

**ANNUAL REPORT
of the
OFFICERS
of the
TOWN OF
HOLDERNESS
New Hampshire**

Year Ending
December 31, 2006

WE REMEMBER...

I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done,
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing
times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who
grieve, to dry before the sun
of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

Author Unknown

WITH FOND MEMORIES WE REMEMBER THE CITIZENS WE HAVE LOST THIS YEAR

Ernest Brown
Norman Frechette
Augusta Keiper
Barbara Luoto
Emile Plasse
Doris Thompson

Bertram Currier, Sr.
Janice Howe
Alice Kimball
Mary Perry
Malcolm Swetson
Lyle Thompson, Sr.

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TOWN OFFICERS

ASSESSORS' AGENT

Corcoran Consulting Association
Wil Corcoran

BOOKKEEPER

Wendy Huff

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Martha Macomber (School Board)
Kurt Magnus 3/2009
Peter Webster, (S.L.)
William Johnstone 3/2007
Sallie Fellows 3/2008

COMPLIANCE OFFICER /HEALTH OFFICER

Richard Mardin *

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Barbara Currier, (S.L.)
Anne Packard 3/2008
Larry Spencer, Chrm 3/2009
Jacquelyn Jewell 3/2008
Janet Cocchiaro 3/2009
Nancy McDonald 3/2009

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Peter Furmanick - Hgwy Agent
Robert Potter – Foreman
Dennis Hughes
Lewis Thompson

EMERGENCY MAN. SERVICES

Earl Hansen-Director
Harry Maybeck 3/2009

FIRE CHIEF

Richard Mardin *

FIRE WARDEN

Richard Mardin *

FIRE WARDS

** David Dupuis 3/2009
** Earl Hansen 3/2007
** Harold Maybeck 3/2008

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD

** Martha Macomber 3/2009
** Jane Barry 3/2008
** Laura Rollison 3/2007
** Wendy Mersch 3/2007
** Robert Heiner 3/2009

HOLDERNESS SCHOOL CLERK

** Sara Weinberg 3/2007

HOLDERNESS SCHOOL TREASURER

** Kathleen Whittemore 3/2008

HOLDERNESS SCHOOL MODERATOR

** Malcolm "Tink" Taylor 3/2008

HONOR ROLL COMMITTEE

Harry Decker, Chrm.
Barbara Currier, S.L.
Edward Ford
Patricia Ford
Lyle Thompson, Jr.
Sandy Ray
Russell Morin

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Robert Snelling
Bruce Whitmore

LIBRARIAN

Suzanne Peoples

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

** Laurence Webster 3/2009
** Frances "Kay" Hanson 3/2009
** Susan Beeson 3/2007
** Sandra Ray 3/2008
** Todd Elgin 3/2007

MODERATOR

** Ross V. Deachman 3/2007

MUNICIPAL SECRETARY

Anne Abear

OVERSEER OF WELFARE

Krystal Alpers
Louis Pare-Deputy
Kathleen Wieliczko-Deputy

TOWN OFFICERS

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PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Malcolm "Tink" Taylor

PLANNING BOARD

Earl Hansen, Chrm	3/2008
Suzanne Peoples, S.L.	
Joanna Tuverson	3/2007
Robert Snelling	3/2009
Angela Franceso	3/2007
Nancy Scothorne	3/2009
David Horton, Alt.	3/2008

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief-Jeremiah Patridge
 Lieutenant-Barry D. Tanner
 Patrol Officer-Erik F. DiFilippe
 Patrol Officer- David Bourne
 Patrol Officer- Michael Barney
 Patrol Officer-Seth I. Learned
 Stephanie MacKay - Secretary

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Wendy Werner

RECREATION BOARD

Sidney Lovett, S.L.	
Thomas Stepp, Chrm.	3/2007
George Sutcliffe	3/2008
Janis Messier	3/2008
John Fogarty	3/2009
Robert Stark	3/2009
Fawn Ouellette	3/2009

SELECTMEN

** Barbara Currier	3/2007
** Peter S. Francesco, Chair	3/2008
** Peter Webster	3/2007
** Suzanne Peoples	3/2008
** Sidney Lovett	3/2009

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

** Margaret Winton	3/2010
** Frances K. Hanson	3/2008
** Frances Taylor	3/2012

TAX COLLECTOR

Ellen King	Appointed
Deputy, Alicia Abbott	(resigned)*
Deputy, Anne Abear	

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Walter P. Johnson

TOWN AUDITORS

Vachon & Clukay
 Dave Clukay
 131 Middle Street
 Manchester, NH 03101

TOWN CLERK

** Ellen King	3/2008
Alicia Abbott (resigned)*	
Anne Abear	

TOWN TREASURER

** Todd Elgin
3/2007

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUND

** Maurice Lafreniere	3/2008
** Brinton Woodward	3/2007
** Bonnie Hunt	3/2009

WEB SITE COMMITTEE

Alicia Abbott
 Peter Webster (S.L.)
 Nancy Voorhis

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Jack Barbera, Chr	3/2009
Ivan Bass	3/2009
Gyda Dicosola	3/2007
Harry Decker, Alt.	3/2008
Susan Webster, Vice Chr	3/2008
Timothy Lyons, Alt.	3/2007
Robert Rothschild	3/2009

*	"...until another person shall be chosen and qualified..."
**	Elected Officials
S.L.	Selectmen Liason

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT 2006



Holderness Board of Selectmen L-R Peter Francesco, Sidney Lovett, Barbara Currier, Peter Webster and Suzanne Peoples

2006 was another good year for our great community. The town ran well this year although we had a few changes in personnel. After five years, Administrative Assistant, Dee Canavan, moved to help out on her parent's farm in Pennsylvania. We are fortunate to have hired Anne Abear to take Dee's position in assisting our Administrator, Walter Johnson. Anne comes to us with seven years experience having worked in town government in both Ashland and Tamworth. She is a bright, willing worker and ready to face new challenges as they are presented. Alicia Abbott has also moved on from her position as Ellen King's deputy Town Clerk and Tax collector. Although she continues to help us keep our web site up to date, Alicia has gone to work at the Squam Lakes Conservation Society, just down the road. We thank her for the five years of service she gave us and wish her well. Alicia's position has been filled by Amy Sharpe a resident of Coxboro Road. Long time bookkeeper, Nick Deruvo has retired (again) and his position has been filled by Wendy Huff. Wendy comes to us from Sandwich and the transition was as smooth as could be. Mike O'Leary left his position as Town Treasurer and has been replaced by Todd Elgin, also a smooth transition. Todd comes with experience in government, as a former Councilman and finance, as a former bank director. He also replaced Amanda Loud on the Library Board of Trustees.

David Goodwin left the Highway Department and we were fortunate to have replaced him with long time resident Lewie Thompson. Welfare director Louis Pare left us and we were able to hire Krystal Alpers. She also has the same position for the Town of Bristol. Mike Barney moved out of Holderness leaving vacancies on the Conservation Commission and an opening for a Trustee of Trust Funds. We had two openings for both positions, they were filled by Janet Cocchiario and Nancy MacDonald on the Conservation Commission and

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT 2006

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Brinton (Pete) Woodward and Bonnie Hunt were appointed as Trustees of Trust Funds. One of the openings on the Conservation Commission was created by the resignation of Reggie Pettitt, which was accepted with regrets. Reggie has added a lot to the Conservation Commission and will continue in a conservation role as he has agreed to serve in trail development with students from Holderness Prep School. We will miss his input and good judgment.

While we say goodbye to those people who have moved on, we say thank you and best wishes. At the same time we welcome all of those people who have stepped up to fill their shoes. We are very proud of the people, new and old, that see Holderness stays on a calm course. When you see any of them you may just want to say thanks.

You may have noticed another change at the Town Hall in that you can now get your vehicles registered and have a license plate issued all in one visit. The board wholeheartedly supported this service to better serve the Holderness residents.

The Police, Fire and Highway Departments are all running well and it has been another successful year at the transfer station. The value of recyclables was high all year and you have saved as much as fifty thousand dollars with your effort and cooperation at the site.

Lets look now to another smooth and successful year for the Town of Holderness.

Respectfully submitted,

Holderness Board of Selectmen

Peter Francesco, Chairman
Barbara Currier, Vice-Chair
Sidney Lovett
Suzanne Peoples
Peter Webster

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S 2006 REPORT



Holderness Town Office Personnel L-R: Anne Abear, Wendy Huff, Amy Sharpe, Ellen King, Wendy Werner, and Walter Johnson

It is my privilege and pleasure to present to you my report as Town Administrator for the year 2006.

As others have mentioned throughout this report, we said “farewell” to a number of staff members this year. We extend our best wishes to all of them for a successful future. We also welcomed a group of excellent replacements. I am extremely pleased with the quality of new staff members we have been able to attract to our team of hard working, dedicated employees. It is obvious to me the Town of Holderness is very much respected as a quality employer in this region.

As I continue my way through my second year as your town administrator, I feel we have made excellent progress in improving one very important area of our local government; communication among Departments, Boards and Committees. Through the technology available to us via the internet and e-mail we are communicating information, minutes and agendas to over 40 individuals on a weekly basis keeping them advised of the activity on various topics important to the proper function of Holderness town government.

Looking forward to 2007, my priority projects include completing the installation of our Graphic Information System (GIS) that will to be utilized by a number of different departments and committees in performing their respective functions; we also plan to have some of our GIS data be accessible to the public via the internet sometime in the near future. Other priority projects include continuing our efforts to improve our property record and assessing information including updating our filing system and completing our capital improvement and project plan for all of our Town departments and committees.

I would like to thank the members of the Board of Selectmen, the Town office staff, the department heads and all of our employees for their support and cooperation and for the excellent work they do for the citizens of Holderness.

I look forward to serving you in 2007 and encourage you to stop in the Town office, call, write or e-mail me with any comments, suggestions and/or concerns you may have about your local government.

Walter P. Johnson

TOWN BEACH ANNUAL REPORT

From June 16 through Labor Day, the beach was open and supervised by a Beach Attendant from 10AM to 5PM (weather permitting). The duties of the Beach Attendant include monitoring the use of the beach by Holderness residents/taxpayers and their guests and enforcing the rules of the beach as stated in the Rules and Regulations. They are also on site to take care of the beach, mowing the lawn, raking the beach, emptying the trash, and other maintenance necessary to keep the beach clean, attractive, and safe. Please remember, that while Beach Attendants are offered CPR and First Aid training, they are not lifeguards.

In 2006, 275 beach passes were purchased, up from 247 the year before. The beach passes for 2007 are available and can be purchased at Town Hall. Be sure to pick up your copy of the Town Beach Rules and Regulations and please review it with everyone in your family. This facility is one of the most cherished assets in town and we appreciate all of you who support the rules.

In addition to a fine sandy beach, the Town Beach provides swing sets, picnic tables, a raft, porta-potties, and a changing room. A public phone is provided for limited local calls and emergency use. Trash receptacles are provided for your convenience at the beach, but we are very appreciative of those who adhere to the “carry in / carry out” policy.

We started off the 2006 season with a few incidents of vandalism at the beach. There were several late night campfires leaving behind broken glass and hot coals. Unfortunately, we also had damage to the walkway caused by someone driving his or her vehicle down to the beach. With the watchful eyes of the Holderness Police Department and neighbors, these issues dissipated quickly and there were not any other major incidents. Please notify a Beach Attendant, the Recreation Director, or a Recreation Board member if you see any unsafe conditions at the beach or if you see anyone doing damage to the equipment or property.

We would like to thank Peter Furmanick and the crew from the Public Works Department. They were helpful once again last spring. As a result of their hard work the wet conditions were abated in the parking area by re-grading, adding some gravel and a conservation mix to stabilize the sloping area. Although these improvements were made, we know that parking is still tight and appreciate your patience and forbearance with the sometimes crowded conditions.

As in years past, the beach was set up and closed down primarily by volunteers from the Recreation Board and by students from the Holderness School. In the spring this involved setting out the raft and swim lines, putting up the swings, and raking the beach. In the fall, the lines were pulled in, equipment stored and the raft was beached in preparation for winter.

We thank all of the residents and taxpayers for caring for the Town Beach, a treasure in our community. It is there for all to enjoy and we strive to make it a comfortable, safe and fun atmosphere.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Werner (Recreation Director)

George (Biff) Sutcliffe (Secretary)

Jay Fogarty

Janis Messier

Tom Stepp (Chairman)

Sidney Lovett (Selectman Liaison)

Fawn Ouellette

Bob Stark

HOLDERNESS COMPLIANCE OFFICER'S 2006 REPORT

Wells	10
Cottages	4
House	13
Additions	6
Alterations/Repairs	12
Foundations	1
Change of Use	1
Sheds	6
Signs	1
Garages	5
Septic Systems	18
Septic Repairs	3
Porch	4
Mobile Home	1
Demolition	11
Day Care Center	1
Commercial Buildings	1
Decks	2
Barn	6
Applications Reviewed	106
Permits Issued	103
Permits Denied	9
ZBA Approval	6

Respectfully Submitted
Richard Mardin
Fire Chief/Compliance Officer

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2006 REPORT

Members of the Commission monitor all town properties and easements on a regular basis, particularly those properties and easements related to LCIP. LCIP stands for Land Conservation Investment Program. Those duties involve monitoring one easement, the Crawford easement, and two properties, the Pilote Forest and the Pemi Riverside Park. The latter two properties were purchased with LCIP funds. LCIP has now been transformed into the Land Conservation and Heritage Investment Program. This year the Chair and Tom Stepp, a Holderness resident, walked the boundary lines of the Pilote Forest. The Commission appreciates Tom's assistance on this matter. We also monitor the Town Forest, the Chabot and the Swainey Brook Easements. We are hoping to hold a public education meeting about easement, particularly those adjacent to wetlands. We are also planning to hold a public meeting on vernal pools. We strongly encourage the Town and its officials to support our efforts by contributing annually to the Town's Conservation Fund.

The Commission continues to be strongly interested in the protection of the local environment, particularly with respect to water (streams, lakes and wetlands). It is important to protect the local watersheds and the streams that flow out of those watersheds into Squam Lake and the Pemigewasset River. The Commission has worked closely with the Planning Board, the Squam Lakes Association and the Squam Lakes Conservation Society on those matters. It is also very important for the Town of Holderness to protect the gravel-pack aquifers associated with the intervale area and the Town should strongly adhere to existing planning and zoning regulations with respect to actions in the that area. In the University's new master plan, the University hopes to purchase properties on North and South River Streets. The town should work closely with the University to expand our existing park on South River Street and to work with the University in returning the bank-side areas to a natural riparian habitat.

