

TOWN OF LEE, MASSACHUSETTS



2000 ANNUAL REPORT of the Town Officers



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AMBULANCE - FIRE - POLICE

EMERGENCY DIAL - 911

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



Town Board Meetings

Board of Assessors	Monday, 3:30 p.m.
Board of Health	2nd Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Airolidi Building
Board of Public Works	Friday 3:30 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. Airolidi 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	Monday 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. or by appointment Airolidi Building
Youth Commission	2nd Monday of the month, 8:00 p.m.

Business Hours of Town Offices

Hours 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday

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
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	243-5519
Youth Association	243-5535
Water Plant	243-5526
Zoning Board of Appeals	243-5517

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Location:	Western Massachusetts, Berkshire County	
First Settlement:	Dodgetown, 1760's	
Incorporated:	October 21, 1777	
	Named after Major General Charles Lee	
Government:	First Congressional District John Olver	
	Fourth Berkshire District State Senator, Andrea Nuciforo State Representative, Christopher J. Hodgkins	
	Representative Town Meeting Six districts, 54 members	
Town Meeting:	Second Thursday in May	
Population:	5,958	
Registered Voters:	3,978	
1999 FISCAL TAX:	\$14.84 per thousand	
Area:	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
Geographical Features:	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	
Services:	Electric - Western Mass. Electric Co. Gas - Berkshire Gas Co. Cable - Adelphia Communications Bus - Berkshire Regional Transit Authority Fire Department - Volunteer Ambulance Department - Volunteer	
Distances:	9 Miles to Pittsfield 122 Miles to Boston 138 Miles to New York City	



TOWN OF LEE
TOWN REPRESENTATIVES
MAY 17, 1999

District I

David Brown	2003
225 Washington Mt. Rd. (243-2986)	
Edward Forfa	2003
45 Maritta Ave. (243-1569)	
Elizabeth Leahey Chair.	2003
172 Reservoir Rd. (243-2893)	
James Castegnaro	2002
111 Woodlawn Ave. (243-9938)	
Marilyn Hansen	2002
86 Mill St. (243-2572)	
Vacancy	2002
Dennis Kelly	2001
540 East St. (243-1353)	
Vacancy	2001
Vacancy	2001

District II

William E. Noonan, Chair.	2003
60 Cliffwood St. (243-0263)	
Vacancy	2003
Vacancy	2003
Neil Clarke	2002
85 Orchard St. (243-3649)	
Vacancy	2002
William Winn	2002
85 Greylock St. (243-0969)	
Margaret Biron	2001
25 Housatonic St. (243-0489)	
David S. Bravo, Jr.	2001
P.O. Box 321 (243-0533)	
Thomas Kennedy	2001
30 Hartwood Rd. (243-1698)	

District III

Ottavio Biasin	2003
515 Marble St. (243-3328)	
John B. Giarolo	2003
500 Marble st. (243-3465)	
Vacancy	2003
John Coty, Jr.	2002
50 First St., Box 74 (243-2813)	
Helen Linton, Chair.	2002
75 Birch St. (243-2090)	
Mayme Peltier	2002
140 Old Pleasant St. (243-0603)	
Robert Giarolo	2001
36 Margerie St. (243-1556)	
Mary McDarby	2001
425 Marble St. (243-2967)	
Robert Rhoades	2001
155 Marble St., #10 (243-2855)	

District IV

Gordon Bailey	2003
734 Pleasant St. (243-3110)	
Edward M. Briggs	2003
715 Fairview St. (243-3244)	
Alice Collins	2003
100 Meadow St. (243-4206)	
Stephen Cozzaglio	2002
60 Davis St. (243-3204)	
Arthur Mack	2002
130 Highfield Dr. (243-2156)	
Joan Piacquadio	2002
170 Fairview St. (243-0663)	
Kathleen Daoust	2001
165 Highfield Dr. (243-3667)	
Joseph F. Dupont	2001
395 Fairview St. (243-9834)	
Sandra E. Parker, Chair.	2001
55 West Rd. (243-2344)	

District V

Richard Burns	2003
190 West Park st. (243-3548)	
Deidre Consolati	2003
57 Main St. #8 (143-2318)	
Pauline E. Pollard, Chair.	2003
121 High St. (243-0252)	
Mark Faber	2002
23 Ferncliff Ave. (143-1699)	
Edward Handberg	2002
57 Main St. #13 (243-2186)	
Thomas Unsworth	2002
15 Academy St. (243-2988)	
Larry Maffuccio	2001
20 Prospect St. (243-0482)	
Denise Pascucci	2001
25 Canal St. (243-9887)	
Vacancy	2001

District VI

Robert Boynton	2003
225 Prospect St. (243-1131)	
Charlotte P. Davis	2003
35 Navin Ave. (243-1092)	
Martin V. Deely	2003
P.O. Box 700 (243-2824)	
Frank A. Consolati	2002
P.O. Box 286 (243-2364)	
John Glomb	2002
85 Theresa Terr. (243-1916)	
Robert Siminski, Chair.	2002
105 Laurel St. #11B (394-9696)	
William Derrick	2001
205 Summer St. (243-1489)	
James Nolan	2001
P.O. Box 273 (243-3372)	
Jerome Scully	2001
P.O. box 247 (243-2660)	

Members at Large

Patricia D. Carlino, Chair.	2001
80 East Center St. (243-2825)	
Nelson Daley	2002
135 Maple St. (243-1065)	
Aldo Pascucci	2003
450 Devon Rd. (243-1113)	
Christopher Hodgkins	2001
100 Franklin St. (243-2022)	
Suzanne M. Scarpa - Town Clerk	
165 Old Pleasant St. (243-1664)	
David Parker, Chair., Finance Committee	
55 West Rd. (243-2344)	

ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR One Year Term

Christopher J. Hodgkins	2001
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SELECTMEN Three Year Term

Patricia D. Carlino	2001
Aldo V. Pascucci	2003
Nelson L. Daley	2002

CONSTABLES Three Year Term

Stephen Cozzaglio	2003
Pauline Pollard	2003
Dennis B. Forshee	2003

HOUSING AUTHORITY Five Year Term

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

PLANNING BOARD Five Year Term

Anthony Caropreso	2003
Gordon Bailey	2005
Andrew Cort	2001
William Roche, V. Chairman & Clerk	2002
Robert W. Birch, Chairman	2004

SCHOOL COMMITTEE Three Year Term

Carol LePrevost	2001
Joan Piacquadio	2001
Jeanne Davidson	2003
Margaret Biron, <i>Chairman</i>	2003
Diane Wespiser, V. <i>Chairman</i>	2002
Stephen Cozzaglio	2002

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

Town By-law 2.69, MGL 39-16

2001	David Parker, Chairman
2001	Marylou Antoniazzi
2003	Joseph Furgal, Jr.
2002	John W. Graziano
2002	John W. Philpott
2002	Joann M. Sullivan
2003	Mary Lou Dadak

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT
(Department Heads and Town Officials)

Fiscal Year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000

Ambulance Director	Ken LaBier
Animal Control Officer	Laurie Robertson
Civil Defense Director	Ken LaBier
Communications Director	Ken LaBier
Council on Aging Director	Norma Maroney
D.P.W. Superintendent	Ken LaBier
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	Jacki Bitso
Sealer/Weights & Measures	Gerald Cahalan
Secretary, Sel., Town Admin.	Suzanne M. Alderman
Town Accountant	Kathleen Borden
Town Clerk	Suzanne M. Scarpa
Town Collector	Janice Smith
Assistant Town Collector	Eleanor Baumann
Town Treasurer	Susan E. Kelly
Veterans Agent	Doug Mann

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000

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
Malcom Chisholm

Capital Outlay Committee

(Capital Outlay Committee)
Town By-law 2.3
Elizabeth Leahey
William Noonan
Helen Linton
Sandra Parker
Thomas Unsworth
Robert Siminski, Ed.D.
John Philpott, *Chairman*
Dayton DeLorme
Anthony Caropreso

Cemetery Committee

Millard R. Eckert, *Co-chairman*
Charlotte P. Davis, *Co-chairman*
Peter R. Biasin
John J. Kelly
Virginia Vania, *Secretary*
Ken LaBier, *DPW Advisor*
Edward Thomas, *Advisor*

Planning Board Associate Member

MGL 40A, 9 - One member only
Vacant

Jacob's Ladder Trail

Scenic By-Way Commission
Dee Dee Fraser
Naomi Gordon

Personnel Board

Town By-law, MGL Ch. 40, 41
Thomas Unsworth, *Chairman*
Susan Stevens
Martin Deeley
David Parker, *Advisor*

Sandy Beach Committee

Deidre Consolati, *Chairman*
Linda Cysz
Bill Abderhalden
Dale Dedrick
David Babcock
Terrie 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
Margaret Biron
Robert Siminski
James Gralla
Donna Toomey
Neil Merwin

Traffic Committee

Ronald Glidden, Police Chief
Gerald LeProvost, Chairman
Edward Forfa
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
David Forrest
Martin Barenski
Thomas Arment
Daniel Pascucci
William Enser

BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS

THREE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

Board of Assessors

MGL 41-24 - Three Members

2001 - Dayton DeLorme

2003 - William Derrick, *Chairman*

2002 - Edward Briggs

Board of Health

MGL 41-1, 21 - 3 Members

2001 - Dr. Robert Wespiser

2003 - Karen Norton

2002 - Dr. James Leahey

Board of Registrars

2001 - Donald Fillio

2003 - Sandra Cozzaglio

2002 - Frank McCarthy
Susan Scarpa, Town Clerk

Conservation Commission

MGL 40-8C - Minimum 5, Maximum 7

2001 - Stuart Dalheim, *Chairman*

2001 - Jan Kegler

2003 - Noel Bailey

2003 - John Rohane

2002 - Marilyn Hansen

2002 - Deborah Garry

Council on Aging

2001 - Alma Allen, *Chairman*

2001 - Angelo Esoldi

2003 - Helen Botto

2003 - Val Baldisserotto

2003 - Maurice Larrivee

2002 - Stephen Cozzaglio

2002 - Val Masiero

2002 - Amelia Zatorski

Historical Commission

MGL 40-8D, Minimum 3, Maximum 7

2001 - Mary Morrissey*

2001 - Caroline Young, *Secretary*

2001 - William Clark

2001 - Betty Dennis

2003 - Barbara Allen*

2003 - Joe Dupont

2002 - Patricia LaChapelle*

2002 - Dawn Borst

Advisor - Dee Dee 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*

2001 - Mario Caluori

2003 - Klugh Jordan

2003 - Frederick Cohen

2003 - Freda Grim

2001 - Gloria Arnold

2001 - Mary Theresa Valleri

2001 - Alexandra Hedding

Zoning Board of Appeals

2001 - George Finn

2001 - Sheila Wood

2003 - George A. Inman, Jr.

2002 - Timothy O. Taylor, *Chairman*

2002- William Bean

Alternates - Pauline Pollard

BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS

AD-HOC COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Golf Course Study Committee

Dayton DeLorme
Tom Unsworth
Louis Scaramuzzi
Helen Gasparian

Clare Lahey
Dan Sullivan
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, Sr.

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



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

On behalf of the Lee Board of Selectmen I would like to extend my thanks to the various officials and employees of the Town, and to the many dedicated volunteers who give countless hours on the numerous departments and committees within the Town. A special note of recognition to our dedicated Fire and Ambulance members, for whom the whole community extends heartfelt thanks.

The year 2000 got off to a bang, with approval at a special Town meeting for additional funds for the new school. As of the writing of this report, the new school is on schedule, and with luck students will be sitting in the new building by September of this year. The 2001 tax bills showed the first tax increase fueled by the school, but not as much as had been predicted, due to the good economy and good budgeting plans by the Town.

The Central School re-use committee will be reactivated before long now that the new school is a reality and opinions, suggestions and ideas are welcome. Housing? Business? Community Center? A little bit of everything? Sell it? Tear it down? What will happen? At this time the committee is open to just about anything. So if you have an idea or suggestion, just call the Selectmen's office at 243-5500 and let us know!

Development is also at front and center. Silverleaf Resorts, dba "Oak 'n' Spruce" introduced a new "Village" concept at a public meeting in December. Together with Rich Beatty, Lee's former downtown manager, Silverleaf believes its new plan will be pleasing and more in character with the Town and surrounding areas. The new plans will be presented to the boards in early 2001. While this type of development is a boon to our local economy and tax base, there remain many hurdles to overcome before it is in existence.

Talking of development....it is the hope of this board that 2001 will see the start of a new municipal golf course. While Audubon International has indicated they would be willing partners in this undertaking, it is still necessary for the town to obtain a little more land. As of this writing we have approached the Mead Corporation for a significant contribution.

There were rumors of a new supermarket coming to town. It remains to be seen whether or not it will become a reality.

Water treatment and Wastewater Treatment still dominate the work of the Department of Public Works Board. These are large and overwhelming projects, requiring countless hours of work from the Board. As they struggle to maintain and improve our drinking water, the DEP seems to control the destiny of the wastewater. No doubt, there will be an end at some future point.

In December, this Board met with the Stockbridge Board of Selectmen to discuss various items of interest to both towns. It is our future goal to meet a least a couple of times each year, not only with Stockbridge, but with our other neighboring towns, to discuss the areas of concern that we all share. In closing, I would especially like to thank Bob Nason, Administrator, and Suzanne Alderman, our secretary, for all their help in the Selectman's office.

Respectfully,

Patricia D. Carlino, *Chairman*

Aldo V. Pascucci

Nelson L. Daley



TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Under your leadership and through the efforts of employees and volunteer Boards, Commissions and Committees, in 2000 the Town of Lee continued to strengthen its financial position while maintaining its distinctive quality of life.

You, the staff and the members of the Finance Committee collaborated on a fiscal year (FY) 2001 (July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001) budget that was accepted by the Town Representatives at the May 11, 2000 Annual Town Meeting. That budget increased the stabilization fund from \$627,822 to \$727,822, provided for various one-time expenditures totaling approximately \$230,000, and raised \$446,300 for new school construction debt due in FY2002. Without the additional funds for the school construction borrowing, the FY2001 budget increased FY2000 appropriations by \$350,363 or 3.7%.

Funds were appropriated in FY2001 for school construction debt service in FY2002 in order to split the associated tax rate increase over two years. Accordingly, the tax rate increased from \$14.84 to \$16.64 and approximately two thirds (\$1.15 of \$1.80) of the tax rate increase was due to school construction borrowing. However, the increase was less than the \$2.35 forecast at the May 11, 2000 Town Meeting, because of increased state aid (\$18,541) and local receipts (\$85,300), together with new growth (\$144,189). To assist property owners to pay their real estate taxes, the Town developed the Taxation Aid Fund and Tax Work-Off Program. In 2000, taxpayers contributed over \$1,200 to the fund and fourteen qualified applicants applied for the five tax work-off positions authorized.

In 2000 the full-time assessing staff changed completely. Principal Assessor Jacqueline Bitso replaced Timothy Taylor and Clerk Evelyn Borsody took the place of Kathleen Arment. High turnover among part-time Dispatchers continued; Dispatchers Kathleen Rider, Deborah Garrity and Jacob Maturevich replaced Nancy Heath, Tony Clark and Larry Cernick. Part-time EMT Jeff Ferin resigned and his position was not filled. In the Department of Public Works Alan Zerbato was promoted to the position of Sewer Division Supervisor/Chief Treatment Plant Operator replacing Ken LaBier who had become Superintendent of Public Works. Craig Rand was appointed Assistant Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator to replace Alan. Primary Water Distribution Operator Frank Laston resigned in the fall, and his position remained unfilled for the rest of the year. At the end of the year James Morawiec was appointed seasonal (winter) Truck Driver Laborer.

In the summer of 2000 Terrance Lorange served as the Engineering Intern and James Bartini and Todd Sparks worked in the Highway and Cemetery Department. Nicholas DeSantis and Stephanie Burdick served as seasonal (summer) Police Officers and Leena Zervas, David Rice and Florence Consolati joined the Sandy Beach lifeguard corps.

In July the Tri-Town Health Department assumed Animal Control responsibility and Lori Roberts was appointed Animal Control Officer to carry on Larry Shea's work. In August Edward Briggs was appointed as the Town's Resident Engineer to observe the progress and the quality of the new school construction.

Together with the Towns of Lenox and Great Barrington, in 2000 the Town of Lee commissioned a study of salaries, wages and benefits among fourteen similar communities. With the assistance of a mediator provided by the Joint Labor-Management Committee, by the end of 2000 the Town and Teamsters Local 404 had reached a tentative agreement on a new, three-year (ending June 30, 2003) contract for police officers. Despite all efforts to reach an agreement by the end of the year, the Town and Local 404 continued to negotiate, with the assistance of a mediator provided by the state Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, a new, three-year agreement for Public Works employees in the Highway/Cemetery and Water Divisions. Formal grievance procedures were adopted for non-union employees, and an Employee Insurance Advisory Committee, representing union and non-union, municipal and school, active and retired employees was reestablished.

In 2000 there was expanded use of information technology. An internal computer network at Town Hall was completed, and network-wide access to the Internet was provided. Remaining technology goals include increased e-mail reliability, faster Internet speed and the development of a web page.

There was an important economic development in 2000. A local business purchased a lot at Quarry Hill Business Park and began construction on a new \$4 million dollar facility that is expected to provide approximately twenty-five new jobs. This was the second lot sold and the first building constructed at the Lee Community Development Corporations park. Continued development of the business park and other commercial growth that is compatible with our quality of life will be necessary to support school and wastewater treatment plant construction costs.

The management of additional debt for school and wastewater treatment plant construction while maintaining our quality of life amid changing economic circumstances poses a challenge for future years. Working together we can meet that challenge.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Nason,
Town Administrator



DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP

L.E.A.D. has been in existence for seven years and has fulfilled its mission of "saving" Lee's downtown. Hence, it's Board voted to close its doors. It has been an exemplary joint venture which included town and state officials, L.E.A.D. and the population at large

The Facade Improvement Program was extremely well utilized. It's success is visible all throughout the downtown target area. The burden now falls on property owners to maintain the improvements in place.

The Town Park is finally finished and looks spectacular. The town received funds from Caracas Construction Company, Inc. to maintain this property and its improvements to the highest of standards. Thank you all!

The Lee Trolley had a windfall from the state coffers which the BRTA passed on to the town for this year's trolley service. Thank you BRTA and the Trolley Committee.

The Lee Farmers' Market received a grant for promotion of itself from the State Agriculture Department. This raised public awareness as well as visibility which attracted new vendors and shoppers. Good work!

Lee's Future is bright. Everyone must continue to do their share if this trend is to continue without the watchdog eyes of L.E.A.D. Keep up the good work. It was my pleasure to be a part of this successful experiment.

Respectfully submitted,

L.E.A.D. Board of Directors

Pamela Loring, President

Thomas Unsworth

Scott LePrevost

Ann Vedder, Downtown Manager



TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Combined Balance Sheet
30 June 2000

Schedule 1

Town of Lee Annual Town Report - 2000

	<i>Governmental Fund Types</i>		<i>Fiduciary Fund Types</i>	<i>Account Group</i>	Totals
	General	Special Revenue	Trust and Agency	General Long-Term Debt	
ASSETS:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$1,440,926	\$2,714,484	\$1,434,841		\$5,724,022
<u>Receivables:</u>					
Personal Property	2,886				2,886
Real Estate	177,947				177,947
Motor Vehicle Excise	57,290				57,290
Tax Liens and Foreclosures	103,029				103,029
Taxes in Litigation	1,531				1,531
Deferred Taxes	10,408				10,408
User Charges		112,279			112,279
Departmental	3,708				3,708
Due From Other Governments	71,520	194,144			511,456
Other Assets	877				877
Amount to be Provided For Retirement of General Long-Term Obligations				7,826,085	7,826,085
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$1,870,122	\$3,020,907	\$1,434,841	\$7,826,085	\$14,531,518

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:

<u>Liabilities:</u>		
Warrants Payable	113,609	301,005
Accrued Payroll and Withholdings	61,119	69,306
Deferred Revenue	171,036	477,459
Allowance for Abatement/Exemption	185,763	185,763

	<i>Governmental Fund Types</i>			<i>Fiduciary Fund Types</i>		<i>Account Group</i>	
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Project	Trust and Agency	General Long-Term Debt	Totals	
<u>Liabilities (Continued):</u>							
Notes Payable			1,150,000				1,150,000
Other Liabilities	4,301			1,941			6,242
Escrow Deposits Held				449,209			449,209
General Obligation Bonds Payable					7,826,085		7,826,085
Sewer Plant Upgrade							0
Water Filtration Plant Upgrade							0
Total Liabilities	\$ 535,828	\$ 502,006	\$1,150,000	\$451,150	\$7,826,085		\$10,465,069
<u>Fund Equity:</u>							
Reserved for Encumbrances	208,424						208,424
Reserved for Expenditures	60,000						60,000
Reserved for Over/Under Assessments	(3,800)						(3,800)
Reserved for Endowments				161,670			161,670
Unreserved Undesignated	1,069,670	2,518,901	(770,437)	822,021			3,640,155
Total Fund Equity:	\$1,334,294	\$2,518,901	\$(770,437)	\$ 983,691	0		\$4,066,449
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$1,870,122	\$3,020,907	\$ 379,563	\$1,434,841	\$7,826,085		\$14,531,518

Schedule 1-A

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Special Revenue Fund**

FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2000
Ambulance Donation	(450)	447	70,275	(68,445)	(1,380)	447
Mass. Recycling Incentive Elections & Registration	575	89,304	0	(142,343)		576
Tri Town Health	(153,921)	194,143	53,039	(39,689)		533
Highway: Chapter 113	(9,316)	0	9,316	0		0
Highway: Chapter 85	4,999	6,793		(2,620)	(2,159)	7,013
Conservation Commission	6,894	4,480		(4,225)		7,149
Mass. Recycling	17,083	54,009	3,643	(54,491)	(20,244)	(0)
Building Inspector	7,259	5,717	0	(3,958)	(9,018)	(0)
Wire Inspector	959	2,347	0	(4,427)	1,121	0
Gas Inspector	3,118	3,070	0	(5,545)	(643)	0
Sealer W & M	6,336	4,542	0	(4,988)	(5,890)	0
Plumbing Inspector	2,240	61	0	0	(2,301)	0
Small Cities & Town Grants	62	0	0	0		62
MSCP Community Dev.	(547)	0	0	0	0	(547)
CDAG Lee Business Park	10,768	0	0	0	(9,316)	1,452
PWED 95		25,000		(17,668)	6,434	898
MA Hist Comm Park	0	61,332	0	(61,332)	0	0
MSCP Downtown Partner		0		0		
CDBG FY97 Grant #5094	500	2,013		0		500
HUD 107	(3,406)	2,100		(2,013)		(3,406)
Rural Bus Dev	0			(2,100)		
Farmer's Market Grant		88,548			0	
Partnership 102K		48,303		(14,262)	(9,708)	3,478
Dem/Historic Lands	(88,548)					
FY98 Mass. Pike Grant	(20,855)					

