

"A time for every season..."

Canterbury

New Hampshire

Annual Report 1999





IN MEMORIAM

Philip K. Stone, Sr. (Pete)

March 31, 1912 — January 7, 2000

Marguerite Jordan Stone

July 17 1916 — January 29, 2000

Pete and Marguerite were married for sixty-five years and raised their family in Canterbury. They served the community in many different ways. Pete served during World War II in Central Europe where he received the African Middle Eastern Theatre Campaign Ribbon with two Service Stars; The Good Conduct Medal, World War II Victory Medal and the Purple Heart. He was an active member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 3266, Penacook NH and a life-time member of the NRA.

After the war he and Marguerite owned Stoney Acres Farm on Hackleboro Road and Pete also served the Town of Canterbury for sixteen years 1949-1965 as the Town Road Agent. After retiring as Town Road Agent, Pete started his own construction company, Stone Construction, until his retirement. During this time Pete donated his time, equipment and supervising building the ball field and playground at the Canterbury Elementary School. He was also active in assisting his son, Phil Jr., in organizing and coaching Little League and Babe Ruth Baseball.

Pete was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and birdwatching. He and Marguerite were devoted parents and grandparents who enjoyed many activities with their children and grandchildren.

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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF

Canterbury
New Hampshire

COMPRISING THOSE OF THE SELECTMEN,
TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR,
HEALTH OFFICER, ROAD AGENT,
LIBRARY TRUSTEES, TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS,
PLANNING BOARD, BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT,
CONSERVATION COMMISSION,
HISTORICAL COMMISSION, HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

COVER ARTWORK AND LAYOUT BY: JAYNE HASTINGS

Dedication

The 2000 Annual Report is dedicated to
Canterbury's representatives to the Smithsonian Folklife Festival



L-R: Steve Allman, David Lamb, Norma George (ShakerVillage,) Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki, Dudley Laufman, Jacqueline Laufman, Mary Ellen MacCoy, Roy Hutchinson, Hugh Fifield.

Distinguished Citizen Award

"In recognition of outstanding service to the State of New Hampshire, the Smithsonian Institution of Washington, D.C., and the Town of Canterbury, the undersigned representing the people of Canterbury declare each participant from our town "a Distinguished Citizen."

Selected by the Smithsonian and State of New Hampshire committees to represent New Hampshire at the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, these volunteers served in Washington, D.C. in the summer of 1999 in a manner to bring much credit and honor to our State, Canterbury, and themselves.

The citizens of Canterbury applaud them and will cause to appear on the Town records our sincere and thankful recognition of their excellent service on our behalf and on behalf of all citizens of New Hampshire."

SELECTMEN OF CANTERBURY
GIVEN THIS DAY OF OCTOBER, 1999

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TOWN OFFICERS

(Elected)

Selectmen (3 Yrs).

Michael Capone, Chairman (2000)

Priscilla Lockwood (2001)

Frank A. Tupper (2002)

Town Clerk/Tax Collector (3 Yrs.)

Cheryl A. Gordon (2001)

Treasurer (1 Yr.)

Sewall G. Smith (2000)

Moderator (2 Yrs.)

Wayne Mann (2000)

School Board (3 Yrs.)

Thomas Garfield, Chair - Belmont (2001)

Graham Chynoweth - Canterbury (2002)

Peter McDonald - Canterbury (2000)

Sumner Dole - Canterbury (2001)

William Hart - Belmont (2002)

Thomas Goulette - Belmont (2000)

Steven Fournier - Belmont (2001)

Planning Board (3 Yrs.)

Laurie Rauseo, Chair (2000)

James Bassett, Vice Chair (2001)

Don Burgess (2000)

Bill Egan (2000)

Jim Snyder (2002)

Nat Witschonke (2002)

Michael Capone, Selectmen's Representative

Alternates:

Ken Jordan (2002)

Ken Stern (2001)

Cemetery Committee (3 Yrs.)

Virginia Dudley (2001)
Hugh R. Fifield (2000)
Regina Lamprey (2002)

Supervisors of Checklist (6 Yrs.)

Mary Ann Winograd (2004)
Marcia Scarponi (2000)
Brenda Murray (2002)

Library Trustees (3 Yrs.)

Claudia Leidinger, Chair (2002)
Marcia Scarponi (2001)
Kathy DeGrace (2002)
Edith Posselt (2001)
Emily Eddy (2001) (Resigned)
William Manning (2001) (Resigned)
John Boutin (2000) (Appointed)
Chuck Sanborn (2000) (Appointed)
Hank Turco (2000) (Appointed)

Trustee of Trust Funds (3 Yrs.)

Greg Heath, Chair (2002)
Nancy Lilly (2000)
Marcia Scarponi (2001)

State Representatives

Priscilla Lockwood - Canterbury
Carolyn Virtue - Loudon
David Larrabee - Loudon
Roy Maxfield - Loudon

State Senator

Rick Trombly - Boscawen

TOWN OFFICERS

(Appointed)

Clerk of the Board

Jean H. Bezanson

Assistant Clerk of the Board

Kathryn K. Dickson

Road Agent

Philip K. Stone, Jr.

Police

Jeffrey C. Miller, Chief

David Girard, Officer

Arthur Merrigan Jr., Part-time Officer

Lawrence Phillips, Part-time Officer

Karen Rix, Part-time Officer

Kimberly Lucas - Secretary

Health Officer

Dr. Ellen Bassett, Public Health

Deputy Health Officer

Fritz Hafer, Sewage Disposal

Fire Warden/Civil Defense Director

Dale Caswell

Deputy Town Clerk

Kathryn K. Dickson

Assistant Deputy Town Clerk

Janice L. Stout

Budget Committee (3 Yrs.)

Kenneth Sorlin (2001)
Briggs Lockwood (2002)
Mary Ellen Fifield (2002)
John S. Pratt (2000)
Sewall G. Smith (2000)
Andrew Scanlon (2000)

Board of Adjustment (3 Yrs.)

Joseph Halla, Chair (2000)
F. Webster Stout (2000)
David Scanlon (2001)
Kent Ruesswick (2001)
Kenneth Sorlin (2001)
Alternates:
Barbie Tilton (2000)
John Scarponi (2001)

Conservation Commission (3 Yrs.)

Robert Fife, Chair (2001)
Peter Hofman - Resigned
Mark Stevens (2002)
Robert Doherty - Resigned
Alternates:
Teresa C. Wyman (2000)
David Rauseo (2000)
Heidi Hutchinson (2002)
Matthew Bowser (2003)
Stephanie Bowser (2003)

Librarian

Susan Holmes, Librarian
Wesley Noyes, Asst. Librarian
Elaine DiStefano, Librarian

Fire Department

Dale Caswell, Chief
Scott Ruesswick, Deputy Chief

Building Inspector

Jim Snyder

Recreation Committee (3 Yrs.)

Kenneth Robichaud, Chair (2002)

Heidi Hutchinson (2000)

Brian Collins (2002)

Harold Bowley (2000)

Peter Blanchette (2000)

Aerobics Sub-committee:

Barbara Cook (2002)

Laurie Rauseo (2002)

Historic District Commission (3 Yrs.)

Steve Booth, Chair (2001)

David Lamb (2001)

Jeff Brillhart (2002)

Virginia Laplante (2002)

Frank A. Tupper, Selectmen's Representative

Alternates:

Robert Reno (2001)

Kevin Bragg (2001)

**Canterbury Economic Development
Committee**

Earl Hall, Chair (2000)

Jeffrey Leidinger (2001)

Dwight Keeler (2001)

William Rice (2000)

Peter Hofman (2003)

Jeff Brillhart (2003)

Chance Anderson (2003)

Priscilla Lockwood, Selectmen's Representative

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

State of New Hampshire

The Polls will be open from 10:00 a. m. to 7:00 p. m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Canterbury in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Canterbury Elementary School in said Canterbury on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, 2000, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To see how the Town will vote on the following zoning amendments proposed by the Planning Board to be voted upon by official ballot:

Question 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment adds definitions of Septage and Septage Lagoon to Article 3, DEFINITIONS, and adds a new use, Septage Lagoons, to Section 5.3C, TABLE OF PRINCIPAL USES, and prohibits Septage Lagoons in all zoning districts.

Question 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment allows the minimum structure setback from the front property line on lots of 15,000 square feet or less as of November 1, 1999, to be 25 feet.

SECOND SESSION

The second session shall be held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday the seventeenth day of March, 2000, at seven o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$650,000) for the expansion and renovation to Elkins Public Library and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) from the Library reserve fund created for this purpose; with the balance of six hundred thousand (\$600,000) to be raised by taxation. Two thirds vote required. (By Ballot) **Not recommended by the Selectmen.**

4. To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for a study of Town Building needs. **Not recommended by the Selectmen.**

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for a roads inventory. **Not recommended by the Selectmen.**

7. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Fire Apparatus and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

8. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Rescue/EMS Apparatus and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) for the purpose of creating a septic system for the Town Garage, Police Station and Town Hall, and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw said sum from the Sam Lake Trust Fund. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

10. To see if the Town will vote to install new gas and diesel tanks at the Town Garage and to raise and appropriate sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) and to authorize the Selectmen to expend the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) from the Sam Lake Trust Fund. The balance of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) is to come from general taxation. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

11. To see if the Town will vote to purchase Imaging software and a digital camera for the Police Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand two hundred dollars (\$6,200) for this purpose.
Not recommended by the Selectmen.

12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of land acquisition by the Conservation Commission and to appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund. **Not recommended by two Selectmen, recommended by one Selectmen.**

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for two plows and two plow wings for the Highway Department. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000) for the purpose of preparing architectural plans and specifications for Elkins Library construction. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

15. To see if the Town will send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, New Hampshire's natural, cultural, and historic resources in this town and throughout the State are worthy of protection and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should establish and fund a

permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources. Petitioned.
Recommended by the Selectmen.

16. To see if the Town will direct Town Boards, Departments and Commissions and urge State and Federal authorities to protect and enhance the well being of the Town's populace, environment, infrastructure, and economic interests in relation to a proposal by the Concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative to place in the Town a long term landfill on land adjacent to the Merrimack River. Petitioned.
Recommended by the Selectmen.

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand.

Michael Capone, Chairman
Frank Tupper
Priscilla Lockwood
Board of Selectmen

2000 BUDGET FOR CANTERBURY

	1999 Appropriated	1999 Spent	2000 Appropriated	Incr/Decr	Encumbered
SALARIES					
Selectmen	6100.00	4000.00	6100.00	0.00	
Hourly Clerical	28387.00	35992.49	39021.00	10634.00	
Deputy Town Clerk	7500.00	5476.86	12818.00	5318.00	
Town Clerk Fees	5000.00	5901.83	5000.00	0.00	
Tax Collector Salary	13000.00	11800.52	15000.00	2000.00	
Tax Collector Fees	2000.00	1582.52	2000.00	0.00	
Treasurer	3000.00	3000.00	3000.00	0.00	
Plate Sticker Fees	2300.00	662.52	2300.00	0.00	
Total	67287.00	68416.74	85239.00	17952.00	
EXECUTIVE					
Health Insurance	4700.00	7097.12	14125.00	9425.00	
Office Equipment Repair	500.00	266.04	250.00	-250.00	
Town Clerk Equip Rep		344.50	250.00	250.00	
Registry of Deeds	500.00	453.94	500.00	0.00	
Postage	3500.00	1391.25	1600.00	-1900.00	
Selectmen Postage		1715.92	1900.00	1900.00	
Selectmen Seminars	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	
Data Processing Service	2000.00	1876.67	890.00	-1110.00	
Tax Map Maintenance	200.00	220.00	0.00	-200.00	
Telephone (Town Office)	1200.00	1079.03	1100.00	-100.00	
Printing (Sel/Town Clk)	250.00	126.64	200.00	-50.00	
Printing Town Report	4000.00	3612.09	4000.00	0.00	
Office Supplies (Sel)	2500.00	2544.42	2300.00	-200.00	
Office Supplies (Town Clk)		1049.38	750.00	750.00	
Office Supplies (Tax Coll)		222.11	200.00	200.00	
Office Equipment	400.00	379.96	200.00	-200.00	
Office Equip (Town Clk)			0.00	0.00	
Marriage License Fees	300.00	380.00	300.00	0.00	
Town Clerk Seminars	300.00	786.00	300.00	0.00	
Tax Collector Seminars		565.00	150.00	150.00	
Dog Tags	700.00	437.58	350.00	-350.00	
Petty Cash	150.00	0.00	0.00	-150.00	
Outside Auditing	4200.00	4200.00	4200.00	0.00	
Total	25500.00	28747.65	33665.00	8165.00	
ELECTION/REGISTRATION					
Wages	400.00	180.00	1450.00	1050.00	
Voter Checklists	30.00	0.00	0.00	-30.00	
Election Advertising	40.00	105.50	100.00	60.00	
Election Misc Supplies	50.00	222.60	0.00	-50.00	
Voting Machine			2700.00	2700.00	
Total	520.00	508.10	4250.00	3730.00	

