

TOWN OF LEE, MASSACHUSETTS



Fiscal Year 2002 ANNUAL REPORT of the Town Officers



In Memoriam

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

Bertha Wilcox

Ray Cuevas, Sr.

Robert Broderick

Charlotte Lester

Merrick Bradbury

Alma Coty

Jennie Hogencamp

Joseph Valenti



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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	As needed
Board of Health	2nd Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Airol di Building
Board of Public Works	Tuesday 3:30 p.m.
Board of Selectmen	2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, 7:00 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. Airol di Building
Historical Commission	2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. Airol di 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 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or by appointment Airol di Building
Youth Commission	2nd Monday of the month, 8:00 p.m.

Business Hours of Town Offices

Hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 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
Conservation Commission	243-5511
Council on Aging	243-5545
Department of Public Works	243-5520
Health Department (Tri-town)	243-5540
Library	243-0385
Planning Board	243-5517
Police Department	243-5530
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 Oliver	
	Fourth Berkshire District State Senator, Andrea Nuciforo, Jr. State Representative, Christopher J. Hodgkins	
	Representative Town Meeting Six districts, 54 members	
Town Meeting:	Second Thursday in May	
Population:	6,002	
Registered Voters:	3,892	
1999 FISCAL TAX:	\$15.50 per thousand	
Area:	Square Miles	27
	Land	.55% (98.8%)
	Water	0.60% (2.2%)
	State Highways	11.39 miles
	Town Highways	60.1 miles
	Sidewalks	14.7 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 10, 2001

District I

Alexandra Lloyd	2004
26 East Center St. (243-0371)	
Vacancy	2004
Vacancy	2004
David Brown	2003
225 Washington Mt. Rd. (243-2986)	
Edward Forfa	2003
86 Mill St. (243-2572)	
Elizabeth Leahey, Chair.	2003
172 Reservoir Rd. (243-2893)	
James Castengnara	2002
111 Woodland Ave. (243-9938)	
Marilyn Hansen	2002
86 Mill St. (243-2572)	
Vacancy	2002

District II

Margaret Biron	2004
25 Housatonic St. (243-0489)	
David S. Bravo, Jr.	2004
P.O. Box 321 (243-0533)	
Thomas Kennedy	2004
30 Hartwood Rd. (243-1698)	
Gerald LePrevost	2003
94 E. Center Rd. (243-2490)	
William Noonan, Chair.	2003
P.O. Box 403 (243-0263)	
Mary Philpott	2003
115 Franklin St. (243-2733)	
Neil Clarke	2002
85 Orchard St. (243-3649)	
Theresa Swegel	2002
130 Orchard St. (243-1834)	
William Winn	2002
85 Greylock St. (243-0969)	

District III

Robert Giarolo	2004
36 Marjerie St. (243-1556)	
Mary McDarby	2004
425 Marble St. (243-2967)	
Mildred Eckert	2004
585 Marble St. (243-1179)	
Ottavio Biasin	2003
515 Marble St. (243-3328)	
John B. Giarolo	2003
500 Marble St. (243-3465)	
Vacancy	2003
John Coty, Jr.	2002
P.O. Box 74 (243-2813)	
Helen Linton, Chair.	2002
75 Birch St. (243-2090)	
Mayme Peltier	2002
140 Old Pleasant St. (243-0603)	

District IV

William Brunell	2004
605 Fairview St. (243-1415)	
Joseph F. Dupont	2004
395 Fairview St. (243-9834)	
Cornelia Kalisher	2004
P.O. Box 383 S. Lee (298-5518 x302)	
Gordon Bailey	2003
734 Pleasant St. (243-3110)	
Edward M. Briggs	2003
715 Fairview St. (243-3244)	
Alice Collins	2003
100 Meadow St. S. Lee (243-4206)	
Steven Cozzaglio	2002
60 Davis St. (243-3204)	
Arthur Mack, Chair.	2002
130 Highfield Dr. (243-2156)	
Joan Piacquadio	2002
170 Fairview St. (243-0663)	

District V

<i>Vacancy</i>	2004
Denise Pascucci	2004
25 Canal St. (243-9887)	
Richard Shields	2004
27 Academy St. (243-1773)	
Richard Burns	2003
190 W. Park St. (243-3548)	
Diedre Consolati	2003
57 Main St. Apt. 8 (243-2318)	
Pauline Pollard, Chair.	2003
121 High St. (243-0252)	
Mark Faber	2002
23 Ferncliff Ave. (243-1699)	
Edward Handberg	2002
57 Main St. Apt. 13 (243-2186)	
Thomas Unsworth	2002
15 Academy St. (243-2988)	

Members at Large

Selectmen:

*Nelson Daley, Chair.	2002
135 Maple St. (243-1065)	
Patricia D. Carlino	2004
80 E. Center St. (243-2825)	
Aldo Pascucci	2003
450 Devon Rd. (243-1113)	

Moderator:

Christopher J. Hodgkins	2002
100 Franklin St. (243-2022)	

Town Clerk:

Suzanne Scarpa	
165 Old Pleasant St. (243-1664)	

Finance Committee:

David Parker, Chair	
55 West Rd. (243-2344)	

District VI

William Derrick	2004
205 Summer St. (243-1489)	
James Nolan	2004
P.O. Box 273 (243-3372)	
Jerome Scully	2004
P.O. Box 247 (243-2660)	
Robert Boynton	2003
225 Prospect St. (243-1131)	
Charlotte Davis	2003
35 Navin Ave. (243-1092)	
Martin Deely	2003
P.O. Box 700 (243-2824)	
Frank Consolati	2002
P.O. Box 286 (243-2364)	
W. Raymond Grogan	2002
495 Laurel St. (243-1851)	
<i>Vacancy</i>	2002

***MODERATOR
APPOINTMENT***

***FINANCE COMMITTEE
9 Members, 3 Year Term***

2004	David Parker, Chair.
2004	Marylou Antoniazzi
2003	Joseph Furgal, Jr.
2003	Mary Lou Dadak
2002	John W. Graziano
2002	John W. Philpott
2002	Joann M. Sullivan

*Replaced by Gordon D. Bailey
at 5/13/2002 Annual Town Election

ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

One Year Term

Christopher J. Hodgkins	2002
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SELECTMEN

Three Year Term

Patricia D. Carlino	2003
Aldo V. Pascucci	2002
Gordon D. bailey	2004

CONSTABLES

Three Year Term

Stephen Cozzaglio	2002
Pauline Pollard	2002
Dennis B. Forshee	2002
Shaun Sullivan	2002

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Five Year Term

William O'Brien	2002
Rosemary Hughes (State Appointee)	2002
Frank McCarthy	2005
Diane Shepardson	2002

PLANNING BOARD

Five Year Term

Anthony Caropreso	2002
Andrew Cort	2005
William Roche	2004
Robert W. Birch, <i>Chairman</i>	2003
Martin Deely	2005

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Three Year Term

Carol LePrevost	2003
Jeanne Davidson	2002
Margaret Biron, <i>Chairman</i>	2002
Diane Wespiser	2004
Stephen Cozzaglio	2003
Michael Bullock	2004

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENTS
(Department Heads and Town Officials)

Fiscal Year July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

Ambulance Director	Ken LaBier
Animal Control Officer	Cindy Belair
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	Ned Baldwin
Inspector, Gas	Paul Jakacky
Inspector, Plumbing	Paul Jakacky
Inspector, Wiring	Charles Grady
Asst. Inspector, Wiring	Richard Driscoll
Library Director	Georgia Massucco
Lee Youth Director	David Canterbury
Police Chief	Ronald Glidden
Principal Assessor	Jacki Bitso
Sealer/Weights & Measures	Gerald Cahalan
Town Accountant	Kathleen Borden
Town Clerk	Suzanne Scarpa
Town Collector	Janice Smith
Town Treasurer	Susan E. Kelly
Veterans Agent	Lloyd "Doug" Mann

** Replaced by Donald Torrico*

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

Town Administrator
Robert L. Nason

(Special Legislation)
(Chief Financial Officer)

ONE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

Town Counsel

MGL Ch. 40 Sec. 5-15
Attorney Jerome Scully

Cable Television Commission

3 Members
Malcom Chisholm, Jr., Esq., *Chair*.
Ann Condon, *V. Chair*.

Capital Outlay Committee

(Capital Outlay Committee)
Town By-law 2.3
John Philpott, *Chair*.
Elizabeth Leahey
William Noonan
Helen Linton
Arthur Mack
Thomas Unsworth
Dayton DeLorme
William Derrick

Cemetery Committee

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

Traffic Commission

Ronald Glidden, *Police Chief*
Gerald LeProvost, *Chair*
Edward Forfa
Robert Giaroli
Dennis Kelly

Jacob's Ladder Trail

Scenic By-Way Commission

Dee Dee Fraser
Naomi Gordon

Personnel Board

Town By-law, MGL Ch. 40, 41
Thomas Unsworth, *Chair*
Lisa Ruden
Martin Deeley

Sandy Beach Committee

Deidre Consolati, *Chair*
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, *Chair*
Gordon Bailey
Richard Burns
Margaret Biron
Dr. Robert Siminski*
James Gralla
Donna Toomey
Neil Merwin

**Replaced by Alton Sprague*

Recycling Committee

Robert Biggs
Ruth Dinerman
Kimberly Jensen
Karen LaRocque, *Chair*.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TWO YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

Board of Public Works

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

Robert Bartini, *Chair*.
Maurice Leahey
David Forrest
Martin Barenski
William Enser

THREE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

Board of Assessors

MGL 41-24 - Three Members
2002 - William Derrick, *Chair*.
2004 - Edward Briggs
2003 - Dayton DeLorme

Board of Health

MGL 41-1, 21 - Three Members
2003 - Dr. Robert Wespiser
2002 - Karen Norton
2004 - Dr. James Leahey

Board of Registrars

2003 - Donald Fillio
2002 - Sandra Cozzaglio
2004 - Frank McCarthy
Suzanne Scarpa, *Town Clerk*

Conservation Commission

MGL 40-8C - Minimum 5, Maximum 7
2003 - Stuart Dalheim, *Chair*.
2003 - Jan Kegler
2002 - Noel Bailey
2002 - John Rohane
2004 - Marilyn Hansen
2004 - Deborah Garry

Historical Commission

MGL 40-8D, Minimum 3, Maximum 7
2003 - Mary Morrissey*
2003 - Caroline Young, *Secretary*
2003 - William Clark
2002 - Barbara Allen*
2002 - Joseph DuPont
2004 - Patricia LaChapelle*
Advisors:

Dee Dee Fraser
Betty Dennis
Florence Consolati

**Rotating Chairs*

Lee Cultural Council

2003 - Sharon E. MacDonald
2003 - Barbara Mahoney
2002 - Freda Grim, *Chair*.
2002 - Frederic M. Cohen
2002 - Sande Kilmer
2002 - Gloria Arnold
2004 - Alexandra Hedding
2004 - Mary Theresa Valleri
2004 - Mario Calouri

Council on Aging

2003 - Alma Allen, *Chair.*
2002 - Helen Botto
2002 - Val Baldisserotto
2002 - Maurice Larrivee
2004 - Stephen Cozzaglio
2004 - Val Masiero
2004 - Ameila Zatorski

Zoning Board of Appeals

2003 - George Finn
2003 - Matthew Carty
2002 - George Inman, Jr.
2004 - William Bean, *Chair.*
2004 - Edward Handberg
Associate: Becky Brunnel

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, *Chair.*
Carol LePrevost
Edward Briggs
Robert Birch
Bart Miller
Joseph Toole
Charlotte Davis
Sharon MacDonald
Pauline Pollard

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



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

This being the first full year for the annual report being done on a "fiscal" basis, please forgive any repeats from last year's report.

Fiscal 2002 was an eventful year for the Board of Selectmen. Along with the multitude of paperwork received regularly, the Board dealt with a few "specialty" items such as Silverleaf Resorts, and the continuing pursuit of more land for the possible creation of a municipal golf course.

As of this writing, the Kiwanis and Mead Corporation have come to an agreement that before long will result in a satisfactory outcome for the Town of Lee, as well as the Lee High School Housebuilding program. Many thanks are due to both Mead Corp. and the Kiwanis Club.

At the same time, Silverleaf continues its pursuit of a special permit to create more time share units. The Board continues to plow through the mounds of reports, studies, and letters from the proponents, the opponents and the various town boards. It is certainly an awesome responsibility in deciding the final outcome, one that will affect the whole town. We anticipate many more public meetings in regards to this project before a decision is made.

Lee continues to thrive as a "New England Town". Tourism is becoming our way of life and Lee seems to be meeting the challenges that it brings. At the same time, we seem to have blended our residential/business tax base very nicely, as reported by the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission. At the same time, Lee is such a desirable place to live and raise a family that real estate prices are inching up at an alarming rate, and land becomes harder to find.

The elementary school children moved into their new school during the Christmas vacation, and if all goes well, the high school is expected to move back during the next Christmas vacation. At a cost of close to \$30 million dollars, it is by far the largest project the town has ever undertaken. Worries about the tax burden on our elderly taxpayers prompted two programs to be accepted by the town. One provides some tax relief to qualified seniors through the "elderly work program", and the other is a straight "needs" credit. Information about both of these programs can be obtained through our office, or the Assessors.

A grant has been written in cooperation with Elder Services of the Berkshires to obtain Federal funds to renovate the former Central School for senior housing. The results of those efforts should be known towards the end of the year.

Finances, as always, continue to be a challenge. With the State revenues being in such disarray, it remains to be seen the effect it will have on our town budget. Lee's Finance and Capital Outlay Committees have their work cut out for them.

In May we welcomed Gordon Bailey to the Board. Gordon's knowledge of the building trade, as well as his expertise at the State level, will be a welcome addition. At the same time we acknowledge the time and effort expended by former board member Nelson Daley, and wish him much luck in the future.

As always, we would like to acknowledge the tremendous effort expended by our various boards and committees. We thank Bob Nason, our Administrator, and Suzanne Alderman, our Secretary, as well as all the employees of the Town of Lee, for the jobs they do. Lastly, our heartfelt thanks to the wonderful emergency volunteers of the Fire and Ambulance departments, whose participation and dedication to the Town of Lee, most especially after the events of September 11th, has never been more recognized nor more appreciated.

Respectfully,

Aldo Pascucci, ***Chairman,***
Patricia Carlino,
Gordon Bailey



TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Under your leadership and through the efforts of employees and members of Boards, Commissions and Committees, in fiscal year (FY) 2002 (June 1, 2001 to July 30 2002) the Town of Lee maintained a strong financial position and a safe and secure quality of life, notwithstanding belated state aid reductions and the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington D.C. During the fiscal year there were a number of significant personnel changes, three new grants and significant progress on two large special projects.

In the fall of 2001, the Town received a mix of good and bad financial news. On November 30, 2001 Standard and Poor raised the Town's bond rating *two* levels, from a Moody's equivalent rating of A3 (A-) to a rating of A+. It is estimated that this double upgrade will save about \$300,000 on the cost of borrowing for new schools, the first of which, the new elementary school, was scheduled for bonding in the spring of 2002. Unfortunately, that long-term borrowing was postponed, because the state budget that was belatedly passed in early December 2001 drastically reduced School Building Assistance funding.

In addition to the delay in funding for school construction borrowing, the state reduced its March 2001 estimate of unrestricted state aid by \$90,000. That reduction occurred after the FY02 tax rate was set and local receipts in excess of the amount that had been estimated offset it. Nevertheless, driven by a \$720,000 (144%) increase in school construction borrowing expense and a \$160,00 (20%) increase in employee health insurance expense, local property taxes rose dramatically. While the FY02 tax rate actually declined from \$16.64 to \$15.50, the average single family tax burden increased by \$313 (16%) due to triennial revaluation that raised the average single family home assessed value from \$114,667 to \$143,383.

At the May 2002 Annual Town Meeting the Representatives and ex officio Members adopted, at the recommendation of the Finance Committee, a FY03 (July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003) budget that was developed by the staff under your guidelines. That spending and revenue plan anticipated a five percent (5%) decrease in state aid, and it increased the stabilization fund by \$270,000 to \$1,385,000 to provide funding for two contingencies: \$135,000 to offset additional reductions in state aid and \$135,000 for the purchase of a fire truck if a grant was not received. In further recognition of uncertain revenues and lean budgets, the Finance Committee Reserve Fund was increased from \$20,000 to \$40,000, and funding for various one time expenditures was decreased from about \$450,000 in FY02 to \$315,000 in FY03. The FY03 operating budget increased FY02 appropriations by about \$350,000 or 3% and a property tax rate increase of \$0.34 (2.2%) was forecast for FY03.

In FY02 there were a number of significant personnel changes among Public Safety and Public Works employees. Longtime Police Officers John Farina (30 years) and Jack Winters (26 years) retired and Jeffrey Roosa and Stephanie Burdick replaced them. Don Torrico was appointed Inspector of Buildings/Code

Enforcement Officer to replace Dan Keenan who resigned to pursue other opportunities. Emergency Dispatchers Luann Auger and Edward Merriman were promoted to full-time to replace Tara Ferrin, who assumed the newly created position of EMT/Janitor, and Joanne Lunt, who resigned. Shannon Earle was appointed part-time Dispatcher when Debra Garrity resigned. Cindy Blair was appointed part-time Animal Control Officer to replace Lori Robertson who left because her full-time employment was reduced when Stockbridge withdrew from the Tri-town (with Lenox) Animal Control collaboration.

In the Department of Public Works there were a number of changes in the Water Division and turnover in the Highway/Cemetery Division. Unable to attract qualified water treatment plant operators, in September 2001 KWI was contracted to maintain and operate the plant. At that time Alan Starzyk was transferred from Chief Plant Operator to Water Distribution System Chief Operator. Thereafter, when KWI declared bankruptcy, its employee's at the plant, Michael Towler and Matthew Inhelder, were appointed Water Division Supervisor/Chief Plant Operator and Assistant Plant Operator respectively. When Truck Driver/Laborer David Hitchcock resigned to change occupations, James Morawiec, who had worked briefly as a seasonal employee, was appointed to replace him. In the winter of 2001-2002, Jeff Ferrin and Peter Gancarz served as seasonal Truck Driver/Laborers. Jeff returned for a second season and Pete filled in for an employee who was on an extended medical leave.

In the summer of 2002 Nicole Webster served as the Public Works Department Intern. Adam Buratto joined Mark Broderick as a seasonal laborer in the Highway/Cemetery Division. William DeSantis joined Brian Contenta as a seasonal Police Officer. Meghan Brown, Michael Tullock, Megan Streeter and Jessica Savage joined the Sandy Beach lifeguard corps.

Other personnel developments in FY02 included settlement of two labor agreements with the Teamster Union Local 404: a new three-year (June 1, 2000 to June 30, 2003) agreement for Highway/Cemetery and Water Distribution workers and a one year (FY03) extension of the agreement for Dispatchers. The school and municipal divisions began sharing the services of an Information Technology Coordinator, Charles Flynn, and the Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association certified Treasurer Susan Kelley. That association previously certified Collector Janice Smith and Principal Assessor Jacqueline Bitso is certified by the Massachusetts Association of Assessing Officers.

