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REPORT

OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

PIERMONT, N.H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1999

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Any Time of Day or Night

Ambulance

Fire

Police

Dial - 911

When dispatcher answers, give your

Name

Problem

Location and

Your Phone Number

The needed help will start out immediately to
where you are

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This Town Report

Is Dedicated To

LOUIS HOBBS

**Cemetery Trustee and Sexton
Sixteen years**

Supervisor of the Checklist

Thank you, Lou! We appreciate all that you do!

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF PIERMONT
NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31, 1999

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen	Jean . D. Daley, Chr (2000)	272-5804
	Robert J. Lang (2001)	989-5684
	Dean W. Osgood (2002)	272-5804
Town Clerk	Linda Lambert (2000)	272-5848
Treasurer	James Lambert	272-5848
Tax Collector	Linda Lambert (2000)	272-5848
Road Agent	Christopher Davidson (2002)	272-9110
Police Chief	William R. Deal	272-5882
Fire Chief	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Forest Fire Warden	W. Alfred Stevens	272-5837
Health Officer	Alex Medicott	272-4835
Emergency Management	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Animal Control Officer	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Supervisors-Checklist	Vea Jenks (2004)	272-4838
	Mary Halloran (2000)	272-4378
	Louis Hobbs (2002)	272-5810
Trustee Trust Fund	Frederick Shipman, Chr. (2002)	272-4938
	William R. Deal (2001)	272-5882
	Louis Hobbs (2000)	272-5810
Moderator	Arnold Shields (2000)	989-3171

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Katherine Wescott, Treas. (2000)	Marian Shields (2000)
Helga Mueller, Chr. (2002)	Joe Medicott (2001)
Stephanie Gordon (2002)	Nancy Sandell (2001)
Cindy Musty (2000)	
Maureen Byrne, Librarian	
Vivian Nemhauser, Assistant Librarian	

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Terry Robie	272-4901
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BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Fred Shipman, Chr. (2001)	George Schmid, Vice Chr. (2001)
Jeffrey P. Dube (2000)	Dean Osgood (2002)
William Putnam, (2002)	

PLANNING BOARD

Peter Labounty, Chr.(2000)
Fred Shipman (2002)
Suzanne Woodward (2001)
Jean D. Daley, Ex-Officio
Dean Osgood, Alternate Ex-Officio

Thomas Stevens, Vice Chr.(2001)
Robert Michenfelder (2000)
Kay Wescott (2002)

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Joe Medicott., Pres.
Frederick Shipman, Treas.
Lloyd Hall, Dir. of Preservation

Helga Mueller, Co-V.P.
Anna Williams, Corresp. Secy.
Betty Hall, Dir-at-Large.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Helga Mueller, Chr.
David Ritchie
Donald Smith

Robert A. Michenfelder
Eric Underhill
Ernest Hartley, Jr.

RECYCLING CENTER & TRANSFER STATION

Wayne Godfrey, Manager
John Metcalf, Assistant Manager

**MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 9, 1999
TOWN OF PIERMONT**

Polls opened at 10:30 at the Piermont Village School and remained opened until 6:30 for voting by Official Ballot on Article One, Article Two and Article Three. There were 243 voters that voted during the day.

The formal meeting for the Town of Piermont reopened at 8:00 p.m. at the Piermont Village School by Moderator S. Arnold Shields followed by the Pledge of Alliance.

ARTICLE ONE: (By Official Ballot) To vote by Official Ballot for the following Town officers:

One Selectman to serve for a term of three years. Dean Osgood

A Treasurer to serve for a term of one year. James Lambert

One Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three years.
Fred Shipman

Two Library Trustees to serve for a term of three years. Helga Mueller
Stephanie Gordon

One Road Agent to serve for a term of three years. Chris Davidson

ARTICLE TWO: (by Official Ballot) To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance to include the Telecommunications Facility Ordinance.

Topical Description: This Amendment establishes the requirement to obtain a special exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment in compliance with the standards contained in the amendment for the construction and installation of a telecommunication tower and antenna.

Yes 161 No 60

ARTICLE THREE: (by Official Ballot) To see if the Town will amend Section 4.4,b of the Zoning Ordinance by deleting the present provision and inserting the following in place thereof:

- b. Front Lot Width: Front Lot Width shall mean the width of the lot measured along its common boundary with the public highway right of way line. Front Lot Width is 100 feet measured along that common boundary line.

Minutes Continued:

Topical Description: The current front lot width requirement in the Zoning Ordinance will not be changed. The Amendment clarifies how the required front lot width must be measured on the frontage on a maintained Town or State highway in compliance with State law, RSA 674:41.

Yes 167 No 43

ARTICLE FOUR: To raise and appropriate \$145,910 appearing in the Town Budget as necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year, divided as follows and subject to any adjustment which may be voted upon at this Meeting:

ITEM	BUDGETED CHARGE
Officers' Salaries	\$ 19,500
Officers' Expenses	16,000
Auditor Expense	4,700
Election/Registration	1,800
Town Buildings	20,000
Tax Map	600
Contingency	1,500
Insurance	12,000
Planning Board	800
Legal and Damages	2,500
Solid Waste Disposal	35,710
Street Lights/Blinker	4,200
Public Welfare	3,000
Memorial Day	250
Recreation and Swimming Pool	1,750
Interest	1,000
Fire Truck Note	13,000
Revaluation Note	7,100
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>500</u>
TOTAL TOWN CHARGES	\$145,910

Moved by Helga Mueller

Seconded by Chris Davidson

Discussion: Wayne Godfrey amended the total to \$142,910. Helga asks why there decrease? Wayne stated that the compactor is paid for and we no longer need this in item. He received an invoice after the town reports were published. Therefor the solid waste budget should be \$32,710 instead of the \$35,710 as listed.

Amendment passed by voice.

Article passed by voice vote.

Minutes Continued:

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$67,000 for the purpose of maintaining highways and bridges.

Moved by Chris Davidson
Seconded by Wayne Godfrey
No discussion: Voice passed

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$24,603 for the purpose of maintaining highways and bridges, being the Highway Department State subsidy. (This money is received each year from the State and is used for the Highway Department.)

Moved by William Daley
Seconded by Chris Davidson
No discussion: Voice passed

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$42,000 to purchase the materials for the repair of the Elliott Bridge and the balance of the cost for labor and equipment to come from the appropriation for highways and bridges.

Moved by Chris Davidson
Seconded by Ellen Putnam
Discussion: Kay Musty asks where is this bridge? Chris stated that it is State bridge #084-095. It's The bridge next to Everett Jessman and two residents reside over the bridge.
Voice passed

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$12,500 for the Police Department.

Moved by William Deal
Seconded by Kay Burbank
No discussion: Voice passed

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,500 for the purchase of radios for the Police Department.

Moved by William Deal
Seconded by John Metcalf
No discussion: Voice passed

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$39,422 for the support of the Fire Department and Fast Squad.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey

Minutes Continued:

Seconded by Randy Dunbar
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,983 for Ambulance, Fire and Police dispatching services.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey
Seconded by William Deal
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,307 for the purchase of New Hampshire Town Clerk and Motor Vehicle System software and one year technical support.

Comment: The cost is \$3,745 for the software plus 15% annually for technical support.

Moved by William Daley
Seconded by Chris Davidson
Discussion: Robert Elder asks if basic support is for every year. Yes it is usually 15% of system for the support.
Voice passed

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for support of the Library.

Moved by Alex Medlicott
Seconded by Marian Shields
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$7,500 for Cemeteries.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey
Seconded by William Deal
Discussion: William Daley asks why do we vote \$7,500 every year and only use \$3,500.? \$4,000 comes from Cemetery Trust Funds interest. The Town can't spend this money without approval from the town.
Voice passed

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,428 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire.

Moved by Kay Musty

Minutes Continued:

Seconded by Wayne Godfrey
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$599 to pay Piermont's share of the cost as a member of Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission.