	1999 Appropriated	1999 Spent	2000 Appropriated	Incr/Decr	Encumbered
CEMETERY					
Wages	6000.00	8193.52	8000.00	2000.00	
Sub-Contractor	0.00	350.00	350.00	350.00	
Equipment Repairs	100.00	176.56	200.00	100.00	
Gasoline & Oil	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	
Parts/Supplies	100.00	127.21	200.00	100.00	
Total	6500.00	8847.29	9050.00	2550.00	
GEN GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS					
Center Electricity	200.00	189.54	200.00	0.00	
Town Hall Maint	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	
Town Hall Electricity	200.00	217.41	200.00	0.00	
Town Bldg Emer Fund	3000.00	1470.43	3000.00	0.00	
Highway/Fire Dept Maint	1000.00	144.00	500.00	-500.00	
Highway/Fire Dept. Elec	2000.00	2791.71	2500.00	500.00	
Sam Lake Maintenance	2500.00	1240.53	500.00	-2000.00	
Sam Lake Electricity	1100.00	1107.84	1100.00	0.00	
Police Dept. Maint	100.00	150.00	100.00	0.00	
Police Dept. Electricity	500.00	488.12	500.00	0.00	
Historical Society Main	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	
Historical Society Electricity	200.00	244.22	200.00	0.00	
Town Bldgs Heating Oil	1700.00	1956.85	2100.00	400.00	
Total	12700.00	10000.65	11100.00	-1600.00	
PROPERTY APPRAISAL					
Property Appraisal	3000.00	981.28	3000.00	0.00	
PLANNING/ZONING					
Planning Board Sec Wages	1450.00	1887.13	2100.00	650.00	
Planning Board Seminars	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	
Planning Board Prof Serv	500.00	66.00	250.00	-250.00	
Planning Board Postage	650.00	685.75	650.00	0.00	
Planning Board Advertising	200.00	374.49	250.00	50.00	
Planning Board Printing	250.00	218.40	250.00	0.00	
Planning Board Supplies	100.00	156.12	100.00	0.00	
Planning Board Equip	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	
Zoning Board Sec Wages	750.00	379.95	600.00	-150.00	
Zoning Board Seminars	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	
Zoning Board Postage	250.00	217.00	250.00	0.00	
Zoning Board Advertising	600.00	383.01	500.00	-100.00	
Zoning Board Supplies	50.00	25.00	50.00	0.00	
Total	5000.00	4392.85	5200.00	200.00	
LEGAL EXPENSE					
Attorney Expenses	6000.00	5178.72	6000.00	0.00	

	1999 Appropriated	1999 Spent	2000 Appropriated	Incr/Decr	Encumbered
REGIONAL ASSOCIATION					
NH Resource Recovery	150.00	100.00	100.00	-50.00	
Town Clerk Dues	85.00	20.00	20.00	-65.00	
Tax Collector Dues		0.00	50.00	50.00	
Central NH Planning	1710.00	1710.00	1710.00	0.00	
NHMA Membership	800.00	1758.91	800.00	0.00	
Assoc of Assessing Dues	20.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	
Reg/Conc Solid Waste	20.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	
Upper Merrimack River	25.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	
Fed DOT/Drug Test	200.00	80.00	200.00	0.00	
NH Health Association			25.00	25.00	
Total	3010.00	3733.91	2970.00	-40.00	
POLICE DEPARTMENT					
Wages	81199.00	66625.59	86212.00	5013.00	
Cruiser Maint	2500.00	5240.18	2500.00	0.00	
Health Insurance	7595.00	6317.72	13507.00	5912.00	
Telephone	2500.00	3069.88	2500.00	0.00	
Dispatch Service	6730.00	6408.00	9805.00	3075.00	
Radios & Repairs	1000.00	1210.50	1000.00	0.00	
Office Supplies	1250.00	3663.38	1550.00	300.00	
Uniforms	600.00	916.95	600.00	0.00	
Gasoline	2500.00	2431.43	3000.00	500.00	
Supplies/New Equip	900.00	3238.10	900.00	0.00	
Retirement	3300.00	5444.54	3500.00	200.00	
Sub-Contractor	20000.00	21763.99	20000.00	0.00	
Sem/Dues/Subscript	400.00	567.33	400.00	0.00	
Prosecutor	500.00	435.92	500.00	0.00	
Total	130974.00	127334.51	145974.00	15000.00	
FIRE DEPARTMENT					
Reimbursement	4400.00	5244.21	4800.00	400.00	
Forest Fire Costs	800.00	3125.05	800.00	0.00	
Vehicle Maint	8000.00	7739.57	8000.00	0.00	
Training & Prevention	500.00	315.00	500.00	0.00	
Dispatch Services	10014.00	10014.00	10638.00	624.00	
Communications	5000.00	8721.51	6000.00	1000.00	
Dry Hydrants	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	0.00	
Gasoline & Oil	800.00	225.37	800.00	0.00	
Fire & Rescue Equip	11859.00	9452.41	11500.00	-359.00	
Office Equipment	200.00	183.40	200.00	0.00	
Medical Training	500.00	650.00	500.00	0.00	
Med Supplies/Training	3500.00	1875.08	2500.00	-1000.00	
Equipment Maint	2000.00	750.70	1500.00	-500.00	
Forest Fire Equip	2000.00	4227.82	3000.00	1000.00	
Total	50573.00	52524.12	51738.00	1165.00	
Civil Defense	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	

	1999 Appropriated	1999 Spent	2000 Appropriated	Incr/Decr	Encumbered
BUILDING INSPECTOR					
Salary	2500.00	2500.00	3000.00	500.00	
Supplies	150.00	195.00	150.00	0.00	
Seminars	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	
Total	2750.00	2695.00	3250.00	500.00	
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE					
Wages	122000.00	109039.48	125700.00	3700.00	
Sub-Contractor	8000.00	5247.50	8000.00	0.00	
Salt	10000.00	7842.68	10000.00	0.00	
Sand & Gravel	30000.00	23562.21	30000.00	0.00	
Culverts & Bridges	1500.00	1634.74	1500.00	0.00	
Road Tar	20000.00	20000.00	20000.00	0.00	
Road Improvements	34000.00	33079.26	35000.00	1000.00	
Total	225500.00	200405.87	230200.00	4700.00	
GENERAL HIGHWAY					
Equipment Repairs	15000.00	13556.04	15000.00	0.00	
BC/BS Disability Ins	18270.00	15574.02	10236.00	-8034.00	
Retirement			6956.00	6956.00	
Telephone	500.00	741.60	700.00	200.00	
Supplies	1000.00	2236.99	1300.00	300.00	
Gasoline & Oil	13000.00	8261.06	13000.00	0.00	
Tires	3000.00	924.28	3000.00	0.00	
Dust Control			5000.00	5000.00	
Total	50770.00	41293.99	55192.00	4422.00	
STREET LIGHTING					
Street Lighting	1100.00	1139.52	1100.00	0.00	
SOLID WASTE					
Wages	15600.00	15313.73	18000.00	2400.00	
Recycling Services	6000.00	16593.55	10000.00	4000.00	
Truck Repair	2000.00	2642.03	250.00	-1750.00	
Telephone	350.00	393.60	400.00	50.00	
Supplies	50.00	2.50	100.00	50.00	
Electricity	700.00	850.24	1200.00	500.00	
Fuel Oil	150.00	38.97	150.00	0.00	
Co-op Fee Ash Disp	35000.00	21411.38	32500.00	-2500.00	
Central NH Waste Dist	1.00	0.00	1.00		
Total	59851.00	57246.00	62601.00	2750.00	
HOSPITALS					
Hospital	700.00	500.00	700.00	0.00	
Penacook Rescue	20000.00	20000.00	20000.00	0.00	
Belmont Rescue	5000.00	5000.00	5000.00	0.00	
Total	25700.00	25500.00	25700.00	0.00	

	1999 Appropriated	1999 Spent	2000 Appropriated	Incr/Decr	Encumbered
ANIMAL CONTROL					
Dog Costs (SPCA)	150.00	250.00	250.00	100.00	
VITAL STATISTICS					
Vital Statistic Fees	50.00	108.00	100.00	50.00	
GENERAL ASSISTANCE					
Comm Action Program	1549.00	1549.00	1549.00	0.00	
General Assistance	3000.00	2757.36	3000.00	0.00	
Aid/Disabled (VNA)	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	
Total	5549.00	5306.36	5549.00	0.00	
LIBRARY					
Wages	20124.00	20531.51	20728.00	604.00	
Maintenance Repairs	500.00	1416.00	1800.00	1300.00	
Books/Magazines/Tapes	6233.00	5396.02	6183.00	-50.00	
Dues/Meetings/Education	270.00	204.81	200.00	-70.00	
Telephone	1230.00	1773.79	1400.00	170.00	
Heating Oil	650.00	375.62	500.00	-150.00	
Electricity	800.00	537.73	700.00	-100.00	
Postage	275.00	143.16	200.00	-75.00	
Equipment Supplies	1500.00	832.91	1500.00	0.00	
Insurance			6957.00	6957.00	
Total	31582.00	32044.45	40168.00	8586.00	
HISTORICAL DISTRICT					
Secretary Wages	250.00	168.75	250.00	0.00	
Postage	40.00	45.00	50.00	10.00	
Printing	50.00	93.47	100.00	50.00	
Supplies	10.00	0.00	0.00	-10.00	
Total	350.00	307.22	400.00	50.00	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
Web site/Legal/Signs	3000.00	2500.00	500.00	-2500.00	
PARKS & RECREATION					
Repairs	250.00	0.00	200.00	-50.00	
Equipment	250.00	0.00	800.00	550.00	
Total	500.00	0.00	1000.00	500.00	
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES					
Memorial Day	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	
Fourth of July	900.00	950.00	900.00	0.00	
Total	1000.00	950.00	1000.00	0.00	

	1999 Appropriated	1999 Spent	2000 Appropriated	Incr/Decr	Encumbered
CONSERVATION COMMISSION					
Dues	150.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	
Postage	80.00	45.33	70.00	-10.00	
Printing & Advertising	100.00	0.00		-100.00	
Supplies	300.00	365.54	230.00	-70.00	
Professional Services			300.00	300.00	
Total	630.00	560.87	750.00	120.00	
HISTORICAL SOCIETY					
Preservation Expense	600.00	167.37	500.00	-100.00	
Misc Supplies	100.00	232.72	100.00	0.00	
Total	700.00	400.09	600.00	-100.00	
HEALTH OFFICER					
Seminars	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	
Gasoline & Oil	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	
Total	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	
	720247.00	681373.19	786747.00	66500.00	
DEBT SERVICE					
PRINCIPAL OF LONG TERM DEBT					
Principal Payment Fire Truck	34000.00	34000.00	34000.00	0.00	
INTEREST OF LONG TERM DEBT					
Interest Payment Fire Truck	9480.00	7583.89	5690.00	-3790.00	
INTEREST OF TAX ANTIC. NOTES					
Interest Payt Tax Antic. Notes	3000.00	0.00	3000.00	0.00	
FICA	29224.00	24443.81	27000.00	-2224.00	
INSURANCE					
Insurance	45000.00	24075.00	30000.00	-15000.00	
SUBTOTAL	840951.00	771475.89	886437.00	45486.00	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT					
Library	25000.00	25000.00	25000.00		
Highway Equipment	5000.00	5000.00	5000.00		
Highway Truck	5000.00	5000.00	5000.00		
Highway Grader	5000.00	5000.00	5000.00		
Total	40000.00	40000	40000		
OPERATING BUDGET					
TOTAL	880951.00	811475.89	926437.00		

		1996 Appropriated	1996 Spent	2000 Appropriated	Incr/Decr	Encumbered
WARRANT ARTICLES						
Removal of half bridge	98-5		12813.06			12187
Defibrillator for Cruiser	99-4	3250.00	3112.00			
Fire Foam System	99-5	8500.00	8500.00			
Packer Truck	99-6	70000.00	65523.93			
Engineering Cost/Ind Park	99-8	2040.00	2000.00			
Hardware/Software	99-9	10000.00	9196.93			
Land/Library	99-10	35000.00	0.00			35000
Library	00-3			650000.00		
Town Buildings	00-5			25000.00		
Roads Inventory	00-6			5000.00		
Fire Apparatus	00-7			5000.00		
Rescue Apparatus	00-8			5000.00		
Septic System	00-9			16000.00		
Gasoline Tanks	00-10			16000.00		
Police Digital Camera	00-11			6200.00		
Conservation Commission	00-12			20000.00		
Highway Plows	00-13			10000.00		
Elkins Library	00-14			35000.00		
	Total	128790.00	101145.92	793200.00		
TOTALS WITH						
WARRANT ARTICLES		1009741.00	912621.81	1679637.00		
Memimack County Tax			219412.00			
Shaker Regional School			1809038.60			
Refunds			922.71			
Tax Sales - Tax Collector			76774.74			
Grand Total			3018769.86			

REVENUE TO OFFSET 2000 BUDGET

	EST. 1999	ACT. 1999	EST. 2000
TAXES			
Yield taxes	\$32,200	\$46,633	\$30,000
Interest & penalties on taxes	\$50,000	\$43,828	\$50,000
Land use change tax	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payment in lieu of taxes	\$5,000	\$6,829	\$5,000
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - STATE			
Shared revenues	\$40,000	\$15,888	\$16,000
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	\$20,000	\$34,064	\$20,000
Highway block grant	\$59,900	\$59,907	\$63,000
Railroad tax	\$0	\$0	\$0
Reimb. a/c State Federal Forest Land	\$300	\$335	\$300
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Motor vehicle permit fees	\$225,000	\$260,482	\$250,000
Building permits	\$3,500	\$6,070	\$5,000
Other licenses, permits, & fees	\$2,000	\$7,827	\$5,000
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from departments	\$8,000	\$11,647	\$6,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Interest of Deposits	\$20,000	\$23,767	\$20,000
Sam Lake Trust Fund			\$24,000
Recycling	\$6,000	\$4,580	\$6,000
	<hr/> \$471,900	<hr/> \$521,857	<hr/> \$500,300
Appropriations recommended	\$926,437		
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$10,000		
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$77,000		
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$1,013,437		
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$500,300		
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$513,137		

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING

FIRST SESSION

March 9, 1999

The moderator, Wayne Mann, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a. m. A motion was made by Cheryl Gordon to dispense with the reading of the warrant. The motion was seconded.