Through the efforts of many and with your support the Town received a number of grants in FY02. The Massachusetts Historical Society awarded a matching construction grant of \$30,000 to restore Memorial (Town) Hall dormers. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection awarded a \$12,500 matching grant for a diagnostic/feasibility study of Laurel Lake. Local businesses (\$4,550), the Town of Lenox (\$3,750) and the Laurel Lake Association (\$500) also contributed to this \$25,050 effort. The Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, Department of Housing and Community Development, Executive Office of

Transportation and Construction and Department of Economic Development provided \$30,000 to assist the Town to develop a Community Development Plan.

In FY02 a major advance in the Town's development of a municipal golf course occurred when the Town entered into an agreement to obtain 47.25 acres to add to its abutting 127.5 acre Stockbridge Road property that it purchased in 1994. Consequently, there will be sufficient land, approximately 175 acres, to construct a recreational and educational facility focused on the environment and featuring an eighteen-hole golf course

The acquisition will be a gift from the MeadWestvaco Corporation and the Kiwanis Club of Lee. The Mead Corporation will sell the Kiwanis Club a 49.5-acre parcel located at 470 Fairview Street for \$68,000, \$2,000 less than its 1982 purchase price. That generous discount will enable the Kiwanis Club to retain a two-acre lot that the Planning Board has approved for the construction of a house by the Lee High School Vocational House Carpentry Program, and to gift the remaining acreage to the Town. Once the requisite land is assembled, the Town will retain a consultant to estimate and evaluate the costs and benefits of private versus public financing, development and operation of the golf course. The Town applied for a \$30,000 Massachusetts Turnpike Authority Tourism Grant for this Gateway Recreation and Open Space Preservation Project that abuts the turnpike. \$30,000 was appropriated at the May 9, 2002 Annual Town Meeting in the event that the grant is not funded or inadequate.

In FY02 there was also significant progress toward the reuse of the Central School that will become surplus at the beginning of 2003. The October 2001 Special Town Meeting authorized the members of the Select Board to lease a portion of the school for the purpose of providing service enriched housing for seniors, and the May 2002 Annual Town Meeting amended the Zoning By-laws to create an Adaptive Reuse Overlay District for the purpose of permitting broader reuse of the school. With a long-term lease commitment from the Town, Elder Services of Berkshire County applied for federal funds to create thirty-eight units of housing at the school.

It will be an even greater challenge to maintain our strong financial position in the coming years. In all likelihood there will be even greater reductions in state aid at a time when our need for assistance with major capital projects is growing. Specifically, if state assistance for school construction borrowing, the upgrade of the wastewater treatment plant and the improvements to roads and bridges is significantly reduced, more of those costs will be born locally. The resources that we have marshaled for a rainy day may not withstand a deluge. We must work together to meet the challenge.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Nason,
Town Administrator



TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Combined Balance Sheet
20 June 2002

Schedule 1

	<i>Governmental Fund Types</i>				<i>Fiduciary Fund Types</i>		<i>Totals</i>
	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Special Revenue</i>	<i>Water Sewer</i>	<i>Capital Projects</i>	<i>Trust Funds</i>	<i>Agency Funds</i>	
ASSETS:							
Cash	\$2,300,216	\$1,286,628	\$2,322,601	\$3,629,205	\$1,476,235	\$ 486,146	\$11,501,031
Receivables:							
Personal Prop. Receivable '02	4,041						4,041
Personal Prop. Receivable Prior	995						995
Real Estate Receivable '01	8,639						8,639
Real Estate Receivable '02	328,408						328,408
Overlay	(184,015)						(184,015)
Tax Liens Receivable	110,968						110,968
Motor Vehicle Ex. Receivable	54,484						54,484
Other Excise Receivable	7,714						7,714
Sewer User Fees Receivable			78,954				78,954
Water User Fees Receivable			128,806				128,806
Sewer Liens Receivable			3,625				3,625
Water Liens Receivable			1,391				1,391
Departmental Receivable	148,954	17,491					166,445
Amt. to be Provided for Debt						6,883,460	6,883,460
Due From Commonwealth	70,610	276,389					346,999
Due From Tel. Vendors	1,616						1,616
Loans Authorized							-
Tax Foreclosures Receivable	17,747						17,747
Taxes in Litigation Receivable	1,531						1,531
Deferred Taxes R.E. Receivable	13,368						13,368
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$2,882,277	\$1,580,508	\$2,535,377	\$3,629,205	\$1,476,235	\$ 486,146	\$19,473,208

	Governmental Fund Types				Fiduciary Fund Types		Totals
	General Fund	Special Revenue	Water Sewer	Capital Projects	Trust Funds	Agency Funds	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:							
Payroll Withholding Payable	66,597						66,597
Vendors Payable	136,732	59,581	62,907		280	3,680	263,180
Notes Payable				24,000,000			30,883,460
Deferred Revenues	361,114	267,056	212,776			6,883,460	840,946
F/B Reserved for Approp. Deficit	(13,913)						(13,913)
Loans Authorized & Unissued							-
F/B Reserved for Encumbrances	266,016		712,739				978,755
F/B Reserved for Overlay Deficits							-
F/B Reserved for Expenditures	568,708	416,090	393,858				1,378,656
F/B Reserved for Over/Under	(947)						(947)
Undesignated Fund Balance	1,497,970	837,779	1,153,097	(20,370,795)	1,475,955	482,466	(14,923,528)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$2,882,277	\$1,580,508	\$2,535,377	\$3,629,205	\$1,476,235	\$ 486,146	\$19,473,208

Schedule 1-A

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Special Revenue Fund**

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Ambulance	0		80,310	(81,974)		(1,664)
Elections & Registration	21		0	(21)		-
Tri Town Health	(673)	120,468	54,367	(154,428)		19,734
Health Cancer Grant		1,750				1,750
Highway: Chapter 11	(9,836)	9,836		(17,096)		(17,096)
Highway: Chapter 127	(104,913)	105,446		(7,463)		(6,930)
Highway: Chapter 150				(9,474)		(9,474)
Highway: Chapter 53A				(210,727)		(210,727)
Conservation Commission	10,055	2,551		(13,350)		(744)
Mass. Recycling	5,793	2,486		(4,034)		4,191
Workmen's Comp. Reserved	28,460		40,000	(10,113)		58,347
Springfield MA Rec Facility		750		(363)		387
MSCP Community Dev.	62			0		62
CDAG Lee Business Park	(547)	0	0	0		(547)
PWED 95	1,452	0	0	0		1,452
MA Hist Comm Park	427					427
Youth and Parks	50					50
HUD 107	500	0		0		500
Rural Business Devel.	(3,406)					(3,406)
FY98 Mass. Pike Grant	(32)					(32)
CDAG Admin Funds	1,111			0		100
MTA 2000 Grant		34,394		(34,294)		100
Laurel Lake Assoc.		13,550		0		13,550
Berkshire Housing Grant		12,449				12,449
CDBG FY01 CDF 1		60,600		(60,600)		-
Compost Bins	80	60		(180)		(40)

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FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Trolley	17,082	5,827		(5,126)		17,783
L.E. Block Grant	3	0				3
Drug Task Force	8	0				8
Sale of Real Estate	1,336	0				1,336
Sale of Cemetery Lots	35,328	3,761			(3,400)	35,689
Conservation Commission	3,303					3,303
Ambulance	14,202	172,818			(169,153)	17,867
Sewer Easement	1,610					1,610
Land Easement	1					1
Sch Dept. Serv. Reserve	446,300		173,473		(246,937)	372,836
MA Clean Up Grant	22,522					22,522
State Aid to Libraries	756	6,802		(6,800)	0	759
Arts Lottery Council	8,600	3,531		(3,027)	0	9,059
Council On Aging	(50)	6,075	0		0	6,075
Arts Council Donations	0	1,645				1,645
COA Service Incentive	0				0	-
Historical Dormers Restore		14,632		(27,388)		(12,756)
Community Policing '01	4,300					4,300
Community Policing '02		10,000		(8,681)		1,319
Police D.A.R.E. '02		10,000		(7,765)		2,235
Police Car Watch	385					385
Police Vests '02		9,144		(9,144)		-
Gov. Highway Safety Grant				(526)		(526)
Title V Septic Grant	962			(1,057)	95	(0)
School Lunch Program	940	249,310		(270,463)		(20,213)
Total Revolving School Fund	533,596	666,721		(693,853)	(27,454)	479,009
Total School Grants	(8,341)	662,148	27,454	(652,919)		28,342
Skateboard	110					110
Police D.A.R.E. Donation	5,435	247		(4,983)		699

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Explorers Donation	344					344
Flag Donations	200					200
Sandy Beach Donation	1,964	10		(277)		1,679
Hazardous Waste	14					14
E.M.T. Donation	1					1
Elderly Tax Abate Program	2,566	2,390		(240)		4,716
Animal Control Donations		50				50
TOTALS:	\$1,022,010	\$2,189,451	\$375,604	(\$2,302,437)	(\$446,849)	\$837,779

Schedule 1-B

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Capital Projects Fund**

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Perm Bond	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Landfill Well Testing	\$ 3,181			(\$ 3,181)		-
Fire Truck	1,014					1,014
Water Filtration PH#1	91,873	75,700		(75,700)		91,873
New Ambulance		77,720		(77,718)		2
Lee Business Park Wetland	15,000					15,000
Union St./Sewer Line	17,512				(7,512)	10,000
208K Watershed	15,000				(15,000)	-
Woodland bridge	17,810				(17,810)	-
Wastewater Collect/Treat	5,214	62,465		(67,679)		-
New School Design	(7,970,046)			(12,692,811)		(20,662,857)
School Underground Tank	27,685					27,685
Stockbridge Road	1,038					1,038

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Perm Bond	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Washington Mountain	22,101				(22,101)	—
S.H.L.D.	25,044				(25,044)	—
Sewer #7	2,251					2,251
Highway Gar. Ceiling 22/97	24,925			(19,906)		5,019
Highway Gar. Ceiling 31/98	4,638			(4,638)		0
Fire Station Windows 26/99	1,800					1,800
Fire Station/Window/Heat 25/97	401					401
40K Watershed	722				(722)	—
Water Meters	26,684					26,684
Water Meter Install Project			104,811			104,811
Water Testing	16,623					—
Landfill Closure	4,484				(16,623)	4,484
TOTAL:	(\$7,645,046)	\$ 215,885	\$ 104,811	(\$12,941,633)	(\$104,812)	(\$20,370,795)

Schedule 1-C

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Trust Funds**

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Receipts	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Cemetery	150,100		3,400			153,500
Morgan Jones	4,700					4,700
St. Mary's	5,870					5,870
A.A. Jones	1,000					1,000
TOTAL RESTRICTED:	\$ 161,670		\$ 3,400			\$ 165,070

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Receipts	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Cemetery	\$ 19,302	\$ 7,797			(8,000)	\$ 19,099
Gravestone Repair	391	9				400
A.A. Jones	303	62				365
Morgan Jones	2,377	336				2,713
Conservation Fund	3,818	89				3,907
Stabilization	783,178	32,916	300,000			1,116,094
Law Enforcement	903	4,590		(3,590)		1,903
Lee Historical	1,700	154		(280)		1,854
St. Mary's	—	280		(9,435)		0
Scholarship Funds	157,388	16,595				164,548
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED:	\$ 969,360	\$ 62,830	\$ 300,000	(13,305)	(8,000)	\$1,310,885
TOTALS:	\$ 1,131,030	\$ 62,830	\$ 303,400	(13,305)	(8,000)	\$1,475,955

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Agency Funds
Schedule 1-D

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Receipts	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Police Outside Detail	(3,766)	\$ 147,154		(145,811)		(2,424)
Firearms Licensing Fees	850	550		(288)		1,113
Insurance Claims		6,850				6,850
Outside Consultant	1,441	11,547		(11,133)		1,855
Warner/Conservation	3,147	73		(3,220)		0
Tri Town Health	(360)	9,746		(9,746)		(360)

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2001	Receipts	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2002
Ambulance Clearing Account						
Deputy Fees	1,660	28,890		(29,350)		(460)
Conservation/Oak 'N Spruce	23,365	14,632		(12,405)		3,887
Silverleaf Landscaping Ph II	31,948	456				23,821
Horizon Traffic	200,439	749				32,697
Berkshire Village	13,278	8,529				208,968
Attorney Scully/Sewer Mitigation	187,526	375				13,654
Curb Cuts Deposits	1,853	3,592		(7,900)		183,218
Fox Definitive		3,372		(301)		4,924
		4,725				4,725
TOTALS:	\$ 461,381	\$ 241,240		(220,153)		\$ 482,467

Schedule 5

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Debt Schedule

PURPOSE:	Outstanding 6/30/2001	Issued This Year	Retired This Year	Outstanding 6/30/2002	Interest Paid
<i>Inside Debt Limit</i>					
Fire Truck	\$ 131,000		\$ 16,000	\$ 115,000	\$ 6,153
Computer Lab	10,000		10,000	-	460
School energy	4,000		4,000	-	92
Bossidy Block	40,000		10,000	30,000	1,670
Stockbridge Road	82,980		27,660	55,320	3,181
Ambulance garage	390,000		40,000	350,000	18,705
Hyde Wing Roof	5,000		5,000	-	984
High School Parking Lot	5,000		5,000	-	343
High School Roof	337,020		112,340	224,680	12,919
Fire Station	10,000		5,000	5,000	314

PURPOSE:

Inside Debt Limit (Continued)

	Outstanding 6/30/2001	Issued This Year	Retired This Year	Outstanding 6/30/2002	Interest Paid
School Remodeling	25,000		5,000	20,000	984
High School Roof	25,000		5,000	20,000	2,038
School Oil Tank Remv	30,000		10,000	20,000	1,063
Highway Garage	20,000		5,000	15,000	754
Road	50,000		10,000	40,000	1,990
Ambulance	20,000		20,000	—	405
Fire Truck	210,000		30,000	180,000	8,753
Public Works Equipment	40,000		20,000	20,000	1,255
Ambulance FY '02		77,720		77,720	
TOTALS:	\$ 1,435,000	\$ 77,720	\$ 340,000	\$ 1,172,720	\$ 62,061

Outside Debt Limit

Water Filtration #1	1,556,911		(20,484)	1,536,427	70,943
Water Filtration #3	287,647		(3,574)	284,073	13,098
Water Filtration #4	3,549,236		(41,689)	3,507,547	161,511
Landfill	235,000		(40,000)	195,000	11,430
WWTP	196,459		(8,766)	187,693	2,057

TOTALS:

	\$ 5,825,253	—	(114,513)	\$ 5,710,740	\$ 259,039
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GRAND TOTAL

	\$ 7,260,253	\$ 77,720	(454,513)	\$ 6,883,460	\$ 321,100
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TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk's office was increasingly busy with requests for birth, marriage and death certificates, dog licenses, fishing and hunting licenses, underground storage permits, business certificates, voter registrations and genealogy researches.

After the federal census was taken in January 2001, there were uneven districts which had to be addressed. Our Town had to redistrict in order to balance each district. The numbers in each district are now more uniform and balanced.

The Census in January went very well. I had returns from residents that had not responded since 1998. Our population is now over 6000.

My office is updated monthly on new rules and regulations pertaining to voting; census laws; birth, marriage and death records; record retentions; the status of bills in the Senate that pertain to Town Clerks, and laws that regulate my office. I continue to work on making sure all laws are met in running the clerk's office, especially for elections.

The following is my annual report:

VITAL STATISTICS

Births	62
Marriages	44
Deaths	64
Dog Licenses	376
Business Certificates	35
Inflamable Licenses	12
Raffle Permits	3
Registered Voters	3,892
Population	6,002

DOG LICENSE REPORT

Males	27	\$270.00
Females	18	180.00
Neutered	140	560.00
Spayed	191	764.00
Kennels	0	

Total Fees: \$1,774.00

FISH AND HUNTING REPORT

Fishing Licenses	270
Hunting Licenses	60
Sporting Licenses	244

Total Fees: \$17,566.25

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne M. Scarpa
Town Clerk



VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

The Veterans' Office continues to serve the veterans' of Lee in various capacities. This past year we spent the following amount in aid to veterans' and their dependents. This amount was greater than last year, and over budget, due to having to pay a client one year's benefits at once at the request and insistence of the Boston office of veterans' services.

Veterans' Benefits Paid	\$30,521.10
Returned by the Commonwealth (75%)	\$22,890.83
Cost to the Town of Lee	\$7630.27

Other ways this office helped veterans was to supply them and their dependents with useful information about obtaining the many benefits offered by both the Veterans Administration and the Commonwealth. Numerous Vets were assisted with obtaining discharge certificates and copies of disability claims to help them file for property tax abatements. Others were shown different avenues to obtain less expensive prescription services. Some were also shown how to obtain a less expensive funeral by applying early for burial at the new Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Agawam. This cemetery is new for Massachusetts and is available to all veterans and their dependents free of charge.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Mann, *Veterans' Agent*



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

During the year June 30, 2001, to July 1, 2002, the Lee Zoning Board of Appeals met as needed throughout the year. The Board received six (6) Special Permit Applications, all petitions in (Flood Plain District), three (3) petitions for Variance, and one (1) Appeal. Five Special Permits were granted and one special permit was withdrawn without prejudice. One Variance was denied and two variances were granted. The one Appeal was filed and was withdrawn without prejudice.

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

The Board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Timothy Taylor, effective July 1, 2002. The Board unanimously voted William Bean to serve as the new Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

William Bean, *Chairman*, George Finn, George Inman, Jr., Edward Hanberg, Becky Brunell, Matthew Carty, *Associate Member*



TOWN COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my annual report covering July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

	Collected	Balance as of June 30, 2002
Real Estate Tax		
2000	\$ 8,676.36	0
2001	306,291.20	8,639.24
2002	7,558,805.34	328,407.99
Personal Property Taxes		
2000	0	138.01
2001	6,015.78	857.12
2002	394,671.07	4,041.32
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax		
1988	7.29	0
1989	16.77	0
1990	80.42	0
1991	112.50	0
1992	70.00	0
1993	51.35	0
1994	53.75	0
1995	28.75	0
1996	53.92	0
1997	251.15	0
1998	638.05	0
1999	3,191.36	7,179.76
2000	18,519.02	5,942.84
2001	104,052.99	11,144.98
2002	459,594.90	32,825.4
2000 Water Lien Added to Tax	518.00	0
2001 Water Lien Added to Tax	1,524.00	0
2001 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	3,308.80	0
2002 Water Lien Added to Tax	16,541.72	873.00
2002 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	30,818.94	3,624.80
2001 Farm Animal Tax	1,068.00	0
2002 Farm Animal Tax	0	1,201.00
Roll Back Taxes	10,764.86	0
Trailer Park Fees	7,116.00	
Elderly-Disabled Fund	2,211.80	

Deputy Fees	13,782.10
Bounced Check Fees	150.00
Small Claims Court Fees	52.00
Interest Added to General Fund	65,985.70
Fees Added to General Fund	9,009.00
Municipal Lien Certificates	8,325.00
Registry of Motor Vehicles Fees	4,020.00
Parking Ticket Receipts	2,095.37
Water Receipts	812,146.37
Sewer Receipts	900,547.04
<i>Total Receipts</i>	\$ 10,751,166.67

Added to Tax Title in Fiscal 2000

Real Estate Tax	\$ 22,800.85
Water Liens	568.00
Sewer Liens	1,044.80

Fiscal 2002 Real Estate Taxes Deferred	\$ 1,679.30
Total Real Estate Taxes Deferred and Due	\$ 13,367.78

Respectfully submitted,

Janice G. Smith
Town Collector



TOWN TREASURER

The Treasurer's office has again been extremely busy this past year. When I think back I can hardly believe how much we were able to get accomplished. To begin I would like to remind everyone that my office is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

I continued my promise to expand the benefits by introducing a new dental product through the "Guardian" for our employees. I also offered a yoga class and a fitness program that encouraged them to track their physical activity throughout the year with rewards earned per quarter when they accomplished their goal. My annual health fair took place in which I offered cholesterol and body fat readings, health risk assessment and misc. information on diet, exercise and stress. Through the payroll numerous flyers were sent out to stress the importance of taking care of oneself and encouraging our employees to exercise and stay fit.