Moved by Fred Shipman
Seconded by Donald Smith
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300 for the White Mountain Mental Health Center.

Moved by Thomas Elliot
Seconded by Robert Elder
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$600 for the support of the Community Action Outreach Program.

Moved by Fred Shipman
Seconded by Warren Burbank
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$8,736 as Piermont's share for Upper Valley Ambulance Inc.

Moved by William Deal
Seconded by Thomas Elliott
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,095 for the Grafton Senior Citizen Council.

Moved by Thomas Elliott
Seconded by Geraldine Wood
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to the AIDS Community Resource Network (ACORN).

Moved by Kay Day-Gould

Minutes Continued:

Seconded by Thomas Elliott

Discussion: Arnold Smith asks what will this money do? Kay says she works at the hospital and this program is used for outreach programs and education. Fred Shipman asks if this program is only good in Vermont? Kay says it is at Dartmouth and more information is on page 95.

Voice passed with one nay vote

ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to the Haverhill Area Teen Center.

Moved by Helga Mueller

Seconded by Wayne Godfrey

Discussion: Kay Wescott what is this? Helga said that on page 84 in town report is an explanation.

Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Vehicular Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For 3

Against 0

Moved by Wayne Godfrey

Seconded by Thomas Elliott

No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For 3

Against 0

Moved by Helga Mueller

Seconded by Thomas Elliott

Discussion: Kay Burbank asks if the old church building is being restored and when is it going to be completed. It is hoped to be ready for voting next year and will be used for meetings of small groups. Helga asks how much is in fund now see page 69 in town report. Kay Musty asks what is being spent on the building? This capital reserve fund needs vote of Town to be spent. Terry Robie is the general contractor for this job for \$18,000 for the work now being done. It's being brought up to handicap accessible so the town can use the building. Christa Davis asks if this fund can be used for the school –no. John Monaghan asks if the money from the sale of the town hall what into this fund. No it went into the general fund.

Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum

Minutes Continued:

of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For 3

Against 0

Moved by Thomas Elliott

Seconded by Chris Davidson

Discussion: Stephine Gordon asks if this is a new fund? Jean commented that it is only 3-4 years old. Helga asks what the difference between a capital fund (town has to vote to use) and an expendable fund (can be used for emergencies).

Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-SIX: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For 3

Against 0

Moved by Helga Mueller

Seconded by Wayne Godfrey

No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-SEVEN: To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the operation and maintenance of the Village Sewer system.

Comment: State law requires the Town Meeting to appropriate the funds to operate and maintain the sewer system even though all the money comes from the users and not from taxes.

Moved by John Metcalf the sum of \$24,741.00

Seconded by John Monaghan

Discussion: Glen Meder asks why asking so much? John stated that the State is requiring more testing. Who will do the testing? John says he runs tests but Woodsville will do the lab testing.

Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen indefinitely and until rescinded, the authority to accept gifts, legacies, and devises in trust for the establishment, maintenance, and care of libraries, reading rooms, schools, and other educational facilities, parks, cemeteries, and burial lots, the planting and care of shade and ornamental trees upon Town highways and other public places, and for any other public purpose that is not foreign to the institution of the Town or incompatible with the object of the organization of the Town, as provided in RSA 31:19.

Comment: Passage of the Article will authorize the Selectmen to accept gifts,

Minutes Continued:

legacies and devises in trust without Town Meeting action until such time as there is another article on the Warrant to rescind this authority. If this Article does not pass then any such gifts, legacies, and devises in trust would be brought to the Town Meeting to accept under a specific article in the Warrant.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey
Seconded by William Deal
No discussion Voice passed

ARTICLE TWENTY-NINE: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

William Deal asks for a standing remembrance for Jasper Putnam for many years of service to the Town.

Seconded by William Daley
Voice passed followed by a moment of silence

Wayne Godfrey moved to ajourn
John Metcalf seconded
Meeting adjourned at 8:50.

Submitted by Linda Lambert, Town Clerk

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dean W. Osgood

Jean D. Daley

Robert J. Lang

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF PIERMONT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire, will be held at the Piermont Village School on Tuesday, March 14, 2000 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

Polls will be located in the Old Church Building and will be open at 10:30 a.m. for voting by Official Ballot on Article One and will close at 6:30 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. All other Articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Piermont Village School.

ARTICLE ONE: (By Official Ballot) To vote by Official Ballot for the following Town officers:

One Selectman to serve for a term of three years.

One Town Clerk to serve for a term of three years.

One Tax Collector to serve for a term of three years.

A Treasurer to serve for a term of one year.

One Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three years.

Three Library Trustees to serve for a term of three years.

One Supervisor of the Checklist to serve for a term of six years.

One Supervisor of the Checklist to serve for a term of 4 years.

One Moderator to serve for a term of two years.

And such other officers required to be elected by Official Ballot.

ARTICLE TWO: To raise and appropriate \$147,800 appearing in the Town Budget as necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year, divided as follows and subject to any adjustment which may be voted upon at this Meeting:

Warrant Continued:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BUDGETED CHARGE</u>
Officers' Salaries	\$ 21,500
Officers' Expenses	18,000
Auditor Expense	4,900
Election/Registration	2,000
Town Buildings	25,000
Tax Map	1,200
Contingency	1,500
Insurance	14,000
Legal and Damages	2,500
Solid Waste Disposal	36,650
Street Lights/Blinker	4,200
Public Welfare	4,000
Memorial Day	250
Recreation and Swimming Pool	2,000
Interest	1,000
Planning Board	1,500
Revaluation Note	7,100
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>500</u>
TOTAL TOWN CHARGES	\$147,800

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$67,000 for the purpose of maintaining highways and bridges.

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$26,158 for the purpose of maintaining highways and bridges, being the Highway Department State subsidy. (This money is received each year from the State and is used for the Highway Department.)

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$68,000 as the Town's share of the State Bridge Program to replace Bean Brook Bridge. Total cost is estimated to be \$680,000. The State of New Hampshire will pay 80% of the cost (\$544,000) and the Town will pay 20% (\$136,000). Half of this must be appropriated this year, the balance upon completion. This appropriation will not lapse at the end of the year but will be carried forward and expended within Five Years of December 1, 2000.

Comment: The State Department of Transportation estimates it would be approximately 3 years before construction could be started. See Road Agent's Report for details.

ARTICLE SIX: (In the event Article Five is not passed) To see if the Town will vote to establish a Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be deposited into this fund and the Trustees of Trust Funds will be designated as Trustees.

Warrant Continued:

Selectmen	Yes	3	No	0
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Comment: Estimated total cost \$100,000 estimated construction date 2002. Additional funds will be requested annually for deposit into this Fund.

ARTICLE SEVEN: To raise and appropriate \$18,000 to cover blasting and pavement to complete the next phase of Lily Pond Road.

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to accept the dedication of Winn Road as a town highway on the condition that Winn Road shall be brought up To town highway specifications at no cost to the Town and to the satisfaction of the selectmen and the road agent.

ARTICLE NINE To see if the Town will adopt the following bylaw:

The Town of Piermont ordains as follows:

PAY AS YOU THROW TRASH DISPOSAL PROGRAM BYLAW

Declaration of Purpose: to provide for an efficient trash disposal program and set reasonable rates for use of the Town's solid waste facility, pursuant to RSA 149-M:17, II (a).

1. The Town will provide at specified locations, "Piermont trash bags", which may be purchased and used to dispose of trash at the Piermont Landfill Transfer Station.
2. The "Piermont trash bags" will be sold at a reasonable price, to be determined by the Board of Selectmen and the Transfer Station Manager.
3. The Transfer Station will accept for disposal only authorized "Piermont trash bags".
4. The Board of Selectmen may use any income from the sale of the "Piermont trash bags" to reduce the Piermont Solid Waste budget.

Penalty: Anyone violating the provisions of the bylaw will be subject to civil penalties as provided for in RSA 149-M:17,II(b).

Comment: See Recycling Report

ARTICLE TEN: To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the operation and maintenance of the village Sewer system. The requested amount is \$19,191.