Necessary town officers for the year ensuing were chosen by ballot and the Town voted on zoning amendments (by official ballot) proposed by the Planning Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p. m. Ballots were then counted and the results were as follows:

1999 Ballot

Board of Selectmen: 1 position 3 years

Frank Tupper	238
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Treasurer: 1 position 1 year

Sewall G. Smith	263
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Planning Board: 2 positions 3 years

James Snyder	213
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Nat Witschonke	160
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Cemetery Committee: 1 position 3 years

Regina Lamprey	258
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Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 position 3 years

Gregory B. Heath	253
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Library Trustee: 2 positions 3 years

Claudia Leidinger	256
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Katharine C. DeGrace	240
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Library Trustee: 1 position 2 years

Edith P. Posselt	253
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**Results of 1999
Proposed Zoning Changes**

Question 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #1 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment rezones to the Commercial District certain land on the southerly side of West Road extending westerly from I-93 to the railroad right-of-way. The property to be rezoned excludes land which is subject to an agricultural preservation easement so that the rezoned property includes Tax Map 5, Parcels 014/001 and 009/000, as shown on the proposed zoning map.

Yes 189

No 73

Question 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #2 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment rezones to the Commercial District certain property located on the southerly side of West Road on the easterly side of I-93. The property to be rezoned includes the property located on the southerly side of West Road extending from the easterly sideline of Interstate 93 and which is shown on Canterbury Tax Map No. 5. The parcels included in the change are designated as Tax Map 5, Parcels No. 010/000; 011/000; 013/000; 013/001; 013/002; and 012/000, as shown on the proposed zoning map.

Yes 176

No 84

Question 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #3 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment adds a provision to the Zoning Ordinance, which states that adult entertainment businesses are not allowed as permitted uses in Canterbury.

Yes 202

No 68

Question 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #4 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment allows the minimum setback for structures to be lessened to not less than 25' from the front property line by special exception approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Yes 164

No 108

Question 5. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #5 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment deletes the current provisions of the ordinance, which allow reduction of frontage requirements to 50' under certain conditions, so that all new lots used for residential purposes must have 300' of frontage.

Yes 144

No 129

Question 6. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #6 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment corrects a typographical error in the table of uses, which incorrectly designated uses permitted by special exceptions. No substantive change in the ordinance is proposed.

Yes 242

No 26

SECOND SESSION (Business Portion)

The moderator, Wayne Mann, opened the Adjourned Town Meeting at 7:00 p. m. on Friday, March 12, 1999.

The salute to the flag was lead by representatives from Canterbury's Boy Scouts.

The moderator made reference to the cover of the Town Report, which depicted a photograph of the quilt made by the Canterbury Woman's Extension Group in 1977 commemorating the 250th anniversary of the Canterbury Charter.

The moderator read the results of the balloting from the first session of the Town Meeting held on Tuesday, March 9, 1999. A review of the ground rules was presented. Dan Crean was appointed as parliamentarian for the Town Meeting.

Article 3.

To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Dan Crean moved the adoption of this article. John LaPlante seconded.

Priscilla Lockwood, Selectman, went over the budget item by item and explained the increases and decreases. Dale Caswell, Fire Chief, moved to amend the Fire Department operating budget to increase it from \$44,714 to \$50,573. This figure was achieved after considering the new members full protective gear and the increased costs of maintenance and equipment. The amendment was seconded. A vote was taken on the amendment and passed.

Kay Cushman moved to add \$300 to the Conservation Commission budget for the cost of the herbicide used to treat the elm tree in the Center. They would also like to have an arborist determine whether or not it is feasible to continue treating the tree for Dutch Elm Disease. The motion to amend the Conservation Commission budget was seconded by Larry Phillips. A vote was taken on the amendment and passed to add \$300 to the Conservation Commission budget.

Michael Johnson asked if there was enough money included in the Police Department wages to hire a part-time secretary. He felt there is a substantial rise in the need to provide documentation and with a secretary, the police will be able to maximize street time. Jeff Miller, Police Chief, explained that the department needs an extra \$6,400 added to the wages in order to hire a part-time secretary to work for five hours a day, four days a week. They could then run the Police Department efficiently enabling the officers to patrol the town's 40 square miles more thoroughly. Michael Johnson moved to amend the budget to increase the

Police Department wages by \$6,400 for a part-time secretary. Dale Caswell seconded the motion. The motion to amend the police budget was voted on and passed.

The question was moved and the motion to accept the operating budget as amended in the amount of \$881,251 was passed.

Article 4.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$3,250) for the purchase of a cardiac defibrillator for the police cruiser.
Recommended by the selectmen

Chuck DeGrace moved the adoption of this article. Ray Cushman seconded.

Michael Capone, Selectman, explained that generally the police department is the first unit to arrive at an accident scene, and quite often time is of the essence when cardiac arrest is involved. The police officers will be trained to operate the defibrillator.

Hugh Fifield spoke against this article stating that the defibrillator may be needed, but the spending must stop.

Nancy Josselyn asked about possible liability issues. Dr. Ellen Bassett explained that the liability might be greater not having a defibrillator available since in the event of a cardiac arrest, time is of the essence.

Bob Drew who is with Canterbury Fire and Rescue, explained that the cardiac defibrillator they are considering is an easily operated device that reads the body's vital signs and delivers an electronic shock when necessary.

Don Maurer, also with Canterbury Fire and Rescue, spoke in favor of the adoption of this article and explained how the defibrillator operates.

Reggie Cloutier inquired that since the Town already has a defibrillator, why couldn't it be moved from the rescue truck to the police cruiser. Don Maurer stated that the particular unit that is

owned by the fire department could not be easily used.

Article 4 was voted on and passed.

Article 5.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$8,500) for the purchase of a foam system for the fire truck. **Recommended by the selectmen**

Dale Caswell moved the adoption of this article. Brian Collins seconded.

Dale Caswell, Fire Chief, spoke in favor of purchasing a foam system for the fire truck explaining that our volunteers' safety is the prime concern. The addition of foam to the fire stream increases the efficiency of water at least three times allowing quicker fire knock downs and less exposure to toxic burning materials and heat. Spraying a foam blanket under a vehicle at an accident scene reduces the danger of fuel ignition and would allow our volunteers to work in a much safer environment.

Olivia Henry asked if the foam used is non-toxic. Dale answered, yes; it is a protein foam which is water biodegradable.

A vote was taken on Article 5 and was passed by a majority vote.

Article 6.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) for the purchase of a packer truck for the recycling department. **Recommended by the selectmen**

Kay Cushman moved the adoption of this article. John Pratt seconded.

Frank Tupper, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, moved to amend the article to read "....to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) for the purchase of a new packer truck for the landfill and to authorize the use of forty-six

thousand nine hundred twenty-five dollars (\$46,925) of the December 31, 1998 unreserved fund balance for this purpose." The motion to amend was seconded. Frank explained that an encumbrance of this amount has been carried on the books for landfill closure, which has not been used and is no longer needed for that purpose. These monies originated from insurance proceeds from a fire at the landfill several years ago. Because the encumbrance has been on the books for a number of years, the Selectmen felt that this amendment was needed to clarify the lapsing of this encumbrance to unreserved fund balance and to affirm the use of a like amount for this need. A vote was taken on the amendment and passed.

John Evans asked if they plan to purchase a new or used truck. Phil Stone, Road Agent, said they plan to buy a new packer truck to replace the old one, which is worn out. It will be the same size truck designed to pack eight tons of garbage. They anticipate that the new truck should last for fifteen years.

Article 6 was then voted on as amended and passed.

Article 7.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for the construction of a road in the "Industrial Area," and to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (By ballot with 2/3 vote needed to pass)

Recommended by the selectmen

Priscilla Lockwood moved the adoption of this article. Jeff Leidinger seconded.

Dan Crean, member of the Economic Development Committee, explained that the purpose of this article is to facilitate development of the town-owned commercial land at Exit 18. The Canterbury Economic Development Committee has been trying to put together a marketable plan for this property. A subdivision of the property has been completed and they have reached a boundary line agreement with the Rices. They are in the process

of marketing the property to help the tax base in the town and brochures have been sent out to brokers. One of the issues they face is that they are in significant competition with the surrounding towns and cities that have not only a road in their industrial parks, but also they offer sewer and water. The Economic Development Committee is trying to make this property as attractive as possible in terms of financial acquisition; hopefully the property will be sold to someone who will build a road. The purpose of this article is to give the town the ability, if needed, to build the road to provide access to the land and facilitate development. The committee will attempt to recoup any expenses involved with this by the sale of the lots and any taxes generated. Dan Crean asked for the town's support of this article stating that the Economic Development Committee has put together an attractive plan working with state agencies and other properties.

Stephen Rasche spoke against this article, stating that we should not be spending money to make our town less rural and less beautiful.

As a 2/3-ballot vote was required for this article, the polls were declared open for one hour. There were 166 ballots cast. Article 7 was defeated by a vote of 99 yes, 67 no.

Article 8.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand forty dollars (\$2,040) to be applied to the engineering costs for the plans for the Canterbury Depot Commerce Park perimeter survey, road layout and subdivision.
Recommended by the selectmen

Jeff Leidinger moved the adoption of this article. Dan Crean seconded.

Jeff Leidinger of the Economic Development Committee explained that a year ago they contracted with an engineer to do the surveying, the road layout, and the subdivision plans for the town-owned industrial land. They used the money that was appropriated for this purpose last year along with the money in their operating budget. The appropriation they are asking for this

year is the balance that they need to complete the agreement made with the engineer. The perimeter survey has been completed, the roadway design for access to the site has been completed, and the subdivision has been submitted to the Planning Board and has been approved. These funds are to provide final payment to the engineer.

A vote was taken on Article 8 and passed.

Article 9.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the purchase of computer hardware and software for the Canterbury town offices.

Recommended by the selectmen

Chuck DeGrace moved the adoption of this article. Doug Ruesswick seconded.

Mike Capone, Selectman, explained that we currently pay \$1,800 a year for data processing services for the town, which consists of generating voter checklists, tax bills, and various reports needed. Because of the Y2K issue, Jim Ashworth will no longer be able to provide these services to us. The computer committee over the last year has met with several computer vendors and they took a look at various packages to get an idea for an appropriation. We presently do not have the hardware to run the computer software. It's possible that we will be able to obtain computer hardware from the State of New Hampshire Motor Vehicle Department at no cost. The \$10,000 appropriation will consist of \$5,000 for the purchase of a software package, \$2,500 for training costs, and an additional \$2,500 for computer hardware should we need it.

Fred Portnoy asked what the cost would be for annual maintenance of the computer programs. Mike Capone said that most of the package they looked at have maintenance contracts of approximately \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year.

Jeremy Slayton questioned the cost of purchasing the computer hardware and software and the yearly maintenance fees. Mike Capone stated that if the town does not purchase a computer,

we would have to continue to spend money on data processing services. Much of the work in the office is presently being done manually; the office can be run much more efficiently with a computer.

Paul Mercier spoke in favor of this article stating that the purchase of a computer would be a great time saver and better records would be generated.

A vote was taken on Article 9 and passed.

Article 10.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars to purchase land to meet the future space needs of the Elkins Public Library. **Recommended by the selectmen**

Jeff Leidinger moved the adoption of this article. Nancy Roy seconded.

Frank Tupper, Selectman, explained that the purpose of this article is to purchase an additional .6 acres of land on the southeast corner of the library to add an additional 3,500 square feet to the library.

