Service Upgrades	16
Temp. Services	1
Addition to Homes	16
Wiring of New Homes and Condominiums	19
Wiring of New Commercial Industrial Buildings	2
Miscellaneous Wiring Residential	27
Miscellaneous Wiring Commercial & Industrial	35
Oil & Gas Burners	8
Swimming Pools & Hot Tubs	3
Smoke Detectors & Alarm Systems	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>137</b>

**Fees Collected from July 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998**      **\$7,735.00**

*Respectfully submitted,*

Charles F. Grady,  
*Electrical Inspector*

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## ***SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The inspection and sealing of 101 weighing devices, 104 liquid dispensers, 1 footage meter and 3 rejects for the calendar year 1998 has generated \$2,991.00 fees collected and turned into the treasurer.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Gerald J. Cahalan,  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

## ***ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This year I responded to:  
One hundred and two (102) complaints, not including radio calls.  
Eleven (11) dog bites and  
One (1) ferret bite.  
Skunks were a problem this year and rabies is still a problem.

Special thanks to Dr. James Leahey, the Lee Police Department, Department of Public Works and Ken LaBier and Dr. Bernard Collins, Animal Inspector.

*Respectfully submitted,*

James L. Shea,  
*Animal Control Officer*

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## ***ANIMAL INSPECTOR***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The 1998 annual inspection in town found 171 cows, 69 heifers and calves. In beef cattle, 30 cows, 13 heifers and calves and 3 steers. There are also 64 horses, 16 ponies, 2 goats, 49 sheep, 38 lambs, 6 swine, 45 poultry and 10 rabbits.

Quarantines were issued for 41 cats and 31 dogs.

All livestock shipped in from out of state examined. Extreme efforts were performed regarding rabies control.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Bernard M. Collins, VMD,  
*Animal Inspector*

## ***CIVIL DEFENSE AGENCY***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Emergency Management continues to be a supportive arm of our Town's remaining Emergency Services. One aspect of this assistance is managing the Hepatitis inoculation program as well as serving as the recording agency for contagious disease contact by our emergency personnel.

This year I attended a seminar on hurricane preparedness and recovery, as well as two seminars on basic Emergency Management and Planning.

One goal for the upcoming year is to finalize our Town's storm warning system, consisting of the use of cable television, local radio stations and the various sirens we have in Town. Coupled with these will be instructions to our residents on the warning meanings and plans of actions.

It is my hope that with the passage of the new school, provisions can be made for a generator of adequate size which would allow the school to be used as a relocation point during times of need, something we lack presently.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Kenneth J. LaBier,  
*Civil Preparedness Director*

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## ***LEE AMBULANCE SERVICE***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my annual report of the Lee Ambulance Service for the year 1998.

During 1998 the ambulance service responded to a total of 698 requests for medical assistance, resulting in the transport of 625 patients to area hospitals.

A breakdown of the locations and types of calls is as follows:

<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TYPE OF CALL</b>
Lee ..... 434	Motor vehicle related ..... 84
Stockbridge..... 158	Injury, Non MVA ..... 162
Tyringham..... 17	Illness/Transport ..... 144
Turnpike ..... 21	Cardiac/Resp. .... 166
Mutual Aid ..... 64	Misc..... 142

1998 proved to be our busiest year as far as number of calls. This has been the trend of late. Pre-Hospital care has come into its own and people recognize the impor-



tance of seeking assistance as soon as possible. I cannot say enough to endorse this, especially when it comes to individuals experiencing chest pain and other significant symptoms. With advanced life support both in town and at the Paramedic level, we can usually provide a higher level of care prior to arrival at the hospital, of course YOU have to call for help first.

Staffing continues to be of paramount importance, we have had one full time daytime member for almost two years now, and last year added a part time person days, on the full time persons days off. This gives us at least one person on call each daytime shift, with the balance being provided by our volunteers.

To date the part time members salary has been paid by various donations and bequeaths. This year funding may have to be requested in order to continue this level of care if donations cannot be found.

During 1998 a new defibrillator has been also placed in Station 2, South Lee. This now puts four up-to-date defibrillators in our Ambulance and Fire Departments. However I wish to remind everyone that no matter how well trained or equipped we are, unless you the resident call 9-1-1 when someone develops signs of a heart attack, all of our efforts are for not. Additionally the ambulance service has held four public CPR courses in 1998, certifying some 45 people. Public CPR and immediate intervention has proven to be one of the mainstays in an individual surviving a sudden heart attack and cardiac arrest.

As always we are constantly looking for potential members, anyone interested is invited to contact any member for information.

In closing I wish to extend my appreciation to our Dispatchers, Fire and Police Departments, our Stockbridge members, Emergency Agencies in surrounding Towns, and to all our members for their dedication in providing Lee with a quality emergency medical service.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Kenneth J. LaBier,  
*Director*

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## **COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Emergency Communications Center for 1998.

During 1998 1,653 9-1-1 calls were handled through the dispatch center, along with an untold number of calls dealing with questions of an informational nature and call transfers to various Town Departments.

Our dispatchers are the first contact people reach for emergencies, information and complaints, and yet their base salaries is currently less than Town Custodians. For years they have been promised wage increases, last year they opted to form a union and have been in salary negotiations for nearly a year now with no resolve in sight as of this writing. On top of this they are once again faced with the possibility of their positions and service being eliminated.

Years ago an attempt was made to eliminate the dispatchers, the support by representatives and townspeople was overwhelming, hopefully if it once again comes to bear, they will be supported, by you.

Our 9-1-1 system continues to operate flawlessly, you the resident can assist by using 9-1-1 for emergencies only, please use 243-2100 for all other business, or consult the phone book for departmental direct dial numbers. One additional way you can help during emergencies, is to assure that your house is properly and correctly numbered to assist responding emergency services to find you immediately.

I wish to express my appreciation to our Emergency Services Departments and Department for Public Works for their continued assistance throughout the year.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Kenneth J. LaBier  
*Communications Director*

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## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Conservation Commission administers the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act as well as the Massachusetts Rivers Protection Act. In that capacity, the Commission processes applications to perform work in and near wetlands, flood plains, rivers, perennial streams, banks, surface waters, and other resource areas. We also act in a planning advisory capacity with other municipal boards on conservation issues relating to those boards' areas of responsibility. Commission members are active in community groups and associations concerned with natural resources and environmental protection, such as the Lee Land Trust, The Housatonic River Initiative, the Housatonic Valley Association, and the Kampoosa Bog Stewardship Committee. Members also regularly attend seminars offered by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions.

Over the past year, the Commission has processed 8 Notices of Intent, and 9 Requests for Determination of Applicability. Each application requires a public hearing, review of plans, site inspections, a Commission order, and overseeing of project work from start to finish. Throughout the year, regular meetings and site inspections were held on a variety of projects: Berkshire Outlet Village, Quarry Hill Industrial Park, Berkshire Hills North Nursing Home, Lee River Park, Oak and Spruce Expansion, 700 Devon Road, General Electric's Bio-remediation Evaluation and Test station, as well as a number of smaller cases. The Commission is involved with gaso-

line/hazardous waste spills and the installation of new gas pumps and tanks. Numerous site inspections were conducted in response to reports of possible wetland violations. In addition, the Commission filled requests for 2 Certificates of Compliance and issued 2 Enforcement orders for flagrant violations. Several members of the Commission are members of the Lee-Lenox Master Plan Task Force and helped prepare the revision of Lee's Open Space and Recreation Plan.

The Commission meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month. In the event of a Monday holiday, the meeting is held on the following evening, on each non-meeting Monday, a Commission member is in the office from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. to assist applicants and to sign off on Building Permit Applications.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Stuart Delheim, *Chair*  
Joan Clemons, *Vice Chair*  
Deborah Garry  
Marilyn Hansen

Jan Kegler  
James M. Leahey, D.V.M.  
John Rohane  
Audie Furgal, *Administrative Assistant*  
The Rev. Noel Bailey, *Associate*

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### ***COUNCIL ON AGING***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Lee Council on Aging is committed to providing services and programs to community elders 60 years of age and older. Services include health related clinics, educational programs directed at elders and their families and support members. Services also include transportation to the Senior Center programs and for medical appointments, shopping, errands and other appointments, and some recreational, social programs. The COA offers *Health Insurance Counseling* by state trained counselors along with Tax Counseling volunteers and general information and advocacy.

Programs, Services and Activities	Units of Service
Referral to/from Elder Services	75
Referral to Other Network Agencies	48
General Information Services	624
Blood Pressure/Health Clinics	710
Luncheon	4,500
Community Education	860
Individual Advocacy	60
Transportation – Medical	590
Transportation – Shopping, Errands, Sr. Center	3,012
Recreation/Social Events	750
Newsletter – 500 Issues Monthly	
Osteoporosis – Education/Exercise	200

The Council on Aging coordinates programs with the Lee Visiting Nurse Association, Elder Services of Berkshire County and other organizations to provide these services. The COA operates with a Director, Secretary and Driver along with 35 volunteers to provide services to the community.

The COA Board meets on the second Tuesday of the month.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Norma Maroney, *Director*  
Alma Allen, *Chairwoman*  
Hellen Botto  
Val Baldisserotto  
Lester Clarke

Stephen Cozzaglio  
Angelo Esoldi  
Maurice Larrivee  
Valentino Masiero  
Amelia Zatorski

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### ***RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We on the Recreation Advisory Committee wish to express our appreciation to all the recreational providers in the town of Lee. Through your countless hours of volunteer service our community has enjoyed a wide variety of recreational opportunities. Often we find that it is through these activities that new friendships are made and a true spirit of community interaction occurs. Our hope is to build on this great foundation to expand recreational opportunities to a wider spectrum of residents. With this in mind we are presently involved in having the Recreation Advisory Committee become an official board. This will help us to better assist recreational providers and to help bring focus to all our programs. We are also in the process of selecting an outside recreational consultant to help evaluate the existing recreation programs and to give recommendations on ways to better organize and expand recreation in Lee.

The Committee has continued it's ski program in co-operation with Otis Ridge Ski area to provide family skiing at an affordable price. Our thanks to Otis Ridge for making this available.

We are excited about the future of recreation in Lee and appreciate the opportunity to serve our community through this committee.

*Respectfully submitted,*

***Recreation Advisory Committee***

## ***LEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP.***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Lee Community Development Corporation is a private non-profit corporation organized to promote community and economic development and job growth in the Town of Lee. It is supported in part by grants from federal, state, and local government and by direct contributions from its membership and supporters.

### **Lee CDC Board of Directors 1998-99**

John E. Toole, President	William Enser
Don C. Hunter, Esq., Vice President	Ann Deely, Esq. (1998)
David Bruce, Treasurer	Martin H. Deely
Ray Murray III, Clerk	David Duquette
Francis D. Foley, Jr.	Dani J. Holmes
David Klausmeyer	Robert Birch (1999)

Richard H. Vinette, Jr., Esq., Executive Director

Special thanks to retiring board member Ann Deely for her many years of voluntary service and support. Special thanks also to the Town of Lee Town Representatives in their support of the Lee CDC projects and programs.

### ***REVIEW OF PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS 1998***

#### **• Quarry Hill Business Park:**

Quarry Hill Business Park, a 52 acre, 11 site project located on Route 102 and zoned for light industrial/office use was completed in November 1997. Project funding for design and construction was provided by the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development through a Community Development Action Grant (CDAG) of \$745,000, and by the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction through a Public Works Economic Development (PWED) grant in the amount of \$600,000. Additional funding was provided by MassDevelopment in the form of a \$400,000 direct loan to the CDC. A 1997 appropriation of \$63,691.60 by the Town of Lee completed the financing package for Quarry Hill. Final development cost total was \$1.8 Million. In 1998, with completion of the roadway and utilities infrastructure, the roadways were turned over to the Town of Lee and accepted as a public way.

During late 1997 and early 1998 the Lee CDC developed marketing materials and began the task of marketing Quarry Hill. Advertisement and publicity campaigns were funded by a Rural Business Development Grant from the U. S. Department of Agriculture in conjunction with CDC debt financing through MassDevelopment.

In order to attract prospective buyers, the Quarry Hill Business Park was designated an Economic Opportunity Area after the Lee CDC made application for this designation thus making available a wide array of economic development incentives for companies locating at the site. The CDC is partnering with many regional and state organizations to implement its marketing strategies. Quarry Hill will be listed in the Massachusetts Alliance for Economic Development (MAED) comprehensive industrial sites catalog, to be released in April, 1999. The CDC is also working closely with the Massachusetts office of Business Development, and the Chamber of Commerce of the Berkshires, where Lee CDC president John Toole serves on the regional marketing committee.

The results of initial marketing efforts have been encouraging. As of the date of this report the Lee CDC is in current negotiations with two companies for construction of new facilities at Quarry Hill in 1999 and 2000.

- **Lee Corporate Center:**

The Lee Corporate Center is a 116,640 square foot multi-tenant office and light manufacturing facility developed in 1995 by the Lee CDC and Berkshire Housing Development Corporation.

In 1998 the Lee Corporate Center saw several new tenants including National Propane, Susan Sparks Physical Therapy P.C. and Berkshire Wireless Communications, Inc. The Lee Corporate Center continues to be a tremendous success.

The Lee Corporate Center has truly become a valuable economic development tool and will provide the CDC with a continuing ability to offer new and expanding area businesses high quality office and warehouse facilities at very attractive lease rates. As of the date of this report, the Lee Corporate Center is 85% leased, with 4,000 square feet of office space currently remaining available.

- **GRANTS AND AWARDS. 1998**

- **CEED**

In FY 1999 the Lee CDC was awarded a \$17,000 Community Enterprise Economic Development ("CEED") grant from the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development in support of its activities in entrepreneurial training and business programs. In addition, the CEED grant for FY 1999 has allowed the Lee CDC to assist the Latino community by helping form a county wide organization to help address challenges and opportunities faced by a growing Latino population.

**Small Business Loan Program:** The Lee CDC Small Business Loan Program, which was initiated in 1993 through funding from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Communities and Development, provides "gap" financing for new or expanding small businesses in Lee and creating jobs for low/moderate income residents. In 1996 the Lee CDC was able to lend \$39,000 to local small businesses, helping to create or retain a number of jobs while providing many hours of valuable technical assistance to these borrowers and to other small business concerns. \$41,000 was loaned in 1997. In 1998 the program was completed with the lending of the remaining loan pool funds of 6,500.

The CDC is currently exploring ways to restructure its loan program by seeking to collaborate with other area microbusiness lenders, charitable foundations, and regional or statewide small business loan programs.

- **Fund Raising Activities**

In 1997 the Lee CDC kicked off its first private fund raising campaign. A goal of \$100,000.00 was established. Lee Bank, leading the way, pledged a 25% match to support the CDC's strategic economic development planning initiatives over the next three years. Support from corporations and individuals has resulted in pledges currently totaling over \$90,000.00.

*Respectfully submitted,*

John E. Toole  
*Chairman*

## ***CULTURAL COUNCIL***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The purpose of the Lee Cultural Council is to support public programs that promote access, education, diversity, and excellence in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences within the community. Local decision-making is an integral element of this system. The Lee Cultural Council has the right and responsibility to award grants that address cultural needs specific to the community and can decide how to distribute funds in accordance with state policies and regulations of the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

The Lee Cultural Council, similarly to cultural councils throughout the State of Massachusetts, reviews and evaluates grant applications in accordance with a once - yearly funding cycle.

Annual deadline for receipt of grant applications to Lee Cultural Council is October 15th. Applications are reviewed and evaluated by the Council in early November. All approved applications and notification of allotted dollar amounts are submitted to Massachusetts Cultural Council no later than December 15th. Final approval on the state level occurs in March. All funds approved by the Lee Cultural Council are administered to grant applicants on a reimbursement basis. Process dictates sufficient documentation/proof of performance before requesting release of funds from the Town of Lee.

Lee Cultural Council received and reviewed a total of 34 grant applications for Fiscal 1998. 17 projects, with total funds of \$3,413, were approved on the local level.

Lee Cultural Council members serve two three-year rotating term limits. The Council currently has eight members.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Sharon E. MacDonald, ***Chairman***  
Gloria Arnold  
Sarah Atchley  
Mario Caluori  
Freda Grim  
Alexander Hedding  
Fran Steinert  
Mary Theresa Valleri

## ***CEMETERY COMMISSION***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Lee Cemetery Committee has had a very busy year. We continue to meet twice a month during the summer season and once a month during the winter. We all spent untold hours inspecting all sections of the cemetery that revealed many problems.