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FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2000
CDAG Admin Funds	1,111			0		1,111
Reimbursed Expenditures						
Compost Bins	212	240		(380)		72
Trolley	5,702	3,223	9,708	(284)		18,349
Police Vests		3,156		(3,156)		
L.E. Block Grant	3	0				3
Drug Task Force	8	0				8
County Dog Fund	3,279	0		(1,962)		1,317
Addition Lottery		0		0		0
Sale of Real Estate	1,336	0				1,336
Sale of Cemetery Lots	27,052	6,572		(2,900)		30,724
Conservation Commission	3,303					3,303
Ambulance	141,261	123,847	1,830	(842)	(157,900)	108,196
Sewer Easement	1,610					1,610
Land Easement	1					1
SRAB Reserve for Debt	113,299				(113,299)	
MA Clean Up Grant		22,522				22,522
Police V.A.M.A.						
State Aid to Libraries	2,321	7,702		(9545)	0	478
Arts Lottery Council	7,634	3,686		(4,484)	0	6,836
Council On Aging		7,825	0	(7,743)	0	82
COA Service Incentive					0	
Community Policing '98 & '97	985	0	0			985
Community Policing '99	13,191			(12,570)	0	621
Community Policing '00		16,000		(9,982)		6,018
Police D.A.R.E. '99	1,024		0	(4,983)		(3,959)
Police D.A.R.E. '98 & '97	71				0	71
Police D.A.R.E. '00		7,032		(3,729)		3,303
Police Car Watch		675		(290)		3,85

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FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2000
School Lunch	9,618	236,641		(234,198)		12,061
School Athletic	21,309	10,686		(6,084)	0	25,911
Adult Education	4,377	17,228		(14,350)	0	7,255
Industrial Arts	2,888	2,925		(2,421)		3,392
School Book Damage	1,521	3,173		(2,150)		2,544
Greenhouse	1,172	3,338		(3,375)		1,135
Berkshire Alliance	16,213	11,944		(16,048)		12,109
Music	978	1,105	0			2,083
Drama	4,751	5,364		(6,107)		4,008
Reading	1					1
Tennis	5,325			(1,786)		3,539
PreSchool	344	2,160		(1,762)		742
Student Fund	1,979	37,355		(34,853)		4,481
School Choice	429,307	503,024		(364,995)		567,336
Student Activities	1,648	50,997		(34,961)		17,684
Cable TV	60				0	60
Senior Breakfast	275	60		(272)		63
Title V Septic	5,110	440		(4,046)		1,504
Title 1	3,681	73,587		(77,208)		60
SPED 94-142	37	104,284		(102,767)		1,554
Teacher Training		4,477		(3,733)		744
Technical Training/Prof		600		(600)		
Adult Basic Ed	28,359	91,741		(116,500)		3,600
BTEP Summer	2,818	6,960		(8,435)	0	1,343
Drug Free School		4,428	0	(4,428)	0	
Goals	15,123	25,000		(25,061)		15,062)
SPED Curriculum	1,092	3,872	0	(3,865)		1,099
SPED E: Childhood	1,205	13,713		(14,372)		546
Health Project	933	19,538		(20,471)		

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FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2000
BTEP Adult Ed		13,733		(18,311)		(4,578)
Academic Supp Serv	1,040			(1,040)		
Safe School		2,000		(2,000)		
Essential Skills	1,800	10,000		(11,800)		
Title VI		5,716		(5,716)		
P-C Home		1,500		(1,500)		
IEP Training		1,000				1,000
Breakfast		12,000		(12,000)		
Emergency IMMIG		25,000		(23,614)		1,386
Summer Cont.		4,309		(4,309)		
Lee High Truancy		4,000		(3,270)		730
Truancy Prevention		4,500		(4,211)		289
QU Full Day Kindergarten		28,569		(28,569)		
T-Cap Grant		15,000		(15,000)		
Alternative Program		42,500		(42,500)		
Water	999,783	566,787		(616,468)	(15,000)	935,102
Sewer	405,564	661,762		(330,531)	(68,713)	668,083
Skateboard	110					110
Police D.A.R.E.	3,448	4,162		(3,069)	0	4,541
Explorers Donation	344					344
Sandy Beach Raft	727			(159)	(568)	
Flag Donations	200					200
Sandy Beach Donation	97	30	569	(731)		65
Hazardous Waste	14					14
Ambulance Donation	1					1
Elderly Tax Abate Program		182				182
TOTALS:	\$2,080,406	\$3,432,179	\$148,380	(\$2,720,602)	(\$421,452)	\$2,518,910

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Capital Projects Fund
30 June 2000

Schedule 1-B

FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Perm Bond	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2000
Landfill Well Testing	\$ 10,896	240,000		(\$ 3,950)		\$ 6,946
Fire Truck - New				(239,012)		988
Fire Truck	26					26
Water Filtration PH#1	(116,327)				116,327	
Ambulance Garage	(1,033)		62,625	(63,347)		(1,755)
New Ambulance	(83,216)	40,000	50,000	(29)		6,755
Lee Industrial Park		(63,692)	63,692			
Lee Business Pk Wetland	15,000			10,000		15,000
Union St./Sewer Line		7,512				17,512
208K Watershed		15,000				15,000
Woodland Bridge	17,810					17,810
Wastewater Collect/Treat			187,454	(67,988)		119,466
School Playground	(25,001)		25,001			
High School Gym Roof	(33,845)	31,619	2,226			
New School Design	(750,000)					
School Underground Tank	17,985		10,000	(392,780)		(1,142,780)
Central/Greenhouse Tank Remove	(48,774)	48,774		(300)		27,685
School Computer Lab	(75,000)		75,000			
Stockbridge Road	1,038					1,038
Sidewalk Plow	(60,000)	60,000				
Washington Mt.	22,101					22,101
S.H.L.D.	25,044					25,044
Sewer #7	2,251					2,251
Highway Gar. Ceiling 22/97	(75)	25,000				25,000
Highway Gar. Ceiling 31/98			10,000	(5,362)		4,563

FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Perm Bond	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2000
Fire Station Windows 36/99	(15,514)		18,000			18,000
Fire Station Windo/Heat 25/97	(15,514)	15,915				401
40K Watershed	722					722
Water Meters	26,684					26,684
Water Testing	16,623					16,623
Landfill Closure	(325,516)	315,000	15,000			4,484
TOTAL:	(\$1,419,301)	\$ 840,000	\$ 465,306	(\$772,768)	\$ 116,327	(\$ 770,436)

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Trust Funds
30 June 2000

Schedule 1-C

FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Receipts	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2000
Cemetery	\$147,200		\$ 3,400			\$150,600
Morgan Jones	4,700					4,700
St. Mary's	5,870					5,870
A.A. Jones	1,000					1,000
TOTAL RESTRICTED	\$158,770		3,400			\$162,170
Cemetery	16,475	7,830			(7,000)	17,305
Gravestone Repair	270	110				380
A.A. Jones	167	63				230
Morgan Jones	1,642	317				1,959
Lee Players Club		16			(702)	(686)

FUND:	Balance 7/1/99	Receipts	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2000
Conservation Fund	3,598	108				3,706
Stabilization	103,083	34,713	500,000			637,796
Law Enforcement	853	25				878
Lee Historical	1,489	135		(50)		1,574
St. Mary's		294		(294)		0
Scholarship Funds	99,577	69,122		(10,500)		158,199
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED	\$ 227,154	\$ 112,733	\$ 300,000	(\$ 10,844)	(\$ 7,702)	\$ 821,341
TOTALS:	\$ 385,974	\$ 112,733	\$ 503,400	(\$ 10,844)	(\$ 7,702)	\$ 983,511

Schedule 1-D

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Agency Funds
30 June 2000**

FUND:	Balance 6/30/99	Receipts	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2000
Police Outside Detail	\$ 728	\$116,346		(\$117,424)		(350)
Firearms Licensing Fees	63	3,225		(2,538)		750
Conservation Commission						0
Town Collector Fees						0
Hoff						0
Fraser	3,682	40		(3,722)		0
Davis						0
Tri-Town Health		9,575		(9,575)		0
Deputy Fees	2,677	4,252		(5,388)		1,541
Conservation/Oak 'n Spruce	22,245	563				22,808
Silverleaf Landscaping	30,188	826				31,014

FUND:	Balance 6/30/99	Receipts	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2000
Horizon Traffic	179,518	8,997				188,515
Berkshire Village	12,118	383				12,501
Attny Scully/Sewer Mitiga		193,770				193,770
DPW Curbcuts		601				601
TOTALS:	\$ 251,219	\$ 338,578	0	(\$ 138,647)		\$451,150

Schedule 5

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

**Debt Schedule
30 June 2000**

PURPOSE:

Inside Debt Limit

	Outstanding 6/30/99	Issued This Year	Retired This Year	Outstanding 6/30/2000	Interest Paid
Memorial Hall					0
Fire Truck	163,000		16,000	147,000	7,721
Computer Lab	40,000		15,000	25,000	1,585
School Energy	12,000		4,000	8,000	484
Bossidy Block	60,000		10,000	50,000	2,650
Stockbridge Road	140,270		29,630	110,640	6,692
Ambulance Garage	470,000		40,000	430,000	22,625
Hyde Wing Roof	20,000		10,000	10,000	755
High School Parking Lot	20,000		10,000	10,000	2,650
High School Roof	569,730		120,370	449,360	22,516
Fire Station		15,915		15,915	
School remodeling		30,000		30,000	
School Oil Tank Remv		48,774		48,774	
Highway Garage		25,000		25,000	
Road		63,692		63,692	

<i>Inside Debt Limit</i>	Outstanding 6/30/99	Issued This Year	Retired This Year	Outstanding 6/30/2000	Interest Paid
Ambulance		40,000		40,000	
Fire Truck		240,000		240,000	
Public Works Equipment		60,000		60,000	
TOTALS:	\$1,495,000	\$ 555,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 1,795,000	
<i>Outside Debt Limit</i>					
Sewer Town's Share	33,400		33,400		1,670
Sewer Marble/George	11,000		11,000		550
Water Filtration	1,614,873		18,758	1,596,115	72,669
Water Filtration #3	297,760		3,273	294,487	13,399
Water Filtration #4	3,667,200		38,176	3,629,024	167,024
Landfill		315,000		315,000	
TOTALS:	\$5,624,233	315,000	\$104,607	\$ 5,834,626	



TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk serves the residents of Lee as chief election official, recording officer, registrar of vital statistics, public records officer, licensing officer and finally public information officer. I work diligently at making sure rules and regulations are carried out at all times.

I have a new computer program that makes issuing dog licenses, birth, marriages and deaths as well as inflammable licenses and business licenses quicker and easier to install, make copies for residents and are more professional looking. Tracking the total number of vital records etc. is printed from this program, making reports at the end of the year for the Town Report much more efficient, and quicker for residents to obtain this information.

I am checking into getting our town by-laws put on disk so we can view the by- laws and the many options that are in this program for research and hopefully get the by- laws on the internet for easy access by the residents of Lee and surrounding towns and cities.

It is my pleasure to be able to assist the residents with any questions, problems or information they may need, and I will continue to work hard to make my office as efficient as possible for the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne M. Scarpa
Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

Births	40
Marriages	49
Deaths	90
Voters	3978
Population	5958
Raffle Permits	4
Business Permits	33
Inflammable Permits	12

DOG LICENSE REPORT

Males	32	\$320.00
Females	17	170.00
Neutered	129	516.00
Spayed	189	756.00
Kennels	0	

FISH AND WILDLIFE REPORT

Fishing	351
Hunting	92
Sporting	270



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

During the year January 1, 2000, to December 31, 2000, the Lee Zoning Board of Appeals met as needed throughout the year. The Board received eight (8) Special Permit Applications all of which were petitions in (Flood Plain District); three (3) petitions for Variance, and four (4) Appeals. There were five Special Permits granted, and one Variance was granted. Three petitions for Appeal were denied. One Appeal was continued into the next year.

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.

The Board was saddened by the loss of Robert Lester, Jr. who passed away August 1, 2000. The Board welcomes it's newest member George Finn who was appointed by the Board of Selectmen on September 12, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy O. Taylor, **Chairman**
Sheila Wood, George Inman, Jr.
William Bean, George Finn



SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

The year 2000 was a busy year for the Weights & Measures Department, due to the new regulations passed by the State. All sealers are required to be certified in order to perform their Duties. Various seminars and meetings were held in the Springfield area to prepare for certification exams.

The State also requires that sealers perform unit pricing and scanner accuracy inspections on retail establishments with more than three points of sale (cash registers). This Board voted to extend this inspection to all retail establishments using point of sale scanners. Written certification testing along with field testing was held in early November. I was awarded certification for price verification / scanner accuracy & tank vehicle inspection.

I gained certification as a weights and measures inspector in December.

A total of \$3677.00 was turned into town treasurer for the inspections of 129 scales, 123 gas / diesel pumps and 4 scanner accuracy tests.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Cahalan,
Sealer of Weights & Measures



TOWN COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my annual report covering January 1 through December 31, 2000.

	Collected	Balance as of Dec. 31, 2000
Real Estate Tax		
1998	\$ 84.89	0
1999	46,871.80	407.58
2000	2,939,496.21	53,721.01
2001	3,413,227.88	3,487,098.07
Personal Property Taxes		
2000	153,359.38	795.14
2001	207,344.63	198,118.42

Note: 2nd half payments due 5/1/01

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1981	7.50	0
1982	7.50	0
1985	5.00	0
1986	12.50	0
1988	26.98	0
1989	16.25	0
1990	32.50	0
1991	16.25	0
1992	49.90	0
1993	57.50	0
1994	352.81	0
1995	338.75	0
1996	317.94	0
1997	473.65	594.22
1998	1,021.22	3,262.80
1999	23,302.96	14,512.86
2000	492,437.57	28,681.03
1999 Water Lien Added to Tax	949.00	0
1999 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	528.00	0
2000 Water Lien Added to Tax	1,137.00	2,029.00
2000 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	1,838.00	2,511.00
Farm Animal Excise Tax	718.50	
Trailer Park Fees	7,056.00	
Stumpage Fees	3,483.76	

Deputy Fees	3,559.00
Bounced Check Fees	75.00
Tax Taking Ads	163.00
Small Claims Court Fees	42.00
Tax Taking Ads	360.80
Interest Added to General Fund	32,139.54
Fees Added to General Fund	4,368.00
Municipal Lien Certificates (188 issued @ \$25.00 each)	4,700.00
Registry of Motor Vehicles Fees (112 marks cleared @ \$20.00 each)	2,240.00
Parking Ticket Receipts	1,898.09
Water Receipts	568,783.04
Sewer Receipts	679,932.32
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<i>\$ 8,611,023.62</i>

Added to Tax Title in Fiscal 2000

Real Estate Tax	\$ 16,891.65
Water Liens	426.00
Sewer Liens	697.40

Fiscal 2001 Real Estate Taxes Deferred	\$ 1,280.48
Total Real Estate Taxes Deferred and Due	\$ 11,688.48

Respectfully submitted,

Janice G. Smith
Town Collector



TOWN TREASURER

The Treasurer's office once again has continued to expand its benefits to our employees and find new creative ways to run more efficiently. During our annual health fair free health screenings were offered which proved to be very successful and beneficial to those who participated. We were also involved in a "Health 2000" fitness challenge. This encouraged our employees to exercise on a weekly basis and by achieving certain levels of their commitment they were awarded prizes through our health insurance. I offered a workshop entitled "Managing Stress through the Holidays" and felt those that attended were given various tools to help get them through the holidays. I contracted with Six Flags of New England and was able to sell tickets at a greatly reduced rate to our employees. This benefit proved to be very popular and one I will continue to offer next year.

An Insurance Advisory Committee was re-established and we began meeting towards the end of the year and were very aggressive in researching dental insurance. I would like to secure a good dental product to offer to our employees and this committee and has been very helpful in sorting out the entire pro's and con's to attaining one.

In the spring the Tax Collector and I auctioned off 5 parcels of land of low value. We collected over \$ 15,000 for the properties. Also I began the processing of computerizing the tax titles.

We converted to an automatic direct deposit in our payroll system. This achievement saves time and money and is appreciated by our employees.

We broke ground this fall to build our new school, however to get to that point took a lot of financial planning from this department. With the help of our financial advisor we have been aggressively analyzing the best way to spend our money during the project as well as how to invest the proceeds to achieve the ultimate in benefits to the Town. An investment proposal was put out to secure some really good rates, which will help offset the cost of this massive project.

Looking back I feel it has been a very successful year for the treasurer's office. I would like to thank my assistant, Donna Toomey, who without her tremendous support and help I would not be able to accomplish half of what I do.

The treasurer report is as follows:

BALANCE IN TREASURY JULY 1, 1999	5,057,856.28
Receipts July 1, 1999 through June 30,2000	17,761,806.52
Less Payments July 1, 1999 through June 30,2000	16,896,408.03
Balance June 30, 2000	<u>5,950,254.77</u>

DEPOSITORIES

Boston Safe Deposit Money Market Account	4,921.29
Lee Bank General Fund	357,530.08
Fleet Bank	29,667.69
First Trade	31,378.88
City Savings	8,147.74
City Savings Operating	41,002.40
Citizen Bank	720,540.49
Peoples Savings Bank	30,663.76
UniBank	397,077.02
US Trust	183,939.59
State Street	.01
Fleet Boston	863.31
Berkshire Bank	155,855.46
Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust	768,793.53
Lee Bank CD Investment	404,840.84
Peoples CD Investment	517,584.65
Berkshire Bank CD Investment	505,017.99
Peoples CD Investment	504,527.09
Peoples Bank Stabilization Fund	637,796.26
Lee Bank Cultural Council	8,036.36
Lee Bank Historical	1,574.10
Lee Bank Law Enforcement	878.09
Lee Bank Sale of Lots	30,724.24
A. A. Jones	1,229.88
Morgan Jones	6,659.25
Fairmount Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	167,405.03
Conservation Commission Trust Fund	3,706.25
Gravestone Repair	379.91
Horizon/Outlet/Traffic Mitigation Bond	188,514.89
St. Mary's Perpetual Care Fund	5,870.00
Horizon Conservation Commission Bond	12,500.51
Conservation/Silverleaf	22,807.90
Conservation/Silverleaf Phase 2	31,013.87
Scholarship Accounts	158,192.40
Elderly Taxation Account	182.13
DPW Curb Cuts	601.38
City Savings – Sewer Mitigation	193,770.09

TOTAL DEPOSITORIES

5,950.254.77

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Kelley,
Treasurer



BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Total Appropriations	\$ 12,441,659.00
Other Charges	460,438.00
State and County Charges	37,376.00
Allowance for Abatements and Exemptions	189,074.99
Total Amount to be Raised:	\$ 13,128,547.99
Estimated Receipts - STATE	2,556,541.00
Estimated Receipts - LOCAL	2,449,635.00
Free Cash	65,900.00
Available Funds	645,758.00
Total Estimated Receipts	\$ 5,717,834.00
Raised From Real Estate Tax	7,004,399.45
Raised From Personal Property Tax	406,314.54
Total	\$ 13,128,547.99
Total Assessed Valuation	\$445,355,408.00
Total	\$16,64 per thousand

The Board of Assessors processed:

- 185 Elderly Exemptions and Veteran Exemptions
- 43 Personal Property and Real Estate Abatements
- 339 Motor Vehicle Abatements

Respectfully submitted,

William Derrick, *Chairman*
Dayton DeLorme, *Appointed Assessor*
Edward Briggs, *Appointed Assessor*
Jacki Bitso, MAA, *Principal Assessor*
Evelyn Borsody, *Clerk*



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

I hereby submit the annual report for the Department of Public Works for the year 2000.

The year was as always a busy one with many diversified projects.

Highway Division

Sidewalk resurfacing continued on parts of Summer Street and High Street. Road resurfacing was completed on High Street, Birch St, Lois Street, Lynn Ann Drive and Lana Ave. Chestnut Street and Woodland Road were resurfaced with oil and stone.

On a great many streets, resurfacing will only cause future problems, as through the years the road surface has increased, and in places is higher than adjoining lawns. This only creates drainage problems as the road now drains onto lawns. We must begin a program of reclaiming streets, that means removing several inches of existing road material so that we can once again create curbs and improve on drainage issues, this of course means increased costs. With the decrease of available Chapter 90-road money the Town may have to start seeking tax dollars for continued road improvements in the future.

Bridge repairs are another issue to be discussed. This coming year we will ask for funding for a comprehensive assessment study in order to prepare a 10 year plan to address costs, maintenance and improvements of our bridges

In addition a major culvert replacement was made on the Becket North Road along with the usual assortment of maintenance programs dealing with crosswalk and line painting, culvert and basin cleaning, tree removal and brush cutting.

Wintertime seems to be the most difficult time to appease everyone, no one wants the snow pushed from the roadway onto their drives, but where else can we place it? We currently have a "sidewalk machine" and while it does a fairly good job, it is not perfect, we can blow or push snow, but again, to where? Residents can help by doing a final cleanup of walks (and hydrants) after the machine has passed; especially on those walks which are immediately adjacent to the roadway. We also have a by-law discouraging the movement of snow into roadways and sidewalks.

This coming year I am going to attempt to replace a 1 ton truck, and to add a wing plow to it, the wing will come in handy not only for pushing back snow on roadways, but also on the sidewalks which adjoin the road, this also will help save the sidewalks, as the large trucks we currently use would not have to ride on the walk as it plows, causing damage to the walks.

I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to recognize our Highway Supervisor, Dennis Kelly for his wealth of knowledge in managing the Highway Division. Dennis is the person who runs the department on a daily basis, his years of service and experience are what I depend on, and he is deserving of your

appreciation. And equally deserving of recognition are the gentlemen of the Highway Department. We have an excellent crew and they do an admirable job in their duties. It is easy to take them for granted, and to use the typical stereotype some have become accustomed to with regards to Municipal Employees, believe me it is unwarranted and unjustified.

Water Division

Numerous water breaks were repaired during the year, a good number of them were found to be due simply to old supply connections, an indication of what the future will bring.

A specification for the purchase and installation of water meters was advertised in December. Our schedule will be for the installation of meters to begin sometime in the spring of 2001. A public forum on their implementation is planned prior to the project's start. The subject I am sure will be a sensitive one, and based on comparisons performed to date, the overall effect should be one of equity for all users. The use of water meters will ensure that those who conserve and use water wisely will benefit, and those who choose not to conserve, or through necessity must use excessive water, will pay their due share. In either case the use of water meters is also mandated by several facts, the use of USDA money for the construction of the water plant, as well as licensing issues regarding our water sources.

Sewer Division

We are currently in the pre-design stage for the new Wastewater Treatment Plant, and plan to apply for low interest funding in late spring of 2001. Under the best of time frames the earliest we would expect to see an expanded and improved treatment facility would be at the end of 2003. An Inflow and Infiltration study (I&I) was concluded this year which shows a considerable amount of non-sewage flow entering then plant. We have purchased our own flow meters, from existing sewer mitigation funds, and have begun to initiate additional (I&I) studies on our own in an attempt to further isolate where these I&I flows originate from. By using our own meters we will also be able to reduce our costs of the studies.

The improvements to the treatment plant along with removing I&I are of considerable interest to the Town, as they pertain to the varied future expansion projects currently in various stages of planning as they relate to tourism, residential and commercial interests Identifying and removing I&I will be a priority issue in the upcoming year.

The existing plant while being 33 years old continues to operate at a fairly acceptable level, in part thanks to the our operators, Alan Zerbato and Craig Rand, who through creativity and ingenuity maintain the system.

Recycling

Paint, oil and hazardous household waste collections continue to be operated by our contractor CET. Continued and more frequent collections with other Towns can be expected next year.

It has been an interesting first year; the position is all I expected and more, a new challenge every day. One knows that when working for the Public you cannot appease everyone, but you try. Available funds are all that stands in the way!

Dealing with the many personalities, agendas and opinions are the most difficult aspect of this position, you try, you sigh, and you do your best.