The Commission continues to work on developing a trail system that would include access to the Pilote Property from the Central School via the Town Forest. Such a trail would allow Central School students to do natural history studies and also community service work. We continue to meet with both school officials and local residents about the project. Raw materials have been procured by Commissioner Pettitt for the trail and we are hoping to begin work on trail improvement in the spring of 2007. We are also continuing work on the development of a formal town-wide system of trails that would allow users to hike from the town center to Plymouth. We are actively seeking out local residents to work with us on this project.

The Commission continues to deal on a regular basis with items related to docks, wetlands permits, etc. We work closely with the Town Compliance Officer, Richard Mardin, on those matters. We've continued with our plan of visiting all the prime wetlands in the Town of Holderness. We continue to spend a large amount of time dealing with issues associated with the gravel pits and prime wetlands. We met with the Pemi Fish and Game Club board and have also toured the NH Fish and Game Facility on Perch Pond Road. Because we are dealing with increasingly complex issues with respect to wetlands and encroachment on wetlands, we hope that the town will hold another joint meeting in the spring of 2007 with the Conservation Commission, the Selectboard, the Planning Board, the ZBA, and the Compliance Officer to continue to examine present processes and procedures and to determine whether changes

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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are needed to those. One Commissioner, Anne Packard, has been designated to watch over “permits to cut” in the town.

The Commission sponsored/cosponsored one regional meeting this past year in conjunction with PSU’s Center for the Environment. The meeting was aimed at the Pemi-Baker Watershed commission and much of the discussion revolved around uses of the Current Use Penalty tax and the question of conservation easement.

Commissioners continue to work on their own understanding of environmental matters through attendance at workshops and meetings. The Chair attended the Annual Meeting of the NH Association of Conservation Commissions and also the Annual Watershed Conference. Reggie Pettitt and other Holderness school faculty have had their students work on projects involving local ecosystems, one in particular that is adjacent to the Pemi Riverside Park.

Commissioner Reggie Pettitt resigned in December. The Commission thanks Reggie for his work as a member of the Commission. Barbara Currier continues to be a faithful attendee at our meetings as the representative from the Selectboard. The Selectboard has appointed a new member, Janet Cocchiaro, and an alternate, Nancy McDonald.

The Commission will be meeting the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm at the town hall except for the summer months. Special meetings and field inspections are sometimes held in between regular meetings. If you have an interest in the work of the Commission or would like to become a member of the Commission, please contact the Town Administrator at the Town Office. All proceedings of the Commission are open to the public and we welcome all comments and any offers of assistance. The Commission maintains a website at: www.holdernessconservationcommission.org

Submitted by:

Janet Cocchiaro
Jacque Jewell
Nancy McDonald (Alternate)
Anne Packard
Reggie Pettitt (Through December)
Larry Spencer, Chairman
Barbara Currier, Selectboard Representative

CURRENT USE REPORT – 2006

Total Acres Enrolled in Current Use – 2006 -----	16.39
Total Acres Removed from Current Use – 2006 -----	0
Total Land Use Change Penalty – 2006 -----	0
TOTAL PARCELS -----	224
TOTAL ACRES -----	11,233
TOTAL VALUE -----	\$1,080,920

FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2006

This was a very interesting and different year for the Fire Department. Along with the usual (how usual can a fire be?) fires, accidents and medical calls, we received our new truck (12E5) and our new boat.

We had in mind what we wanted for a multi-purpose firefighting/rescue boat when we were authorized to spend up to \$25,000 by the 2006 Town Meeting. After looking around, it was decided to get what we needed and the best bang for the buck that we would build the boat ourselves. “We” is a very loose term in that all of the work has been done by Skip VanSickle (thank goodness he retired from the boat business). His knowledge of the marine business and its vendors has been invaluable. The boat has not hit the water yet but will be ready for duty at the dock behind the library in the spring of 2007.

12 Engine 5 is another story. After looking at several different fire apparatus companies we decided on New Lexington from Pennsylvania. The workmanship was very good and their price was well below any of the other companies. The 2005 Town Meeting authorized the expenditures of \$275,000 for this truck. It was ordered right after the meeting with an anticipated delivery of mid October. The Kenworth cab and chassis was delivered ahead of schedule giving us hope that we might see the apparatus sooner; that was not to be. Two members drove down to Pennsylvania to discuss construction details and were very impressed with the workmanship and progress; things were looking good. Then, we started to hear whispers of New Lexington having financial problems. After many calls from us and promises from them, two firefighters were sent to Pennsylvania to get the truck and bring it to Holderness. Fortunately, we did that just in time as several days later the plant was closed and locked by the bank. Several months went by and all of the assets were auctioned off – including several partially completed trucks. The truck was missing several valves and most of the gauges which were installed by a firm in Ossipee. Although there were some trying times getting the truck and it ended up costing a little more than we had anticipated, the Town can be very proud of a well built piece of equipment that should serve the community nicely for many years to come.

Thank you all for your continued support. Please feel free to stop in and visit your Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted

Richard E. Mardin, Chief
Holderness Fire Department

**HOLDERNESS FIRE-RESCUE DEPARTMENT
RUNS FOR 2006**

Medical Aid	113
Rescue	6
Motor Vehicle	36
Vehicle Fire	3
Mutual Aid	26
Structure Fire	5
Chimney Fire	5
Furnace	2
Electrical	1
Lightning	0
Forest Fire	8
Alarm Activation	26
Smoke Investigation	4
Arcing Wires	5
Fuel Spill	0
Haz-mat	1
False	1
Flood	1
Service	5
Other	14
 Total	 262

FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT 2006

The year 2006 Forest Fire Season was short, due to the wetness of the year. We responded to seven forestry calls, see data below. There was 388 fire permits issued between the Fire Warden and the Town Clerk.

Warden and Deputy Warden Training

3-26-06	Holderness	Trivett Ln	\$104.58
3-31-06	Gilford	Belknap Mtn.	\$162.18
4-19-06	Alton	off Rt 28	\$ 68.66
4-21-06	Bristol	Peaked Hill Rd	\$383.41
8-14-06	Holderness	RDC Camps	\$323.00
10-29-06	Holderness	Lane Road	\$282.00
12-02-06	Holderness	I-93	\$ 85.00

Fire permits can be obtained at the Fire Station or the Town Clerk's office Monday-Friday 8am to 4pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Richard Mardin
Forest Fire Warden

LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT 2006

Building improvements in 2006 included the construction of a roof to extend over the lower level rear entrance. That means of egress has been plagued during the winter months by a build up of snow and ice. Other improvements included the installation of new honeycomb shades and a new sign on the front lawn that reflects the revised name of the library. During August, damage to a wall on the lower level was determined to have been caused by a vehicle collision with the building. There was little noticeable damage on the outside of the building (remarkably) yet considerable damage on the interior. There was no way to determine who was responsible. During the fall, it was necessary to bring in an exterminator to rid the library of an infestation of bats.

Increased programming continues to be a focus. For more information please read the librarian's annual report.

Efforts are being made to revitalize the Friends of the Library whose function is to support the work of the library through volunteerism. There is considerable interest being generated and many great ideas for building a great support team. If you are an individual who values libraries and the part they play as a cultural and informational center for the community and you would like to help expand the services the library can offer to the public, we invite you to become a part of this upcoming team. Your ideas, enthusiasm and energy are vital.

Considerable time has been spent this year on planning for the library addition which is so needed. There are many challenges associated with the goal of updating and improving a nearly 100 year old building that has had minimal attention paid to it over the years. The building is small, inefficient and dated and needs improvements in its operating systems. It is not handicapped accessible. Technological advances require revised space planning, new equipment, and training. Additional space is needed to offer access to services designed to provide opportunities for ALL PEOPLE to enrich their lives, and improve their life skills through literacy, culture, and information. A goal of libraries is to empower people to change their lives. As we make our way through the maze we will be reaching out to the community for assistance. This is a big undertaking that requires a lot of community support and involvement. We hope you will be there to participate in this exciting project designed to enrich our community.

Holderness Library Trustees
Laurence Webster
Frances "Kay" Hanson
Susan Beeson
Sandra Ray
Todd Elgin

LIBRARY DIRECTORS REPORT 2006

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday and Wednesday 10am-6pm. Friday 10am.-1pm. Saturday 10am-1pm

E-Mail: holdernesslibrary@adelphia.net **Web Page:** holdernessfreelibrary.org

Telephone: (603) 968-7066

STATISTICS 2006

CIRCULATION

Adult Items -----	5373
Child Items -----	1425
Total Circulated -----	6798

PATRONS

Number of families registered -----	1606
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HOLDINGS

17,227

Increased programming continues to be a focus at the library. The adult book discussion group initiated in January has been well received and continues to attract new readers. The fall series of books focused on learning about other cultures. If you enjoy talking about what you are reading please consider joining the group which is open to all adults. Also on-going during the winter months is the Wednesday "Sew What" group. Needle workers, sewers, fabric artists who have portable projects and would like to get together with other like-minded souls for conversation, and/or assistance, this is your chance. Those interested can participate in a specific knitting project to benefit the children at the Whole Village daycare center in Plymouth. Three exhibits over the year featured art by NH artists. If you or someone you know creates art or has a special collection that could be placed on display in the library please contact the librarian. There are many talented people out there and we need assistance in identifying who they are. Throughout the year there are many children's programs including the summer reading program, story time, Halloween pumpkin decorating, story tellers and children's performers, turkey bingo, and the Santa Sale to name a few.

The Friends of the library have continued with their on-going book sale making sale books available during library hours. Patricia L'Abbe has been managing this sale for the past two years.

As in the past, I wish to express my appreciation to the five dedicated Library Trustees who give their unflagging support and energy to the continued positive development and maintenance of our town's library.

Respectfully submitted

Suzanne B. Peoples,
Library Director

TOWN OF HOLDERNESS

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ~ MINUTES

MARCH 14 & 15, 2006

At the annual Town Meeting of the Town of Holderness held on March 14 and 15, 2006 the following business was transacted.

At 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at the Holderness Town Hall, Moderator Ross Deachman convened the meeting and began reading the warrant. After reading Article 1, the Moderator declared the polls opened. At 7:00 p.m. the polls closed and the ballots counted. Results were announced and the Moderator declared the winners.

At 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2006 at Holderness Central School the Meeting resumed. Moderator Ross Deachman opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag led by Malcolm "Tink" Taylor and had a moment of silence for those residents that passed away during the year 2005. Moderator Ross Deachman asked for a motion that we dispense with the reading of the remainder of the Warrant and take the articles up one at a time as they appear in the Warrant. Moved by Malcolm "Tink" Taylor and seconded by Earl Hansen. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

Article 1:	To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:	
	Selectmen for 3 Years:	
	Sidney Lovett.....	213
	13 Write-Ins	
	Town Treasurer for 1 Year:	
	Todd Elgin.....	234
	Trustee for Trust Fund for 3 Years:	
	25 Write-In	
	Library Trustee for 2 Years:	
	Sandra L. Ray	243
	Library Trustee for 3 Years: (Vote for Two)	
	Frances "Kay" Hanson	227
	Laurence J. Webster	217
	Supervisor of Checklist for 2 Years:	
	Frances "Kay" Hanson	241
	Supervisor of Checklist for 6 Years:	
	Frances "Fran" L.H. Taylor	240
	Fire Ward for 3 Years:	
	David F. Dupuis	242

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Election Results

School Board Member for 3 Years:	
Robert Heiner	210
Martha Macomber	232

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ~ MINUTES

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Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

Moved by Samuel Laverack and seconded by Suzanne Peoples. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 3: Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property taxes for all those who qualify under RSA 72:39-a&b as follows:

Age Range	Current Exemption	Modified Exemption
65-74	10,000	25,000
75-79	15,000	30,000
80 +	20,000	50,000

If approved, these amounts would take effect on April 1, 2006.

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Peg Winton. No discussion followed. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to begin the planning, design and construction of a new Honor Roll memorial. Said amount to be taken from the Honor Roll Capital Reserve Account. No amount to be raised by taxes. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or by December 31, 2007 whichever is sooner.
Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Kathy Huss. The Moderator recognized Harry Decker, Chairman of the Honor Roll Committee who recognized the other Committee Members as Edward Ford, Patricia Ford, Sandy Ray, Barbara Currier, Lyle "Tom" Thompson, Jr. and Russell Morin. Mr. Decker explained that the condition of the existing Veteran's Memorial located at the Holderness Town Library is beyond repair and is incomplete of veteran's names and in need of further research. Board of Selectmen requested of the Honor Roll Committee a design and location for the new memorial. The Grange has assisted the committee with the assistance of a professional researcher and has found 400 names from the Revolutionary War to the present that should be listed on the Memorial. Mr. Decker stated that once the location and design of the Memorial is finalized and approved by the Board of Selectmen, funds would be needed for the start up costs for the stonework. The Grange will contribute \$ 5,000 towards the memorial. The Honor Roll Capital Reserve has around \$10,900 with an additional request of \$10,000 to be appropriated this year. Mr. Decker explained the Committee hopes to fund the project by private donations. A resident asked what locations were being considered. Mr. Decker responded that of the 4 properties owned by the Town the two sites being considered are the Library and the Town Hall. Gary Cripps questioned if the statement in the article not to raise tax money for this project is correct. Mr. Decker responded that if the site and design is approved prior to the next annual Town

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Meeting the \$15,000 in Article 4, if passed, would be available to start up the project such as a down payment on the granite necessary for the memorial. Mr. Decker stated if the \$10,000 requested in Article 5 for the Honor Roll Capital Reserve Fund does not pass then Article 4 would be limited to the money currently in the Honor Roll Capital Reserve Fund. Moderator Deachman explained money is being raised for the project from taxes in funding the capital reserve fund in Article 5 but not in this article. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purchase of a new fire boat and to fund said appropriation by authorizing the Selectmen to withdraw Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) from the Fire Department Equipment Reserve Fund. Balance of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be raised by taxes. **Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Kathy Huss. No discussion followed. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$264,000) to be placed into the following Capital Reserve Funds:

Fire/Rescue Vehicles	\$30,000.
Road Reconstruction.	150,000.
White Oak Pond Dam.	1,000.
Library	10,000.
Municipal Buildings	2,000.
Revaluation	19,000
Fire Equipment	2,000.
Honor Roll	10,000.
Public Works Vehicles	35,000.
Police Cruiser	5,000.
TOTAL	\$264,000.

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Kathy Huss. No discussion followed. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

The Moderator announced the results of the town election, Holderness Central School and the Pemi-Baker School District, which took place on Tuesday, March 14, 2006.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Sixty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$169,000) for the following capital projects and to fund

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this appropriation by authorizing the Selectmen to withdraw the sums indicated from the following designated Capital Reserve Funds for these purposes:

Road Reconstruction	\$150,000
Revaluation	19,000
TOTAL	\$169,000.