One big problem was finally corrected. That was the removal of breakable objects on or near a gravestone. They presented a grave danger to those mowing the lawn. We simply could not allow such a risk that would make the town liable for injury. We thank everyone for their cooperation in this matter.

We are sorry about the mowing problem in July. It was due to so many DPW workers on vacation and the Weed Wacker quitting!

We are pleased to report that substantial progress was made in lowering more "corner stones" flush with the ground. Many sink holes were filled in and seeded down. These two projects must be continued this year. Hopefully, the former will be completed.

To date, the Turnpike Authority has not given the Town of Lee the promised surveyed piece of land adjacent to the cemetery. We request the Honorable Board of Selectmen to please inquire into the delay.

We do appreciate our townspeople's patience and assistance in helping keep the area neat and respectable.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Millard R. Eckert, ***Co-Chairman***

Charlotte P. Davis, ***Co-Chairman***

Peter R. Biasin

John J. Kelly

Lisa A. Stanton, ***Secretary***

Don Chester, ***Advisor***

Edward Thomas, ***Advisor***



## ***HISTORICAL COMMISSION***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Commission is happy to report on several accomplishments in the past year. The most exciting event is the Massachusetts Historical Commission's vote to nominate the South Lee Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places. MHC has forwarded the nomination to the National Park Service in Washington DC for final review. Approval from Washington automatically includes the district in the Massachusetts State Register of Historic Places. Members are happy to note that Mead Company's Hurlbut (Willow) Mill is included in this district.

The Commission approved Downtown Partnership Facade money to the Lee National Bank (Greylock) building, Peitro's, Hayes House, Skinner Sewing Machine Co., Zabian's, Chambury Inn, and Sullivan Station (a sign project).

The Historic Downtown Walking Tour, a project developed several years ago for the public schools, was published by the Commission in a brochure form and has been made available to other town organizations, most especially the Chamber of Commerce, for public distribution. The response to these brochures from visitors to Lee has been very heartening.

The Commission awarded its first Lee Preservation Award to Greylock Credit Union and Mr. & Mrs. Michael Considine for the truly magnificent restoration of the Lee National Bank Building on Main St. These awards will continue to be bestowed on worthy projects as they emerge.

The Commission continues to provide historical plaques for properties in town whose owners apply for them. Members participated in Founders Weekend by offering the guided walking tour of Main Street, and marching in the parade.

Dawn Borst and Kathy Arment have recently become Commission members. They are enthusiastically welcomed. Members also wish to acknowledge the loss of our member, Jim Shaw.

Special thanks to all members of the Commission who donated their time and energy to this year's projects and activities.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Barbara Allen\*  
Mary Morrissey\*  
Patricia LaChapelle\*  
Robert Macintosh\*  
Caroline Young, *Secretary*

Kathy Arment  
Dawn Borst  
DeeDee Fraser  
Charlotte Davis  
Betty Dennis  
Florence Consolati

*\*Alternating Chairs*

**JACOB'S LADDER TRAIL**  
**SCENIC BY-WAY ADVISORY COMMISSION**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Scenic By-way management organization has had an active year. An educational video on the history of the Trail and its recreational and cultural opportunities is being made by Sawmill River Productions. Interviews with residents from each of the five towns on the By-way have been completed along with aerial photography and footage of local events. Narration and music are being provided by local residents.

We are also working on a Vegetation Management Plan with the firm of Denig Design of Northampton. This plan will propose improvements to landscaping along the By-way and will recommend landscaping practices suitable to the various plant communities found along the Trail to maintain its beauty.

A mobile history exhibit and a billboard removal project have been launched and will be developed through 1999. Antique postcard reproductions will be available in the coming months.

We were funded this year to construct a handicapped accessible trail in Russell, to provide safe parking and improved accessibility for the public to the Appalachian Trail in Lee and to develop a marketing plan for cultural and recreational tourism.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Dee Dee Fraser, *Lee Representative*  
Naomi Gordon, *Lee Representative*

## ***LEE HOUSING AUTHORITY***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

After four years as Executive Director we have reviewed Sherri Miller and we signed her for a five year contract. The Lee Housing Authority employs four people including the Executive Director. This year with a mild winter we were fortunate to have enough funding to hire a seasonal person.

All the Lee Housing Authority's programs, Brown Memorial Court, Clarke Court, Budd House and Laurel House have been running smoothly.

New roofs will be the topic for spring of 1999. The architect for the project is Bradley Architects located in Pittsfield, MA. Bids for the project will go out early 1999. Funding for the project is coming from the Department of Housing and Community Development.

Brown Memorial Court was 25 years old this year and we are trying to update as much as possible with the funding that is available.

Overall the Lee Housing Authority had a very good year.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Diane Shepardson, ***Chairperson***  
Rosemary Hughes, ***Vice Chairperson***  
William O'Brien, ***Treasurer***  
Frank McCarthy  
Frank Foley

## **LEE LAND TRUST**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In 1992, a group of Lee citizens, concerned about the environmental stewardship of our lands and water resources, formed the Lee Land Trust.

Since our beginning the Lee Land Trust has participated in the successful state-wide drive to designate the Kampoosa Bog in Stockbridge as a Massachusetts Area of Critical Concern. This year, together with the Stockbridge Land Trust, the Lee Land Trust will complete a management plan for preserving the rare plant species and wildlife of this unique area.

We have established an annual monetary scholarship award to a Lee High School student interested in pursuing a career in environmental studies and/or activities. This year's \$250 scholarship was awarded to Kyle Delair of Fairview Street in Lee.

We have organized four annual Housatonic River clean-ups in Lee Township, removing tons of garbage from the river and its banks.

We have supported the Housatonic River Initiative to set the stage for PCB clean-up and a General Electric settlement that will benefit the river far into the future.

We have helped secure funding to build a pedestrian bridge over Woods Pond, thereby connecting walking trails in Lee and Lenox.

The Land Trust has an ongoing program of nature walks that has led us to explore many of the treasured open space areas that the Town of Lee and the State of Massachusetts now protect.

This year the Land Trust will be working with local farmers to find ways to promote, educate, and save agriculture businesses and farms.

One of our present goals is to plan and implement, with a \$5000.00 matching grant from the Massachusetts Environmental Trust, a River Walk in Lee. This ongoing project will make the Housatonic River accessible to the public, with continual respect for its natural wild beauty, economic value, and history. The Lee High School environmental class has been helping with the planning of this project.

Land Trust meetings are held the last week of each month at the Lee Town Hall. All are welcome. Share and contribute ideas for the future!

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Board of Directors*

## LEE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

To the Board of Directors and Members of the Lee Library Association, I hereby submit my annual report for the fiscal year July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998:

Total Circulation .....	46,690
Circulation of Books .....	43,713
Cassettes, Records, and Video .....	2,977
From WMRLS (ILL) .....	139
From WMRLS (Bookmobile) .....	2,151
Category of material circulation:	
Fiction .....	21,732
Biography .....	889
History .....	1,425
Literature .....	549
Arts .....	1,669
Applied Science .....	2,289
Pure Science .....	733
Language .....	66
Social Science .....	1,174
Religion .....	186
Philosophy .....	284
Video and Cassettes .....	2,959
Paperbacks .....	1,958
General .....	7,800

Of the total circulation 36,405 were from the adult shelves and 10,285 were from the children's shelves. A total of 6,539 circulations were by non-residents. 4,794 were to Massachusetts residents from certified towns. An additional 1,714 circulations were to Massachusetts residents from non-certified towns: Alford-21, Otis-891, Tyngham-794, Washington-7; Out-of state-31.

Books added during the year:	1,335 Adult	342 Children	Total: 1,677
Books withdrawn:	988 Adult	231 Children	Total: 1,219

Number of volumes owned .....	58,721
Records and Cassettes .....	777
Video .....	47
Filmstrips .....	29
Units of Microfilm .....	65
Serials (Magazine subscriptions) .....	85
(10 magazines are gifts from Lee Bank)	
Newspapers (6 weekly, 4 daily, 1 monthly) .....	11

We have received donations from many of our members this year, along with new books, subscriptions, and audio-cassettes. Schweitzer Mauduit has given us funding for children's programming, and, Golden Hill Nursery has filled our porch boxes for the summer.

Gifts were received in honor of the retirements of Mary Morrissey and Dorinda Moffatt of the Lee Central School, and for the 50th anniversary of Mary and Bill Britcher celebrating in Lee this year. Sandra Waldron of Springfield has donated an Optelec reader for vision-impaired patrons to use in the library in memory of her father Walter Waldron.

Memorial donations were also received in the names of Stella Pruska, Mary Cysz, LoCharles Zegata, Wesley B. Hill, M Venita Harvey, John F. Brouker, Irene Flint Dubaneviche, Jack Gair, Diane Strong, Irene Styles, Joan Sitzter, John Reber, George Bagnaschi, Jean Eisenberg, Joseph Rutka and M. James Shaw. Janet Harris started the Dorothy and Victor Bradley Fund in memory of her parents. The Charles B. N. Whiteside Memorial Fund was also established. Sadly missed is Sam Mosca, formerly a custodial assistant for the library.

The 1997 Summer Reading Club "Celebrate -- Read!" was enjoyed by over 80 members who read over 800 books. Guest storyteller Motoko--funded by a Lee Cultural Council grant -- entertained everyone with her "Folktales from Asia" program. Linda Taylor of Berkshire Science Resources conducted a wonderful StoryScience series also supported by the state and local Cultural Councils.

The Southern Berkshire Literacy Network is running strong in their office at the library. The reins had passed from Dianna Downing to MaryKate Jordan and now have been passed to Paul Milenski who directs the operation of seventy student-tutor pairs who cover everything from GED preparation, ESL students, CDL students, and reading disabilities. We encourage prospective students to take advantage of this effective and much-needed organization. Financial assistance to help keep them solvent is always welcome, and volunteers to teach students are always needed.

Our cooperative grant application with the Department of Public Works for the repair of the library roof was filed in September with the Mass. Historical Commission. The application was approved and \$30,000 was awarded for these repairs from the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund (MPPF) in November. Work has been proceeding and we hope to have the \$60,000 project finished by the coming winter. The remainder of the funds are being supplied by the town and the Association.

Thanks to the assistance of volunteer Helen Southworth we have started the long process of retro-conversion. We need to change about 4500 labels to bar-coded labels. We have over 10,000 items labeled with the capability to be used in a computerized system which will be installed in the future.

We are moving forward with the planning and preparations of our 1998 Summer Reading program "Unlock the Mystery--Read!". With the help of funding from Schweitzer-Mauduit we have scheduled the Robert Rivest Mime Theater to kick-off the summer program.

We now have the Berkshire Eagle on microfilm for the years 1995-97. We hope to add one-year on each side of those years to expand our collection to begin with 1990 and stay current.

**LEE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**  
**Statement of Receipts and Expenditures**

Balance on hand in checking account 7/1/97: \$ 2,654.24

**RECEIPTS:**

Appropriation	\$ 145,855.44
Fines	1,238.35
Copier	5,649.31
Sale of Books	548.48
Interest received in Checking Account	453.72
Dividends in Checking Account	226.61
Donations and Gifts	5,586.02
LIG/MEG/NRCO Grants	5,914.04
Books Lost/Damaged/Refunds	508.50
Sale of Ornaments	50.00

Total Receipts: 166,030.47

Total monies available 168,684.71

**EXPENDITURES:**

Salaries	97,023.17
Books and Materials	29,485.77
Library Supplies	2,329.61
Oil	2,036.10
Electric	6,813.90
Telephone	1,438.58
Water and Sewer	266.40
Repairs and Maintenance	6,977.57
Social Security Taxes (FICA)	4,447.98
Computer	1,575.00
Xerox (Maintenance and Supplies)	2,568.90
Conferences and Dues	453.95
Binding	568.15
Mass. D.E.T. Health Insurance	69.00
Mass. D.E.T. Unemployment	707.68
Transfers to CD & MM	6,600.00
Capital Expenses	2,400.00
Miscellaneous	1,378.42

Total Expenditures: 167,140.18

Balance on hand in Checking Account 6/30/97: \$ 1,544.53

Our thank you's for a good year start with the support staff at the Western Massachusetts Regional Library System who assist us with their expertise, bookmobile loans, and inter-library loan (ILL) services. Bill Sinico assists us with our flowers outside the building, and Helen Southworth helps us with our books inside the building. Thank you to all our wonderful partons who help us keep our library running effectively. Our staff and our board members are two groups that I need to thank for their dedication, support and assistance in running our fine library.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Georgia A. Massucco  
*Library Director*

*Officers and Directors:*

J. Peter Scolforo, *President*  
Thomas Cinella, *Vice President*  
William Noonan, *Treasurer*  
Judith Nardacci, *Clerk*  
David Canterbury  
Diedre Consolati  
Zoe Dalheim  
Dorothy P. Fraser  
Deborah Maroney  
Sheila Viale  
D. Lynn Shaw  
Mary Philpott



## ***SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This is my eleventh and final report as the Superintendent of Schools. I thank the School Committee, the Selectmen, the Town Administrator, the school's administrators and councils, the students, the teachers, the Town's Representatives and the Townspeople for the positive forty-seven year relationship that I enjoyed with the community as a teacher, coach and school administrator. I greatly appreciate the financial support received during that time.

Jeb Peterson was selected as the Student Representative to the School Committee. Joan Piacquadio replaced John Ranzoni on the Committee. I thank Mr. Ranzoni for the dedication and his assistance while he was on the Committee. Edward Lahey was elected the School Committee Chairman and Diane Wespiser was selected Vice Chairman for the 1998/1999 school year.

The latest School Choice Report lists eighty-one students coming into the Lee School District and seventy-seven students leaving for enrollment in other districts. Although Lee's eighty-one incoming exceeds the seventy-seven outgoing students the higher per student cost in the receiving districts creates a \$45,858 deficit in that account. Our district's above average performance on the MCAS test negates any conclusion that the outgoing district's better programs encourage an exodus of our students to those schools. The outgoing students are enrolled in districts that offer more up-to-date schooling facilities.

Alderman and MacNeish's completion of the School Facilities Report recommended that our Town consider building a new Pre K to grade 6 Elementary School and renovating the high school to house grades 7-12. This recommendation was approved by the Town Representatives at a Special December 10 Town Meeting.

In June Dr. Grogan, Elementary School Principal, will retire from his position. A screening and search committee, co-chaired by Dr. Grogan and Steven Cozzaglio, will recommend a replacement for the position. In accordance with School Reform I shall appoint the next principal.

Cindy Smith a grade 4 teacher received a Department of Education grant which will allow her to pursue National Teacher Certification. The funds she received will direct her to maintain a portfolio, video tape her teaching methods and prepare for the test.

The Central School's sixty-six year old underground oil storage tank was removed. A grant application was filed to qualify for State reimbursement. The Town received partial reimbursement for removal of the high school's tank.

At the annual Town Meeting the representatives were informed that our district would again apply for Special Education Medicaid funding for students enrolled in our schools. Kathy Failla completed the forms and specified requirements to have Lee qualify for a reimbursement of \$69,487.

Our district's English as a Secondary Language program continues to grow. We have twenty-one students, natives of India, Colombia, Ecuador and Panama enrolled. In addition our district has three exchange students -- two from Germany and one from Japan.

Quest, our Internet provider, discontinued its service in this area. Through a complete study of various alternatives our schools, with the recommendation of Jack LePrevost and James Gralla, contracted with Berkshire County Network for Internet services. The two staff members negotiated monthly charges that were less than those billed last year.

Our Adult Education Programs has expanded to include guidance services, technology assistance, transportation and staff development. The program is self supporting with additional funding provided by a grant written by Mr. Richard Salinetti. Lee High School diplomas are awarded to students who complete the program's requirements.

In conclusion, I must note that our facilities have been well maintained and have not deteriorated. However, our present buildings are inadequate to house all of our current programs and provide adequate space for the future. I invite you to visit our schools to see our facilities and our curriculum in action. Please contact me at any time for a personal tour of our buildings.