Claudia Leidinger, Library Trustee, spoke in favor of this article explaining that the town's needs have changed dramatically since the library was built in 1925. Book circulation has doubled in less than ten years and they have to take books off the shelves when new books are added. There is no space for library programs, book discussion groups, or special children's programs. They have recently received a grant and donation for two computers so they could have access to the Internet, but there is no room to set them up. Also, the library is a public building that is not handicapped accessible. As a result of a survey by the building committee, many people wanted the library to stay in the Center. They approached their abutters to purchase additional land. The money they are asking for in this warrant article is an estimate; they do not expect to spend that much and any money that is unspent will be returned to the Town.

Fred Portnoy, a volunteer member of the library building committee, spoke in favor of this article. As mentioned, a survey was carried out, and there was a strong preference that the library be expanded on its current site. They did look into several other sites, but since the library recently had some utility work done, it made more sense to add on to the existing building. The lot is very small, and they are asking the town to pass this warrant article to appropriate money to expand the acreage. The building committee extensively looked into the needs of the library, and after putting together information that they gathered, they solicited proposals from five or six architects.

Tom Wallace, an architect who has designed libraries in several surrounding towns, presented the town with his proposal of expansion to Elkins Library.

Steve Lowe, treasurer of the Historical Society, spoke in favor of this article stating that the library trustees have offered to add an archives room to the proposed addition for valuable historical records.

Lucyann Zeller question the high cost for a piece of property that is less than one acre. Claudia Leidinger said that a typical 2-acre lot in the Center Historic District was appraised for \$35,000. They do not expect to pay that much for the lot needed for the library. The money that is unspent will go back into the general budget of the town.

The question was moved. A vote was taken on Article 10 and passed.

Article 11.

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Doug Ruesswick wanted to know who is responsible for the maintenance of the new sidewalk from the school to the center. The Town road crew is responsible for the maintenance and they have the necessary equipment, but once the ice came this winter, there was no way to effectively clean up the sidewalk.

Howard Moffett wished to thank the Planning Board and the Selectmen for their involvement with the racetrack; he appreciated the efforts that have been made.

Peg Mastey wanted to know the status of the half bridge on Hannah Dustin Drive. Mike Capone said that when we appropriated money at the 1998 town meeting to remove the half bridge, the State had two years to take it down. Peg also mentioned that there should be warning signs on the bridge. Mike said that the selectmen will look into it and have signs put up.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Dickson for
Cheryl Gordon, Town Clerk

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire
Canterbury, New Hampshire

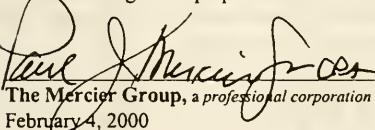
We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 1999, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.


The Mercier Group, a professional corporation
February 4, 2000

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 1999, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the Town's accounting systems and records were identified. Minor weaknesses or other considerations coming to our attention were generally procedural in nature and dealt with administrative or record keeping practices. In these instances, we made specific recommendations or provided instruction to those individuals involved during the course of our audit fieldwork. Areas of opportunity for further consideration include:

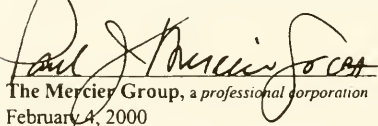
Office Automation

In connection with the automation of accounting records in both the Selectmen and Tax Collector's Offices it is important to realize that normal learning curves and software issues will continue as personnel adjust to new procedures and accounting methods. For this reason, we will continue to monitor reports and provide assistance or training as may be needed during the upcoming year.

Library Accounting Records

There is a need to develop better accounting records for the Library and we have offered to assist the Library Treasurer with this objective.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.


The Mercier Group, a professional corporation
February 4, 2000

TOWN OF CANTERBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

General Fund

Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

All amounts are expressed in American Dollars.

	Appropriations		Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To Next Fiscal Year	(Over) Under Budget
	Encumbered From Prior Fiscal Year	Voted Budget			
Current					
General Government					
Executive		51,837	61,049		(9,212)
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics		16,670	15,779		891
Financial Administration		27,850	24,619		3,231
Revaluation of Property	750				750
Legal Expenses		6,000	5,158		842
Employee Benefits		29,224	24,444		4,780
Planning and Zoning		6,710	6,103		607
General Government Buildings		12,700	10,001		2,699
Cemeteries		6,500	8,847		(2,347)
Insurance, not otherwise allocated		45,000	24,075		31,451
Advertising and Regional Associations		1,290			1,290
	750	203,781	180,075		34,982
Public Safety					
Police Department		130,974	132,144		(1,170)
Ambulance		25,000	25,000		
Fire Department		50,573	52,524		(1,951)
Building Inspection		2,750	2,647		103
Emergency Management		1			1
		209,298	212,315		(3,017)
Highways and Streets					
Highways and Streets		274,770	243,275		31,495
Bridges		1,500	1,635		(135)
Street Lighting		1,100	1,140		(40)
		277,370	246,050		31,320

	Appropriations		Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To Next Fiscal Year	(Over) Under Budget
	Encumbered From Prior Fiscal Year	Voted Budget			
Sanitation					
Solid Waste Disposal		59,851	60,007		(156)
		59,851	60,007		(156)
Health					
Pest Control		150	250		(100)
Health Agencies & Hospitals		700	500		200
		850	750		100
Welfare					
Administration & Direct Assistance		5,549	5,306		243
		5,549	5,306		243
Culture and Recreation					
Parks and Recreation		500			500
Library		31,582	32,044		(462)
Patriotic Purposes		1,000	950		50
Historic District Commission		350	307		300
Historical Society		700	400		388
		34,132	33,701		
Conservation					
Conservation Commission		930	561		369
		930	561		369
Economic Development					
Economic Development	960	3,000	2,500		1,460
	960	3,000	2,500		1,460
Debt Service					
Principal of Long-Term Debt		34,000	34,000		
Interest Expense - Long-Term Debt		9,480	7,584		1,896
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes		3,000			3,000
		46,480	41,584		4,896
Capital Outlay					
Land and Improvements					
Landfill Closure	46,925				46,
Canterbury Depot Commerce Park		2,040	2,000		40
Library Land Purchase		35,000		35,000	

	Appropriations			Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To Next Fiscal Year	(Over) Under Budget
	Encumbered From Prior Fiscal Year	Voted Budget				
<i>Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment</i>						
Cardiac Defibrillator		3,250		3,112		138
Fire Truck Foam System		8,500		8,500		
Packer Truck		70,000		65,524		4,476
Town Office Computer Systems		10,000		9,197		803
<i>Buildings</i>						
Building Repairs (Sam Lake Trust Expenses)				18,106		(18,106)
<i>Improvements Other than Buildings</i>						
Removal of Half-Bridge Over Merrimack River	25,000			12,813	12,187	
Sidewalk				374		(374)
	71,925	128,790		119,626	47,187	33,902
<i>Intergovernmental</i>						
County Tax Assessments		219,412		219,412		
Local School Tax Assessments		1,207,379		1,207,379		
State Education Tax Assessments		670,397		670,397		
		2,097,188		2,097,188		
OTHER OPERATING USES						
Operating Transfers Out - Interfund Transfers						
Expendable Trust Funds - Capital Reserve Funds						
Highway Equipment		5,000		5,000		
Highway Trucks		5,000		5,000		
Road Grader		5,000		5,000		
Library Building		25,000		50,000		
	25,000	40,000		65,000		
	98,635	3,107,219		3,054,137	47,187	104,487

**TOWN OF CANTERBURY
LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS
STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

December 31, 1999

FIRE TRUCK BOND

Rate of interest	5.50%
Amount of original issue:	\$170,000.00
Date of original issue	2/7/97
Principal payment date	February 7
Interest payment date	February 7
Payable at	Citizens Bank New Hampshire

MATURITIES

Fiscal Year Ending	Principal	Interest
December 31, 1999	34,000.00	7583.89
December 31, 2000	34,000.00	5687.92
December 31, 2001	34,000.00	3802.33
December 31, 2002	34,000.00	1895.97

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AUTO PERMITS	1999	2782	\$260482.50
DOG LICENSES	1999	175	785.70
REIMBURSEMENT ON MV REG	1999		196.00
FILING FEES	1999		14.00
MARRIAGE LICENSES	1999	17	646.00
CERTIFIED COPIES	1999	36	116.00
POSTAGE-MV STICKERS	1999		304.30

			\$ 262544.50

CHERYL A. GORDON
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF CANTERBURY

SUMMARY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

Land	\$25,769,076
Residential buildings	\$72,281,920
Commercial/Industrial	\$543,100
Public Utilities	\$1,864,500

Total Gross Valuation	\$100,458,596
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Less Elderly Exemptions	\$220,000
Solar Exemptions	110,650
Blind Exemptions	30,000
Physically Handicapped Exemptions	63,250

Net Valuations on which the tax rate for municipal county & local education tax is computed	\$100,034,696
Less Public Utilities	\$1,864,500
Net Valuation on which tax rate for State education tax is computed	\$98,170,196

Loss due to Veteran's Exemptions (121)	\$12,100
Loss due to Total Disability (2)	\$2,800

Town tax rate	\$4.93
County tax rate	\$2.17
School tax rate	\$12.07
State Education Tax rate	\$6.83

\$26.00

Current Use Land

Number of acres granted for Current Use Exemption 20,296.21
 schedule of town property 2 pages

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, land and buildings	208,500
Furniture and equipment	500
Library, land and buildings	135,200
Furniture and equipment	100,000
Police Department Building	32,500
Contents	500
Garage and Fire Station	306,000
Contents	4,000
Historical Building	89,800
Contents	20,000
Sam Lake House and buildings	138,600
Contents	10,000
Town Dump, land & improvements	85,500
Salt Shed Building	25,000
Brick & frame bandstand	12,800
04.021.002 Industrial site	74,400
14.017 Worsted Church lot	1,100
04.015 LO w/s Intervale Rd (Gift)	66,000
15.007 Maple Grove Cemetery	25,800
Land owned by Conservation Commission:	
08.026.005 Northwest Road cons. easement	6,900
08.020 Land on e/s Route 132	10,500
08.038.002 LO w/s Kimball Pond Road	43,200
08.041 Land on Kimball Pond (Gift)	43,500
11.014 LO e/s Abbott Road	40,800
11.027.001 LO s/s Baptist Road	5,600
11.033 LO off s/s Baptist Road	28,800
12.016 LO Whitney Hill Road	21,600
12.028 LO Spender Meadow	29,000
15.013 Land on e/s Abberton Road (Gift)	7,900
17.004.010 LO off Route 106	5,650
17.004.011 LO off Route 106	4,300
17.004.012 LO off Route 106	4,300
17.004.014 LO off Route 106	31,400
21.017 LO w/s Shoestring Road	403,800
Land acquired through tax deeds:	
01.004.001 LO n/s Intervale Road	3,850
01.011 LO n/s Intervale Road T/L	100
01.012 LO n/s Intervale Road T/L	300
02.001 LO Shore of New Pond	4,700

02.022 LO Canterbury Shore Drive	4,700
02.133 23 Friar Tuck Road	4,700
02.137 LO Friar Tuck Road	4,700
02.141 LO Friar Tuck Road	4,700
02.148 LO Robin Shore Drive	4,700
02.150 LO Robin Shore Drive	4,700
02.334 LO Island New Pond	4,400
02.335 LO Island New Pond	3,200
02.231 LO Canterbury Shore Drive	4,700
02.252 LO Nottingham Road	4,700
02.288 LO Nottingham Road	4,900
02.318 LO Blue Boar Lane	800
02.204 Canterbury Shore Drive	4,700
02.152 LO Robin Shore Drive	4,700
02.333.002 Flowage & Dam Right's	2,500
04.008 LO ES Intervale Road	42,100
07.046 LO off ES Borough Road	24,500
09.035.001 LO NS Old Schoolhouse Road	300
10.005 LO ES Briar Bush Road	52,400
10.015.001 LO 340 Baptist Hill Road	32,600
11.031 LO off Baptist Road	22,600
11.032 LO off Baptist Road	14,100
11.035 LO SS Baptist Road	19,600
12.020 LO Spender Meadow	11,300
12.027 LO Spender Meadow	13,900
13.007 LO e/s Misery Road	45,100
16.015 LO e/s Whitney Hill Road	26,900
17.004.002 LO off Route 106, Rocky Pond	2,600
17.004.007 LO off Route 106	17,000
18.002 LO e/s Route 106, s/s Shaw Road	800
20.004.024 LO Open Space	1,700
20.004.023 LO Open Space	2,800
20.004.022 LO Open Space	2,700
20.004.021 LO Open Space	3,900
20.004.027 LO Open Space	2,100
20.004.026 LO Open Space	1,700
20.004.028 LO Open Space	1,600
20.004.025 LO Open Space	1,700

2,439,200

Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1999

All amounts are expressed in American Dollars

Assets

Cash in hands of Treasurer:

Cash in Checking	897,368.54	
Cash Management - Target Balance	57,100.00	
Conservation Land	<u>26,707.89</u>	981,176.43

Cash in hands of Selectmen, Payroll Account 16,116.89

Capital Reserve Funds:

Highway Equipment	23,641.95	
Highway Trucks	5,000.00	
Revaluation	1,552.95	
Dump Transfer Station	35,944.11	
Road Grader	34,280.92	
Library Building	<u>51,062.60</u>	151,482.53