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Moved by Peg Winton and seconded by Earl Hansen. The Moderator asked the Board of Selectmen which roads were being considered for reconstruction. Peter Francesco, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, replied the roads selected were East Holderness Rd., Beede Rd., Hardhack Rd., Seven Pines Rd. and Bob House Rd. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer Four Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$4,300) from the Land Use Change Tax Fund to the Conservation Reserve Fund.

Moved by Suzanne Peoples and seconded by Samuel Laverack. Larry Spencer, Chairman of the Conservation Committee, explained the Town of Holderness has 225 parcels enrolled in the Current Use Program, with a total acreage of 11,216.61, with a valuation of \$1,160,816. Current use properties are taxed at a reduced assessment. Mr. Spencer explained when these property owners take land out of current use they must pay a penalty tax. Mr. Spencer stated Article 8 is to take the current use land change tax funds from the 7.91 acres withdrawn from current use in 2005 which was \$4,300.00 and transfer that amount of money into Conservation Reserve Fund. Mr. Spencer explained the purpose of the Conservation Fund is to use the money received from the current use change tax funds to purchase properties or easements and/or to assist land owners in developing easements. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Nine Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-Five Dollars (\$1,933,785.) which represents the operating budget for the Town. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Malcolm "Tink" Taylor. A resident asked how the 2006 budget compared to last year. Selectman Peter Webster replied that it was up 4.4% from last year. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to support the Selectmen accepting a donation of land and buildings thereon from Holderness 2000 located behind Curry Place off US Route 3 containing approximately 1.8 acres know as Map 102 Lot 006. The property to be for public use. Said acceptance to be in accordance with RSA 41:14-a and the authorization given to the Selectmen in Article 7 of the 2004 annual town meeting.

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Moved by Kathy Huss and seconded by Angela Francesco. Alden Van Sickle asked if the Board of Selectmen support Article 10. Selectmen Peter Francesco replied that the Board of Selectmen support this article as well as the Planning Board and Conservation Committee. Selectperson Suzanne Peoples asked about a note on the map regarding a proposed Visitors Center and if this is part of the plan being voted on. Selectmen Samuel Laverack replied that it is for the acceptance of the land and the note for the proposed Visitor Center is not on the parcel being accepted by the Town. Selectmen Peter Francesco stated prior to the deeding of this property to the Town of Holderness there will be a boundary line adjustment between Curry Place and Holderness 2000 which will move the property line behind the Holderness Post Office building for possible future expansion on that building. Frances "Kay" Hanson asked if there are any building restrictions on this property. Selectmen Francesco replied that the Board of Selectmen have not had any discussion on the future uses of this property and are unaware of any restrictions on this property at this time. Peg Winton asked who would maintain this property. Selectmen Francesco replied said there has been no discussion on the maintenance at this time. Malcolm "Tink" Taylor asked if this might be a potential Honor Roll Memorial Site. Harry Decker replied that the committee would consider this location. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

Article 11: To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

The Moderator recognized Peter Francesco.

Mr. Francesco welcomed Sidney Lovett to the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Francesco recognized and thanked Samuel Laverack for his 26 years service to the Town of Holderness. Mr. Laverack was on the Budget Committee, Trustee of Trust Funds, Municipal Facilities Committee, Holderness Central School Board and the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Francesco presented Mr. Laverack with a granite bird bath with a sundial.

The Moderator expressed his appreciation to Mr. Laverack for his years of service to the community and all those who willingly serve the Town of Holderness.

Mr. Laverack thanked all those who he worked with through the years and for the support of the community.

Malcolm "Tink" Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Earl Hansen. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen King
Holderness Town Clerk

PLANNING BOARD REPORT 2006

The update work on the Master Plan has been completed and accepted by the Planning Board. By the time you read this it should be available on the Town Web site <http://www.holderness-nh.gov/> or at the Town Hall and also in the Library. The Plan was divided into stand alone chapters in order to make it easier to update it more frequently. This should allow for more of the plan to be updated in-house rather than hiring consultants to do the work. Look at the Plan when you get an opportunity and let the Board know if you have any suggestions for improvement or changes.

We thank the many residents who contributed their thoughts, comments and time to this document. We are grateful for the consideration and cooperation of the Town departments, employees and committees. Although it has been a long process, your support has been very helpful.

The Board hopes that you will support the proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance which will be before you on the ballot in 2007. These are mainly changes in Federal and State issues that will bring our Ordinance up to date.

The Board meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7 PM in the Town Hall (occasional changes in time and location). The agendas for the meetings are posted on the web site, at the Town Hall and in the Post Office. All are welcome to attend. If you have a planning issue, feel free to discuss it with the Municipal Secretary, the Compliance Officer or any member of the Planning Board.

We need several additional members for the Board. If you are interested, please contact any member of the Board or the Town Administrator.

Respectfully Submitted,
Holderness Planning Board
Earl Hansen, Chairman
Bob Snelling Vice Chairman
Joanna Tuveson, Secretary
Suzanne Peoples, Selectman Representative
Nancy Scothorne
Angie Francesco
Dave Horton

HOLDERNESS POLICE DEPARTMENT

2006 ANNUAL REPORT

The Holderness Police Department started 2006 with a vacant position for a full time officer. In June we were successful in filling that position with the hiring of Seth Learned. Seth had been working at the Holderness Private School when he applied and had no prior law enforcement experience. Eager to begin a career in law enforcement he successfully completed the medical, physical fitness, psychological requirements as well as passing a polygraph examination.



Officer Seth Learned

Officer Learned and Officer David Bourne attended the 141st Police Academy at the NH Police Standards and Training in Concord. They started classes in August and graduated on the 17th of November 2006. While at the academy they were required to successfully complete sixty written tests, three physical fitness evaluations and several practical, "hands on" evaluations.

During the fall the Holderness cruisers were upgraded with the installation of the Project54 system. This advanced technology provides the Department with the ability to respond to emergencies with greater safety and an increased investigative ability. Project54 provided new light bars, sirens, and radars, as well as laptop computers and GPS units. An officer can activate the emergency warning devices and the radio, without having to take his eyes off the road, or his hands off the steering wheel, by the use of voice commands alone.

The Project54 system was developed by the University of New Hampshire in cooperation with the New Hampshire Department of Safety and is funded by the Department of Justice through the efforts and continued support of Senator Judd Gregg.

On the 22nd of January 2007 Officer Michael Barney will be attending D.A.R.E. Instructor Training at the N.H. National Guard Training Center in Center Strafford, NH. The training is done over a two week period during which Mike will be required to reside at the facility. Officer Barney and I are excited about the future of the D.A.R.E Program under his leadership. The funding for this program is provided entirely through donations and is not part of the municipal budget. I would like to thank the members of the Squam Valley Masonic Lodge for once again providing the funds necessary to support this important program.

Our objective for the upcoming year is to reduce the number of speeding vehicles within the Town of Holderness. To meet this goal, we will use a Speed Enforcement grant from the Highway Safety Agency in an effort to double the number of motor vehicle stops from last year. This grant will fund a designated patrol focusing on motor vehicle enforcement. We will also use a speed enforcement sign permanently mounted on Route 3 near Old Ledge Road. This sign will alert drivers coming into the posted 30 MPH zone of their speed by displaying their actual speed.

I would like to thank all the townspeople of Holderness for their support. It again is my hope that we can all work together in a cooperative, productive manner to ensure that Holderness remains a safe and pleasant place to live.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeremiah Patridge
Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT 2006 REPORT

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The following information was compiled by the Plymouth Dispatch Center. In 2006, they handled 6,891 calls for the Holderness Police Department. The dispatch center handles calls for seven agencies. The dispatch center logged in 57,710 calls for service in 2006. Below is a breakdown including percentage of use over the last three years.

	2006 Total		2005 Total		2004 Total	
	CFS	Percent	CFS	Percent	CFS	Percent
Ashland	5,888	10.2%	4,818	9.5%	5,538	11.0%
Bridgewater	1,673	2.9%	1,261		0	
Bristol	10,626	18.4%	7,026	13.8%	5,702	11.3%
Campton	4,327	7.5%	5,200	10.2%	5,287	10.5%
Holderness	6,891	11.9%	4,464	8.8%	3,664	7.3%
Plymouth	16,766	29.1%	17,270	33.9%	17,695	35.1%
PSU	11,539	20.0%	10,853	21.3%	12,569	24.9%

2006 POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

911 HANG-UP	49	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	50
ABANDONING A VEHICLE	3	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT (Fatality) .0	
ALARM(Business & Residential & Fire)141		MOTOR VEHICLE CITATIONS	52
ALCOHOL OFFENSES	25	MOTOR VEHICLE COMPLAINT	58
ANIMAL INVOLVED INCIDENTS	100	MOTOR VEHICLE WARNINGS	748
ARRESTS (Total)	66	MOTOR VEHICLE / DWI	8
ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENTS	315	NOISE COMPLAINT	28
ATTEMPT TO COMMIT BURGLARY	1	OFFICER FOLLOW-UP	192
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	3	OPEN/UNSECURE DOOR	6
BENCH WARRANT	2	PAPER SERVICE / RELAY	59
BURGLARY	7	PARKING COMPLAINT / INFO	35
CITIZEN REQUEST ASSISTANCE	195	PARKING TICKETS	32
CIVIL MATTER	3	PISTOL PERMITS	39
CIVIL STANDBY	9	POSSESSION OF CONTR. DRUGS	6
CONDUCT AFTER AN ACCIDENT	4	PROTECTIVE CUSTODY	3
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	24	RECKLESS OPERATION	6
CRIMINAL RECORDS	67	REGISTRATION OF SEX OFFENDER	4
CRIMINAL THREATENING	7	RESISTING ARREST OR DETENTION	2
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	4	RUNAWAY JUVENILE	2
DAMAGED PROPERTY	2	SEXUAL ASSAULT	3
DIRECTED PATROL (including radar) . 522		SIMPLE ASSAULT	12
DISORDERLY ACTIONS / CONDUCT . . . 19		SITE CHECKS	1673
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE	12	SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS	16
FINGERPRINTS - JOB APPLICATIONS . . 30		SUBPOENA SERVICE	7
FRAUDULENT USE OF CREDIT CARD . . . 1		SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	20
GAS DRIVE OFF	56	THEFT (All Thefts)	55
HARASSMENT	6	UNRULY JUVENILE	4
ISSUING BAD CHECKS	12	UNTIMELY OR UNATTENDED DEATH . . 3	
LITTERING	4	VACANT HOUSE CHECK	336
LOST / FOUND PROPERTY	17	WELFARE CHECK	6
MISSING / WANTED PERSONS	3		

HOLDERNESS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT



Holderness Highway Personnel: L-R Lewis Thompson, Robert "Bobbie" Potter, Peter Furmanick, and Dennis Hughes.

The snow amounts in January, February, and March were average, and the storms were not as long. We were fortunate with the mild winter.

David Goodwin who was hired in January 2005, left the department in June of 2006 to work for the Town of Campton. After David's departure, the Town hired Lewie Thompson. Lewie comes to Holderness with experience. He worked for the Town of Holderness, when his father, Lyle, was road agent. Lewie can run all of our equipment, has a full understanding of what needs to be done, and is willing to do the task assigned. I am glad that he joined the Town of Holderness.

The Town also hired Skip Thompson who worked part-time mowing cemeteries, the Town Hall, and some other areas. Thanks Skip for a great job.

The Highway Department went through the usual mud season which was minimal this year, but mud is mud. We continue to repair roads known as "the real muddy sections" with a stone/gravel mix. When the mud dried up, we began our road projects only to be interrupted with large amounts of rain that caused damage to Perch Pond Road, Merrillwood Drive, Beede Road, and Pinehurst Road. Other roads less affected were graded or minor repairs were completed.

The roads that we repaved this year were Seven Pines Road (near the intersection of Hardhack Road), Hardhack Road itself, Beede Road, East Holderness Road, and Bob House Road. With the increase in gas prices, we saw an increase in the price of asphalt. Due to this cost increase, a decision was made to base coat Seven Pines, Beede, and Hardhack Road, to line the ditches with erosion stone and replace the bad culverts. When the rain arrived in May, we had no water damage to these roads due to the work that was completed. The Highway department spent many hours this year cleaning out and reshaping

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ditches, which assisted in keeping the damage down during the heavy rains.

On Bob House Road, several rocks were removed that were pushing their way through the pavement prior to paving. East Holderness Road (on the Coxboro Road end) was ground up and reshaped before new pavement was put down.

We relied on Ashland Highway Department to do our roadside mowing again this year. We send our thanks to Mark Ober and his crew for doing a great job.

2006 proved to be a busy and productive year for the Highway Department. We were able to do road work right into the fall / winter. With minimal snowfall, the Highway personnel were able to sleep many full nights.

I would like to recognize the former road agent, Lyle Thompson, and his wife Doris, who both passed away this year. I had great respect for Lyle and will miss him dearly.

As I have said in the past, it is nice to have the dedicated crew that I work with and wish to thank Bob Potter, Dennis Hughes, Lewie Thompson, and Skip Thompson for their commitment to the Highway department, as well as their families for accepting and supporting that commitment.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Furmanick

HOLDERNESS RECREATION REPORT

Holderness Recreation is a part time department dedicated to serving the residents of Holderness by pledging to offer high quality, affordable and financially responsible recreational opportunities. During the past year we offered 32 programs and have served approximately 766 people in our programs and special events.

With that in mind, Holderness Recreation strives to offer you, the residents of Holderness, a wide array of interesting, fun, healthy and stimulating programs and classes. The benefits of recreation are endless and we challenge you to take hold of your leisure time and jump on in.

Looking back on the year, there is so much to touch on. Our department started off the 2006 winter season with recreational skating and pick-up hockey at the Holderness School. A new program called Little Cookers offered a first time cooking experience to future chefs of New Hampshire. Also worth mentioning is that last spring we held our first session of Pee Wee Soccer and what a success it was! We offered this again in the fall and between the two classes, we had 15 new little soccer players.

A new area for the department was to offer children's performers during school vacation weeks. The first was Wayne from Maine, which was held during the February vacation, followed by Dan Grady's Marvelous Marionette Medley in April, and finally Michael Zerphy in July. The department wrote two grants for these shows and was awarded \$617 towards the funding.

The summer day camp, our largest program, took on a new look by offering early morning and afternoon care to better accommodate working parents. Changes like this are made when we receive feedback on our programs from our participants. It had come to our attention that our 9:00—3:30 schedule was not working for everyone. The feedback that we received from the 2005 summer surveys prompted us to revamp our hours. Also during the past summer, we saw more kids in our summer program than we have had in a couple of years. Our staff was wonderful and kept the kids coming back for more. We went to a Fisher Cats game, the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium, Clarks Trading Post, Pirates Cove Mini-golf and so much more.