If you have any recommendations regarding our schools, please call me at my home or office at your convenience.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Henry T. Zukowski  
*Superintendent of Schools*

## **LEE HIGH SCHOOL**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In addition to raising academic standards and creating Curriculum Frameworks in English, math, science and technology, history/social studies, world languages, art and health, the Educational Reform act of 1993 mandated that all students in grades 4, 8 and 10 be tested under the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS). In May, Lee High School sophomores took the MCAS tests in English, math and science, and technology. While the test results were somewhat disappointing, Lee High School students, on average, scored higher than state averages and the results were better than the majority of school districts. Curriculum improvement plans are underway to assist our students in preparing for future MCAS tests, as well as improvements in assessment methods. In May of 1999, current 10th graders will take these State tests, including the addition of the history/social studies test. Students who are currently in the 8th grade (class of 2003) will be required to pass MCAS tests in order to receive a high school diploma.

In a related testing area, all current sophomores took the Pre-ACT PLAN test in December. The class scored a composite result in the 68th percentile of the national norm.

The following staff changes took place during the past year. Mrs. Maryjane Fromm replaced Ms. Pamela Reynolds as Librarian; Mr. William Swindlehurst replaced Mr. John Euchler in the Science Department; Mr. Kenneth Browne was hired on a part-time basis to teach English as a Second Language; and Mrs. Joanna Jefferys was hired to fill the vacancy created when Special Needs teacher, Mrs. Catherine Stauffer, replaced Mr. William Bourdon as Director of Special Education. Mr. Bourdon retired after 36 years of service in the Lee Public Schools.

The School Advisory Council members for the school year were: Richard Salinetti, Principal and Co-chairperson; Dawn Fillio, parent representative and Co-chairperson; Christine Coons and Kathleen Bort representing the high school faculty; Robin O'Herin representing parents; Joseph Savery representing the community; and Johanna Brock and Meagan Buratto representing the students.

In June of 1998, the Lee High School Vocational House Carpentry Program completed construction of a single family, 1400 sq. ft. two story colonial with a two car garage on Greylock St. This year the students are building a 1500 sq. ft. cape cod on Bradley St. The program is sponsored by the Lee Kiwanis Club.

The local House Carpentry student winners of the "ServiStar, Tools for Tomorrow" award were Nick DeSantis, Terry Lorange, Mark Parker, Jason Rivers, Andrew Willey, Adam Williams and Sam Weiskotten.

The following grant monies were received from the Federal Government to support occupational, Vocational and Technology training:

Carl D. Perkins - Vocational Education Act, PL98-524 - Technology Education	\$ 6,400.00
Comprehensive Health Grant	\$20,753.00
Berkshire Training and Employment Program Summer Vocational Training Program	\$ 8,400.00

Massachusetts Educational Technology Bond  
Act- grant for Massachusetts mandated  
administrative technology improvement

\$27,870.00

Technology Training and Professional  
Development

\$13,635.00

In October, twenty three students were inducted into the National Honor Society. Members inducted from the class of 1999 are Johanna Brock, Meagan Buratto, Autumn Clark, Justin Davidson, Sarah Gale, David Rice, Tanya Scarpa, Lee Skowron, Kadan Swift and Josh Winters. Members of the class of 2000 are: Adrian Bailey, Katherine Bort, Michelle Cuevas, Jed Duquette, Andrew Giarolo, Michelle Griffin, Emily Horsford, Corrina Impoco, Bhavik Jariwala,

Sarah Mack, Deanna Markham, Corie McDermott, Danielle Morris, Kristin Naventi, Matthew Naventi, Lynn Regnier, Jennifer Thorne, Rebecca Towne, Jonathan Walker, Nicole Webster, Matthew Wellington, Beverly Wilander and Karisa Zerbato. National Honor Society students participate in many service and leadership projects. These students will learn that the four qualities of scholarship, character, leadership and service can lead to a successful and fulfilling life. Mrs. Kathleen Bort is the advisor.

The following are the Lee High School student officers and representatives for the 1998-1999 school year:

Student Council - Johanna Brock, President; Meagan Buratto, Vice President; Justin Davidson, Secretary; and Jeb Peterson, Treasurer. Members - Matt Fillio, Jeb Peterson, Justin Davidson, Meagan Buratto, Sarah Gale, Missy North, Kadan Swift, Andrew Giarolo, Sarah Mack, Emily Horsford, Julianna Salvatore, Tim Collins, Mike Swift, Niki Wellington, Dom Sinopoli and Andrew Rice.

Officers of the class of 1999 - Johanna Brock, President; Meagan Buratto, Vice President; Lee Skowron, Secretary; and Jeb Peterson Pixley, Treasurer.

Officers of the class of 2000 - Bryan Mattarazzo, President; Kate Bort, Vice President; Adrian Bailey, Secretary and Nicole Webster, Treasurer.

Officers of the class of 2001 - Andrea Brock, President; Jaquelyn Blaisdell, Vice President; Jody Bort, Secretary; and Emily Boudreau, Treasurer.

Members of the Student Health Council are - Justin Davidson, Missy North, Adrian Bailey, Corie McDermott, Emily Boudreau, Andrea Brock, Dom Sinopoli and Kim Wilander.

Student Representatives to the School Committees - Lee, Jeb Peterson; Tyringham, Michael Burt. Advisory Council members are - Matt Fillio, Kate Bort, Nicole Webster and Spenser Gralla.

Student Representative to the State Board of Education - Johanna Brock, alternate - Kate Bort.

Several student groups and organizations have worked to support school and community efforts. The National Honor Society launched a recycling campaign in both school buildings. Ms. Christine Coons supervised this effort. Designed by Josten's, Inc., a new Renaissance program was implemented to recognize students or academic excellence, good citizenship and school performance. The Society also participated in Coats for Kids, AIDS Hospice Services, Dreams for Joy, Honduras Relief and the Food Pantry. Peer Education and Leadership students conducted Parent University, a neighborhood walk for food collection, and collected 102 pints of blood at the Student Bloodmobile. SADD students presented four multi media assemblies

in conjunction with Toole Insurance, Consolati Insurance, the P.T.O. and the Lee 500 club. They also implemented safe prom/graduation activities and the annual "lock in." The Student Council opened the school year with the annual "bonfire" activities, opened a new school store and will sponsor a volleyball tournament. Mrs. Kathleen Bort advises these organizations.

For the 11th consecutive year, the Lee High Drama Club participated in the annual Fall Shakespeare Festival at Berkshire Community College. Under the direction of professionals from Shakespeare and Company of Lenox, the Drama Club presented "Cymbeline." The second production, which was student directed was "Wild and Wilder." Shakespeare and Company once again offered instruction to English classes. The club sponsored a Halloween dance and also travelled to New York City to see "Phantom of the Opera." The Drama Club is advised by Ms. Monica Celli and Mrs. Mary Verdi.

Through the generosity of Mrs. Lola Jaffee of Stockbridge, Lee High School art and music students were treated to three field trips to New York City to experience cultural events on Broadway and at New York museums. We thank Mrs. Jaffee for her kindness.

The annual Superintendent's Award for Academic Excellence was awarded to Meagan Buratto. Jeb Peterson was selected by the faculty and senior class as Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizen for the 1998/99 school year.

The Lee High School Quiz team fielded four teams for this year's matches against Taconic, Pittsfield, St. Joseph's Central, Hoosac Valley Regional, Wahconah Regional, and Lenox Memorial. Lee members are Matthew Fillio, Tina Katritsis, Andy Bartini, Jim Dinan, Jonathan Walker, Dorothy Sekowski, Amanda Fillio, Kristen Bartini, Stephanie Walker, Michael Giovine, Laura Walczak, Emily Unsworth and Bryan Wespiser. In Early September the Lee TV Team was taped for "As Schools Match Wits." After an exciting thirty-minute match, MacDuffie squeaked by Lee for the 120 to 110 victory. The Lee team panel included Jonathan Walker, Matthew Fillio, Dorothy Sekowski, and Amanda Fillio. Alternates were Stephanie Walker and Michael Giovine. The Decathlon team had a very successful season. Bringing home the gold was Tina Katritsis for Interview. Other medalists were Andrew Giarolo and Tina Katritsis, bronze for Language and Literature and Ashley Fogarty, bronze for Social Science and bronze for Interview. The honors division included: Kate Bort, Andrew Giarolo, Karisa Zerbato, and Bryan Wespiser. Lee's scholastic division included: Jonathan Walker, Amanda Fillio, Kristen McMillan, and Becky Towne. Finally, included in the varsity division were Tina Katritsis, Kim Kelly, Ashley Fogarty, and Michael Giovine. These academic teams are coached by Mrs. Kathleen Hall and Mr. Ray Walczak.

A \$63,000 federal grant supports the Adult Basic Education program offered at the high school. Adults study English, math, writing and GED preparation as well as English as a Second Language. The ESL program continues to attract many non-English speaking students from the community. ESL classes are offered at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels. Counseling and testing services are available. Nearly 75 adults participated in ABE and ESL programs during the school year. Enrichment classes including keyboarding, computers, aerobics, art, and wood-working were also offered.

The Communications Club is in its fifth year of existence. The Club produces "Lee Live," a news show about the students and activities at Lee High School. It also films school events and activities, and produces live broadcasts on channel 11. The advisor of the Club is Mr. Sam Sorrentino.

The Lee High School Band, under the direction of Mrs. Cynthia Koch, has plans to travel to Canada to participate in the North American Music Festival in Toronto. This festival is attended by bands from across both countries. As in the past, the band marched in the Fall Foliage parade in North Adams and Memorial Day parades in Lee, Otis and Sandisfield. They also presented their annual holiday and spring concerts as well as a concert with the band members from the Central School. Several students in the band participated at the Massachusetts Music Educators Association Festival. These students were: Emily Horsford, Gary Cannon, Amanda Fillio and Richard Whitman. Emily Horsford was named to All State. Richard Whitman represented Lee at the UMASS All Senior Honor Band and Jennifer Raymond, Jennifer Thorne, Gary Cannon and Danielle Salice participated in the Youth Wind Ensemble there.

In athletics, the following were the highlights for Lee High School for the 1997/98 season:

**Girls Basketball:** Record: 21-4 State Division III  
runner up. Western MA champions.

**All Berkshire**

Jessica Arment

Emmy McManmon

**All Western MA**

Jessica Arment

Emmy McManmon

Ashley Hunt

**Boys Basketball:** Record: 8-12  
**All Southern Division**

Mike Porrini

Ryan Lucy

**Alpine Skiing:** The boys finished in 8th place and the girls finished in 5th place in the Berkshire Conference.

**Girls Tennis:** Record: 12-2 - Berkshire County Champions.

**All Berkshire**

Emily Horsford

Sarah Mack

**Boys Tennis:** Record: 4-0

**Baseball:** Record: 13-9 - Southern Division Champions.

**All Berkshire**

Adam Wade

**Golf:** Record: 13-3

**Softball:** Record: 12-9  
*All Berkshire*  
 Erin McDarby  
 Chrissy Humason

**Girls Soccer:** Record: 14-4 - Southern Berkshire Champions.  
*All Berkshire*  
 Jessica Arment  
 Lee Skowron  
*All Western MA*  
 Jessica Arment

**Boys Soccer:** Record: 9-6-4 - Southern Berkshire Champions.  
*All Berkshire*  
 Matt Naventi  
 Isaiah Schwerin  
*All Southern Berkshire*  
 Justin Desmond  
 Nick Packard  
 Jon Walker

**Football:** Record: 6-3  
*All Berkshire*  
 Mark Broderick  
 Shane Clark  
 Brent Danis  
 Dave Height  
 Ryan Lucy  
 Matt Ranzoni  
 Ben Tyer  
*All Western MA*  
 Brent Danis  
 Ryan Lucy  
 Ben Tyer

*Respectfully submitted,*

Richard T. Salinetti  
*Principal*

## *LEE CENTRAL SCHOOL*

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

There were a number of changes in the staff for the 1998 calendar year. Mrs. Mary Morrissey, Mrs. Dorinda Moffatt, and Mr. George Bushika retired after many years of outstanding service to the school district. Ms. Robin Sidman resigned to accept a position in Maryland. Ms. Christine Ibert took a position in New York and Mr. Dan Sullivan resigned to accept a position in Connecticut. Mr. William Chisholm transferred to Lee High School after twenty-five years at LCS. Mrs. Diane Cinella transferred to Lee High School after fifteen years as the school nurse at LCS. Mrs. Diane Naventi replaced Mrs. Diane Cinella as our school nurse. Mr. Brian Baker and Ms. Julie Young joined the staff as fourth grade teachers. Ms. Candice Killion, Mr. Matt Ostrander and Mr. Paul Monachina are the new eighth grade teachers. Ms. Lisa Witkop joined the seventh grade staff. Ms. Jane Bernasconi changed from fourth grade to fifth grade. Mr. Thomas Nadolny is the new Coordinator of Discipline. Ms. Sue Horsford is the new Chapter I teacher. Ms. Jennifer Bach and Mrs. Christine Adasiewicz joined the staff as special education teachers. Mr. Mark Navin, Mrs. Linda Wilcox, Ms. Alice VanDeusen, Ms. Diana Ghi and Mrs. Wendy Lampro are working in the special education department. Mrs. Kathy Griffin, Mrs. Melissa Kelly, Mrs. Cynthia Coty, and Mrs. Diane Belliveau are working on the playground and in the cafeteria at noontime. Mrs. Cathy Stauffer is the new Director of Special Education and is housed at Lee Central School.

The enrollment in grades Pre-kindergarten through 8 of Lee Central School as of October 1, 1998 was 586 students. This enrollment hasn't changed significantly over the past few years. The largest class in the school was the seventh grade, which had 88 students. The second largest is the eighth grade with 80 students.

The staff at Lee Central spent many hours discussing and providing information for the feasibility study to determine the facility needs for the Lee Public Schools. The feasibility study recommended a new Pre-kindergarten through Grade 6 school at the Lee High School site. The study also recommended renovating the high school and constructing an addition to the high school for students in grades seven and eight. The citizens of Lee considered this recommendation.

The Lee School Council was very active during 1998. The Council which consists of five community and four staff members and met once each month. The School Council developed goals and implementation plans in order to involve the parents more in the management of the school. The council members include Mary Laflamme, Marylou Antoniazzi, Neil Clarke, Karen Consolati, Paula Duhon, Robert Hotchkiss, Sue Stevens, Michael Bullock, and Ray Grogan.

One of the goals of the School Improvement Plan of the School Council was "to provide an accommodating physical plant (cleanliness)". A committee of citizens and staff members was formed to study the existing physical plant and make recommendations for improvement. One of the recommendations was to have a work volunteer day to clean, paint and repair the school. For the second straight year, under the leadership of Marylou Antoniazzi, community and staff members made major improvements at the school on Saturday, March 28.



Fourth and eighth grade students participated in the new state testing program in language arts, math, and science and technology. Results of the tests revealed that fourth graders from LCS were well above the state average and eighth graders were at the state average.

The music program at Lee Central School remained active during 1998. The program currently maintains a Beginner Band (mostly fifth graders), Sixth Grade Band, Junior High Concert Band (7th & 8th graders), and a Junior High Jazz Band (grades 6-8). There are currently 135 students enrolled in the instrumental music program in grades 5-8. This year, five students auditioned for the Massachusetts Music Educators Western District Music Festival Band. Out of the five students, four were accepted to the District Band! Students from Central School also participated in the University of Massachusetts Youth Wind Ensemble. This is an organization for advanced music students from around the state, Vermont, and New Hampshire who gather weekly at the University for rehearsals. Both of the above mentioned organizations require students to audition for acceptance and placement in the ensembles.

The Central School Junior High Concert Band attended the Great East Music Festival in Agawam this past May. The band performed three pieces for adjudicators who scored our performance and then rated the organization based on the quality of the performance. This year the Central School Band received a Silver Rating for an excellent ensemble. Our awards are proudly on display in the Central School lobby near the main office.

The band continues to hold many concerts throughout the school year. This year a Halloween Concert was added to our already busy schedule. The bands also performed at the Founders' Day Parade, the Memorial Day Parade, the Winter, March and Spring Concerts, and the Spring Recital.

The Summer Music Program employed 6 teachers and involved 63 students this August. Students have the option of enrolling in half-hour, forty-five minute or hour-long private lessons. Students can also join our summer jazz ensemble that meets on the evenings of lessons with a small concert at the end of the program. We had 34 students involved in the Jazz Band and our Advanced Jazz Band. It was a very successful program.