It's a great job in a great Town with a lot of good people, lets all work together for the common good.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth J. LaBier, *Superintendent*

Robert Bartini, *Chairman*

David Forrest, *Clerk*

Maurice Leahey, Member, William Enser, Member

Dan Pascucci, Member, Martin Barenski, Member, Tom Arment, Member



BUILDING INSPECTOR

I hereby submit my report for the calendar year 2000.

<u>Permit Category</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>\$ Value</u>
New Dwellings	14	\$1,602,900.00
Additions / Alterations	58	1,012,226.00
Garages	7	46,500.00
Pools	9	45,700.00
Commercial	21	26,356,750.00
Porches / Decks / Roofs	34	155,230.90
Sheds / Barns	9	138,489.00
Demolition	3	120,500.00
Certificate of Occupancy	24	N/A
Wood Stoves	12	N/A
Signs	21	N/A
TOTAL	227	\$29,478,295.90
PERMIT FEES		\$65,160.58

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel C. Keenan,
Building Inspector



TRAFFIC COMMISSION

The Traffic Commission had a very productive year addressing the many traffic issues in town.

We did traffic counts on different streets such as Meadow and Marble Streets and trucks on Main Street. The truck issue on Main Street has become a very hot subject in Town.

The North/South access study is heavy on the agenda in the coming year. The Traffic Commission is trying very hard to find a better way for trucks that pass thru town to have an alternate route.

We have been meeting with Silverleaf to make sure the traffic predictions for their different phases will fall within the safety guidelines of the Town of Lee.

We have made suggestions to commercial businesses for the installation of new traffic directional signs for trucks serving their businesses, such as South Down, Lee Lime on Marble Street, Schweitzer-Mauduit Center, Columbia and Greyllock Streets.

Some safety issues were addressed at intersections and crosswalks. The solid colored crosswalks and new styled pedestrian yield signs seem to be accepted by residents.

This past year we were saddened by the death of a very dedicated member, Robert Lester. His long and devoted attention to the matters of Lee will be greatly missed. We have filled the vacancy with a very qualified person, Wilbur Hunt.

We have established a traffic problem Hot Line with the Police Department for any residents who see or have a traffic issue. This hot line is recorded so any concerns will be documented. Traffic hot line (243-5513) will help strive for a safer traffic control for Lee.

Thank you for the cooperation of the Lee residents and local boards.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald H. Leprevost, **Chairman**

Edward Forfa

Wilbur Hunt

Robert Giarolo

Ronald Glidden, **Police Chief**



POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department this year continued to experience an increase in total incidents handled including calls for service and assistance. Statistically, the crime rate remained similar to that of last year, with slight reductions in several areas.

While we followed a national trend that saw a decrease in some crime statistics, we unfortunately followed another national trend that saw an increase in the seriousness of the crimes we did experience. For example, officers arrested an intoxicated heavily armed man who had been threatening guests with a gun at a hotel. Officers responded to two reported robberies, one of which had occurred at gunpoint at a convenience store. Officers responded to a home invasion and near fatal assault of a female victim by her neighbor. These and other violent crimes kept officers acutely aware of the inherent dangerousness of their job.

Lee Police Officers John Farina, William Tierney, Philip Skowron, William Bartini, and Todd Briggs worked tirelessly with the state police Berkshire Detective Unit and Crime Lab to solve the year's most serious assault case. Their efforts resulted in the arrest of a suspect on numerous felony charges including attempted murder. The officers received a department commendation for Case Investigation for their efforts. Officers also investigated several reported cases of child abuse and sexual assault. Sgt. Joseph Buffis and Officer Craig DeSantis continue to serve as the department's sexual assault and child abuse investigators, and over the past year solved several such cases.

Officer Adrian Kohlenberger's role as School Resource Officer was expanded allowing him to spend more time in the schools to respond to student and administration concerns. Officer John Farina held numerous Rape Aggression Defense Courses throughout the year. These courses teach basic self-defense to women. There were several financial scams this year attempted or committed against elderly residents. Our Crime Prevention Officer, James Loring, is available at any time to discuss how to avoid being victimized by these scams.

During the past year, we applied for and received two state grants including a D.A.R.E. grant for \$6000, and a Community Policing grant for \$16,000.

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.

2000 Statistical Summary

Total Incidents Handled	5966
Homicide	0
Sex offense	4
Robbery	2
Assaults	26
Burglary	11
Larceny	55
Motor Vehicle Theft	3
Vandalism	14
Motor Vehicle Accidents	160
Motor Vehicle Fatalities	0
Motor Vehicle Citations	520
Drug Arrests	15
Driving Under the Influence	14
Total Arrests	65
Medical Assistance	579
Parking Tickets	160
Alarms Answered	226

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronald C. Glidden, *Chief of Police*



FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Department responded to 233 calls:

3	Chimney Fires	13	Co Detector Activated
3	Electrical	8	False Alarms
72	Fire Alarms Activated	5	Fuel Spills
10	Brush & Grass	8	Mass. Turnpike
8	Medical /Defibrillator	42	Miscellaneous
15	Mutual Aid Given	8	Oil Burners
14	Service Calls	6	Structures
7	Wires Down	12	Vehicle (Accident/Fire)

Two dwellings were destroyed at Leisure Lee. Both homes were not standing when the Fire Department arrived. The State Fire Marshal was called to investigate both incidents.

The new rescue equipment, jaws of life & accessories, air bags, have arrived and are in service. the older equipment was put on engine 6 and will be used as a second set. The new Scott air pacs with integrated pass systems are also in service on engines in both stations. The new air compressor for breathing air is expected to arrive soon.

All engines have had pumps serviced and tested. All engines are pumping to their capacity.

The need for volunteers has increased. Some type of incentive program is needed to increase volunteerism.

Central Station is a "Grand Old Building" that was dedicated in 1912 and remodeled in 1960. The Department has grown past its capabilities.

My personal thanks to the officers and all the volunteers who have given their time to answer calls and come to practices, and also for keeping the buildings and equipment in great shape. I also extend my appreciation to the Lee Ambulance Squad, Lee Police Department, Lee Communications Center and to all the Fire Departments that assisted this Department 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

I hereby submit my annual report for the calendar year 2000..

Community Septic Management Program: The Tri-Town Health Department Septic System Installer Certification training program was developed in 1998 for contractors who request licensure as septic system installers. Due to the continued growth of the program, the Health Department decided to turn over the administrative responsibilities to the the Berkshire County Board of Health Association. To facilitate this change, the Health Department applied for and received a small grant from the Berkshire Fund.

The Health Department was also notified by the State Department of Environmental Protection concerning a significant change in the Title 5 regulations which we had been advocating for years. The amendment now will allow homeowners who must upgrade their septic systems to use the subsoil (B horizon) as part of the soil absorption system. This has meant substantial savings in upgrade costs.

Radon Program/Action Plan: On February 23rd, I was again approved to attend a **Radon/Indoor Air Quality Training Program** in Washington D.C.. The program is sponsored by EPA and the National Environmental Health Association. Also, on November 3rd, Kathy Phelps our Assistant Health Agent was approved to attend similar training. The training and related travel and lodging expenses were paid for by the sponsoring organizations. This training is given to certain qualified individuals as identified by EPA and the National Environmental Health Association.

Food Service Sanitation Program/New Board of Health Regulations/Update: The State of Massachusetts as expected, adopted the Federal Food Code on October 1, 2000. These new regulations among other things require all food establishments to have individuals on-site who have successfully received approved training in food safety and sanitation. Since the Tri-Town establishments have already met these requirements for a number of years, the only individuals in need of training are new employees and those replacing trained staff. Other requirements include additional inspections, and more focus on HACCP principles ~hazard analysis critical control points). All staff who are not Registered Sanitarians or meet other acceptable certifications and conduct food inspections, must complete training programs sponsored by the State Public Health Department. Only one employee remains that will take the training as a backup in the event illness, vacation etc;.

West Nile Virus: The Tri-Town Health Department was busy this year responding to questions and concerns pertaining to West Nile Virus. This office was designated as the Berkshire drop off point for Boards of Health submitting samples of dead birds for analysis by the State Public Health Lab. To date, no birds submitted for testing were found positive for West Nile. In addition, mosquito's submitted for analysis also showed no sign of West Nile. During the Spring of 2001, this office will be working closely with the State Department of Public Health to ensure citizens are properly informed early in the year in an effort to minimize misinformation and allay any fears the public may have.

Certified Pool & Spa Operator Courses: Training programs for pool operators are now conducted throughout the year to help establishments get the necessary certifications. The State Department of Public Health recently amended regulations dealing with operation and maintenance of swimming pools. The Tri-Town area has seen and increase in the number of pools and hot tubs.

Tobacco Awareness Program: The Tobacco Awareness Program just completed its seventh year as a program within the Tri-Town Health Department. The program continues to offer private counseling and referrals for those people wishing to quit smoking. We offer training for tobacco retailers, conduct compliance checks to reduce youth access to tobacco, work with schools on policy and education. conduct.

Permits Issued:

<i>Permit Type</i>	<i>Number Issued</i>
Food Service	41
Retail Food	14
Catering	8
Mobile Food	2
Bakery	1
Special Events Food Permit	20
Tobacco	17
Indoor Pool	2
outdoor Pool	9
Hot Tubs	2
Frozen Desert	9
Milk/Cream Store	17
Milk/Cream Vehicle	3
Milk/Cream Dealer	2
Pasteurization	1
Disposal Works Installers	13
Septage Hauler	7
Garbage Hauler	5
Rec. Children's Camp	2
Motel/Hotel/Cabin/Trailer	15
Massage Practitioner	8
Massage Establishment	1
Biological Wastes	2
Disposal Works Construction	7
Well Permit	10
TOTAL	218

Many thanks to the Lee, Lenox and Stockbridge Boards of Health for their guidance and support. Also, many thanks to the Tri-Town Health staff for their dedicated and caring service to our member communities.

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

Public Water Supplies	273
Wastewater Samples	64
Private Wells	28
Pools & Hot Tubs	29
Bathing Beaches	51
Quality Control & Proficiency	8
Total	453

Subsurface Sewage Disposal 310 CMR 15.00 Title 5:

Title 5 Inspections-Property Transfers	16
Soil Evaluations/Percolation Tests	26

Childrens' Camps

Inspections	2
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Food Service Inspections: (Lee only)

All Food Service & Retail	158
Special Events	20
Total	178

Inspections:

Health Fitness/Massage Establishments	1
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Miscellaneous Complaints/Nuisances 19

Housing Inspections/Chapter II 4

Budget/Revenue Information Fiscal 99

Total Budget –	\$50,990.00
Revenue Generated –	\$23,778.00

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Kolodziej, R.S.

Director/Sanitarian

Tri-Town Health Department



LEE AMBULANCE SERVICE

I hereby submit the annual report of the Lee Ambulance Service for the year 2000. During this year your ambulance service responded to a record 993 requests for medical assistance, resulting in the transport of 904 patients to area hospitals.

A breakdown of the location and types of calls is as follows.

LOCATION		TYPE OF CALL	
Town of Lee	644	Motor Vehicle Accident	93
Town of Stockbridge	189	Injuries	234
Town of Tyringham	21	Illness/transport	299
Mass Pike	37	Cardiac/Respiratory	254
Mutual Aid Provided	102	Misc.	113

Of these calls 257 required the services of a Paramedic Service from Pittsfield. There were 107 incidents requiring multiple ambulance response, of these:

- 12 calls answered by returning ambulance
- 80 calls answered by our second ambulance
- 10 calls required a third ambulance response
- 3 calls required mutual aid for our being unable to respond the second ambulance
- 2 calls required mutual aid for our being unable to respond the first ambulance

Our average response time for 2000 was 4.6 minutes with an on scene average time in Lee of 7.6 minutes.

This past year represented a 19% increase over 1999 which was our busiest year to date. Part of this years increase was due to our covering for Lenox Ambulance during the summer while they were out of service due to an accident, yet this represented less than 50 calls. It seems that a significant reason for the increase comes form calls to the new Laurel Lake Nursing Home which totaled 103 this year. This is a significant number from one location, and we are currently in discussion with the nursing home to seek a resolution as to limiting us to emergency calls, or some form of compensation.

While it was a very busy year, it also proved the dedication of our volunteers, of all the calls we experienced, there were only two incidents whereupon we could not respond with our primary ambulance due to the inability to muster a crew. While this may seem impressive it is not totally acceptable. Our goal is to always be able to respond with the primary ambulance. While our volunteers give all they can, it still shows the need for additional participation by the community, we are always seeking out people who have time to give to volunteer service, for without the volunteer participation we may someday have to look to either hiring more members, or at worse, privatizing. And to me privatizing, is a slap in the face to those who have dedicated so many hours of their time.

In 2001 we hope to replace our 1993 ambulance. The value of a second

ambulance has proven itself many times, it reduces the response time in getting help to residents, rather than waiting for an out of town ambulance, and our history of the number of times the second unit is used, coupled with the rapid on-scene time can only be viewed as a benefit to the community.

In 2001 we might for the first time in 15 years be faced with a deficit in revenue, I hope not. Changes in Medicare reimbursements and non-payment for services rendered are the main reasons for a possible deficit. We are about at the maximum we can charge for services, and we are looking at small claims as a way of collecting past due accounts. Barring success at these methods we may be forced to seek tax dollars to continue to operate at the present level of service. The idea has been for the ambulance service to be self supporting, and it has been for many years, if we need to come to the Town for financial assistance it will be up to the tax-payer to determine if they wish to maintain the current level of service.

Our program of tiered response with the Lee Fire Department for cardiac arrests has continued to be a successful venture for both departments. It has fostered a better understanding of our respective duties, as well as respect for each other in the performance of our overall joint and individual responses.

In closing I once again express my appreciation to our many volunteers, past and present. To the members of the Lee Fire and Police Departments, Lee Dispatch Center. To our members of Stockbridge EMS, Stockbridge Fire and Police Departments, Lenox and Becket Ambulance Services.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth J. LaBier, **Director**



ANIMAL INSPECTOR

I hereby submit my report as your Animal Inspector for the town of Lee, for 2000.

The annual inspection of livestock in town found 256 dairy cattle, 42 beefers, 9 swine, 2 goats, 72 sheep, 26 lambs, 71 horses, 15 ponies and 1 donkey.

Quarantines were issued for 29 incidents.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Bernard C. Collins, V.M.D.
Animal Inspector



COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the annual report of the Emergency Communications Center for 2000.

During the year 2000 1,533 **9-1-1** calls were processed 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.

The Lee Dispatch Center receives and dispatches for all Lee Emergency Services, EMS Fire and Police, as well as Tyngham Fire Dept. Additionally we now dispatch for the Tri-Town Animal Control Officer covering Lee, Lenox and Stockbridge. Additional calls include our Department of Public Works. To all this we continue to be the focal point for all information relative to Town services and local inquiries.

As our dispatchers are the initial contact point for individuals with emergencies and other issues, please remember that they are the "relay point". It is their responsibility to obtain information, determine individual department requirements and then dispatch accordingly. Whenever you call **9-1-1** be prepared to give certain information. The dispatchers are required to ask certain questions which may seem irrelevant at the time, but there is a relevancy to their questions, please cooperate in order to receive the best possible service. And remember they are the "messengers" so as the saying goes, "don't shoot 'em."

When the **9-1-1** system first was initiated house numbers were distributed, however at that time the Town opted not to institute a by-law. There is nothing to force you to number your residence, but think of it, the longer it takes an emergency responder to locate your house, the more chance service will be delayed, so please help yourself as well as us. House numbers should be at least 4" in height, of a color which stands out from your house color, and easily displayed, ideal areas are adjacent to the entrance of your house most visible from the street, and if your house is away from the street, then posted at your driveway entrance, at least 4 feet above ground level and away from shrubs.

In closing I wish to thank our dispatchers for their continued professionalism. To our Emergency Services and Department of Public Works for their continued assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth J. LaBier,
Communications Director



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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 Kamposoa Bog Stewardship Committee. Members also regularly attend seminars offered by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions.

During 2000, the Commission processed 12 Notices of Intent, a collection of Requests for Determination, and issued eight Orders of Conditions. The new Notices included work proposed by the Mass. Turnpike Authority (additional toll booths), expansions by Boyd Converting and Country Curtains, new construction by BETNR at the Industrial Park, remediation of the southern slope at Prime Outlets, maintenance at Mead and Schweitzer-Mauduit, and several residential home projects. Perhaps the biggest drain on our time and emotions was embodied in our dealings with the Silverleaf Phase 4 proposal, which was carried-over from 1999.

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 to assist applicants and to sign-off on building permit applications. We welcome prospective Commissioners to attend a meeting or write and tell us of their interest. Newcomers can begin as associate members, participating in our activities without a vote while they become familiar with the workings of the Commission. Associates move-up to Commissioner status when a vacancy occurs.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart Dalheim, **Chair**
John Rohane, **Vice Chair**
Audie Fungal
Jan Kegler

Marilyn Hansen
Noel Bailey
Deborah Garry
Gerry Beltran

D. Ann Pyenson, **Administrative Assistant**



COUNCIL ON AGING

The Lee Council on Aging respectfully submits the following report of services and activities which took place during the year January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000. The COA Board and Director meet the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Senior Center.

The Lee COA programs focus on the elderly members of our community and their families. The goal of the COA staff, Board and volunteers is to serve the elderly through health, nutrition, informational and social programs. The Outreach Program works to identify and set programs to meet these needs.

A newsletter, "Lee Senior Citizens News", with activities, programs and news pertinent to seniors is published one a month and distributed through the Center, Post Office and Library and is mailed to shut-ins through a grant from the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

In cooperation with the Lee Visiting Nurse Association, Blood Pressure and Flu clinics Are held at the Center. Transportation is provided through the COA office to events at the Center as well as shopping, errands and most importantly, Medical appointments.

A Nutrition Luncheon, staffed by volunteers is served at the Center every Tuesday and Thursday. Special educational and social programs are offered on these days. The COA offers Health Insurance counseling as well as referral service to other agencies in the aging network.

The COA offers a diverse number of volunteer opportunities with special programs, the Lee Food Pantry, The American Cancer Society, Health Clinics and other community Programs.

Special social events include, Pot Luck lunches, bingo, Line-dancing, bridge club, and bus trips which are open to all seniors.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Maroney, *Director*
Alma Allen, *Chairwoman*
Helen Botto
Val Baldisserotto
Stephen Cozzaglio
Angelo Esoldi
Maurice Larrivee
Val Masiero
Amelia Zatorski



HYDE PLACE AND ELDERLY HOUSING CORPORATION

Hyde Place, the senior housing development located on Main Street, was dedicated in 1985. During its 15-year tenure it has been home to hundreds of Lee citizens and other residents of Berkshire County. During this time of increasing real estate prices and upward rents its attractive apartments have continued to serve our senior residents with safe, clean and affordable housing. Since its opening it has remained at near full- occupancy and is one of the most popular senior housing complexes in the Commonwealth.

Hyde Place is home to many active and sociable seniors and a few younger tenants. They are an important part of the Lee community and participate in many community events including the annual Founder's Day weekend and Summer Band concerts. They have also carried out other group activities during 2000. These included day trips to Boston and visits to area museums, community dinners and educational programs on such topics as movement and meditation, and the importance of exercise and proper nutrition.

Hyde Place was sponsored by the First Congregational Church of Lee and received its funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Section 202 Program. Berkshire Housing Development Corporation of Pittsfield served as developer for the project and oversaw the planning and construction of the building. Hyde Place replaced the deteriorated and closed up Lee Movie Theater and started the revitalization of downtown Lee that continues to this day.

The Church established a new non-profit corporation, the Lee Elderly Housing Corporation ("LEHC") to own the project. LEHC is governed by a seven person Board of Directors comprised of Lee residents. They meet regularly to review operations and discuss issues that arise. Berkshire Housing Services, Inc., which is based in Pittsfield, manages Hyde Place. Besides taking applications from potential tenants and overseeing the operations of the property, Berkshire Housing also runs a special supportive services program for Hyde Place residents which helps them obtain the medical and social services they need to remain living independently. It has been well-received by the residents and their families and makes a big difference in their lives.

Hyde Place has 41 one bedroom and studio apartments. All apartments are carpeted, contain modem kitchen appliances and a number have facilities designed to meet the needs of people with disabilities. There is an on site resident manager and maintenance service. Persons interested in obtaining information about an apartment at Hyde Place should call Kim Lewis at Berkshire Housing at 413-499-4887.

Respectfully submitted,

Don C. Hunter, *President*

Lee Elderly Housing Corp. Board of Directors

Don C. Hunter, Esq., *President*

Marilyn Kelly, *Vice President*

Peter Brown, *Treasurer*

Edward Rizzardini, *Clerk*

Rev. Bert Marshall

Lena Bettega

Yvonne Besaw



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP.

The Lee Community Development Corporation continues its mission of creating jobs and economic opportunity in Lee. In 1999 and 2000 with the sale of two more parcels in the Quarry Hill Business Park, and the continued success of Lee Corporate Center at nearly 100% occupancy, the CDC has made great progress in diversifying and preserving employment opportunities, assisting small and medium sized business, and forging new alliances with our economic "anchor industries" in Lee.

As the next fiscal year unfolds, we look forward to even more success in marketing Quarry Hill and planning for projects that will help us make Lee an even better place. We look forward to strengthening our partnership with the town and in renewed collaboration with other organizations in an economic development approach that is regional as well as local.

QUARRY HILL BUSINESS PARK

Quarry Hill Business Park is a 52 acre light industrial/office park facility located on route 102 in Lee. It is strategically located just over a mile from Exit 2 of I-90. The park infrastructure was completed in November 1997. Design and construction of Quarry Hill was made possible through grants from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, support from the town of Lee, and a development loan to the Lee CDC from MassDevelopment. Additional support was provided by a Rural Business Development Grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Quarry Hill facility features town water and sewer, natural gas, full service high capacity electric, telecommunications (telephone/fiber optic to site/cable communications) and a complete stormwater management system, as well as concrete sidewalks and decorative lighting.

SALES IN 1999-2000

RAY MURRAY, INC.

In December of 1999, the CDC completed the sale of a 12 acre parcel at Quarry Hill to BETNR Development Corporation for the development of a new facility for Ray Murray, Inc. The 83,000 square foot building is now close to completion and it is expected that RMI will fully occupy the property by early spring 2001. The new RMI facility will serve as the company's corporate headquarters and will include a state of the art distribution center, corporate offices and training facilities.

Cavallero Plastics, Inc.

In October of 2000 a 6.7 acre parcel was sold to Cavallero Plastics, Inc., of Pittsfield, MA. Cavallero plans to develop the Quarry Hill site as a satellite to its Pittsfield operation. The development is expected to include the construction of a 15,000 sq ft building in its first phase, eventually expanded to 35,000 sq. ft. and create from 20 to 35 new jobs over the next five years. Until now, there has not been a plastics industry presence in Lee. The town's economic development portfolio will

now be more diversified with the addition of this company.

LEE CORPORATE CENTER

The **Lee Corporate Center** a 116,640 square foot multi-tenant office and light manufacturing facility developed in 1995 by the Lee Community Development Corporation, Berkshire Housing Development Corporation, a consortium of local businesses including Boyd Converting, Country Curtains, and Ray Murray, Inc.

Situated on a 15.4 acre tract on Route 102 the facility has parking for 150 vehicles. The steel framed building, originally built in the 1970's, has been transformed from its original use as a single use distribution center to an innovative multi-tenant facility with 35,000 square feet of modern office space and 81,000 square feet of warehouse/light industrial/assembly space. A new elevator services the second floor and all offices feature wall to wall carpeting, central air conditioning, acoustical ceilings, and recessed lighting. The facility meets all new safety and ADA accessibility guidelines.