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1999	173,459.98
Levies of prior years	12,505.90

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levies of 1998	52,258.34	
Levies of 1997	33,233.56	
Levies of prior years	22,808.12	
Allowance for uncollectible taxes	<u>(100,000.00)</u>	194,265.90

Due from Capital Reserve Fund 60,000.00

1,403,041.75

Liabilities and Equity

Encumbrances:

Art. 98/05 Removal of Half Bridge	12,187.00	
Art. 99/10 Library Land Purchase	<u>35,000.00</u>	47,187.00

NHIS Youth Fund 6,352.55

Conservation Land Fund 31,786.89

Due to School District 838,010.00

Capital Reserve Funds 151,482.53

1,074,818.97

Unreserved Fund Balance 328,222.78

1,403,041.75

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Tax Collector	\$2871581.15
Town Clerk	\$262544.50
Municipal Agent	\$5765.00
NH Highway Subsidy	\$59906.64
NH Forest Fire Reimb.	\$334.96
NH Revenue Sharing	\$15888.07
NH Rooms/M meal Tax	\$34064.22
NH Admin. Cos	\$12000.00
Bd. of Adjustment Hearing	\$45.50
Current Use Fees	\$130.00
Bldg. Permit & Renewal	\$6070.00
Pistol Permits	\$439.00
ZBA Fees	\$426.25
Bldg. & Zoning Ordinances	\$15.75
Gift in Lieu of Taxes	\$6828.50
Planning Board Fees	\$1840.00
Sam Lake Account	\$1350.00
Interest on Investments	\$23766.85
Use of Copier	\$142.64
NSF Check Charges	\$105.61
Police Reports	\$315.00
Other Income	\$22580.19
Recycled Waste	\$2525.53
Transfer Station Fees	\$5706.50
HDC Fees	\$61.02
TOTAL RECEIPTS 1999	\$3334432.88

Balance on Hand January 1, 1999	\$833708.80
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$4168141.68

LESS:

Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$2849534.90
Tax Liens	\$76774.74
Capital Reserve	\$125000.00
NSF Checks Returned	\$51.50
County Tax	\$219412.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$3270773.14

Balance on Hand December 31, 1999	\$897368.54
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TREASURER'S REPORT - 1999

CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACCOUNT

Balance December 31, 1999

Citizens Bank	
Checking Account	\$3914.29
Savings Account	\$22793.60
Total	\$26707.89

NHIS GIFT (for Youth)

Balance December 31, 1999

Citizens Bank	
Checking Account	\$1186.95

TARGET BALANCE

Balance December 31, 1999

Citizens Bank	
Commercial Checking	\$57100.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT - 1999

The past year has been a busy one with the Selectmen's office working to update many of the Town's policies and procedures as well as undertaking a number of improvements to Town facilities. It was also a year in which we took time to recognize the significant accomplishments of a number of citizens.

A considerable amount of time was spent in putting the Town Budget onto a computer program that will allow us to streamline much of the reporting that is done for the State. Our thanks to Jan Stout and Kathy Dickson for all their work in this area.

We have made a commitment to our Town employees by making revisions to employee benefits programs. By offering a benefits package that is competitive and fair we can be certain to retain good employees and reward them for their service to the Town.

The Selectmen continue to actively participate in issues involving New Hampshire International Speedway. Our participation in the Track Control Plan Committee as well as our involvement in meetings with officials from surrounding communities has afforded us the opportunity to build some common ground from which to move forward as we work to resolve some of the noise and traffic issues created by the Speedway. This past season, the Traffic Control Plan Committee implemented some of our suggestions for reducing traffic flow through Town. The result was a reduction in traffic on a number of the Town roads for the July Winston Cup race.

Work has begun in the removal of the abandoned section of bridge over the Merrimack River, near exit 17. Hopefully by the time you read this it will have been removed.

Work was completed on the gazebo in the Town center with the installation of a new railing. The work was done by craftsmen from Shaker Village.

We have also been working very closely with representatives of the Concord Regional Solid Waste Cooperative which has selected an area in Town as the potential site for an ash or solid waste landfill. An informational meeting regarding the site and the Cooperative's plan for it was held this past summer and we continue to have monthly discussions with them to keep abreast of plans for the site.

There are a number of other projects underway around Town. Among them are work on a new septic system to support the police station, Town garage and the Town hall; a review of the fee structure for building permits; and a discussion of improvements to be made to the Town hall.

This past fall we took time to recognize many of our citizens for their noble achievements. In a brief ceremony at Canterbury Hall, Ruth Goodhue was presented with the Boston Post Cane as Canterbury's oldest resident. We had a delightful visit with Ruth, a former New Hampshire Mother of the Year, who shared many of her memories of the Town with us.

In a special program held at the Town Hall in October we honored the craftsmen and artists who represented Canterbury this past summer in Washington D.C. at the Smithsonian. Certificates of recognition were presented to Steve Allman, David Lamb, Norma George (Shaker Village,) Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki, Dudley Laufman, Jacqueline Laufman, Mary Ellen MacCoy, Roy Hutchinson, Kevin Fife, and Hugh Fifield. Each honoree shared impressions of their time in D.C. with the audience.

This year also saw the retirement of Sewall Smith as Treasurer after 15 years of dedicated service to the Town. Sewall was presented with an engraved mantle clock at a ceremony held during a Fellowship Dinner in the Parish

graciously give of their time to make Canterbury the very special place that it is. Our best wishes to all in the coming year !

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Capone, Chairman
Frank Tupper
Priscilla Lockwood

Ceryl A. Gordon, Tax Collector For The Town Of Canterbury, New Hampshire
Summary of Tax Warrants
For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

-DR-		LEVY OF 1993	LEVY OF 1998	LEVY OF 1998	LEVY OF 1995	LEVY OF 1994
UNCOLLECTED TAXES - BEGINNING						
Property - June		63,037.23	63,037.23			
Property - December		151,584.30	151,584.30			
Yield		12,505.90	1,858.37	3,848.97	2,976.98	3,821.58
TOTAL						
TAXES COMMITTED						
Property - June		1,404,066.14	1,404,066.14			
Property - December		1,187,929.00	1,187,929.00			
Land Use		13,769.00	13,769.00			
Yield		46,632.95	46,632.95			
Legal Lien		1,806.86	1,806.86			
OVERPAYMENTS						
Property		122.72	122.72			
Yield						
TOTAL		2,879,971.62	2,637,572.73	3,848.97	2,976.98	3,821.58
INTEREST, FEES & PENALTIES						
Property - June		9,834.43	3,126.31	6,708.12		
Property - December		8,683.09	119.75	8,563.34		
TOTAL		18,517.52	3,246.06	15,271.46		
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Property - June		1,403,406.36	1,340,369.33	63,037.23		
Property - December		1,210,688.00	1,059,103.70	151,584.30		
Land Use		13,769.00	13,769.00			
Yield		43,788.80	43,788.80			
Legal Lien		1,806.86	1,806.86			
Interest						
Property - June		9,834.43	3,126.31	6,708.12		
Property - December		8,683.09	119.75	8,563.34		
ABATEMENTS						
Property - June		1,667.00	1,667.00			
Property - December		362.00	362.00			
TOTAL		2,647,087.64	2,558,538.93	179,952.69		
UNCOLLECTED - ENDING						
Property - June		62,029.81	62,029.81			
Property - December		108,463.30	108,463.30			
Yield		15,472.77	2,966.87	1,838.37	2,976.98	3,821.58
TOTAL		185,965.88	173,453.98	3,848.97	2,976.98	3,821.58

Cheryl A. Gordon, Tax Collector For The Town Of Canterbury, New Hampshire
Summary of Tax Lien Accounts
For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	LEVY OF 1998	LEVY OF 1997	LEVY OF 1996	LEVY OF 1995	LEVY OF 1994	LEVY OF 1993	LEVY OF 1992
TOTAL							
UNREDEEMED - BEGINNING	112,553.01	55,080.81	44,115.25	5,301.89	2,207.36	5,233.37	614.43
TAX LIENS APPLIED DURING YEAR							
Tax Lien of May 15, 1999	76,774.74						
INTEREST AND PENALTIES							
Collected upon redemption	25,310.82	1,956.39	2,865.92	8,553.89	1,073.26	422.14	
	<u>214,638.57</u>	<u>78,731.13</u>	<u>57,946.73</u>	<u>6,375.15</u>	<u>2,629.50</u>	<u>5,233.37</u>	<u>614.43</u>
REMITTANCES							
Liens	81,027.73	34,955.62	21,847.25	28,082.02	2,129.55	639.73	577.74
Interest/costs	25,310.82	1,956.39	2,865.92	8,553.89	1,073.26	422.14	
UNREDEEMED - ENDING							
	<u>214,638.57</u>	<u>78,731.13</u>	<u>57,946.73</u>	<u>6,375.15</u>	<u>2,629.50</u>	<u>5,233.37</u>	<u>614.43</u>

Report of the Trust Funds, Summary of Principal, Income and Investments for the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 1999

Name and Purpose of Trust	Principal			Income			Total Principal & Income
	Balance at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains (Losses)	Withdrawals	Balance at Beginning of Year	Income Expense	
Nonexpendable Trusts:							
Benjamin Whidden - Cong Church	200.00				13.31	9.33	209.33
Lucia Elkins - Library Books	4,000.00				266.22	266.22	4,186.50
Lucia Elkins - Library Repairs	1,000.00				66.55	46.63	1,046.63
Frank Drew - Library Unrestricted	3,000.00				199.66	139.88	3,139.88
Arthur & Mary Mudge - Library	424.00				19.77	28.22	443.77
Perpetual Care - Cemetery Lots	22,675.00	1,200.00			11,023.36	1,552.34	33,714.33
Cemetery Improvements	7,025.00	400.00			1,536.78	402.02	9,363.80
Lucia Elkins - S&W Poor	6,987.00				8,068.72	694.24	14,749.96
John Kezar - School District	3,702.10				246.98	172.61	3,874.73
Thompson Memorial	500.00				1,044.20	71.60	1,615.80
Benevolent Fund - Glasses/Dental	700.00				2,253.27	135.33	2,880.65
Canterbury Youth Fund	751.00				2,000.46	125.77	2,643.23
	50,964.10	1,600.00	-	-	26,747.73	3,556.00	77,868.59
Expendable Trusts:							
Capital Reserve Funds							
Highway Equipment	11,445.35	5,000.00			6,370.52	826.08	23,641.95
Highway Trucks		5,000.00					5,000.00
Revaluation					1,484.13	68.82	1,552.95
Transfer Station	20,000.00				14,351.31	1,592.80	35,944.11
Road Grader	25,000.00	5,000.00			2,983.39	1,297.53	34,280.92
Library		50,000.00				1,062.60	51,062.60
	35,000.00	35,000.00					35,000.00
Due to Town for Library Land							
Due to Town for Library Building	56,445.35	125,000.00	-	-	25,189.35	4,847.83	186,482.53
	107,409.45	126,600.00	-	-	51,937.08	8,403.83	264,351.12
Totals							

THE CANTERBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY 1999 ANNUAL REPORT

The Canterbury Historical Society began their yearly programs with a highly successful potluck and square dance. The music was provided by the "Musical Chairs" and about 75 people came to enjoy the fun. After expenses were taken out of the proceeds, the remaining amount went to the library building fund.

Other programs this year varied from talks on shipwrecks and legends along the New Hampshire coast, lighthouses of New England, the Civil War from the viewpoint of a Berdan sharpshooter complete with uniform and equipment, a lecture on the Great Depression and a slide show and talk about telephone operators in the pre-dial era. Steve Andriks continues to bring us speakers that not only interest our group, but bring in welcomed visitors from other historical societies.

A big project that Virginia Laplante has completed for the museum and town library are notebooks on archival inventories. These notebooks are divided into four sections: accessioned collections, unaccessioned collections, photographic inventory of images and flexible negatives and the Luther Cody glass negative collection. Now townspeople and others interested can use these to seek information on Canterbury history.

Newspaper clippings have occupied a few of us a lot this past year and will continue to do so into 2000. Town items are taken out of the Concord Monitor and any other newspaper if the article is given to us and saved for future researchers. Articles are cut out stuck on acid free paper with acid free tape and later taken to be copied. Capitol Copy runs these off for us. Right now Capitol Copy runs off our newsletter as a donation to the Society. A big "thank you" to them.

Thank you to Jim and Nancy Lilly for the gift of the Gilbert and Sullivan scrapbooks that were given to the Historical Society this year. These scrapbooks are for each performance and were carefully put together to record a single play and those who took part in it.

As the Historical Society looks forward to a new year and the millennium, I want to thank board members, society members, townspeople and guests for your support during 1999. Your time, energy and commitment have greatly contributed in helping to preserve our town's past.