The library continues to be the heart of the school. During the 1997-98 school year, the Lee Central School Library had a circulation of 20,558, an increase of 3,848 books over the preceding year. That was an average of 125 per day. The Accelerated Reader Program, a motivational promotion for 2nd grade, teachers and parent emphasis on reading, has encouraged our students to read. Students took 10,158 Accelerated Reader tests in the library on books they had read. An average of 63 tests were taken each day the library was open.

We now have five on-line computers for student use in the library with access to the Internet and CD-ROM capability. Two computers with CD-ROM capability are available for checkout by teachers for classroom use.

The PTO continued to sponsor outstanding programs for the students at Lee Central School. The PTO ran the Santa's Workshop, roller-skating parties, family fun nights, book fairs, and special programs/assemblies. David Grover was a big hit once again with our students when he presented his special program in December. The PTO also provided field trips for all of our students. The support from the PTO was a very important factor in providing a quality educational program for the students at Lee Central School.

The fifth annual Community Reading Day was held in March. Many community members came to Lee Central School and read to the students. The program was very successful. Forty-one students in grades eight and seven staff members visited Washington, D.C. for three days in May. The students visited many historical sites including the U.S. Capitol, the White House, Smithsonian Institute, Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial, and Arlington Cemetery. The trip was very educational and successful.

The staff at Lee Central School would like to thank Superintendent Henry Zukowski, the Lee School Committee, Lee School Council, and the citizens of Lee for their continued support of the Lee Public Schools.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Raymond Grogan  
*Principal*

**LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
*June 30, 1998*

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>TRANSFERS</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
School Committee	17,800.00	397.16	18,197.16	
Superintendent's Office	133,456.00	1,455.53	134,911.53	
Transportation	144,900.00	.00	144,900.00	
Fixed Charges	7,375.00	(2,595.00)	4,780.00	
Supervisory	183,707.00	573.40	184,280.40	
Adult Services	2,925.00	.00	2,925.00	
Principal's Office	219,826.00	3,268.67	223,094.67	
Instruction	2,911,066.00	(44,399.62)	2,866,621.38	45.00
Other Services	192,993.00	(4,159.22)	188,833.78	
Maintenance	399,888.00	3,796.47	397,228.94	6,455.53
Acquisition/Replacement of Equipment	39,337.00	410.66	39,747.66	
Programs With Others	64,532.00	(20,758.30)	43,773.70	
Special Education	<u>793,330.00</u>	<u>62,010.25</u>	<u>855,314.69</u>	
<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>	<b><u>\$5,111,135.00</u></b>	<b><u>.00</u></b>	<b><u>5,104,608.91</u></b>	<b><u>6,529.09*</u></b>

\* \$6,500.53 was encumbered for salaries.  
\$25.56 was returned to the Town of Lee.

**LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
*December 31, 1998*

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
School Committee	19,250.00	10,563.17	8,686.83
Superintendent's Office	144,312.00	74,166.31	70,145.69
Transportation	144,900.00	57,960.00	86,940.00
Fixed Charges	7,375.00	4,760.00	2,615.00
Supervisory	194,695.00	81,025.86	113,669.14
Adult Services	3,000.00	.00	3,000.00
Principal's Office	229,401.00	120,798.47	108,602.53
Instruction	3,060,630.00	1,141,958.44	1,918,671.56
Other Services	195,494.00	65,563.87	129,930.13
Maintenance	401,303.00	205,619.00	195,684.00
Acquisition/Replacement of Equipment	34,292.00	8,138.84	26,153.16
Programs With Others	55,252.00	20,876.42	34,375.58
Special Education	<u>903,232.00</u>	<u>413,397.63</u>	<u>489,834.37</u>
<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>	<b><u>5,393,136.00</u></b>	<b><u>2,204,828.01</u></b>	<b><u>3,188,307.99</u></b>

**LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**  
**GRANTS & REVOLVING ACCOUNTS**  
*December 31, 1998*

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>EXPENDED &amp; ENCUMBERED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
<b>GRANTS</b>			
Title I	77,695.00	22,290.83	55,404.17
Title VI	2,450.00	277.00	2,173.00
SPED 94-142	103,680.00	34,879.68	68,800.32
SPED Curr. Frameworks	3,941.00	210.00	3,731.00
Drug Free	5,417.00	2,289.71	3,127.29
Teacher Training Math/Sci.	4,568.25 *	1,128.56	3,439.69
SPED Early Childhood	14,216.00	3,212.57	11,003.43
BTEP - Summer Program	10,483.54 *	7,665.82	2,817.72
Adult Basic Ed	45,585.00	23,078.23	22,506.77
Health Services Project	19,721.00	2,779.17	16,941.83
Goals 2000	35,000.00	8,450.00	26,550.00
PALMS	1,597.00	.00	1,597.00
Safe Schools	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00
Essential Skills Dropout	2,328.00	250.00	2,078.00
Tech. Training/Prof.Dev.	13,635.00	.00	13,635.00
 <b>REVOLVING ACCOUNTS</b>			
Adult Evening	14,030.92 *	11,258.72	2,772.20
Athletics	16,165.65 *	1,085.62	15,080.03
Industrial Arts: - High School	785.45 *	257.94	527.51
- Elementary	2,153.02 *	872.28	1,280.74
Greenhouse	1,781.81 *	50.40	1,731.41
Band	478.35 *	.00	478.35
Drama-Elem.	610.00 *	.00	610.00
Drama-H.S.	7,697.36 *	2,288.08	5,409.28
Lost Book	2,019.28 *	369.57	1,649.71
School Choice	382,947.31 *	58,152.05	324,795.26
Cable Revolving	60.25 *	.00	60.25
Reading	.63 *	.00	.63
Tennis	1,324.76 *	.00	1,324.76
Student Fund	12,491.10 *	7,267.88	5,223.22
Preschool	344.44 *	.00	344.44
Berkshire Alliance	37,774.37 *	16,276.97	21,497.40
National Honor	395.86	250.00	145.86
Mobil Revolving	500.00	63.00	437.00
Renaissance	989.89	.00	989.89
Cafeteria	95,929.40 *	91,442.44	4,486.96
 <b>TOTALS</b>	 <u>920,796.64</u>	 <u>296,146.52</u>	 <u>624,650.12</u>

\* The appropriated balance reflects the balance carried forward from the prior fiscal year, plus the receipts that have been received through the end of December.

**SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Oil Storage Tank Removal	75,000.00	48,774.00	26,226.00
Computer Lab	75,000.00	54,611.70	20,388.30
Central School Playground	1,216.52	1,216.52	.00

## ***SCHOOL HEALTH REPORT***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

1998 started with the promise of many changes. In March, the nurse at the high school, Mrs. Joan Piacquadio, retired after many years of dedicated service to the students of Lee. Her knowledge and understanding helped her to assist her students to make wise decisions concerning their health.

She was instrumental in the planning of the school-based clinic, one of the first in this part of the state. Her students and fellow staff members will miss her.

Diane Cinella moved from Lee Central School to the high school and Diane Naventi began the year at Lee Central School. Mrs. Naventi comes to Lee Central with twenty-two years experience in hospital nursing, mainly in pediatrics and obstetric nursing. She is a welcome addition to the staff.

The state of Massachusetts has mandated many new immunizations. They include the new chicken pox vaccine, or varicella, which is now required in preschool but will be required in Kindergarten and grade 7 in 1999. Hepatitis B is now required in Pre-K through grade 2, but beginning in 1999 it will be required in grade 7 as well. A tetanus booster will be given in grade 7 if the student has not had a tetanus booster within five years.

Dr. Robert Wespiser, the school physician and the nurses work hard to keep all the students up-to-date on their immunizations. Several times a year, clinics are held to update the students. These clinics are free to all of our students.

The Health Trac Clinic is in its 6th year and continues to help many students with their health problems. A special thank you goes to the doctors, physicians assistant and nurse practitioners who staff the clinic. They are Dr. Siobhan McNally, Dr. Thomas Consolati, Dr. Michael Kaplan, Dr. Robert Wespiser, Terri Ribadeneyra and Anne Hutchinson. Their patient and caring support to the students who go to the clinic has been wonderful.

The clinic is held every Wednesday from 8:40 a.m.-11 a.m. with one-half of the time being spent at the high school and the other half at Lee Central School. Every year, the nurses must do certain mandated procedures. The following were done this year: hearing and vision with follow-up, postural screening in grades 5-9, health histories in grade 4, heights & weights in grades K-4-6-8-11, and immunization programs for all who needed updates.

Other programs that are done are as follows: LAMO in grades 1-6, Fluoride Rinse Program in grades 1-8, Kindergarten screening, flu clinic and tuberculosis screening for employees, student assistance meeting, core meetings and home visits when necessary.

We would like to thank all of those people who help to make our health programs work.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

Diane Cinella, R.N.  
Diane Naventi R.N.

## **LEE YOUTH ASSOCIATION**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Lee Youth Association (LYA) is in its eighteenth year of providing services for the young people and families of Lee and South County.

Most of the town's youth participate in a variety of activities and programs made available by the LYA as well as a yearly summer playground program provided by the town. We offer programs in recreation, social development, arts and crafts, and career training. For adults, we have adult recreation and reasonable alternatives for day-care. The LYA is an affiliate of Girls, Inc., and we offer girls programs to improve self-esteem and self-confidence, develop career awareness, increase sensitivity to others and increase community involvement.

For the past ten years the LYA has offered a state licensed after-school program for kindergarten, first and second grade children now under the coordination of Bonnie Morrison. Now in its sixth year, the LYA offers a state licensed pre-school for children 2 years, 9 months to 5 years. As a result of a Department of Education grant, the LYA is able to offer pre-school at a guaranteed sliding fee scale determined strictly by income. Many older children take advantage of the after-school drop in program, or our early morning wake-up program.

Athletic activities have always been an important part of the Lee community. The LYA runs all community basketball under the direction of Bob Daley as League Coordinator. This league serves over two hundred youths in grades fifth through eight, and another one hundred kindergarten through fourth graders participate in our biddy- and mini-basketball programs. Our gymnastics program has now grown to over one hundred young people, and is most successful, as is our biddy-baseball program serving 120 children.

Other important programs and activities offered through the LYA are an Under-Five Club, where pre-school children and parents socially interact with each other, and our summer day camp.

The LYA has been able to continue the Latino Advocacy Program as a result of aid from the Berkshire United Way and other sources.

The LYA Social Adjustment Counselor programs work closely with Lee Central School in an effort to help children at risk and their families adjust and work out problems that effect children at school, the LYA, and at home. This program is coordinated by Carleen Johnson.

We would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Lee School Committee, School Administrators and faculty, and the residents and businesses of the Town of Lee. We would especially like to thank the Berkshire United Way, Catholic Stewardship, Lee Kiwanis, Kimberly Clark, Mead Corporation, Kay-Bee Toys, Berkshire Century Cable, The Toole Agency, Mr. William Noonan, and all those who help make the LYA Annual Appeal a great success. Without this support, many programs would not be possible.

*Respectfully submitted,*

David Canterbury  
**Executive Director**  
L.Y.A. Board of Directors

## ***PLANNING BOARD***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the year January 1, 1998, to December 31, 1998, the Lee Planning Board acted upon eleven (11) Form A Applications (Plans Not Requiring Approval under the Subdivision Control Law), nine were approved and two were continued. The Board also made decisions concerning five (5) Special Permit Applications; a sixth Application for Special Permit was withdrawn without prejudice. The Planning Board reviewed all applications for permanent signs. Several site plans were also brought before the Board for hearing and comment.

Flank Consolati presented a Preliminary Subdivision Plan (Form B) for an extension of Consolati Heights entitled, "Via Bondi" followed with a Definitive Plan (Form C) which was approved under covenant on September 21, 1998.

There were several amendments to the Town of Lee Zoning By-law during the year. A change to the Table of Dimensional Requirements from a 2 1/2 story, 35 foot height limitation to 3 stories, 35 feet for Resort construction only in the CR zone was approved by the Planning Board December 7, 1998. The proposed rezoning from Conservation - "Residential CR", from "Rural Business RB", and from "Industrial 1" to "Residential R-20" of the lots fronting on Pine Street, Willow Street and Meadow Street and bounded on the north by the Housatonic River. approved by Town vote on May 14, 1998. The proposed additions to Section 1-Definitions dealing with Wireless Communication Facilities and Services and the addition of a Section detailing the regulations or Wireless Communications Facilities and Services approved by Town vote on May 14, 1998. Also, on May 14, 1998, the Town approved an addition to Section 1-Definitions of Dwelling, Multiple, Conversion and added Multiple dwelling conversion by special permit from the Board of Selectmen to Section 3.1,1 (h) Residential Districts (R-20, R-30) and Section 3.5,1(f) Conservation-Residential District (CR).

The Planning Board reluctantly accepted the resignations of Rob Zeif, effective as of June 16, 1998, Patricia Carlino, effective June 26, 1998 and Ronald Smith, Associate Member, effective October 5, 1998. The Board recommended William Russell to replace Patricia Carlino and William Roche to replace Robert Zeif as the new members of the Planning Board. The Planning Board welcomed Bill Tyer who was elected in May to serve on the Board and Matthew Carty who was appointed to serve as an Associate Member.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Aldo Pascucci, ***Chairman***  
Robert Birch  
Bill Tyer  
Robert Zeif  
Patricia Carlino  
Ronald Smith, ***Associate***

## ***SANDY BEACH COMMITTEE***

(Dedicated to the Memory of David Dobson)

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Our beach started up in mid-May with the arrival of the Lee Kiwanis, who brought their tools and their teamwork to a post-winter cleanup. As usual, the work was well performed while a good time was had by all. Next a work crew from the House of Correction arrived to do the heavy labor required to prepare the beach for public use. On their last day we celebrated with a cookout. The inmates enjoyed the short respite from their work and the chance to have a few treats. In turn we appreciated their dedication to the job.

On opening day, the last day of school, the weather was fine. There was a grand turnout of kids celebrating the start of summer. Their laughter was counterpointed by sad news. Col. H. George Wilde of High Lawn Farm, benefactor of Sandy Beach, had died the evening before. He and his wife (who predeceased him) had generously allowed the townspeople of Lee to use their land for over half a century. The Beach Committee regretted the passing of both of these benevolent people and held a bon-fire in their honor at the beach. The heirs later notified us that their parents' generous seasonal loan of the property would continue. The entire town was grateful for the good news.

Countering a rash of serious vandalism was our most difficult challenge during the summer. We lost five adirondack chairs, three benches, one picnic table and valuable plants. Three other chairs were damaged. The furniture had been burned at night after the beach had closed. Indications were that the perpetrators were from out of town. Twice the damage had occurred after large concerts at Tanglewood. The police were notified and given extra keys to the gate. A citizen watch was set up. By August the problem had come under control, but the loss of the furniture hurt our psyches and the budget.

Our returning lifeguards were Steve Laurin, who was welcomed back for his tenth year, Kathy Maroney-Wilson, the outstanding director of our swim program, and Greg Krupka, in his third year. New guards hired were: Jessica Carroll, Mike George, Scott Wall, Meaghan Morrison and Adam Rousseau. We were grateful that, as in the past, there were no major accidents during the summer.

The beach continues to be popular, sometimes to the point of overcrowding on weekends when the weather is very hot. Three years ago we reluctantly had to change our many-years-old policy of "open to the Public" to "Lee Residents only". But the notice is sometimes ignored. We have placed a call to the City of Pittsfield, to discuss when their beach restoration will be complete, for it appears that some of the beach users are residents of Pittsfield. Perhaps when their new beach is up and running, crowded conditions here will abate.

Our Beach Committee worked hard over the summer. Key communicator was Linda Cysz, who typed beach notes, disseminated them and kept town hall informed about beach business. In August we appointed Dale Dedrick to the committee, and he has proved to be a most valuable asset. In late autumn, we received a terrible shock. Committee member Dave Dobson died suddenly of natural causes while hunting in South County. Dave was famous for never saying no to any beach task, no matter how burdensome. He was even more famous for making beach work so much fun. We



miss him daily. His close friend, member Bill Abderhalden, has suggested we install a permanent memorial (perhaps a bench) at the beach in his memory. It sounds like an excellent idea.

Our thanks to townspeople who have helped us out with work offers, donations, materials, or have offered fine suggestions; to Lee officials and representatives, town workers and local stores; and to Divers of Western New England, Schweitzer-Mauduit, and the Wilde family of High Lawn farm for another gratifying season.