We had a great turnout for our Goals Galore Soccer Camp. This took place at the end of June and we had 55 kids in attendance. Bravo to Shawn Griffin and his crew.

Our swimming program continued to be a success with 30 participants during the 8-day program. Being a waterfront community, we certainly know the importance of teaching kids to swim early. Thanks to Joyce Warburton for another great year.

HOLDERNESS RECREATION REPORT

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Our Early Bird class reached record numbers during the past year and our instructor Anne Packard noted to me that “New Hampshire came in as the third healthiest state in the country, MN was first and VT was second”. I am sure that increased physical fitness and healthy lifestyle choices certainly contribute to this and it seems that we are doing our part.

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to Camp Deerwood again for providing CPR training for our summer staff. We would also like to thank the Holderness Central School administration, faculty and staff for their continued support of our programs and for the use of the HCS facilities. Without the support of a number of volunteers or use of town facilities like the Fire/Police Safety building and the Town Hall, we would not be able to offer as much as we do. We would also like to thank the Holderness School for once again allowing us to host the recreational skating and pick-up hockey programs at their rink.

A special thank you is in order to Squam Valley Masonic Association for its generous donation of a penny jar in memory of Ernest “Brownie” Brown. Ernest found a special place in his heart for Holderness Recreation and we greatly appreciate it. The donation went into our scholarship account, which is separate from the operating budget. We accept monetary donations into this account to be applied to program scholarships for residents, to purchase equipment, and to offer special programming. This past summer we were able to assist two families with tuition to our summer day camp from our scholarship fund. We also gave 2 camp scholarships to the Holderness Central School Holiday Fair auction for the 2006 season. Anyone who is interested in donating money to this fund may contact one of the board members or Wendy Werner in the office.

On a final note, we would like to thank the townspeople of Holderness for continued interest in and support of Holderness Recreation and its programs.
Contact us @ 968-3700 • holdrec@adelphia.net • www.holderness-nh.gov

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Werner (Recreation Director)

Tom Stepp (Chairman)

George (Biff) Sutcliffe (Secretary)

Sidney Lovett (Selectman Liaison)

Jay Fogarty

Fawn Ouellette

Janis Messier

Bob Stark

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – MS-61

December 31, 2006

DEBIT	2006	2005
Uncollected Taxes: December 31, 2005		
Property Taxes:	\$	274,833.37
Betterment Assessment:	\$	2,438.51
Yield Taxes:	\$	209.08
Sewer Taxes:	\$	586.08
Taxes committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes:	\$ 7,828,901.00	
Yield Taxes:	\$ 11,338.99	
Betterment Assessment:	\$ 17,447.00	
Land Use Change Tax:		
Sewer Taxes	\$ 2,151.19	
Prepayment-2007 Betterment Assessment:	\$ 347.52	
Prepayment-2007 Property Taxes:	\$ 4,484.32	
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes:	\$ 26,446.00	\$ 4,490.00
Sewer Taxes:		\$ 631.44
Overpayments:		
Property Taxes:	\$ 10,557.34	\$ 215.82
Interest on Delinquent Taxes:		
Property Tax	\$ 4,437.34	\$ 12,242.29
Yield Tax:		\$ 18.04
Betterment Assessment:	\$ 43.63	\$ 169.15
	<u>\$ 7,906,154.33</u>	<u>\$ 295,833.78</u>
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – MS-61

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CREDIT	2006	2005
Prepayment of Taxes Received 2005:	\$ 24,349.00	
Property Taxes:	\$ 7,499,016.63	\$ 211,639.56
Sewer:	\$ 456.10	\$ 850.52
Yield Taxes:	\$ 11,338.99	\$ 209.08
Betterment Assessment:	\$ 16,161.00	\$ 1,975.42
Land Use Change Tax:		
Prepayment-2007 Betterment Assessment:	\$ 347.52	
Prepayment-2007 Property Taxes:	\$ 4,484.32	
Interest/Penalties:		
Property Taxes:	\$ 4,437.34	\$ 12,242.29
Yield:		\$ 18.04
Betterment:	\$ 43.63	\$ 169.15
Tax Deed:	\$ 340.00	
Overpayments:	\$ 10,557.34	\$ 215.82
Converted to Tax Lien:		\$ 67,339.71
Abatements:		
Property Taxes:	\$ 38,846.00	\$ 1,163.10
Yield:		
Sewer:		\$ 10.00
Betterment:		\$ 1.09
Uncollected Taxes: December 31, 2006		
Property Taxes:	\$ 292,795.37	
Betterment Assessment:	\$ 1,286.00	
Sewer Tax:	\$ 1,695.09	
	\$ 7,906,154.33	\$ 295,833.78
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – MS-61

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DEBIT

	2005	2004	2003
Unredeemed Taxes:		\$ 17.25	
'December 31, 2005		\$ 56,904.51	\$ 43,830.26
Tax Lien of:	\$ 73,413.36		
Interest collected			
after Lien:	\$ 604.10	\$ 1,744.60	\$ 15,155.03
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	\$ 74,017.46	\$ 58,666.36	\$ 58,985.29
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CREDIT

Remittances to Treasurer:			
	\$ 15,981.96	\$ 9,514.99	\$ 41,681.54
Interest			
after Lien:	\$ 604.10	\$ 1,744.60	\$ 15,155.03
Abatements:		\$ 1,076.03	\$ 1,237.73
Deeded to Town:	803.82	\$ 802.73	746.33
Unredeemed Taxes:			
December 31, 2006	\$ 56,627.58	\$ 45,528.01	\$ 164.66
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	\$ 74,017.46	\$ 58,666.36	\$ 58,985.29
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Respectfully Submitted,
Ellen King
Holderness Tax Collector

2006 TAX RATE CALCULATION

TOWN PORTION

APPROPRIATIONS	2,411,085
LESS: REVENUES	1,067,130
SHARED REVENUES	4,919
ADD: OVERLAY	48,800
WAR SVC CREDITS	41,200
NET TOWN APPROPRIATIONS	1,429,036
MUNICIPAL TAX RATE	2.17

SCHOOL PORTION

NET LOCAL SCHOOL BUDGET	3,331,281
REGNL SCHOOL APPRTMNT	2,243,444
LESS: SHARED REVENUE	
STATE EDUC TAXES	-1,612,065
APPRVD SCHOOL TAX EFFORT	3,962,660
LOCAL EDUC TAX RATE	5.99

STATE EDUCATION REQUIRE	1,612,065
STATE TAX RATE	2.45
EXCESS REMIT TO STATE	

COUNTY PORTION

DUE TO COUNTY	857,042
LESS: SHARED REVENUE	2,761
APPRVD COUNTY TAX EFFORT	854,281
COUNTY TAX RATE	1.29

COMBINED TAX RATE	11.90
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TOTAL PROP TAX ASSESSED	7,858,042
LESS: WAR SVCS CREDITS	41,200
TOTAL PROP TAX COMMITMENT	7,816,842

PROOF OF RATE

STATE EDUC VALUATION	657,670,505
OTHER VALUATION	661,031,605

STATE TAX RATE	2.45
ALL OTHER TAX RATE	9.45
TOTAL TAX RATE	11.90

STATE ASSESSMENT	1,612,065
ALL OTHER ASSESSMENT	6,245,977
TOTAL ASSESSMENT	7,858,042

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	756,802
CURRENT YEAR SURPLUS	
FUND BALANCE USED	100,000
ENDING FUND BALANCE	656,802

**REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
REMITTED TO THE TREASURER, 2006**

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$403,346.00
Municipal Agent Clerk Fee	3,673.20
Vital Record Fees	1,621.00
Dog Licenses	2,587.50
Filing Fees	13.00
Transfer Station Fees	33,921.50
Beach Permits	2,710.00
Wetlands Application Fees	90.00
UCC's	780.00
Miscellaneous	144.39
Overpayments/refunds	43.08
 Total:	 \$ 448,929.67

Respectfully Submitted,
Ellen King
Holderness Town Clerk

SCHEDULE OF TOWN EQUIPMENT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1931 Ford	
1952 Willis Jeep	
1962 Willis Jeep	
1997 Ford Expedition	
1985 Mack Fire Truck	12T5
1988 Ford Rescue	12R1
1990 Mack Fire Truck	12E3
1993 Ford Forest Fire Truck	12F3
1997 Mack Fire Truck	12E4
2006 New Lexington Fire Truck	12E5
18' Boston Whaler Boat	12B1

MOBILE EQUIPMENT

1979 Dunbarton Cascade Trailer
2002 Yacht Snowmobile Trailer
2003 Skandik Ski-Doo

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

2004 Peterbilt – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body)
2004 Ford F-350 – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (slide in sander – plow)
2006 Ford F-550 - 1 Ton Dump Truck (slide in sander – plow, central hydraulics)
1998 Ford/Sterling LN8501 – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body)
1997 Caterpillar Backhoe
1994 Galion Grader
EQUIPMENT
1988 York Rake
1988 Road Broom

POLICE DEPARTMENT

2000 Ford Crown Victoria	- Unit #4
2004 Ford Crown Victoria	- Unit #2
2003 Ford Expedition	- Unit #3
2005 Ford Crown Victoria	- Unit #1

SCHEDULE OF TOWN & SCHOOL PROPERTY

TAX MAP/ LOT	DESCRIPTION LOCATION	LAND VALUE	BUILDING VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
229-25	Holderness Central School	254,100	3,699,900	3,954,000
228-79	HCS Storage Building	133,330	251,200	384,500
225-16	Pemi River Park Lot	42,380		42,380
231-3	Route 113	42,200		
239-1	Town Hall	44,600	283,700	328,300
222-15	Town Forest Lot	109,500		109,500
222-15	Public Works Garage	191,500	230,500	422,000
101-19	Library	302,100	200,600	502,700
223-11	Pilote Conservation Lot	514,350		514,350
245-65	Transfer Station	22,500	4,300	26,800
224-1	Smith Road Lot	78,380		78,380
No Map #	White Oak Pond Dam	32,100		32,100
101-8	Fire/Police Station	171,700	740,400	912,100
239-42	Corner Lot - Routes 3 & 175	52,300		52,300
252-16-1	East Holderness Road	113,720		113,720
213-32	Huckins Hill Road	64,020		64,020
101-12-1	Rt 113	57,800	9,800	67,600
245-067	White Oak Pond Road	188,500		188,500

TOWN MAINTAINED CEMETERIES

NAME	MAP/LOT	DESCRIPTION/LOCATION
East Holderness	259-9	Corner Rt. 3 & E. Holderness Rd
Eastman	251	E. Holderness Rd west of Vontel
Cox	255-3	East Holderness Road
Merrill	255-11	Hawkins Pond Road
Piper	246-21	Coxboro Road
Squam Bridge	101-10	Corner Rt. 3 & Rt. 113
True	206	Rt. 113 and Pinehurst Rd
Shaw	228-	Hardhack Road
Ladd	205-	Rt 113
Sanborn`	222-22	Old Highway South
Prescott	231-	Old Highway South
Carr	220-7	Old Mountain Road

HOLDERNESS TRANSFER STATION REPORT



*Holderness Transfer Station Employees
Scott Davis and Susan Buttrick*

This year has been a great year at the Holderness Transfer Station. I would like to thank the Selectmen and Peter Furmanick for hiring me as a full time employee. I also want to thank the townspeople for making this a memorable year for the Transfer Station. I am very pleased to report that revenues for the year 2006 for the Transfer Station were \$54,772. These revenues included permit and hauler fees and recycling refunds.

The recycling efforts have worked well this year. Susan Buttrick and I, along with the taxpayers of Holderness, separate the various recyclable materials. The Town has been able to market the material versus paying for the items to be hauled away and throwing it into the waste stream. The main piece of equipment used at the Transfer Station facility, and recycling efforts, is the baler. The baler has really made it possible to store aluminum. Scrap aluminum use to be placed with the metal or we had it removed by a second party hauler. Both of these practices were an expense to the Town. Now we can strip and bale this aluminum like the cans and get all of the revenue from it.

On a sad note, Ernest Brown, who was the full time Transfer Station operator until November, 2005 passed away; his kind words and wisdom will be missed.

If you are not recycling, you are throwing it all away. The term "AWAY", just means it is going somewhere else. It never just goes away, please recycle.

As a recycling community, we are doing very well. We are putting a lot more glass, plastic and tin cans in their proper place thereby reducing the expense the Town has to pay for disposal.

Again, thanks to everyone for the great effort this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Davis

HOLDERNESS TRANSFER STATION

MONDAY	8:00 AM TO 4 PM
TUESDAY	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY	8:00 AM TO 4 PM
THURSDAY	CLOSED
FRIDAY	8:00 AM TO 4 PM
SATURDAY	8:00 AM TO 4 PM
SUNDAY	1:00 PM TO 4 PM

All items that require a disposal fee must be paid for at the time of disposal.

We have containers for the following items. Some items require a disposal fee. See our fee schedule available at the Transfer Station and on-line at www.holderness-nh.gov.

Metal Container:	For metal products - scrap metal - NO ITEMS WITH GLASS - NO GAS CANS - NO TANKS - NO BARRELS - NO PAINT CANS
Aluminum Container:	For waste aluminum – copper - brass - NO ITEMS WITH GLASS
Cardboard Container:	For cardboard and cardboard products - NO PLASTIC BAGS OR STYROFOAM
Paper Container:	For all types of paper products – books, magazines, junk-mail, newspaper, light cardboard, office paper, any paper product that tears - NO PLASTIC BAGS. Protect your privacy-DO NOT throw away anything with your personal information on it.
Aluminum Cans:	For aluminum cans only - NO BAGS OR BOXES
Returnable Bottles & Returnable Cans-	\$.05 Deposit items: Please place these in the co-mingle container at this time - NO BAGS OR BOXES
Co-mingle Container:	For plastic and glass bottles, tin cans, jars, recyclable plastic, NO PAINT CANS - NO GAS CANS
Construction Debris:	For disposal of all non-hazardous construction waste. NO CARDBOARD
Compactor:	For disposal of all non recyclable household waste. Do not put any hazardous chemicals, plastic bottles, glass bottles, glass containers, tin cans, paper, books, aluminum cans, metal, scrap aluminum, paper or cardboard into this container.
Propane tanks:	See attendant for storage area.