The Lee Corporate Center houses a wide variety of companies. Current tenants include:

- Wave Systems Corp.
- Berkshire House Publishing
- U.S. Sheeter Supply, Inc.
- Boyd Converting
- Waggin Tails Pet Essentials
- Susan Sparks Physical Therapy PC
- Berkshire Wireless, Inc.
- Caltech, Inc.
- Columbia Propane
- Country Curtains
- Norman Rockwell Museum

STRATEGIC PLANNING INITIATIVES:

Industry Alliance Project

The Lee CDC, through its strategic planning process in 1999 and 2000, in recognition of the importance of the paper industry in Lee as an "economic anchor" for the town, sponsored a photo essay at Lee Corporate Center. The exhibit, featuring photographs of Clemens Kalischer, illustrates the importance of papermaking to the local economy and offers an inside look at the processes, technological evolution, and the many faces of the paper industry in Lee.

Through the Industry Alliance project the Lee CDC has also supported the expansion of Boyd Converting, Inc., in assistance with its application under the state Economic Development Incentives Program (EDIP), and has begun discussions with paper industry leaders on a variety of potential collaborative efforts including assistance with work force development and zoning.

Local and Regional Collaboration:

During FY 2000, the CDC, participated in a number of local and regional efforts to spur economic development. These regional and sub-regional collaborations will be necessary to meet economic challenges, to work toward common goals and to resolve common problems.

Berkshire Council for Growth

Through the Berkshire Council for Growth a comprehensive website listing of economic development sites is being compiled. The project is partially funded through a grant from the Massachusetts Office of Business Development (MOBD) and will prove to be a useful tool in marketing the Berkshires as a region. The Lee CDC has participated in this project and Quarry Hill Business Park and the Lee Corporate Center will be included in the web listing with links to appropriate agencies and related sites.

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Through the leadership of the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, a regional comprehensive economic development strategy is being formulated. This regional planning process is required for projects to be eligible for federal funding under U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) Programs.

Economic Development Sites

In 1999 and 2000 the Lee CDC also participated in an economic development sites inventory through a grant obtained by Berkshire Regional Planning from the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. This county-wide inventory of potential development sites and analysis of related zoning issues will greatly assist communities in designing economic development strategies.

LEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION 2000

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Special thanks to the many supporters, collaborators, benefactors and volunteers who have made it possible to come this far and who continue to assist the Lee CDC in carrying out its mission: Thanks also the Lee Board of Selectmen, Patricia Carlino, Nelson Daley, and Aldo Pascucci; Town Administrator Robert Nason; the many federal, state, and local officials and employees who have assisted our efforts; and the citizens of the Town of Lee for their continued support.

**Community Development Corp.
Financial Report**

FY 2000 REVENUE AND EXPENSES (July 1, 1999 - June 30, 2000)

<u>Operating Revenue Source</u>	<u>Total Revenue</u>
USDA	\$ 2,012.86
State Support	\$ 4,373.44
Local Support (Town of Lee)	500.00
Private Support	9,012.50
Net Income from Land Sales	119,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE:	\$ 134,898.80

Operating Expenses

Salaries/ Benefits /Taxes:	\$ 60,756.80
Consulting/ Services:	11,537.23
Supplies and Equipment:	2,592.22
Rent - Lee Corporate Center:	11,557.48
Telephone/Fax/ISP:	1,718.49
Insurance:	3,920.70
Debt Service:	24,034.67
Quarry Hill Maintenance	1,457.75
Quarry Hill Advertising	5,971.26
Other Misc Admin expense:	9,244.87
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 132,791.47

Excess of Expenses over Revenue \$ 2,107.33

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 2000

Current Assets

City Savings Bank Checking	\$ 1,610.67
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Restricted Use Assets

Revolving Loan Fund Repayments	\$ 5,182.27
Wainwright Bank - Int. Reserve	627.98
Special Projects Fund	46,761.34
TOTAL RESTRICTED USE ASSETS	\$ 52,571.59

Other Current Assets

Notes Receivable	\$ 17,902.36
Quarry Hill Business Park	\$1,314,578.82
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$1,332,481.18
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,386,660.44

Liabilities & Equity

Federal W/H	\$ 1,224.21
Social Security	527.18
State W/H	352.74
TOTAL PAYROLL LIABILITIES	\$ 2,107.33

Other Current Liabilities

\$.00

Long Term Liabilities

MDFA Mortgage Payable	\$ 159,133.09
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 161,237.22

FUND BALANCE **\$1,508,811.39**

Net Income **\$ (283,388.17)**
TOTAL EQUITY **\$1,225,423.22**

Total Liabilities & Equity **\$1,386,660.44**



CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Lee Cultural Council's mission is to promote access, education, diversity, and excellence in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences within the community. Support for public arts programming is provided to cultural councils throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through funding from the Massachusetts Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts and is appropriated annually by a central state agency, the Massachusetts Cultural Council. In accordance with state policies and regulations of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Lee Cultural Council distributes funds on a local level through two channels:

- Standard LCC grants to individuals and organizations offering a broad range of cultural activities
- PASS grants for schools and youth groups to access low-cost admissions to performing arts events and cultural institutions

The Annual deadline for receipt of grant applications to Lee Cultural Council is October 15th.

Lee Cultural Council received and reviewed a total of 40 grant applications for Fiscal 2000. 16 projects, with total funds of \$3,350, were approved. The Lee Cultural Council sponsors visiting artists in Lee schools, including Shakespeare & Company's nine-week residency at Lee High School. Other FY 2000 projects included a school trip to the Norman Rockwell Museum, music programs at Lee Senior Center, and Lee Founders' Day cultural activities.

For the past two years, Lee Cultural Council has been selected to participate in Streamlining, a process initiated in 1999 by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Criteria for Streamlining includes strong local procedures, a history of member training and a clean approval record. The process eliminates numerous steps in the yearly funding cycle and speeds up local reimbursements.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon E. MacDonald, ***Chairman***

Gloria Arnold

Sarah Atchley

Mario Caluori

Freda Grim

Alexandra Hedding

Fran Steinert

Mary Theresa Valleri



CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Members of the Cemetery Committee have spent many hours during the last year at Fairmount Cemetery in the older sections, in an effort to compile a complete and updated list of the people who are buried there. Virginia Vania, our secretary, has added additional information to the computerized lists and she has upgraded the cemetery maps.

The Massachusetts Turnpike Authority has deeded back to the Town of Lee, an area that was originally taken for turnpike use. This area will be cleared of brush and trees and the boundaries will be marked as part of Fairmount Cemetery.

The trees in the cemetery are old and need constant work. Several had to be removed after storm and wind damage, as well as, one that was rotted and was the home of a large swarm of bees. We hope to replace these trees and plant additional trees in the newer sections of the cemetery.

This past year it was necessary for Taylor Memorials of Pittsfield to repair 40 headstones. The committee feels that not all of these stones were damaged by the elements and have asked the police department to increase their daily patrols.

Ken LaBier and his crew have started to install street signs in the cemetery to make it easier for people to find their way. Ken also had outside work crews help with the spring and fall clean-ups which greatly improved the appearance of the cemetery. The workers assigned to Fairmount Cemetery, along with the excellent job done by the temporary summer people, have made the cemetery a place to be proud of.

During the past year Ed "Cookie" Thomas resigned as an advisor to the Cemetery Committee. Ed has spent his lifetime in, and around Fairmount Cemetery and will be greatly missed. We owe Ed a big "thank you" for his many years of hard work, assistance and dedication.

The members of the Cemetery Committee wish to thank the residents of Lee and the people who visited Fairmount Cemetery and the South Lee Cemetery for keeping them safe and neat.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Mel Eckert, ***Co-chairman***

Pete Biasin

Jack Kelly

Kathy Arment



HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Commission has spent the past year helping to complete the Town Park Restoration Project. Members were pleased to be given the opportunity to approve marble fence posts for the park fence, rather than granite posts which had previously been presented as the only option for fencing in 1999. The Commission also made sure that the location in the park of the Bicentennial Time Capsule has been recorded in the Town Offices. This insures that it can be located and opened as intended in 2077.

The Commission has supported member Charlotte Davis, who has undertaken the research and paper work required to nominate that Hyde School to the National Registry of Historic Places. Members hope such designation will insure preservation of the 1894 building which is a fine example of Richardsonian Romanesque architecture, located in a unique historic neighborhood.

As always, member participated in Founders' Weekend. The Commission undertook a fund raising effort by selling post cards featuring historic photographs of lower Main Street during the weekend. These post cards are now available in some shops on Main Street and from some of the bed and breakfasts in town. The funds raised go directly into the Commission's Historical Preservation Fund, and will be used to fund future projects.

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, *Alternating Chair*
Mary Morrissey, *Alternating Chair*
Patricia LaChapelle, *Alternating Chair*
Dawn Borst
Bill Clark
Joe Dupont
Caroline Young, *Secretary*

Advisors:

Florence Consolati
Charlotte Davis
Betty Dennis
Dorothy Fraser



JACOB'S LADDER TRAIL SCENIC BY-WAY ADVISORY COMMISSION

JLTSB was active this year in all five towns. Our educational video was completed and has been screened locally and on television with positive response from viewers. We completed a heritage education project with 5th grade teachers from Lee, Becket, and Gateway Regional schools preparing a series of lesson plans on local history. The project was presented to a conference of teachers of social studies in New Haven and received national coverage through publication in the Journal of Cultural Resource Management. Lee teacher Roz Cohen spoke at the conference and contributed an article to the journal on her experience. The Scenic Byway also completed a vegetation management program that addresses care and conservation of Lee's plant communities along Route 20, and we will be presenting it over the next year. Although its final location has not yet been confirmed, a universally accessible trail is being planned for the corridor. Our group is also developing a partnership with local cultural institutions and businesses collectively to improve the corridor as a visitor's destination. Finally, representatives of each town have researched with great care historical topics for a mobile history exhibit that is being designed and constructed for display In the coming year. We continue to meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Becket Town Hall and welcome all who might like to attend our meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Parsons, *Secretary*

Lee Members:

Dee Dee Fraser

Naomi Gordon



LEE HOUSING AUTHORITY

This year the housing authority experienced major changes in its Board of Directors.

In March, William H. O'Brien resigned because of failing health and in June, Francis D. Foley passed away. Bill and Frank gave many years of dedicated service to our housing authority and both are to be missed.

William F. Derrick was voted in at the town election to fill Bill O'Brien's seat on the board. Frank's seat is in the process of being filled.

The housing authority hired Thomas Kelly as its new, 16 hour- per-week maintenance person. Tom is doing a great job. We welcome him aboard.

This year the state gave the housing authority extra funding to install air conditioning in our community room at Brown Memorial Court. This gives the tenants a place to escape the summer heat.

Each year we try to update our properties as much as funding will allow. This year we had the second deck at Brown Memorial Court replaced. We hope next year we can do more updating.

Overall the housing authority had a very good year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Shepardson, **Chairperson**
Rosemary Hughes
William Derrick
Frank McCarthy



LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

To the Board of Directors and Members of the Lee Library Association,
I hereby submit my annual report for the fiscal year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000 :

Total Circulation	40,136
Circulation of Materials	34,617
Cassettes, Records, and Video	3,578
From WMRLS (ILL)	199
From WMRLS (Bookmobile).	1,742

Category of material circulation:

Fiction	19,469
Biography	939
History	1,463
Literature	359
Arts	1,160
Applied Science	1,879
Pure Science	539
Language	37
Social Science	996
Religion	150
Philosophy	277
Video and Cassettes	3,574
Paperbacks	1,589
General	4,887

Of the total circulation 31,725 were from the adult shelves and 8,411 were from the children's shelves. A total of 6,142 circulations were by non-residents. 4,518 were to Massachusetts residents from certified towns. An additional 1,592 circulations were to Massachusetts residents from non-certified towns: Alford-8, Otis-703, Tyringham-881, Out-of-state-32.

Books added during the year:	1,420 Adult	355 Children	Total: 1,775
Books withdrawn:	654 Adult	146 Children	Total: 800

Number of volumes owned	60,978
Records and Cassettes	432
Videos	68
Filmstrips	29
Units of Microfilm	113
Serials (Magazine Subscriptions).	108
(8 magazines are gifts from Lee Bank)	
Newspapers (6 weekly, 4 daily, 1 monthly)	11
Estimated number of registered borrowers.	9,198

This year many libraries across the state are reporting decreased circulation statistics and we are no exception. It seems there is a correlation between

reading and unemployment – they both go down together – the more people that are working, the less time there is for reading. In spite of the lower circulation figures, the actual in-house use of the library for information has seemed to increase.

Memorial donations have been made in memory of: Lester J. Clarke, Mary S. Consolati, Andy Bartini, Leon Tisdale, Earl McCaw, Gerald A Morin, Ann and Douglas Bruce, Moe Eisenberg, and Rose Mary Shea. Rev. and Mrs. Musgrave contributed to the Endowment Fund in memory of the Bastow Family. Schweitzer-Mauduit and Erwin Millimet gave generous gifts to the library – the former for children's programming, the latter for technology. Bill Sinico continues to take care of our beautiful porch boxes donated by the Golden Hill Nursery.

The 1999 Summer Reading Club - "Funny Things Happen When You Read" - was highlighted with two programs this year. The Lee Cultural Council, along with the Massachusetts Cultural Council, sponsored Alicia Quintano, a storyteller who delighted her audience with humorous stories and songs. Schweitzer-Mauduit sponsored Bob E. Thomas who entertained at the closing festivities with his humorous program "When the Animals Danced". We were fortunate to have volunteer Mimi Gordon meet with school-aged children to read at their meeting once a week during the summer. StoryScience was a big hit again during the summer. Linda Taylor of Berkshire Science Resources presents this program for younger students. A total of 770 books was read by the 71 children who joined the Reading Club. Twenty children joined the Read-To-Me preschool section and fifty-one children read on their own.

We did some re-arranging this year inside the library. In the office we improved its functionality by moving the furniture we had and then added shelving and a new filing cabinet. We moved the magazine shelves forward in the Reading Area to accommodate four new biography shelving-units that we desperately needed. We used our former book sale shelf for our New Books. We find that we can exhibit more of our newer purchases for our busy patrons on this large shelf. The carpeting in the main room and the children's room was scheduled for replacement this year, but currently due to longer preparation time this work will be scheduled this coming fall. Outside the library we have purchased and installed a shiny new after-hours book drop. The older book slots that deposited materials directly inside the library foyers were quite a worry in light of the New Marlborough disaster. These older slots have been sealed by our handy custodian, Bill Derrick.

Technology's Y2K came and went without incidence or inconvenience for us. Our network provider's navigation to new software installed three months before this date coupled with the purchase of a new computer complimented this smooth transition. Initially, we only had one internet port for the library, to be shared by the staff and the public. As our public internet usage increased we decided to add another internet port for use by the public on a full-time basis. Because internet access is a relatively new service offered by libraries, the Board of Directors worked very hard in developing an internet policy for the library. We have also been putting a lot of administrative documents in computer readable format enabled by training workshops provided by the Western Massachusetts Regional Library System.

We were successful in receiving a grant from the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities this year for a Reading-Discussion series titled "The Ends of Civilization". This series is scheduled to run over the summer from June to August, 2000. This series of five programs will be led by area college faculty. We hope this will be an interesting program for our community.

The Southern Berkshire Literacy Network (SBLN) continues its beneficial relationship with the library. Over the past ten years, SBLN has helped so many local residents with literacy issues it would be hard to visualize the library without them. Inga Dean, Development Director and Karen Shreefter, Education Director perform a fabulous job of successfully co-ordinating the organization. This year there are 70 tutor-student pairs working together for many reasons such as, GED preparation, reading disabilities, CDL test preparation, and English as a Second Language (ESL) for new residents to the United States

On a personal note, it has been a difficult year for our long-time President Peter Scolforo. He has temporarily taken a leave-of-absence to confront a serious health problem. The members of the library association and the Board wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to his return in the fall. During his absence, Mary Philpott has been doing a wonderful job as the acting-President.

Our collections are shaping-up very well with all the scrutiny they have been receiving. This year former volunteer Helen Southworth was hired to help organize the office and work on the book stacks. This time-consuming project is progressing well.

Many thanks are extended to staff members Mildred Dulin, Josephine Tristany, Mary Lynn DeVarenes, Jennifer Heath, Bill Derrick, Linda Croze, Josephine Blache, Helen Southworth, and Rose Pixley our Green Thumb worker. I thank the members of the Board for keeping me on my toes and for their interest and commitment to the improvement of the library for all the citizens of Lee. Thank you all for your help and support in completing another successful year at the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgia Massucco,
Library Director

LEE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Statement of Receipts and Expenditures

Balance on hand in checking account 7/1/99: \$2,064.14

RECEIPTS:

Appropriation	\$ 157,113.00
Library Dog Fund	1,961.59
Fines	949.30
Copier	4,342.55
Sale of Books	298.11
Interest received in Checking Account	454.76
Dividends in Checking Account	367.88
Donations and Gifts	3,402.00
LIG/MEG/NRCO Grants	9,545.38
Books Lost/Damaged/Refunds	545.47
Sale of Ornaments	10.00
Fax/Inter-Library Loan(ILL)	2.00
Computer Disks	1.00

Total Receipts: 178,993.04

Total Monies Available 181,057.18

EXPENDITURES:

Salaries	103,689.78
Books and Materials	31,556.74
Library Supplies	3,408.87
Oil	3,631.62
Electric	6,761.65
Telephone	1,406.98
Water and Sewer	216.00
Repairs and Maintenance	7,449.57
Social Security Taxes (FICA)	4,855.93
Computer	3,969.79
Xerox (Maintenance and Supplies)	931.20
Conferences and Dues	57.00
Binding	2,179.10
MA D.E.T. Health Insurance	75.00
Transfers to CD & MM	7,000.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	596.00
Dir. & Off. Insurance	750.00
Green Thumb Contribution`	300.00
Miscellaneous	543.82

Total Expenditures: 179,379.05

Balance on hand in Checking Account 6/30/00: \$ 1,678.13



SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

As the new millennium begins the Lee Public Schools are embarking on a project that will have a profound impact on the future of education with in the community. The project is the construction of a new pre-k through 6 elementary school, and a renovation and addition to the high school. This project will require the restructuring of grades and ultimately curriculum.

The project was put out to bid in the late winter. When the project bids were received by the school district they were approximately 2.7 million dollars over budget. The School Building Commission under the direction of its chairman, Robert Boynton, was able to modify the project to reduce the cost of the project. Additionally the Commission returned to the town meeting to seek an additional \$800,000 in funding. These actions allowed the project to go forward. The Building Commission recognized the trust placed in it by the community and continued its careful monitoring and supervision of the project.

Ground breaking for the project was held on August 10, 2000. Various state, town, and school district officials were present at the ceremony. A copy of the program is attached to this report. The contractor for the project is Fontaine Brothers of Springfield, Massachusetts. The project is estimated to take approximately twenty-six months to complete. These 26 months will impact the lives of the students significantly. Construction will begin with the construction of the elementary school. Once construction is complete on this phase of the project, the students in grades Prek-6 will move to the new facility, Lee Central school will be emptied of all elementary furniture, and grades 9-12 will join grades 7 and 8 at the Lee Central School. The later move will make the high school available for renovation and completion of the additions.

These activities will have a significant impact on the life of the school district. Curriculum will require revision, graduation requirements will have to be examined, athletic programs will examined to determine if students in grades 7and 8 should participate in interscholastic sports, and other basic issues such as transportation will have to be restructured.

Various task forces have been at work to provide a mechanism to allow the smooth transition to the new grade structure. The committees have worked tirelessly to insure that the students of the Lee Public Schools have a program that will allow them to receive the best education possible.

The MCAS test continues to dominate the time of the teachers and the school district administrative staff. In order to further determine the alignment of the curriculum with the state curriculum frameworks The Terra Nova tests were administered to students not taking the MCAS tests. This test validated the need to work to align the curriculum with the state frame works and provide a vehicle for teachers to insure that all components of the frameworks are addressed. These tasks will require additional staff time and consequently are subject to the collective bargaining process.

An analysis of the MCAS results provided the following information to the Administrators:

- The high school tested 67 students but 4% percent were classified as limited English proficient
- Elementary Grade 8 tested 60 students but 7% were classified as limited English proficient
- Elementary Grade 9 tested 50 students 8% were classified as limited English proficient
- Eighteen of the high school students in grade 10 had a significant portion of their education in other districts. (This number does not include students who received their primary education at St. Mary's school.)
- The MCAS remediation program had a positive impact on student achievement
- Students have difficulty in answering open response questions in both language arts and mathematics
- Students have difficulty translating numbers into words
- Students continue to leave a significant number of questions blank
- There is a need to benchmark the curriculum.

The following is a two year score comparison:

English/Language Arts (average scaled score)

<u>Grade</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
10	231	234
8	235	238
4	233	230

Mathematics (average scaled score)

<u>Grade</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
10	230	236
8	226	227
4	236	232

This year several students should be congratulated for their performance on the MCAS test. The following students were recognized for receiving perfect scores on the test.

The list of students is as follows:

- Jaclyn Blaisdell
- Sara Bullock
- David Laflamme
- Brendon Puntin
- Timothy Collin

This year summer school was offered on a comprehensive basis for the first time in many years. The program had remedial components, a program for early

elementary grades, and an enrichment program whereby students could take courses for their personal improvement. The component that was the most successful was the technology component. Mr. Caimano offered a technology program to students in grades 5 and 6 with very positive results. This successful program will be the basis for future summer programming.

This year the Department of Education audited the district. This Program Quality Assurance Audit was the first in a series of audits under education reform. The audit indicated that there are several components of Education reform that must receive additional attention.

As with any large organization there were a number of transitions. Those transitions included the following:

- Sara Bullock
- The passing of Ruth (Holly) Darey
- The retirement of Chanel Clark
- The retirement of Bertha DiGrigoli

On behalf of the School Committee and students we thank these individual for their efforts to educate the children enrolled in the Lee Public Schools.

The School Committee continued its work to revise the policy manual. This is a monumental task in a time when our society is over litigious. Other work that the School Committee is in the process of undertaking is a long-range strategic plan. This large task will provide direction for the school district for at least the next five years. Additionally it will allow the school district to mirror the town.

The challenges facing the school district continue to be numerous. Those challenges include the following:

- The need to develop a comprehensive early childhood education program
- The need to provide mandated special education services while not adversely impacting the other portions of the school budget
- The need to continue to address substance abuse by young people
- The need to continually update resources that are available to students, these resources include both print materials and technology
- The need to provide a variety of programmatic offerings that allow individual students to maximize their potential.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those individuals, both volunteer and paid who have worked to educate our children. (The volunteers are too numerous to mention.) However without the efforts of all these individuals our children would not have received the quality education to which they are entitled. They have all made my job much easier.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert J. Siminski,
Superintendent of Schools



LEE HIGH SCHOOL

It is my pleasure to have this opportunity to prepare my annual report on the progress and activities of Lee High School and its students for the past year. At the outset of this report I would mention that it has been a privilege to be working under the direction of Dr. Robert Siminski, our school Superintendent, who is completing his first full year as the leader of the Lee School System.