We're sorry that death has touched our small beach twice, but are hopeful that the giving spirit of those who died will inspire others to unselfishly fill the void.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Deidre Consolati, *Chair*

***Beach Committee Members:***

Linda Cysz

Bill Abderhalden

Dave Babcock

Dale Dedrick

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***VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES***

**Appropriations:**

Veterans' Benefits	\$ 26,964.58
75% Returned from State	\$ 20,223.44
Cost to Town of Lee	\$ 6,741.14

The case load of the office of Veterans' services has been relatively constant for the last 2 years. The primary need for benefits has centered around the need of veterans who've been sidelined by an accident or sudden illness. Veterans' Benefits are only a temporary assistance until another source of income is awarded. All resources of financial assistance are always made available to veterans who come in contact with this office.

Copies of discharge papers seem to be the most requested document needed by veterans. In most cases a phone call to the War Records Department in Boston is usually most successful and within 48 hours a copy of the record is received.

An annuity benefit of \$1500.00 annually for distinguished veterans and to the parents of distinguished veterans who have their lives has been established this year and is payable twice a year to eligible applicants. You may call the office for additional information regarding this annuity.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Mary Lou Dadak  
***Veterans' Agent***

## ***VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.***

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the services performed in the Town of Lee/South Lee during the calendar year 1998.

### **HOME VISITS**

### **VISITS**

Skilled Nursing	3,559
Physical Therapy	626
Occupational Therapy	156
Speech Therapy	14
Medical Social Work	57
Nutritionist	3
Maternal Child Health	12
Home Health Aide - Visits	3,669
Home Health Aide - Hours	4455.25

**ASSESSMENT VISIT** 0

**HEALTH PROMOTION VISITS/HOME** 3

**SCHOOL NURSING/ST. MARY'S** 117.5 hrs.

### **CLINICS**

### **SESSIONS**

### **ATTENDANCE**

Blood Pressure	73	910
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Flu/Pneumonia	6	631
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*The following clinics were held at local businesses:*

Toole Agency	1	9
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Boyd Converting	1	13
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Immunization	5	48
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*Other:*

Excercise Class - Founder's Day Weekend	1	
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Diabetes Clinic at Berkshire Outlet Village	1	
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Health Fair at Berkshire Outlet Village	1	
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*Respectfully submitted,*

Paula Schutzmann, RN, MSN, *Executive Director*

Betty Chludzinski, RN, MS, *Associate Director*

**EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN OF LEE**  
**as of December 31, 1998**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Adams, Maryangela	School Aide	6370.05
Adasiewick, Christine L.	Substitute Aide	1,875.24
Alderman, Suzanne M.	Secretary B of S/TA	21,042.16
	Interdepart Secretary	28.75
Allen, John E.	Cafeteria Director	20,139.14
Anderson, Peter D.	School Custodian	33,168.98
Arment, Christine M.	Substitute Teacher	90.00
Arment, Kathleen	Assessor's Clerk	14,259.10
	Dispatcher	3,159.28
Bach, Jennifer A.	Substitute Teacher	2,319.59
Baczek, Glenda L.	Cafeteria Cook	9,611.04
Bailèy, James	Fire Department	704.52
Bailey, Kate M.	Dispatcher	21,624.19
Bailey, Sharon A.	Substitute Aide	3,827.80
Baker, Brian J.	Elementary Teacher	11,080.58
Baker, Susan W.	High School Secretary	24,852.43
Barrett, Kathy M.	Adult Education	1,800.00
Bartini, William J.	Police Officer	51,216.51
	Police Outside Details	3,075.50
Baumann, Eleanor	Asst. Collector	23,528.55
Belba, Michael L.	Tutor	222.50
Belknap, Paul H.	Elementary Teacher	44,431.23
Bellahcene, Tara E.	Substitute Teacher	90.00
Belliveau, Dianne C.	Aide	1,135.50
Bergendahl, Marlene R.	Substitute Teacher	50.00
Bernasconi, Jane D.	Elementary Teacher	49,263.00
Bettega, Maria	Election Worker	165.00
Bianco, Diana M.	Cafeteria	8,115.93
Bianco, Timothy	Asst. Water Operator	28,761.85
Birch, Dolores W.	Elementary Librarian	42,314.95
Birch, Robert W.	Substitute Teacher	39.00
Bissell, Beverly L.	Aide	11,382.93
Bookless, Max I.	Tri-Town Health**	13,387.20
Bort, Joanna	Substitute Teacher	220.00
Bort, Kathleen	Dean of Students	62,916.58
Borucka-Gurdek, Maria	Substitute Teacher	50.00
Bourdon, William L.	SPED/Guidance	40,254.36
Bowers, David	Election Worker	85.00
Braim, James F.	Engineering Intern	2,945.00
Brasee, Jerry S.	Janitor	13,515.22
Brazee, Marie E.	Substitute Teacher	41.00
Briggs, Edward M.	Assessor	2,400.00
Briggs, J. Todd	Police Officer	47,149.49
	Police Outside Details	11,952.50

Briggs, Madeline L.	Tri-Town Health**	14,608.46
Brinton, Mary K.	Substitute Teacher	880.09
Broderick, Amy L.	Substitute Teacher	34.92
Broderick, Pamela J.	Cafeteria	8,998.98
Brouker, Cynthia	Aide/Teacher	14,567.51
Brown, Mary Beth	Aide	10,988.24
Brown, Maryann	Substitute Teacher	90.00
Brown, Robin	Substitute Nurse	50.00
Browne, Kenneth	ESL Tutor	5,685.00
Browne, Mary T.	Adult Ed. Inst.	7,275.00
Brozowski, Diana	Substitute Teacher	17.60
Bruce, Donna J.	Soccer Coach	2,720.00
Buffis, Joseph	Sergeant	53,259.37
Buffoni, Everett	Water Dept.	2,362.00
Buker, Judith A.	Cafeteria	9,371.69
Buker, Richard A.	SPED Aide Substitute	39.90
Buratto, Karen L.	Aide	10,912.97
Burke, Kerry A.	H.S. Teacher	49,296.33
Bushika, George T.	Elementary Teacher	37,364.92
Butterworth, Amy	Substitute Teacher	45.00
Cade, Deborah	Substitute Teacher	1,625.00
Cahalan, Gerald	Sealer Weights/Meas	1,973.50
Cahalan, Judy A.	Substitute Aide	1,346.65
Caimano, Nicholas F.	H.S. Teacher	49,132.21
Carlino, Patricia D.	Selectman	1,298.30
	Treasurer	1,413.60
	Town Clerk	966.92
Carolan, Denise	Substitute Aide	89.78
Carroll, Jessica L.	Lifeguard	2,554.30
Carty Frances	Adult Education	9,390.00
Celli, Monica	Art Teacher	30,785.58
Celli, Richard P.	Police Outside Details	1,120.00
Cernik, Larry F.	Dispatcher	14,635.48
Chester, Donald A.	DPW Superintendent	46,151.79
Chisholm, Daniel	Substitute Teacher	45.00
Chisholm, William P. Jr.	H.S. Guidance	51,043.55
Cinella, Chris	Substitute Teacher	548.03
Cinella, Mary D.	H.S. Nurse	31,455.65
Cinella, Peter	Substitute Teacher	250.00
Cinella, Thomas F.	H.S. Teacher	55,543.80
Cinkala, Melinda	Substitute Teacher	50.00
Clark, Chanel Barbara	Elementary Teacher	49,103.00
Clark, Marion	Aide	131.18
Clarke, Neil F.	Elementary Teacher	49,463.00
Cohen, Rosalyn A.	Elementary Teacher	48,463.00
Cole, Janine	Substitute Teacher	135.00
Collins, Bernard	Animal Inspector	1,500.00
Comalli, Norma	Tennis Coach	1,600.00
Consolati, Frank	Election Worker	105.00
Consolati, Sandra	Aide	9,704.51

Consolati, Steven	Football Coach	2,700.00
Conway, Kristin	Cafeteria Substitute	200.07
Coons, Christine	Chemistry Teacher	35,916.85
Coons, Jeffrey R.	Reserve Police Officer	1,310.88
Coty, Cynthia	Playground Aide	3,298.46
Coughlin, Marisa	ESL	7,870.00
Cousineau, Chris J.	Substitute Teacher	747.50
Cozzaglio, Sandra	Election Worker	350.00
	Aide	9,348.00
Cozzaglio, Stephen	Adult Education	1,200.00
	Constable	64.00
Crochiere, Susan M.	Substitute Teacher	479.30
Crosby, Polly	Teacher/Evening	500.00
Cummings, Nancy C.	Substitute Aide	10,806.18
Curry, Robin	H.S. Teacher	37,215.00
Curtin, John N.	Highway/Cemetery	30,865.00
Curtin, Lori	Substitute Teacher	301.25
Dadak, Mary Lou	Accountant	25,633.91
	Veterans' Agent	3,635.46
Daley, Letisha	Aide	3,030.74
Daley, Margaret	Substitute Nurse	100.00
Daley, Nelson L.	Selectman	2,100.00
Danis, Mary Jo	Aide	5,277.04
Daoust, Stanley	Athletics	100.00
	Highway/Cemetery	33,825.85
	Reserve Police Officer	4,679.25
Darbe, Anne	Election Worker	30.00
Davis, Christine	Elementary Teacher	37,244.00
Delorme, Dayton	Assessor	2,400.00
DelSolato, Sheila	Aide	43.23
Deming, Evelyn B.	Elementary SPED Aide	15,015.57
Derrick, William	Assessor	2,400.00
DeSantis, Craig W.	Police Officer	47,438.46
	Police Outside Details	7,623.50
DeVarennes, Kathleen	Elementary Teacher	38,728.71
DeVarennes, Kelly	Elementary Teacher	23,344.89
Dignard, Sara	Substitute Teacher	45.00
DiGrigoli, Bertha	Superintendent's Secretary***	22,763.92
DiGrigoli, Sharon	Substitute Teacher	1,033.23
DiGrigoli, Terri	SPED Aide Substitute	189.53
DiMario, Amy E.	Substitute Nurse	50.00
Disimoni, Anthony	Election Worker	95.00
Dobson, Fale	Dispatcher	298.50
Doherty, Kelly	Substitute Teacher	180.00
Doherty, Mary A.	Elementary Teacher	48,763.00
Drawec, Patricia	Elementary Teacher	31,216.74
Driscoll, Richard	2nd Asst. Fire Chief	750.48
Driscoll, Ronald	Fire Chief	3,574.44
Drumm, Edward B.	Custodian	6,806.14
Dube, John E.	Truck Driver/Laborer	30,979.03

Duffy, Alex D.	Substitute Teacher	49.28
Duhon, Paula	Elementary SPED Teacher	34,294.79
Duquette, David	H.S. Teacher	48,101.57
Duquette, Judith	Aide	3,880.22
Euchler, John D.	H.S. Teacher	26,074.88
Failla, Kathleen A.	Guidance Secretary	22,380.07
Farina, John A.	Police Officer	43,601.77
	Police Outside Details	464.00
Farley-Turner, Sue	Title I Teacher	26,935.20
Farrell, Patrice M.	Substitute Teacher	350.00
Feldman, Patricia C.	Music/Choral	16,948.90
Ferrero, Diane M.	H.S. Teacher	49,008.45
Ferrin, Jeffrey	Part-time EMT	5,632.00
Ferrin, Tara	Dispatcher	543.70
Fillio, Donald	Registrar/Election Wkr	350.00
Fitzhugh, Maryann	Elementary SPED Teacher	48,463.00
Folyd, Susan M.	Speech Teacher	37,196.57
Ford, Myron A.	Laborer	11,678.91
Ford, Richard S.	Fire Department	1,226.88
Forget, Nancy L.	Elementary SPED Teacher	48,463.00
Forrest, Mary Anne	Cafeteria	8,100.00
Forshee, Dennis B.	Constable	92.00
Fournier-Jourdain, Kelly	Adult Education	12,380.00
Fresia, Thomas	Election Worker	450.00
Fromm, Maryjane	H.S. Librarian	7,946.62
Furgal Audrey Jo	Conservation Comm Clerk	1,068.78
Gagne, Karen R.	Substitute Teacher	300.00
Gagnon, Jessica M.	Elementary Teacher	23,891.40
Gale, Sarah	Tutor	159.60
Gaul, Diane M.	Election Worker	30.00
Gelpi, Donald G.	Custodian	31,595.12
George, Michael S.	Lifeguard	2,502.72
Ghi, Diana	Aide	49.88
Giarolo, Paul M.	Fire Department	906.20
Giarolo, Robert A.	Reserve Police Officer	313.50
	Police Outside Details	784.00
Glidden, Ronald C.	Police Chief	51,831.04
Goldman, Mardi A.	Bus Driver	320.00
Gormalley, Marie	Elementary Teacher	42,517.00
Grady, Charles F.	Wiring Inspector	4,669.00
Gralla, James D.	Career Coordinator	61,487.35
Gralla, Karen C.	Tutor	600.00
Gray, Patricia	Elementary Clerk	17,386.58
Graziola, Estelle	French/Spanish Teacher	21,435.00
Griffen, Kathleen B.	Aide	1,428.40
Grogan, W. Raymond	Principal	60,007.66
Guinan, Susan	Substitute Nurse	50.00
Hall, Joshua	Babysitter	735.00
Hall, Kathleen	H.S. Teacher	53,057.85
Hall, Lois	SPED Aide Substitute	635.43

Handberg, Edward M.	Beach Maintenance	2,562.00
Hanson, Elizabeth	Substitute Teacher	3,457.83
Haven Cynthia S.	Adult Education	700.00
Hawley, Adele	Elementary Teacher	40,926.00
Hawley, Meghann	Substitute Teacher	122.50
Heath, Corey	Reserve Police Officer	152.00
	Police Outside Details	4,276.00
Heath, Sharon	Substitute Teacher	1,866.46
Hebert, Alan	Substitute Teacher	105.00
Hickely, Madeline	Election Worker	714.00
Hickey, Leslie	Kindergarten Aide	6,100.28
Hickey, Timothy	H.S. SPED Teacher	45,887.70
Hitchcock, David	Truck Driver/Laborer	32,301.18
Hitchcock, Kaye R.	Home Economics Teacher	34,845.36
Hodgkins, Christopher	Moderator	150.00
Holian, Patrick	Reserve Police Officer	437.00
	Police Outside Details	2,572.50
	Business Coordinator***	28,672.48
Holmes, Deborah	Substitute Teacher	45.00
Horsford, Jesse	Substitute Teacher	6,202.11
Horsford, Susan	Elementary Teacher	48,763.00
Hotchkiss, Claire	Elementary Teacher	49,083.00
Hotchkiss, Robert	H.S. Teacher	52,189.66
Hungate, Robert	Fire Department	169.00
Hunt, James E.	Aide	1,960.09
Hutchinson, Patricia	Teacher	19,643.07
Ibert, Christine	Substitute Teacher	112.50
Impoco, Gina	Janitor	8,638.52
Ingegner, George F.	Gas/Plumbing Insp.	9,803.32
Jakacky, Paul	SPED Teacher	13,829.85
Jeffreys, Joanna M.	Aide	9,820.17
John, Rose M.	Teacher/Evening	750.00
Johnson, Carleen	Custodian	32,045.30
Jones, John P.	Bus Driver	2,320.00
Kalenbeck, Louis	Police Outside Details	4,098.25
Kasprzak, Thomas C.	Building Inspector	32,811.01
Keenan, Daniel C.	Treasurer	19,027.11
Kelley, Susan	Board of Health	170.00
Kellogg, Barry	Highway Supervisor	37,295.18
Kelly, Dennis E.	Aide	1,303.42
Kelly, Melissa	Fire Department	655.00
Kelly, Michael J.	Substitute Teacher	135.00
Kennedy, Maureen	Substitute Teacher	574.91
Kennedy, Shaun P.	Elementary Teacher	39,886.00
Ketchum, Lucille N.	Custodian	5,559.56
Killackey, Charles	Teacher	11,132.55
Killion, Candice M.	Music Teacher	46,642.16
Koch, Cynthia J.	Police Officer	56,690.98
Kohlenberger, Adrian	Police Outside Details	1,012.00
	Tri-Town Health Director**	43,168.63
Kolodziej, Peter		