Comment: State law requires the Town Meeting to appropriate the funds to

Warrant Continued:

operate and maintain the sewer system even though all the money comes from the users and not from taxes.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for start-up costs associated with the Piermont Pay as You throw trash disposal by-law, including the purchase of authorized trash bags, placement of newspaper notices and other related costs.

ARTICLE TWELVE: (By Petition) Shall we adopt the provision of RSA 72:1-c which authorized any town or city to elect not to assess, levy and collect a resident tax?

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$12,500 for the Police Department.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$19,530 for the support of the Fire Department and Fast Squad.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: (by Petition) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the purchase of defibrillators for the Piermont FAST Squad.

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,983 for Ambulance, Fire and Police dispatching services.

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for support of the Library.

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$7,500 for Cemeteries.

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$599.00 to pay Piermont's share of the cost as a member of Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission.

ARTICLE TWENTY: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,428 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire.

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$647 to contribute to a local or regional household hazardous waste collection project. The types of materials that can be disposed of at these collections include oil-based paints, thinners, solvents, insecticides & pesticides, cleaning supplies, antifreeze etc.

ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$590 to restore an ancient Town Map of the 1800's, drawn by Aaron Shepard, Surveyor, and part of the town records..

Warrant Continued:

ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300 for the White Mountain Mental Health Center.

ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$750 for the support of the Community Action Outreach Program.

ARTICLE TWENTY-FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$9,360 as Piermont's share for Upper Valley Ambulance Inc.

ARTICLE TWENTY-SIX: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,095 for the Grafton Senior Citizen Council.

ARTICLE TWENTY-SEVEN: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to the AIDS Community Resource Network (ACORN).

ARTICLE TWENTY-EIGHT: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to the Haverhill Area Teen Center.

ARTICLE TWENTY-NINE: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$9,850 to pay for testing water samples drawn from the monitoring wells at the old dump site, as required by DES.

ARTICLE THIRTY: To see if the Town will vote to renovate the back room in the Old Church Building and allow the Piermont Historical Society exclusive use of this room at a cost of \$1.00 per year until rescinded by vote of the Town.. The cost of renovations will come from the Town Building Maintenance appropriation.

ARTICLE THIRTY-ONE: To see if the Town will vote to withdraw a sum not to exceed \$25,000 from the Building Capital Reserve Fund to replace the roof on the Old Church Building and to designate the selectmen as Agents of the Town to expend such funds for such purpose.

Selectmen: For 3 Against 0

ARTICLE THIRTY-TWO: (by Petition) To see if the town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire Legislature: 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 the land and Community Heritage Investment Program, a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources.

ARTICLE THIRTY-THREE: (by Petition) To see if the Town will vote to donate \$500 (Five Hundred Dollars) to the Lower Cohase Region Profile Task Force for a community development planning session, March 31 and April 1, 2000. The Lower

Warrant Continued:

Cohase Region Profile includes the towns of Piermont NH, Bradford VT, Haverhill NH and Newbury VT.

ARTICLE THIRTY-FOUR: (by Petition) Proposed; the Town will establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the purpose of improvement of Town Vehicles for Fire and Emergency Services.

ARTICLE THIRTY-FIVE: (by Petition) To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate to pay into the newly established capital reserve fund for improvement of Town Fire and Emergency Vehicles.

Report of the Fire Department and Fast Squad:

During the history of the Piermont Fire Department, the cost of fire and emergency vehicles has more than doubled each decade. The most recently acquired fire tanker cost \$90,000. We anticipate the need for a more modern fire/emergency vehicle within this decade. We propose the Town appropriate a minimum of \$7,000 each year for this capital reserve.

ARTICLE THIRTY-SIX: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Vehicular Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For 3 Against 0

ARTICLE THIRTY-SEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For 3 Against 0

ARTICLE THIRTY-EIGHT To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Bridge Expendable Trust.

Selectmen: For 3 Against 0

ARTICLE THIRTY-NINE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For 3 Against 0

ARTICLE FORTY: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Given under our hand and seal of the Town of Piermont this 16th day of February, 2000

Warrant Continued:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean D. Daley

Robert J. Lang

Dean W. Osgood

A true copy attest:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean D. Daley

Robert J. Lang

Dean W. Osgood

RETURN

We hereby attest that the within Warrant is a true copy of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting described therein and further certify that we have caused to be posted an attested copy of this Warrant at the place of the Meeting and a like copy at one other public place in the Town of Piermont fourteen days before the day of the Meeting, not counting the day of posting or the day of the Meeting.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean D. Daley

Robert J. Lang

Dean W. Osgood

This Warrant and Return of Warrant have been duly recorded in the Office of the Town Clerk of Piermont, New Hampshire, this 16th day of February 2000.

Linda Lambert, Town Clerk

SUMMARY OF BUDGET FOR 2000

Town Charges	\$147,800
Highways and Bridges	67,000
Highway Department/State Subsidy	26,158 *
Police Department	12,500
Fast Squad Defibrillators	4,000
Fire Department/Fast Squad	19,530
Dump Closure	9,850
Ambulance, Fire and Police Dispatching	2,983
Library	20,000
Cemeteries	7,500 **
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT & NH	2,428
UVLS Regional Planning Commission	599
White Mountain Mental Health	300
Pay as You Throw Start-up Costs	2,000
Community Action Outreach Program	750
Upper Valley Ambulance Service	9,360
Grafton Senior Citizens Council	1,095
Hazardous Waste Collection Project	647
AIDS Community Resource Center	300
Haverhill Area Teen Center	300
Restore Old 1800's Map of Piermont	590
Lily Pond Road	18,000
Lower Cohase Region Profile Task	500
Fire & Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund	7,000
Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund	20,000 ***
Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Vehicular Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Building Improvements Capital Reserve	5,000
Bridge Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
 Town Sub-total	 401,190
 Estimate of County Tax	 70,000
School District budget (Estimated)	680,551
 TOTAL OF TOWN, COUNTY AND SCHOOL	 \$1,151,741

*No taxes raised. Paid by State

**Town raises by taxes \$3,500. Balance comes from Cemetery Trust Funds

***If Article five is passed instead of Article Six the budget will increase by \$48,000

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF PIERMONT, N.H.

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	Actual		
	Appropriation <u>1999</u>	Expenditures <u>1999</u>	Appropriation <u>2000</u>
General Government:			
Town Officers Salaries	19,500	19,959	21,500
Town Officers Expenses	16,000	16,629	18,000
Election & Registration	1,800	1,078	2,000
Expenses Town Buildings	20,000	20,615	25,000
Auditor Expense	4,700	4,700	4,900
Town Clerk/Motor Vehicle Software	4,307	4,307	0
Police Department	12,500	10,794	12,500
Police Department Radios	4,500	4,126	0
Fire Dept. inc. Forest Fires & Fast Squad	39,422	38,910	19,530
Fast Squad Defibrillators	0	0	4,000
Planning & Zoning	800	1,073	1,500
Insurance	12,000	12,978	14,000
Fire Truck Note	13,000	12,450	0
Revaluation Note	7,100	7,360	7,100
Revaluation	0	517	0
Update Tax Map	600	0	1,200
Update Old 1800's Map of Piermont	0	0	590
UVLSC	599	599	599
Health Department:			
Solid Waste Disposal	35,710	31,389	36,650
Hazardous Waste Collection Project	0	0	647
Pay as You Throw Start-up Cost	0	0	2,000
Dispatch Services	2,983	2,937	2,983
VNAV TNH	2,428	2,428	2,428
White Mt. Mental Health	300	300	300
UVA, Inc.	8,736	8,736	9,360
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	67,000	69,000	67,000
Elliott Bridge	42,000	54,758*	0
Lily Pond Road	0	0	18,000
Street Lighting	4,200	3,934	4,200
Highway Subsidy	24,603	24,603	26,158
Library:	20,000	20,000	20,000
Welfare	3,000	3,754	4,000
Memorial Day	250	242	250
Lower Cohase Region Profile Task	0	0	500
Haverhill Area Teen Center	300	300	300
Community Action	600	600	750
Grafton Senior Citizen Council	1,095	1,095	1,095