Sandy Scripture, Past President
Canterbury Historical Society

1999 REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Canterbury cemetery regulations:

1. All lot owners shall be governed by the rules of the Cemetery Trustees.
2. The Cemetery Trustees shall be responsible for all cemetery affairs - revising rules and rates as conditions change.
3. The Maple Grove and Center Cemeteries shall be kept in such conditions as to be a credit to the community. All outlying cemetery to be mowed annually, or as needed.
4. All lots sold shall include Perpetual Care. Price at this time is \$200 per grave unit.
5. Perpetual care shall mean the annual upkeep only. Initial grading, seeding, purchase of stone and stone maintenance shall be the responsibility of the lot owner.
6. A concrete vault or liner is required for all burials.
7. No monument or stone shall be erected until lot purchase is paid in full.
8. Only one upright memorial per two or more grave lots. Single grave markers and corner posts are to be flush with the grade.
9. No curbing, fencing, hedging, or enclosures of any kind shall be allowed around any lot. The Trustees reserve the right to remove same if so erected, planted, or placed.

10. No change of grade without the approval of the Trustees.
11. No lot owner shall erect or place or cause to be erected any memorial without prior approval of location from the Trustees.
12. All work done in the cemeteries shall be subject to approval of the Trustees.
13. No breakable containers to be used for plants or flowers.
14. No bicycles, motorcycles, snowmobiles, off highway recreational vehicles or horses shall be permitted in the cemetery.
15. The Trustees shall keep all records as required by law.
16. The Trustees shall compile and have printed a list of rules and regulations and make them available to all interested parties.
17. The cemeteries will be closed from the time of the first snow until the Spring thaw. No interments will be permitted during this time nor will the roads be plowed.
18. Lots sold to resident families only
19. In case of hardship, special consideration will be granted at the request of the selectmen.

Virginia Dudley
Hugh Fifield
Regina Lamprey

ELKINS LIBRARY 1999 REPORT

Elkins Library continued its increased circulation of books, audiotapes, and videotapes. The number of library cardholders increased to over one thousand. Thursday hours were expanded to help our patrons, providing more time to use the library.

The building committee interviewed architects and chose Wallace and Tennant Architects to design our new library. Working with the committee, the architect has determined space needs for the library and made many plans that have been presented in two public hearings. The 1998 Town Meeting placed another twenty-five thousand in the Library's capital reserve fund plus the town gave us money to purchase land for the library addition. The Library Fund raising Committee was very busy designing a Canterbury afghan and compiling a Canterbury cookbook. Both projects were very successful and have added to the Library's building fund.

Our two new computers, obtained through LSTA a technology grant, have been installed in the library. They soon will be networked with the Shaker Regional schools. The research possibilities of the Internet are now available to all patrons who sign an Internet policy developed by the Librarian and the Trustees.

Children's programs were exceptionally well attended this year. Wednesday morning story hours were very popular. The summer reading program started with a fantastic puppet show featuring Crystal Journey that led to the involvement of over fifty children in reading and craft programs for the month of July.

Adults had their programs as well; over fifteen regular participated in the monthly book discussion group. A Seasonal Affective Disorder Workshop was sponsored as a fund raiser. The annual Christmas party missed having Santa but the entertainment provided by Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki and Sam Kappala was terrific. In addition to the programs, our family passes to the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium, the NH History

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Many thanks are owed to all the wonderful volunteers who contribute so much to the workings of the library; thanks to all the townspeople who donated books to help make the Canterbury Fair book sale one of our most successful.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Leidinger
Chairperson of the Trustees

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999

Total Circulation of Materials: 14,732

Adult Fiction	3,983
Adult Non-Fiction	1,093
Youth Fiction	4,678
Youth Non-Fiction	832
Audio Cassettes	1,112
Video Cassettes	2,692
Magazines	294
CD's	48

Materials purchased in 1999

Adult Fiction	122
Adult Non-Fiction	62
Youth Fiction	133
Youth Non-Fiction	45
Audio Cassettes	22
Video Cassettes	50
Donations (Books, Audios & Videos)	261

Elkins Library has had another very successful year. The process of automating our card catalog and bar-coding the books is in progress. Two public computer terminals with Internet access have been installed as the result of receiving a grant from the Library Services and Technology Act awarded by the New Hampshire State Library.

Through the inter-library loan service Elkins patrons borrowed 413 books from libraries throughout the State and we loaned out 203 books.

We wish to express our gratitude to the many volunteers who have presented programs, assisted with the book sale, and donated materials and professional services. Over 430 hours

volunteer services were recorded this year. There are many more volunteer hours performed by members of the building committee and fund raising committee that we would also like to acknowledge.

Susan Holmes, Director

LETTER FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department has had another busy year in 1999. Among some of the changes were that Officer Mark Varney (full time) left to start with the Town of Bow as a police officer. A search was conducted and the town hired David Girard to replace Mark. David comes to us from the Pittsfield Police Department with over 5 years of law enforcement experience. The second change is that the Canterbury Police Department has hired a part-time secretary, which allows the department to be open to the public Tuesday through Friday 9 AM to 2 PM. Kimberly Lucas started in October and comes to us with an extensive background in office administration. Kim had done an outstanding job entering the police reports and typing updated policies as well as a wide variety of other tasks.

This year also had another increase in residential burglaries. With the assistance of State Police (Troop D) and their fine detectives, we have solved approximately 40 percent of these burglaries. All of the suspects in these burglaries were from out of state.

Again, the department would ask that if you see anything that doesn't look right around your or your neighbor's house, please call us and let us check the situation out. Remember to get a description of the vehicle and people and the direction that it is traveling. Most importantly, the Registration plate of the vehicle if possible.

As always, the Police Department is here to serve the community in all situations. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 783-0433.

Chief of Police
Jeffrey C. Miller

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY FIRE/RESCUE

Canterbury Fire & Rescue is a volunteer organization whose job it is to preserve life and property in the Town of Canterbury. All 15 active members are volunteers. They respond to calls from their homes or from their workplace. From our single fire station in the Town Center, we operate six vehicles: two rescue/pumpers; a hazardous spills remediation-capable utility pumper; two forestry rigs and a rescue truck. We fight house fires and car fires, brush, field and forest fires, and address a full range of medical and rescue emergencies.

We maintain vehicle accident extrication and stabilization skills (utilizing the "Jaws of Life" and air bags) along with ropes rescue and water rescue capabilities. Medical emergency calls are an ever-increasing part of our service to townspeople and our eight EMT's are ready to assist with CPR, oxygen therapy, and heart monitoring and defibrillation. We are also trained in off-the-road search and rescue techniques often involving skiers, snowmobilers, mountain bikers, hunters and hikers.

In 1999 Medical Aid (EMS) of which 30 were Motor Vehicle Accidents (23 on Interstate 93).

107 Fire and Rescue Calls including:

Mutual Aid assistance	16
Fire in a building (Canterbury)	2
Odor Investigation (outside)	3
Outside fire investigation	6
Chimney fires	2
Forest fire investigations	5
Service calls	3
Unintentional alarm activation's	3

False alarms	4
Malicious false alarms	0
CO2 detectors sounding	3
Fire in a building (Mutual Aid)	7
Odor Investigation (inside)	2
Brush and forest fires	10
Vehicle fires	9
Unauthorized brush burning	2
Hazardous materials spills	3
Ropes rescue	1
Animal Rescue	0
Off-road rescue	3
Vehicle extrication	3
Power lines down	16
Assist the Police	1

The following Life Safety and State Fire Code Inspections were completed:

New home code compliance	11
School safety compliance	6
Business code compliance	2
Other inspections	11

86 State of NH brush burning permits were issued by our 3 Wardens, and 10 inspections of logging operations for compliance to the NH Timber Harvest Laws were carried out.

The cooperation between Police and Fire is outstanding. Our police officers are often the first on the scene and are of great assistance during a fire or medical emergency. In addition to traffic control, they often are responsible for initial assessment of the situation and are available to assist in medical emergencies with on-board medical kits and a defibrillator.

We find ourselves striving to do more with fewer people. Even with the addition of three new members, our 15 men and women still each volunteer an average of 20 hours a week to train, maintain equipment and respond to calls. To maintain the service you have come to expect we have committed what resources we receive from the Town to purchasing modern, efficient equipment: equipment which helps to guarantee the safety of our members - your neighbors - as they assist you in your emergency.

Please remember to Dial 911 for all your emergency needs. During brush fire season (when the snow no longer completely covers the ground), a Forest Fire Hot Line is available at 783-4798. This number connects you to a recording, which will provide information on when brush burning is allowed and the procedure for obtaining a State of New Hampshire burning Permit

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Dale Caswell

REPORT OF PENACOOK RESCUE SQUAD

FEBRUARY 2000

The Penacook Rescue Squad currently has 25 active members: 11 EMT-Basic, 5 EMT-Intermediates and 3 EMT Paramedics. We have full time staff during the day, Monday through Friday. Our Paramedic is a permanent, full time employee while the balance of the day time coverage is provided by per diems. Two of our members are currently enrolled in the NHTI Paramedic Program.

PRS covered 367 calls in 1999 which included Fire, Rescue and Mutual Aid. Of those, 34 were pediatric/child related.

A new Rescue Boat with motor and trailer was donated by the American Legion and Sons of the American Legion. We again staffed the Hopkinton First Aid Station as a Fund Raiser for the Hopkinton State Fair. The Thornton Fund, which is a pediatric grant, assisted us with purchasing new supplies and equipment for our pediatric bag as well as items for EMS Week in the schools.

A Basic First Aid program was again given by our volunteers to NH Snowmobilers which is part of their requirement to obtain a license. We supported Multiple Mutual Aid Drills throughout the compact and participated in EMS Week both in Boscawen and Canterbury Elementary Schools with programs and handouts for the children.

We are now participating in the "Good Morning Boscawen" program with the Boscawen Police Department and encourage those folks living alone to consider being a part of the program.

As always, we are looking for new members and encourage anyone interested in participating in our organization to stop by and leave information so that we can contact you. We hold EMT courses regularly at the station and will soon be offering an Intermediate EMT level course.

Our thanks to the townspeople for their continued support.

Penacook Rescue Squad, Board of Trustees.

1999 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board has continued to be very busy this year. We have reviewed and approved the following applications:

- ◊ Six residential subdivisions
- ◊ Three lot line adjustments
- ◊ Commercial subdivisions on Riverland Road and of town owned land on West Road
- ◊ Site plan for golf course on West Road
- ◊ Site plan for new well and septic system at Shaker Village
- ◊ Site plan for new access roadway and parking lot for New Hampshire International Speedway

The Board has also been active with the following tasks:

- ◊ Zoning Ordinance amendments approved in March 1999 regarding Commercial District Boundaries, adult businesses, structure setbacks and frontage requirements.
- ◊ Testifying at legislative hearings and working with state representatives, Canterbury residents, and others to respond to SB 156 regarding approvals for the NHIS northern access to Route 106.
- ◊ Initial review and research of building cap and affordable housing issues.
- ◊ Attended information meetings on proposed landfill in Canterbury near the Merrimack River.
- ◊ Prepared the first Capital Improvements Program (CIP) for the Town of Canterbury, covering the years 2000-2006. Held several meetings and hearings before adopting a final version submitted to the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee in November. Copies of the CIP are available at the town offices for public review and a copy of the proposed schedule for projects is included in this town report. The

preparation of the CIP is an annual process involving the Planning Board, town departments and residents. The Board looks forward to preparing next year's CIP and improving on the process and resulting project schedule.

- ◊ Conducted a review of zoning issues in area of Sherwood Forest.
- ◊ Held information meetings on issues of sewage lagoons and spreading of sludge.

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Excerpt from "Town of Canterbury, Capital Improvements Program, 2000-2006", dated November 4, 1999, Figure 2.
Full report is available for public review in the town offices and town library.