Under the financial side of the treasurer's office the school building has kept me busy with note borrowings to pay for the project. With that I've had to continually update our financial statement. I also organized a presentation to our Credit Rating Company, Standard & Poor, for a credit upgrade. Our department heads worked very hard on this task and as a team we were able to "show off our town" and were rewarded with a double upgraded rating of an A+. With the investments of our money I am proud to report that I was able to earn \$530,850.34 in interest for the Town. As we all know how weak our economy is the rates being offered were low. The lowest I've seen since I took over this position. It was a challenge to earn the best possible rates I could get but feel the task was successful.

This year an Insurance Advisory Committee was appointed. They helped me in reviewing our benefits offered to the employees and considered ways for us to save overall costs as well as protect the employees. It has been a learning year for me and I appreciate the committee's patience as we continue to explore the role of the committee and how it functions.

As always I couldn't do anything without the help of my assistant Donna Toomey. She is always professional, hardworking and a true asset to the Town of Lee. She handles all the payroll for the Town as well as many other functions that allows me to focus on the financial end of the office. Without her I would be lost. I thank her from the bottom of my heart for her friendship and support she extends to me throughout the year.

The treasurer report is as follows:

BALANCE IN TREASURY JULY 1, 2001	18,432,709.50
Receipts July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002	55,526,547.22
Less Payments July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002	62,515,377.85
Balance June 30, 2002	<u>11,443,878.87</u>

DEPOSITORIES

Boston Safe Deposit Money Market Account	20,878.35
Lee Bank General Fund	604,233.57
Fleet Boston	4,105.26
City Savings	128,485.08
City Savings Operating	43.30
Citizen Bank	179,544.39
FirstFed Bank	44,181.12
UniBank	66,891.86
Berkshire Bank	12,279.78
Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust	45,193.09
Sovereign Bank MM	585,301.05
BankNorth	1,506,087.74
Bank of Western Mass. CD	504,463.09
Berkshire Bank CD Investment	4,379,300.45
Berkshire Bank CD Investment	555,238.32
Berkshire Bank CD Investment	503,201.04
Berkshire Bank CD Investment	303,853.55
Peoples Bank Stabilization Fund	1,116,094.51
Lee Bank Cultural Council	12,130.59
Lee Bank Historical	1,854.30
Lee Bank Law Enforcement	3,177.96
Lee Bank Sale of Lots	37,189.10
A. A. Jones	1,365.44
Morgan Jones	7,412.90
Fairmount Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	171,099.17
Conservation Commission Trust Fund	3,907.36
Gravestone Repair	400.52
Horizon/Outlet/Traffic Mitigation Bond	208,968.28
St. Mary's Perpetual Care Fund	5,870.00
Horizon Conservation Commission Bond	13,653.53
Conservation/Silverleaf	23,820.69
Conservation/Silverleaf Phase 2	32,697.13
Scholarship Accounts	164,547.42
Elderly Taxation Account	4,716.25
DPW Curb Cuts	4,924.08
City Savings – Sewer Mitigation	183,218.08
UniBank Lauel Lake FY03	3,550.52
<u>TOTAL DEPOSITORIES</u>	11,443,878.87

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Kelley,
Treasurer



BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Total Appropriations	\$ 14,483,917.00
Other Charges	638,053.52
State and County Charges	41,464.00
Allowance for Abatements and Exemptions	195,008.22
Total Amount to be Raised:	\$ 15,358,442.74
Estimated Receipts - STATE	2,825,336.00
Estimated Receipts - LOCAL	2,619,000.00
Free Cash - Applied	666,235.00
Available Funds - Applied	865,628.00
Total Estimated Receipts	\$ 6,976,199.00
Raised From Real Estate Tax	7,981,815.52
Raised From Personal Property Tax	400,428.22
Total Raised From Taxes	\$ 8,382,243.74
Total Raised	15,358,442.74
Total Assessed Valuation	540,789,919.00
Tax Rate	15.50

The Board of Assessors processed:

Elderly Exemptions and Veteran Exemptions	167
Personal Property and Real Estate Abatements	120
Motor Vehicle Abatements	170
Senior Work Off Program	5

Respectfully submitted,

William Derrick, *Chairman*
Dayton DeLorme, *Appointed Assessor*
Edward Briggs, *Appointed Assessor*
Jacqueline Bitso, *Principal Assessor*
Evelyn Borsody, *Assessors' Clerk*

**The Board would like to thank the residents for their cooperation
with the FY 2002 Revaluation Inspections!**



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

I hereby submit the annual report for the Department of Public Works for the fiscal year 2002.

Highway Division

Sidewalks on Greylock and Marble Streets were resurfaced during the year.

The lower end of Main Street, from Kelly's Funeral Home to the Central Fire House was milled removing 2" of blacktop, and then resurfaced. The result was the removal of numerous heaves and bumps, which considerably smoothed out the road, resulting in a decrease in truck noise. Additionally the entire length of Stockbridge Road, the upper end of George Street, and the upper part of Lander Road were resurfaced.

This year we contracted with Berkshire County Regional Planning to complete an update of pavement conditions. This survey shall be used in FY03 to determine which streets should be paved.

Repairs to the Willow Street Bridge were completed and the bridge re-opened. In addition temporary repairs were made to the Valley Street Bridge, with permanent repairs expected for FY03.

During this year Foresight Land Services completed a survey and prioritized a list of bridges that will need maintenance. This is a ten-year plan and has resulted in a cost estimate of nearly two million dollars. Naturally we will petition the Commonwealth to include some of these bridges in their bridge replacement program.

A reminder to everyone that during the wintertime we do our best to clear the roads and sidewalks, and naturally cannot do each one simultaneously. You can help, particularly with walks and hydrants by cleaning in front of your homes. It benefits everyone.

Forestry

Lately we have been receiving an increased number of calls to take down trees. We try to evaluate which trees present the greatest danger from falling, and address these first, in some cases only performing trimming. We have increased tree planting, planting new trees in areas where trees have been previously removed. In addition we participate in Elm preservation, working with Elm Watch and are currently sponsoring treatment to three stately Elms in Town.

Water Division

Water Meters:

A request for proposals (RFP) was advertised and we received several bids. The Town was on the verge of signing a contractor with the selected bidder, when at the last moment they withdrew their bid. Subsequently we were required to

start the process all over again. We have enlisted the services of a consulting firm to help us prepare a plan for the purchase and installation of water meters, and hopefully this will be accomplished in the next fiscal year.

During this past year after no success in attracting qualified water operating personnel we enlisted the services of a consulting firm to operate the Water Plant on an interim basis. In January of this year we were able to hire two operators from this firm as Town Employees to operate the plant.

We have been under an Administrative Consent Order (ACO) since early in 2001 to improve operations and staffing at the water plant. Since hiring the two new operators we have made great strides in improving operations of the water plant. We are quite confident that this ACO will be lifted in the fall of 2002, much to the credit of our new employees, Michael Towler and Matt Inhelder.

Privatization:

In October of 2001 we received bids for the short-term (2-4 years) Privatization of the Water and Wastewater Departments. This would mean turning the operations of these Departments over to a private firm, and leasing some of the existing employees to that firm.

As of the end of FY-02 (30 June 2002) we are still engaged in clarifications of the RFP. This has been a very arduous process, with no conclusion made as of this time.

The Water Plant welcomes individuals and school classes to tour the plant and learn how your water is treated. Because of increased security levels with public water supplies nationally, tours are limited to appointments only. Call 243-5526 and the plant operators will assist you in scheduling a tour.

Sewer Division

We have re-applied to the Department of Environmental Protection for low interest funding of the proposed Waste Water Treatment Plant, having missed the last funding round by one point, that however has placed us next on the list for available funding.

The privatization issue as outlined in my Water Division report would also address the possibility of a design, build and operate (DBO) concept, whereby a private company could be responsible for constructing and operating a new plant, potentially at a reduced cost compared to what a municipality would pay. At the May Annual Town meeting, representatives approved allowing the Selectboard to proceed with legislation to allow such a DBO.

Until design and construction start on the new plant, we are concentrating our efforts on locating Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) which enters our sewer collection system. I&I is very difficult to locate, and can be expensive to correct.

The treatment plant now being 34 years old runs fairly well and does experience mechanical breakdowns as should be expected with age. Our plant personnel Alan Zerbato and Craig Rand through extraordinary efforts continue to maintain the system.

Tours of the Waste Water plant are available by appointment by contacting plant personnel at 243-5525.

Recycling

Paint, oil and hazardous household waste collections continue to be operated by our contractor CET. An attempt to secure funding for a minimal effort to provide leaf and brush collection failed at the May town Meeting, with a directive by the Representatives to propose a complete plan by the FY04 Town Meeting, May of 2003.

Buildings

The Dormers on the Town Hall were historically reconstructed this year along with accessibility improvements at the Airolodi Building. In addition new furnaces were installed at the Airolodi Building and the South Lee Fire Station. The Central Fire Station received improvements to the bell tower and internal staircase.

In closing I would like to thank the various Departments and Boards with whom we interact for their assistance and cooperation .

Additionally I would like to acknowledge our DPW staff. In addition to the operators mentioned at the Water and Wastewater Plants, Dennis Kelly our Highway Supervisor⁷ whose nearly thirty years of service oversees daily operations, Stanley Daoust, Paul Porrini, Matt Larson and John Duby of the Highway Department, John Curtin and Jim Morawiec at Fairmount Cemetery, and Alan Starzyk and Jim Salice in Water Distribution. And Ginny Vania, Office Coordinator, Paymaster and problem solver.

To all these people my sincere appreciation for their tireless efforts. These are the people who make things happen in Town, and to them we should all be thankful and appreciative.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth J. LaBier, *Superintendent*

Robert Bartini, ***Chairman***

David Forrest, ***Clerk***

Martin Barenski, ***Member***

Maurice Leahey, ***Member***

William Enser, ***Member***



BUILDING INSPECTOR

I hereby submit my report for the fiscal year 2002.

<u>Permit Category</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>\$ Value</u>
New Dwellings	18	\$3,153,800
Additions / Alterations	73	623,063
Garages	14	256,332
Pools	11	87,750
Commercial	35	2,478,873
Porches / Decks / Roofs	55	176,423
Sheds / Barns	6	12,615
Demolition	1	50,000
Certificate of Occupancy	33	1,370
Wood Stoves	12	300
Signs	36	1,660
TOTAL	294	\$6,842,186
PERMIT FEES		\$41,785.85

Our department is committed to help the public in the permitting process. Please use us as a resource in any building, zoning or sign inquiries.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald R. Torrico,
Building Commissioner



ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Applications for Wiring

Number of Permits

New Services	4
Service Upgrade	18
Temp. Service	1
Addition to Homes	17
New Homes	14
New Commercial & Industrial Buildings	7
Misc. Wiring Residential	25
Misc. Commercial & Industrial	34
Swimming Pools & Hot Tubs	5
Smoke Detectors & Alarm Systems	12
Oil & Gas Burners	1

Total Number of Permits

138

Fees Collected From July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

\$6,230.00

Respectfully submitted,

Charles F. Grady,
Electrical Inspector



SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

The testing and inspection of one hundred and ten (110) weighing devices, one hundred and four (104) gasoline dispensers, sixteen (16) diesel dispensers along with one (1) fabric measuring device, thirty three (33) price scanners and seven (7) retests, were done in fiscal year (2001-2002) Fees collected and turned into the Town Treasurer amounted to six thousand two hundred and nineteen dollars (\$6,219).

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Cahalan,
Sealer of Weights & Measures



TRAFFIC COMMISSION

The Traffic Commission had many issues to address during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002.

We have addressed the following issues:

Flashing lights for the new elementary and high school on Greylock Street; also possibility for the same kind of system for Orchard Street for St. Mary's School.

We have worked hard for better crosswalk locations on upper Main Street. Mass Highway still hasn't made a final decision on the Park Street crosswalks.

We worked with Fox Homes on new sub-division traffic issues, as well as with Silverleaf Resorts traffic mitigation on the possible total build out of Phase IV.

Onsite traffic counts on Consolati Way for the purpose of parking available for the new Bucky's Tavern.

The problem of large trucks of Main Street is still being surveyed to find a better route. (GOOD LUCK)

We had the normal missing signs replaced and posted new speed signs where needed in town. Thank you to the Lee DPW for their cooperation in replacing faded out signs and clearing out bushes at intersections.

We presently are studying a few intersections for needed safety signage changes.

For any resident with traffic concerns please call 243-5513.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Edward Forfa

Wilbur Hunt

Robert Giarolo

Dennis Kelly

Ronald Glidden, ***Police Chief***



POLICE DEPARTMENT

This fiscal year we experienced a 10% increase in overall calls with significant increases in certain areas. The largest increase was noted in motor vehicle citations which rose 118% from the previous year. The second largest increase was in the number of arrests which rose by 72%. We also experienced an increase in burglaries over the previous year. Some of these burglaries we solved by officers catching suspects in the act as was the case when Officers Skowron and Roosa arrested a man breaking into a package store late one evening. Other cases were more difficult to solve, such as a string of commercial burglaries in which over \$10,000 was taken. These cases were solved by Officers Bartini, Briggs and Roosa resulting in the arrest of two suspects. A series of residential burglaries in which over \$20,000 was taken was similarly solved by Officers Bartini and DeSantis. Several other burglaries were solved by the collective investigative efforts of all of the officers in the Department who likewise continue to seek leads in cases that remain unsolved and open.

The Department also experienced a dramatic increase in calls regarding black bears in residential areas. Officers using new less lethal impact projectiles attempted to scare the bears out of residential neighborhoods. We were advised by state biologists and Environmental Police that if such less lethal measures fail to encourage a particular bear to remain away from residential areas, such bears should be considered dangerous and may require destruction by the responding officer. State biologists asked us to remind the public to ensure that garbage containers are secure, and avoid placing bird feeders out during the spring and summer when black bears are most likely to visit residential neighborhoods for these two food sources.

Over the past fiscal year two veteran officers retired from the Department. In September, Officer John Farina retired after more than 25 years of service. In February, Officer John Winters retired after more than 32 years of service. Their experience and sense of humor will be missed.

Officer Jeffrey Roosa was hired by the Department in September and comes to the Department academy trained with over five years experience on the Sheffield Police Department. Stephanie Burdick was hired by the Department in May after completing the Agawam Police Academy at her own expense throughout the previous winter and spring.

Officer Adrian Kohlenberger worked throughout the year in our school system in his role as School Resource Officer, while he and Sgt. Joseph Buffis spent additional time in elementary school classrooms in their roles as DARE Officers.

During the past year, we applied for and received two state grants including a D.A.R.E. grant for \$7000, and a Community Policing grant for \$10,000. For the first time, the Department auctioned a surplus cruiser rather than trade it in as part of our annual cruiser replacement program. The winning bid was from Grace Used Cars of Morrisville, PA for \$2,525. This amount far exceeded our normal trade-in allowance and was transferred to the General Fund.

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

Listed below is a summary of calls the Lee Police Department responded to in FY 2002:

FY 2002 Statistical Summary

Total Incidents Handled	6,500
Homicide	0
Sex offense	4
Robbery	1
Assaults	17
Burglary	18
Larceny	43
Motor Vehicle Theft	3
Vandalism	11
Motor Vehicle Accidents	145
Motor Vehicle Fatalities	0
Motor Vehicle Citations	1,317
Drug Arrests	13
Driving Under the Influence	15
Total Arrests	103
Medical Assistance	592
Parking Tickets	175
Alarms Answered	197

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronald C. Glidden,
Chief of Police



FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Department responded to 181 calls:

Fire Alarm Activated	60	Mass. Turnpike	8
Mutual Aid Given	10	Structures	5
Grass & Brush	9	Fuel Spills	7
Vehicle Fires	9	CO Detector Activated	8
Defibrillator Calls	7	Chimney Fires	3
Oil Burner	5	Wires Down	5
False Alarms	8	Miscellaneous	37

For the second year a Federal Grant to purchase equipment was not granted.

The members and officers spent many hours answering alarms along with training and testing all the fire hose. They also kept the engines in good condition along with all the rescue and firefighting equipment.

All engines have been sent out for yearly service and pump testing. All have passed and are ready to serve the Town.

Central Station is becoming very tight for the Department's apparatus. At some point the Town will have to look at this problem. I do not think that the problem can be solved at this site.

The water system that services the fire hydrants is in need of upgrading. There is a list of hydrants that do not have good water to service our engines to put out fires. Although all of the engines carry water on them there will be a need for a tanker. The Department has a 1500 Gallon tank on a 1963 International truck. This truck is owned by the State and is not equipped with maxi brakes, this braking system puts the brakes on when the air is lost. There is a need to replace this truck. I will apply for grants to help pay for this replacement. This tanker upgrade will help greatly in the areas in and out of the water system.

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 equipment and the buildings in great shape. I extend my appreciation to the Communication Center, Ambulance Squad and Police Department. I extend my thanks to all the Fire Departments that assisted during the year. I sincerely thank the people of the Town for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Driscoll, *Chief*



TRI-TOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Animal Control Program - Cindy Belair, a resident of the Town of Lee, took over the position of Animal Control Officer on October 1, 2001. Cindy has successfully completed the Animal Control Certification Course this year. The Animal Control Hours are Monday through Friday, On Call, from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. She can be reached through dispatch at 243-2100. Routine calls during normal work hours include dog bites, stray or deceased domestic animals (dogs and cats), loose farm animals, sick, injured or vicious domestic or wild animals, barking, unlicensed or loose dogs. After hour Emergency calls for immediate public safety issues should be referred to the police officer on call and ACO will respond whenever available. Emergency calls would include vicious animals that are causing an immediate threat to the public, sick or injured animals in need of emergency medical treatment, dog bites and dogs that have been detained.

Beach Program - A biology intern was hired for the summer beach-testing program. Three beaches in Lee are part of this program. This program monitors the quality of recreational bathing waters for public and semi-public beaches.

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 a septic system installer. Turnover of this program to the Berkshire County Board of Health Association has been completed. A spring course was held in March 2002, with 99 individuals taking the course.

Day Care/Nursery School - Informational packets regarding health issues for young children were provided to each day care and nursery school. Subject material included immunization requirements, early childhood illness brochures, water and septic standards.

Department of Environmental Protection: Kathleen Phelps organized a Cross Connection Control Workshop for area water departments, industry representatives and health inspectors. 20 participants obtained their certificates.

In an effort to foster better communication and access with the State Department of Environmental Protection, the Tri-Town Health Department was able to arrange for a DEP staff member, Craig Givens, to be available in the Berkshires at least one day a week. Craig is available at the Tri-Town Office on Wednesday's and can be reached at (413) 243-4898.

Emergency Preparedness - The Tri-Town Health Department continues to be active on both the local and state level by participating in emergency preparedness planning and procedures.

Food & Drug Administration: In October 2001, Kathleen Phelps, Max Bookless and Lou Belba attended the Communication Skills for Regulators Course at Holyoke Community College. This skills course will enhance the department's ability to effectively communicate critical health issues to the operators during food service inspections.