Kosberg, Jay	Substitute Teacher	630.00
Kowalczyk, Tina M.	Substitute Teacher	211.20
Kresiak, Donna M.	SPED Aide	12,354.87
Kresiak, Gladys	Election Worker	95.00
Kresiak, Ryan C.	Reserve Police Officer	4,372.50
	Police Outside Details	14,715.25
Krupka, Gregory	Lifeguard	1,530.23
Krzanik, Scott B.	Tri-Town Health**	27,182.94
Kuhn, Camie C.	Cafeteria Substitute	61.56
LaBier, Kenneth J.	Chief Sewer Plant Oper	33,377.18
	Ambulance Director	4,500.00
LaFamme, Mary E.	Substitute Aide	316.00
LaGarce, Marjorie J.	Elementary Teacher	39,786.00
Lagerwall, Glenn E.	Police Outside Details	275.50
Lamaglio, Alexander	Elementary Teacher	45,251.35
Lampro, Wendy A.	SPED Aide Substitute	3,795.87
Lamson, Laverne	Library Aide/Substitute	1,102.50
LaPlante, Kerry L.	Substitute Teacher	650.00
Larson, Matthew C.	Truck Driver/Laborer	32,310.26
Laurin, Stephen	Lifeguard	305.30
Lavalley, Marc R.	Cafeteria Substitute	107.73
Leahey, Michelle M.	Substitute Aide	54.86
Lecompte, Ruth	Aide	1,878.90
Lenfest, Carole	Substitute Teacher	180.00
Lenfest, Richard P. Sr.	H.S. P.E. Teacher	52,463.00
Lenti, Marueen	Substitute Teacher	100.00
LePrevost, John C.	Equipment Technician	39,832.14
Lis, David R.	Police Outside Details	224.00
Lohbauer, Robert O.	Substitute Teacher	520.00
Lorance, Bruce G.	H.S. Teacher	57,849.85
Lorance, Trudy S.	Crossing Guard	2,838.66
	Cafeteria	6,245.14
Loring, James A.	Police Officer	45,207.05
	Police Outside Details	448.00
Lunt, Joanne E.	Dispatcher	13,633.44
MacCubbin, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher	135.00
MacFarlane, Marlene	Tri-Town Health**	6,869.50
MacIntosh, Elizabeth A.	Elementary Teacher	39,686.00
Mahoney, Barbara	Substitute Teacher	50.00
Mahoney, Sarah E.	Substitute Teacher	869.50
Maish, Sally L.	H.S. P.E. Teacher	53,841.76
Markowski, Edward M.	Elementary P.E. Teacher	44,259.28
Marks, Deborah	Substitute Teacher	100.00
Maroney Deborah J.	H.S. Home Ec Teacher	50,407.85
Maroney Shelli K.	Cafeteria	4,380.22
Maroney, Norma	Director Council on Aging	19,800.12
Maroney, William	Selectman	801.70
Maroni, James	H.S. Teacher	7,355.00
Martin, Bernice	Dispatcher	22,501.56
Martin, Dan	Reserve Police Officer	1,069.50
	Police Outside Details	1,508.00



Massacani, Catherine R.	Police Secretary	10,791.07
Massacco, Georgia A.	Library Director	38,914.68
McCaffrey, Roxanne P.	Dispatcher	480.48
McCarthy, Frank V.	Election Worker	350.00
McCollum, Rosalie T.	Elementary Secretary	25,212.08
McDonald, Daniel W.	Cemetery Laborer	750.00
McEvoy, Grealaine	SPED Clerk/Typist	22,069.00
Merwin, Neil M.	Custodian	34,794.83
Messana, Jaimy G.	Interdepartment Secretary	6,669.00
Moffatt, Dorinda C.	Elementary Teacher	30,562.72
Monachina, Paul C.	Teacher	8,000.64
Mongeau, Jill M.	Elementary Music Teacher	50,282.45
Moriarty, Laura M.	Aide	9,126.32
Morrison, Meaghan Ann	Lifeguard	1,015.15
Morrissey, Mary	Elementary Teacher	33,498.29
Morrissey, William D.	Election Worker	100.00
Mosca, Jeanne	Chapter I Aide	10,387.38
Mougin, Monica	Substitute Teacher	314.66
Mountain, Dennis	Election Worker	105.00
Muir, Scott M.	Dispatcher	228.30
Murphy, Francis J.	Reserve Police Officer	5,025.00
	Police Outside Details	2,892.75
	Discipline Coordinator	8,000.64
Nadolny, Thomas	Town Administrator	54,000.00
Nason, Robert L.	Substitute Nurse	13,611.65
Naventi, Diane	Aide	5,605.97
Naventi, Michael	Aide	4,291.57
Navin, Mark J.	H.S. Teacher	50,072.80
Nelsen, Cheryl	Cheerleader Adviser	1,600.00
New, Paula	Substitute Teacher	180.00
Nicholas, Marni	SPED Aide	21.25
Nichols, Sarah	Elementary SPED Aide	13,823.87
Noonan, Ethel	Fire Department	339.00
North, Edward	Election Worker	450.00
	Election Worker	150.00
North, Milton G.	Substitute Teacher	400.00
Northrup, Benjamin	Board of Health	170.00
Norton, Karen	Adjustment Counsellor	49,703.00
O'Brien, Erin	Substitute Teacher	45.00
O'Brien, Kelly	Aide	35.91
O'Grady, Ellen M.	Substitute Teacher	3,440.00
O'Herin, Brian C.	Elementary I.A. Teacher	50,140.00
O'Rourke, Philip	Teacher	8,237.07
Ostrander, Matthew	Substitute Teacher	397.91
Palmer, Kelly A.	EMT	22,349.95
Palmer, Kevin F.	Aide	6,924.07
Palmer, Rita M.	Selectman	2,100.00
Pascucci, Aldo V.	Preschool Teacher	29,319.29
Patton, Charlene M.	Tennis Coach	1,600.00
Perry, John T.	Election Worker	100.00
Perry, Rita		

Petersoli, Renette	Cafeteria	6,103.67
Piacquadio, Joan	H.S. Nurse	15,828.01
Plaquet, Linda J.	SPED Aide	229.75
Polidoro, Rosemary	Kindergarten Teacher	49,523.00
Pollard, Pauline	Constable	256.00
Pollard, Pauline	Town Clerk's Office	60.00
Porrini, Paul	Highway/Cemetery	32,821.36
	Reserve Police Officer	7,916.25
	Athletics	300.00
Porrini, Tina	H.S. Cafeteria	2,277.06
Puleri, Frank A.	J.V. Baseball Coach	3,200.00
Puleri, Lisa	Aide	408.98
Puleri, Louis	Custodian	22,405.18
Rafty, Mary C.	SPED Aide	14,740.92
Randolf, Jeanne	French/Spanish	34,711.46
Ranzoni, Paula	Substitute Teacher	135.00
Reilly, John L.	Occupational Education	51,123.00
Reilly, Karen	Substitute Aide	1,461.81
Reynolds, Bruce W.	Fire Department	157.50
Reynolds, Pamela	Librarian	20,547.39
Reynolds, Warren B.	Psychologist	58,524.70
Rhoades, Gail	Cafeteria/Playground	2,705.25
Rhoades, Robert F.	Crossing Guard	4,023.00
Riello, Antonio	Highway Laborer	2,310.00
Roche, Kara	Substitute Teacher	134.66
Romeo, Alice A.	Elementary Cafeteria	11,164.44
Roode, Charles L.	Reserve Police Officer	114.00
Roode, Kenneth	Custodian	33,234.66
Rosenberg, Myrna	Substitute Teacher	150.00
Rousseau, Adam C.	Lifeguard	1,003.30
Rummell, Jennifer	Ski Coach	1,600.00
Rydell, Carol Ann	Substitute Teacher	221.11
Salinetti, Michael J.	Asst. Football Coach	1,600.00
Salinetti, Richard	H.S. Principal	73,880.31
Sampson, Linda	Aide	29.93
Santolin, Deborah	Cafeteria	4,804.94
Scarpa, Suzanne M.	Town Clerk/Asst. Town Clk	26,064.07
	Registrar of Voters	550.00
	Asst. Treasurer	96.96
Scheurer, Denise	Substitute Teacher	29.93
Scheurer, Kristen	Substitute Teacher	90.00
Scully, Jerome	Town Counsel	16,440.00
Senter, Charles	House Building Aide	11,968.32
Seward, Mary	Aide	5,011.88
Seward, Stephen W.	Highway Laborer	1,216.00
Shapiro, Florence	Substitute Teacher	45.00
Shea, James L.	Animal Control Officer	9,070.04
Shepardson, Timothy	Highway Laborer	3,372.19
	Asst. Football Coach	5,377.34
Shook, Kim Fromma	Aide	9,383.05

Sidman, Robin	Elementary Teacher	18,921.42
Sinopoli, Jeffica	Substitute Teacher	244.50
Siok, Robert	Substitute Teacher	700.00
Skowron, Allison	Substitute/Tutor	1,695.00
Skowron, Lee-Ann	Lee Youth Assn.	1,320.00
Skowron, Philip	Police Officer	49,636.62
	Police Outside Details	16,443.25
Smachetti, Henry J.	Police Outside Details	10,568.75
Smith, Cynthia	Elementary Teacher	49,803.00
Smith, Janice G.	Collector	31,884.48
Smith, Margaret	Aide	24.94
Somerville, Michael R.	Reserve Police Officer	959.50
	Police Outside Details	10,677.25
Sorrentino, Samuel	Communications Club Adv	1,800.00
Soules, Maureen	Substitute Nurse	150.00
Souza, Richard	Custodian	36,647.47
Sparks, Alan	Deputy Fire Chief	2,714.88
St.Peter, Aniela	Elementary Teacher	49,343.00
Stachowicz, Jeremy	Athletic Coach	2,700.00
Stanton, Lisa A.	Secretary	20,144.19
Starzyk, Alan Max	Chief Water Plant Op	29,828.60
Stauffer, Catherine	H.S. SPED Teacher	58,078.09
Stauffer, Richard Jr.	Elementary Teacher	45,627.71
Stevens, Kelly D.	Substitute Teacher	739.90
Strezynski, Melissa	Aide	8,674.30
Sullivan, Daniel	Elementary Teacher	17,878.00
Sumner, Ginger	Substitute Teacher	50.00
Swindlehurst, William	Teacher	11,453.58
Tart, Richard	Fire Dept. Clerk	684.88
Tatro, Ronald	Reserve Police Officer	617.50
	Police Outside Details	29,288.00
Taylor, Linda L.	Health Teacher	1,007.06
Taylor, Mary-Elizabeth	Elementary Art Teacher	40,524.00
Taylor, Timothy O.	Principal Assessor	37,037.60
Terenzini, Karen	Elementary SPED Teacher	36,226.00
Tharion, Melissa	Bus Driver	1,540.00
Thayer-Touhey, Donna	Substitute Aide	2,983.93
Thomson, Barbara A.	Inspector's Clerk	9,722.16
Tierney William	Police Officer	63,188.69
	Police Outside Details	13,895.25
Tokoly, Norma	Cafeteria Substitute	1,108.66
Toomey, Donna M.	Treasurer's Clerk	1,444.50
Toomey, James	Reserve Police Officer	1,312.49
	Police Outside Details	9,455.50
Tower, Michele	H.S. SPED Teacher	35,125.87
Towne, Sarah	Substitute Teacher	45.00
Trimm, Shirley	Election Worker	65.00
	Cafeteria	44.00
Tyer, Donna M.	Head Dispatcher	28,366.62
	Police Dept.	190.00
VanAlstyne, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher	350.00

VanDeusen, Alice	Substitute Teacher	350.79
Vannah, Barbara	Substitute Teacher	400.00
Vansickle, Susan	H.S. Teacher	49,236.50
Verdi, Elisheva	Substitute Teacher	90.00
Verdi, Mary	H.S. Teacher	29,112.74
Walczak, Eileen	Speech Teacher	22,370.11
Walker, Christine	Elementary SPED Teacher	32,502.20
Wall, Scott P.	Lifeguard	2,243.60
Walsh, Aurelia	Elementary Teacher	43,691.74
Walsh, Carol	Elementary Teacher	41,426.00
Walton, Todd	Substitute Teacher	2,156.25
Warner, Janet E.	Elementary P.E. Teacher	51,305.28
Warner, John T.	Substitute Teacher	90.00
Warywoski, Peter	H.S. Teacher	49,153.00
Weber, Cynthia J.	Interdepartment Secretary	6,501.36
Wellington, Gary S.	Custodian	28,005.20
Wescott, Anna	H.S. Teacher	48,863.00
Wespiser, Robert	Board of Health	170.00
White, Patricia	H.S. Teacher	50,290.70
Whitman, Brian K.	Substitute Teacher	1,610.00
Wilcox, Jeffica	Aide	86.56
Wilcox, Linda	Aide	4,439.44
Williams, Karen M.	H.S. SPED Clerk	13,766.95
Williams, Kay A.	Dispatcher	1,859.30
Williams, Shannon	Substitute Teacher	332.40
Wilson, Kathleen	Lifeguard	772.75
Winters, John	Police Officer	41,981.63
Winters, John	Police Outside Details	7,564.75
Witkop, Lisa	Teacher	5,081.16
Wood, John F.	Athletic Coach	1,600.00
Wood, Robert M.	Reserve Police Officer	3,306.00
	Police Outside Details	5,632.50
Yerrick, Brian L.	Dispatcher	3,069.00
Young, Julie	Teacher	12,049.90
Zatorski, Gary	Fire Department	75.00
Zerbato, Alan J.	Asst. Sewer Plant Oper	29,976.48
Zilinski, Daniel C.	Substitute Teacher	2,158.13
Zink, Corey E.	Aide	3,202.00
Zukowski, Henry T.	School Superintendent***	68,202.34

\* Salaries reflect any overtime, stipends or other compensation paid, excluding benefits, by the town in calendar year 1998

\*\* Tri-Town Health salaries paid by Lee (42%), Lenox (40%) & Stockbridge (18%)

\*\*\* Superintendent's Office paid by Lee (92%) & Tyringham (8%)

Police Outside Details are paid by private concerns, not the Town

# ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

## MAY 14, 1998

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
BERKSHIRE, S.S.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Lee, Greetings:

In the name of said Commonwealth, you are hereby directed to notify all of the inhabitants of the Town of Lee, qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet at the **Lee High School on Thursday, May 13, 1999 at the hour of 7:30 p.m.** in the evening, for the purposes then and there, to take action upon the following Articles, namely:

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES

**ARTICLE 1 - Town Reports.** To receive the reports of the Selectmen, Town Accountant and the other officers, boards, commissions and committees of the Town.