TOWN OF CANTERBURY PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS: 2000-2006

#	Department Project	Estimated Project Cost (1999 dollars)	Priority Rating	Estimated Donations	Reserve Funds as of 1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	beyond this CIP post 2006	TOTAL
DEPARTMENT: RECYCLING														
1	Purchase Chipper	\$20,000	Desirable		\$0		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000					\$20,000
2	Purchase Vertical Baler	\$7,250	Desirable		\$0					\$7,250				\$7,250
DEPARTMENT: LIBRARY														
3	Library Expansion-Capital Reserve Fund	project combined with project #5			\$25,000									\$25,000
4	Library Expansion-Purchase Land	project was funded in 1999			\$0									\$0
5	Library Expansion	\$385,550	Necessary	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$61,100	\$58,213	\$55,327	\$52,440	\$352,079
6	Central Fire Alarm System	\$11,832	Desirable		\$0					\$11,832				\$11,832
DEPARTMENT: CONSERVATION COMMISSION														
7	Land Acquisition-Capital Reserve Fund	\$100,000	Desirable		\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$10,000		\$100,000
DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAY														
	Capital Reserve Fund - Highway Equipment		Desirable		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000		\$25,000
8	Purchase New Grader	\$200,000	Necessary		\$32,983	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$39,882	\$37,998	\$36,114	\$34,230	\$32,346		\$223,553
DEPARTMENT: FIRE/RESCUE														
9	Refurbish Engine 1	\$20,000	Necessary		\$0		\$10,000	\$10,000						\$20,000
10	Life Safety Building - Feasibility Study	\$15,000	replaced with project #17			\$0								\$0
12	Capital Reserve Fund - Fire Apparatus	\$120,000	Necessary		\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$120,000
12b	Capital Reserve Fund - Rescue/EMS Apparatus	\$80,000	Necessary		\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$80,000
DEPARTMENT: POLICE														
13	Purchase 4-wheel SUV	\$32,000	Replacement		\$0		\$32,000							\$32,000
15	Replacement of 1996 cruiser	\$30,500	Replacement		\$0				\$30,500					\$30,500
DEPARTMENT: CIP COMMITTEE														
17	Town Buildings Review	\$25,000	Necessary		\$0	\$25,000								\$25,000
18	Townwide Property Revaluation	\$50,000	Desirable		\$0				\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000			\$60,000
19	Road Surface Management System (RSMS)	\$5,000	Desirable		\$0	\$5,000								\$5,000
CURRENT DEBT PAYMENTS														
	Fire Truck purchased 1998				\$0	\$39,687	\$37,802	\$35,895						\$113,384
TOTALS														
		\$1,102,132			\$82,983	\$139,687	\$154,802	\$160,777	\$168,498	\$181,296	\$157,443	\$127,672	\$77,440	\$1,250,598

NOTES:

- Figures shown in italics represent amount placed in reserve
- Figures shown in bold represent bond payments including interest.
- Loans were calculated assuming 6% interest, equal annual principal payments
- Library principal payment = \$48,110 (last payment in 2008, 5 year bond)
- Grader principal payment = \$31,403 (last payment in 2006, 5 year bond)

NOTE: The Canterbury Planning Board has prepared this CIP as an advisory document for use by the Town Budget Committee, Board of Selectman, and residents. The preparation of this CIP does not commit the Town of Canterbury to fund any of the recommended projects within, nor to schedule any projects in a certain order, nor does it preclude other projects from being funded by the Town.

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**TOWN OF CANTERBURY
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Case #	Applicant	Appeal	Decision
1999-1	Judith P. Nelson	Special Exception Home Occupation/Massage therapy	Granted
1999-2	Stephen K. Wearn	Special Exception Accessory Apartment	Granted
1999-3	Edward R. & Alice Sarasin	Variance	Withdrawn
1999-4	Edward R. & Alice Sarasin	Special Exception Front setback requirements	Granted
1999-5	Frank Pelky & Michael Pelky	Variance Front & side setback requirements	Granted 4-1
1999-6	Mark & Sharon Akerstrom	Special Exception	Withdrawn
1999-7	Robert I. & Linda M. Poitras	Special Exception Single family dwelling NRR zone	Granted
1999-8	Judith Mills Sharpe	Special Exception Front setback requirements	Granted
1999-9	Gregory B. & Ruth M. Heath	Special Exception Front setback requirements	Granted Conditionally
1999-10	Frederick G. Norton	Special Exception Antique firearm restoration	Granted

REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission's activities in 1999 were to complete land acquisitions and to evaluate the Town's delinquent properties to maintain existing conservation areas and easements.

These activities entail:

Between delinquent tax properties and gifts, we have acquired a total of 58 acres in the Rocky Pond area. More acquisitions in that area is imminent.

An additional 10 acre parcel has been added to the Spender Meadow Schoodac Conservation area for a total of 160 plus acres.

A management plan has been developed to retain the 17 acre Misery Road Lot (located at the North End of Town).

The Hildreth Field, adjacent to the Burnham Brook-Kimball Pond Conservation area is high on our land protection objectives.

Maintenance of the Riverland & Intervale Canoe launch sites is on-going. Students will be working with the Commission on the maintenance.

Shaker Village and the Commission have mutual interest in maintaining field and forest land for wildlife habitat and trail systems. The Commission assisted in the Shaker Village septic pipeline-wetlands permit process.

The Commission has provided recommendations and assistance to N.H.I.S (North Exit) on wetland impact issues.

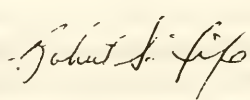
Mark Stevens and Bob Fife conducted a global positioning system (GPS) survey at the Kimball Pond property. The survey indicated a 9.5 acre water surface. Finishing grades were done at the dam site along with seeding and fertilizing the topsoil. There is more stone work to be done in the spill-way.

The Commission is monitoring and assisting the construction adjacent to the wetlands at the Glines Golf Course.

The Planning Board is recommending capital improvement project funding of \$100,000.00 over a five-year period for land acquisitions.

A thank you is extended to all Commission members for their time and efforts in working toward the goals of the commission; to Willie Nelson for a great job done on the replacement of the Kimball Pond Dam; the Highway Department for their time and assistance; and to Mark Stevens for the Kimball Pond Dam design and his continuing work on land deed transfers and easement inventories.

Respectfully submitted,


Robert S. Fife, Chairman
Canterbury Conservation Commission

CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Established in accordance with state law, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 towns in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties and the City of Concord. The Town of Canterbury is a member in good standing of the Commission.

The Commission provides a variety of planning services, including telephone consultations on planning issues; planning research; sample ordinances, regulations, and planning documents; models; data and access to data sources; grant information; review and comment on planning documents; development review; and educational programs. Membership also entitles a community to affordable master planning assistance, geographic information systems (GIS) mapping, and grant preparation.

During 1999, Commission staff provided the Town of Canterbury with specific GIS assistance (hydric soils map and zoning map revisions) and completed traffic counts related to NHIS events.

In addition, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission:

- ◊ Researched and completed the 1990-1998 CNHRPC Residential, Commercial and Industrial Development Trends Study.
- ◊ Completed and distributed the National, Cultural, and Historical Resources Inventory of the Central NH Region and prepared and incorporated any necessary updates to the document.
- ◊ Provided assistance to CNHRPC member and non-member towns regarding National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) participation and compliance.
- ◊ Facilitated the formation of the CNHRPC Regional

Resource Conservation Committee (R2C2.)

- ◇ Attended meetings of and provided continuing technical assistance to the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) and the Contoocook and North Branch Rivers Local Advisory Committee (CNBRLAC.)
- ◇ Completed the CNHRPC Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The plan was adopted by the Full Commission in May, 1999.
- ◇ Initiated work on the update of the CNHRPC Regional Transportation Plan and development of the Regional Multi-Use Trail Plan and Regional Open Space Plan.

For additional information, please contact the CNHRPC staff or your representative to the Commission, Michael Capone, or see us on the internet at www.cnhrpc.org.

UPPER MERRIMACK RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT - 1999

On the cusp of its tenth anniversary in 1999, the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) has enjoyed a year of diverse projects throughout the watershed.

At the NH Rivers Management & Protection Program/Volunteer Rivers Assessment Program conference, Michele Tremblay and Steve Landry conducted "All in the Family," an aquatic insect identification workshop. There, they presented, "Macro invertebrates of the Upper Merrimack, an annotated picture key," the first publication from the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program's grant project. The remaining products slated for completion in 2000 include a brochure, newsletter, three-year data report, and a multimedia presentation. An outdoor canoe and data presentation event is also planned to recognize UMMP volunteers and present water quality data.

The UMRLAC expresses its gratitude this year to the following Adopt-a-River Site Sponsors who provide financial and in-kind support to the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program: Aries Engineering; Franklin Savings Bank; Franklin Waste Water Treatment Facility; Public Service Company of NH, Corporate Offices and Merrimack Station; and Watts Regulator/Webster Valve (for further information on the Adopt-a-River Site Program, please contact Michele Tremblay.) Support has also been provided by the Conservation Commissions of Boscawen, Bow, and Concord and the City of Franklin. Work continues with the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP.) "Bug Nights" workshops were held at Franklin High School and St. Paul's School (Concord) with over 100 volunteers attending. Bacteria (*E. coli*) monitoring was conducted at eleven sites from Franklin to Bow.

In its continuing effort to stay current with river issues, learn about new programs, and forge new partnerships,

the UMLAC heard presentations from Robert Spoerl of the Trails Bureau, NH Department of Resources and Economic Development on the Heritage Trail Program; Angela Archer on the Malformed Frog Program, of the NH Department of Environmental Services Biomonitoring Program, Carl Paulsen from the NH Rivers Council on the history of the Instream Flow Rules, and Bob Barry and David Powelson from the NH Department of Transportation on their proposal to remove the old Hannah Dustin Bridge. "Around the Watershed" creates a forum at each meeting for members and guests to provide updates and other news.

The UMLAC reviewed several river-related proposals including the ash/trash landfill in Canterbury, the NH Department of Environmental Services draft Instream Flow Rules, removal of the old Hannah Dustin Bridge, and replacement of the Sewalls Falls Bridge.

The UMLAC is grateful for assistance from Central NH Regional Planning Commission who provided support for the completion of the committee's five-year strategic plan. UMLAC is also represented as a non-voting member on the Regional Resource Conservation Committee. UMLAC plans for the future include inventorying river access sites and exploring with the communities a river safety campaign.

Election of officers for 2000-2001 included: Michele L. Tremblay, Chair; Stephen C. Landry, Vice-chair; Richard Bellerose, Secretary; and Stephen Robinson, Treasurer. UMLAC would like to extend its heartfelt gratitude to Susan Paschell of Bow. For several years, Susan has served in the role of Secretary and provided the committee and its represented towns and cities with superb records of each meeting. Susan has stepped down as secretary, but will continue to serve as one of Bow's representatives to the UMLAC.

This year, the UMLAC accepted with regret the resignation of Franklin representative, Tom Bugely. Tom has been a faithful member of the committee and dedicated representative for Franklin. His efforts have been invaluable in creating partnerships and publicizing

the work of the UMLAC and its programs. At the November 1999 Rivers Conference, Tom was honored with a lifetime Achievement award from the NH Department of Environmental Services. He was also presented with a recognition award from the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee. After several years, the UMLAC also accepted with regret Phil Downie's resignation at the end of his term. Phil was instrumental in gaining sponsorship for the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program's Bow monitoring sites. The UMLAC sadly notes the passing of Concord representative Stanley Bartlett. Committee members will miss his gentle manner and valuable agricultural perspective.

The Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee is on the Internet! Please visit our web site, hosted by the NH Department of Environmental Services, at <http://www.des.state.nh.us/rivers/upperme1.htm>. Included at the site is information on the river, committee membership, activities, maps, water quality data and photographs of UMLAC volunteers. UMLAC meetings are held on a rotating basis in the six represented communities. The committee meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. All are welcome to attend. For meeting schedules, locations and more information, contact Michele Tremblay, Chair, at 796-2615, email at mtrembla@tds.net or your local representatives listed below.

UMLAC Representatives: Stephen C. Landry, Michele L. Tremblay (Boscawen;) Philip Downie (resigned,) Susan Paschell (Bow;) Briggs Lockwood (resigned) (Canterbury;) Edwin Robinson, Stephen Robinson (Concord;) Thomas Bugely (resigned,) Marilee A. Horn (Franklin;) Richard Bellerose (Northfield.)

REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

This past year has seen considerable progress in the development of the Town owned land. Following the defeat of the bond issue to develop the road at the site, the Committee decided to complete the road layout and clear the initial section of the road to provide a visual reference for prospective users. Additionally, the Committee completed a final set of "restrictive covenants" for the land, obtained final Planning Board approval of the subdivision, and the proposed land transfer between the Rices and the Town is scheduled for early 2000. In short, most if not all, the pre-development work for the property has been completed.

During the year the Committee prepared a marketing package for the property and distributed the packet to real estate brokers, developers, and private companies from throughout the state. While the Committee has discussed development of various portions of the property with a number of potential users, no development has occurred to date. In an attempt to expand the marketing of the property, the Committee has begun working with Capital Regional Development in the central New Hampshire region. While the property has been available for development for our thirty years, the Committee believes that with the completion of the preliminary work and stronger marketing efforts development of the property is imminent. Several recent contracts regarding the property support the Committee's optimism.

Finally, the Committee wishes to thank Dan Crean for his untiring service to the Committee and community. Dan provided the Committee with valuable legal and planning expertise and was truly generous with the time he devoted to the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl Hall, Chairman

1999 CANTERBURY RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Recreation Committee began regular monthly meetings this year. Goals for this year were to become an operational committee, learn what resources are available to address the recreation needs of the citizens of Canterbury, address a growing concern with liability issues, and organize town sports/activities.

The Committee has been working with the Selectmen to determine what monies are available to support town activities.

The town currently supports soccer and basketball for students in grades K-6.

Swimming was added this past summer and this fall the Committee added aerobics. We are currently working on ice skating at the Sam Lake House.