Tobacco Awareness Program: The Tobacco Awareness Program has successfully completed 8-1/2 years of work. The program, with 19 boards of health in Berkshire County, assists the towns in passing regulations for smoke free public places. Public support for regulations has increased significantly over the years. The majority of the towns have passed "youth access regulations" with the goals of presenting tobacco sales to children. Four compliance checks were conducted in retail stores. Compliance rates were approximately 90% for each check.

Vendor Fair - In October, Kathy Phelps, Health Agent, organized a Septic Technology Vendor Fair, which was held at the Lenox Quality Inn. There were 22 exhibitors and over 300 attendees. It was requested by area contractors and health agents that it be annual or bi-annual event.

West Nile Virus: The Tri-town Health Department continues to be the South County packaging and materials depot for the State's West Nile Virus Surveillance Program.

Permits Issued (Lee Only):

<i>Permit Type</i>	<i>Number Issued</i>	<i>Permit Type</i>	<i>Number Issued</i>
Food Service	90	Retail Food	49
Catering	7	Mobile Food	5
Bakery	4	Special Event Food Permit	16
Tobacco	17	Indoor Pool	3
Outdoor Pool	10	Hot Tubs	3
Frozen Dessert	13	Milk/Cream Store	23
Milk/Cream Vehicle	3	Milk/Cream Dealer	2
Pasteurization	1	Disposal Works Installers	9
Septage Hauler	9	Garbage Hauler	6
Rec. Children's Camp	2	Motel/Hotel/Cabin/Trailer	14
Massage Practitioner	10	Massage Establishment	3
Biological Wastes	2	Disposal Works Construction	14
Well Permit	6		

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 service to our member communities.

Inspections (Lee Only):

Food Service Inspections	170	Children's Camps	2
Health Fitness/Massage Estab.	1	Misc. Complaints/Nuisances	19
Housing Inspections/Chapter II	5	Pool Inspections	4
Perk Tests Witnessed	11	Certificates of Compliance Issued for Septic Installation	7

Water Testing (Lee Only):

Beach Testing	23	Pools & Hot Tubs	27
Ice Machines	10	Private Water Supplies	6
Town Water Supply	96	WWTP	17

Budget/Revenue Information Fiscal 2001

Total Budget:	\$54,463.00	Revenue Generated:	\$28,336.19
Breakdown:	Permits	\$ 19,236.00	
	Water Testing	1,291.08	
	Septic	2,289.11	
	Rent Income	5,520.00	
		\$ 28,336.19	

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Kolodziej, R.S.

Director/Sanitarian

Tri-Town Health Department



**JACOB'S LADDER TRAIL
SCENIC BY-WAY, Inc.**

Jacob's Ladder Trail Scenic Byway, Inc. during this year has continued its program of public education on the history of the Trail, preservation of historic and scenic resources, development of recreational opportunities along the Trail and encouragement of appropriate economic development in the five communities along the Trail. To that end we are just completing a universally accessible trail and restoration of Civilian Conservation Corps work in Chester State Forest's Boulder Park. The project includes a hardened surface loop trail, interpretive signs and restored water impoundment area. The mobile history exhibit on the history of the Trail "From Wilderness Trail to Scenic Byway" was displayed in Lee at the Corporate Center for several months this year and was well received before being moved to the Berkshire Scenic Railway Museum in Lenox. We are currently engaged in a viewshed protection project, identifying and protecting through conservation restrictions significant open space along the Trail. The organization is initiating a zoning update project for the Trail's communities that need guidance updating their bylaws to current standards. Dee Dee Fraser of Lee is the newly elected president of the organization, and Naomi Gordon is an active Lee representative. The organization welcomes new members and visitors to our meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 P.M. in the Becket Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Parsons,

Secretary



LEE AMBULANCE SERVICE

I hereby submit the annual report of the Lee Ambulance Service for the fiscal year 2002. During this year, your ambulance service responded to a total of 818 requests for medical assistance, resulting in the transport of 707 patients to area hospitals.

A breakdown of these calls is as follows:

<u>LOCATION</u>		<u>TYPE OF CALL</u>	
Town of Lee	536	Motor Vehicle Accident	92
Town of Stockbridge	161	Injuries	205
Town of Tyringham	30	Illness/transport	247
Mass Pike	24	Cardiac/Respiratory	208
Mutual Aid Provided	65	Misc.	66

Of these calls, 192 required the services of a Paramedic Service from Pittsfield. There were 64 incidents requiring multiple ambulance response, of these:

- 4 calls answered by returning ambulance
- 50 calls answered by our second ambulance
- 6 calls required a third ambulance response
- 3 calls required mutual aid for our being unable to respond the second ambulance
- 1 call required mutual aid for our being unable to respond the first ambulance

Our average response time for FY02 was 4.7 minutes with an on scene average time in Lee of 7.3 minutes.

In July of 2001 we will began utilizing a second paid daytime EMT. This individual is shared between Town Hall custodial duties and responding as the second daytime EMT when volunteers are not available. This program has worked very well this past year, the second EMT averaged two to three days per week taking calls, with the volunteers taking call for the balance. As always, our volunteers always come through for us.

The need for more volunteers continues to be our most important task. Increased training and continuing education, plus participating in active Ambulance call continues to take its toll on volunteers.

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*



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The events of September 11, 2001 have unfortunately created a resurgence in the role of Emergency Management, both on a national and local level.

There has been a considerable increase in the role of each communities Emergency Management agency to prepare and assist with terrorism preparedness, some of which are of a mandatory nature.

For Lee it means a more concentrated effort to update existing plans, and to organize and arrange additional preparedness plans dealing with toxic and biological agents. It simply means more responsibility with existing staff and finances. Agencies which we have supported in the past will need to become more directly involved to finalize new plans

Emergency Management continues to act as a supportive agency to the other Emergency Services Departments of Lee. An additional function is to act as the recording agency for contagious disease exposures to emergency personnel as well as monitors the Hepatitis B program.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth J. LaBier
Emergency Manager



COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

During this fiscal year 1,678 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 calls transferred to various Town Departments.

The Lee Dispatch Center receives and dispatches for all Lee Emergency Services, EMS Fire and Police, as well as Tyringham 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. Of 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.

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. If you do not have or are unsure of your 9-1-1 number please contact the dispatch center at 243-2100, and I will contact you.

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 or 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. Work continues on the adopting of the Scenic Mountains Act to Lee's needs.

During Fiscal Year 2002, the Conservation Commission processed 12 Notices of Intent, 10 Requests for Determination, and issued 13 Orders of Conditions. New Notices included work proposed by Mass. Highway for improvements on Route 20, work on the Willow Mill Dam and Raceway by the Mead Corporation, Mass. Highway for improvement at the "1000" islands, and a number of residential projects. Continuing is our involvement with the Silverleaf Resort projects, on-going since 1999.

The Conservation Commission meets at 7:00pm on the first and third Mondays of each month, or on Tuesday after a National or State Holiday. On each non-meeting Monday, a Commission member is in our office from 7:00pm to 7:30pm to assist applicants and to sign-off on building permit applications. We welcome anyone interested in serving on the Commission to attend a meeting or write us about their interest. Newcomers begin as Associate Members until they feel comfortable with their knowledge of the Laws we administer and our processes. They become a Commissioner when we have fewer than seven members.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart Dalheim, *Chair*

John Rohane, *V. Chair*

Noel Bailey

Jan Kegler

Audie Furgal

Deborah Garry

Marilyn Hansen

Ann Pyenson, *Admin. Assistant*



COUNCIL ON AGING

The Lee Council on Aging respectfully submits the following report of activities which took place under the auspices of the COA during the fiscal year July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002. The COA Board members and Director meet the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 am at the Senior Center.

It is the mission of the Council on Aging to evaluate, promote and encourage new and existing activities and services which enhance the quality of life for elders in the Town of Lee. The COA coordinates programs with the Lee Visiting Nurse and Elder Services of Berkshire County in areas of nutrition, health and home care services. The Lee COA served a total of 520 seniors during the last fiscal year.

<u><i>Programs, Services and Activities</i></u>	<u><i>Units of Service</i></u>
General Information Services	160
Case Management/Advocacy	16
Health Benefits Counseling	180
Client Finding-New Contacts	12
Legal Assistance	6
Financial Management	12
Food Shopping Assistance	24
Transportation - Medical/Other	2,432
Newsletter 500 Distributed Monthly	
Health Screening	306
Other Health Services-Flu Clinic/Vial of Life	320
Fitness/Exercise	800
Congregate Meals	1,560
Home Delivered Meals	7,500
Health Education	180
Recreation/Socialization	168
Community Education	120

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Maroney, *Director*

Alma Allen, *Chair*.

Helen Botto

Val Baldisserotto

Stephen Cozzaglio

Angelo Esoldi

Maurice Larrivee

Val Masiero

Amelia Zatorski



HYDE PLACE AND LEE ELDERLY HOUSING CORPORATION

Hyde Place, the senior housing development located on Main Street, was dedicated in 1985. During its 16-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 2002. These included day trips to Boston to visit museums and educational programs on such topics as balance and movement, meditation and the importance of exercise and proper nutrition. A very active Tenant's Association has sponsored community lunches and dinners as well as weekly bingo and card games.

Hyde Place was sponsored by the First Congregational Church of Lee and received its funding from the U.S. 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 Board of Directors comprised of Lee residents and a tenant representative from Hyde Place. 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 modern 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



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP.

During fiscal year 2002 the Lee Community Development Corporation has continued to promote job growth and development, assist businesses and the town through economic development projects and planning.

The CDC's principal focus continues to be Quarry Hill Business Park. In addition, the CDC has played a key role in making recommendations for changes in the town's zoning ordinance to allow for expanded activities in industrial zones to promote use of existing infrastructure while protecting existing open space. The CDC continues to be a participant in the town's Master Plan and community development plan, as well as participating in countywide economic development efforts.

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.

Since completion in November, 1997, three parcels have been sold at Quarry Hill to Cavallero Plastics, Inc., Applied Energy Management, Inc., and Ray Murray, Inc. In July, 2001 Ray Murray, Inc., celebrated its grand opening of a new 83,000 square foot corporate headquarters and distribution center.

LEE CORPORATE CENTER

The LEE CORPORATE CENTER is a 116,640 square foot multi-tenant office and light manufacturing facility developed in 1995 by the Lee 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 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
- Ernest Provisions, Inc.
- Berkshire Automation
- Norman Rockwell
- Berkshire Wireless
- Waggin' Tails Pet Essentials
- Susan Sparks Physical Therapy PC

Community Development Corp. Financial Report

FY 2002 REVENUE AND EXPENSES (July 1, 2001 - June 30, 2002)

<u>Operating Revenue Source</u>	<u>Total Revenue</u>
Local Support (Town of Lee)	\$ 406.00
Private Support	200.00
Interest	985.00
Contributions - Lee Industrial Realty	75,000.00
- Special Fund Raising	1,250.00
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE:	\$ 77,841.00

Operating Expenses

Cost of Sale - Land Sale:	\$ 0
Salaries/ Benefits /Taxes:	65,436.00
Consulting/ Services:	1,657.00
Accounting	0
Rent - Lee Corporate Center:	5,480.00
Telephone/Fax/Internet:	1,279.00
Insurance:	2,087.00
Interest:	2,241.00
Advertising:	0
Repairs & Maintenance	195.00
Office Supplies:	1,931.00
Postage:	230.00
Dues:	238.00
Planning & Development:	337.00
Miscellaneous:	234.00
Travel:	19.00
Bad Debts - Loans:	21,180.00
Professional Fees - Other	2,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 104,544.00
NET DECREASE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (26,703.00)

Current Assets

Legacy Bank - Checking	\$ 1,777.00
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Restricted Use Assets

Revolving Loan Fund Repayments	\$ 7,182.00
Special Projects Fund	36,238.00
Wainwright Bank - Int. Reserve	633.00

TOTAL RESTRICTED USE ASSETS \$ 45,830.00

Quarry Hill Business Park	\$1,146,932.00
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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS \$1,192.762.00

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Current Liabilities

Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 985.00
Notes Payable - Lee Bank	25,000.00

TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES \$ 25,985.00

Long Term Liabilities

Mortgage Payable - MDFA	\$ 84,472.00
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TOTAL LONG TERM LIABILITIES \$ 84,472.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$ 110,457.00

Fund Balance July 1 \$1,109,008.00

Less Decrease for Year \$ (26,703.00)

TOTAL FUND BALANCE \$1,082,305.00

**Total Liabilities &
Fund Balance \$1,192,762.00**

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Toole, *President*

Board Members, 2002

Don Hunter, Esq., *Vice-President*

David Bruce, *Treasurer*

Raymond B. Murray III, *Clerk*

Martin W. Deeley

David Klausmeyer

Dani J. Holmes

William Enser

Robert Birch

Robert Nason

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

Tracy A. Dunn, *Administrative Assistant*



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. Grants are awarded in December after careful review by both LCC and MCC councils. The Lee Cultural Council was one of the first local councils in the State to achieve "streamlined" status. Criteria for streamlining includes strong local procedures, a history of member training and a clean approval record. The streamlining process eliminates numerous steps in the yearly funding cycle and speeds up local reimbursements.

Lee Cultural Council received and reviewed a total of 36 grant applications for Fiscal 2002. Twenty projects, with total funds of \$4,350, 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 2002 projects included a school trip to the Norman Rockwell Museum, music programs for seniors, Lee Founders' Day cultural activities, and Saturday crafts programs at Lee Library.

In addition to its funding from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Lee Cultural Council solicits funds from local businesses and individuals through an annual appeal and various special events. Funds raised on a local level may be used to augment the amount awarded by the State but are not restricted to state approvals. In Fiscal 2002, twenty businesses contributed a total of \$1,970.

Respectfully submitted,

Freda Grim, **Chairman**

Gloria Arnold, Mario Caluori,

Frederic M. Cohen, Lynn Fay,

Alexandra Hedding, Sharon MacDonald,

Barbara Mahoney, Mary Theresa Valleri



CEMETERY COMMITTEE

During the last year, the Cemetery Committee spent considerable time at Fairmount Cemetery looking and planning for a new section that will be called Old Farm Square. This section, named for the land on which the Town Farm stood, was deeded back to the Town of Lee by the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority and will be readied for the sale of lots by next year.

During the last year old dead and overgrown bushes and shrubs have been removed, trees have been trimmed and some removed and a number of older headstones and monuments repaired.

Only residents of the Town of Lee are eligible to purchase sites at Fairmount and any family wishing to resell an unused site must sell the site back to the Town of Lee for the original purchase price.

Again this year, we have had the opportunity to use outside help in the fall and spring cleaning of the cemetery but this will probably not happen in the coming year due to the financial cuts that have occurred.

Once again this past season, the crew at Fairmount has done a fine job in keeping Fairmount clean, safe and a very pleasant place to visit.

The Cemetery Committee has been short a full time member and an associate member for awhile and is looking to fill these positions.

Respectfully submitted,

Mel Eckert, *Co-chairman*
Charlotte P. Davis, *Co-chairman*
Pete Biasin
Jack Kelly
Virginia Vania, *Secretary*
Kathy Arment, *Advisor*



HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Commission worked on several projects this year. Advisor Charlotte Davis completed an application for listing of the Hyde School (Middle School) on the National Register of Historic Places. The application is now under consideration.

Members attended a MHD hearing about the replacement of the Golden Hill Bridge, a site that is already listed on the Register. The Commission is concerned that the bridge be adequately curated before it is demolished.

Mary Morrissey and Pat LaChapelle provided vital help with a grant application to restore the dormers on Memorial Hall last year. The matching grant of \$30,000 was received this year.

The Commission has promoted the formation of a Historic Society for the town. While progress is slow, it is hoped that this effort will eventually produce results.

The Commission continues its appointed duty to maintain the town's inventory of historical sites.

As always, the Commission participated In Founders Weekend by conducting a Walking Tour of the Lower Main Street Historic District, fund raising for the Preservation Fund, and marching in the parade.

The Commission wishes to thank Bob Nason for locating a room in the Airoidi Building for the Commission's meetings and for storing files.

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



LEE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Housing Authority did some major construction through the year.

We have continued to do upgrading at Brown Memorial Court. Over the year we were able to replace six kitchens with work being done by McDarby Building Contractors. During the summer months the deteriorating sidewalks at Brown Memorial Court were replaced by Midnight Construction.

In May the town's people reelected Neil Clarke to a five year term to the Housing Authority's Board of Director's. We are happy to have Neil with us again.

In January Charles Killackey was hired temporarily to replace our part-time maintenance person for three months. Charles did a great job and we would like to thank him for his hard work. We also hired John Smigel for a few weeks during the month of July to help with outside work. Thank you John for a great job.

All of the Housing Authority's programs are running well. Overall the housing authority had a good year.

The day and time of the monthly Board of Director's meeting has been changed. The monthly meeting will be held on the third Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m. at Brown Memorial Court, 155 Marble St. Lee. MA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Shepardson, ***Chairperson***
Rosemary Hughes
William Derrick
Thomas Unsworth
Neil Clarke



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, 2001 to June 30, 2002 :

Total Circulation	37,384
Circulation of Materials	32,196
Cassettes, Records, and Video	3,664
From WMRLS (ILL)	176
From WMRLS (Bookmobile).	1,348

Category of material circulation:

Fiction	16,864
Biography	865
History	1,210
Literature	276
Arts.	895
Applied Science	1,635
Pure Science	391
Language	49
Social Science	947
Religion	168
Philosophy	248
Video and Cassettes	3,664
Paperbacks	1,127
General	3,862

Of the total circulation 30,802 were adult materials and 6,002 were children's materials. A total of 5,401 circulations were by non-residents. 3,691 were to Massachusetts residents from non-certified towns or out-of-state: Alford - 2, Otis - 785, Tyngham - 904, Washington - 10, Out-of-state - 9.

Books added during the year:	1,352 Adult	263 Children	Total: 1,615
Books withdrawn:	1,920 Adult	83 Children	Total: 2,003

Number of volumes owned	61,805
Records and Cassettes	587
Videos	79
Filmstrips	29
Units of Microfilm	174
Serials (Magazine Subscriptions)	108
(8 magazines are gifts from Lee Bank)	
Newspapers (6 weekly, 4 daily, 1 monthly)	11
Estimated number of registered borrowers ...	10,370

Memorial donations have been made this year in memory of: Robert Bertelli, Phil Audet, Bertha Wilcox, Lester A. Clarke, Mike and Leone Gallenberger, Merrick Bradbury, and Albert Ward. Sadly, we received word in March that former

longtime Board President John Dolan passed away in Wolfboro, N. H. He was a wonderful President. I had the pleasure of working with him during the first year I came to work here in 1987. Other gifts were given honoring Henning Carlson and Betty Dennis. Robert and MaryLou Rogers generously donated an inkjet printer for our public internet computer. Bill Sinico takes wonderful care of the attractive porch boxes at our front door donated by Golden Hill Nursery. The library joined the nation as we mourned our losses on September 11, 2001. We collected \$282.80 in fines through October 15 and donated it to the American Red Cross to help victims of the attack.

Our public internet computer use increased from 2,467 uses last year to 2,701 uses this year. Patrons sign-up for 1/2-hour blocks of time. Our busiest months were from June through October, with August being the month with the highest usage.

Over 272 meetings were held in the Gallery by library, educational, and community groups, including children's programs.