**ARTICLE 2 - FY00 Operating Budgets.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds any sum or sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for any other necessary changes, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>114 Moderator</b>				
Personnel	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total 114</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>150.00</b>
<b>122 Selectmen</b>				
Personnel	26,856.59	27,847.00	28,493.00	28,493.00
Expenses	9,260.36	5,435.00	5,830.00	5,830.00
<b>Total 122</b>	<b>36,116.95</b>	<b>33,282.00</b>	<b>34,323.00</b>	<b>34,323.00</b>
<b>123 Town Administrator</b>				
Personnel	39,644.11	54,000.00	55,620.00	55,620.00
Expenses	3,934.22	4,138.00	3,630.00	3,630.00
<b>Total 123</b>	<b>43,578.33</b>	<b>58,138.00</b>	<b>59,250.00</b>	<b>59,250.00</b>
<b>131 Finance Committee</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	156.00	500.00	400.00	400.00
<b>Total 131</b>	<b>156.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>400.00</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>132 Reserve Fund</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	14,899.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
<b>Total 132</b>	<b>14,899.00</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>
<b>135 Town Accountant</b>				
Personnel	24,209.00	27,472.00	30,708.00	
Expenses	14,460.89	16,035.00	17,305.00	
<b>Total 135</b>	<b>38,669.89</b>	<b>43,507.00</b>	<b>45,601.00</b>	<b>PENDING</b>

# **General Government (Continued)**

<b>Code Number</b>	<b>Expended FY 1998</b>	<b>Budget FY 1999</b>	<b>Requested FY 2000</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000</b>
<b>141 Assessors</b>				
Personnel	54,380.25	63,903.00	65,626.00	65,626.00
Expenses	11,028.58	15,040.00	15,500.00	15,500.00
<b>Total 141</b>	<b>65,408.83</b>	<b>78,943.00</b>	<b>81,126.00</b>	<b>81,126.00</b>
<b>145 Treasurer</b>				
Personnel	23,403.81	24,733.00	25,475.00	25,475.00
Expenses	4,724.11	6,825.00	6,475.00	6,475.00
<b>Total 145</b>	<b>28,127.92</b>	<b>31,558.00</b>	<b>31,950.00</b>	<b>31,950.00</b>
<b>146 Collector</b>				
Personnel	36,133.46	45,656.00	46,287.00	46,287.00
Expenses	12,824.78	13,705.00	13,980.00	13,980.00
<b>Total 146</b>	<b>48,958.24</b>	<b>59,361.00</b>	<b>60,267.00</b>	<b>60,267.00</b>
<b>151 Town Counsel</b>				
Personnel	13,800.00	19,080.00	19,652.00	19,652.00
Expenses	897.18	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>Total 151</b>	<b>14,697.18</b>	<b>24,080.00</b>	<b>24,652.00</b>	<b>24,652.00</b>
<b>155 Data Processing</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	4,292.75	6,600.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
<b>Total 155</b>	<b>4,292.75</b>	<b>6,600.00</b>	<b>5,500.00</b>	<b>5,500.00</b>
<b>156 Interdepartmental Asst.</b>				
Personnel	13,053.63	14,006.00	13,882.00	13,882.00
Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total 156</b>	<b>13,053.63</b>	<b>14,006.00</b>	<b>13,882.00</b>	<b>13,882.00</b>
<b>161 Town Clerk</b>				
Personnel	27,696.00	27,923.00	28,731.00	28,731.00
Expenses	1,338.21	1,430.00	1,725.00	1,725.00
<b>Total 161</b>	<b>29,034.21</b>	<b>29,353.00</b>	<b>30,456.00</b>	<b>30,456.00</b>
<b>163 Licensing/Registration</b>				
Personnel	3,809.50	6,600.00	3,900.00	3,900.00
Expenses	4,230.29	4,950.00	4,075.00	4,075.00
<b>Total 163</b>	<b>8,039.79</b>	<b>11,550.00</b>	<b>7,975.00</b>	<b>7,975.00</b>
<b>171 Conservation Commission</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	162.50	920.00	1,225.00	1,225.00
<b>Total 171</b>	<b>162.50</b>	<b>920.00</b>	<b>1,225.00</b>	<b>1,225.00</b>
<b>175 Planning Board</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	4,181.97	3,564.00	3,530.00	3,530.00
<b>Total 175</b>	<b>4,181.97</b>	<b>3,564.00</b>	<b>3,530.00</b>	<b>3,530.00</b>
<b>176 Zoning Board</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	1,066.00	1,087.00	1,160.00	1,160.00
<b>Total 176</b>	<b>1,066.00</b>	<b>1,087.00</b>	<b>1,160.00</b>	<b>1,160.00</b>

## General Government (Continued)

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>188 Lee C.D.C.</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	510.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
<b>Total 188</b>	<b>510.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>195 Town Reports</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	2,500.00	3,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>Total 195</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>196 Office Equipment Maintenance</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	3,883.49	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
<b>Total 196</b>	<b>3,883.49</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>
<b>197 Staff Development</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	252.56	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
<b>Total 197</b>	<b>252.56</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>
<b>Total General Government</b>	<b>357,576.74</b>	<b>425,179.00</b>	<b>432,947.00</b>	<b>432,947.00</b>

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>210 Police</b>				
Personnel	528,892.98	571,591.00	588,908.00	588,908.00
Expenses	55,624.86	55,819.00	55,800.00	55,800.00
<b>Total 210</b>	<b>584,517.84</b>	<b>627,410.00</b>	<b>644,708.00</b>	<b>644,708.00</b>
<b>221 Fire Department</b>				
Personnel	13,718.66	14,133.00	14,557.00	14,557.00
Total Expenses	48,272.26	49,240.00	49,240.00	49,240.00
<b>Total 221</b>	<b>61,990.92</b>	<b>63,373.00</b>	<b>63,797.00</b>	<b>63,797.00</b>
<b>291 Civil Defense</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	668.045	550.00	550.00	550.00
<b>Total 291</b>	<b>668.45</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>550.00</b>
<b>292 Animal Control Officer</b>				
Personnel	8,936.00	9,204.00	9,480.00	9,480.00
Expenses	418.38	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00
<b>Total 292</b>	<b>10,062.00</b>	<b>11,454.00</b>	<b>11,730.00</b>	<b>11,730.00</b>
<b>299 Communications</b>				
Personnel	108,319.00	115,955.00	119,388.00	119,388.00
Expenses	11,292.48	10,300.00	10,300.00	10,300.00
<b>Total 299</b>	<b>119,612.15</b>	<b>126,255.00</b>	<b>129,688.00</b>	<b>129,688.00</b>
<b>Total Public Safety</b>	<b>776,143.74</b>	<b>829,042.00</b>	<b>850,473.00</b>	<b>850,473.00</b>

## EDUCATION

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>300 Education</b>				
School Committee		19,250.00	19,800.00	19,800.00
Superintendent's Office		144,312.00	162,412.00	162,412.00
Transportation		144,900.00	144,900.00	144,900.00
Fixed Charges		7,375.00	6,800.00	6,800.00
Supervisory		194,695.00	204,905.00	204,905.00
Adult Services - Salary		3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Principal's Office		229,401.00	236,090.00	236,090.00
Instruction		3,060,630.00	3,197,568.00	3,197,568.00
Other Services		195,494.00	207,238.00	207,238.00
Maintenance Operations		500,180.00	581,005.00	581,005.00
Acquis./Replace Equipment		34,292.00	0.00	0.00
Programs with Others		55,252.00	67,976.00	67,976.00
Special Education		903,232.00	1,046,424.00	1,046,424.00
Less School Choice		(98,877.00)	-307,154.00	-307,154.00
<b>Total Education</b>		<b>5,393,136.00</b>	<b>5,570,964.00</b>	<b>5,570,964.00</b>

## PUBLIC WORKS

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>421 B.P.W. Administration</b>				
Personnel	20,982.85	23,000.00	23,575.00	23,575.00
Expenses	3,013.71	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
<b>Total 421</b>	<b>23,996.56</b>	<b>24,800.00</b>	<b>25,375.00</b>	<b>25,375.00</b>
<b>422 Highway Const. &amp; Maint.</b>				
Personnel	84,828.72	87,225.00	92,992.00	92,992.00
Expenses	81,908.19	79,730.00	76,580.00	76,580.00
<b>Total 422</b>	<b>166,736.91</b>	<b>166,955.00</b>	<b>169,572.00</b>	<b>169,572.00</b>
<b>423 Snow and Ice</b>				
Personnel	96,654.49	84,093.00	86,579.00	86,579.00
Expenses	58,345.75	67,412.00	67,792.00	67,792.00
<b>Total 423</b>	<b>155,000.24</b>	<b>151,505.00</b>	<b>154,371.00</b>	<b>154,371.00</b>
<b>424 Street Lighting</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	49,650.42	57,222.00	57,222.00	57,222.00
<b>Total 424</b>	<b>49,650.42</b>	<b>57,222.00</b>	<b>57,222.00</b>	<b>57,222.00</b>
<b>425 Forestry</b>				
Personnel	963.90	1,030.00	1,061.00	1,061.00
Expenses	5,610.00	12,325.00	12,325.00	12,325.00
<b>Total 425</b>	<b>6,573.90</b>	<b>13,355.00</b>	<b>13,386.00</b>	<b>13,386.00</b>



**Public Works (Continued)**

<b>Code Number</b>	<b>Expended FY 1998</b>	<b>Budget FY 1999</b>	<b>Requested FY 2000</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000</b>
<b>654 Parks &amp; Playgrounds</b>				
Personnel	4,530.00	4,676.00	4,816.00	4,816.00
Expenses	6,559.03	15,453.00	15,453.00	15,453.00
<b>Total 654</b>	<b>11,089.03</b>	<b>20,129.00</b>	<b>20,269.00</b>	<b>20,269.00</b>
<b>192/193 Public Buildings</b>				
Personnel	17,315.76	22,247.00	22,559.00	22,559.00
Expenses	44,396.85	44,866.00	42,420.00	42,420.00
<b>Total 192/193</b>	<b>61,712.61</b>	<b>67,113.00</b>	<b>64,979.00</b>	<b>64,979.00</b>
<b>Total Public Works</b>	<b>1,356,017.99</b>	<b>1,745,318.00</b>	<b>1,638,431.00</b>	<b>1,638,431.00</b>

**HUMAN SERVICES**

<b>Code Number</b>	<b>Expended FY 1997</b>	<b>Budget FY 1998</b>	<b>Requested FY 1999</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recomm. FY 1999</b>
<b>511 Board of Health</b>				
Personnel	2,010.00	2,010.00	2,010.00	2,010.00
Expenses	124.80	255.00	255.00	255.00
<b>Total 511</b>	<b>2,134.80</b>	<b>2,265.00</b>	<b>2,265.00</b>	<b>2,265.00</b>
<b>519 Tri-Town Health</b>				
Personnel		44,098.00	45,421.00	45,421.00
Expenses		5,569.00	5,569.00	5,569.00
<b>Total 519</b>		<b>49,667.00</b>	<b>50,990.00</b>	<b>50,990.00</b>
<b>522 Lee V.N.A.</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	18,779.00	19,155.00	19,730.00	19,730.00
<b>Total 522</b>	<b>18,779.00</b>	<b>19,155.00</b>	<b>19,730.00</b>	<b>19,730.00</b>
<b>523 Berkshire Mental Health</b>				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	2,029.00	2,070.00	2,070.00	2,070.00
<b>Total 523</b>	<b>2,029.00</b>	<b>2,070.00</b>	<b>2,070.00</b>	<b>2,070.00</b>
<b>541 Senior Center</b>				
Personnel	17,544.00	18,070.00	18,305.00	18,305.00
Expenses	12,546.05	12,797.00	12,797.00	12,797.00
<b>Total 541</b>	<b>30,090.05</b>	<b>30,867.00</b>	<b>31,102.00</b>	<b>31,102.00</b>
<b>542 Lee Youth Commission</b>				
Personnel	31,468.00	32,372.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	672.38	1,013.00	41,850.00	41,850.00
<b>Total 542</b>	<b>32,140.38</b>	<b>33,385.00</b>	<b>41,850.00</b>	<b>41,850.00</b>
<b>543 Veterans' Services</b>				
Personnel	3,582.00	3,689.00	3,689.00	3,689.00
Expenses	32,080.56	15,615.00	24,100.00	24,100.00
<b>Total 543</b>	<b>35,662.56</b>	<b>19,304.00</b>	<b>27,789.00</b>	<b>27,789.00</b>
<b>Total Human Services</b>	<b>120,835.79</b>	<b>156,713.00</b>	<b>175,796.00</b>	<b>175,796.00</b>

**RECREATION & CULTURE**

<b>Code Number</b>	<b>Expended FY 1997</b>	<b>Budget FY 1998</b>	<b>Requested FY 1999</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recomm. FY 1999</b>
<b>610 Lee Library</b>				
Personnel	97,023.00	104,036.00	106,482.00	106,482.00
Expenses	53,833.00	55,663.00	55,631.00	55,631.00
LIG/MEG Grant	-5,000.00	-5,000.00	-5,000.00	-5,000.00
<b>Total 610</b>	<b>145,856.00</b>	<b>154,699.00</b>	<b>157,113.00</b>	<b>157,113.00</b>
<b>620 Sandy Beach</b>				
Wages	12,891.50	13,287.00	14,287.00	14,287.00
Expenses	4,830.900	4,926.00	6,024.00	6,024.00
<b>Total 620</b>	<b>17,721.50</b>	<b>18,213.00</b>	<b>20,311.00</b>	<b>20,311.00</b>
<b>691 Historical Commission</b>				
Communications	168.79	200.00	200.00	200.00
Expenses	301.69	285.00	285.00	285.00
<b>Total 691</b>	<b>470.48</b>	<b>485.00</b>	<b>485.00</b>	<b>485.00</b>
<b>693 War Memorials</b>				
Salaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	1,902.79	2,040.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
<b>Total 693</b>	<b>1,902.79</b>	<b>2,040.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>
<b>Total Recreation &amp; Culture</b>	<b>165,950.77</b>	<b>175,437.00</b>	<b>179,909.00</b>	<b>179,909.00</b>

**DEBT SERVICE**

<b>Code Number</b>	<b>Expended FY 1998</b>	<b>Budget FY 1999</b>	<b>Requested FY 2000</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000</b>
<b>700 Debt Service</b>				
Retirement of Debt	418,400.00	339,400.00	259,400.00	259,400.00
Long Term Interest	80,895.00	61,961.00	43,895.00	43,895.00
Short Term Interest	26,438.11	109,100.00	95,000.00	95,000.00
<b>Total 700</b>	<b>525,733.11</b>	<b>510,461.00</b>	<b>398,295.00</b>	<b>398,295.00</b>

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL**

<b>Code Number</b>	<b>Expended FY 1998</b>	<b>Budget FY 1999</b>	<b>Requested FY 2000</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000</b>
<b>810 Intergovernmental</b>				
Berkshire Regional Planning Commission	2,813.85	2,885.00	2,957.00	2,957.00
<b>Total 810</b>	<b>2,813.85</b>	<b>2,885.00</b>	<b>2,957.00</b>	<b>2,957.00</b>

# **MISCELLANEOUS - (Fixed Costs)**

Code Number	Expended FY 1997	Budget FY 1998	Requested FY 1999	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 1999
<b>910 Employee Benefits</b>				
911 Medicare (5173)	45,387.10	45,000.00	55,200.00	55,200.00
911 Unemployment (5174)	2,051.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
911 Berk County Retirement (5177)	256,737.00	297,444.00	353,494.00	353,494.00
912 Health Insurance (5171)	646,204.30	718,000.00	754,200.00	754,200.00
912 Life Insurance (5175)	1,334.00	14,500.00	14,358.00	14,358.00
912 Worker's Comp (5176)	445.94	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
912 Police Medical (5177)	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>Total 910</b>	<b>952,159.34</b>	<b>1,127,944.00</b>	<b>1,230,252.00</b>	<b>1,230,252.00</b>
<b>945 Liability Insurance</b>				
Gen/Pro/Vehicle Liab. (5742)	51,363.00	51,717.00	53,364.00	53,364.00
School Board Liability (5743)	1,500.00	1,600.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
<b>Total 945</b>	<b>52,863.00</b>	<b>53,317.00</b>	<b>55,064.00</b>	<b>55,064.00</b>
<b>946 Other Insurances</b>				
Police Accident (5745)	9,715.00	9,625.00	11,254.00	11,254.00
Fire/Ambulance (5746)	8,437.00	8,500.00	8,690.00	8,690.00
<b>Total 946</b>	<b>18,152.00</b>	<b>18,125.00</b>	<b>19,944.00</b>	<b>19,944.00</b>
<b>Total Miscellaneous</b>	<b>1,023,174.34</b>	<b>1,199,386.00</b>	<b>1,305,260.00</b>	<b>1,305,260.00</b>

**ARTICLE 3 - Accountant's Additional Work Hours & Compensation.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 with respect to raising and appropriating or transferring from available funds the sum of \$7,513, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the Town Accountant's salary (Account 135) to compensate for a regular workweek increase from thirty to thirty-five hours, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommendation pending.**

**ARTICLE 4 - Treasurer's /Treasurer's Clerk Additional Work Hours & Compensation.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 with respect to raising and appropriating or transferring from available funds the sum of \$2,248, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the Town Treasurer's salary and the Treasurer's Clerk's wages (Account 145) to compensate for regular workweek increases of from twenty-one to twenty-three hours and ten to twelve hours respectively, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 5 - Police Secretary's Additional Work Hours & Compensation.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 with respect to raising and appropriating or transferring from available funds the sum of \$8,403, or any other amount, for the purpose of changing the Police Secretary (Account 210) to a full-time position at thirty-five hours per week, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee does not recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 6 - Cemetery Budget.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$58,531, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Cemetery Department (Account 491), and to meet said appropriation raise \$51,531, or any other

amount, and to transfer from the Perpetual Care Interest Account \$7,000, or any other amount, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>491 Cemeteries</b>				
Salaries	35,888.69	43,109.00	44,402.00	44,402.00
Expenses	14,082.99	14,129.00	14,129.00	14,129.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>49,971.68</b>	<b>57,238.00</b>	<b>58,531.00</b>	<b>58,531.00</b>