The Committee will be meeting with a representative from the towns insurance carrier to work out issues relating to liability.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Robichaud, Chairman

CANTERBURY SHAKER VILLAGE

The last year of the 1900's was one of significant accomplishment for the Village. The 1817 Sisters' Shop was reopened to the public at a special celebration in September. This important Shaker Sisters' work building contains rooms depicting historic textile trades such as spinning, weaving, and sewing. The Sisters' Shop also has an Eldresses' Office, which was used by the senior Church Family Eldress. This office doubled as a room where the Eldress could hear the confessions of the Sisters. Confession for the "Shakers" was a regular religious counseling session. The exterior of the Sisters Shop was painted to its original 1817 yellow ochre color, and several interior spaces were also returned to their original orange-yellow trim, with white walls and red accenting the peg rail and stair rail. These bright interior colors were no doubt chosen by the Shakers to maximize natural light in the days before oil lamps.

The Village published a landmark book on Canterbury through Abbeville Press of New York. The book is *Shaker Life, Art, and Architecture*, and it features the beautiful photography of Hopkinton's Bill Finney, with the text by Village President Scott T. Swank.

The season's special events were very successful, marked by a garden barn timber-raising on Wood Days, the return by popular demand of Harvest Day, and the most successful Town Halloween party to date (over 1,000 witches, spooks, and Pokemon characters.)

The year was also one for planning the growth of the Village over the next 25 years. In 1999 the decision was made by the Canterbury Board of Trustees to build a new Visitor Education Center (8,500 sq. ft.) along Shaker Road, and upgrade the Village's outdated water and septic systems. In November, the National Endowment for the Humanities, a federal agency, awarded the Village a prestigious Challenge Grant of \$500,000 to help the Village complete the restoration of historic buildings and gardens, and build the Visitor Center to better serve the public. The Village will need to raise \$2,000,000 in private funds to match the federal grant.

Thank you to all Canterbury residents for your support during this very exciting year.

Scott T. Swank, President
Canterbury Shaker Village

1999 CANTERBURY RECYCLING COMMITTEE REPORT

Once again, the Recycling Committee worked towards the goal of reducing the tonnage going over to the energy plant in Penacook. Our goal was more recycling to reduce tonnage. That goal was not reached. Following are the last three years figures for tonnage of trash to Penacook:

1997	570.54
1998	639.57
1999	726.31

The 1999 tonnage for recycled goods remained about the same.

Glass	20.9 tons
Light steel	50.96 tons
Newsprint	19.25 tons
Textile	2.00 tons
Aluminum	2.41 tons

What needs to happen to help and to take into consideration when bringing your materials to the Recycling Center:

- ◇ BRUSH - Brush is brush 5 inches in diameter or less. That is all that should go into the burn pit. NO cardboard or paper of any kind. We almost lost our permit to burn because of all the different materials that were thrown into the pit. The State monitors the burn pit and has put us on notice that it is for brush only.
- ◇ CONSTRUCTION/DEMOLITION CONTAINER - The price will be going up, per yard of material deposited, in the near future. The reason is that the town charges \$30 a yard and the facility where our C/D is taken charges the town \$65 a yard. Also, when throwing material into the container, try to spread it out so it is not all in the center.

- ◇ TRASH - Trash should be bagged if at all possible. It makes it easier all the way around for all involved.
- ◇ NEWSPRINT - Newsprint should be tied into manageable bundles.
- ◇ GLASS - Glass containers should be separated by color and preferably rinsed.
- ◇ SWAP SHED - If you know that the item you are thinking of leaving off at the shed really does not have that much life left, trash it.

Several issues the committee is presently investigating are plastics and all paper products, including cardboard.

The committee would like to thank the people of Canterbury for their recycling efforts. We all know that the more we are able to recycle, the better off the Town and the Planet is. Thanks to the town folks who passed the warrant article to purchase the packer truck. It makes life a lot easier for the Town workers to not have to continually provide maintenance to keep the old one running.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Hutchinson
 Regina Lamprey
 Bill McAllister
 Norman Bowles
 Frank Tupper, Selectmen's representative
 Canterbury Recycling Committee

HISTORY OF THE CANTERBURY TOWN HALL (MEETING HOUSE)

The Charter for the Town of Canterbury was executed by John Wentworth, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief over the province of New Hampshire, on May 20, 1727. This document contained, among other things, several requirements that had to be fulfilled by the original proprietors in order for them to be able to keep the property deeded to them in the charter. First, within three years, seventy homes had to be built, with a family settled in each one. Also within this time frame, each home had to have at least three acres of land cleared for farming. Each proprietor, whether he settled in Canterbury or not, had to agree to pay his fair share of expenses for the new settlement as often as necessary. Second, a meeting house for the public worship of God had to be built within four years. The third and fourth requirements dealt with the disposition of the land of any delinquent proprietor and also the reserving of some land for a school and a minister.

In May of 1731, a committee was chosen to arrange for the building of a meeting house, and in July 1731, it was voted to leave the size of the building to this committee's discretion.

By a petition dated February 25, 1741-42, Samuel Adams and Thomas Young (agents for the proprietors) indicated to Governor Benning Wentworth that the inhabitants were doing fairly well and had constructed a meeting house. It is believed that the meeting house they referred to in this petition was a log structure that was located about one half of a mile south of the Center and believed to have been used for worship from around 1736. In June of 1736, the sum of fifty pounds was approved to support a ministry until March of the following year. Much later, at the annual meeting held in 1744, the proprietors voted to build a fort with the funds originally intended for construction of a meeting house. At this time, they also voted to postpone construction

of a meeting house. At this time, they also voted to postpone the construction of the meeting house until the following year. The settlers were apparently not too concerned with Indian hostilities prior to this time until the start of King George's War in 1744. During the various wars between the French and the English during this period, marauding Indians on the side of the French caused the construction of a fort to become a priority. The next meeting to address the issue of the meeting house was held in 1750 at the residence of Captain Jeremiah Clough. This was not a regular annual meeting but it apparently spurred some action on the meeting house issue. In 1752, one hundred acres of common and undivided land of the proprietors was sold at auction to James Lindsey for 320 pounds. These newly raised funds would now be used for building the meeting house. The records show that the structure was not officially "accepted" until 1756. However, it is believed that the annual meeting of 1753 was held at this meeting house, now known as the Canterbury Town Hall. After "acceptance" of the meeting house, a committee was formed to lay out the "pew ground" and sell it at "public vendue." The sale took place at the home of Samuel Moore and each purchaser had to construct, which his own pew in a workmanlike manner within 2 years. The funds from the sale of "pew ground" were used to complete the inside detail work of the structure, which included a pulpit, a parsonage pew and other interior and other interior finishing.

The meeting house now known as the Town Hall still stands as the only public structure from our town's colonization period. It is a treasured historical reminder of the struggles endured by the pioneers of this land. Looking forward, we can only hope that future generations of residents will continue to respect and preserve this wonderful reminder of our modest beginnings.

(The source for this report was Lyford's History of The Town of Canterbury, first published 1912.)

Canterbury Historical Society

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1999

DATE	PLACE	NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
01/09/99	CONCORD, NH	OLIVIA ROSE PARKER	STACY PARKER	KIMBERLY LAROCHE-PARKER
03/09/99	CONCORD, NH	CAMERON ADAMS POWELL	GLEN POWELL	JACQUELINE POWELL
03/25/99	CONCORD, NH	ANDREW COBURN CONTRADA	JOHN CONTRADA	HEATHER COBURN
04/02/99	CONCORD, NH	SAVANNAH MARIE DONAHUE	RYAN DONAHUE	TAMMI DONAHUE
05/03/99	LACONIA, NH	JASMINE JANET SYED	NAIM SYED	JANET SYED
05/10/99	CONCORD, NH	MARY ELIZABETH TRUDEL	WILLIAM TRUDEL	LINDA TRUDEL
05/24/99	LACONIA, NH	ANDREW JAMES SKEATS	JAMES SKEATS	ROBERTA SKEATS
06/12/99	CONCORD, NH	CHARLES EDWIN HACKING	CHARLES HACKING	KELLY HACKING
07/20/99	CONCORD, NH	CHARLES MATTHEW AZOTEA	CHARLES AZOTEA	JANE AZOTEA
08/08/99	CONCORD, NH	SOPHIE JOHANSSON MILLER	JAMES MILLER	DONNA MILLER
08/12/99	CONCORD, NH	MAXIMILIAN GEORGE SCHOTT	ROBERT SCHOTT	SUSAN SCHOTT
09/09/99	CONCORD, NH	JOZIE RAIN DROLET FLANDERS	NATHAN FLANDERS	KELLY DROLET FLANDERS
09/26/99	LACONIA, NH	ALYSIA MARIE GAGNON	RICHARD GAGNON	TAMMY GAGNON
10/23/99	NEW LONDON, NH	MEGAN MARIE WILLKOMM HUTAR	JAROSLAV HUTAR	THERESE WILLKOMM
11/14/99	CONCORD, NH	KYLE EVAN HUSTON	DAVID HUSTON	CAROL HUSTON
12/23/99	CONCORD, NH	GRAHAM KENNETH COVELL	DARREL COVELL	AMY COVELL

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE RETURN IS CORRECT, ACCORDING TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

CHERYL A. GORDON, TOWN CLERK

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1999

DATE	NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE	PLACE OF RESIDENCE
05/01/99	DENNIS R. AMICO CATHERINE J. DONAHUE	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
06/07/99	MICHAEL J. GRIGAS HEATHER H. GRANGER	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
06/12/99	MEREDITH S. KOPPERL JESSICA E. SCANLON	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
06/26/99	JEREMY T. SLAYTON BARBARA L. TILTON	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
07/17/99	DAVID J. KEHAS ALETHEA E. FISCHER	MALDEN, MA CANTERBURY, NH
07/17/99	STEPHEN K. WEARN VALERIE WORTHINGTON	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
07/31/99	JOEL L. MERRITZ LORI J. SCRIPTURE	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
08/07/99	TIMOTHY J. DOW MARY F. ROBINSON	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
08/07/99	MATTHEW C. LEE DENISE L. PEARSON	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
08/14/99	DAVID J. COTE ROSEMARIE JENKINS	TILTON, NH CANTERBURY, NH
08/14/99	DAVID C. STOGNER KARYN E. DEMERS	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
08/14/99	BRANDON J. DYER KELLY A. DOWNING	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
09/04/99	MICHAEL J. COCHRANE TERRI L. SARGENT	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
09/04/99	CASEY M. GOODSON BRANDI L. WARREN	CONCORD, NH CANTERBURY, NH
10/09/99	RONALD E. COOK KERRI A. BROWN	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
10/29/99	WILLIAM S. KYLLONEN TERRY A. COCHRAN	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH
10/29/99	JONATHAN A. CAMIRE POLLY LOCKWOOD	CANTERBURY, NH CANTERBURY, NH

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**DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1999**

DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
01/08/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	AMY MARIE T. WILLIAMS	FRANK PLASTRIDGE	OTELIA JOHANSON
01/24/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	LUCIAN S. HILDRETH	SAMUEL HILDRETH	CAMILLA STILLINGS
01/25/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	BRUCE E. ALEXANDER	MAURICE ALEXANDER	GLADYS PAGE
01/29/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	ROBERT G. DELANEY	FRED KRUG	MARJORY DURHAM
02/13/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	LYGIA E. GEIGER	JOHN EMERSON	SIGRID OSTRAND
03/10/1999	CANTERBURY, N.H.	ELLA E. MAURER	OSCAR ELVERSON	ANNA CARLSON
04/17/1999	CANTERBURY, N.H.	ETHEL C. SCANLON	JOHN CATTRAN	EDITH NUNKINS
06/01/1999	CANTERBURY, N.H.	THELMA J. SANBORN	HENRY WHITEHOUSE	EVELYN LANGLEY
07/06/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	RICHARD E. PROSPERE	ERNEST PROSPERE	VIOLET CARBONNEAU
07/31/1999	CANTERBURY, N.H.	JUDITH E. POPKIN	GEORGE POPKIN	SALLY ELWYN
08/07/1999	MANCHESTER, N.H.	JOHN H. SMITH	JOHN SMITH	CELESTE GARRITY
08/20/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	ROLAND G. WALSH	LESTER WALSH	DOROTHY PERRY
08/20/1999	WELLS, ME	RICHARD A. ROERS	RAYMOND ROERS	FLORA ROGERS
08/29/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	MATHILDA MORRISON	ARTHUR KIENZLE	MATHILDA HOLZWARTH
09/09/1999	CANTERBURY, N.H.	ETHEL M. LAMPREY	WALTER BURLEIGH	CARRIE WELLS
10/24/1999	CONCORD, N.H.	PHILIP E. ERNST	LORENZE ERNST	MABLE WHITTEN
12/19/1999	CANTERBURY, N.H.	GEROW D. BRILL	GEROW BRILL	MARY WILLIAMS

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CHERYL A. GORDON, TOWN CLERK



In November the Selectmen presented Ruth Goodhue with the Boston Post Cane, which was donated by the now defunct newspaper, *The Boston Post*, to all of New Hampshire's towns to be presented to their oldest resident.

Ruth has served our community since 1958, being an original member of the Canterbury Fair Committee. Her services to the community church included teaching Sunday School, singing in the choir, playing the organ and serving on area committees. In 1978 Ruth was named New Hampshire Mother of the Year.

It was with pleasure that the Selectmen of Canterbury presented the cane to Ruth Goodhue.