What an exciting, challenging and demanding time to be the Principal of Lee High School! The evidence suggests that the Principal bears a great burden on determining the culture, climate and effectiveness of his school. It is rewarding to realize that all of the effort put into being a school leader becomes worthwhile by the success of the students with whom we work so hard with on a daily basis.

A look back in the past year will reveal a significant number of successes as well as challenges for the future:

MCAS:

The assessment feature of the Education Reform Act requires that our 10th grade students be tested each year in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Technology, and Social Studies. While the students' results continue to improve, we must be aware of and plan for those who do not pass MCAS tests. A requirement of the Ed. Reform law requires that members of the class of 2003 pass the English and Mathematics sections in order to receive their high school diploma. The challenges of MCAS are for curriculum review, analysis and review of test results and preparing remediation plans. These issues constantly challenge the high school staff.

TECHNOLOGY:

The high school continues to modernize itself in order to better prepare our students for their future challenges. Several years ago it was impossible to predict that the school would be involved with the Internet, e-mail, networking, program softwares, desktops and laptops, wired and wireless, the 'virtual high school' on a regular basis. We must continue to offer new and the most modern technological opportunities to our students in order that they are prepared for their post secondary experiences and career opportunities.

CONSTRUCTION:

Our building project is a great experience to be involved in. The past year has witnessed the beginning of the construction of the new elementary school and renovations to the school grounds. Soon construction will begin on the middle school wing and the theatre annex of the high school. Within the coming year all of the Lee High students will 'transfer' to the vacant Lee Central School while the high school is gutted and completely renovated. Within two years, the entire project will be completed and students will return to a totally new 7-12 building. Truly this is an exciting and challenging time!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

As a matter of course, the school plans for programs of positive

professional development activities for the staff that will ensure teacher improvement over time. In the past year teachers have taken advantage of many of the opportunities offered to them by the Professional Development Committee.

STAFF CHANGES:

During the past year Mr. Paul Monachina, a social studies teacher, resigned to pursue a new career and Mr. Jack LePrevost, Technology System Administrator, retired. Ms. Debra Lewis joined the high school Foreign Language department teaching Spanish on a part-time basis. Mr. Tom Trabka replaced Mr. Monachina in the History department, and Mr. Ken Scarpa is teaching in the Special Needs department. Ms. Cynthia Koch, Lee High Band Director, left to take a position in a high school in Hampden County, which is much closer to her home. Mrs. Diane Nichols joined the staff replacing Ms. Koch.

SCHOOL COUNCIL:

The High School Advisory Council consisted of the following members: Mr. Salinetti, Principal and Co-Chairperson; Dawn Fillio, parent and Co-Chairperson, Kathy Bort and Anna Wescott, teachers; Ray Walczak, parent; Joseph Savery, community member; Joanna Bort and Andrea Brock, students.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION:

The 2000 Housebuilding class constructed a 1500 sq. ft. Cape Cod house on Via Bondi. This year's project, once again sponsored by the Lee Kiwanis Club, is constructing a 1700 sq. ft. Cape Cod house on Greylock St. The Kiwanis Club also provides certificates for tools to all senior members of the Housebuilding Program. Further, they provide yearly scholarships to Lee High School students. Recipients were: Jonathan Walker, \$2400; Kristen Naventi, \$1,000; Corey McDarby, \$600.

GRANTS:

Berkshire Training and Employment Program (BTEP)	
Summer Vocational Training Program	\$4,500.00
Tech Prep - BCC - Solid Works	400.00
Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act, PL98-524 - Technology Education	6,045.00
MA School To Careers/Alternative Education Initiatives	42,000.00
Truancy Prevention	13,460.00
Title VI	5,544.00
Drug Free Schools	4,357.00

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY:

In October, nineteen students were inducted into the National Honor Society. Members from the class of 2001 are: Dorothy Sekowski, President; Jessica Raftery, Vice President; Keri Drain, Secretary; Andrea Brock, Treasurer; Jaclyn Blaisdell, Andrea Brock, Margaret Cade, Nathan D'Angona, Spenser Gralla, Brendon Puntin, Joanna Bort, Sarah Bullock, Timothy Collins, David LaFlamme and Kira

Race. Inducted members from the class of 2002 are: Andrew Rice, Kimberly Wilander, Jacob DeVarennes, Bethany Miller, Laura Walczak, Bryan Wespiser, Allison Loring, Andrew Groff, Casey Lynch, Stephanie Walker, Shannon Toomey, Michelle Bissell, Amanda Rand, Amber Coty, Ryan Gregory, Michael Markham, Laura Griffin, Dominic Sinopoli, and Elise Naventi. 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.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT AND OFFICERS:

The following are the Lee High School student officers and representatives for the 2000-2001 school year: Student Council - Joanna Bort, President; Jaclyn Blaisdell, Vice President; Timothy Collins, Secretary; Nikki Wellington, Treasurer. Members - Amanda Fillio, Dorothy Sekowski, Spenser Gralla, Shannon Toomey, Allison Lecuyer, Jonathan Snow, Ashley Laudon, Emily Unsworth, Megan Herrick, Lindsay Macintosh, Katie Boudreau, Michael Korn, James Hobart and Chris Wade.

Officers of the class of 2001 - Blaine Lewis, President; Jaclyn Blaisdell, Vice President; Timothy Collins, Secretary; Emily Boudreau, Treasurer.

Officers of the class of 2002 - Cassie Basinait, President; Dominic Sinopoli, Vice President; Andrew Rice, Secretary; Allison Loring, Treasurer.

Officers of the class of 2003 - Sarah Jangrow, President; Martha Arment, Vice President; Paul Choi, Secretary; Katie Boudreau, Treasurer.

Members of the Student Health Council are - Joanna Bort, Jessica Raftery, Dominic Sinopoli, Shannon Toomey, Ashley Laudon and Kristen Besanceney.

Student Representatives to the School Committees - Lee: Keri Drain (delegate), Andrea Brock (alternate); Tyringham: Spenser Gralla (delegate), Laura Griffin (alternate). Advisory Council Members are - Joanna Bort, Amanda Fillio, Keri Drain, Nikki Wellington, Spenser Gralla, Amber Coty, Bryan Wespiser, Laura Griffin, Kimberly Wilander and Lindsay Macintosh.

Student Representatives to the State Board of Education - Dorothy Sekowski, Joanna Bort.

Good Government Day Representatives - Timothy Collins and Ashley Fogarty.

DAR Award - Timothy Collins

STUDENTS AGAINST DANGEROUS DECISIONS:

Several student groups and organizations have worked to support school and community efforts. The SADD students sponsored, decorated and displayed a tree at the Berkshire Festival of Trees. The SADD students supported a comprehensive Safe Prom and Graduation program. A concerned group of parents, teachers, and community members (P.A.R.T.Y.) conducted a Safe After Prom event at Berkshire East. The SADD students presented media assemblies to Lee High

School and Lee Central School. The Lee PTO, Lee 500, Toole Insurance Agency, Consolati Insurance Agency, Viale Insurance Agency, and Kiwanis sponsored these assemblies. The National Honor Society sponsored a food drive and collected food throughout neighborhoods and school. They filled 25 Holiday boxes decorated by the Home Ec. and art students that were delivered by the Kiwanis Club. They stocked the food pantry at St. George's Church with food that they collected. These students also conducted a Harvest Dance to raise money for the "Heifer Project" to buy a water buffalo for a family to use for livelihood. They also supported Habitat for humanity by purchasing nails for one house. The Peer Education and Advanced Leadership Students sponsored a Charity Scavenger Hunt in which they collected food, clothing and coats for holiday projects sponsored by the National Honor Society. The faculty and each class sponsored a family for "Dreams of Joy". A special thanks to all the organizations and individuals who support these community service efforts.

BAND:

2000 was a year of activity and transition for the Lee High School band. Under the direction of music teacher, Cindy Koch, the busy spring season included the annual 'Music in Our Schools Month' concert, a spring concert, and an exchange concert for which the band traveled to Stoneham High School in Stoneham, MA. Three Memorial Day parades (Otis, Sandisfield and Lee), Class Night, and graduation brought the band's school year to a successful finish. In the fall Ms. Koch was replaced by Mrs. Nichols. The band performed under her direction at the Holiday Concert, which featured the band, jazz combo, small ensembles, and the Drama Club Chorus.

ACADEMIC TEAMS:

The Lee High School Quiz Team has had a successful 2000-2001 season with its two teams who have challenged teams from Taconic, Pittsfield, St. Joseph's Central, Hoosac Valley Regional, Wahconah Regional, and Lenox Memorial Middle and High Schools. Lee members are Amanda Fillio, Dorothy Sekowski, Stephanie Walker, Laura Walczak, Bryan Wespiser, Michelle Bissell, Andrew Groff, Paul Choi, and Sean Hayes. Once again the Decathlon team has had a successful season. Bringing home medals were Ashley Fogarty, art and math; Kristen McMillan, science Lindsay Macintosh, music; and Keri Drain, math. Other members of the team were Jody Bort, Amanda Fillio, Angela Regnier, Ashley Alter, Jennifer Daley, Sean Hayes and Andrew Slater. On the TV scene, the Lee TV Team has been practicing since early September for its February taping of "As Schools Match Wits." The Lee team panel will include Amanda Fillio, Stephanie Walker, Michael Giovine, and Laura Walczak. The alternates will be Kristen Bartini, Bryan Wespiser, and Paul Choi. In addition to these academic teams, Lee High School has been involved with Mock Trial for the last three years. This year's team included Kristen Bartini, Amanda Fillio, Dorothy Sekowski, Bryan Wespiser, Eric McDermott, Paul Choi, and Amanda Rand. The alternate was Jody Bort. The academic teams' coach is Kathleen Hall with the volunteer assistance of Shaun and Ella Hall and Ray Walczak. Ann Deely is the attorney who assists Mrs. Hall with Mock Trial.

The Communications Club, under the direction of Mr. Sam Sorrentino, produced its weekly news show "Lee Live" which is broadcast on Channel 11 for the 6th consecutive year.

DRAMA CLUB:

The Lee High Drama Club last year afforded over 40 students the opportunity of experiencing every stage of theatrical production. The group staged three school productions, with an average attendance of 600 each, traveled to Broadway, and funded the cost of costumes, sets, performance rights and professional directors and musicians by ad sales, the Halloween dance, and a candy sale. The Drama Club presented it's annual scholarship for leadership and participation to Erik Hess, who had also starred in the musical "Fiddler on the Roof" with Dorothy Sekowski, Jennifer Raymond, Andrew Giarolo, and Rebecca Dinan. Seniors directed an evening of short plays including Christopher Durang's parody 'The Actor's Nightmare' starring Michael Sacco, and 'Romeo and Juliet' was this year's Lee High contribution to the Fall Festival of Shakespeare. This collaboration with Shakespeare & Co. staff featured Kristen McMillan, Marilee Herring, Sean Winters, and Dorothy Sekowski.

ATHLETICS:

Lee High School offers 12 varsity sports and 9 junior varsity sports. Plans also have been made to share cooperative sports such as ice hockey and swimming with other Berkshire County schools. Approximately 45% of the students participate each year. Highlights of the 99/00 season are:

Fall Sports:

Football: Record 5-4 - All Berkshire: Tom Tyer, Jeff Catan.
All Western MA: Tom Tyer

Boy's Soccer: Record 2-13-2

Girl's Soccer: Record 4-11-1

Winter Sports:

Boys Basketball: Record: 4-16 - All Southern Division: Torre Davis (1000 points), Tim Collins. All Western MA: Torre Davis

Girls Basketball: Record: 12-10

Alpine Skiing: Girls finished 8th place, boys finished 7th place

Spring Sports:

Baseball: Record 7-13 - All Southern Division: Joe Deveneau

Softball: Record 7-13 - All Southern Division: Nikki Wellington

Boy's Tennis: Record 2-11

Girl's Tennis: Record 16-2 - Berkshire County Champions, Western MA Division II champions - All Berkshire: Emily Horsford, Sarah Mack, Corie McDermott, Adrian Bailey, Elise Naventi, Dorothy Sekowski, Casey Lynch. All Western MA: Corie McDermott, Adrian Bailey, Elise Naventi

Golf: Record 9-6 - 2nd place Division II State tournament - Mike Burt - 2nd place individual Division II State Tournament

Respectfully submitted,

Richard T Salinetti, *Principal*



LEE HIGH SCHOOL - 2000 GRADUATES

Adams, Jonathan Asa	Impoco, Corrina	Patterson, Robert John
Altine, Garvey	Jariwala, Bhavik Pradyuma	Pelkey, Gene Clifford
Bailey, Adrian	Kelly, Kimberly Ann	Perry, Dianne Lynne
Bliss, Samantha Louise	King, Brennan Driscoll	Plaquet, Luke Jordan
Bort, Kathryn Elizabeth	LaDuke, Nicholas Paul	Poirier, Michael Charles
Bowers, Sara Michelle	Leon, Rafael Andres	Puleri, Louis Roger
Brazee, Joshua Joseph	Liebenow, Sarah Jean	Raymond, Jennifer Lee
Burt, Michael Brian	Lockenwitz, Courtney Lee	Regnier, Lynn Marie
Buxton, Ashley Blair	MacFarlane, Justin Robert	Rivers, Andrew Kyle
Chaffee, Erin Kristen	Mack, Sarah Anne	Salvatore, Juliana Thornt
Collins, Chauncey Paul	Malossini, Tiffany Caroli	Schuerer Jr., Robert Timo
Consolati, Florence Naomi	Markham, Deanna Marie	Schwerin, Isaiah Louis
Cuevas, Michelle Lynn	Matarazzo, Bryan Carl	Siok, Timothy John
Davis, Torre Shamar	McCaul, Jesse Douglas	Smith, Michael Thomas
DeSantis, William Josiah	McCusker, Kristen Marie	Thorne, Jennifer Lee
Desmond, Justin Gerald	McDarby, Corey Michael	Towne, Rebecca Lynn
Dingman, Jamie Scott	McDermott, Corie Lee	Wade, Aaron David
Donnelly, Jason Thomas	McKie, Brian Jeffrey	Walker, Benjamin Jay
Dougherty, Bryan John	McLaughlin, Brian Michael	Walker, Jonathan Steven
Fassell, Janice Ramona	Morales, Yadira	Wallen, Ariella Mattea
Giarolo, Andrew Paul	Moretz, Raymond Edward	Warden, Matthew
Griffin, Michelle Elizabe	Morris, Danielle Rae	Frederick
Hassett, Jessica Rose	Morris, Shane Michael	Webster, Nicole Irene
Hess, Erik Michael	Murphy, Rachel Beth	Wellington, Matthew David
Hogencamp, Brian Robert	Naventi, Kristin Marie	Wilander, Beverly Jean
Hopkins, Donald Seth	Naventi, Matthew Paul	Wood, Nicole Crystal
Horsford, Emily Catherine	New, Melissa Lynn	Zerbato, Karisa Sheila



LEE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS -2000

Wal-Mart Scholarship		5000
Lynn Regnier - UNIVERSITY OF MA		
Tri-Town Rotary Scholarship in Memory of Maurice Boulanger		4500
Sarah Mack - BOSTON COLLEGE	1500	
Lynn Regnier	1500	
Andrew Giarolo - WILLIAMS COLLEGE	500	
Kimberly Kelly - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	500	
Deanna Markham - MARIST COLLEGE	500	
Lee Kiwanis Club Scholarship		4000
Jonathan Walker - UNIVERSITY OF MA (LOWELL)	2400	
Kristin Naventi - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1000	
Corey McDarby - CLINTON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	600	
Mary Voght Memorial Scholarship		2850
Michelle Cuevas - WILLIAMS COLLEGE	950	
Andrew Giarolo	950	
Sarah Mack	950	
G. Marconi Lodge #1620 Order Sons of Italy Scholarship in Memory of Mabel Baluk and Anthony Cardillo		2250
Andrew giarolo	750	
Mathew Naventi - BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY	750	
Nicole Webster - HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY	750	
Lee Band Parents		2025
Kathryn Bort - ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY	200	
Emily Horsford - UNION COLLEGE	200	
Corie McDermott - WILLIAMS COLLEGE	200	
Lynn Regnier	200	
Shane Morris - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	175	
Courtney Lockenwitz - FRANKLIN PIERCE COLLEGE	150	
Rachel Murphy - MA COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS	150	
Jennifer Raymond - WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE	150	
Erik Hess - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	150	
Jennifer Thorne - UNIVERSITY OF MA - DARTMOUTH	150	
Sarah Mack	125	
Michelle Cuevas	100	
Jamie Dingman	75	

<i>Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation William Stanley Scholarship</i>	<i>2000</i>
Kathryn Bort	
<i>Minnie L. Baird Scholarship in Memory of Lena Beal</i>	<i>2000</i>
Kathryn Bort	1000
Corie McDermott	1000
<i>Sons of Italy Grand Lodge of Massachusetts</i>	<i>2000</i>
Andrew Giarolo	1000
Nicole Webster	1000
<i>Andrew J. Bartini Memorial Scholarship given in his loving memory</i>	<i>1500</i>
Bryan Dougherty - MA COMMUNICATIONS COLLEGE	500
Bryan Matarazzo - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	500
Robert Patterson - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	500
<i>Silvio Conte Scholarship</i>	<i>1500</i>
Andrew Giarolo	
<i>Lee Education Association Scholarship in Memory of Arthur Welcome</i>	<i>1500</i>
Kimberly Kelly	500
Rachel Murphy	500
Rebecca Towne - KEENE STATE COLLEGE	500
<i>South Lee Fire Co. Scholarship</i>	<i>1500</i>
Matthew Naventi	
<i>Academic Competition Scholarships given by Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hall, Sr.</i>	<i>1325</i>
In memory of Jennie DiGrigoli: Jonathan Walker	500
In memory of Mary Consolati: Michelle Cuevas	225
In memory of Robert Lindsay: Karisa Zerbato - SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY	150
In memory of Edward White: Rebecca Towne	150
In memory of Mary Puma: Andrew Giarolo	150
In memory of Joanne Siminski: Corie McDermott	150
<i>Massachusetts Elks Scholarship, Inc.</i>	<i>1300</i>
Lynn Regnier	800
Michelle Cuevas	500
<i>Rick Baruzzi Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>1100</i>
Corrina Impoco - UNIVERSITY OF MA	
<i>Lee High School Student Council Scholarships</i>	<i>1050</i>
Kathryn Bort	150

Andrew Giarolo	150
Adrian Bailey	150
Emily Horsford	100
Michelle Cuevas	100
Rachel Murphy	100
Karisa Zerbato	100
Matthew Naventi	100
Kimberly Kelly	100

Gridiron Club Scholarships

1000

Jonathan Adams - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	500
Timothy Siok - PLYMOUTH STATE COLLEGE	500

Lee High School Chapter of Students Against Dangerous Decisions

1000

Kathryn Bort	200
Corie McDermott	200
Rebecca Towne	200
Karisa Zerbato	200
Kimberly Kelly	100
Corrina Impoco	100

Girls, Inc. Scholarship

1000

Kathryn Bort

Austen Riggs Erikson Institute Scholarship

1000

Adrian Bailey - NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

***Five Mile Smile Scholarship in Memory of Regina Brazee
and Karl Langenback***

1000

Deanna Markham	500
Jonathan Walker	500

Girl's, Inc. (Naomi Award) Scholarship

1000

Ashley Buxton - WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE

Lee Chamber of Commerce Scholarship

1000

Michelle Griffin - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	500
Karisa Zerbato	500

Robert Lucy Memorial Scholarship

1000

Corey McDarby - CILNTON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	500
Michael Smith - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	500

<i>Pease Memorial Scholarship given to a student entering the medical profession</i>	<i>1000</i>
Lynn Regnier	
<i>Lee Bank Employees Scholarship in Memory of Ann Hawkins</i>	<i>1000</i>
Michelle Cuevas	
<i>Pittsfield Cooperative Bank Scholarship</i>	<i>1000</i>
Emily Horsford	
<i>C and S - Lee Kiwanis Club Scholarship</i>	<i>1000</i>
Rafael Leon - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	
<i>Presidential Service Award Scholarship - in kind match - M/M William R. Hall, Sr. in Memory of Col. Edward H. Bort</i>	<i>1000</i>
Kathryn Bort	
<i>Presidential Service Award Scholarship</i>	<i>1000</i>
Michelle Cuevas	
<i>Bruce and John Stevenson Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>1000</i>
Corie McDermott	
<i>Hop Brook Community Club of Tyringham Scholarship</i>	<i>750</i>
Michael Burt- CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY	
<i>Dorothy Wright Trufant - Class of 1937 Scholarship</i>	<i>700</i>
Beverly Wilander - UNIVERSITY OF MA	
<i>Berkshire Bank Scholarship in Memory of Andrew J. Bartini</i>	<i>500</i>
Emily Horsford	
<i>Scholarship given by Comalli Electric Co. in Memory of James Mougin and George Comalli</i>	<i>500</i>
Jonathan Walker	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of David Bailey</i>	<i>500</i>
Florence Consolati - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	250
Corey McDarby	250
<i>American Culinary Federation Berkshire Chapter Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Nicholas LaDuke - NEW ENGLAND CULINARY ARTS INSTITUTE	

<i>Griffin Memorial Athletic Scholarship</i>	500
Robert Patterson	
<i>Berkshire Section, IEEE Scholarship</i>	500
Matthew Wellington - UNIVERSITY OF MA	
<i>Lee Lions Club Scholarship</i>	500
Jennifer Thorne	
<i>Southdown - Lee Plant Scholarship</i>	500
Michael Burt	
<i>Mobil Educational Alliance Scholarship</i>	500
Karisa Zerbato	
<i>Eagles Band Scholarship</i>	500
Corie McDermott	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of James Shaw</i>	400
Adrian Bailey	
<i>Berkshire Viet Nam Veterans Memorial Scholarship</i>	300
Rachel Murphy	
<i>Scholarship given by the Class of 1973</i>	300
Samantha Bliss - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	100
Chauncey Collins - NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY	100
Matthew Naventi	100
<i>Stedman Myers Memorial Fund Scholarship</i>	300
Beverly Wilander	
<i>Dorothy Finnegan Award given to a graduating senior who will be entering the teaching profession</i>	300
Timothy Siok	150
Karisa Zerbato	150
<i>Mystic Lodge of Masons Scholarship</i>	300
Yadira Morales - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	
<i>Retzel Memorial Athletic Scholarship</i>	300
Jonathan Walker	

<i>Class of 1965 Scholarship given in Memory of Silvio Biasin, Dennis Fontana, Billy Navin, Lucy Consolati Finkle, Mary Ann O'Brien Housington and Bernice O'Brien Kane</i>			300
Justin Desmond - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	100		
Sarah Liebenow - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	100		
Jennifer Thorne	100		
<i>Abner Rice Memorial Scholarship</i>			250
Jonathan Adams			
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Carl J. Shirley</i>			250
Erik Hess	125		
Jennifer Raymond	125		
<i>Legacy Banks, City Savings and Lenox Savings Bank Scholarship</i>			250
Brian McLaughlin - WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE			
<i>Scholarship in Memory of classmates; Michael Baluk, Mark Beam, Fred LaGrant, Dennis Pacquin and David Tyer from the Class of 1972</i>			250
Matthew Wellington			
<i>Heather Helen Hawley Memorial Scholarship</i>			250
Kristin Naventi			
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Joseph T. Loring, Jr.</i>			
Rafael Leon	250		
<i>Lee Land Trust Scholarship</i>			250
Florence Consolati			
<i>Michael R. Coty Memorial Scholarship</i>			250
Robert Patterson			
<i>Michael Whalen, Irene Whalen Wheeler and Gram Whalen Memorial Scholarship</i>			250
Kristin Naventi			
<i>CTSB TV Scholarship</i>			250
Bryan Dougherty			
<i>Tyringham Volunteer Fire Co. Scholarship</i>			250
Michael Burt			
<i>Jeff Cuene & Steve Weslowski Memorial Scholarship given by The Bucko's Ball, family and friends</i>			200
Samantha Bliss	100		
Isaiah Schwerin - MENLO COLLEGE	100		