The board and library director spent a lot of time this year developing a new strategic plan for the library. It was completed for the May meeting and sent to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. It's completion fills the first requirement for participating in the LSTA grant program. It also helps to focus on the needs of the library in developing an action plan for the coming year.

Many repairs were done at the library this year. Our flat roof was redone in November. We continued to replace our old carpeting—this year in the older section of the building. The outside trim was re-painted, and the cement stairs by the front walk were repaired. We painted the children's room walls and the walls in the office. We also repaired the damaged wall in the reference room and repainted that section. When that was all done, we ran into a problem with our heating system and experienced a "puff-back". We then had to remove the soot and had everything cleaned—ducts, boiler, floors, carpets, stacks, books, curtains, windows, copy machine, and computers.

The 2001 Summer Reading Program "First of All...Read!" was a success. A total of 67 children registered for this program. Of 16 pre-schoolers who registered, 9 completed the program by reading 177 books. The kindergarten through grade 8 portion of the program saw 51 children register and 27 members read 476 books. The total number of books read was 653. Local storyteller Carol Freebourn of Easthampton was the featured performer at the Reading Club Party in August.

We are extremely fortunate to have our dedicated volunteer Lynne Fay, a retired teacher, operate a preschool story-and-craft program on Tuesday mornings throughout the year. This year she has added a monthly craft program on ten Saturdays during the school year. All her programs fill-up fast – a sure sign that the children are enjoying themselves. We could not do this without her!

We were delighted to offer a poetry reading this year. We presented a program with Chuck Miller of Iowa reading some of his work. Even though it had a small audience, I think we may try to have a few more literary programs to offer to our patrons this coming year.

Finally, in July we started to input our collection into the CW MARS database again. They had switched over to new client software several years ago and we had never been trained to input records into the new system. Now it is second nature to us. We do need to go back and reload the approximately 5000 items that we missed during the time we were untrained. We will be starting to undergo some significant changes at the end of next year as we get closer to our going online as a circulating CW MARS mini-net member.

We have received unsettling news that the state budget for the Mass. Board of Library Commissioners will be cut radically. The Western Mass. Regional Library System (which we are a member) may have to cut its budget by 24% for next year. One of the worst possibilities is that the Berkshire Office may be closed, its materials, bookmobile and staff may be transferred to the main office in Hatfield. What this will mean to their support of our small Berkshire libraries is yet to be seen – but it does not look good.

The Southern Berkshire Literacy Network, continues to grow and push-out the seams of the small office it occupies in the library. Inga Dean, Karen Schreefter, Judy Waters, and Celeste Savage oversee the organization and keep it running smoothly. Adults receive tutoring for citizenship, ESL, GED preparation, CDL preparation, and reading disabilities.

Thank you to our Board of Directors, and staff members Millie Dulin, Josephine Tristany, Mary Lynn DeVarenes, Jennifer Heath, Bill Derrick, Linda Croze, Josephine Blache, Helen Southworth, and Rose Pixley, our green thumb worker. Thank you all for your help and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgia Massucco,
Library Director

LEE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Statement of Receipts and Expenditures

Balance on hand in checking account 7/1/01: \$1,665.44

RECEIPTS:

Appropriation	\$ 167,417.00
Fines	1,270.80
Copier	3,479.66
Sale of Books	204.25
Interest in Checking Account	514.25
Dividends in Checking Account	17.84
Donations and Gifts	1,786.57
LIG/MEG/NRCO Grants	6,799.69
Books Lost/Damaged/Refunds	140.71
Sale of Ornaments/Disks	1.00
c/w MARS Conversion Grant	1,250.00

Total Receipts: 182,881.77

Total Monies Available 184,547.21

EXPENDITURES:

Salaries	110,300.56
Books and Materials	32,027.40
Library Supplies	3,566.97
Oil	2,644.82
Electric	8,577.68
Telephone	1,026.24
Water and Sewer	430.20
Repairs and Maintenance	7,902.51
Social Security Taxes (FICA)	5,158.58
Computer	2,881.06
Conferences and Dues	119.00
Bindery	1,179.75
MA D.E.T. Health Insurance	73.00
Transfers to CD & MM	4,000.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	725.00
Dir. & Off. Insurance	828.00
Green Thumb Contribution	300.00
Red Cross 9-11 Donation from Fines	282.80
Miscellaneous	526.44

Total Expenditures: 182,550.01

Balance on hand in Checking Account 6/30/02: \$ 1,997.20



PLANNING BOARD

During the fiscal year June 30, 2001, to July 1, 2002, the Lee Planning Board acted upon fifteen (15) Form A Applications (Plans Not Requiring Approval under the Subdivision Control Law), fourteen (14) were approved and one was denied. The Board also made decisions concerning eight (8) Special Permit Applications; one 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 Real Estate presented a Preliminary Subdivision Plan (Form B) for an extension of Highfield Drive entitled, "Highfield Drive Extension" The project involved the extension of Highfield Drive approximately 1800 feet to intersect with Fairview Street. Twenty-three building lots fronting on the extended road will be created. Fox Real Estate submitted a Definitive Subdivision Plan (Form C) which the Board continues to review.

The Town of Lee presented a Preliminary Subdivision Plan (B) for a 1 lot subdivision located on Fairview Street. The Preliminary Plan was approved on March 4 with 11 waivers as requested. The Town of Lee presented a Definitive Subdivision Plan (Form C) which was approved on July 1, 2002 with 13 waivers as requested and 4 conditions.

There were several amendments to the Town of Lee Zoning By-law during the year. There was an amendment to Section 199-81. The amendment involved individual business signs at Prime Outlets primarily the addition of portable signs, informational parking lot signs, window signs, Food Court signs, and static cling signs. There was an addition of an Adaptive Reuse Overlay District. This regulation would allow the reuse of municipal buildings and public and private school buildings. There was an amendment to Section 199-16 by inserting a new definition for the Industrial Zoning District.

The Planning Board reluctantly accepted the resignations of Gordon Bailey, effective as of May 20, 2002, and William Roche, effective May 20, 2002. The Planning Board welcomed David Durante and Thom Swift who were elected in May to serve on the Board and Tom Arment who was appointed to serve as an Associate Member.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Deely, *Chairman*

Robert Birch

David Durante

Thom Swift

Anthony Caropreso

Thomas Arment, *Associate Member*



LEE LAND TRUST

A momentous event in 2001 thrust the Lee Land Trust into a new role: that of land owners. In 1995, an energetic, globetrotting, benefactor of the arts named Donato Cedrone struck up a friendship with the Trust. He was looking for a way to preserve his East Lee property, most of which he had purchased from the Barlow family who were descendants of Lee's earliest settlers. He continued his connection with us through phone calls, letters and visits. In 2000, we received a phone call from him; he was in a hospital in Wellesley and terminally ill; he wished to bequeath his property to the Trust. The group accepted his offer and stayed in touch with him until he died, regretful that a precious gift of land would come at the expense of a fine human being.

For the past year the Trust has been the owner of 100 acres of land, a 35-acre portion of which contains the former Barlow home. This portion, a hilly wooded area, sits next to a 115-acre parcel owned by the Trustees of Reservations. The Appalachian Trail, owned by the National Park Service, adjoins the Trustees' land and leads to Goose Pond. The addition of the Barlow land creates a corridor of protected land extending from Upper Goose Pond to Chestnut Street in East Lee on both sides of the Turnpike.

The Trust envisions rehabilitating the Barlow home, possibly for public meetings use or as a by-station on the Appalachian Trail. The farmhouse, interestingly, sits at the confluence of significant historical, ecological and cultural events that helped shape the area. The Huckleberry Line, a defunct branch of the Berkshire Street Railway system built at the turn of the century at the expense of \$3 million, runs through the property. Route 20, running by the Barlow home, is also known as the Jacob's Ladder Trail and is now listed as a Scenic Byway. The Barlow family originally settled in Dodgetown, the precursor of the town of Lee. James Barlow was the last man to move from Dodgetown down to the flats of East Lee. Ingram chapel, a center of religious life for East Lee inhabitants, was built there and Barlow married Mary Ingram. A spur of the Appalachian Trail, as noted, lies directly to the east, a half-mile away. Also, Donato Cedrone maintained a strong friendship with Ted Shawn, founder of an international dance theater called Jacob's Pillow (located on the Jacob's Ladder Trail) and held a front-row ticket to Pillow events until his death. In the 1950's Shawn visited Cedrone and chronicled the beauty of the Barlow property in a letter to a friend. A copy of the letter was given to the Trust by historian Norton Owen.

The group has been active on other fronts. Two evening talks sponsored by the Trust during the winter were well received. Fred Havill, "The Last Dairy Farmer in Tyringham," spoke in December and in early spring Barbara Vannah of American Search and Rescue K-9's, Inc. gave a talk and presented a video on her experience in training dogs to do emergency rescues. Both talks were well attended. In June of 2002 the Lee Land Trust Scholarship (\$250.) was awarded to Melanie Lavalley, who is attending Berkshire Community with an interest in Zoology.

In early spring, Drew Finn, a professional building inspector, evaluated the Barlow farmhouse and made up a list of repairs in a prioritized order. Shoring up the floor with lolly columns to make it safe to enter the building would be the first order of business. After that the group would be able to enter the dwelling and empty it of old furnishings.

In May of 2002 the Trust held a tag sale at the home of member Jan Kegler and raised \$1000. for the treasury. The organization has decided to prioritize fundraising, as insurance for the new property must now be rolled into yearly operating budget. Also in May, members participated in a clean-up of the town beach at Laurel Lake along with members of Kiwanis.

The Trust sends out a yearly mailing, including a report on its activities. Anyone wishing to become a member (or needing materials on how to preserve their land) may write to Box 702 in Lee or call 243-2318. The Trust meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month in the courtroom at Memorial Hall at 6:30 p.m. The public is always invited and always welcome. Why don't you join us? Our new role as land owners has taken us in a new direction and we're looking forward to exciting times.

Respectfully submitted,

Dedre Consolati, ***President***
Mary L. Johansen, ***Vice President***
Thomas Wood, ***Secretary***
Deborah Garry, ***Treasurer***

Board of Directors

Linda Cysz
Dorothy Fraser
Naomi Gordon
Tim Gray
Jan Kegler
Elizabeth Leahey
Helen Mougin
Aldo Pascucci



SANDY BEACH COMMITTEE

The summer of 2001 gifted us with almost ideal weather. Warm afternoons, sunny skies and puffy cumulus clouds followed one after the other. The following lifeguards were on the stand and competently performed their jobs: Steve Laurin, Sam Weiskotten, Florie Consolati, Dave Rice and Michelle Cuevas. In late July Kas Maroney and Steve Laurin gave swimming classes to 58 Lee children. There were three rescues and a number of minor cuts and scrapes during the season.

After Labor Day, dead trees were removed from the picnic grove using an appropriation of \$800 from the town. Proceeds from a spaghetti supper held at the Morgan House the previous winter will be used to plant replacement trees, mostly native Eastern white pines and white birches. A figure of \$4,400 remains in a drainage account for work to be done at a later date.

In the spring of 2002, Beach Committee members discovered that damage had been done to the property. ATV riders had ruined the grass path leading from the parking lot to the beach. A section of the children's dock had disappeared. Also, two beach house doors were destroyed and minor theft had occurred. Officer Adrian Kohlenberger, who investigated the damage, offered two doors of his own as a replacement. We were grateful for the gift.

Weather was fitful around this time of year. It snowed on May 18th. On a warmer day shortly after, the furniture was returned from storage by the DPW, who do the beach a great service by storing the popular adirondack chairs, benches and picnic tables in a safe place during the winter. May 27th, Memorial Day, turned out to be a pleasant day and 100 people showed up to use the beach, even though organization was at a minimum. (Luckily the furniture and toilets were there!)

Helpers arrived to prepare the beach for the summer. On a beautiful evening in late May, the members of Kiwanis arrived to spread mulch and move tables in the picnic grove. Lee Land Trust members also showed up to begin gardening work. A cookout organized by the forward-thinking Kiwanians added to the fun. In early June the work crew from the county jail repaired washouts, spread sand and did the usual painting and upgrades needed in order to open. We served them coffee and pastry from Cakewalk Bakery on Main Street and on the last day treated them to a lunch prepared by Zio's on Railroad Street. It was a small gesture for the many hours of hard work.

Bat boxes were also purchased from Pleasant Valley Sanctuary to encourage wildlife, already prolific, to remain in the area. Sightings of bald eagles, ospreys, green herons and great blue herons as well as muskrats, grey foxes and turkeys convince us even more that Sandy Beach is a rare place, and how lucky we are to have access to the property, a conservation gem.

In early June, three new lifeguards were hired: Mike Tullock, Megan Brown and Meghan Streeter. The hydorrake, a piece of machinery used to clear the swimming area of weeds, previously ordered from the City of Pittsfield did not arrive for the spring cutting. We are exploring this breakdown in communication. A head

immobilizer was purchased and installed for our emergency board. New floats and lines replaced others that had worn out. The grass path that had been destroyed in the spring was repaired around this time at a cost of \$350.

The beach officially opened on the last day of school, June 19th, with popcorn, watermelon, cookies and fruit for all Lee children. The event was very well attended, with two to three hundred adults and children coming in throughout the day and evening. Opening day always gets the beach summer off to a good start. In addition to the three new guards, Steve Laurin and Sam Weiskotten began duty at this time.

Each season so many thoughtful acts are performed by so many people, from raking to watering flowers to picking up toys, it is impossible to keep track. We acknowledge it here even though names have not been set in print. Our gratitude goes to the Wilde family of High Lawn and David Klausmeyer for the use of their wonderful property, 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, town representatives and boards (particularly the DPW and Highway Department) and the kind staff at Memorial Hall, to Lee Hardware, Dresser Hull, Henry's Electric, Dupras' Liquor Store, Johansson's Five and Ten, Paperdilly, Cakewalk Bakery, Zio's, Golden Hill Nursery, Borgnis Lumber, The Shed Man, Van Zandt Sheet Metal, Peter Naventi, Sharon Davenport, Mary Palmer and Marty and Kathy Naventi Brown and other caring neighbors at Theresa Terrace. See you at the beach!

Respectfully submitted,

Deidre Consolati, *Chair*

Beach Committee Members

Dale Dedrick
Linda Cysz
Terrie Babcock
Dave Babcock
Bill Abderhalden



RECYCLING COMMITTEE

The Lee Recycling Committee assists the Town with recycling, waste reduction and household hazardous waste collection programs. The Center for Ecological Technology (CET) coordinates Recycling activities. We are pleased to report several accomplishments that the Town made this past year towards reducing and recycling waste.

- Last year, Lee residents recycled more than 350 tons of paper and containers.
- More than *fifty* Lee residents participated in three regional household hazardous waste collection events and nine Mini-Site Collections as part of the South Berkshire HHW collaborative.
- Lee residents participated in the CET's Earth Day Textile Collection drive, which diverted more than 50,000 pounds of clothing and other textiles.
- The Lee Recycling Committee sponsored a demonstration of composting and 8 Lee residents purchased low cost composting bins for turning food and yard waste into soil enrichments for their gardens. Additional compost bins are available at the DPW office.
- The Select Board passed a resolution calling on the state legislature to enact legislation to require manufacturers to assume greater responsibility and stewardship for the products they produce. The resolution focuses on industries that produce consumer electronics, computers and common household products that are toxic. This is part of a state-wide effort and over 40 communities have passed the resolution.
- Lee now has two public recycling bins for bottles and cans. One is in the Lee Town Park. Please take advantage of it when passing through.

We thank all the residents of the Town of Lee and the Highway Department for their support and enthusiasm. Recycling is an important step that the Town of Lee can take to protect the environment. We look forward to another great year.

Respectfully submitted,

Recycling Committee



VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

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

<u>HOME VISITS</u>	<u>VISITS</u>
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Skilled Nursing	1410
Physical Therapy	512
Speech Therapy	5
Occupational Therapy	118
Medical Social Work	62
Maternal Child Health	58
Nutritionist	2
Home Health Aide	622

SCHOOL NURSING / ST. MARY'S	88
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OFFICE VISITS	15
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<u>CLINICS</u>	<u>SESSIONS</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
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Flu / Pneumonia	8	835/36
Blood Pressure	73	768
Immunization	2	16

AREA WORKSITES

Flu / Pneumonia	4
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TOWN OF LEE

Wages Paid in Fiscal Year 2002

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Alderman, Suzanne M.	\$24,042.00
Bailey, Gordon D.	262.50
Carlino, Patricia D	2,100.00
Daley, Nelson L., Sr.	1,837.50
Pascucci, Aldo V.	2,100.00

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Nason, Robert L.	59,294.00
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TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Borden, Kathleen	35,363.00
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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Bitso, Jacqueline B.	35,785.00
Borsody, Evelyn	22,113.00
Briggs, Edward	2,400.00
DeLorme, Dayton	2,400.00
Derrick, William	2,400.00

TREASURER

Kelley, Susan E.	24,340.00
Toomey, Donna M.	6,907.04

TOWN COLLECTOR

Baumann, Eleanor B.	28,363.94
Smith, Janice G.	39,572.05

TOWN COUNSEL

Scully, Jerome	20,949.96
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INTERDEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY

Messana, Jaimy	14,556.93
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TOWN CLERK/

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Baldisserotto, Valentino	35.00
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Bowers, David	30.00
Collins, Ann Marie	30.00
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Darbe, Anne	35.00
Davis, Charlotte	45.00

Dunn, Nannette	20.00
Faber, Christine	275.00
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Norton, Karen	170.00
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Radik, Gabrielle	540.00
Scarpa, Suzanne M.	32,134.96
Scolforo, Michael	150.00
Sullivan, Shawn	35.00
Trimm, Shirley	122.50

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Pyenson, D. Ann	2,116.60
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POLICE DEPARTMENT *

Bartini, William J.	60,729.19
Briggs, Todd J.	61,385.46
Buffis, Joseph	61,488.73
Burdick, Stephanie	6,029.01
Celli, Richard	6,711.50
Contenta, Brian	7,769.37
Desantis, Craig W.	67,097.28
Desantis, Nicholas	4,584.90
Desantis, William	3,724.76
Farina, John A.	14,511.03
Giarolo, Robert	462.36
Glidden, Ronald C.	58,761.41
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Kohlenberger, Adrian	62,669.00
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Loring, James A.	50,281.78
Martin, Dan	3,198.27
Massacani, Catherine	21,712.55
Murphy, Francis J.	993.36
Rhoades, Robert F.	4,282.23
Roosa, Jeffrey	48,729.36
Skowron, Philip	66,568.89
Smachetti, Henry J.	25,365.00
Tatro, Ronald	18,092.08
Tierney, William	68,185.22
Toomey, James	5,286.86
Winters, John	48,815.99
Wood, Robert M.	7,147.52

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Coons, Jeffrey R.	1,439.28
Driscoll, Richard	968.44
Driscoll, Ronald	3,974.72
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Ford, Richard	1,385.12
Giarolo, Paul M.	1,053.28
Hunt, James E.	253.00
Kelly, Michael J.	750.00
North, Edward	371.00
Sparks, Alan	3,081.04
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Palmer, Kevin F.	27,280.00
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Baldwin, Edward	741.00
Cahalan, Gerry	4,758.12
Grady, Charles	5,040.63
Jackacky, Paul	8,766.53
Keenan, Daniel	14,537.13
Thomson, Barbara	10,542.86
Torricco, Donald	11,289.60

COMMUNICATIONS

Auger, Luann	28,744.07
Bailey, Kate M.	27,599.98
Earle, Shannon	2,016.94
Garrity, Deborah	9,063.24
Maturevich, Jacob	1,622.99
Merriam, Edward	19,270.40
Towne, Catherine	511.68
Tyer, Donna	35,946.96

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Brasee, Jerry S.	14,926.20
Broderick, Mark	4,180.48
Buratto, Adam	1,709.36
Curtin, John N.	34,373.65
Daoust, Stanley J.	** 43,586.32
Duby, John E.	37,735.35
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Inhelder, Matthew	13,794.00
Kelly, Dennis E.	45,120.96
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LaBier, Kenneth J.	54,545.13
Larson, Matthew C.	37,815.75
Laston, Frank C.	1,071.12
McDonald, Daniel	950.00
Morawiez, James	31,991.34
Porrini, Paul	** 48,367.63
Rand, Craig	31,275.72
Salice, James P.	44,246.81
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Starzyk, Alan Max	36,652.31
Towler, Michael	17,307.72
Vania, Virginia K.	22,176.47
Webster, Nicole	1,811.32
Zerbato, Alan J	37,128.03

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

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Belair, Cindy	6,211.48
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Kelly, Kimberly	3,827.80
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MacFarlane, Marlene	6,155.57
Phelps, Kathleen	11,901.73
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Collins, Dr. Bernard 1,500.00

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Johnson, Robert 5,460.00

Maroney, Norma 19,539.00

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Mann, Rev. Lloyd "Doug" 3,933.00

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Consolati, Florence 1,741.83

Cuevas, Michelle 2,353.50

Handberg, Edward M. 3,965.48

Maroney, Kathy 1,668.15

Morrison, Meghan Ann 1,335.90

Rice, David 1,899.45

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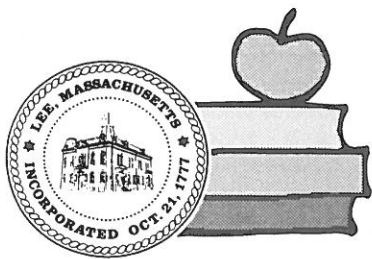
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* These salaries reflect monies earned from all sources: Salary, overtime, education stipends and outside details.