We cannot accept tanks, barrels, containers, or any other type of storage that contains any unacceptable fluid. We will accept any used motor oil, transmission fluid, fuel oils, and small amounts of gasoline, provided they are not contaminated and are in closed containers. Please remember that we cannot accept paint, stains, thinners, or other chemicals during the year. We cannot accept fluorescent bulbs. These items will only be accepted at Household Hazardous Waste Day, which is usually held in July. Watch for the exact date as it becomes available. Please keep all of your chemicals until then, and bring them to the designated collection site(s). If you need immediate disposal, between May and October, please contact the Town Transfer Station or Highway Department for alternative options. These options may require a fee, but they are available.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand as of January 1, 2006 \$ 3,028,344.21

Receipts:

Property Taxes	\$ 7,862,514.00
All Other	<u>\$ 1,125,418.00</u>

Total \$ 8,987,932.00

Disbursements:

School	\$ 5,167,074.00
County	\$ 857,042.00
Operations-Wages	\$ 735,980.00
Operations-Other	<u>\$ 2,080,825.00</u>

Total \$ 8,840,921.00

Balance on hand as of December 31, 2006 \$ 3,175,355.21

Proof of Balance:

Northway Bank Checking & Investment Acct	\$ 3,173,825.99
Meredith Village Savings Bank - Conservation Fund	\$ 1,426.26
Meredith Village Savings Bank - Trust Acct	\$ 102.96

Total \$ 3,175,355.21

This summary of receipts and disbursements is prepared using cash basis accounting.

Respectfully submitted,
Todd Elgin
Town Treasurer

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

REPORT OF TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					
TOWN OF HOLDERNESS					
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006					
Fund	Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
TOWN OF HOLDERNESS					
CEMETERY FUNDS	\$ 12,357.12			586.41	\$ 12,943.53
POLICE CRUISER	\$ 14,891.10	5,000.00		709.14	\$ 20,600.24
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 26,201.73	30,000.00		1,259.69	\$ 57,461.42
WHITE OAK POND FUND	\$ 5,232.27	1,000.00		248.69	\$ 6,480.96
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$ 32,260.85	4,300.00		1,533.14	\$ 38,093.99
ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$ 38,636.66	299,423.38	(298,846.76)	1,833.56	\$ 41,046.84
TRANSFER STATION	\$ 464.35			21.91	\$ 486.26
SEWER CONSTRUCTION	\$ 6,970.73			330.75	\$ 7,301.48
GRANT APPLICATIONS	\$ 10,240.70			485.92	\$ 10,726.62
FOREST FIRE EXPENDABLE TRUST	\$ 13,754.31	383.41		652.63	\$ 14,790.35
EMERGENCY MGT EXPENSES	\$ 15,038.08			713.36	\$ 15,751.44
LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 23,390.65	25,942.40	(31,884.80)	1,106.69	\$ 18,554.94
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS FUND	\$ 13,839.79	2,000.00		657.82	\$ 16,497.61
TOWN REVALUATION FUND	\$ 542.46	30,395.00	(22,790.00)	30.33	\$ 8,177.79
FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND	\$ 5,979.83	7,000.00	(10,000.00)	282.27	\$ 3,262.10
VILLAGE SIDEWALKS FUND	\$ 2,099.31			99.54	\$ 2,198.85
HOLDERNESS HONOR ROLL FUND	\$ 11,058.02	10,000.00	(363.96)	530.22	\$ 21,224.28
PUBLIC WORKS CAP RESERVE	\$ 64,146.75	35,000.00		3,062.85	\$ 102,209.60
MASTER PLAN	\$ 16,791.19		(11,000.00)	796.82	\$ 6,588.01
RECREATION PATH MAINTENANCE	\$ 20,545.13			974.85	\$ 21,519.98
RETIREE HEALTH ACCT	\$ -				\$ -
TOTALS	\$ 334,441.03	\$ 450,444.19	\$ (374,885.52)	\$ 15,916.59	\$ 425,916.29
HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL					
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND	\$ 44,990.78			2,134.87	\$ 47,125.65
TECHNOLOGY	\$ 20,351.62			965.75	\$ 21,317.37
LAND PURCHASE FUND	\$ 107,945.11			5,122.19	\$ 113,067.30
BUILDING RENOVATIONS	\$ 35,115.82			1,666.27	\$ 36,782.09
TOTALS	\$ 208,403.33	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,889.08	\$ 218,292.41

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Report of Trust & Capital Reserve Funds (cont)									
PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST									
SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$	1,492.47						70.52	\$ 1,562.99
BUILDING FUND	\$	1,422.15						67.39	\$ 1,489.54
TOTALS	\$	2,914.62	\$	-	\$	-	\$	137.91	\$ 3,052.53
PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS									
SPANISH CLUB	\$	1,935.71				(200.00)		82.63	\$ 1,818.34
FRONCEK SCHOLARSHIP	\$	2,596.04						123.08	\$ 2,719.12
ZOULIAS SCHOLARSHIP	\$	33,370.11				(900.00)		1,545.16	\$ 34,015.27
LAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$	9,651.03				(500.00)		444.34	\$ 9,595.37
PERSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$	25,570.92				(900.00)		1,188.74	\$ 25,859.66
PAQUETTE SCHOLARSHIP	\$	3,064.36				(107.00)		142.28	\$ 3,099.64
ASH SCHOLARSHIP	\$	3,473.53				(50.00)		163.68	\$ 3,587.21
DAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$	604.75						28.51	\$ 633.26
MINICKELLO SCHOLARSHIP	\$	1,020.37						48.38	\$ 1,068.75
YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP	\$	9,398.83						445.99	\$ 9,844.82
BLAKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$	9,305.62		150.00		(250.00)		436.91	\$ 9,642.53
VOLPE SCHOLARSHIP	\$	7,978.75		4,515.87		(3,725.00)		359.27	\$ 9,128.89
LW PACKARD EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP	\$	13,574.95				(200.00)		636.20	\$ 14,011.15
AVERY SCHOLARSHIP PU	\$	2,293.35				(200.00)		100.83	\$ 2,194.18
W. CARLETON ADAMS PR	\$	38,381.87				(2,000.00)		1,775.69	\$ 38,157.56
BURKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$	6,053.50						287.36	\$ 6,340.86
TOTALS	\$	168,273.69	\$	4,665.87	\$	(9,032.00)	\$	7,809.05	\$ 171,716.61
TOTAL TOWN FUNDS									
TOTAL HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL FUNDS									\$ 425,916.29
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL FUNDS									\$ 218,292.41
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIPS									\$ 3,052.53
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS									\$ 171,716.61
Respectfully Submitted,									\$ 818,977.84
Trustees of the Trust Funds									
Maurice Lafreniere, Chairman									
Peter Woodward									
Bonnie Hunt									

BIRTHS -2006

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE OF BIRTH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
April 15	Elena Marie Brandin	Plymouth, NH	Carl Brandin	Cynthia McBournie
April 16	Ethan Vanini Savage	Lebanon, NH	Benjamin Savage	Carla Savage
May 11	Xander Taylor Devine	Plymouth, NH	Ryan Devine	Lyndsay Melanson
June 8	Taylor Anne Elliot Bourne	Plymouth, NH	David Bourne	Jill Bourne
June 11	Elle Hadley Manson	Laconia, NH	William Manson	Alison Manson
July 18	Ricardo Christopher Simpson	Concord, NH	Ricardo Simpson	Karen Graziano-Simpson
September 15	Baily Colin Veasey	Plymouth, NH	Colin Veasey	Beth Veasey
October 20	Sebastian Christopher Sargent	Plymouth, NH	Eric Sargent	Nina Sargent
October 23	Kacey Strong Yorston	Laconia, NH	Kenneth Yorston	Kristy Yorston
December 9	Tucker Flynn Magrauth	Laconia, NH	Gordon Magrauth	Megan Magrauth
December 28	Nathan Alexander Lyons	Concord, NH	Timothy Lyons	Brenda Lyons

MARRIAGES – 2006

DATE	NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE	RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE
January 21	Joel A. Austin-Shortt Maria T. Verdone	Benton, NH Holderness, NH
February 9	Valeriu M. Rotaru Brittiney C. Abbott	Laconia, NH Holderness, NH
April 22	Alan D. Marcotte Melissa A. O'Neil	Holderness, NH Chelmsford, MA
June 4	Jose B. Santiago Lauri M. Montoya	Rumney, NH Holderness, NH
July 8	Lance T. Galvin Laurel A. Leaman	Holderness, NH New Hampton, NH
July 29	Peter N. Roberts Erin M. O'Donnell	Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
September 8	George G. Deangelis Debra A. Bousquet	Holderness, NH Rotonda West, FL
October 1	Michael J. Montague Aja Deal	Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
October 6	William P. Kaniuka Jessica L. Danforth	Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
November 25	Stephen R. Payne Karen Ray	Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
December 2	Andrew D. Vansickle Shannon L. Fogarty	Holderness, NH Holderness, NH

DEATHS – 2006

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
January 9	Janice Howe	Holderness, NH	Marvin Pulley	Arlene Smith
January 13	Emile Plasse	Plymouth, NH	Wilfred Plasse	Aurore Guyotte
January 26	Mary Perry	Holderness, NH	John Hughes	Rita Ryan
March 19	Augusta Keiper	Plymouth, NH	Martin Glubiak	Anna Lutz
March 26	Norman Frechette	Laconia, NH	Raoul Frechette	Emelianna Guilbert
June 25	Malcolm Swetson	Holderness, NH	George Swetson	Florence Ripley
July 22	Ernest Brown	Holderness, NH	Charles Brown	Augusta Sweet
August 26	Doris Thompson	Holderness, NH	Lloyd Perkins	Winnie Bryant
October 5	Barbara Luoto	Plymouth, NH	John Schuster	Emily Denison
October 12	Alice Kimball	Concord, NH	Albert Whitmore	Lucy Evans
October 23	Lyle Thompson Sr.	Holderness, NH	John Thompson	Arberta Bacon
November 6	Bertram Currier Sr.	Plymouth, NH	Charles Currier	Dorothy Goodwin

REPORT OF THE WELFARE DIRECTOR

This year has been very rewarding. Throughout the year, I have met and worked with many respectful individuals in our community. Clients come to this office with many different situations and I have worked closely with each client to ensure they receive the help needed. Many individuals are referred to outside agencies and I am very grateful for all the support and assistance they have provided for my clients.

Eligibility for assistance is determined by having each individual complete an extensive application in order to provide an overview of the specific situation the client is in. Assistance is provided for individuals basic necessities in accordance with State law and Town Guidelines. The applicants that are found eligible are assisted with expenses such as food, heat, electricity, rent, prescription drugs and other basic living and working needs.

This year's greatest expense has been rent along with heat and electricity. The cost of living has increased greatly; however, heat and electricity costs have increased significantly. Even with the help from other agencies, community members are continually struggling to make ends meet.

I again would like to thank the outside agencies for all the support and assistance they have provided to the community members in need. I have also enjoyed working closely with the members of the community to ensure they become successful individuals and receive the assistance needed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Krystal Alpers
Welfare Director

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ~ REPORT

2006 was typical in the number and type of cases heard. These included location and setback exception requests for septic systems, well locations, and buildings. Six cases were heard, three involving variance requests and three involved special exception requests. Four requests were granted and two were denied.

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month as needed. Applications must be filed prior to posted deadlines.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Barbera, Chairman

Members:

Ivan Bass

Gyda Dicosola

Robert Rothschild

Susan Webster, Vice-Chairman

Alternate Members:

Harry Decker

Tim Lyons

OFFICERS OF THE HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board	Term Expires
Laura Rollison	2007
Wendy Mersch	2007
Jane Barry	2008
Martha Macomber	2009
Robert Heiner	2009

CLERK

Sara Weinberg

TREASURER

Kathleen Whittemore

MODERATOR

Malcolm Taylor

AUDITOR

Grzelak and Associates

SUPERINTENDENT

Mark J. Halloran

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Ethel F. Gaides

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Kathleen A. Boyle

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL

Meeting Minutes of March 9, 2006

Prior to the Annual Holderness School District meeting Malcolm Taylor swore Deputy School District Clerk Suzanne Peoples into office.

The Annual Holderness School District meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Moderator Malcolm “Tink” Taylor who asked Harold Maybeck to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Margaret “Peg” Winton, seconded by Harold Maybeck to waive the reading of the warrant in its entirety and go directly to the first article. Passed unanimously.

Article 1: The vote was unanimous to accept the reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers.

Article II: Moved by Peg Winton, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Board member Shane Sirles explained that this is a continuation of the fund established in 2005. **Passed unanimously.**

Article III: Board member Jane Barry explained the need of these funds to repair the elementary wing roof and to replace roof over the fifth grade classroom. Also to repair and improve the intercom system. S.A.U. facilities manager Jon Francis described the process of the replacement of the roof over the fifth grade classroom. **Passed unanimously.**

Article IV: Board member Shane Sirles explained that this article is a result of negotiations between the School Board and the support staff. **Passed unanimously.**

Article V: Moved by Shane Sirles, seconded by Harry Decker. Harold Maybeck requested clarification of the .6 position for foreign language. It was explained that it is to teach students a second language which has yet to be determined. **Passed unanimously.**

Article VI: Sally Fellows thanked Jon Francis for presenting information on the process of the upcoming roof replacement. The Moderator thanked Suzanne Peoples for sitting in as School District Deputy Clerk. Martha Macomber expressed appreciation to outgoing School Board member Shane Sirles for serving on the school board for six years, for being an active member on the principal search committee, negotiating two support staff contracts and for coaching basketball. **Passed unanimously.**

With no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne B. Peoples

Deputy School District Clerk, Holderness

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Holderness qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the thirteenth day of March, 2007 at 8:00 in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
2. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Polls will not close before 7:00 p.m.

Given under our hands at said Holderness the 26th day of February, 2007.

Jane Barry
Wendy Mersch
Martha C. Macomber
Robert Heiner
Laura Rollison

A true copy of warrant attest:

Jane Barry
Wendy Mersch
Martha C. Macomber
Robert Heiner
Laura Rollison

2007 SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Holderness in the County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Holderness Central School in said District on Wednesday the (7th) seventh day of March, 2007, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million three hundred seventy-one thousand seventy-nine dollars **(\$2,371,079)** for renovations and improvement of the building and purchase of equipment and to authorize the issuance of not more than two million three hundred seventy-one thousand seventy-nine dollars **(\$2,371,079)** of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and to raise and appropriate the additional amount of sixty-one thousand fifty-five dollars **(\$61,055)** for the first year's annual payment of interest on the bond issue. (The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.) (2/3 ballot vote required.)

Article 2: To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers.

Article 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars **(\$10,000)** to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for the purpose of technology upgrades. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 4: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars **(\$30,000)** to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for building renovations. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 5: To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Holderness School Board and the Holderness Education Association which calls for the following increases in salary and benefits:

2007 SCHOOL WARRANT

continued

Year	Estimated Increase
2007-2008	\$ 86,958.00
2008-2009	\$101,582.00
2009-2010	\$ 96,013.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty six thousand nine hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$86,958.00) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 6: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six million thirty-six thousand four hundred sixty-six dollars (\$6,036,466) for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials, employees and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, this sum also includes the sums found in Articles 1, 3, 4 and 5. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 7: To transact any further business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands this 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and six.