<i>Kelly Coty Memorial Scholarship</i>	200
Kimberly Kelly	
<i>Michael A. Curley Memorial Scholarship donated by his parents, Francis and Mary Curley</i>	200
Nicole Webster	
<i>Morning Star Chapter #217 Order of Eastern Star Scholarship</i>	200
Michelle Griffin	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Virginia Farina</i>	200
Andrew Giarolo	50
Kimberly Kelly	50
<i>Williamson Family Scholarship in Memory of Jennifer</i>	200
Michelle Griffin	
<i>Evening Star-Masonic Temple</i>	200
Erin Chaffee	
<i>Retired Teachers and Friends of Dorothy McKenney</i>	200
Rebecca Towne	
<i>Zatorski Scholarship</i>	200
Erin Chaffee	100
Rebecca Towne	100
<i>Scholarship in Memory of George B. Mitchell</i>	150
Timothy Siok	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Ann DeVarennnes given by the Class of 1968</i>	100
Chauncey Collins	
<i>Kathleen Olds Mindle Sunshine Bowling League Scholarship</i>	100
Aaron Wade - BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	
<i>Lee Youth Football Scholarship in Memory of Andy Bartini</i>	100
Timothy Siok	
<i>Lee High School Cafeteria Employees Scholarship</i>	100
Nicholas LaDuke	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of John Nagle</i>	100
Michael Smith	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Maurice J. Boulanger</i>	100
Sarah Mack	

<i>Ardella Donnell Memorial Award Class of 1933 (Bond)</i>	<i>100</i>
Kathryn Bort	
<i>Class of 1975 Scholarship in Memory of Dan Montini and Jeff Cuene</i>	<i>100</i>
Jennifer Thorne	50
Jonathan Walker	50
<i>Class of 1977 Scholarship in Memory of Kate Baldisseroto and John Killackey</i>	<i>100</i>
Joshua Brazee - SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	
<i>Class of 1989 Scholarship in Memory of Michael Coty</i>	<i>100</i>
Aaron Wade	
<i>The Forfa family Scholarship given to a boy or girl who has participated in Varsity Basketball</i>	<i>100</i>
Robert Patterson	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Gertrude T. Bailey</i>	<i>100</i>
Karisa Zerbato	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Harry Wheeler</i>	<i>100</i>
Brennan King - WESTFIELD STATE COLLEGE	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Marilana Impoco</i>	<i>100</i>
Corrina Impoco	
<i>Lee High School Scholarship in Memory of Mary and Albert Vinatier</i>	<i>100</i>
Jennifer Thorne	
<i>Greylock Credit Union Scholarship</i>	<i>100</i>
Jennifer Thorne	
<i>Eugenio Bonafin Memorial Scholarship Fund Award Class of 1936</i>	<i>75</i>
Kimberly Kelly	
<i>Ladies Auxiliary of the Tryingham Fire Department</i>	<i>50</i>
Michael Burt	
<i>Lee Town Players in Memory of Cora Carrington</i>	<i>50</i>
Jonathan Adams	
<i>Alan Wurtzbaugh Award - given to the girl and boy who has the greatest progress during their four years of high school</i>	<i>50</i>
Janice Fassell	25
Donald Hopkins	25



LEE CENTRAL SCHOOL

It is with pleasure that I submit my report to the Town of Lee. Lee Central School has maintained its enrollment figures from the FY1999 to the FY2000 school year. We have 555 students from pre-school to eighth grade. This fall we welcomed several new staff members. In the middle school, Ms. Kathy Rinehart and Mrs. Sherry Shields joined us as Science Teachers. June saw the retirement of Ms. Chanel Clark from the second grade. Mrs. Theresa Hartman was hired and is teaching fourth grade. Ms. Deb Lewis joined us as Spanish teacher in seventh and eighth grade. Mrs. Diane Nichols has replaced Ms. Cindy Koch in the music department.

In addition, this fall the allocation of classrooms was changed to group 5th and 6th grade on the same floor, with seventh and eighth grade together on a separate floor. This was in anticipation of the move to the new school.

The planning for the new school has been a major effort this past year for staff members and administration. The School Reorganization Committee met regularly through the year. This committee consisting of administration, staff, parents and community members, met throughout the year. They considered every aspect of the transition to the new school from curriculum to playground. Their report was submitted to the School Committee. In December staff began meeting with the district's furniture consultant to choose the furniture and equipment for the new school. At this time space in the new school was allocated to the different grade levels. The staff of Lee Central is very excited both about our new building and about the benefits our students will gain from this new environment.

The School Council is a very important factor in Lee Central. This committee consisting of parents and staff performs an active advisory role to the Principal. Included in this is the writing of the School Improvement Plan and the development and approval of the school budget. We are fortunate to have a very positive and active committee. This year's members are Karen Consolati, Donna Toomey, Kim Shook, Mary Laflamme, Neil Clarke, Brian Baker and Marie Gormalley.

The PTO sponsors so many activities that enliven our school. Their assemblies have an academic basis but also provide great entertainment. The PTO's fundraising provides bussing for class trips for the whole school. They are always willing to help with any school activities and are appreciated by everyone in the building.

Again this year, students in grades four and eight participated in the MCAS exams. In the coming school year, the exams are to be spread over more grade levels, so that in 2001 students in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 will write some part of the MCAS.

This year, we were lucky to receive a large grant from the Department of Education to enhance our Kindergarten. This grant has provided full-time aides for the classes as well as buying many new materials. It also provides funding for the professional development of the teachers.

In June, the eighth grade visited Washington, DC for three days. Seventy-five students participated on this trip, which was a great success.

Summer of 2000 saw the resurrection of Lee Central's summer school after several years. Under the guidance of Mr. Warren Reynolds, the summer school attracted students from neighboring south county districts as well as providing an opportunity for eighth grade students, who were facing repeating, to complete the work necessary to move on to high school. Classes were offered to students in grades 3-10. Following this success, planning is underway for summer 2001.

The year 2000 should be the last year that Lee Central School will be home to Grades K-6. In November of 2001, we should be moving up to our new building on the hilltop behind the high school. This fine old building has done tremendous service to the young children of Lee and although its time as an elementary school is coming to an end, we will carry many memories with us.

In closing, the staff would like to thank Superintendent Robert Siminski, the Lee School Committee, the Lee Central School Council, and the citizens of the Town of Lee for their continued support of the Lee Public Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

John Retchless
Principal



LEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2000

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>TRANSFERS</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>
School Committee	19,800.00	292.12	20,092.12
Superintendent's office	162,412.00	-1,832.91	160,579.09
Transportation	144,900.00	.00	144,900.00
Supervisory	205,226.00	-186.02	205,049.98
Adult Services	3,000.00	.00	3,000.00
Principals' office	237,095.00	-17,674.68	219,402.32
Instruction	3,189,342.00	-162,836.38	3,026,505.62
Other Services	186,659.00	-10,456.59	176,202.41
Maintenance	308,120.00	280,822.69	588,942.69
Programs With others	67,976.00	-22,059.69	45,916.31
Special Education	1,046,424.00	-66,068.54	980,355.46
TOTALS	\$5,570,954.00	\$ 0.00	\$5,570,946.00

DECEMBER 31, 2000

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
School Committee	20,800.00	11,478.66	9,321.34
Superintendent's Office	166,810.00	88,794.84	78,015.16
Transportation	144,900.00	57,960.00	86,940.00
Fixed Charges	19,312.00	19,311.84	0.16
Supervisory	207,802.00	83,975.71	123,826.29
Adult Services	12,000.00	9,000.00	3,000.00
Principals' office	240,665.00	120,475.16	120,189.84
Instruction	2,989,129.00	1,126,546.73	1,862,582.27
Other Services	209,278.00	67,081.128	142,196.72
Maintenance	598,351.00	266,313.12	332,037.88
Building Program	5,000.00	.00	5,000.00
Programs with others	70,840.00	26,375.82	44,464.18
Special Education	1,053,206.00	406,175.44	647,030.56
TOTALS	\$5,738,093.00	\$2,283,488.60	\$3,454,604.40



LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT GRANTS & REVOLVING ACCOUNTS

DECEMBER 31, 2000

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>BEGINNING BALANCE & RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
GRANTS:			
Title I	77,415.00	24,508.21	52,906.79
Title VI	5,544.00	850.85	4,693.15
SPED 94-142	116,710.00	47,701.80	69,008.20
SPED Early Childhood	14,476.00	5,163.75	9,312.25
SPED Professional Dev.	7,462.00	62.25	7,399.75
Kindergarten Enhancement	54,000.00	12,176.45	41,823.55
Drug Free	4,357.00	446.44	3,809.56
Teacher Trng. Math/Science	4,404.00	2,926.94	1,477.06
BTEP - Summer Program	5,842.29	7,077.24	-1,234.95
Health Services	19,206.00	2,539.25	16,666.75
Emergency Immigrant	25,000.00	63.69	24,936.31
Carl Perkins	1,950.00	.00	1,950.00
Parent/Child home Program	75,000.00	1,363.38	73,636.62
Truancy Prevention	14,478.76	2,818.15	11,660.61
Class Size Reduction	20,464.00	.00	20,464.00
TOTAL GRANTS	\$446,309.05	\$107,718.40	\$338,590.65

REVOLVING ACCOUNTS:

Adult Evening	14,389.96	7,015.58	7,338.38
Athletics	33,311.57	6,452.03	26,859.54
Industrial Arts	3,4272.36	878.12	2,594.24
Greenhouse	1,485.50	120.00	1,365.50
Band	2,283.35	.00	2,283.35
Drama	8,618.04	2,542.12	6,075.92
Lost Books	4,414.80	1,912.17	2,502.63
Cable	60.25	.00	60.25
Reading	0.63	.00	.63
Student Fund	13,639.97	5,888.33	7,751.64
Preschool	1,812.45	75.54	1,736.91
Berkshire Alliance	23,133.77	4,575.70	18,558.07
Student Activities	42,122.33	17,029.15	25,093.18
Summer School	4,245.00	2,043.71	2,201.29
School Choice	718,324.35	6,201.62	712,122.73
Cafeteria	109,424.41	99,450.12	9,974.29
TOTAL REVOLVING	\$980,738.74	\$154,220.19	\$826,518.55

SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT:

Expenditures through January, 2001

4,960,274.00



LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Wages Paid in Calendar Year 2000

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Siminski, Robert J.	\$ 78,856.44
DiGrigoli, Bertha H.	15,835.50
Holmes, Deborah L.	32,373.11
Giarolo, Fiona M.	3,846.28
Ragusa-Hallock, Kathie	761.26
Tanguay, Susan	13,628.25

TITLE I GRANT

Farley-Turner, Sue	30,814.88
Horsford, Susan J.	14,685.79
Mosca, Jeanne M. I	11,798.25

SPEECH THERAPIST

Floyd, Susan M.	43,223.43
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CAREER COORDINATOR

Gralla, James	66,804.93
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OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

Reilly, John L.	54,777.04
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HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING AID

Senter, Charles M.	12,400.65
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DEAN OF STUDENTS

Bort, Kathleen R.	67,834.48
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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Retchless, John	71,225.22
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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

McCollum, Rosalie T.	28,730.00
Cardillo, Eileen	5,367.63
Consolati, Patrice	3,521.50
Kirby, Kim	176.20
LeVardi, Colleen	915.37

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL & ADULT EDUCATION

Salinetti, Richard T.	81,017.25
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HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Baker, Susan W.	26,680.00
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Short, Tasha	783.13
Williams, Karen M.	14,168.00

ELEMENTARY TEACHERS

Baker, Brian J.	\$ 29,525.23
Belknap, Paul H.	53,502.58
Bernasconi, Jane	53,316.88
Clark, Chanel Barbara	42,229.12
Clarke, Neil F.	53,516.72
Cohen, Rosalyn S.	56,074.86
Cormier, Susan V.	21,500.24
Crochiere, Susan M.	17,147.04
Davis, Christine B.	40,341.16
DeVarenes, Kathleen	46,476.94
DeVarenes, Kelly S.	27,109.44
Doherty, Mary A.	52,950.72
Duhon, Paula J.	40,116.64
Finnegan, Lauren B.	24,550.80
Gormalley, Marie T.	43,102.37
Hartman, Theresa	8,360.64
Hawley, Adele R.	43,849.68
Hitchcock, Kaye R.	42,129.78
Hotchkiss, Claire L.	52,970.88
Hotchkiss, Robert H.	53,290.88
Ketchum, Lucille N.	43,812.90
Killion, Candice M.	30,025.42
LaGarce, Marjorie J.	43,094.36
MacIntosh, Elizabeth A.	42,986.16
O'Brien, Kelly C.	13,314.83
O'Rourke, Philip J.	54,256.92
Rinehart, Kathy	9,764.64
St. Peter, Aniela M.	53,532.04
Shields, Sherri	9,053.60
Smith, Cynthia G.	54,023.47
Stauffer, Richard B., Jr.	49,256.00
Tempone, Frank	29,886.36
Vannah, Barbara S.	6,538.02
Walsh, Aurelia T.	49,193.62
Walsh, Carol A.	44,849.68

KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS

Gagnon, Jessica M.	29,379.94
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Polidoro, Rosemary A.	54,603.00
Young, Julie	30,903.11

CAFFETERIA/PLAYGROUND

AIDES

Belliveau, Dianne C.	\$ 99.75
Boenitz, Katherine	1,348.29
Coty, Cynthia M.	629.35
Portieri, Sheila	669.99
Romeo, Kay E.	4,882.84
Surber, Stacy D.	372.40

ELEMENTARY SUBSTITUTES

Anderson, Marcia	\$ 55.00
Anthony, Margaret	1,740.00
Brinson, Katherine	7,886.32
Brouker, Kristen M.	174.08
Buxton, Jennifer	219.59
Clarke, Barbara J.	302.50
Corbiere, Christine	770.00
Coulter, Lisa A.	1,531.58
Curtin, Lori	3,338.72
Danis, Brent	971.31
DeVoti, Christina	4,387.40
Dilego-Heath, Nancianne	3,906.59
Face, Kaitlin I	110.00
Karlin, Sharon M	110.00
Kennedy, Maureen E.	2,247.50
Ketchum, Nell	400.81
LePrevost, Paul	1,575.00
Lerner, Judith	330.00
Paul, Patricia	220.00
Pettibone, Michele	275.00
Preston, Shannon	110.00
Puleri, Lisa	819.84
Scolforo, Sarah	110.00
Sugarman, Aaron	1,707.00
Tart, Stacy	577.50
Zilinski, Daniel C.	609.99

CONTRACTED SERVICES - AIDE

Peterson, Jeb	49.90
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ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

Brouker, Cynthia	\$ 27,905.54
Foster, Katherine	35,512.13

HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

Burke, Kerry	\$ 53,510.24
Caimano, Nicholas F.	54,885.48

Cinella, Thomas F.	62,358.44
Coons, Christine	39,157.52
Curry, Robin I.	49,227.04
Duquette, David A.	61,012.89
Ferrero, Diane M.	52,970.88
Hall, Kathleen P.	56,559.02
Hungate, Robert M.	55,600.52
Lorance, Bruce G.	63,295.68
Maroney, Deborah J.	54,905.48
Monachina, Paul C.	17,978.84
Nelsen, Cheryl D.	54,463.84
Randolf, Jeanne L.	49,394.96
Swindlehurst, William S.	34,399.56
Trabka, Thomas	15,405.28
VanSickle, Susan L.	53,825.24
Verdi, Mary E.	35,989.36
Warywoski, Peter S.	53,552.80
Wescott, Anna M.	52,781.32
White, Patricia L.	53,636.80

**HIGH SCHOOL SUBSTITUTE
TEACHERS**

Bartini, Kevin A.	55.00
Belba, Michael L.	165.00
Brittain, Jennifer	357.50
Browne, Mary	10,284.70
Cohen, Fredric	110.00
Consolati, Amy	110.00
Daley, Margaret	1,155.00
Davidson, Justin	220.00
DeVarenes, Jason	55.00
Doherty, Kelly M.	101.55
Duquette, Jedediah	220.00
Fillio, Matthew	55.00
Hebert, Alan A.	165.00
Hess, Amanda	440.00
Hickey, Nathan	110.00
Lamson, Laverne	1,045.00
Lecompte, Shannon J.	385.00
Lohbauer, Robert	150.00
Murphy, Rachel	55.00
Patel, Vaishali	55.00
Puleri, Jeffrey M.	789.48
Scarafoni, Kristie L.	65.00
Skowron, Lee-Ann	110.00
Unsworth, Andrew	5,413.59
Warywoski, Christine M.	12,889.28
Wellington, Christina	667.90

ELEMENTARY SPED TEACHERS

Fitzhugh, Maryann C.	\$ 52,625.24
Floyd, Susan	46,087.12
Forget, Nancy L.	52,492.12
Haven, Cynthia	10,280.32
O'Brien, Erin M.	54,410.44
Terenzini, Karen D.	50,424.96
Walczak, Eileen P.	32,707.04
Walker, Christine K.	42,269.16

PRESCHOOL TEACHER

Patton, Charlene M.	\$ 33,554.04
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SPED CLERK

McEvoy, Geraldine C.	\$ 23,054.25
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ELEMENTARY AIDES

Babcock, Nora J.	\$ 14,030.10
Biron, Celeste B.	607.20
Brown, Mary Beth	11,956.65
Buratto, Karen L.	12,746.81
Cahalan, Judy A.	382.56
Clarke, Megan	1,284.18
Cozzaglio, Sandra	9,598.16
Cummings, Nancy C.	13,437.22
Deming, Evelyn	13,773.95
Donnelly, Dawn	38.24
Fitzgerald, Rebecca	10,365.99
Flint, Alice M.	536.06
Goetze, Beth H.	8,491.83
Hall, Lois A.	646.28
John, Rose M.	7,587.64
Kresiak, Donna M.	12,390.73
LaFlamme, Mary E.	554.51
Lampro, Wendy A.	9,109.79
LeCompte, Ruth D.	55.00
McHugh, Christina M.	108.07
Morawiec, Kathleen	26.60
Mosca, Jeanne	10,879.39
Navin, Mark J.	11,058.69
Noonan, Ethel M.	12,853.52
Seward, Mary E.	11,594.55
Shook, Kim`	10,723.16
Siniawski, Robin M.	807.50
Sturz, Graham	124.69
Walsh, Brendan R.	94.90

PRESCHOOL AIDE

Raftery, Mary C.	\$ 13,708.24
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KINDERGARTEN AIDE

Duquette, Judith	\$ 7,709.83
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HIGH SCHOOL SPED

Hickey, Timothy	\$ 54,740.96
Jefferys, Joanna M.	44,121.48
Naventi, Michele	37,340.16
Scarpa, Kenneth	15,504.00

HIGH SCHOOL SPED AIDES

Bissell, Beverly L.	\$ 13,432.45
Brown, Robin F.	726.77
Daley, Letisha A.	8,785.04
Guidice, Jeffrey	359.79
Strezynski, Melissa M.	9,015.85

HEALTH TEACHER

Sinisi, Joan	\$ 1,022.81
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ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

Diskavich, Charles	\$ 11,683.82
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ELEMENTARY LIBRARIAN

Kane, Nancy J.	\$ 33,553.44
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ELEMENTARY LIBRARY AIDE

Cogswell, Elizabeth	\$ 216.54
Moriarty, Laura M.	10,666.13

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

Fromm, MaryJane H.	\$ 34,876.64
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TITLE I TEACHERS

Farley, Turner, Sue	\$ 32,813.32
Hall, Ella	1,670.46

94-142 AIDS GRANT

Consolati, Sandra	\$ 10,907.71
Hutchinson, Patricia	9,842.68
Wilcox, Linda	8,493.32

KINDERGARTEN AIDES

Hickey, Leslie	\$ 9,449.00
Rydell, Carol Ann	5,364.98
Edelow, Elizabeth	4,528.40

TEACHER

Lawis, Debra	\$ 12,117.64
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TEACHER

Horsford, Susan	\$ 21,311.22
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DISCIPLINE COORDINATOR

Nadolny, Thomas R.	\$ 34,924.96
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HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE

Chisholm, William P., Jr. \$ 55,918.95

HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE

CLERK

Gray, Patricia A. \$ 20,674.27

SPED DIRECTOR

Staulfer, Catherine A. \$ 61,982.39

PSYCHOLOGIST

Reynolds, Warren B. \$ 68,810.93

CHEERLEADER ADVISOR

New, Paula J. \$ 1,400.00

ELEMENTARY NURSE

Naventi, Diane R. \$ 26,307.63

SUBSTITUTE NURSES

Guinan, Susan M. \$ 220.00

Poston, Joanne 55.00

Tryon, Wenda B. 55.00

HIGH SCHOOL NURSE

Cinella Mary D. \$ 39,204.83

ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA

Bailly, Sharon \$ 144.99

Broderick, Pamela J. 9,884.09

Brozowski, Diana 307.46

Buker, Judith A. 10,714.75

Goodfellow, Lorraine 21.78

Herrick, Sally 1,613.64

Petersoli, Renette 6,737.74

Romeo, Alice A. 12,025.39

Santolin, Deborah L. 8,548.15

Siklossy, Leon 319.33

Sorentino, Alda 174.24

Tokoly, Norma A. 1,305.87

HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Allen, John E. \$ 14,210.45

Baczek, Glenda L. 10,819.13

Bianco, Diana M. 476.22

Drumm, Heidi M. 79.20

Forrest, Mary Anne 8,832.11

Haughey, John 5,910.40

Holian, Susan 2,157.33

Joyner, Rebecca 26.40

Lorance, Trudy S. 7,514.30

Maroney, Shelli K. 10,086.77

Miller, Susan E. 24.64

Porrini, Tina 4,482.98

Skoler, Richard 161.92

TEACHERS

Blaisdell, Cheryl \$ 520.00

Crosby, Polly 560.00

Johnson, Carleen 1,595.00

FOOTBALL COACHES

Beattie, Arthur \$ 2,000.00

Consolati, Steven F. \$ 3,200.00

BOYS SOCCER COACH

Ramirez, Hugo \$ 2,000.00

TENNIS COACH

Perry, John T. \$ 2,000.00

GIRLS SOCCER COACH

Bruce, Donna J. \$ 3,200.00

Gaul, Benjamin J. 2,000.00

BOYS BASKETBALL COACH

Puleri, Richard \$ 2,000.00

Stachowicz, Jeremy R. 3,200.00

SKIING COACH

Passetto, Michael \$ 2,000.00

GOLF COACH

Zukowski, Henry \$ 2,000.00

HIGH SCHOOL

COMMUNICATIONS

Sorrentino, Samuel R. \$ 2,000.00

FOOTBALL GAME MANAGERS

Daoust, Stanley \$ 200.00

Porrini, Paul 780.00

GIRLS SOCCER GAME MANAGER

Skowron, Philip \$ 300.00

BOYS BASKETBALL GAME MANAGER

Desantis, Craig \$ 660.00

CLERK OF THE WORKS

Briggs, Edward \$ 18,000.00

ELEMENTARY**CUSTODIAL STAFF**

Gelpi, Donald G.	\$ 33,536.13
Jones, John P.	33,368.07
Puleri, Louis R.	15,641.55
Roode, Kenneth L.	34,760.88
Walker, James	9,296.55

CUSTODIANS

Killackey, Charles H.	\$ 7,024.08
Shepardson, Timothy	5,911.99

HIGH SCHOOL**CUSTODIAL STAFF**

Anderson, Peter	\$ 34,962.43
Drumm, Edward	8,722.35
Souza, Richard M.	36,103.65
Wellington, Gary S.	38,596.78

**HIGH SCHOOL/ELEMENTARY
MAINTENANCE**

Merwin, Neil M.	\$ 37,583.70
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ADULT EVENING EXPENSES

Cozzaglio, Stephen A.	\$ 1,200.00
Ketchen, Heather	500.00
Wadsworth, Andrea N.	1,000.00

DRIVER DRIVING EXPENSES

Maroni, James A.	\$ 7,340.00
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ADULT EDUCATION

Bourdon, William	\$ 1,977.50
Carty, Frances	5,240.00
Coughlin, Marisa	5,680.00
Fournier-Jourdain, Kelly	10,420.00
Goldman, Mardi	1,185.00
Miranda, Alva	966.00
Rosales, Edison	570.00
Suarez, Jorge	4,590.00
Tharion, Melissa	3,786.00

DRUG FREE SCHOOLS

Bonzagni, John, Jr.	\$ 300.00
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DISTECH SALARY

LaPrevost, John C.	\$ 42,600.00
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ELEMENTARY ART TEACHER

Taylor, Mary-Elizabeth	\$ 43,803.52
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**ELEMENTARY MUSIC
TEACHERS**

Feldman, Patricia C.	\$ 22,397.50
Mongeau, Jill M.	54,627.51

**ELEMENTARY PHYSICAL
EDUCATION**

Markowski, Edward M	\$ 48,476.12
Warner, Janet E.	55,642.04

GIRLS TENNIS COACH

Lahey, Clare	\$ 2,000.00
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HIGH SCHOOL ART TEACHER

Celli, Monica J.	\$ 35,140.96
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**HIGH SCHOOL PHYSICAL
EDUCATION**

Lenfest, Richard P., Sr	\$ 56,525.68
Maish, Sally L.	53,840.80

**HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC
TEACHERS**

Koch, Cynthia J.	\$ 31,845.76
Nichols, Diane F.	6,657.70

DISTRICT MAINTENANCE

Adams, Jonathan A.	\$ 1,109.50
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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Coles, Susan	\$ 200.00
Gillis, Kathleen	200.00
Kosakowski, Susan	200.00

SCHOOL CHOICE AIDE

Brazee, Marie E.	\$ 4,665.00
Lagarce, Jessica	311.31

SUMMER PROGRAM PROGRAM

Burgess, Laura	\$ 1,050.00
Dawdy, Oliver	462.00



SCHOOL HEALTH REPORT

In September of 2000, the Lee Schools started off with the usual flurry of activity. Freshmen began a day early in order to orient them to their new school. This year's class was unusually large.