** These salaries reflect monies earned from more than one source.

*** These salaries reflect the 42% paid by the Town of Lee.

Town of Lee Public School System



*ANNUAL REPORTS
FISCAL YEAR 2002*



SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The beginning of the school year was marked with several changes in the Lee Public Schools. Following the retirement of long-term principal Richard Salinetti, Jason McCandless, an experienced educator from Virginia, was appointed principal of the Lee Middle and High School. Interim Superintendents, Helen Vivian and Alton Sprague completed their contract and in May I accepted the position of Superintendent of the Lee Public Schools.

Many changes occurred in the schools during the 2001-2002 school year. The move to the new Elementary School took place in January 2002. The move to the new Middle and High School is scheduled to occur in late November of 2002. The Building Commission has done an exceptional job keeping the projects on target within the established budget. Both buildings exemplify the commitment to education by the citizens of Lee and the magnificent new campus is one that the town should be very proud of. Work continues on adjacent athletic fields that will be available for use in the future.

In addition to new physical space, new grade configurations occurred. The Elementary School houses students from pre-school through grade six and one Head-Start Classroom and seventh and eighth grade students will be housed in a wing of the new Middle and High School. This configuration will allow work to begin in establishing a middle level educational program distinct from elementary and high school and responsive to the developmental needs of early adolescents. A committee comprised of middle-level educators and administrators has been formed to begin this work.

The graduating class of 2003 is the first class to be subject to MCAS criteria to earn a diploma. Most students met the criteria for diploma status the first time they took the test. Those students that did not pass engaged in a remedial program focusing on specific skill deficits and were re-tested.

The 2001-2002 school year brought several changes in staffing. New hires, Tim Mertinooke (grade 8 science) and Amy Consolati (Middle and High School Librarian) as well as Paula Cardillo, Paul Boyington, and Kelly Carlotto (paraprofessional and support staff) are welcome additions to the school staff. In addition to Richard Salinetti's retirement, Edward Markowski retired from his position as Elementary Physical Education Teacher. Due to a lack of funding for the Elementary Guidance position, Lori Mardon ended her service to the Elementary School. Resignations were regretfully accepted from Brian Baker, Katherine Daoust and Karen Terenzini.

The 2002-2003 school year holds a great deal of promise as the building projects are completed, new technology is fully operational, the high school begins to gear up for the 2005 accreditation, the Middle School firmly establishes it's identity as an educational model responsive to the unique needs of middle-level adolescents, and the entire school community begins to focus on curriculum evaluation and best practice for teaching and learning to occur. It should be a terrific year!

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Seppala,
Superintendent of Schools



LEE MIDDLE and HIGH SCHOOL

It is an honor and a pleasure for me to submit my first report as principal of Lee Middle and High School. I am grateful to former principal, Dick Salinetti, for the advice and support he has given me, and for the care and leadership he has provided to our students and school over the years. To say our entire staff is eagerly anticipating the move back to the "old high school" would be an understatement. The high school teachers want to see what changes have occurred, the middle school teachers are anxious to finally begin work in a new facility. I cannot wait to have our staff and teachers move into the facility so that we can begin a new chapter in Lee educational history. Our educational complex, including the buildings and grounds of the both schools are without a doubt among the most attractive in the Commonwealth, and will be among the most technologically up-to-date.

Programs this year will continue to focus around the MCAS test, MCAS remediation, using technology to improve instruction and achievement, and the notion of continuous study and improvement in our work. Currently we are undertaking committee work centered on updating the curriculum, how time is spent in teaching and learning, and in working to ensure that our middle school continues the course of high expectations and developmentally appropriate instruction.

One new teacher has joined our ranks this year; Ms. Elizabeth Krizer-Goetz joins us as a seventh grade Social Studies Teacher. We also welcome Jeremy Turner to our technology department and Mathew Fillio (a Lee High School graduate) as a long term substitute technology teacher. One of the major staff changes this year involved Kathy Bort, who moved from the Dean of Students position into the position of Assistant Principal. Several teachers have also left our community to pursue other options. These teachers include Karen Terenzinni, Jeff Puleri, and Phil O'Rourke. We wish them well in all their future endeavors.

Perhaps the greatest change that our school has undergone this year has been the creation of the Middle School. Our team of seventh and eighth grade teachers has done a great job of implementing a team approach to working with students. Our entire staff, middle and some high school teachers alike, has put a new curriculum into place that includes exploratory offerings, as well as foreign language instruction at the middle grades.

Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS)

The class of 2003, the first class of Massachusetts students whose graduation is dependent upon passing the English and Math MCAS, is doing well at Lee High School.

Our class of 2003 have all passed both portions of the MCAS, save for one student who has yet to pass one test. The number of students in the class of 2003 who have met the MCAS graduation requirement gives us one of the highest rates in Berkshire County, Western Massachusetts and in the Commonwealth.

The high rate of success is a real testament to our students and staff that have worked together to ensure that success is success for all. Both our in-class

instruction and remediation programs have proven themselves to be good for students and for student achievement.

Our results for the Spring 2002 MCAS are very similar to the results from the Spring of 2001 MCAS. While we continue to experience failure rates in the low teens, our numbers of "Pass Advance" and "Pass Proficient" have grown. We have already begun our remediation program and have great expectations for our students on the MCAS retest.

Our Middle School students continue to improve in their MCAS endeavors as well. Last years application of the MCAS was the final 7th and 8th grade elementary testing for Lee Public Schools. This year the students will be tested as Lee Middle School. Our teachers are attempting ways of working together to create a more seamless transition from middle to high school and higher and higher stakes testing.

Our Spring MCAS data show that:

- 101 students took the 10th grade English and Math portions of the MCAS.
- The average English score was 239 (237 in 2001). The average Math score was 240 (235 in 2001).
- 10% of students "passed advanced" in English (8% in 2001). 23% of students "passed advanced" in Math (12% in 2001).
- 15% of students failed the English portion of the MCAS (13% in 2001).
- 17% of students failed the Math portion of the MCAS (26% in 2001).
- 84 students took the 8th grade Math and Social Science MCAS (up from 59 in 2001)
- The class average in Math was 232 (up from 230). The class average in S.S. was 222 (up from 220).
- 10% of students "passed advanced" in math (5% in 2001). 1% of students "passed advanced" in S.S. (0% in 2001).
- 27% students failed the math portion of the exam. 42% failed the S.S. portion of the exam.
- 73 students took the 7th Grade English/Language Arts portion of the MCAS. The class average was 241 (the same as in 2002)
- 3% students "passed advanced" (5% in 2001)
- 4% students failed

Student Activities

Students continue to be involved in the schools, community and nation through the activities of the Student Council, Peer Leadership, Students Against Destructive Decisions, Student Health Council, and National Honor Society. Students have helped other students be successful in schools through our tutoring and homework assistance programs, and by counseling and teaching students at the younger grades. Recognition of excellence and service through the Renaissance Program has provided incentives for academic excellence and achievement. In the previous year our students have again participated in the Heifer Project. Lee students have delivered food to the Lee Food Pantry and helped deliver food to Lee families. Students have worked to address the issues of drunk driving and safety during the

holidays, the prom, and the graduation season. Our students are excited to serve each other, the community and beyond.

Vocational Program

The 2001-2002 House Carpentry program began the school year with the completion of a 2200 sq. ft. Cape Cod house on Greylock St. They then constructed a 2-car garage and breezeway at an existing residence on Fairview Street. Each year the Kiwanis Club provides certificates for tools to all senior members of the House Carpentry Program. They also provide yearly scholarships to Lee High School students. Recipients were: Jacob DeVarennnes, Michelle Bissell - \$2400.00, Cynthia Palmer - \$1000.00, and Kimberly Wilander- \$500.00.

Grants

Berkshire Training and Employment (BTEP) Summer Vocational Training Program	\$ 4,500.00
Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act, PL98 -524 - Technology Education	1,950.00
Truancy Prevention	5,960.00
Title VI	5,540.00
Academic Support	15,400.00

Fine and Performing Arts

Visual Arts

During the 2001-2002 school year, the high school art students were involved throughout the community and state within Museums, exhibitions and for awards. During the fall, the advanced students exhibited their expressionistic work regarding the tragic events of September 11. These were on display in the main hallways at the old high school. Their visual representations were seen by many people who visited the school and were also photographed for the Berkshire Record, with an accompanying article. In December, the 2nd year art students and the advanced art students, in addition to the French students, traveled to the Clark Art Museum in Williamstown, MA. Here the students toured, viewed, discussed and wrote about their expressions of the many diversified works viewed. The 9th annual Student Art Exhibit took place at the Lee Public Library during the month of April. All of the art students had two of their best works on display. The 3rd or 4th year art students were responsible for hanging and taking the show down.

In May of 2002, two students from the junior class, Becky Louison and Mike Sacco, were nominated and accepted into Art All State. This takes place at the Worcester Art Museum in Worcester, MA. This is a very competitive application process to go through. During May, fifteen art and drama students were chosen to go to NYC compliments of Mrs. Lola Jaffe. The fund is officially called ALFEA, Anne Levinson Fund for Entertainment at the Arts. The day was filled with cultural activities, beginning with the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) and then on to view the play "The Elephant Man." The students were fortunate enough, not only to have the best seats in the house, but were able to talk to Mr. Billy Crudup, (he was

nominated for a Tony for his role in the play) the star of the performance, at the end of the play. A tour of Mid-town Manhattan topped off the day for the students.

Dramatics

The Lee High Drama Club last year afforded over 40 students the opportunity of experiencing every stage of theatrical production. The group's offering in Shakespeare & Company's Fall Festival was Twelfth Night. This was followed by the annual musical, which was "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying;" in addition to actors and singers, the student body also contributed musicians to the orchestra. The group enjoyed a museum and theater trip to NYC and rounded out its season with an evening of one-act senior-directed plays, some of which were even written by students. An average of 600 patrons enjoyed each production. The annual drama club scholarship was awarded to President, Kristin McMillan at Class Night. The cost of these activities, including fees for costumes, sets, props, performance rights, fees for professional musicians and directors for plays and workshops, and rental of performance spaces during renovations of the high school was covered by the school, ad sponsorship by the local businesses community, and club fundraisers such as the Halloween Dance and a car wash. The Lee High Drama club eagerly anticipates its move into the exciting new theater facility at the high school next year. Our opening production will be the musical in March, 2003.

Band

The Lee Elementary, Middle and High School Bands each performed three evening concerts at the schools this year. In addition, the Middle and High School Bands marched in the Founders Day Parade and The Memorial Day Parade. The High School Band marched in the Sandisfield and Otis Memorial Day parades as well. In November, the Middle School Jazz Band performed at the Massachusetts Association of School Committees and Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents convention. The High School Band received a mark of "excellent" at the Annapolis Music Festival in Maryland. The Middle School Band earned a Gold Award at the Great East Music Festival in May.

A total of fourteen Lee students were accepted to the Western Massachusetts Music Educators Western District Festival as members of the Concert Band, Orchestra, and Chorus. One high school student was accepted into the Massachusetts All-State Band.

The instrumental music program is expanding this year to incorporate fourth grade students as well as fifth grade students as beginning instrumentalists. A Music Theory course has been added at the high school. The high school band has commissioned an original composition from Chicago based composer Michelle McQuade-Dewhirst. Ms. Dewhirst will be traveling to Lee to work with the band and attend the world premiere performance in May.

Athletics

The Wildcat athletic program consists of twelve varsity and nine junior varsity sports. Through cooperative programs, our student-athletes have the opportunity to participate in hockey, lacrosse and swimming. Last year we began to co-op with the Lenox swim team. Our three letter winners thoroughly enjoyed the

opportunity to compete. Our dedicated coaching staff and our players are committed to making their seasons successful. Those successes may not always show themselves in the win-loss column, but are evident to those who observe the players and teams improve throughout their season. This past year we had 256 student-athletes involved in Wildcat teams. 141 of those athletes received one or more varsity letters. Almost 50% of our student body joins our athletic programs, which certainly keeps the athletic department busy. There will be some major changes in our athletic program in the coming year. The '02-03 school year will see 7th and 8th graders playing junior varsity sports on an experimental basis. A participation fee of \$35 will also be implemented to help reduce the rising costs of athletics. The Wildcats were league champs in boys' basketball last year. As a matter of fact, both basketball teams played in their regional finals. Our girls' tennis team was crowned county champion during the spring. Other teams that saw post-season competition were baseball, softball, girls' soccer and golf. Thanks to the citizens of Lee for their continued support of Wildcat athletics!

Academic Teams

The Lee High School Quiz Team will begin its 2002-2003 season in October. The participating schools will include Taconic High School, Lenox Memorial Middle and High School, Pittsfield High School, and Wahconah Regional High School. Members of Lee's teams are Paul Choi, Brody Hale, Eric McDermott, Sean Hayes, Adam Wespiser, and Russell Chisholm. Lee High School students will also compete in the Western Massachusetts Academic Decathlon. This year's theme focuses on understanding the natural world. Members of the Decathlon team are Adam Wespiser, Russell Chisholm, Meredith McMillan, Sean Hayes, Brody Hale, Desiree Scarpa, Angela Regnier, Lindsay Macintosh, Paul Choi, Shane Kirby, and Eric McDermott. As all these teams are practicing for the opening of competition, the Lee High School TV Team is also getting ready for its late November taping of "As Schools Match Wits." The Lee panel will include Paul Choi, Eric McDermott, Sean Hayes, and Adam Wespiser. The alternate will be Russell Chisholm. Rounding out the academic competition is the Mock Trial Team, who consists of the following members: Kayla Toomey, Elyse Dotsie, Tim Cannon, Matt Bockman, Ana Barahona, Eric McDermott, and Brody Hale. The academic teams' coach is Kathleen Hall with the volunteer assistance of Mark Navin. Lee's mock trial attorney is Ann Deely.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason P. McCandless,
Principal



LEE HIGH SCHOOL - 2002 GRADUATES

John Edward Baczek	Jessica Faith Kilventon	Jason James Robitaille
Cassandra Leigh Basinait	Christopher Adam Knox	Danielle Victoria Salice
Michelle Sarah Bissell	Ashley Marie Laudon	Jennifer Jean Schneider
Kayla Marie Burt	Melanie Lisa LaValle	Kelly Ann Schneider
Gary Alan Cannon, Jr.	Allison Michelle Lecuyer	Dominic E. Sinopoli
Johanna E. Carrillo	Dylan Thomas Lewis	Jonathan Michael Snow
Zuleyma Carrillo	Elba Ericedis Lopez	Jason Soules
Adam John Chaffee	Allison Elizabeth Loring	Amanda L. Stedman
Amber Mary Coty	Casey Lynne Lynch	Robert Therrien
Francis W. Coughlin, V	Michael D. Markham	Samantha Anne Todd
James David Daigneault	Jahda Martin	Kathryn Laura Toole
Rachael JeVais Daley	Kristin Lee McMillan	Emily Jean Unsworth
Elizabeth Ann Daniels	Bethany Lynn Miller	Monica Genoveva Roda Vega
Ashley Amber Davis	Joshua E. Nadeau	Ruth Gabriela Palacios Vega
Glenn Davis	Elise Pauline Naventi	Laura Alicia Walczak
Jacob John DeVarennes	Sarah Lynn Newton	Stephanie M. Walker
Nicholas J. Faber	Celeste Margarita Olaverria	Nathan Patrick Weiskotten
Michael Christopher Giovine	Lourdes M. Olaverria	Bryan Anthony Wespiser
Richard Edward Gore, III	Jonathan Opperman	Thomas Peter Whitman
Ryan Joseph Gregory	Gregory P. Ozner	Kimberly Joan Wilander
Laura Elizabeth Griffin	Cynthia May Palmer	Candice Robina Williams
Andrew Lawrence Groff	Adam Robert Peebles	Sean Thomas Winters
Patrick Drew Guinan	Alicia Johanna Powers	Robert Paul Zerbato
Robert Jared Gutmann	Amanda Jo Rand	
Jason Michael Hopkins	Andrew H. Rice	



LEE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS -2002

<i>Mary Voght Memorial Scholarships</i>	21,500
Each senior attending a 4-year college	500
Each senior attending a 2-year college	250
<i>Syracuse University Chancellor's Award (renewable) and Syracuse University Scholar's Award (renewable)</i>	12,000
Bryan Wespiser - Syracuse University	8,000
	4,000
<i>Tri Town Rotary Scholarships - in Memory of Maurice J. Boulanger</i>	4,500
Bethany Miller - Eastern Nazarene	2,000
Elise Naventi (\$500 Presidential Freedom & \$500 Government) - University of Massachusetts	1,000
Laura Griffin - Westfield State	450
Kristin McMillan - Pine Manor	450
Stephanie walker - Salem State	450
Laura Walczak - University of Delaware	450
Alicia Powers - Westfield State	450
Cassandra Basinait - Bay Path College	250
<i>Kiwanis Club of Lee, Inc. Scholarship</i>	4,500
4 yr. scholarship (\$600/yr.) Jacob Devarennnes - U/Mass.	2,400
2 yr. scholarship (\$500/yr.) Michelle Bissell - BCC	1,000
Vocational scholarship Cynthia Palmer - BCC	600
Presidential Freedom Award Kimberly Wilander - U/Mass.	500
<i>Westfield State College President's Scholarship</i>	4,000
Laura Griffin	
<i>Academic Competition Scholarships given by Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hall, Sr.</i>	2,700
Bryan Wespiser (in memory of Santa Consolati)	600
Michael Giovine (in memory of Russell Giovine) - MCLA	500
Stephanie Walker (in memory of Robert Broderick, Sr.)	250
Laura Walczak (in memory of Walter Walczak)	250
Michelle Bissell (in memory of Charlotte Dunay)	250
Kristin McMillan (in memory of Ralph Maish)	250
Andrew Groff (in memory of James Puma) - U. of Vermont	150
Sean Winters (in memory of John Farina, Sr.) - New England Institute of Technology	150