**ARTICLE 7 - Water Department Budget.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$673,792, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Water Department (Account 452), and to meet that appropriation transfer from the Water Available Surplus Account the sum of \$125,000, or any other amount, and raise \$548,972, or any other amount, such amount to be offset by the receipts of the Water Department, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>452 Water Dist.</b>				
Salaries	151,290.32	200,365.00	197,645.00	197,645.00
Expenses	277,017.11	504,278.00	476,147.00	476,147.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>428,308.03</b>	<b>704,643.00</b>	<b>673,792.00</b>	<b>673,792.00</b>

**ARTICLE 8 - Sewer Department Budgets.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$400,934, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Sewer Department (Accounts 440, 442 & 443), and to meet that appropriation raise \$400,934, or any other amount, such amount to be offset by the receipts of the Sewer Department, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>440, 442, 443 Sewer Dept.</b>				
Salaries	118,464.86	145,028.00	144,534.00	144,534.00
Expenses	284,514.46	337,330.00	256,400.00	256,400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>402,979.32</b>	<b>482,358.00</b>	<b>400,934.00</b>	<b>400,934.00</b>

**ARTICLE 9 - Ambulance Service Budget.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the amount of \$70,275, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Ambulance Department (Account 231), or any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>231 Ambulance</b>				
Salaries	28,137.44	32,155.00	40,825.00	40,825.00
Expenses	29,847.40	31,200.00	29,450.00	29,450.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>57,984.84</b>	<b>63,355.00</b>	<b>70,275.00</b>	<b>70,275.00</b>

**ARTICLE 10 - Salaries of Elected Officials.** To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials as required by law for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 11 - Building Inspector Department Revolving Account.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Building Inspection Department FY00 operating budget, in the amount of \$59,001, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Building Inspector be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>241 Building Inspector</b>				
Salaries	46,687.79	54,122.00	55,945.00	55,945.00
Expenses	3,115.20	3,184.00	3,056.00	3,056.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>49,802.99</b>	<b>57,296.00</b>	<b>59,001.00</b>	<b>59,001.00</b>

**ARTICLE 12 - Gas Inspector Department Revolving Account.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Gas Inspection Department FY00 operating budget, in the amount of \$4,573, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Gas Inspector be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>242 Gas Inspector</b>				
Salaries P/T	3,500.00	3,605.00	3,713.00	3,713.00
Expenses	336.07	1,000.00	860.00	860.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,836.07</b>	<b>4,605.00</b>	<b>4,573.00</b>	<b>4,573.00</b>

**ARTICLE 13 - Plumbing Inspector Revolving Account.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Plumbing Inspection Department FY00 operating budget, in the amount of \$6,274, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Plumbing Inspector be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>246 Plumbing Inspector</b>				
Wages PT	4,500.00	3,635.00	4,774.00	4,774.00
Expenses	319.96	1,950.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,819.96</b>	<b>6,585.00</b>	<b>6,274.00</b>	<b>6,274.00</b>

**ARTICLE 14 - Sealer of Weights & Measures Department Revolving Account.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Sealer of Weights and Measures Department FY00 operating budget, in the amount of \$2,486, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Sealer Weights and Measures Department be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>244 Sealer</b>				
Salaries	1,990.00	1,957.00	2,016.00	2,016.00
Expenses	78.10	470.00	470.00	470.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,068.10</b>	<b>2,427.00</b>	<b>2,486.00</b>	<b>2,486.00</b>

**ARTICLE 15 - Electrical Inspector Revolving Account.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Electrical Inspection Department FY00 operating budget, in the amount of \$5,760, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Wiring Inspector be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Code Number	Expended FY 1998	Budget FY 1999	Requested FY 2000	Finance Committee Recomm. FY 2000
<b>245 Wiring Inspector</b>				
Salaries	4,600.00	4,738.00	4,880.00	4,880.00
Expenses	194.75	1,120.00	880.00	880.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,794.75</b>	<b>5,858.00</b>	<b>5,760.00</b>	<b>5,760.00</b>

**ARTICLE 16 - Home Composting Bins Revolving.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Department of Public Works to establish a revolving fund for Home Composting Bins under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, in the amount of \$1,172, or any other amount, and the receipts of said Home Composting Bins be designated to this account, or to pass any vote or votes relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 17 - Trolley Revolving Account.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Lee Trolley FY00 operating budget, in the amount of \$12,000, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Trolley be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 18 - Cemetery Overtime Revolving Account.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Cemetery Overtime Account, in the amount of \$1,061, or any other amount, and that the overtime receipts of the Cemetery Department be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee does not recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 19 - School Building Commission Budget.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,200, or any other amount, to maintain a \$2,500 balance in the School Building Commission Account, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 20 - Central School Reuse Committee Budget.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$500, or any other amount, for the expenditures of the Central School Reuse Committee, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 21 - Five Town Cable Advisory Committee Budget.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$250, or any other amount, to defray the expenses of the Five-Town Cable Advisory Committee, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 22 - Blanket Federal Grant Application Authorization.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, or other Town Departments with the knowledge of the Board of Selectmen, to apply for and accept grants from the Federal Government, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or any other source, and to expend the same for purposes received without further appropriation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 23 - Chapter 90 Authorization.** To see if the Town will vote to expend the sum of \$225,030, or any other amount, from Chapter 90 funds as provided under the Transportation Bond Bill of 1998, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 24 - Ambulance Building Principal & Interest Payment.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, the sum of \$62,625, or any other amount, for the third payment due on the ambulance building, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 25 - Ambulance Installment Payment.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, the sum of \$25,000, or any other amount, for the second payment due on the new ambulance, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 26 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Financing.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$9,200,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of financing the design and construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow \$9,200,000, or any other amount, and issue bonds and notes thereof under Chapter 29C of the General Laws; and, to authorize Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the trust and otherwise contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; and that the Board of Selectmen, Board of Public Works and other appropriate local body or official is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project, and to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 27 - Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewer Collection System Repairs.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Available Surplus Account the sum of \$20,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of effecting repairs and improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewer Collection System, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 28 - Water Distribution System Repairs.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Available Surplus Account the sum of \$50,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of replacing broken valves, hydrants and undersized piping in the water distribution system, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 29 - Stabilization Fund.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$500,000, or any other amount, to the Stabilization Fund, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommendation pending.**

**ARTICLE 30 - CTSB Emergency Broadcast System, \$500.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$500, or any other amount, for the purpose of broadcasting WSBS radio emergency warnings over cable station CTSB, or to pass any vote or votes relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 31 - Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan Update.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000, or any other amount, to conduct an independent review of the Town's classification and compensation plans for non-union, municipal employees, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee does not recommend approval.**



**ARTICLE 32 - Chamber of Commerce Advertising and Marketing Fund.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$19,840, or any other amount, to the Lee Chamber of Commerce, for the purpose of advertising and marketing the Town of Lee, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 33 - Police Vehicle.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$22,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 34 - Council on Aging Vehicle.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$17,500, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing a vehicle for the Council on Aging to transport Senior Citizens, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 35 - Library Repairs.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$19,000, or any other amount, to effect various repairs to the Library, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 36 - Memorial Hall Exterior Painting.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$20,000, or any other amount, to paint the exterior trim of Memorial Hall, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 37 - Fire Station Window Replacement Project, Phase II.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$20,000 to finish replacing the Fire Station windows, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend the sum of \$18,000.**

**ARTICLE 38 - Computer Hardware & Software Upgrade.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds, the sum of \$60,000, or any other amount, to acquire and install computer hardware, software and peripherals in Town Hall as part of a management information system upgrade and expansion, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 39 - Emergency Fuel Access.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,500, or any other amount, to adapt a local gas station for emergency fuel access in the event of a widespread electrical failure, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 40 - Sander for Sidewalk Plow.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds, \$5,000, or any other amount, to purchase a replacement sander for the sidewalk plow, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 41 - Sidewalk Paving.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds, \$10,000, or any other amount, for sidewalk improvement, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 42 - Fairview Street Sewer Extension.** To see if the Town will transfer from the Sewer Available Surplus Account \$25,000, or any other amount, to extend Town water and sewer lines 700 feet along the center of Fairview Street, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Improvements and Finance Committees do not recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 43 - Medicare Reimbursement.** To see if the Town will appropriate \$20,000, or any other amount, to pay an agent to process requests for Municipal Medicaid Reimbursement from which reimbursement a fee of 16% shall be paid, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 44 - School Building Assistance Funds to Reduce the Tax Rate.** To see if the Town will transfer the amount of \$113,299, or any other amount, from the School Building Assistance Program, as a reimbursement of expenditures made on the Lee High School Roof Replacement Project, to reduce the tax rate, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 45 - WMECo tax agreement regarding the valuation of electric generating facilities.** To see if the Town will approve the November 6, 1998 agreement between the Town, acting through its Board of Assessors, and Western Massachusetts Electric Company, a subsidiary of Northeast Utilities, for the term of one year covering Fiscal Year 1999 based on assessment as of January 1, 1998, establishing a \$517,086 Personal Property valuation for a 20MW Jet Type Gas Turbine owned by Western Massachusetts Electric Co. situated in the Town of Lee, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 46 - Quarry Hill Business Park Special Tax Assessment.** To see if the Town will vote to approve a Special Tax Assessment in the Quarry Hill Business Park Economic opportunity Area under the Massachusetts Economic Development Incentive Program M.G.L. Chapter 23A, Sec. 3E, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 47 - Elderly and Disabled Taxation Fund.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 166 of the Acts of 1998, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 48 - Zoning Ordinance Amendment, "Resort" definition change.** To see if the Town of Lee will vote to amend the Zoning by-laws of the Town of Lee in the following manner:

**Amend Section 119-4. DEFINITIONS**

Delete the definition of "RESORT"

**ADD:** "'RESORT" - A recreational development in one ownership or time shared serving food and providing lodging to vacationers and guests, with a minimum of 50 rental units, and offering a variety of recreational facilities, such as swimming, golf, tennis, horseback riding and skiing. Any accessory use which is either necessary to the operation of a resort or customarily incidental to such use, including but not limited to restaurants, snack bars, shops, stables and marinas which are intended for guests, shall be permitted on the premises.

**ARTICLE 49 -** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law governing certain activities on Goose Pond.

**GOOSE POND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT  
BY-LAWS GOVERNING GOOSE POND**

**Section 1: DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 Daytime Operation:** shall include the hours between sunrise and sunset.
- 1.2 Headway Speed:** is the slowest speed at which a motor boat may be operated and maintain steerage, but not to exceed 6 MPH.
- 1.3 Motor Vehicle:** as defined in MGL Chapter 90, Section 1.
- 1.4 Personal Water Craft:** means a small vessel which uses an inboard motor powering a water jet pump as its primary source of motive power and which is designed to be operated by persons sitting, standing or kneeling on the vessel. The term includes, but is not limited to, a jet ski, wet bike, or surfjet, so-called.
- 1.5 Recreational Vehicle:** any motor vehicle designed or modified for use on unimproved terrain if used for recreation or pleasure off a "way" as that term is defined in Chapter 90 of MGL.
- 1.6 Safety Zone/Buffer Zone:** that zone, with a minimum width extending out from the shore line of 150 feet, as marked by buoys, inside of which the operation of all motorboats shall be at Headway Speed.
- 1.7 Snow Vehicle:** vehicle designed to travel over ice or snow supported in whole or part by skis, belts or cleats.
- 1.8 Goose Pond:** shall include both Upper and Lower Ponds.

**1.9 Power Loading:** the use of a motor boat's motor(s) at high revolutions in an effort to "drive" the vessel onto its trailer

## **Section 2:      Operation of Motor Boats, Water Craft and Related Regulations**

**2.0 Personal Water Craft:** Operation of Personal Water Craft is prohibited on Goose Pond.

**2.1 Speed Limit:** The maximum speed for motor boats on Goose Pond shall be 45 MPH, except as otherwise posted.

**2.2 Speed Limit, Morning:** Maximum speed for motor boats between the hours of sunrise and 8:00 a.m. shall be headway speed, i.e. a maximum of 6 MPH.

**2.3 Night Time Operation:** Motor Boats shall be operated between the hours of sunset and 8:00 a.m. at Headway Speed, a maximum of 6 MPH.

**2.4 Noise:** No person shall modify the exhaust of the exhaust of any motor vessel, nor operate it in a loud or unreasonable manner.

**2.5 Power Loading:** Power Loading is prohibited at public or community launch sites.

**2.6 Swimmers, Docks & Moorings:** Any swimmer more than 150 feet from shore shall be attended by a boat except if such swimmer is a SCUBA diver, at whatever depth, who shall be within the legally required distance from a "divers down" flag as prescribed by MGL Chapter 90B, Section 13A. Boat mooring, anchorages and docks are prohibited more than 150 feet from shore, except for such facilities that may from time-to-time be required for the conduct of certain scientific research.

## **Section 3:              Winter**

**3.0** Operation of a motor vehicle as defined in MGL Chapter 90, Section 1, on Goose Pond while it is frozen shall be prohibited.

**3.1** No person shall operate a Recreational Vehicle or Snow Vehicle on Goose Pond in a negligent or unreasonable manner.

**3.2** No person shall modify the exhaust of any such vehicle, nor operate it in a loud or unreasonable manner.

**3.3** No person shall operate a Recreational Vehicle or Snow Vehicle on Goose Pond at a speed greater than 40 MPH.

**Section 4:                    Enforcement**

4.0 The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Harbor Master. The Harbor Master shall be responsible for enforcement of the By-laws governing Goose Pond. State Police and State Environmental as well as Police officers of the Towns of Lee and Tyringham are also authorized to enforce these regulations.

5.0 Violations of any section of this by-law may be punished by a fine of \$50 for the first offense and \$100 for second or each subsequent offense, unless otherwise provided for. Said fine structure may be adjusted by a vote of the Selectmen.

**Section 5:                    Miscellaneous**

6.0 Applicability, governing statute(s): Nothing in this by-law shall be interpreted as relaxing any other more restrictive local, state or federal law. In cases of conflict, the more restrictive law shall apply.

6.1 This by-law shall not become effective until adopted by both the Towns of Lee and Tyringham.

*ARTICLE 50 - Acceptance of Runway Road and Associated Storm Drains.* To see if the Town will vote to accept Runway Road, together with the road's storm drains, as a public way, or to take any other action relative thereto.

*ARTICLE 51 - Acceptance of Windsock Industrial Park Pump Station and Sewer Lines.* To see if the Town will vote to accept the sewer lines, pumping station and force main in the subdivision known as Windsock Industrial Park located off Route 102, or to take any other action relative thereto.



You are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Lee qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Airolidi Building on Railroad Street, in Lee, on **Monday, May 17, 1999** at 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to cast their votes for the following officers:

Moderator	One for the term of one year
Selectman	One for the term of three years
School Committee Members	Two for the term of three years
Planning Board Member	One for the term of five years
	One for the term of three years
	One for the term of one year

**To vote for Town Meeting Representatives as follows:**

District I	Three for three years One for two years
District II	Three for three years One for one year
District III	Three for three years Two for two years
District IV	Three for three years
District V	Three for three years One for two years
District VI	Three for three years

And to vote upon the following non binding referendum:

**Question One**

Shall the representatives be directed to vote in favor of restoring open Town Meeting Government and to reestablish the right of every citizen to cast his or her direct vote on articles of business at Town Meetings by abolishing Representative Government in the Town of Lee.

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof, in three public places within the Town of Lee, seven (7) days at least, before the day and hour of holding said meeting.

Therefore, Fail Note and make due return of said Warrant with your doing thereon to the Town Clerk of the Town of Lee, at or before the day and hour of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Lee, this\_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1999.

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Nelson L. Daley, Sr., Chairman

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Aldo V. Pascucci

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Patricia D. Carlino

As per instruction in this Warrant, I have posted same,  
This\_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1999 in three public places.

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Constable



## *In Memoriam*

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*This report is dedicated to the following  
persons with gratitude for their many  
years of service to the Town of Lee*

*William Tyer, Jr.*  
*Selectmen and School Committee*  
*& Dem. Town Committee*

*John J. Nagle*  
*Town Clerk/Treasurer/*  
*Justice of the Peace*

*Myron James Shaw*  
*Historical and Conservation Commissions*

*Helm George Wilde*  
*Sandy Beach Committee*  
*and Finance Committee*

*Herman Naventi*  
*Fireman*

*Richard Kearin*  
*Fireman*