AIDS Community Resource Network	300	300	300
Rec. Field & Swimming Pool	1,750	2,605	2,000
Cemeteries	7,500	3,500	7,500
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Expenses	2,500	2,421	2,500
Contingency Fund	1,500	1,500	1,500
Dump Closure Project	0.00	15,398	9,850
Relocate Dump Site	0	4,590	0
Taxes Bought by Town	0.00	36,619	0
Capital Reserves	20,000	20,000	47,000
Misc. Unclassified Expense	500	0	500
Interest on Temp. Loans	1,000	0.00	1,000
Taxes Paid to County	68,000	70,297	70,000
Payment to School District	895,313	805,855	680,551
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	1,368,396	1,343,256	1,151,741

SOURCES OF REVENUE

From Local Taxes:

Resident Taxes	4,000	3,720	4,000
Yield Taxes	20,000	36,787	35,000
Resident Tax Penalties	0	0	0
Property Taxes	900,000	1,055,906	900,000
Current Use Changes	0	0	0
Interest	0	10,913	0
Rooms & Meals Tax(State Grant)	25,000	20,169	25,000
Highway Grant	24,603	24,603	26,158
Reimb. a/c State/	0	23,357	0
Fed. Forest Land	200	1,796	200
Sale of Town Property	0	1,433	0
Recycling Income	0	1,544	0
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	75,000	88,439	80,000
Dog Licenses	1,000	1,399	1,100
Business Lic,Permits,Filing	100	1,026	100
Rent of Town Property	650	550	750
Income from Trust Funds	14,000	15,169	14,000
Interest on Deposits	6,000	7,555	6,000
Capital Expendable Fund	0	5,000	0
Insurance Rebates	0	2,946	2,000
All Other Receipts including dump	500	60,297	500
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	1,071,053	1,362,609	1,094,808

1999 SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land	
Current Use (at C.U. values)	2,371,730
Conservation Restriction (included in C.U.)	0.00
Residential	13,988,475
Commercial/Industrial	37,300
Buildings	
Residential	26,177,200
Manufactured Housing	472,200
Commercial/Industrial	2,123,881
Public Utilities	
Electric (includes Phone-no land)	2,161,181
Valuation Before Exemptions	45,170,786
Elderly Exemptions	298,400
Solar Exemptions	1,950
Blind Exemption	15,000
Total Exemptions	315,350
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is computed	44,855,436
Utilities	
Central Vermont Public Service	7,530
Connecticut Valley Electric Co.	604,748
Piermont Hydro	405,196
New England Power Co.	692,124
New England Telephone	40,324
New Hampshire Electric Coop.	411,259
Total	2,161,181

1999 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATE

Gross Property Tax	220,674
Less War Service Credits	-6,500
Net Property Tax Commitments	214,174
Net School Appropriations	971,725
Less Adequate Education Grant	-291,174
State Education Taxes	-289,186
Town Tax Rate	4.82
School Tax Rate	8.81
State School Tax Rate	6.77
County Tax Rate	<u>1.56</u>
Total Tax Rate	21.96

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT
OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 1999**

Title of Appropriations	Total Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Over Draft
Town Officers Salaries	19,500	19,959		459
Town Officers Expenses	16,000	16,629		629
Auditor Expense	4,700	4,700		
Election & Reg. Exp.	1,800	1,078	722	
Expenses of Town Bldgs.	20,000	20,615		615
Police Department	12,500	10,794	1,706	
Police Department Radios	4,500	4,126	374	
Fire Department	39,422	38,910	512	
Planning & Zoning	800	1,073		273
Insurance	12,000	10,511	1,489	
Update Tax Map	600	0	600	
UVLSC	599	599		
Solid Waste Disposal	32,710	31,389	1,321	
Elliott Bridge***	42,000	54,758		12,758
Dispatch Services	2,983	2,937	46	
VNAV TNH	2,428	2,428		
AIDS Community Resource	300	300		
Haverhill Area Teen Center	300	300		
White Mtn. Mental Hlth	300	300		
UVA, Inc.	8,736	8,736		
Highways & Bridges	67,000	69,000		2,000
Highway Subsidy	24,603	24,603		
Street Lighting	4,200	3,934	266	
Library	20,000	20,000		
Welfare	3,000	3,754		754
Community Action	600	600		
Grafton Senior Citizen	1,095	1,095		
Memorial Day	250	242	8	
Rec. Field & Swimming Pool	1,750	2,605		855
*Cemeteries	7,500	3,500		
Contingency Fund	1,500	1,500		
Damages & Legal	2,500	2,421	79	
Relocate Transfer Station	0	4,590		4,590
**Dump Closure Project	0	15,398		15,398
Misc. Unanticipated Expenses	500		500	
Hazardous Waste Collection	0			
Fire Ponds	0			
Interest on Temporary Loans	1,000	0	1,000	
Fire Truck Payment	13,000	12,450	550	
Revaluation Loan Payment	7,100	7,310		210
Capital Reserves	20,000	20,000		
Taxes Paid to County	68,000	70,297		2,297
TOTALS	465,776	482,647	9,173	40,838

Comparative Statement Continued:

*The balance of this account comes from the Cemetery Fund Monies and is spent so that there is no unexpended balance.

**A grant has been received in the amount of \$31,242.59 to off-set this amount and previous year's payments

***Elliott Bridge overdraft is offset by \$5,000 from the Bridge Expendable Fund to cover excess costs.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Bldgs.-Selectmen-Library, FireDept.,Hwy.Garage	11,800.00
Land-Selectmen-Library, Fire Dept.,Hwy.Garage	41,400.00
Equipment-Fire Department	195,000.00
Old Church, Lands and Buildings	53,000.00
Bean Brook Road Land	16,300.00
Highway Equipment	94,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	27,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	603,500.00
Cemeteries	28,500.00
Piermont Sewage District Land	1,300.00
Fire Pond	12,300.00
Connecticut River Lot (School Lot)	16,000.00
Sarah Moore Lot	34,000.00
Open Space Lot (Glebe Lot)	41,500.00
TOTAL	1,344,000.00

FINANCIAL REPORT
of the Town of Piermont, N.H.
County of Grafton
For the Calendar Year ended December 31, 1999

ASSETS		
Cash:		
In the Hands of the Treasurer	229,473	
In the Hands of Others	27,786	
Uncollected and Unredeemed Taxes		140,703
Other Assets:		
Prepaid Items		600
GRAND TOTAL OF ASSETS		398,562
LIABILITIES		
School District Assessment	255,551	
Accounts Payable	24,839	
Deferred Tax Revenue	515	
Other Deferred Revenues	8,815	
Revaluation Loan Payable	19,200	
Total Liabilities		308,920
FUND EQUITY		
Reserve for Encumbrances	0	
<u>Unreserved</u>		
Undesignated	<u>89,642</u>	
Total Equity		89,642
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity		398,562

PAYMENTS	
General Government	
Town Officers' Salaries	19,958.88
Town Officers' Expenses	16,629.17
Election and Registration	1,077.69
Auditors	4,700.00
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee RPC	599.00
MV Computer Software	4,306.75
Town Hall and Other Bldgs.	20,615.29