Amanda Rand (in memory of Prudence DiGrigoli)		
- Western New England	150	
Emily Unsworth (in memory of Marion Curran)		
- Northeastern University	150	
<i>Minnie L. Baird Scholarship in Memory of Lena Beal</i>		2,000
Casey Lynch	1,000	
Laura Griffin	1,000	
<i>Mead Specialty Paper & Tri Town Rotary as part of a joint partnership in serving our community are proud to present:</i>		2,000
Allison Loring - Boston College	1,000	
<i>Austen Riggs Erikson Institute Scholarship</i>		2,000
Laura Walczak		
<i>Pittsfield Chapter of Unico National Scholarships</i>		2,000
In memory of Santino C. Cornello & G. John Marchetto to:		
Sean Winters	1,000	
In memory of Peter W. Moresi & Gary "Red" Soldato to:		
Dominic Sinopoli - University of Connecticut	1,000	
<i>Mike Salinetti Memorial Scholarship</i>		2,000
Danielle Salice - Westfield State	1,000	
Jason Hopkins - Curry College	1,000	
<i>Lee High School Band Parents Scholarships</i>		1,800
Michelle Bissell	225	
Gary Cannon	225	
Patrick Guinan - BCC	225	
Alicia Powers	225	
Kristen McMillan	225	
Danielle Salice	225	
Bryan Wespiser	225	
Thomas Whitman - BCC	225	
<i>South Lee Fire Co. Scholarship</i>		1,500
Elise Naventi		
<i>G. Marconi Lodge #1620 Order Sons of Italy Scholarship</i>		1,500
Elise Naventi	750	
Sean Winters	750	
<i>Cemex, Inc. - Lee Plant Scholarship</i>		1,000
Kayla Burt - BCC	500	
Ashley Laudon	500	

<i>Lee High School Student Council Scholarships</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Allison Loring	150	
Ashley Laudon - Anna Maria College	150	
Andrew Rice - Boston College	150	
Emily Unsworth	150	
Dominic Sinopoli	100	
Allison Lecuyer - U/Mass.	100	
Kathryn Toole - BCC	100	
Jonathan Snow - Salve Regina	100	
 <i>Hop Brook Community Club</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Laura Griffin		
 <i>Big Y Foods, Inc., Paul & Gerald D'Amour Founders</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Allison Loring		
 <i>Massachusetts Elks Scholarship</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Casey Lynch	500	
Dominic Sinopoli	500	
 <i>Massachusetts Grand Lodge Sons of Italy Scholarship</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Elise Naventi	500	
Bryan Wespiser	500	
 <i>Maish Family Memorial Scholarship</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Dominic Sinopoli		
 <i>Otis Kiwanis Club Scholarship</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Kimberly Wilander		
 <i>Scholarship in Memory of Martin Abderhalden</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Stephanie Walker		
 <i>Lee Bank Employees Scholarship in Memory of Ann Hawkins and Meg Cade</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Jason Hopkins	500	
Emily Unsworth	500	
 <i>MeadWestvaco Specialty Paper Division Scholarship</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Allison Lecuyer		
 <i>Berkshire Taconic Foundation - Judge James Dohoney Scholarship</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Bethany Miller		
 <i>Hope Church Scholarship</i>		 <i>1,000</i>
Bethany Miller		

<i>Lee Chamber of Commerce Scholarship</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Casey Lynch	500	
Amanda Rand	500	
<i>Five Mile Smile Scholarship in Memory of Regina Brazee and Carl Langenback</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Jacob Devarennnes	500	
Cassandra Basinait	500	
<i>Lee Volunteer Fire Co. Scholarship</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Danielle Salice		
<i>Lee Education Association Scholarship in Memory of Arthur Welcome</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Stephanie Walker	750	
Jessica Kilventon - Bay Path College	250	
<i>Bruce and John Stevenson Memorial Scholarship</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Amber Coty - Framingham State		
<i>Robert Lucy Memorial Scholarship</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Danielle Salice	500	
Jason Hopkins	500	
<i>Dorothy Finnegan Award given to graduating seniors entering the teaching profession</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Jessica Kilventon	250	
Andrew Rice	250	
Stephanie Walker	250	
Kimberly Wilander	250	
<i>Lee High School Chapter of Students Against Dangerous Decisions Scholarship</i>		<i>775</i>
Allison Loring	100	
Kathryn Toole	75	
Emily Unsworth	75	
Allison Lecuyer	75	
Amanda Rand	75	
Ashley Laudon	75	
Casey Lynch	75	
Michelle Bissell	75	
Amber Coty	75	
Kimberly Wilander	75	

<i>Dorothy Wright Trufant - Class of 1937 Scholarship</i>	<i>700</i>
Andrew Rice	
<i>Stedman Myers Memorial Fund Scholarship</i>	<i>700</i>
Laura Griffin	
<i>Lee Lions Club Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Casey Lynch	
<i>Berkshire Community College Foundation/ Lenox Savings Bank Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Michelle Bissell	
<i>Richard C. Brunell Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Laura Griffin	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of David Bailey</i>	<i>500</i>
Allison Loring	250
Thomas Whitman	250
<i>Andrew J. Bartini Memorial Scholarship given in his loving memory</i>	<i>500</i>
Andrew Rice	
<i>Drs. Charles and James Stratton Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Allison Lecuyer	
<i>Comalli Electric Scholarship in Memory of James Mouglin and George Comalli</i>	<i>500</i>
Stephanie Walker	
<i>Berkshire Section, IEEE Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Michael Markham - U/MASS	
<i>Pittsfield Cooperative Bank Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Andrew Groff	
<i>Meg Cade Memorial Award</i>	<i>500</i>
James Daignault	
<i>Berkshire Bank Scholarship in Memory of Andrew J. Bartini</i>	<i>500</i>
Jonathan Snow	
<i>Western Massachusetts Homebuilders Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
James Daignault	

<i>B.C.A.R.C. Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Elise Naventi	
<i>Great Barrington Fish and Game Club Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Ashley Laudon	
<i>Barry Griffin Memorial Athletic Scholarship</i>	<i>500</i>
Jason Hopkins	
<i>Scholarship given by Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hall, Sr. in Honor of Richard T. Salinetti</i>	<i>500</i>
Robert Gutman - Wentworth Inst. Tech	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of James Shaw</i>	<i>400</i>
Cynthia Palmer	
<i>Sheriff Michael J. Ashe, Jr. Scholarship given by the Hampden County Deputy Sherrif's Association</i>	<i>400</i>
Bryan Wespiser	
<i>Lee Youth Association Scholarship</i>	<i>400</i>
Amber Coty	
<i>Berkshire Vietnam Veterans Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>300</i>
Amanda Rand	
<i>Joe Maley Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>300</i>
Michael Giovine	
<i>Mystic Lodge of Masons Scholarship</i>	<i>300</i>
Florence Consolati	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Mark Drury given by the Applewynd Acres Tournament Teams</i>	<i>300</i>
Danielle Salice	
<i>Retzel Memorial Athletic Scholarship</i>	<i>300</i>
Amber Coty	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of classmates Michael Baluk, Mark Beam, Fred LaGrant, Dennis Pacquin, Dawn Cornock and Ashley Chaffee from the class of 1972</i>	<i>250</i>
Andrew Rice	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Heather Helen Hawley</i>	<i>250</i>
Johanna Carillo - BCC	

<i>Michael R. Coty Memorial Scholarship</i>	250
Amber Coty	
<i>Whalen Family Scholarship in Memory of Michael, Gram and Irene</i>	250
Jacob Devarennnes	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Carl Shirley</i>	250
Kristin McMillan	
<i>Kelly Coty Memorial Scholarship</i>	250
Zuleyma Carillo - Springfield Tech.	
<i>Legacy Banks Scholarship</i>	250
Francis Coughlin - SUNY/Columbia Greene	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Joseph T. Loring, Jr.</i>	250
Jason Robitaille	
<i>Abner Rice Memorial Scholarship</i>	250
Ashley Laudon	
<i>Lee Land Trust Scholarship</i>	250
Melanie LaValle - BCC	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Regina Brazee given by her family</i>	200
Bethany Miller	
<i>Tyringham Volunteer Fire Co. Scholarship</i>	200
Laura Griffin	
<i>Penny Lohbauer Nursing Scholarship</i>	200
Cynthia Palmer	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Michael A. Curley given by his parents, Mary and Francis Curley</i>	200
Sean Winters	
<i>Theodore A. & David J. Zatorski Scholarship Fund</i>	200
Ashley Laudon	100
Jonathan Snow	100
<i>Morning Star chapter #217 Order of Eastern Star Scholarship</i>	200
Melanie LaValle	
<i>Kathleen Olds Mindle Sunshine Bowling League Scholarship</i>	200
Thomas Whitman	

<i>Charles Coughlin Scholarship</i>	<i>200</i>
Francis Coughlin	
<i>Eugenio Bonafin Memorial Scholarship, Class of 1936</i>	<i>150</i>
Michael Giovine	
<i>Class of 1975 Scholarship in Memory of Dan Montini and Jeff Cuene</i>	<i>150</i>
Stephanie Walker	75
Amber Coty	75
<i>Class of 1977 Scholarship in Memory of Kate Baldisseroto, John Killackey, Bernice Hood Perry and Robert Heath</i>	<i>150</i>
Casandra Basinait	75
Alicia Powers	75
<i>Lee Youth Football Scholarship</i>	<i>150</i>
Jason Hopkins	
<i>Ardella Donnell Memorial Award, Class of 1933 (U.S. Bond)</i>	<i>100</i>
Amber Coty	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Harry Wheeler</i>	<i>100</i>
Joshua Nadeau - U/MASS	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Gertrude T. Bailey</i>	<i>100</i>
Andrew Rice	
<i>Forfa Family Scholarship given to a graduate who has participated in varsity basketball</i>	<i>100</i>
Jahda Martin - Sienna College	
<i>Lee High School Scholarship in Memory of Mary and Albert Vinatier</i>	<i>100</i>
Casey Lynch	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of John J. Nagle</i>	<i>100</i>
Ashley Laudon	50
Danielle Salice	50
<i>Class of 1989 Scholarship in Memory of Michael Coty</i>	<i>100</i>
Jacob Devarennnes	
<i>Lee high School Cafeteria Food Service Scholarship</i>	<i>100</i>
Jonathan Opperman	
<i>Class of 1978 Scholarship in Memory of Peter Chiorgno, Steven Walker, Wayne LeClair, George Bagnaschi, Kathy O'Leary, Cindy Bertelli, Dennis Tucker, Paul Weslowski, David Carr and William Bradbury</i>	<i>100</i>
Amanda Rand	

<i>Greylock Federal Credit Union Scholarship</i>		<i>100</i>
Glenn Davis - Sullivan Com. College		
<i>Ladies Auxiliary of the Tyringham Fire Co.</i>		<i>50</i>
Laura Griffin		
<i>Lee Town Players Scholarship in Memory of Cora Carrington</i>		<i>50</i>
Rachael Daley - U.S. Airforce		
<i>Alan Wurtzbaugh Award - given to the boy and girl who has made the greatest progress during their four years of high school</i>		<i>50</i>
Cynthia Palmer	25	
James Daignault	25	



LEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

It is with pleasure that I submit my report to the Town of Lee. The past school year was a momentous one as we began the year in Lee Central School and then opened our new elementary school in January. From January to June, grades pre-school to 6 were housed in the new school, while grades 7 and 8 remained in the Hyde wing of Central School.

Our enrollment this year was 580 students. We welcomed several new staff members to our school. Mr. Tim Mertinooke and Ms. Mindy Kinnas joined us as Science teachers in the middle school. Mrs. Lori Mardon was hired as Elementary Guidance Counselor. Ms. JoAnne Nelson was new to the music department. Mrs. Arlene Kelsey was our new Spanish teacher and Ms Lynn Nadorff became our middle school Reading teacher. Mr. Tom Nadolny became Assistant Principal after several years as school Discipline Coordinator.

With the new school nearing completion, the fall months were filled with planning for the move while still providing a quality educational program. Teachers visited the school on several occasions and a video was shot to show the children what their new school looked like on the inside. Packing began in earnest in December and by mid-month, hundreds of boxes had been packed. Mr. Jim Gralla managed the logistics of moving Kindergarten through grade 6 to the new school, and then the High School down to Central School. January 14 found us opening successfully in our new school.

Grades 7 and 8 remained in Central School, moving into the Hyde Wing. From January to June Mr. Nadolny had primary responsibility for the middle school. Mr. Retchless kept primary responsibility for the Elementary.

In February a successful open house was held. Over 600 parents, visitors and community members visited the building. An opening ceremony was held and a symbolic ribbon was cut. Members of the School Committee and the Building Committee greeted guests, which included former superintendents Henry Zukowski and Bob Siminski.

The School Council was again an important force in the school. The members this year were Donna Toomey, Kim Shook, Karen Consolati, Brenda Bowie, Brian Baker, Marie Gormalley, Kathy Devarennnes and Joan Piacquadio. The Council was an important source of feedback as we moved to our new building. They were involved in every step of the budget process and attended all budget meetings held by the School Committee.

The PTO was very active this year. Again, all bussing for class trips was funded by the PTO. In addition, cultural assemblies were presented to the students. The PTO was actively involved in the planning of our new playground.

Class trips this year were interesting and varied. We added the New York State Museum, in Albany, to our list of destinations. Grade 7 once again went whale watching. The 8th grade trip to Washington DC was a great success. Other destinations included Howe Caverns, Lake George and The New England Aquarium.

Our band program, under the direction of Jill Mongeau, was very successful winning yet another Gold Plaque at the Great East Music Festival. Each year the number of band students grows and an expansion into 4th grade is planned for the 2002-2003 school year. Successful music and band concerts were held in the late spring.

In July 2001 we held our second summer school with students from first grade to eleventh grade in attendance. The session was highly successful and attracted students from neighboring school districts.

This past year was a tumultuous one for all involved: Administration, teachers, parents and students. It is a great credit to everyone that the mid-year move was accomplished as successfully as it was. The teachers did a great job of adjusting to their new classrooms and making their students comfortable in their new surroundings.

June 2002 saw the end of an era. Beginning in September, the 7th and 8th grades are becoming part of the new Middle and High School. We have enjoyed working with the staff and students of these two grades for many years and know they will enjoy the exciting new possibilities of their new home.

The 2001-2002 year was a challenging but ultimately successful year. The staff would like to thank Superintendents Robert Siminski, Alton Sprague and Helen Vivian, the Lee School Committee, and the citizens of the Town of Lee for their continued support of Lee Public Schools

Respectfully submitted,

John Retchless,
Principal



LEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2002

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>TRANSFERS</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>
School Committee	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 1,935.74	& 7,735.74
Superintendent's office	188,731.00	26,231.82	214,962.82
Transportation	144,900.00	.00	144,900.00
Fixed Charges	13,000.00	6,620.30	19,620.30
Vocational Ed	233,000.00	-20,099.73	212,900.27
Adult & Summer Programs	8,120.00	771.16	8,891.16
Principals' Office	289,108.00	34,128.72	323,236.72
Instruction	3,074,791.00	11,236.83	3,086,027.83
Other Services	185,581.00	11,792.56	197,373.56
Maintenance	497,867.00	14,922.04	512,789.04
Technology	55,221.00	11,720.05	66,941.05
Professional Development	103,000.00	18,731.05	121,731.05
Special Education	1,283,260.00	-117,990.54	1,165,269.46
TOTALS	\$ 6,082,379.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,082,379.00



LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT GRANTS & REVOLVING ACCOUNTS

JUNE 30, 2002

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>BEGINNING BALANCE & RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
GRANTS:			
Title I	81,245.10	75,036.22	6,208.88
Title VI	7,016.95	6,589.85	427.10
SPED 94-142	162,757.00	161,760.80	996.20
SPED Early Childhood	16,497.61	14,892.61	1,605.00
SPED Professional Dev.	10,961.98	7,679.98	3,282.00
Kindergarten Enhancement	54,000.00	53,202.36	797.64

GRANTS & REVOLVING ACCOUNTS *(Continued)*

ACCOUNT	BEGINNING BALANCE & RECEIPTS	EXPENDED	BALANCE
GRANTS:			
SPED Corrective Action	10,000.00	3,750.28	6,249.72
Teacher Training Math/Science	5,848.00	5,398.27	449.73
BTEP - Summer Program	5,325.05	4,214.40	1,110.65
Health Services	19,093.00	19,093.00	.00
Emergency Immigrant	27,222.31	25,207.53	2,014.78
Carl Perkins	3,260.00	1,770.49	1,489.51
Parent/Child home Program	80,000.00	80,000.00	.00
Truancy Prevention	3,258.64	3,222.97	35.67
Class Size Reduction	43,407.00	43,407.00	.00
PALMS	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00
Community Partnership	114,177.00	109,312.02	4,864.98
Academic Support	7,924.87	7,924.87	.00
Early Literacy Intervention	4,400.00	4,400.00	.00
Teasch Prep.	800.00	800.00	.00
High School Improvement	21,400.00	21,400.00	.00
TOTAL GRANTS	\$ 683,594.51	\$ 654,062.65	\$ 29,531.86
REVOLVING ACCOUNTS:			
Adult Evening	22,469.67	18,109.36	4,360.31
Athletics	49,935.70	34,161.38	15,774.32
Industrial Arts	4,091.93	161.23	3,930.70
Greenhouse	5,947.56	2,830.44	3,117.12
Band	5,901.32	3,494.95	2,406.37
Drama	9,995.61	10,437.16	-441.55
Lost Books	3,821.56	1,335.19	2,486.37
Cable	60.25	.00	60.25
Student Fund	20,462.06	17,269.44	3,192.62
Preschool	4,519.47	3,613.63	905.84
Berkshire Alliance	28,541.67	11,678.71	16,862.96
Student Activities	68,427.51	46,372.34	22,055.17
Summer School	12,251.34	10,978.46	2,172.88
School Choice	938,550.64	534,305.76	404,244.88
Cafeteria	250,250.76	270,463.04	-20,212.28
TOTAL REVOLVING	\$ 1,425,227.05	\$ 964,311.09	\$ 460,915.96
Energy & Utilities	104,000.00	61,468.96	42,531.04
Moving Expenses	40,000.00	40,000.00	.00



SCHOOL HEALTH OFFICE

This past school year has seen many changes. Lee Elementary School opened in January, 2002, serving children in preschool through grade six. The new health office consists of three areas: an office, a clinic, and a rest area. The new floor plan has resulted in a smoother office flow. Lee Middle / High School is presently at Lee Central School. We are anxiously waiting to view and move to the updated facility on Greylock Street.