Robert Heiner
Jane Barry
Martha C. Macomber
Laura Rollison
Wendy Mersch
Holderness School Board

A true copy of warrant attest:

Robert Heiner
Jane Barry
Martha C. Macomber
Laura Rollison
Wendy Mersch
Holderness School Board

SCHOOL BUDGET 2007-2008

MS 27

FY2008

Budget School District of Holderness

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Act. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31-4)	Warr Art. #	Expenditures for Year 7/1/2005 to 6/30/2006	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR Recommended	Not Recommended	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR Recommended	Not Recommended
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)								
1100-1199	Regular Programs	5	1,498,724.00	1,595,175.00	1,604,334.00		1,604,334.00	
1200-1299	Special Programs	5	421,104.00	433,477.00	463,685.00		463,685.00	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs							
1400-1499	Other Programs	5	31,626.00	40,989.00	38,207.00		38,207.00	
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs							
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs							
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)								
2000-2199	Student Support Services	5	198,970.00	239,925.00	237,075.00		237,075.00	
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	5	94,455.00	104,385.00	110,137.00		110,137.00	
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION								
2310-840	School Board Contingency							
2310-2319	Other School Board		17,380.00	19,616.00	18,985.00		18,985.00	
EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION								
2320-310	SAU Management Services		188,144.00	179,801.00	180,408.00		180,408.00	
2320-2329	All Other Executive							
2400-2499	School Administration Service		160,573.00	174,919.00	175,348.00		175,348.00	
2500-2599	Business		1,326.00	1,300.00	1,300.00		1,300.00	
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		298,398.00	267,329.00	294,886.00		294,886.00	
2700-2799	Student Transportation		135,494.00	119,246.00	120,191.00		120,191.00	
2800-2999	Other Support Service							
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES							
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION	1	0.00	70,001.00	2,371,079.00		2,371,079.00	
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)								
5110	Debt Service - Principal		140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00		140,000.00	
5120	Debt Service - Interest	1	28,875.00	17,325.00	66,830.00		66,830.00	

SCHOOL BUDGET 2007-2008

Budget			School District of Holderness		FY2008		MS 27			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31.4)	Warr Art. #	Expenditures for Year 7/1/2005 to 6/30/2006	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR			
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended		
FUND TRANSFERS					XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		
5220-5221	To Food Service		155,452.00	129,001.00	129,001.00		129,001.00			
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue		23,038.00	45,000.00	45,000.00		45,000.00			
5230-5239	To Capital Projects									
5251	To Capital Reserves	3,4	45,000.00	10,000.00	40,000.00		40,000.00			
5252	To Expendable Trust (*see pg.3)									
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts									
5254	To Agency Funds									
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.									
	SUPPLEMENTAL									
	DEFICIT									
	SUBTOTAL 1		3,438,559.00	3,587,489.00	6,036,466.00		6,036,466.00			

PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER DETAIL:

* Amount of line 5252 which is for Health Maintenance Trust \$ (see RSA 198:20-c.V)

Help! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

** SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES**

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations 1) Petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

[illegible]

*** INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES ***

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

[illegible]

SCHOOL BUDGET 2007-2008

Budget		School District of Holderness	FY2008			MS27
1	2	3	4	5	6	
Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art. #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year	
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
1300-1349	Tuition					
1400-1449	Transportation Fees					
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		500.00	100.00	100.00	
1600-1699	Food Service Sales					
1700-1799	Student Activities					
1800-1899	Community Services Activities					
1900-1999	Other Local Sources (WC/UE Dividends, OT)		29,899.00	9,000.00	9,400.00	
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
3110	Foundation Aid					
3120	Shared Revenue					
3210	School Building Aid		65,945.00	40,645.00	42,000.00	
3220	Kindergarten Aid					
3230	Catastrophic Aid		0.00	15,000.00	0.00	
3240-3249	Vocational Aid					
3250	Adult Education					
3260	Child Nutrition					
3270	Driver Education					
3290-3299	Other State Sources					
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		0.00	0.00	0.00	
4540	Vocational Education					
4550	Adult Education					
4560	Child Nutrition		93,000.00	93,000.00	93,000.00	
4570	Disabilities Programs					
4580	Medicaid Distribution		0.00	3,000.00	3,500.00	
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)		45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				400.00	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes				2,371,079.00	
5221	Transfer from Food Service Special Rev Fund					
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds					

SCHOOL BUDGET 2007-2008

<u>Budget</u>	<u>School District of Holdern</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>MS27</u>		
1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art. #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Cont'd)					
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds			35,000.00	0.00
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds				
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
	Unreserved Fund Balance		1,938.00	15,463.00	0.00
5140	THIS SECTION FOR CALCULATION OF RAN's (REIMBURSEMENT ANTICIPATION NOTES) PER RSA 198:20-D FOR CATASTROPHIC AID BORROWING RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ = NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted from Fund Balance				
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		0.00	236,282.00	256,208.00	2,564,479.00

** BUDGET SUMMARY **

	SCHOOL BOARD'S RECOMMENDED BUDGE	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 2)	6,036,466.00	6,036,466.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	included in subtotal 1	included in subtotal 1
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	included in subtotal 1	included in subtotal 1
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	6,036,466.00	6,036,466.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	2,564,479.00	2,564,479.00
Less: Amount of Adequate Education (State Tax/Grant)*	0.00	0.00
Estimated Amount of Taxes To Be Raised for School District Assessment	3,471,987.00	3,471,987.00

**HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION ACTUAL EXPENDITURE REPORT
Per RSA 32:11a**

	Fiscal Year 2004/2005	Fiscal Year 2005/2006
Expenditures	\$531,402	\$631,005
Revenues	<u>\$22,457</u>	<u>\$12,683</u>
Net Expenditures	\$508,945	\$618,322
\$ increase/decrease		\$109,377
% increase/decrease		21.49%

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the School Board
Holderness School District
Holderness, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Holderness School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Holderness School District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Holderness School District, as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 6 through 18 and 43 through 46, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Holderness School District's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor funds financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Grzelak and Co., P.C.

Grzelak & Company, P.C., CPA's Laconia, New Hampshire November 9, 2006

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT

Holderness Central School continues to work on curriculum improvement and enrichment. Staff are committed to improving student academic achievement as well as meeting students' social, emotional, and physical needs.

We were pleased to welcome six new staff members this year. Hattie Friedman is our new K-8 French teacher. She has done a great job initiating this new program, and it is wonderful to already hear students carrying on simple conversations in a foreign language. These skills will also improve all of their other academic abilities.

Due to an extremely generous donation by the Morgridges, we were able to hire Reading Recovery expert, Sandy Tilton, part time to reinstate this renowned program which brings struggling first grade readers up to grade level via intensive assessment and one-on-one services. We have already seen incredible results with a few former nonreaders who now are reading on grade level.

Rob Coonan was hired as a math assistant through a grant to work with students struggling in math. He has helped institute an Accelerated Math computer program to individualize and assist students at all levels. Marc Rondeau was hired to take Diane Anderson's place teaching middle school computer classes part time. He has helped begin the process towards each student having an electronic portfolio to take with them to the high school, which is a new state requirement. Heather Clogston took Michelle Chamberlain's place as our part-time health teacher, and Carmine Consalve was hired as a one-on-one aide.

Our integrated music program continues in grades K-2 with plans to expand to grade 3. We offered our first robotics after-school program thanks to the efforts of Kathy Wieliczko and Ron Reynolds. The After School Enrichment program (ACE) also expanded under new head teacher, Shirley Glines and staff. There were more offerings as well as expanded hours. For the first time pre- and post-kindergarten care was offered and appreciated by up to six students and their parents daily. The board is just beginning to explore looking into the feasibility of a pre-school program.

Our big focus areas this year are literacy through all the content areas and curriculum mapping, both of which are major SAU #48 initiatives. Curriculum mapping will allow us to find and correct any holes or overlaps in our curriculum, incorporate assessments and literacy skills as well as give teachers access to curriculums at all grade levels within our building, throughout the SAU, and across the country.

This year a bond proposal will be brought forward to take care of some long needed building repairs and improvements. These will provide our students and

PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT

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staff with needed air quality, health, and safety via a new roof, flooring, HVAC systems, and a sprinkler system. A new teachers' contract will also be proposed. There will be a decrease in staff as we look at losing a large 8th grade class next year.

As I close, in this my fifth year here, I'd like to express my deepest appreciation to this town. Working with you has been the professional highlight of my career. This town is so supportive of its youngest members and their education, recognizing that they are our future. The staff, school board, and parents are dedicated and hard working and our students are simply wonderful. I hope we are helping them to grow into the intelligent, open-minded, and compassionate adults who will bring peace and prosperity to our world. Thank you for supporting our school. I've been most honored to work here with you.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. McLaughlin, Principal.

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL HEALTH OFFICE REPORT

Our first annual Red Cross Blood Drive was held in June. Volunteers donated 53 units of blood in a very successful first event. Volunteers also provided snacks and helped to keep the blood drive running smoothly. We are planning to continue this community tradition and have scheduled a second blood drive for June 1, 2007. Please mark your calendars and join us for good company and great snacks while at the same time collecting life saving blood.

Flu shots were available in November for HCS faculty and staff. Twenty-one adults received this vaccine.

Each year we strive to include all HCS students in screenings including height, weight, vision and hearing, pediculosis and postural (selected). The NH State Department of Education finds "school screenings to be efficient, economical and efficacious in detecting problems early".

Mrs. Laverack will return in early 2007 for the dental program, presenting classroom dental education, screening and cleaning (for students with parental request). The weekly fluoride rinse program is ongoing throughout the school year. Eighty-five students in grades 1-5 rinse in the classroom or health office. Mrs. Laverack is a registered dental hygienist and affiliated with Speare Memorial Hospital.

Recently, I was privileged to hear Kenneth Ginsburg, MD, MEd, discuss promoting resiliency in adolescents. Dr. Ginsburg reminds us that we must constantly remind each other that the behavior we model is more important than the words we say. Set the tone not just for individual success, but for the safety and vitality of our community. I think this is a great place to insert wellness so that the tone is set for safety, wellness and vitality.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruthann KlineSmith, R.N.
School Nurse

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SAU#48 continues to support a collaborative model to bring a student-centered learning environment to each of our school districts. The new Visual Arts guide and Guidance guide will be presented to all school boards by June of this year. The writing of these guides has been a K-12 effort that involves all school districts. All of our curriculum guides are available on our web site at www.sau48.k12.nh.us. Administrators from SAU#48 are studying data collection and analysis to best support each child's educational potential based on formal and informal assessments. The State of New Hampshire requires the New England Common Assessment Program in grades 3 through 8, and grade 11. We also test students in grades 3-8 using the Terra Nova, a norm-referenced test that compares scores to students taking the same test across the country.

Several initiatives that began over the past two years continue to provide our students and teachers with the educational tools necessary to meet the challenge of teaching and learning in a supportive environment. Plymouth Regional High School is currently studying the most effective ways to establish a culture of literacy that is integral to all academic programs. Many teachers from all school districts are currently involved in taking courses on curriculum mapping to coordinate coherent curriculum across all grade levels and all disciplines. Title I programs continue to actively support literacy skills for students and professional learning for teachers. Reading Recovery provides highly effective short-term intervention for our beginning readers in many of our elementary schools. Two schools have successfully implemented the READ 180 program to give extra reading and language arts instruction to struggling adolescent readers. Many of these programs use innovative technology to assist both teachers and students.

A team of K-12 SAU #48 technology educators were trained to help staff throughout the SAU implement a program that addresses the Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Literacy Standards. This training included defining ICT outcomes and integrating these outcomes into our curriculum. Our ICT Literacy Program in grades K-8 weaves technology experiences into all content areas and all grade levels, so that a student can demonstrate ICT competency at the end of 8th grade with a digital portfolio. Additionally, the team was trained in the use of an electronic portfolio system. Digital portfolios at the K-8 and 9-12 levels demonstrate competence, as they can show how students competently use technology tools and resources within the context of core content areas.

Over the next two years, our high school Board will be reviewing our alternative programs and look to expand night school opportunities for alternative learners. All of us are committed to offering our communities the best educational opportunities possible.

On behalf of all our students, faculty members, administrators, paraprofessionals and support staff, we thank you for your generous support of all of our schools.

Mark J. Halloran, Superintendent of Schools

Ethel F. Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

Kathleen A. Boyle, Assistant Superintendent

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR ~ REPORT

It is an honor to report to the people of this large Northern District in my capacity as Executive Councilor, one of several elected public servants. The five member Council was founded in the NH Constitution and much of NH law provides an additional avenue at the top of your Executive Branch of State Government.

2007 will be a year when members of the Council are charged with conducting public hearings on the State of New Hampshire 10-year transportation plan. With inflation affecting basic transportation costs, and presently no plan for an increase in the State gasoline tax, I don't look for any new projects becoming a reality. We'll be lucky to complete what is currently in the plan.

I continue to seek volunteers to serve on the 300 or so Boards and Commissions as prescribed by New Hampshire law. There are some great opportunities to serve your state government!

Send your letter of interest and resume to my office, or to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council, Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301. Tel. 603-271-2121. To find out what openings are available and to see a list of boards, visit the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm.

The NH website is very valuable for citizens. If internet is not available to you, use your local public or school library to go to www.nh.gov to find all state agencies, general court (representatives) and senate members, mailing addresses and where legislative bills and proposals are. I send my weekly schedule to some 500 email addresses that include town offices, county officials, district media, NH House and Senate members and others. If you would like to be on that email list, please send your email address to rburton@nh.gov. I often include other public notices and information.

It is an honor to continue to serve you now in my 29th and 30th years as a public servant. Contact my office anytime about your ideas, concerns and problems with state government. I respond to all inquiries and challenges.

Sincerely,

Raymond S. Burton
Executive Councilor
District One

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln, the information and assistance program Grafton County ServiceLink, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Volunteer Center (RSVP). Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, adult day care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2006, 67 older residents of Holderness were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center.

Older adults from Holderness enjoyed 1,144 balanced meals in the company of friends in the Plymouth center's dining room.

They received 1,760 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.

Holderness residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 11 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.

They received assistance—including Medicare D assistance—and help with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 73 visits by a trained social worker or contacts with ServiceLink.

Holderness's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 829 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Holderness residents in 2006 was \$19,155.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Holderness's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT

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Statistics for the Town of Holderness
October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 67 Holderness residents (out of 345 residents over 60, 2000 Census).