Our high school clinic started the second Wednesday of school. It has been very busy ever since with students coming in for all kinds of health problems. Our staff has been wonderful assisting our students and parents with their health problems.

The staff consists of Dr. Robert Wespiser, our school physician, Dr. Tom Consolati, Dr. Dan Cohen, Dr. Michael Kaplan, Dr. Robert Rosenfeld, Terry Ribadeyra, and Anne Hutchinson.

They have a rotating schedule that provides us with a health professional every Wednesday for 80 minutes at each school.

Immunizations continue to keep the nurses busy. Hepatitis B and tetanus boosters are made available through the school clinics, which are held throughout the year. Vaccine is made available through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health free of charge.

Vision and hearing testing begins in October and continues throughout the year.

Postural screenings are also done yearly in grades 5-9 when students are going through their growing years.

Physicals are done during grades 7 and 11 as well as before a student plays a sport. It is important to know that a student is in good health before they start a physically demanding sports program.

Medications continue to occupy a large portion of the nurses' time, especially at the elementary level. We gave approximately 6500 medications over the year.

Many of these medications are for asthma, which is a disease affecting many of our students today.

The fluoride program continues at Central School in grades 1-8, with the help of parents who help dispense the fluoride weekly for a one-minute swish.

The wonderful thing about being a nurse in a small school system is the ability to know each student, his or her teachers and parents on a personal basis. The nurses work throughout the year to keep their students healthy and happy within their schools.

We would like to thank everyone who supported the health program over the year, including our Superintendent, our school Principals, our Health Coordinator, Kathy Bort, and our school physician, Dr. Robert Wespiser. We would not be able to carry on without their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

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



PLANNING BOARD

During the year January 1, 2000, to December 31, 2000, the Lee Planning Board acted upon eighteen (18) Form A Applications (Plans Not Requiring Approval under the Subdivision Control Law), eighteen were approved. The Board also made decisions concerning eight (8) Special Permit Applications; a ninth 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.

Fox Modular presented a Preliminary Subdivision Plan (Form B) for a two lot subdivision located off Fairview Street entitled, "Fox Drive" followed with a Definitive Plan (Form C) which was approved on April 24, 2000.

Silverleaf Resorts presented a Preliminary Subdivision Plan (Form B) for a four lot subdivision located off Meadow Street entitled, "Spruce Road" which was denied on June 26, 2000.

There were several amendments to the Town of Lee Zoning By-law during the year. The addition of Section 199-7 Split Zones. The Board continued to work on the adoption of a resort bylaw. They held several public hearing throughout the year to discuss the draft of the bylaw that was developed by their consultant Rob Hoogs. In December a resort bylaw questionnaire was developed to assist the Board in the final draft of the bylaw.

The Board held a public hearing for public input and to endorse the Master Plan and Open Space Recreation Plan on October 19, 2000. The Board voted unanimously to accept the Master Plan on October 23, 2000.

Silverleaf Resorts presented a site plan for the Amenities Phase at Oak N' Spruce. The Board approved this plan with conditions on July 3, 2000.

The Planning Board reluctantly accepted the resignations of Aldo Pascucci, effective June 30, 2000 and Edward Handberg, effective October 16, 2000. The Board recommended Andrew Cort to replace Edward Handberg, effective October 27, 2000 to serve as a new member of the Planning Board. The Planning Board welcomed Anthony Caropreso who was elected in May to serve on the Board and Gordon Bailey who was also elected to serve on the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Birch, **Chairman**
Anthony Caropreso
William Roche
Gordon Bailey
Andrew Cort



SANDY BEACH COMMITTEE

The weather during the summer months of the year 2000 could best be summed up in a single inclusive word: changeable. We had snow flurries in mid-May, downright cold evenings in late August and all variations of sun, wind, clouds and rain in between. At the beach the weather rules all, from the condition of the grounds to the number of beachgoers to the scheduling of swim classes to the blooming of flowers.

We were lucky at the end of May. After a stretch of rain the weather broke and the hard-working and joke-cracking Kiwanis Club came to the beach to begin the mind-boggling job of getting the beach grounds in shape for the summer. The Lee Land Trust arrived on another evening and continued the job. They managed to get the flower beds into some semblance of order after a premature spring that brought out every conceivable plant species. In early June other work horses arrived: the crew from the House Of Correction, under the auspices of County Sheriff Carmen Massimiano and crew leader Mike Garvey. Their overriding concern, and that of the beach committee, was what to do about the drainage. Heavy spring rains had poured down and eroded both sides of the beach right down to the water. Portions of the parking lot and the grass path were a sea of mud. The picnic area was a swamp and the lawn was as wet as a sponge. Negotiating with machinery on any part of the property left hard-to-repair deep ruts. In fact, four-wheelers (another problem and a scourge in early spring) had already done their damage on the paths and on the wettest part of the lawn. It is a frustrating experience to organize volunteer crews to repair the grounds only to discover on opening day that machine-riding visitors the night before had undone most of the work. If only the riders would stay on the sand!

The jail crew helped begin a two-pronged berm system which the beach committee hopes will eventually alleviate some problems. Despite our efforts to build earthen berms in 1997, we have lately realized that we need to establish a more formal system in light of the present weather extremes that are expected to continue with global warming. To match the volunteer effort of the jail crew and to complete the drainage work, the committee will be seeking funds from the town. As the beach committee is committed to keeping its budget low in the interests of the taxpayers, let it be noted that this will be the first request for a capital expenditure in four years.

Meanwhile, beachgoers struggled with baby carriages on muddy, tire-rutted paths and got their cars stuck in the parking lot if they happened to park in the wrong spot, and found that their blankets got soggy if they sat too close to the woods. Spirits remained high, though, and on the nice days the crowds came out and the shouts of happy children were echoed by the thrushes in the woods. The Lee Youth Association spent pleasant afternoons. The usual birthdays and reunions were held in the grove after it dried out in July. A few organizations, notably the South Lee Fire Department, had to cancel their summer picnic due to inclement weather (yet another year!) but others were luckier. The pre-school children from Lee Central enjoyed themselves as did the Lee Ambulance squad. Popcorn and watermelon were served to all kids who came to the beach on opening day, June 16th. On the many cloudy days, people came to the beach, to walk or look at the view or play a game of

volleyball, even though the temperature was not conducive to swimming.

Lifeguards Dave Rice, Meaghan Morrison, Leena Zervas and Head Guard Greg Krupka performed their jobs competently. They performed three rescues and treated sunburns and minor injuries. The committee is happy to report that no major accidents occurred on their watch. Red Cross Instructor Kathy Maroney held swimming classes for three weeks and gave certificates to 48 Lee children. In the 13 years since the beach was restored, it has been satisfying to watch children go through the system and then as college students, come back and work as lifeguards.

But not all is perfect in our beautiful beach world. Again we call on the towns of Lee and Lenox to help solve weed problems at the lake. We're lucky that the county weed-harvesting program has survived in spite of the demise of county government last June, thanks to the far-reaching vision of Commissioner Tom Stokes who took it upon himself to negotiate an agreement with the City of Pittsfield whereby that community would continue to administer the services. The harvesting program is the only remedy (and a temporary one) that the lake has going for it, in spite of vigorous efforts by such advocacy groups as the Laurel Lake Association. Once more we urge the town of Lenox to address the need for a sewer line on their side of the lake. The Community Preservation Act, if passed in both communities, could serve as the lifeline that would save the lake.

Every year so many kindnesses are performed by so many people, from planting and watering flowers to picking up trash to donating toys to raking under the volleyball net, that it is impossible to keep a record. Those kindnesses are acknowledged here, even though names have not been set in print. Our gratitude goes to the Wilde family of High Lawn Farm for the use of their beautiful land, to Gordon Griffin and others at Schweitzer-Mauduit International for their close cooperation and use of their road, to Sheriff Carmen Massimiano for sending the work crew, to town officials, representatives and boards (particularly the Department of Public Works) and the kind staff at Memorial Hall, to Lee Hardware, Dresser Hull, Henry's Electric, Dupras Liquor Store, Johansson's Five and Ten, Golden Hill Nursery, the Shed Man, Dunkin' Donuts, The Locker Room, Joe Sorrentino, Bob LaChance, Sharon Davenport, Marty and Kathey Naventi Brown, and to "Dutch" for birdhouses and feeders.

Renewed after a winter break, the committee returns in spring to the loving job of offering a unique recreation and nature experience for Lee families and their guests. With the help of caring volunteers and the town we know we can surmount any obstacles that nature or happenstance may toss in our path, be they fallen trees or erosive rain. Join us again this summer at one of the area's most treasured resources. There you'll spend pleasant hours that fly by for their beauty .

Respectfully submitted,

Deidre Consolati, *Chair*

Beach Committee Members

Bill Abderhalden, Dave Babcock,

Terri Babcock, Linda Cysz, Dale Dedrick



VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

This year, the requests for Veterans' Benefits were down a little from last year. Because of this, this Department operated within its budget and no additional funds needed to be requested. Veterans' Benefits are a temporary assistance program for wartime veterans and their dependents until another source of income is received. However, in some cases, benefits are given for a longer period of time. This is usually the case of widows who have never worked outside the home and only have a portion of their husbands Social Security to survive on. We are starting to see more applicants in this category.

Another vital function of this Department is to assist veterans and their dependents in finding information about various veterans issues and programs. These requests include getting copies of discharge certificates answering questions concerning what is available from the Veterans Administration (a different agency than Veterans' Services), what benefits are available, and how to file for them. When veterans come in for financial assistance, we direct them to any and all other agencies that will might be able to assist them. We have even directed some in where to find jobs that fit their skills and abilities.

This year the law changed concerning the tax abatements allowed for the surviving spouses of veterans. We worked closely with the Tax Assessors office to ensure everyone understood the new law so that those who were eligible received the benefits they were entitled to.

Veterans' Benefit	\$20,667.72
75% Returned by State	\$14,890.32
Cost to Town	\$5,777.40

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Mann,
Veterans' Agent



VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The following is a report of the services performed in the Town of Lee during the calendar year 2000:

HOME VISITS

VISITS

Skilled Nursing	2966
Physical Therapy	1039
Speech Therapy	13
Occupational Therapy	121
Medical Social Work	62
Maternal Child Health	23
Nutritionist	8
Home Health Aide	1858 visits / 2101 hours

SCHOOL NURSING / ST. MARY'S 107 hours

OFFICE VISITS 12

HEALTH FAIR / LEE HIGH SCHOOL 15 Glucose Screens
17 Cholesterol Screens

CLINICS

SESSIONS

ATTENDANCE

Flu / Pneumonia	11	848 / 48
Blood Pressure	69	773
Immunization	2	11
Mantoux Tests	2	10
Hepatitis B	2	13



TOWN OF LEE

Wages Paid in Calendar Year 2000

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Alderman, Suzanne M.	\$22,459.50
Carlino, Patricia D	2,100.00
Daley, Nelson L., Sr.	2,100.00
Pascuscci, Aldo V.	2,100.00

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Nason, Robert L.	56,287.42
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TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Borden, Kathleen	31,372.06
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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Arment, Kathleen	5,249.68
Bitso, Jacqueline B.	22,619.86
Borsody, Evelyn	11,604.80
Briggs, Edward	2,400.00
DeLorme, Dayton	2,400.00
Derrick, William	2,400.00
Taylor, Timothy O.	11,253.15

TREASURER

Kelley, Susan E.	22,156.34
Toomey, Donna M.	5,510.43

TOWN COLLECTOR

Baumann, Eleanor B.	26,924.28
Smith, Janice G.	37,918.28

TOWN COUNSEL

Scully, Jerome	19,888.04
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INTERDEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY

Messana, Jaimy	14,267.39
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TOWN CLERK/

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Baldisserotto, Valentino	130.00
Bettega, Maria	130.00
Bowers, David	130.00
Carrington, Marion	100.00
Collins, Ann Marie	30.00
Consolati, Frank	170.00
Cozzaglio, Stephen	112.00

Cozzaglio, Sandra	450.00
Dadak, Mary Lou	454.50
Darbe, Anne	35.00
Davis, Charlotte	30.00
Dunn, Nannette	95.00
Fillio, Donald	450.00
Forshee, Dennis B.	136.00
Fresia, Thomas	600.00
Hickey, Madeline	1,275.00
Kresiak, Gladys	130.00
Larivee, Elizabeth	30.00
Lester, Charlotte	100.00
Maroney, William	35.00
McCarthy, Frank V.	450.00
Membrino, Jane	30.00
Morrissey, Mary M.	95.00
Mountain, Dennis	170.00
Navin, Mildred	130.00
North, Edward	955.00
O'Brien, Marguerite	644.00
Perry, Rita	130.00
Petersoli, Olga	35.00
Pleu, karen	65.00
Pollard, Pauline	56.00
Puleri, Margaret D.	35.00
Scarpa, Suzanne M.	30,206.06
Scolforo, Michael	300.00
Sullivan, Shawn	48.00
Trimm, Shirley	130.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Pyenson, D. Ann	2,196.61
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Bartini, William J.	55,371.69
Briggs, Todd J.	59,362.44
Buffis, Joseph	56,698.99
Burdick, Stephanie	7,114.79
Celli, richard	1,987.50
Desantis, Craig W.	59,853.31
Desantis, Nicholas	5,144.50
Farina, John A.	44,154.82
Giarolo, Robert	1,839.50

Glidden, Ronald C.	54,213.23
Heath, Corey R.	2,125.50
Kasparzak, Thomas	480.00
Kohlenberger, Adrian	62,847.54
Kresiak, Ryan	553.87
Lorance, Trudy S.	2,889.04
Loring, James A.	43,536.64
Martin, Dan	4,092.00
Massacani, Catherine	20,039.24
Murphy, Francis J.	1,735.88
Rhoades, Robert F.	4,037.90
Skowron, Philip	64,975.88
Smachetti, Henry J.	7,584.00
Somerville, Michael	1,004.00
Tatro, Ronald	15,207.50
Tierney, William	66,915.99
Toomey, James	3,112.42
Winters, John	53,426.03
Wood, Robert M.	6,158.63

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Bailey, James	754.34
Coons, Jeffrey R.	1,453.92
Driscoll, Richard	1,280.42
Driscoll, Ronald	3,725.88
Ford, Richard	1,278.90
Giarolo, Paul M.	950.46
Hunt, James E.	210.00
Kelly, Michael J.	500.00
North, Edward	371.00
Sparks, Alan	2,829.90
Tart, Richard	796.83

AMBULANCE

Ferrin, Jeffrey W.	1,458.52
Palmer, Kevin F.	25,074.66

INSPECTORS

Cahalan, Gerry	4,489.50
Grady, Charles	4,938.56
Jackacky, Paul	8,589.06
Keenan, Daniel	34,834.77
Thomson, Barbara	11,803.65

COMMUNICATIONS

Bailey, Kate M.	25,507.24
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Cernik, Larry F.	4,005.25
Clark, Anthony C.	4,627.81
Ferrin, Tara A.	17,705.82
Garrity, Deborah	2,949.90
Heath, Nancy L.	1,201.59
Lunt, Joanne E.	28,013.81
Maturevich, Jacob	303.40
Rider, Kathleen	1,801.68
Tyer, Donna	31,770.82

**DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS**

Bartini, James A.	4,843.29
Bianco, Timothy V.	19,198.87
Brasee, Jerry S.	14,887.07
Buffoni, Everett	56.00
Chester, Donald A.	965.58
Curtin, John N.	33,120.46
Daoust, Stanley J.	40,535.89
Duby, John E.	34,323.98
Ford, Myron A.	13,092.25
Hitchcock, David E.	33,604.81
Ingeni, George F.	10,094.70
Kelly, Dennis E.	40,662.24
Killackey, Charles	955.53
LaBier, Kenneth J.	51,610.52
Larson, Matthew C.	35,862.42
Laston, Frank C.	26,690.21
Lorance, Terry G.	5,072.55
McDonald, Daniel	950.00
Morawiez, James	1,171.87
Porrini, Paul	45,408.66
Rand, Craig	23,537.22
Salice, James P.	29,606.11
Sparks, Todd	4,352.91
Starzyk, Alan Max	34,710.52
Vania, Virginia K.	21,115.27
Zerbato, Alan J	33,903.71

BOARD OF HEALTH

Leahey, Dr. James	170.00
Norton, Karen M.	170.00
Wespiser, Dr. Robert	170.00

TRI-TOWN

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Belba, Louis P.	3,623.13
Bookless, Max I.	2,443.68
Briggs, Madeline L.	2,261.02
Kelly, Kimberly	69.09
Kolodziej, Peter	20,791.41
Krzanik, Scott B.	5,448.63
MacFarlane, Marlene	5,389.65
Robertson, Lori	5,449.50
Sciola, Benedetto	554.40
Towne, Catherine	2,837.02

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Collins, Dr. Bernard	1,500.00
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COUNCIL ON AGING

Maroney, Norma	20,854.44
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LEE YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Canterbury, David	15,233.14
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VETERANS' AGENT

Mann, Rev. Lloyd "Doug"	3,688.98
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LEE LIBRARY

Masucco, Georgia	40,694.56
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LEE SANDY BEACH

Consolati, Florence	224.64
Handberg, Edward M.	3,319.20
Krupka, Gregory R.	4,027.10
Maroney, Kathy	2,880.00
Morrison, Meghan Ann	1,335.90
Rice, David	3,244.32
Zervas, Caroleena	2,344.60

MODERATOR

Hodgkins, Christopher	150.00
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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT MAY 10, 2001

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BERKSHIRE, S.S.