Our school-based Health Trac Clinic continues to be a success. Dr. Robert Wespiser, our school physician, organizes the staffing. Other staff include Terry Ribadeneyra, P. A., Dr. Tom Consolati, Dr. Dan Cohen, Dr. Michael Kaplan, and Kathy Korte, F.N.P. These health care professionals are scheduled on a rotating basis. The clinic staff comes to both schools every Wednesday morning. Health Trac is grant-funded, so there are no fees at the present time. This past year, 405 students and staff were seen.

The schools offer free immunization clinics several times each year for the students. Also, the influenza immunization clinics held each fall are well attended by staff.

The fluoride swish program, sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, is offered to students in grades one through six. Last year, 177 students, 52% of the eligible population, participated.

First-aid office visits continue to keep both nurses busy. Last year, approximately 11,000 visits were made to the health office. We have updated our emergency/health information so that we may access parents easier, and keep updated on students' medical issues. Dispensing of prescription medications is also a part of both nurses' days. Approximately 4,000 prescription medications were distributed.

We would like to extend our thanks to all parents and staff who support our health program.

Respectfully submitted,

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



LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Wages Paid in Fiscal Year 2002 *

COACHES

Norma Comalli	\$ 2,080.00
John T., Perry	2,080.00
Henry Zukowski	2,080.00

SUPERINTENDENTS

Robert Siminski, Ed.D.	41,333.55
Alton, Sprague	24,068.56
Helen Vivian, Ed.D.	24,068.56

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Susan Tanguay	25,066.00
Kathie M. Ragusa-Hallock	5,787.51
Deborah L. Holmes	36,129.00

DIRECTOR OF

OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

James D. Gralla	71,367.90
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HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Susan W. Baker	28,683.00
Karen Williams	18,634.95

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

PARAPROFESSIONAL

Denise L. Collins	3,177.00
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CPC GRANT

Mary C. Raftery	19,399.44
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ACAD SUPP SUMMER

Marion Clark	1,339.75
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EARLY CHILDHOOD GRANT

Evelyn B. Deming	16,870.03
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KINDERGARTEN GRANT

Kelly-Anne Carlotto	6,397.91
Wendy A. Lampro	13,667.78
Elizabeth M. Sedelow	6,575.94

SPED GRANT

Nancy C. Cummings	17,734.22
Rebecca J. Fitzgerald	14,280.96
Jeanne M. Mosca	15,653.03
Linda L. Wilcox	13,295.77

READING

Barbara Carlisle	4,895.28
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TITLE I

Sue Farley-Turner	39,700.25
Ella Hall	21,508.58

SPED DIRECTOR

Catherine A. Stauffer	78,838.88
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SPED CLERK

Ann E. Belknap	168.00
Geraldine C. McEvoy	26,036.60

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

John Retchless	80,437.25
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ELEMENTARY

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Rosalie T. McCollum	32,215.94
Eileen A. Cardillo	20,615.51

ELEMENTARY

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Thomas R. Nadolny	50,446.07
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HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Richard T. Salinetti	98,026.94
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HIGH SCHOOL

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Kathleen R. Bort	78,548.05
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HIGH SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY

Charles B. Flynn	55,750.00
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ELEMENTARY CLERK

Kim Kirby	144.38
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ELEMENTARY SPED

PARAPROFESSIONALS

Mary J. Brouker	369.19
Mary Beth Brown	15,657.51
Robin F. Brown	505.86
Karen L. Buratto	18,608.77
Paula J. Cardillo	11,701.61
Sandra R. Consolati	13,008.61

Gale Dobson	1,786.14
Keri A. Drain	2,013.75
Lois Hall	651.38
Nathan S. Hall	16.50
Donna M. Kresiak	17,761.66
Shannon M. O'Brien	382.94
Kay E. Romeo	11,570.84
Yumiko S. Rowley	236.44
Mary E. Seward	16,135.41
Catherine A. Touponce	42.19
Sheila M. Tucker	78.38

PRE-SCHOOL TEACHER

Charlene M. Patton	42,629.00
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HIGH SCHOOL SPED TEACHERS

Timothy F. Hickey	61,754.67
Joanna M. Jeffreys	60,635.00
Michael A. Naventi	43,264.00

EIGHTH GRADE TEACHERS

Kelly S. DeVarennes	31,837.50
Candace M. Killion	33,411.00
Timothy Mertinooke-Jongkind	27,141.75
Richard Stauffer, Jr.	55,489.22

ELEMENTARY TEACHERS

Brian J. Baker	34,394.50
Paul H. Belknap	57,425.75
Jane D. Bernasconi	57,855.00
Rosalyn S. Cohen	57,095.00
Christine B. Davis	43,148.00
Kathleen DeVarennes	50,395.00
Mary A. Doherty	57,418.94
Paula Duhon	46,354.54
Lauren B. Finnegan	32,249.50
Marie T. Gormalley	49,139.00
Adele R. Hawley	45,666.00
Claire L. Hotchkiss	57,539.00
Robert Hotchkiss	58,028.79
Lucille N. Ketchum	45,989.94
Marjorie J. Lagarce	45,879.00
Elizabeth A. MacIntosh	45,768.00
Julie C. Marley	37,121.00
M. Lynne Nadorff	40,888.00
Philip J. O'Rourke	57,308.00
Cynthia G. Smith	61,307.04

Aniela M. St. Peter	58,537.00
Aurelia T. Walsh	52,670.00
Carol A. Walsh	49,016.00

AFTER SCHOOL ASSISTANT

William L. Bourdon	1,844.00
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ELEMENTARY ART TEACHER

Mary-Elizabeth Taylor	46,692.00
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ELEMENTARY MUSIC TEACHERS

Patricia C. Feldman	31,098.00
Jill M. Mongeau	59,235.74

ELEMENTARY P.E. TEACHERS

Jennifer M. Brittain	110.00
Edward M. Markowski	58,329.80
Janet E. Warner	61,201.20

HIGH SCHOOL MATH TEACHERS

Pamela A. Briggs	4,221.50
William S. Swindlehurst	37,863.86
Peter S. Warywoski	58,149.00
Anna M. Wescott	57,358.10
Thomas F. Cinella	67,764.32

HIGH SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHERS

Diane M. Ferrero	57,539.00
Thomas J. Trabka	53,516.00

HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHERS

Robin I. Curry	52,195.00
Charles R. Dickson, Jr.	46,889.92
Robert M. Hungate	61,237.14

HIGH SCHOOL INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Nicholas. F. Caimano	61,297.00
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HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH TEACHERS

Kerry Burke	60,616.00
Kathleen P. Hall	61,780.00
Cheryl D. Nelsen	59,975.50
Mary E. Verdi	38,477.00

HIGH SCHOOL**BUSINESS TEACHERS**

Bruce G. Lorance	64,079.00
Patricia L. White	58,259.00

HIGH SCHOOL FOREIGN**LANGUAGE TEACHERS**

Jeanne L. Randorf	52,840.00
Susan L. VanSickle	57,823.11

OCCUPATIONAL**EDUCATION TEACHER**

John L. Reilley	59,085.00
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HIGH SCHOOL**HOME ECONOMICS TEACHER**

Deborah J. Maroney	57,928.00
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ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

Cynthia Ellen Brouker	36,550.50
Kenneth Scarpa	52,308.00

SUMMER SPED TEACHER

Diane L. Carroll	1,882.50
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SUMMER SCHOOL SALARY

Dorothy Sekowski	795.00
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HIGH SCHOOL TUTORS

Joseph Coughlin	14,996.64
Sarah E. Glendon	1,420.00
Kimberly A. Jensen	315.00
Jorge L. Suarez	1,260.00
Julianne Sumner	1,312.50
Dinda S. Westbrook	351.75

HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHER

Joanne M. Nelson	34,863.00
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ELEMENTARY SUBSTITUTES

Kristen M. Brouker	216.00
Judith Lerner	55.00
Matthew P. Naventi	1,042.19

HIGH SCHOOL SUBSTITUTES

Jessica A. Arment	1,050.00
Jedediah S. Duquette	27.00
Shannon J. Lecompte	192.50
Rachael B. Murphy	1,356.75

HIGH SCHOOL ART TEACHER

Monica J. Celli deMovellan	39,430.00
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SPEECH TEACHERS

Susan M. Floyd	49,265.00
Eileen P. Walczak	36,436.00

ELEMENTARY AIDES

Rebecca M. Bowler	789.75
Megan M. Clarke	1,080.00
Mark J. Navin	1,834.31
Joanne M. Panetti	472.50

HIGH SCHOOL P.E. TEACHERS

Sally L. Maish	61,171.91
Jeffrey M. Puleri	30,794.91

ELEMENTARY TEACHER**SUBSTITUTES**

James R. Adams	55.00
Jennifer R. Ambrosio	55.00
Margaret A. Anthony	1,735.00
Clare M. Antil	192.50
Alison G. Barnes	55.00
Jaclyn E. Blaisdell	220.00
Michael Bogut	110.00
Lisa R. Callahan	7,599.81
Barbara J. Clarke	1,630.00
Margaret M. Daley	3,050.00
Brent A. Davis	821.19
Nancianne DiLego-Heath	8,972.25
Cindy Forgang	55.00
Michael Giannopolo	660.00
Leslie Hickey	12,349.83
Christine Jackson-Kleinerma	1,970.00
Eugene E. Kalish	165.00
James Kupernik	110.00
Kelly A. Palmer	440.00
Jeb R. Peterson	440.00
Joan A. Piacquadio	275.00

ELEMENTARY**CAFETERIA/PLAYGROUND**

Paul Boyington	3,095.85
Lisa Coulter	3,720.29
Susan H. Gore	47.66
Susan M. Martino	290.26
Sheila K. Portieri	4,095.97

HOUSEBUILDING**PARAPROFESSIONAL**

Charles M. Senter	15,783.01
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**HIGH SCHOOL SPED
PARAPROFESSIONALS**

Nora J. Babcock	17,337.88
Beverly L. Bissell	20,478.49
Letisha A. Daley	12,764.59
Kim Fromma Shook	14,978.11
Melissa M. Strezynsky	11,970.27

**MIDDLE SCHOOL
PARAPROFESSIONALS**

Sandra P. Cozzaglio	14,627.65
Beth Goetze	14,015.65
Ethel M. Noonan	17,511.47

ELEMENTARY LIBRARIAN

Nancy J. Kane	37,484.00
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**ELEMENTARY LIBRARY
PARAPROFESSIONALS**

Laura M. Moriarty	12,963.79
Patricia A. Simmons	51.56

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

Amy Consolati	12,510.96
Maryjane H. Fromm	24,613.00

MIDDLE SCHOOL SPED GRANT

Emily Mertnooke-Jongkind	12,134.50
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DRIVER EDUCATION

James A. Marino	6,384,000
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ELEMENTARY SPED TEACHERS

Katherine Daoust	36,539.15
Maryann C. Fitzhugh	56,975.00
Susan J. Horsford	31,797.00
Nancy Noonan Forget	57,695.00
Karen Terenzini	53,615.50
Christine K. Walker	48,695.00

KINDERGARTEN

Jessica Gagnon	36,468.00
Theresa Hartman	29,730.00

**HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER
SUBSTITUTES**

Adrian Bailey	270.00
Lawrence E. Bayles	110.00
Joanna Bort	1,385.75
Kathryn E. Bort	798.00
Mary K. Bradbury	1,130.00
Donna Bruce	440.00

Sarah L. Brunnell	440.00
Kelly Cummings	110.00
Laura Dignard	2,705.00
Rebecca Dinan	275.00
Amanda K. Filio	523.25
Dawn Filio	55.00
Matthew Fillio	1,397.00
Gina Impoco	880.00
Dave A. Lafamme	110.00
Reginald C. Leonard	55.00
Jessica M. Raftery	137.50
Kristen R. Shepardson	6,482.50
Heather A. Southard	165.00
Stacy L. Tart	4,890.50
Jessica M. Wilcox	605.00

SEVENTH GRADE TEACHERS

Mindy M. Chapman	33,917.75
Neil F. Clarke	58,708.00
Arlene M. Kelsey	18,209.96
Frank Tempone	33,149.00

**HIGH SCHOOL
SUBSTITUTE FOR PD.**

Elfrieda C. Pierce	55.00
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94-142 GRANT

Patricia A. Hutchinson	1,788.08
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**SPED PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT GRANT**

Marilyn Fontana	500.00
Pamela Kenyon	300.00

**KINDERGARTEN
ENHANCEMENT**

Carol Ann Rydell	894.71
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ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE

Laura Mardon	32,887.00
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**HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE
SECRETARY**

Patricia Gray	22,325.44
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ADJUSTMENT COUNSELOR

Erin O'Brien	59,407.88
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HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE

William P. Chisholm, Jr.	61,405.40
David A. Duquette	69,259.50

ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES GRANT

Cheryl Blaisdell 2,000.00

PCHP – HOME VISITS

Sonya Daly 4,108.50

CPC SPECIALISTS

Deborah H. Carter 3,235.00

KINDERGARTEN GRANT

Lori Beuth 355.38

Judith A. Duquette 1,432.20

ELEMENTARY TUTORS

Marisa Coughlin 29,870.00

Cynthia S. Haven 33,187.00

ACADEMIC SUPPORT GRANT

Jennifer M. Sweeney 598.00

SCHOOL CHOICE

Jeremy M. Turner 10,906.20

ELEMENTARY NURSE

Diane R. Naventi 27,292.92

HIGH SCHOOL NURSE

Mary D. Cinella 37,006.20

CAFETERIA DIRECTOR

John P. Haughey 25,888.00

ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA

Pamela J. Broderick 11,447.42

Judith A. Buker 12,027.67

Sally J. Herrick 4,272.80

Renette Petersoli 7,818.24

Alice A. Romeo 13,505.39

Deborah L. Santolin 10,994.46

Norma A. Tokoly 1,031.85

Linda M. Truden 2,218.54

HIGH SCHOOL SALARY

Maryangela Adams 7,752.67

Glenda L. Baczek 13,361.51

Diana M. Bianco 52.08

Heidi M. Drumm 310.62

Tracy A. Dunn 760.60

Mary Ann Forest 10,187.70

Trudy S. Lorance 7,301.61

Forrest, Mary Anne 8,832.11

Trudy S. Lorance 7301.61

Ruthe A. Meteh 72.34

Tina E. Porrini 7,772.13

CHEERLEADING

Mardi A. Goldman 412.50

Consolati, Steven F. 3,200.00

BOYS SOCCER COACH

Justin G. Desmond 2,080.00

GIRLS SOCCER COACH

Judith M. Brittain 2,040.00

QUIZ TRAVEL TEAM

Melissa Tharion 44.00

FOOTBALL COACHES

Arthur D. Beatte 2,080.00

Steven F. Consolati 3,328.00

BOYS SOCCER COACH

Hugo A. Ramirez 3,328.00

BOYS BASKETBALL COACHES

Robert J. Daley 2,080.00

Richard F. Puleri 3,328.00

SKIING COACH

Michael J. Passetto 2,080.00

BASEBALL COACH

Timothy Shepardson 4,160.00

FOOTBALL GAME MANAGERS

Stanley Daoust 600.00

Paul Porini 300.00

GIRLS SOCCER GAME MANAGER

Philip Skowron 300.00

BOYS BASKETBALL GAME MANAGER

Craig W. DeSantis 400.00

ELEMENTARY CUSTODIANS

Donald J. Gelpi 35,898.40

John P. Jones 39,464.40

Kenneth Roode 38,602.35

James Walker 28,760.95

DIST. MAINTENANCE

Gary S. Wellington 47,599.92

HIGH SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

Peter D. Anderson	37,179.06
Jeffrey R. Coons	34,779.82
Richard M. Souza	37,110.27
Glenn F. Withers	31,662.25

COMPUTER LAB

Sean wellington	843.50
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CLERK OF WORKS

Edward M. Briggs	54,000.00
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MOVING EXPENSES

David J. Campbell	1,066.50
Timothy J. Collins	1,318.50
Ryan F. Dignard	896.50
Spenser C. Gralla	1,327.50

Neil Merwin	1,787.85
Michael J. Passeto, III	2,139.50

CUSTODIAL OVERTIME

Charles H. Killackey	316.40
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**SUMMER SCHOOL
REVOLVING ACCOUNT**

Shannon L. Driscoll	275.00
Lisa Puleri	1,035.00

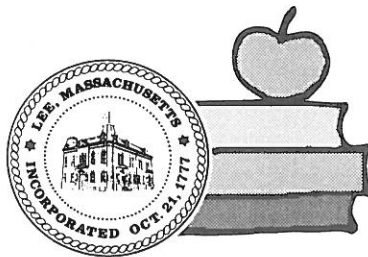
ADULT EVENING EXPENSES

Stephen A. Cozzaglio	1,008.00
Andrea N. Wadsworth	504.00

**ADULT EDUCATION
OTHER EXPENSES**

Joshua D. Hall	27.00
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* These salaries reflect monies earned fom all sources: Salary, extracurricular activities, overtime, grant writing and grant stipends.





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 - FY02 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	31,718.21	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	66,362.00	66,362.00
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	467,377.00	467,377.00

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
<i>242 Gas Inspector</i>					
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
<i>Total 242</i>	<i>3,958.20</i>	<i>4,662.00</i>	<i>4,684.00</i>	<i>4,808.00</i>	<i>4,808.00</i>
<i>244 Sealer/Weights Meas.</i>					
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
<i>Total 244</i>	<i>3,468.35</i>	<i>5,758.00</i>	<i>5,784.00</i>	<i>5,409.00</i>	<i>5,409.00</i>
<i>245 Wiring Inspector</i>					
Personnel	5,352.50	4,997.00	5,026.00	5,202.00	5,202.00
Expenses	192.16	880.00	880.00	850.00	850.00
<i>Total 245</i>	<i>5,544.66</i>	<i>5,877.00</i>	<i>5,906.00</i>	<i>6,052.00</i>	<i>6,052.00</i>
<i>246 Plumbing Inspector</i>					
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
<i>Total 299</i>	<i>4,988.00</i>	<i>6,389.00</i>	<i>6,417.00</i>	<i>6,289.00</i>	<i>6,289.00</i>
<i>291 Civil Defense</i>					
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	693.52	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
<i>Total 291</i>	<i>693.52</i>	<i>550.00</i>	<i>550.00</i>	<i>550.00</i>	<i>550.00</i>
<i>292 Animal Control Officer</i>					
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
<i>Total 292</i>	<i>6,138.10</i>	<i>11,750.00</i>	<i>11,750.00</i>	<i>17,085.00</i>	<i>17,085.00</i>
<i>299 Communications</i>					
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
<i>Total 299</i>	<i>136,385.32</i>	<i>135,626.00</i>	<i>138,164.00</i>	<i>147,279.00</i>	<i>43,182.00</i>
<i>Total Public Safety</i>	<i>873,044.11</i>	<i>879,406.00</i>	<i>911,945.00</i>	<i>952,714.00</i>	<i>848,617.00</i>

EDUCATION

Code Number	Expended FY 2000	Budget FY 2001	Proposed FY 2001	Requested FY 2002	Fin. Comm Recomm. FY 2002
<i>300 Education</i>					
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	12,000.00	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	1,4330.00
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 433	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 - Airoidi 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>29,733.00</i>	<i>29,733.00</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 the sum of \$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	577,124.71	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.

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 - Airolidi 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 Airolidi 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 \$12,300, 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 \$12,300 from funds appropriated for Central Fire Station stair

replacement (Article 33 of the May 2000 Annual Town Meeting), or take any other action relative thereto. **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. **Finance Committee recommends approval.**

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 61A and 61B 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 Airolti 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



2003

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