SERVICES	Type of Service	Units of Service	x	Unit (1) Cost	=	Total Cost of Service
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	2,904	x	\$5.84	\$	16,959
Transportation	Trip	11	x	\$ 10.09	\$	111
Adult Day Service	Hours	0	x	\$13.00	\$	0
Social Services	Half-hours	44.5	x	\$25.27	\$	1,125
ServiceLink	Contacts	28	x	\$34.27	\$	960
Activities		197		N/A		

Number of Holderness volunteers: 7 Number of Volunteer Hours: 829

GCSCC cost to provide services for Holderness residents only	\$	19,155
Request for Senior Services for 2006	\$	2,175
Received from Town of Holderness for 2006	\$	2,175
Request for Senior Services for 2007	\$	2,175

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from GCSCC Statement of Revenue and Expenses for October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006.
2. Services were funded by Federal and State programs 56%; municipalities, county and United Way 11%; Contributions 8%; In-kind donations 16%; Friends of GCSCC 7%; Other 2%.

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.
ANNUAL REPORT
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COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

From Financial Statements for GCSCC
Fiscal Years 2005 and 2006

October 1-September 30

UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED	FY2005	FY2006
Dining Room Meals	79,029	87,209
Home Delivered Meals	118,124	130,435
Transportation (Trips)	40,697	44,797
Adult Day Service (Hours)	15,668	15,327
Social Services (1/2 Hours)	6,895	7,502.5
Adult In Home Care	9,317	11,310
ServiceLink (including assistance with Medicare D)		3,187

COST PER UNIT OF SERVICE PROVIDED	FY2005	FY2006
Congregate/home delivered meals	\$6.30	\$ 5.84
Transportation (per trip)	\$10.84	\$ 10.09
Adult Day Service (hour of Service)	\$12.25	\$ 13.00
Social Services (per unit)	\$23.41	\$ 25.27
Adult In-Home Care (hour of service)	\$17.64	\$ 20.88
ServiceLink (per contact assisted)		\$ 34.27

HOLDERNESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Holderness Historical Society is very grateful for financial support from the town and our 110 members. This year we have been able to provide programs, maintain & upgrade our Museum, be involved with community activities and preserve some of our town's history.

Programs

Estate Planning Options - Angela Nielsen

History of Land Use in Holderness - Will Abbott

Society of Buffalo - Ernie Bolduc

The Shaker Legacy - Darryl Thomson*

Popular Images of the New England Town - Jere Daniels*

* New Hampshire Humanities Council supported presentations

Museum Building

Dealt with the many problems of historic buildings.

Installed screens.

Historical Projects

Rotated exhibits in the Museum with new acquisitions, including an 1830 letter from the brother of Samuel Livermore, the founder of Holderness.

Produced biannual Newsletters with articles of local history including *The Mary Elizabeth Nielsen Story* and *The Early Roads of Holderness*.

Collected and arranged photos of the oldest houses in town.

Helped callers, when possible, with genealogy research on Holderness residents, including the Pipers and the Goodridges.

Sold Books & Old Maps about Squam and Holderness.

Community

Our 2006 President & Vice President, Jackie & Mark Marden are very involved in town activities. They were recognized this year with the 'Citizen of the Year Award' by the Grange. We are grateful for all they have done for our organization.

Sold strawberry shortcake & lemonade at the town concerts.

Provided & decorated a Christmas tree and were part of the festivities for the Chamber of Commerce Festival of Trees.

Hosted the Spring Meeting of Historical Society Area Council (Ashland, Campton, Holderness & Warren).

Future

We are now a seasonal organization with programs and meetings June through October. School tours are still available in September & June.

In the spring the Board of Directors will be calling members to let them know our future plans and to encourage them to become more involved.

The Holderness Historical Society needs more volunteers to help preserve the history of our town.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

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Board of Selectmen
Town of Holderness, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Holderness, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town of Holderness, New Hampshire's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Holderness, New Hampshire's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Holderness, New Hampshire's internal control.

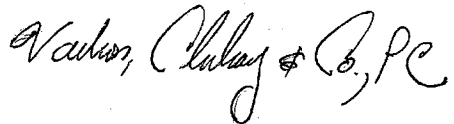
A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Town's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Town's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Town's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Town's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, Board of Selectmen, others within the Town and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

February 13, 2007



BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 2006

Assets

Cash & Investments	3,375,246
Taxes Receivable, net	289,840
Tax Liens receivable, net	97,256
Due from State of NH	0
Accounts Receivable	0
Deferred Charges	13,244
Tax Deeded Property	4,617
Due from Other Funds	<u>20,658</u>
	3,800,861

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	90,475
Due to Holderness School District	1,586,281
Due to Pemi Baker Regional School District	1,193,444
Deferred Revenue	<u>7,845</u>
Total Liabilities	2,878,045
Fund Balance	
Reserved for specific purposes	8,199
Unreserved:	
Designated for continuing appropriations	69,476
Less: available from state grant and capital reserve funds	(57,049) 12,427
Undesignated	902,190
Total Fund Balance	<u>922,816</u>
Total Liabilities and fund balance	3,800,861

INTERLAKES DAY CARE ~ REPORT

We wish to thank the residents of the Town of Holderness for their continued support over the past 35 years. Our Board of Directors declared a celebration of cake and balloons on the 35th anniversary of our incorporation, October 27th. The party was enjoyed by the children, parents and staff. It could be said that the recent and long-needed paving of the Center driveway was a fitting anniversary present for all to enjoy for many years to come.

In the exercise of its charter powers, Inter-Lakes Day Care Center aims to promote child development and family support for working parents, through comprehensive infant, toddler, preschool and school age developmentally appropriate curriculum. Year-round childcare is provided in educational settings at two locations for children 6 weeks to 12 years old. Services include full and part-time childcare, morning preschool programs, summer day camp programs, and USDA approved hot meals and snacks.

In conjunction with the State of New Hampshire, through the Child Care and Development Block Grant Fund, sliding fee scale tuition is available based on income level and family size for purposes of employment, training and pursuit of degree or certificate programs, job search and temporary disability. Additional services include sponsorship of the Interlakes Family Daycare Nutrition Program, a group of licensed home daycare providers who receive federal reimbursements from USDA by serving approved meals and snacks while providing care for children of working parents.

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION 2005–2006 (FY-06)

The Lakes Region has changed tremendously in the past 25 years. Homes and businesses have expanded along major roadways, and many of our communities have experienced dramatic changes. This growth has resulted in a number of regional challenges. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is the area organization established to address the effects of growth at both the local and regional level. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers direct and support services ranging from technical assistance, geographic information systems, and transportation planning, to land use and environmental planning, and economic development. Local, state, and federal resources primarily fund the LRPC. We are contacted several times daily for answers to local and statewide issues. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our goal remains to provide support and leadership to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Listed below are some of the services performed on behalf of Holderness and the region in the past fiscal year:

- Continue to provide support to town officials working on an update of the 1994 Holderness Master Plan.
- Provided information regarding geographic information systems (GIS) to local officials.
- Prepared a preliminary report on Housing and School Enrollments in the Lakes Region with a final report due in the fall of 2006. Funding was provided in part by grants obtained by LRPC.
- Initiated a Virtual Agriculture Tour of the region: a pilot project designed to illustrate how the Internet and GIS can be used to identify and bolster agricultural activity.
- Completed and distributed the 2006 Development Activity in the Lakes Region report on the Lakes Region development trends. Prepared and distributed a development survey for 2006-2007.
- Planned and coordinated the 20th annual household hazardous waste collection in the Lakes Region. Two consecutive Saturdays were designated as collection days for 24 participating communities. An estimated 20,000 total gallons of waste were collected, containerized, and transported to EPA approved end-of-life locations around the country.
- Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in transportation planning and project development. The TAC advises the LRPC on transportation projects of regional significance.
- Co-hosted and organized three public Municipal Law Lectures where practicing attorneys provide a legal perspective on local planning, zoning and other municipal issues. Recent lectures included: Off-Site Extractions and Impact Fees; Balancing Municipal Interests and Private Property Rights; Ethics for Land Use Board Members; and Land Use Regulations: Constitutional Challenges and the Evolving Law of Variances. Also convened a regional meeting on the use of conservation subdivisions as an effective land use conservation tool.

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

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- Secured funding from the NH Emergency Management Bureau to assist local communities with the preparation of all hazard management plans.
- Prepared a model steep slopes ordinance and a draft agricultural land preservation ordinance. Both are to be included in an innovative zoning guidebook to be released by the NH Department of Environmental Services in 2007.
- Awarded \$50,000 from the U.S. Economic Development Administration to prepare a Comprehensive Economic Development Plan (CEDS). LRPC will bring various stakeholders together to develop a regional vision and plan for regional economic progress. A completed CEDS will also provide communities with improved access to EDA funding for infrastructure and economic development projects, a benefit not currently available.
- Adopted the Lakes Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan; a planning effort that will help provide a blueprint for the location of regional and local bike and pedestrian routes.
- Conducted over 150 traffic counts around the region, in cooperation with the New Hampshire
- Department of Transportation (DOT). LRPC is also preparing and updating local road inventories, on a town-by-town basis, that will be used by the DOT.
- Participated on the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility board of directors to explore the ways and means that the facility may encourage communities to participate as members.
- Convened seven Commission meetings, including four area meetings, which featured a diverse range of topics ranging from a presentation focusing on how scenic views affect local property assessments, an update of LRPC's Regional Goals and Objectives which was accomplished with discussions and recommendations over the four area meetings and adoption in September of this year, an amendment to the Standing Rules and Procedures for the LRPC Transportation Advisory Committee, and an update on the recent achievements of the Northern Rail Trail in Merrimack County.
- Continue to represent the region on several boards and committees related to the economic and environmental well-being of the region, e.g., the Belknap County Economic Development Council, the Grafton County Economic Development Council, the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee, the North Country Resource and Conservation Development Council, etc.
- Reviewed project proposals through the NH Intergovernmental Review Agreement that provides the region and local communities an opportunity to respond to applications seeking state and federal aid. LRPC reviewed many proposals having a combined investment total greater than \$15 million in the Lakes Region.
- Produced a calendar of critical deadlines for March Town Meeting, and distributed it via our web site and regular mail.
- Ordered and distributed many copies of the NH Planning and Land Use Regulation books to member planning boards at considerable savings. Copies are provided to individual planning board members.

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE REPORT

Three dozen flags were donated by the Dupuis-Cross American Legion Post #15 of Ashland and were placed on local Veteran's graves in eight cemeteries around town.

This year we did a different parade route. The change was to keep the blockage time on US Route 3 shorter. We started at the Science Center parking lot and went NH Route 113 to the cemetery where a group of school children placed flowers on some of the graves before a service with the American Legion. The parade proceeded to the channel for a service at the bridge and ended at the post office in Curry Place where the Baker Valley Band stayed to play for about 30 minutes. The Holderness Central School Band and Baker Valley Band provided music. It was great to have such a good turnout for the parade.

We were able to pass out small flags to the children and the side lines. We hope to have a few more added to our committee and be able to pass out more flags and hope more will go listen to the Baker Valley Band after the Parade.

Thanks to the Holderness Police and Fire Departments for all their help. Thanks to all who helped, participated and all who came to watch and remember this very important day.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret R. Winton

Edward R. Ford, Co-Chairmen

PEMI-BAKER HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE ANNUAL REPORT

Board of Directors Representatives: Bonnie Webb, Edie Hamersma

Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice strives to provide the citizens of Holderness with a multitude of services and programs. The goal of our services is to allow people to remain at home in a safe environment. Important initiatives during 2006 have been...

- Monthly Foot Care Clinic at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center for the purpose of grooming toenails and recommendations to physicians if necessary.
- Training of Hospice volunteers to assist our Hospice patients and families. We currently have 15 appreciated volunteers. Quarterly Education programs for the volunteers to enhance their knowledge.
- Participation in the Plymouth Regional High School's Licensed Nursing Assistant training program. Provided a six week internship in Home Health for the students. Member of the Board of Directors for the program.
- Annual Hospice Tree Lightings, hosted by Dresser's Unlimited and the Woodsville Bank. The Hospice Memorial trees honor past and present Hospice patients. A \$5.00 donation to the Hospice program gives the donor a light on the memorial tree in honor of their loved one.
- Held a Memorial Service at the Plymouth Methodist Church with family and friends of past Hospice patients to honor and celebrate the lives of these Hospice patients.
- Ongoing participation with Speare Memorial Hospital Wellness Series, including participation in Health Fairs for the citizens of Holderness.
- Member of the Community Disaster Planning Committee with other professional community members.

Our mission as a non-profit organization is to serve citizens of Holderness and surrounding communities with appropriate Homecare services. We appreciate and thank you for your ongoing loyal support of our services and our staff.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Lary
Executive Director

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

Fire activity was very high during the first several weeks of the 2006 fire season, with red-flag conditions issued by the National Weather Service and extreme fire danger in many sections of the state. The largest forest fire during this period occurred in late April and burned 98 acres. The extremely dry conditions in spring resulted in over twice the amount of acreage burned than in all of 2005. Our statewide system of fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Fires in the wildland urban interface damaged 6 structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

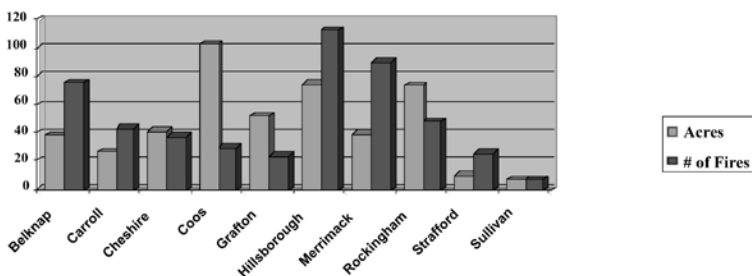
REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 8, 2006)

(figures do not include fires on the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	39	76
Carroll	27	44
Cheshire	42	38
Coos	104	30
Grafton	53	24
Hillsborough	75	114
Merrimack	40	91
Rockingham	74	49
Strafford	10	26
Sullivan	8	8



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	15
Campfire	24
Children	13
Smoking	50
Debris	284
Railroad	3
Equipment	4
Lightning	1
Misc.*	106

Total Fires Total Acres

2006	500	473
2005	546	174
2004	482	147
2003	374	100

Misc.* 106 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

SQUAM LAKES ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT

The Squam Lakes Association (SLA) is dedicated to conserving for the public benefit the natural beauty, peaceful character, and unique resource values of the lakes and surrounding area. In cooperation with local and state authorities and other conservation organizations, the Association promotes the protection, careful use, and shared enjoyment of the lakes, mountains, forests, open spaces, and wildlife of the Squam Lakes region. Since 1904, the Association has focused in three primary areas to fulfill our mission: conservation, education, and outreach.