Capital Reserve Funds	20,000.00	
Total General Governmental Expenses		87,886.78
Protection of Persons and Property		
Police	10,793.58	
Police Dept. Radios	4,126.33	
Planning Board	1,072.83	
Fire, Incl. Forest Fire	38,909.86	
Insurance	12,977.50	
Dispatch	2,937.00	
Total Protection Expense		70,817.10
Health and Sanitation		
Health Including Hospitals	2,428.00	
Town Trash Removal & Recycling	31,388.52	
Dump Closure	15,397.50	
Total Health Expense		49,214.02
Highways and Bridges		
Town Maintenance	69,000.00	
Highway Subsidy	24,602.79	
Elliott Bridge	49,757.73	
Street Lighting	3,933.86	
Total Highways and Bridges Expenses		147,294.38
Library		20,000.00
Public Welfare		
Town Poor	3,754.43	
Haverhill Area Teen Center	300.00	
Ambulance	8,736.00	
AIDS Community Resource	300.00	
White Mt. Mental Health	300.00	
Grafton Senior Citizen Council	1,095.00	
VNAV TNH	2,428.00	
Community Action	600.00	
Total Public Welfare		17,513.43
Patriotic		
Memorial Day		242.00
Recreation		2,604.60
Cemeteries		3,500.00
Unclassified:		
Damages, Legal & Dog Damages	2,420.80	
Revaluation	517.26	
Taxes Bought by Town	36,619.28	
Other	0.00	

Total Unclassified Payments		39,557.34
Interest		0
Bonds and Term Notes	19,560.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		19,560.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		
County	70,297.00	
School District	805,855.00	
Total Payments to Other Government Divisions		963,408.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS		1,318,003.60

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes		
Property	1,055,906.20	
Resident	3,720.00	
Yield	36,786.63	
Current Use	0.00	
Interest and Costs	10,912.95	
Tax Sales Redeemed	26,456.20	
Total Collected		1,133,781.90
Recycling Fees and Sales		1,544.40
Block Grant-Highway Subsidy		24,602.79
From State		20,168.53
From Local Sources Except Taxes		
Dog Licenses	1,398.50	
Business Lic, Permits & Fees	2,604.05	
Rent of Town Property	550.00	
Sale of Town Property	882.75	
Interest on Deposits	7,554.56	
Income from Mutual Funds	15,169.38	
Motor Vehicle Registration	88,439.00	
Insurance Rebate	2,946.18	
Forestry Reimbursement	1,796.14	
Other	126.74	
		121,467.30
Receipts		
Other Than Current Revenue		
Capital Reserves	5,000.00	
FEMA-State Portion	11,357.00	
Dump Closeout	31,242.59	
NH State Education Admin.	12,000.00	
		59,599.59
TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL		1,362,609.08

TOWN CLERKS REPORT 1999

SUBMITTED TO TREASURER

Motor Vehicle Registrations (1,031)	88,273.00
Motor Vehicle Titles (83)	166.00
Dog Licenses (192)	1,241.50
Fees, Penalties (dogs)	157.00
Other(Fees, Permits, Zoning Books, etc.)	182.00
	90,019.50

REMINDER***ALL DOGS OVER 3 MONTHS OLD ARE TO BE LICENSED.
2000 TAGS ARE IN AND AVAILABLE NOW. RABIES TAGS ARE REQUIRED.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1999

Uncollected Taxes - Beg. of Year**:

Property Taxes	216,639.98
Resident Taxes	610.00
Land Use Change	0.00
Yield Taxes	1,806.10
Mortgage Fees	0.00
Utilities	600.00

Revenues Committed - This Year:

Property Taxes	966,883.58
Resident Taxes	4,300.00
Land Use Change	0
Yield Taxes	38,842.46
Mortgage Fees	0
Utilities	17,168.63

Overpayment:

Property Taxes	2,187.63	11,675.12
Resident Taxes	0.00	
Adjustment	0.00	

Interest Coll. on Delinquent Tax	1,394.56	6,207.38
Collected Resident Tax Penalties	11.00	88.00
TOTAL DEBITS	1,030,787.86	237,626.58

**This amount should be the same as last year's ending balance.

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:	This Year	Prior Years
Property Taxes	859,322.68	197,847.15
Resident Taxes	3,280.00	450.00
Land Use Taxes	0.00	
Yield Taxes	36,243.43	1806.10
Utilities	13,191.69	600.00
Interest	1,394.56	6,207.38
Penalties	11.00	88.00
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	211.87	30,982.68
Resident Taxes	260.00	90.00
Penalties	0.00	
Uncollected Rev. - End of Year		
Property Taxes	109,536.66	
Resident Taxes	760.00	70.00
Land Use Change	00.0	
Utilities	3,976.94	
Yield Taxes	2,599.03	
TOTAL CREDITS	1,030,787.86	238,141.31

Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies

Unredeemed Taxes: Bal. at Beg. of Fiscal Year	25,657.04
Liens Sold or Executed During Fiscal Year	39,353.90
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution	596.13
Mortgage Fees	0.00
TOTAL DEBITS	65,607.07

CREDITS

Remittance to Treasurer:	
Redemptions	27,949.88
Interest/Costs (After Sale or Lien Execution)	3,785.45
Mortgage Fees	0.00
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	1,290.97
Unredeemed Taxes on Initial Sale/Lien	32,580.77
TOTAL CREDITS	65,607.07

Linda Lambert, Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Taxes - Current Year

Property	856,518.03
Resident	3,270.00
Current Use	0
Yield	35,180.34
Penalties and Interest	10,912.95

Taxes - Prior Years

Property	199,388.23
Resident	450.00
Current Use	00.00
Yield Tax	1,606.29
Redemptions	26,456.20

State and Federal

Revenue Distribution	20,168.53
Block Grant	24,602.79
Forestry	1,796.14
Dump Closeout	31,242.59
State flood Reimbursement	11,357.00
Administration Cost-State (education)	12,000.00

Other Sources

Rent of Town Property	550.00
Motor Vehicles	88,439.00
Dog Licenses and Fees	1,398.50
Recycling	1,544.40
Fees	1,578.45
Clark Fund	15,169.38
Planning Board Fees	757.60
Building Permits	268.00
Insurance Rebate	2,946.18
Interest	7,554.56
Library-Electricity	894.43
Sale of Town Property	1,432.75
Capital Reserve Income	5,000.00
Other	126.74
Total Receipts	1,362,609.08
<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>226,850.37</u>
Total	1,589,459.45
<u>Less Expenditure</u>	<u>1,359,986.01</u>
Balance December 31, 1999	229,473.44

James A. Lambert, Treas.; Town of Piermont

**STATEMENT OF ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN
ON TREASURER**

Town Officers' Salaries

Jean D. Daley	Selectman	1,600.00	
Robert J. Lang	Selectman	1,600.00	
Dean W. Osgood	Selectman	1,600.00	
Linda Lambert	Town Clerk	5,950.00	
Geraldine Wood	Asst. Town Clerk	1,213.88	
Linda Lambert	Tax Collector	5,625.00	
James Lambert	Treasurer	900.00	
Jean D. Daley	Bookkeeper	900.00	
Wayne Godfrey	Animal Control Officer	170.00	
Terry Robie	Zoning Administrator	200.00	
Fred Shipman	Trust Fund Trustee	200.00	
Total			19,958.88

Town Officers' Expenses

Alert-all Corp.	9-1-1- Stickers	60.40
Arc Blueprint Printing		69.00
AT&T	Telephone	201.14
Bell Atlantic	Telephone	1,097.83
BMSI	Seminars/Support	1,228.25
Robert Lang	Expenses	60.00
C M Davidson Inc	Road Signs	110.00
Cottonstone Farm		25.00
Fred Shipman	Tables	142.00
Fletcher Printing	Town Report	2,676.54
Four Corners Store		9.28
Gem Forms	Tax Bills	530.36
Geraldine Wood	Expenses	67.84
IDS		89.26
Jean Daley	Reimbursements	561.89
John & Judy Whitcomb	Highway layout	1,000.00
Lexis Law Publishing	Law Books	645.12
Linda Lambert	Reimbursements	362.21
Medlin Accounting	Software	38.00
Martins Flag	Bronze Markers	147.10
NEBS	Forms	61.75
New England Micrographics	Microfilm Storage	25.00
NH Assoc. Assessors	Dues	20.00
New England Assoc. of Town		70.00
NH Dept. of Agriculture	Dog Licenses	422.50
NH Dept. of Safety	Books	26.00
NH Tax Collectors Assoc.	Dues, Books, Conferenc	100.00
NHMA	Dues	500.00
NHMA	Books	17.50
Norcross Office Equipment	Supplies	78.28