To any 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 10, 2001 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 - FY01 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 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
114 Moderator					
Personnel	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 114	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
122 Selectmen					
Personnel	28,493.00	29,026.00	29,159.00	30,342.00	30,342.00
Expenses	4,238.52	5,830.00	5,830.00	5,830.00	5,380.00
Total 122	32,731.52	34,856.00	34,989.00	36,172.00	36,172.00
123 Town Administrator					
Personnel	55,620.00	56,995.00	57,289.00	59,294.00	59,294.00
Expenses	2,569.37	5,130.00	5,130.00	5,130.00	5,130.00
Total 123	58,189.37	62,085.00	62,419.00	64,424.00	64,424.00
131 Finance Committee					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	148.94	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
Total 131	148.94	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
132 Reserve Fund					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	11,879.34	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total 132	11,879.34	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00

General Government (Continued)

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
135 Town Accountant					
Personnel	31,7418.21	31,744.00	31,930.00	35,363.00	35,363.00
Expenses	14,305.00	18,126.00	18,126.00	18,126.00	18,126.00
Total 135	46,023.21	49,870.00	50,056.00	53,489.00	53,489.00
141 Assessors					
Personnel	60,671.26	62,915.00	61,190.00	67,066.00	67,066.00
Expenses	15,718.06	15,500.00	15,500.00	14,689.00	14,689.00
Total 141	76,389.32	78,415.00	76,690.00	81,051.00	81,051.00
145 Treasurer					
Personnel	27,723.00	28,940.00	29,105.00	31,932.00	31,932.00
Expenses	7,762.92	7,329.00	7,329.00	7,342.00	7,342.00
Total 145	35,485.92	36,269.00	36,434.00	39,274.00	39,274.00
146 Collector					
Personnel	46,287.00	47,398.00	48,454.00	49,825.00	49,825.00
Expenses	14,159.56	13,980.00	13,980.00	12,800.00	12,800.00
Total 146	60,446.56	62,378.00	62,434.00	62,625.00	62,625.00
151 Town Counsel					
Personnel	19,652.00	20,124.00	20,242.00	20,950.00	20,950.00
Expenses	2,206.90	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total 151	21,858.90	25,124.00	25,242.00	25,950.00	25,950.00
155 Information Technologies					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	5,167.67	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
Total 155	5,167.67	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,000.00
156 Interdepartmental Asst.					
Personnel	13,637.10	14,215.00	14,298.00	14,797.00	14,797.00
Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 156	13,637.10	14,215.00	14,289.00	14,797.00	14,797.00
161 Town Clerk					
Personnel	28,725.00	31,581.00	31,758.00	33,535.00	33,535.00
Expenses	1,153.77	2,175.00	2,175.00	2,082.00	2,082.00
Total 161	29,878.77	33,756.00	33,933.00	35,617.00	35,617.00
163 Licensing/Registration					
Personnel	3,705.00	3,900.00	3,900.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Expenses	3,679.89	4,075.00	4,075.00	3,325.00	3,325.00
Total 163	7,384.89	7,975.00	7,975.00	5,725.00	5,725.00
171 Conservation Commission					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	262.75	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total 171	262.75	1000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
175 Planning Board					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	5,991.86	3,530.00	3,950.00	3,950.00	4,055.00
Total 175	5,991.86	3,950.00	3,950.00	4,055.00	4,055.00

General Government (Continued)

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
176 Zoning Board					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	1,643.75	1,460.00	1,460.00	1,460.00	1,460.00
Total 176	1,643.75	1,460.00	1,460.00	1,460.00	1,460.00
188 Lee C.D.C.					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Total 188	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
195 Town Reports					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	2,600.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Total 195	2,600.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
196 Office Equipment Maintenance					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	4,460.44	6,400.00	6,400.00	9,688.00	9,688.00
Total 196	4,460.44	6,400.00	6,400.00	9,688.00	9,688.00
197 Staff Development					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total 197	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total General Gov't	416,330.31	449,803.00	449,330.00	468,081.00	468,081.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
210 Police					
Personnel	607,311.00	608,867.00	638,781.00	661,529.00	661,529.00
Expenses	58,221.43	57,800.00	57,800.00	58,956.00	58,956.00
Total 210	665,532.43	666,667.00	696,581.00	720,485.00	720,485.00
221 Fire Department					
Personnel	14,216.35	14,907.00	14,994.00	15,519.00	15,519.00
Total Expenses	50,078.39	49,906.00	49,906.00	51,796.00	51,796.00
Total 221	64,294.74	64,813.00	64,900.00	67,315.00	67,315.00
241 Building Inspector					
Personnel	53,119.74	48,409.00	48,673.00	50,301.00	50,301.00
Total Expenses	1,371.24	3,056.00	3,056.00	2,525.00	2,525.00
Total 241	54,490.98	51,465.00	51,729.00	52,826.00	52,826.00

Public Safety (Continued)

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
242 Gas Inspector					
Personnel	3,713.00	3,802.00	3,824.00	3,958.00	3,958.00
Expenses	245.20	860.00	860.00	850.00	850.00
Total 242	3,958.20	4,662.00	4,684.00	4,808.00	4,808.00
244 Sealer/Weights Meas.					
Personnel	3,118.50	4,758.00	4,784.00	4,709.00	4,709.00
Expenses	349.85	1,000.00	1,000.00	700.00	700.00
Total 244	3,468.35	5,758.00	5,784.00	5,409.00	5,409.00
245 Wiring Inspector					
Personnel	4,738.00	4,997.00	5,026.00	5,202.00	5,202.00
Expenses	192.16	880.00	880.00	850.00	850.00
Total 245	5,544.66	5,877.00	5,906.00	6,052.00	6,052.00
246 Plumbing Inspector					
Personnel	4,774.00	4,889.00	4,917.00	5,089.00	5,089.00
Expenses	214.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Total 299	4,988.00	6,389.00	6,417.00	6,289.00	6,289.00
291 Civil Defense					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	693.52	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
Total 291	693.52	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
292 Animal Control Officer					
Personnel	4,250.00	9,500.00	9,500.00	14,760.00	14,760.00
Expenses	1,888.10	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,325.00	2,325.00
Total 292	6,138.10	11,750.00	11,750.00	17,085.00	17,085.00
299 Communications					
Personnel	127,436.30	126,066.00	128,604.00	134,097.00	0.00
Expenses	8,949.02	9,560.00	9,560.00	13,182.00	43,182.00
Total 299	136,385.32	135,626.00	138,164.00	147,279.00	43,182.00
Total Public Safety	873,044.11	879,406.00	911,945.00	952,714.00	848,617.00

EDUCATION

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
300 Education					
School Committee	20,092.12	20,800.00	20,800.00	20,800.00	
Superintendent's Office	160,579.09	162,630.00	162,630.00	168,916.00	
Transportation	144,900.00	144,900.00	144,900.00	144,900.00	
Fixed Charges	6,515.74	13,000.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	
Supervisory	205,049.98	204,654.00	204,654.00	208,337.00	
Adult Services - Salary	3,000.00	2,000.00	12,000.00	8,000.00	
Principal's Office	219,420.32	240,665.00	240,665.00	245,945.00	
Instruction	3,344,140.93	3,506,476.00	3,506,476.00	3,703,595.00	

Education (Continued)

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
Other Services	200,457.41	209,278.00	209,278.00	196,874.00	
Maint. Operations	589,344.36	598,351.00	598,351.00	607,883.00	
Acquis/Replace Equip.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Building Program	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	
Programs with Others	45,916.31	70,840.00	70,840.00	74,266.00	
Special Education	981,875.56	1,039,193.00	1,039,193.00	1,192,915.00	
Less School Choice	-350,327.82	-489,694.00	-489,694.00	-490,000.00	
Total Education	5,570,964.00	5,738,093.00	5,738,093.00	6,095,431.00	6,082,379.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
421 B.P.W. Administration					
Personnel	20,999.13	23,060.00	23,185.00	23,460.00	23,460.00
Expenses	454.11	3,400.00	3,400.00	3,148.00	3,148.00
Total 421	21,453.24	26,460.00	26,585.00	26,608.00	26,608.00
422 Highway Const. & Maint.					
Personnel	92,981.14	92,405.00	95,200.00	99,066.00	99,066.00
Expenses	67,169.47	79,580.00	79,580.00	82,958.00	82,958.00
Total 422	160,150.61	171,985.00	174,780.00	182,024.00	182,024.00
423 Snow and Ice					
Personnel	93,445.82	86,820.00	102,489.00	106,353.00	106,353.00
Expenses	59,057.95	67,790.00	67,790.00	67,790.00	67,790.00
Total 423	152,503.77	154,610.00	170,279.00	174,143.00	174,143.00
424 Street Lighting					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	47,586.02	57,222.00	57,222.00	57,150.00	57,150.00
Total 424	47,586.02	57,222.00	57,222.00	57,150.00	57,150.00
425 Forestry					
Personnel	760.13	1,060.00	1,097.00	1,135.00	1,135.00
Expenses	10,077.99	14,300.00	14,330.00	14,33.00	14,330.00
Total 425	10,838.12	15,360.00	15,427.00	15,465.00	15,465.00
433 Sanitary Landfill					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	8,600.00	8,600.00
Total 425	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	8,600.00	8,600.00
654 Parks & Playgrounds					
Personnel	3,631.05	3,775.00	3,970.00	4,109.00	4,109.00
Expenses	8,802.88	15,450.00	15,450.00	15,358.00	15,358.00
Total 654	12,433.93	19,225.00	19,420.00	19,467.00	19,467.00

Public Works (Continued)

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
<i>192 Public Buildings - Airolti Building</i>					
Personnel	11,962.00	11,550.00	12,243.00	12,672.00	12,672.00
Expenses	16,955.29	18,320.00	18,320.00	20,635.00	20,635.00
<i>Total 192</i>	<i>28,917.29</i>	<i>29,870.00</i>	<i>30,563.00</i>	<i>33,307.00</i>	<i>33,307.00</i>
<i>193 Public Buildings - Memorial Hall</i>					
Personnel	10,126.96	10,850.00	11,501.00	11,904.00	11,904.00
Expenses	24,525.66	24,500.00	24,500.00	27,100.00	27,100.00
<i>Total 192/193</i>	<i>34,652.62</i>	<i>35,350.00</i>	<i>36,001.00</i>	<i>39,004.00</i>	<i>39,004.00</i>
<i>Total Public Works</i>	<i>433,882.98</i>	<i>479,0732.00</i>	<i>499,267.00</i>	<i>516,764.00</i>	<i>516,764.00</i>

HUMAN SERVICES

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
<i>511 Board of Health</i>					
Personnel	2,010.00	2,010.00	2,010.00	510.00	510.00
Expenses	255.00	255.00	255.00	255.00	255.00
<i>Total 511</i>	<i>2,265.00</i>	<i>2,265.00</i>	<i>2,265.00</i>	<i>765.00</i>	<i>765.00</i>
<i>519 Tri-Town Health</i>					
Personnel	49,388.37	45,421.00	46,522.00	48,150.00	48,150.00
Expenses	5,728.46	5,569.00	5,905.00	6,313.00	6,313.00
<i>Total 519</i>	<i>55,116.83</i>	<i>50,990.00</i>	<i>52,427.00</i>	<i>54,463.00</i>	<i>54,463.00</i>
<i>522 Lee Regional VNA</i>					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	19,730.00	20,204.00	20,204.00	20,204.00	20,204.00
<i>Total 522</i>	<i>19,730.00</i>	<i>20,204.00</i>	<i>20,204.00</i>	<i>20,204.00</i>	<i>20,204.00</i>
<i>523 Berkshire Mental Health</i>					
Personnel	0.000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	2,070.00	2,120.00	2,120.00	2,120.00	2,120.00
<i>Total 523</i>	<i>2,070.00</i>	<i>2,120.00</i>	<i>2,120.00</i>	<i>2,120.00</i>	<i>2,120.00</i>
<i>541 Council on Aging</i>					
Personnel	19,305.00	18,744.00	18,854.00	19,514.00	19,514.00
Expenses	11,981.99	12,797.00	12,797.00	12,952.00	12,952.00
<i>Total 541</i>	<i>31,286.58</i>	<i>31,541.00</i>	<i>31,651.00</i>	<i>32,466.00</i>	<i>32,466.00</i>
<i>542 Lee Youth Commission</i>					
Personnel					
Expenses					
<i>Total 542</i>	<i>41,850.00</i>	<i>42,600.00</i>	<i>42,600.00</i>	<i>43,240.00</i>	<i>43,240.00</i>
<i>543 Veterans' Services</i>					
Personnel	3,600.00	3,778.00	3,800.00	3,933.00	3,933.00
Expenses	24,351.37	25,800.00	25,800.00	25,800.00	25,800.00
<i>Total 543</i>	<i>27,951.37</i>	<i>29,578.00</i>	<i>29,600.00</i>	<i>29,753.00</i>	<i>29,753.00</i>
<i>Total Human Services</i>	<i>180,270.19</i>	<i>179,298.00</i>	<i>180,867.00</i>	<i>182,991.00</i>	<i>182,991.00</i>

RECREATION & CULTURE

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
610 Lee Library					
Personnel		109,182.00	109,676.00	113,515.00	113,515.00
Expenses		55,636.00	55,636.00	59,902.00	59,902.00
LIG/MEG GRANT		-5,000.00	-5,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Total 610	157,113.00	159,818.00	160,312.00	167,417.00	167,417.00
620 Sandy Beach					
Personnel	15,186.46	14,879.00	16,095.00	17,731.00	17,731.00
Expenses	6,024.00	6,305.00	6,305.00	6,305.00	6,305.00
Total 620	21,211.00	21,184.00	22,400.00	24,036.00	24,036.00
691 Historical Commission					
Communications	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Expenses	40.78	285.00	285.00	285.00	285.00
Total 691	40.78	485.00	485.00	485.00	485.00
693 War Memorials					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	1,997.82	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total 693	1,997.82	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Rec. & Culture	180,362.60	183,487.00	185,197.00	193,938.00	193,938.00

DEBT SERVICE

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
700 Debt Service					
Retirement of Debt	259,400.00	340,000.00	340,000.00	320,000.00	320,000.00
Long Term Interest	44,230.00	87,113.00	87,113.00	52,003.00	52,003.00
Short Term Interest	82,352.65	500,500.00	500,500.00	1,015,600.00	1,015,600.00
Total 700	385,982.65	927,613.00	927,613.00	1,387,603.00	1,387,603.00

INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
810 Intergovernmental					
Berkshire Regional Planning Commission	2,856.00	3,030.00		3,106.00	3,106.00
Total 810	2,856.00	3,030.00		3,106.00	3,106.00

MISCELLANEOUS - (Fixed Costs)

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
910 Employee Benefits					
911 Medicare (5173)	56,519.83	55,200.00	55,200.00	62,000.00	62,000.00
911 Unemployment (5174)	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	300.00	300.00
911 Berk County Retirement (5177)	353,494.00	408,106.00	408,106.00	421,615.00	421,615.00
912 Health Ins. (5171)	722,274.85	772,915.00	772,915.00	932,491.00	932,491.00
912 Life Ins. (5175)	14,157.64	15,158.00	15,158.00	15,500.00	15,500.00
912 Worker's Comp (5176)	13,735.36	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	0.00
912 Police Medical (5177)	260.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total 910	1,160,441.68	1,294,379.00	1,294,379.00	1,432,906.00	1,432,906.00
945 Liability Insurance					
Gen/Pro/Vehicle Liability (5742)	46,810.00	47,767.00	47,767.00	55,090.00	55,090.00
School Board Liability (5743)	1,650.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,725.00	1,725.00
Total 945	48,460.00	49,467.00	49,467.00	56,815.00	56,815.00
946 Other Insurances					
Police Accident (5745)	10,926.00	12,565.00	12,565.00	14,740.00	14,740.00
Fire/Ambulance (5746)	8,437.00	8,859.00	8,859.00	10,419.00	10,419.00
Total 946	19,363.00	21,424.00	21,424.00	25,159.00	25,159.00
Total Miscellaneous	1,228,264.68	1,365,270.00	1,365,270.00	1,514,880.00	1,514,880.00

ARTICLE 3 - Workers' Compensation Reserve Fund. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds \$40,000, or any other amount, to establish a fund to pay Workers Compensation claims for fiscal year 2002, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 4 - Cemetery Budget. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$64,658, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Cemetery Department (Account 491), and to meet said appropriation raise \$56,658, or any other amount, and to transfer from the Perpetual Care Interest Account \$8,000, or any other amount, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Budget FY 2002
491 Cemeteries				
Salaries	44,400.52	45,739.00	47,138.00	48,788.00
Expenses	11,255.94	15,830.00	15,830.00	15,870.00
Subtotal	55,656.46	61,569.00	62,968.00	64,658.00
Perpetual Care Interest	(7,000.00)	(8,000.00)	(8,000.00)	(8,000.00)
Total	48,656.46	53,569.00	54,968.00	56,658.00

ARTICLE 5 - Water Department Budget. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$871,787, 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 \$321,787, or any other amount, and raise \$550,000, or any other amount, such amount to be offset by the receipts of the Water Department, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Budget FY 2002
452 Water Dist.				
Salaries	145,790.53	196,293.00	212,273.00	226,487.00
Expenses	431,334.18	545,100.00	545,100.00	645,300.00
Total	477,124.71	741,393.00	757,373.00	871,787.00

ARTICLE 6 - Sewer Department Budgets. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$486,000 or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Sewer Department (Accounts 440, 442 & 443), and to meet that appropriation raise \$486,000, or any other amount, such amount to be offset by the receipts of the Sewer Department, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Budget FY 2002
440, 442, 443 Sewer Department				
Salaries	113,215.58	140,680.00	143,550.00	133,327.00
Expenses	233,194.03	340,255.00	340,255.00	352,673.00
Total	346,409.61	480,935.00	483,805.00	486,000.00

ARTICLE 7 - Ambulance Service Budget. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the amount of \$80,310, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Ambulance Department (Account 231), or any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Budget FY 2002
231 Ambulance				
Salaries	38,883.69	34,555.00	35,131.00	49,080.00
Expenses	29,561.41	30,030.00	30,030.00	31,230.00
Total	68,445.10	64,585.00	65,161.00	80,310.00

ARTICLE 8 - 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, 2001, or to take any other action thereto.

ARTICLE 9 - Home Composting Bins Revolving Account. To see if the Town will authorize the Department of Public Works to establish a revolving fund for Home

Composting Bins under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, as amended by Sections 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, in the amount of \$1,712, or any other amount, and that the receipts of said Home Composting Bins be designated to this account, or to pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10 - 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 FY02 operating budget, in the amount of \$17,000, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Trolley be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11 - School Building Commission Budget. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,123, or any other amount, to maintain a \$2,500 balance in the School Building Commission's Account, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 12 - 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 \$522, 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 recommendation pending.**

ARTICLE 13 - 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 14 - Chapter 90 Authorization. To see if the Town will vote to expend the sum of \$150,927.95, or any other amount, from "Chapter 90" funds as provided by the Commonwealth, or to take any other action relative thereto.o.

ARTICLE 15 - Ambulance Building Principal & Interest Payment. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, the sum of \$58,705, or any other amount, for the fifth payment due on the ambulance building, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 16 - Ambulance Installment Payment. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, the sum of \$20,405, or any other amount, for the final payment due on the 1997 ambulance, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 17 - Replacement Ambulance Procurement Authorization. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$ 100,000, or any other amount, to purchase an ambulance to replace the 1993 ambulance and to meet that appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow under Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws, \$100,000, or any

other amount, or to take any other action thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Outlay Committee recommends \$45,000.**

ARTICLE 18 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Available Surplus Account the sum of \$220,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of designing the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 19 - 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 \$25,000, 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. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committee recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 20 - 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. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committee recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 21 - Stabilization Fund. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$300,000, or any other amount, to the Stabilization Fund, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 22 - Chamber of Commerce Advertising and Marketing Campaign. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$18,000, 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 \$10,000.**

ARTICLE 23 - Emergency Services Information Technology. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,000, or any other amount, to purchase information technology for the Police and Emergency Dispatch Departments. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committee recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 24 - Police Vehicle. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$24,400, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 25 - School Department Extraordinary Energy Expense. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$ 104,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of paying the added energy and utility expense of the new elementary school until the School Department turns over the Central School, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 26 - School Department Moving Expenses. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$40,000, or any other amount, to move school equipment and supplies from and to the Central School, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 27 - Library Roof Replacement. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$14,000, or any other amount, to replace a library roof, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 28 - Library Carpet Replacement. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$10,000, or any other amount, to complete the replacement of library carpeting, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 29 - Memorial Hall Dormer Repair. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$65,000, or any other amount, to repair the Town Hall dormers, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend \$30,000.**

ARTICLE 30 - Airoidi Building Furnace Replacement. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$14,000, or any other amount, to replace the furnace at the Airoidi Building, or to take any other action thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 31 - Willow Street Bridge Repair. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000, or any other amount, to repair the Willow Street Bridge, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 32 - Bridge Repair Plan. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,000, or any other amount, to retain a Professional Engineer to estimate the cost of and determine the sequence for repair of the Town's bridges, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 33 - Replacement Department of Public Works Truck. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$75,000, or any other amount, to replace an undersized 1993 dump truck with a larger truck equipped with a wing plow, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 34 - Sidewalk Paving. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$ 10,000, or any other amount, for sidewalk improvement, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.**

ARTICLE 35 - Fire Station Stair Interior Renovations and Improvements. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 19,000, or any other amount, for interior renovations and improvements to the Central and South Lee Fire Stations, including the replacement of the South Lee Fire Station furnace, and to meet that appropriation transfer \$ from funds appropriated for Central Fire Station stair

replacement (Article 33 of the May 2000 Annual Town Meeting) and bell tower repairs (Article 34 of the May 2000 Annual Town Meeting), or take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay did not consider this request. Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 36 - Fire Hose Replacement. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$5,000, or any other amount, to purchase replacement fire hose. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 37 - Zoning By-laws and Zoning Map Update. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,750, or any other amount, to update the Town's Zoning By-laws and Zoning Map, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 38 - Group Purchasing Inter-municipal Agreement. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts Laws, to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with other cities, towns and political subdivisions for the group purchasing of supplies, commodities and services that the town is authorized by law to purchase and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$500, or any other amount, as the town's share of the expenses for the administration of the program for fiscal year 2002, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 39 - Inter-municipal Water Agreement with Lenox. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts Laws, to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the Town of Lenox, whereby the Town of Lenox will supply water to the Town of Lee or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40 - Commercial and Industrial Assessing Data Update. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds \$8,000, or any other amount, for data collection and an update of the Town's commercial and industrial data base (real and personal property), or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 41 - Devices and Modifications to Provide Access for Persons with Disabilities. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$8,000, or any other amount, to overcome identified barriers to programmatic access as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 42 - Sandy Beach Improvements. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$5,200, or any other amount, to improve groundwater drainage at and remove dead trees from Sandy Beach, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 43 - Police Officer Health & Physical Fitness Standards and Wellness Program. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 31, Sections 61 A and 61 B of the Massachusetts General Laws to establish initial health and physical fitness standards and institute a wellness program for police officers, or to take any other action thereto.

ARTICLE 44 - Printing of the Annual Report on a Fiscal Year Basis. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 65 of the Town Bylaws to require annual reports of all Town departments, boards and officials be prepared on a fiscal year basis to correspond with the Town's financial year reports.

ARTICLE 45 - Economic Opportunity Area Designation and Project Certification for Boyd Converting Expansion. To see if the Town will vote to designate Boyd Converting Inc.'s property on Pleasant Street (Route 102) as an Economic Opportunity Area (EOA) and to support Boyd Converting Inc.'s application to the Commonwealth for designation of its expansion as a "certified project" within the newly created EOA, said designation being necessary to qualify for tax incentives offered under the Massachusetts Economic Development Incentive Program; and, to approve a Tax Increment Finance Agreement, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Board of Assessors recommends approval.**

ARTICLE 46 - Economic Opportunity Area Designation and Project Certification for Country Curtains Expansion. To see if the Town will vote to designate Country Curtains' property on Pleasant Street (Route 102) as an Economic Opportunity Area (EOA) and to support Country Curtains' application to the Commonwealth for designation of its expansion as a "certified project" within the newly created EOA, said designation being necessary to qualify for tax incentives offered under the Massachusetts Economic Development Incentive Program; and, to approve a Tax Increment Finance Agreement, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Board of Assessors recommendation pending.**

ARTICLE 47 - Surplus Land Disposition. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to sell to the highest bidder, provided that such bid is \$4,500 or more, a .41 acre parcel of surplus Town owned land, accepted in lieu of taxes and located at 450 Leisure Lee Road parcel, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee Recommendation Pending.**

ARTICLE 48 - Local Adoption of the Scenic Mountain Act. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 31, Page 39A ("The Scenic Mountain Act") and to authorize its Conservation Commission to carry out the provisions of the Act, including the drafting of proposed boundaries for the mountain region and the drafting of proposed rules and regulations for the protection of the watershed resources and the preservation of natural scenic qualities of the mountain regions, said boundaries to be adopted by the Board of Selectmen and said regulations to be adopted by the Conservation Commission, following a public hearing, 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 Airolodi Building on Railroad Street, in Lee, on Monday, May 14, 2001 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

Lee Housing Authority

One for the term of five years
One for the term of one year

To vote for Town Meeting Representatives as follows:

District I

Three for three years
One for one year

District II

Three for three years
Two for two years
One for one year

District III

Three for three years
One for two years

District IV

Three for three years

District V

Three for three years

District VI

Three for three years

And to vote upon the following non-binding referendum:

– Question One –

Do you favor the adoption of legislation that would eliminate the representative form of town meeting and the return to the open town meeting format?

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 Not 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 April, 2001.

Patricia D. Carlino, Chairman

Nelson L. Daley, Sr.

Aldo V. Pascucci

As per instruction in this Warrant, I have posted same,
this _____ day of April, 2001 in three public places.

Constable



NOTES



In Memoriam

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

*Franklyn Sturgis, IV
Lois Brown
Margaret Bossidy
George O'Brien
John Diaquadio
James Bianco, Sr.
John "Jack" Wheeler
Frank Foley, Jr.
William H. O'Brien
C. Mareel Brunell
Robert Lester
Frank Kelly
Henry Salice*

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Lee Central School (circa 1870) will soon give way to a new pre-school through grade 6 facility to be located at the High School property on Greylock Street. A school re-use committee is currently in place to generate ideas as to what to do with this historic building.