Conservation: In 2006, SLA and numerous volunteers collected water quality data for its 28th year in collaboration with the University of New Hampshire's Lay Lake Monitoring Program. In July, SLA and volunteers conducted the 35th annual Wildlife Census in collaboration with the Loon Preservation Committee. The SLA continues to manage the invasive aquatic plant, variable milfoil. Variable milfoil has been found in both of the lakes, the channel, and the Squam River. SLA and partners actively manage variable milfoil by handpicking, laying bottom barrier netting, surveying, and herbicide applications. Milfoil management costs totaled over \$60,000 in 2006 and SLA will continue to seek funds for this purpose in coming years. The SLA along with volunteers performed 3,000 hours of trail maintenance on over 50 miles of SLA maintained trails. SLA is looking for even more volunteers to help monitor the 65 miles of shoreline surrounding the lakes, trail adopter volunteers to maintain trails, and other conservation efforts. Please call SLA at 968-7336 if you are interested.

The SLA also manages and protects other properties available for public recreation in the Squam Lakes area including the Squam Range, Rattlesnakes, Red Hill, Belknap Woods and the Sandwich Range.

Education: SLA offers three different summer youth programs that introduce youth to the unique resources of the Squam Lakes Region: the Junior Squam Lakes Association (JSLA), the Squam Conservation Corps (SCC), and the Community Youth Sailing Program (CYSP). JSLA is for youth in the third through ninth grades. This program seeks to develop the next generation of environmental stewards through outdoor activities including hiking, canoeing, kayaking, and camping. SCC is a one-week service internship for young adults entering grades 9 through 12 focusing on SLA's conservation programs. The award winning CYSP introduces children to the techniques of sailing using Optimist and Club Junior class sailboats. For each of these programs, scholarships are available to students residing in the five watershed towns exemplifying qualities of good citizenship or humanitarianism. Fifteen JSLA scholarships and five CYSP scholarships were awarded to local youth. In 2006, a total of 174 youth participated in JSLA, 14 in SCC, and 63 in CYSP.

Outreach: To enhance public access to the Squam Lakes and promote low-impact recreation use, the SLA rents canoes, kayaks, and sailboats. SLA also manages 14 backcountry campsites on Moon Island, Bowman Island, Chamberlain-Reynolds Memorial Forest, and Mead Conservation Center. In 2006, approximately 4,000 people camped in these sites. SLA provides low-impact public boat access at the SLA Headquarters and at Belknap Woods.

If you are interested in our programs, would like to volunteer, or have any questions, please contact SLA at 968-7336 or visit SLA's website www.squamlakes.org.

SQUAM LAKES CONSERVATION SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT

The Squam Lakes Conservation Society is a land preservation and conservation organization dedicated to the protection of the natural environment for the benefit of all present and future residents and visitors to the Squam Lakes watershed. It achieves the long-term protection of land by seeking, holding, and monitoring conservation easements and by accepting land ownership. Its activities are accomplished in cooperation with state and local authorities, businesses, conservation organizations, residents, landowners and members.

The Squam Lakes Conservation Society (SLCS) was founded in 1960 in response to the question: “how is this beautiful region here to be preserved and protected for future generations to enjoy it?” The very first parcel protected by the SLCS was the Holderness Town Beach, which was gifted to the SLCS by Frank Webster for the benefit of Holderness residents. Today the SLCS protects 66 properties and over 2,500 acres of land exclusively in the Squam watershed, including 19 parcels in the Town of Holderness. We have a full time, professional staff, more frequent and more consistent outreach efforts to landowners, a heightened community interest in land conservation, and a dramatic increase in projects and protected properties. During the past 4 years alone, the SLCS has protected an additional 26 properties in the Squam watershed.

The year 2006 was one of the busiest and most exciting years in SLCS history. A few highlights and accomplishments of the past year are as follows:

- Protected 8 parcels in the Squam watershed.
- Purchased two parcels on the Squam Range in Sandwich.
- Completed a capital campaign of \$2,500,000 to complete the permanent protection of Red Hill by creating the Koenig Forest Conservation Area, with over 4,000 feet of lake frontage and 450 acres of highly visible and ecologically important land.
- Refined the GIS mapping to include all lots in the Squam watershed.
- Assisted the SLA in purchasing the Hawkins parcel on Cotton Mountain and are working on completing a conservation easement on the parcel in 2007.
- Welcomed three new members to our Board - - Barbara Grossman, Thomas Masland and Timothy Vaill.
- Welcomed over 200 people to our Annual Meeting held at the Pinehurst Barn.
- Hired Alicia Abbott of Holderness to replace Jane Blaine as Office Administrator.

As “Squam’s Land Trust,” we are stewards of one of New Hampshire’s most pristine and breathtaking natural resources. We rely totally on volunteers to monitor each and every property that we protect. This is our most important task. We welcome everyone to help us in keeping Squam the special place that it continues to be.

For more information on SLCS and our 2007 projects log on to our website,

www.squamlakes.com or call us at **968-7900**.

SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER REPORT

The Squam Lakes Natural Science Center (SLNSC) is a non-profit environmental education organization founded in 1966. SLNSC's mission is to advance understanding of ecology by exploring New Hampshire's natural world. Using the outdoors as a classroom and live native New Hampshire animals as teaching ambassadors, SLNSC programs and exhibits teach the ecological concepts of adaptations, populations, interrelationships, and habitats in meaningful and memorable ways.

At SLNSC's 200-acre natural site in Holderness, visitors may tour three miles of self-guided trails from May 1 to November 1 featuring: 1) the 3/4-mile Gephart Exhibit Trail displaying native wildlife in woodland enclosures and buildings with hands-on interactive exhibits; 2) the Ecotone Trail, a 2/3-mile track along a forest and field edge; 3) the Mt. Fayal Trail, a 1-mile loop to the top of a small mountain with a view of Squam Lake; and 4) the Forest Trail, a 2/3-mile trail demonstrating forest management and ecology. Kirkwood Gardens, showing how plants attract birds and butterflies, is free to the public. Staff naturalists present natural history programs year-round ranging from lake ecology cruises, to outdoor activities, to indoor live animal presentations.

SLNSC's educational philosophy is that "ecological understanding" is fully as important as reading, writing, and arithmetic to the development of an educated citizenry. SLNSC's many and varied educational offerings provide unparalleled points of entry to the natural world for both school children and the general public, regardless of economic level or geographic region. In particular, SLNSC is the one of very few institutions that has built the capacity to provide quality educational opportunities that combine the excitement of experiencing live, native animals first-hand with the expert natural history awareness, appreciation, and understanding that can best be fostered by skilled professional naturalists. With more than forty years experience in this area, SLNSC has established a well-deserved reputation for the quality of its program.

SLNSC builds relationships that extend beyond its doors and across lifetimes. Our active volunteer program provides opportunities for individuals to become involved in every aspect of operations, with 211 volunteers contributing 8,295 hours in 2006. Groups from preschools to senior centers participate in programs throughout the year. In 2006, 18,360 school children and teachers, mostly from Grades K – 8, attended a program or visited. School audiences come from all across the state. Most public visitors are from throughout New Hampshire, closely followed by Massachusetts and other New England states, with some from all 50 states and several foreign countries. In 2006, public visitors numbering 39,734 toured the trails while another 16,428 participated in programs, cruises, and courses.

SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER REPORT

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In the spring of 2006, all six classrooms received technological upgrades allowing digital images and video clips to be shown during programs. The Holderness Inn, formerly the site of SLNSC's "Nature Store" was leased by the "Squam Lakes Artisans" Gallery of Regional Arts and Crafts and the Kirkwood Gardens Café, serving snacks and lunch. Our annual Clean Up Day, was held on Earth Day, April 22, with volunteers and staff joining together to prepare for the season opening. New Hampshire Day on April 30 welcomed New Hampshire residents for \$1 each. Kirkwood Gardens Day on June 10 brought garden lovers together. The second annual Animal Enrichment Day to encourage people "to come play the animal way" was held July 25. On September 23, the annual Autumn Festival activities included children's crafts, live animal presentations, and astronomy programs. Carved jack-o-lanterns lit the way for hundreds of Halloween Hoot 'N Howlers on October 27 and 28. November 1 marked the official closing of the Gephart Animal Trail, just as the Howling Coyote Gift Shop's new online store was launched.

The year 2006 was a remarkable one highlighted by the celebration of our fortieth anniversary. We used the opportunity to look back at our extraordinary growth and accomplishments over the years and to pay tribute to all of those who have contributed to our success. There was a spectacular Gala and Annual Meeting at the beautiful Burleigh Farm on July 29. A forty-foot long anniversary cake alongside a timeline highlighting milestones of four decades of work was enjoyed at an Open House for Holderness residents, former staff members and former trustees and their families. In August, we said farewell to Executive Director Dave Chase as he returned to the academic world and we welcomed our new Executive Director, Iain MacLeod.

In September 2006, SLNSC gained national accreditation from the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). This accreditation distinguishes SLNSC as among the very finest educational facilities of its kind throughout the nation and the only AZA-accredited institution in all of northern New England.

For more information about our programs, membership or volunteering, please contact SLNSC at 968-7194 or visit our website at www.nhnature.org.

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM TOWN REPORT

Tri-County Community Action Program is a private, non-profit agency that is requesting, at your 2007 Town Meeting, \$2000.00 in funding from the Town of Holderness to help support its Community Contact Division.

The following is a report of services provided in fiscal year 2005-2006:

Services Provided:	# of HH	Dollar Amount
Fuel Assistance (Includes 9 Emergencies)	49	\$34,523.00
Weatherization	1	\$1750.00
Homeless Funds (Rental, energy assistance, furnace clngs)	4	\$1,017.40
State-Wide Electric Assistance Program	38	\$16,645.00

Through the efforts of tri-county community action, the citizens of HOLDERNESS have received a total of \$53,935.40 between July 1, 2005 and June 30, 2006.

Community Contact provides these and other necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in your town and surrounding vicinities. We are depending upon funding from your town and others countywide to enable us to continue our services.

We sincerely appreciate the Town of Holderness' past support and look forward to our continuing partnership to provide essential services to your residents.

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM TOWN REPORT

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Community Contact is the field service arm of the Tri-County Community Action Program. The purpose of this program is to assist low-income, elderly, and handicapped persons to solve individual problems and to meet their needs through individual and/or group self help efforts. C.A.P. staff accomplished this purpose by providing information, counseling and by effectively linking and utilizing community resources. If possible, we also may assist with Emergency Fund dollars in the form of vouchers.

CATEGORY	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	SERVICE UNITS
FOOD/HOUSING	Emergency food pantry/Food Stamp referrals, Emer. Housing/Sec. Dep. Loans, Tenant/landlord relations, Landlord lists	17
ENERGY	Elec. Disconnects, Fuel outages, Home repairs, Weatherization, Fuel wood, Heat source repair requests, Furnace issues	160
HOMELESS	Assistance to the homeless or those in imminent danger of being homeless	27
INCOME/BUDGET COUNSELING	Employment/job training referrals, Debt &/or money management, financial plan reviews, Welfare referrals	29
HEALTH ISSUES	Medicare/Medicaid info/referrals, Mental health, Dental, Substance abuse, Emer. Response Units, Breast cancer awareness.	14
TRANSPORTATION	Area public transportation info, car pool info, Information re: Senior transportation for medical and other needs	17
OTHER ISSUES	Clothing Vouchers, Domestic Violence Program referrals, Legal Aide referrals, Children's Hat & Mitten Program	41

TOTAL SERVICE UNITS: 305

UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION – GRAFTON COUNTY OFFICE

NORTHAM D. PARR, COUNTY OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

ANNUAL REPORT

UNH Cooperative Extension provides New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information and technical assistance, enhancing their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy.

Funded through the federal, state and county governments, and competitive grants, educational programs are designed to respond to the local needs of citizens, through direction and support of an elected volunteer Advisory Council.

Education programs and assistance are objective, informal and practical in nature; most are at no direct cost for participants. Clients' needs are met through phone calls, letters and printed materials, hands-on workshops, on-site visits, seminars and conferences, and up-to-date web sites. Our staff is able to respond quickly with needed information via electronic mail, keeps up-to-date on the latest research and information, and works collaboratively with many agencies and organizations.

A professional staff of four educators and one specialist work out of the Extension Office located in the Grafton County Administrative Offices in North Haverhill. Another professional member works in Plymouth to provide nutrition education programs for limited-resource families and schools. Additional support is provided through trained volunteers who assist with Extension programs and increase our outreach capabilities.

Educational Programs in Grafton County, FY06:

- To Strengthen NH's Communities: Community Conservation Assistance Program; Preserving Rural Character through Agriculture; Urban and Community Forestry; Community Youth Development; Volunteer Training (Master Gardeners, Coverts Cooperators, Community Tree Stewards, 4-H Leaders); Community Profiles.
- To Strengthen NH's Family and Youth: After-School Programs; Family Resource Management; 4-H/Youth Development; Nutrition and Food Safety Education; Parenting Education; Cradle Crier/Toddler Tale Newsletters; Volunteer Leader Training.
- To Sustain NH's Natural Resources: Dairy Management; Agro-ecology; Forest Resources Stewardship; Fruit Production and Management; GIS

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Training; Lakes Lay Monitoring; Integrated Pest Management; Ornamental Horticulture; Insect and Disease Control; Vegetable Crop Production; Wildlife Habitat Improvement; Water Quality/Nutrient Management; Estate Planning and Conservation Easement Education.

- To Improve the Economy: Small Business Assistance (Forest Industry, Loggers, and Foresters; Farms and Nurseries); Farm and Forest Product Marketing; Agricultural Business Management; Family Financial Management.

Extension Staff: Tom Buob, Agricultural Resources; Kathleen Jablonski, 4-H/Youth Development; Michal Lunak, Dairy; Deborah Maes, Family & Consumer Resources; Northam Parr, Forestry & Wildlife Resources; Robin Peters, Nutrition Connections; Educators are supported by Teresa Locke, Donna Mitton and Kristina Vaughan at the Extension Office.

Extension Advisory Council: Sheila Fabrizio, North Haverhill; David Keith, North Haverhill; Shaun Lagueux, Bristol; Jane O'Donnell, Littleton; Debby Robie, Bath; Carol Ronci, Franconia; Rep. Martha McLeod, Franconia; Denis Ward (Chair), Monroe. Teen Members include: Jacob Burgess, Bath and Faith Putnam, Piermont.

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Extension programs and policies are nondiscriminatory with regard to age, color, handicap, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation and veterans' status.

Respectfully submitted,
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