Nyberg, Purvis & Assoc.	Assessing	750.00	
Piermont Fire Dept.	Generator Repairs	145.86	
Philatelic Fulfillment Center	Envelopes	185.20	
Plymouth Village Water & Sewer	Dues	100.00	
Postmaster	Postage & Box Rents	1,262.00	
Register of Deeds	Recording Fees	212.84	
Red Jacket Mountain View	Tax Collector Seminar	460.00	
Town Clerk Workshop	Registration	40.00	
Stonecliff Animal Clinic	Board/Observe Stray	86.15	
Grand Summit Resort	Town Clerk	202.00	
Twin State Typewriter	Supplies	276.45	
Tuck Press	Notices	86.00	
Upper Valley Humane Society	Board one dog	105.00	
U S Postal Service	Envelopes	370.40	
Wayne Godfrey	Reimbursements	265.96	
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	Box Rent & Fees	51.00	
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	FICA	1,588.06	
Total			16,629.17

Election and Registration

Everett Jesseman		54.00	
Louis Hobbs		54.00	
Priscilla Glidden		54.00	
Geraldine Wood		54.00	
Rose Macri		54.00	
Carol Priestley		36.00	
Mary Halloran		48.00	
Linda Lambert		90.00	
Vea Jenks		48.00	
S. Arnold Shields		78.00	
Four Corners Store		102.69	
Tuck Press		129.00	
NHMA		10.00	
Fletcher Printing		76.00	
Little's Printing		115.00	
BMSI		75.00	
Total			1,077.69

Town Buildings

ADT	Electric	100.00	
Beck Electric	Repairs	149.92	
Berlin Water Works	Water Testing	20.00	
Robert Lang	Repairs	499.96	
CVEC	Electricity	3,132.99	
John Metcalf	Labor & Expenses	692.64	
Jean Daley	Supplies	39.07	
Jim Lambert	Electrical	1,216.72	
Jim Raper	Cleaning	100.00	
Matt Fields	Labor	137.50	
Oakes Bros.	Materials	122.65	
Perry's Oil Service	Fire Dept. Oil Tank	389.57	
Perry's Oil Service	Maintenance	135.54	
Piermont Sewer District	User Fees	1,316.25	
Terry Robie	Old Church Bldg.	12,055.00	
Valley Floors	Carpet	507.48	
Total			20,615.29

Revaluation			517.26
MV Computer Software			4,306.75
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee RPC			599.00
Police Dept. Radios			4,126.33

Police Department

Douglas Dutile	Hook up light bar	70.00	
John Metcalf	Labor	4,530.00	
John Metcalf	Mileage	1,857.83	
John Metcalf	Telephone/film devel.	58.55	
John Metcalf	Misc. Expense reimb.	253.80	
Gall's	Lights	470.99	
Gall's	Equipment	325.35	
Bell Atlantic	Telephone	1.23	
WGSB	FICA	438.33	
William R. Deal	Salary	1,200.00	
William R. Deal	Expenses	1,475.00	
State of New Hampshire	Certification & Books	112.50	
Total			10,793.58

Planning and Zoning Boards

Journal Opionion		338.10	
Helga Mueller	Secretary	203.99	
NHMA	Magazine	12.00	
Register of Deeds	Recording	178.00	
Gardner & Fulton	Legal Advice	226.74	
UVLSRPC	Regulations	100.00	
Postmaster	Box Rent	14.00	
Total			1,072.83

Fire Department

W. Alfred Stevens	Fire Warden & Training	250.08	
AT&T	Telephone	54.51	
Battery Zone	Battery	41.00	
Bell Atlantic	Telephone	587.20	
C M Davidson Inc.	Fire Pond	2,057.15	
CVEC	Electricity	1,038.61	
Daniel's Communication	Radio Repairs	71.29	
Dick Waterman	Parts	8.75	
Dingee Machine Co.	Refurbish Pumper	23,683.00	
Don's Auto	Repairs/inspections	317.23	
Fairlee Fire Brigade	Air Compressor	250.00	
Four Corners Store	Gasoline	267.71	
Frontline Fire & Rescue	Clothes/Equipment	1,312.60	
Grinnell Fire Protection	Testing Equipment	148.75	
National Fire Protection	Code Book	52.70	
Oakes Bros. Inc.	Materials	25.40	
Ossispee Mt. Electronics	Radio for Rescue Truck	525.86	
Payroll	Time & Expenses	3,648.04	
Perry's Oil Service	Prepay Oil	958.80	
Phillip Noyes Co.	Boots & Coupling	125.60	
Providian	Repairs & Parts	340.78	
R&R Communications	Radio Repairs	466.50	
Shur Auto Parts	Supplies	80.06	
David Cole	Expense Reimbursement	32.93	
Twin State Mutual Aid	Dues & Training	509.80	
UVRESA Inc.	Dues	50.00	
Wayne Godfrey	Fire Chief Salary	600.00	
Wayne Godfrey	Expense	367.72	
NH State Treasurer	Permit & Inspection	75.00	
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	FICA	228.52	
Total			38,175.59

Fast Squad		
Tom Elliott	Training	210.00
Stephany Gordon	Training	55.00
Ellen Putnam	Supplies	265.90
Tom Elliott	Supplies	45.87
Upper Valley Ambulance	Supplies	157.50
Total		734.27

Insurance		
N.H.M.A.		5,937.00
River Valley Ins..		622.50
CFNH-W.C.		6,418.00
Total		12,977.50

Library		20,000.00
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Solid Waste Disposal		
Floyd Marsh	Trucking Recyclables	3,690.00
CVEC	Electricity	270.75
White River Paper	Plastic Bags	193.55
Labor		3,596.04
Jewell Resources	Remove Scrap Iron	82.68
Waste Mgt. NH	Trash Disposal	22,212.30
C M Davidson	Clean out ash pit	195.00
Wayne Godfrey.	Expense reimbursement	89.64
Bell Atlantic	Telephone	66.40
NH State Treasurer	Recertification	100.00
WGSB	FCA	275.12
Recycling Services, Inc.	Tipping Fees	308.15
North Country Council	Paint Collection	291.25
Oakes Bros., Inc.	Supplies	17.64
Total		31,388.52

Dispatch Service		2,937.00
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT &		2,428.00
White Mountain Mental Health		300.00
Haverhill Area Teen Center		300.00
ACORN		300.00
Ambulance Service		8,736.00
Highway Department		69,000.00
Street Lights		3,933.86
Highway Subsidy		24,602.79
Elliott Bridge		49,757.73
Welfare		3,754.43
Community Action Outreach		600.00
Grafton Senior Citizen Council		1,095.00

Memorial Day		
Wreaths		42.00
Lyme Town Band		200.00
Total		242.00

Recreation Field & Swimming

K & R Portable Toilets	Port-a-Potty Rental	354.00	
John Metcalf	Labor	1,316.75	
Bob Lang	Labor	400.00	
Ide's	Lime	99.00	
Bob Lang	Expenses	49.94	
NH DES	Testing Pool	36.00	
Oakes Bros.	Lumber for Backstop	217.56	
WGSB	FICA	131.35	
Total			2,604.60

Cemeteries		3,500.00
Damages & Legal Expense		2,420.80
Contingency Fund		1,500.00
Miscellaneous Unclassified		56,606.78
Fire Truck Payment		12,450.00
County Tax		70,297.00
School District		805,855.00

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT
Regular Account - 1999 Highway Expenditures

Labor:

Chris Davidson	3,942.75	
Philip Davidson	5,917.58	
Jeff Huntington.	8,692.50	
Norman Lackie	2,639.25	
Cost of Labor		21,192.08

Equipment:

C. M. Davidson, Inc.	26,348.58	
Hilltop Quarry	910.00	
Rodimon Excavating	1,620.50	
		28,879.08

Aggregates:

Martin's Quarry	478.10	
		478.10

Incidentals:

Kibby Equipment	104.38	
Oakes Bros., Inc.	47.62	
H. P. Fairfield	427.55	
Tool Barn	54.00	
Tilcon	3,617.20	
Agway	218.62	
Giddings	186.50	
		4,655.87

Specialty:

Lin-rock (blasting)		11,000.00
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Overhead:

Town Garage	1,052.97	
Repairs	1,655.83	
		2,708.80

Miscellaneous		86.07
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Total		69,000.00
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Overbudget		2,000
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SUBSIDY ACCOUNT

Equipment:

C.M.Davidson, Inc.	4,660.00	
Peter Mazzilli & Son	171.00	

Rodimon Excavation	1,260.00	
Lee Waterhouse (mowing)	1,585.00	
Bigelow Paving	4,321.80	
Tool Barn	360.00	
		12,357.80
Aggregates:		
Martin	304.87	
Morrill	308.00	
Blaktop	63.00	
Morton Salt	2,401.73	
Warren Sand & Gravel	379.50	
		3,457.10
Incidentals:		
Kibby	119.40	
Oakes Bros., Inc.	120.10	
Arthur Whitcomb	592.69	
Miscellaneous	2,048.81	
		2,821.00
Overhead:		
Town Garage	590.88	
Fuel & Oil	853.63	
Repairs	901.59	
		2,346.10
Miscellaneous		970.68
Total Expenditures		21,952.68
Budget	24,692.39	
Under Budget	2,739.71	

Road Agent Report 1999

We reached our construction goals for 1999 by completing phase two and three of Lily Pond Road and installing the "Elliot" bridge. Both went slightly overbudget due to delays. Lily Pond was simply a scheduling item as all Paving companies were struggling to meet deadlines. The bridge was delayed on many occasions due to the manufacturer's quality assurance and crane scheduling.

I have been asked as to why we are reconstructing Lily Pond to such demanding specifications. The answer is so we won't have to do it again. The road was basically floating. We installed underdrain and 2.5' of free draining material. Even during the dryness of the summer the underdrain ran a constant stream the size of my thumb.

At least 1/2 of the road was built on logs. This practice was common in early road building and, if we did not have the weights we do today, it would still work. The problem is we do have loads that are twice if not more than what they used to be when these roads were built. We have to take this into account when rebuilding them.

The same goes true for the bridges. We have to make sure that they are designed to handle the increased weights of today, if for nothing else but Piermont's emergency vehicles. As I noted before the bridge underwent many delays. All schedules showed a 3 week downtime for the bridge (demolishing the old to driving on the new). We demolished the old, poured footings, and prepared for the new, but the new bridge did not pass some of the stringent tests and examinations. The manufacturer had to start over and construct a new one after changing the problems with the forms. This added a month onto the installation date.

You will notice I exceeded the budget in the regular account, but went underbudget in the subsidy account. This was an error on my part as I withdrew from the wrong account. No excuses but it is difficult to handle the two highway accounts and the bridge account and I made a mistake.

I have asked for three Warrant Article's to be placed for the Town's contemplation. One is to raise money for the Bean Brook Bridge using State aid. In the fall of 98 I asked the State of NH for Estimates to replace Bean Brook bridge. They responded on December 6, 1999 with the following:

Bridge costs	\$ 340,000.00
Approach Costs	\$ <u>135,000.00</u>
Sub	\$ 475,000.00
Const. Engineering	\$ 120,000.00
Preliminary Engineering	\$ 75,000.00
ROW costs	\$ <u>10,000.00</u>
Sub	\$ 205,000.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 680,000.00

Note: All are anticipated. Could be more or less

The Town share of 20% would total \$ 136,000.00 as seen in the Article. If the monies are approved it would be three years before construction could be started. One half would need to be appropriated this march and the second half when the bridge is completed.

The second Article is there if the first Article is defeated. We need to start something to replace this bridge. This will start saving some monies earmarked specifically for the Bean Brook Bridge. This fund would go until there is enough to do it with our own forces. Because the State process was used I have not spent a lot of time costing the bridge out. A "quick" estimate shows we can do it for about \$ 100,000.

The third Article is to continue the reconstruction of Lily Pond. I put this as an Article so the Town would have more control as to what special projects we do. This would cover the blasting and the paving only. All other rebuilding costs would come out of the Regular budget. There is simply not enough to perform regular maintenance and snow removal along with the special projects like this that we need to perform. These are not the days of old. Traffic and weights have increased by leaps and bounds and I believe we need to keep up. Unfortunately it costs, but prices will not get any cheaper, and I don't think it fair to leave it to our kids.

Projects on slate for 2000. As well as normal maintenance we plan to reconstruct Lily Pond from where left off to 350' short of Knapp road (this is near where the brook goes under Lily Pond. This Structure will be replaced the following year as the top is seriously decayed). Pave +/- 40' "holding pads" where all dirt roads meet pavement. Add gravel to Wentworth end of Cape Moonshine Road. Start design for new drainage system on Church Street.

To complete the above I am requesting \$67,000.

Chris Davidson
Road Agent

**PIERMONT SEWAGE DISTRICT
Financial Reports - 1999 Receipts:**

Interest on checking & savings accounts		154.70	
Rents & Interest Collected		14,109.31	
Transfer from Capital Reserve		8,100.00	
Total Receipts		<u>14,274.01</u>	
Cash on Hand January 1, 1999			4,434.34
Payments:			
John Metcalf	Labor	3,593.75	
Donald Smith	Labor	1,425.00	
WGSB	FICA Expense	414.49	
Welch's Water Testing	Testing	880.00	
Woodard & Curran	Testing	1,050.00	
Enviro Systems, Inc.	Testing	1,825.00	
Boudreault	Pumping Tanks	1,610.00	
CVEC	Electricity	231.55	
Hood's Plumbing	Electric Pumps	3,077.00	
John Metcalf & Donald Smith	Mileage	862.11	
Various	Operating Supplies	735.09	
Jean Daley	Bookkeeping	200.00	
Linda Lambert	Tax Collector	200.00	
Telephone		34.14	
NH State Treasurer	Certification	220.00	
NEIWPC	Training Fee	180.00	
Gardner & Fulton	Legal advice	312.75	
NHMBB	Note Payment	2,572.28	
Total Payments			19,423.16
Cash on Hand December 31, 1999-checking account			2,294.80
Cash on Hand December 31, 1999-savings account			5,090.39
Balance in Capital Reserve Account December 31, 1999			<u>25,717.01</u>

Sewage Department - 2000 Budget

Operation & Maintenance:			
Operating Supplies		600.00	
Operator's Salary		4,900.00	
Assistant Operator's Salary		2,500.00	
FICA Expense		566.00	
Waste Water Testing		3,800.00	
Waste Water Testing Mileage		1,150.00	
Bookkeeping		250.00	
Tax Collector		250.00	
Electricity		325.00	
Pumping Tanks		1,600.00	
Mowing & Cleanup		500.00	
Miscellaneous		300.00	
Subtotal		<u>16,741.00</u>	
Long Term Debt-NHMBB		2,450.00	
Total Operation & Maintenance			19,191.00
Sewage Fees for 2000:			
Long Term Debt: 34 Units at \$72		2,448.00	
Operation & Maintenance: 32.5 Units at \$515		16,738.00	
Total Sewage Fees			19,186.00

1999 LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

1999, a year of stability at the library, saw Maureen Byrne and Vivian Nemhauser continue in their roles as librarian and assistant librarian. The seven library trustees (Stephanie Gordon, Joe Medlicott, Helga Mueller, Cindy Piro, Marian Shields, Nancy Sandell, and Kay Wescott) served the full year as well.

Regular circulation, reference, and interlibrary loan services were offered as usual. Circulation figures were up in 1999, with children's materials, adult fiction, and videos attracting the largest number of borrowers. Audiobooks showed the greatest increase over last year's figures.

In addition, the library also sponsored various programs in 1999, aiming to serve all age groups in the community.

Book Discussions.

March 17 - Arnold Shields read from and led a discussion on Angela's Ashes.

April 14 - Joe Medlicott shared his enthusiasm for the novel Cold Mountain.

Children's and Family Events.

April 13 - Tellalore, a storytelling duo, performed for PVS students, kindergarten through 6th grade.

April 21 - For 'something to do during Spring break,' a class on collage art was offered by Stephanie Gordon.

May 15 - An Audubon Society interpreter shared her love and knowledge of New Hampshire's Birds.

June 23 through July 28 - A weekly summer reading program, with a craft component, was held. Carol Priestley, Jean Putnam, Barbara Michenfelder, and Jody Wescott worked on this program.

July 9 - Little Red Wagon, a UNH children's theatre group, was brought to the Haverhill Green by Piermont and 4 other libraries.

More Programs

May 22 - A birding and wildflower identification walk was held at Indian Pond, led by Helga Mueller and Sarah Schwaegler.

August 7 and 8 - The 8th Piermont Art Show and Sale, featuring the work of 20 artists, took place.

December 1 - A presentation called "Simple Living Then and Now" was hosted by Coalition for a Sustainable Vermont. The library received a mini-collection of simple living materials on two-month loan to go with the presentation.

On-going Programs.

The Pre-school Storytime had its second year. Jean Putnam and Maureen Byrne continue to lead youngsters through rhyme, rhythm, and some of the highlights of children's literature on Thursday mornings, Fall, Winter, and Spring.

The Cabin Fever Read-a-Thon was won by PVS students in 1999. They used their prize money to buy a new flag for the school. In October, organizer Carol Priestley set up a new round of the Read-a-Thon. All community members are invited to log in the titles they are reading through the cold months.

Fundraising. The taxpayer portion of the 1999 budget covered 74 % of the actual cost of running the library. To make up the balance, the trustees held Spring and Fall book sales and sent out their annual fundraising letter. Additionally, revenues from library trust funds went towards operating costs. Run 'n' Read, a joint school and library project, was held on June 9th. \$641 was raised and went towards materials specifically for school-aged children. The library awarded bookstore gift certificates to the four students who were top point-earners that day.

Looking towards the 21st century and the emerging role a library will play in it, trustees and staff worked hard this year on a Technology Plan and a Public Access (to computers) Policy. Both librarians have spent many hours in continuing education in 1999, extending their competence with the Internet and keeping up with trends in general librarianship.

Thanks are owed to the volunteers who have made storytime materials, re-labeled books, produced catalogue cards, begun an inventory of our holdings, made home deliveries, and covered the front desk in the past year. Thanks are due as well to the members of the Piermont community for their continued support, cooperation, donations, and ideas. We urge all Piermonters to use the library and let staff know how the library can best meet their needs. Library hours remain Monday through Thursday 3-7pm and Sunday 1-3pm. Deliveries to homebound patrons can be arranged by calling the library (272-4967).

CIRCULATION:	Adult Fiction	Non-fiction	Easy/Junior		
1999 Town	1,434	895	1,772		
1999 School	64	377	1,317		
	Paperbacks	Magazines	Videos	Audiobooks	
1999 Town	23	503	2,180	385	
1999 School	--	48	88	122	

EXPENDITURES: JAN-DEC 1999

LIBRARY EMPLOYEES:		SS&MED	NET
LIBRARIAN	8106.00	620.10	7485.90
ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN	3022.00	231.18	2790.82
PIERMONT LIBRARY		851.30	
LIBRARY SERVICES:			
BOOKS	2628.57		
MAGAZINES/NEWSPAPERS	348.32		
MEDIA/TAPES	531.67		
PROGRAMS/PROJECTS:	884.72		
OFFICE EXPENSES:			
EQUIPMENT: COMPUTER	99.99		
MISC.	81.99		
SUPPLIES: COPIER	73.00		
OFFICE	163.29		
COMPUTER	49.95		
POSTAGE/			
PETTY CASH	337.31		
MAINTENANCE:			
CLEANING SERVICE	1300.00		
SNOW REMOVAL	50.00		
WORKERS COM. INS.	49.00		
(FOR CLEANING SERVICE)			
MISC. ELECTRICAL SERVICES	162.90		
UTILITIES:			
ELECTRICITY	930.83		
FUEL OIL	639.20		
TELEPHONE	825.79		
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:			
WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS	100.00		
TRAVEL	443.74		
DUES & FEES	81.00		
MISC. EXPENSES:			
ADVERTISING	69.60		
BOX RENT/ P.O. & BANK	44.00		

EXPENDITURES: JAN-DEC 1999

1999 BUDGET:	\$ 26931.82
1999 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	21835.96
1999 BUDGET BALANCE 12/31/99	5095.86

Katherine T. Wescott, Treasurer
Piermont Public Library
Board of Trustees

12/31/99

REVENUE: JAN-DEC 1999

RESERVE FUNDS:

MATOOON FUNDS	\$ 4278.42
VANGUARD FUNDS	526.23
MEMORIALS/GIFTS	427.01
LIBRARY SERVICES	143.28
PROGRAMS/PROJECTS	370.00
FALL BOOK SALE:	155.50
ANNUAL FUND RAISER*	675.00
*RECEIVED IN 1999	
RUN & READ	631.00
OFFICE REVENUE	162.54
ENCUMBERED FUNDS (1998)	8255.78
TOWN APPROPRIATION:	20000.00
BANK INTEREST:	161.62
REFUNDS:	127.87
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$ 35914.25
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	22533.48*
ACCOUNT BALANCE:	\$ 13380.77

RESERVE FUNDS EXPENDED

4804.65
953.73
3850.92

*21835.96	Budget Expenditures
477.57	Run & Read
<u>219.95</u>	Reserve Funds-Dec.99
22533.48	

RUN & READ FUNDS EXPENDED

631.00
477.57
153.43

Katherine T. Wescott, Treasurer
Piermont Public Library
Board of Trustees

12/31/99

WOODSVILLE GUARANTY SAVINGS BANK

ACCOUNT BALANCE 12/31/98	\$	268.93
INTEREST		4.16
REVENUE FROM ART SHOW		490.00
INTEREST		3.26
WITHDRAW - ARTIST'S COMMISSION		332.90
BALANCE OF ACCOUNT 12/30/99	\$	433.45

Katherine T. Wescott
Treasurer
Piermont Public Library
Board of Trustees

12/30/99

PROPOSED BUDGET: JAN. - DEC. 2000

<u>LIBRARY ACCOUNTS:</u>	<u>PROPOSED BUDGET:</u>
EMPLOYEES	\$ 13900.00
LIBRARY SERVICES	4800.00
PROGRAMS	800.00
OFFICE: SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	1850.00
MAINTENANCE	2050.00
UTILITIES	2900.00
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	1150.00
MISC. EXPENSES	400.00
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	\$ 27850.00
PIERMONT TOWN APPROPRIATION:	20000.00
LIBRARY REVENUE:	7850.00

PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

01/11/2000

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT 1999

Last year I told you we were receiving a laptop computer for use in a cruiser. Sadly, we never got it – nor did any other known department. In the future, I will report when we really do benefit from some grant, but only after it is here.

- A. Mail box vandalism. 1999 was the year of the mailbox and many were smashed, some even in mid-afternoon. It is difficult to catch the “smashers” unless one actually sees it happen and can identify the vehicle. It is not a minor crime! If mail is damaged or destroyed it is a federal offense! Vandal resistant mailboxes can be bought. They come in welded heavy sheet steel and mount on a 4 X 9 treated post. Another type is a heavy semi-flexible plastic. These give with the blows, but are not ruined. Both are expensive. Perhaps the best is a very cheap model and just replace it.
- B. Burglaries. We had three we know of, all in the Clay hollow area. There were more, but over the town line in Orford. These are “open” cases, still under investigation.
- C. Information. We appreciate “tips”. We will answer our phones any time. If something is happening do not endanger yourself, however.
- D. We thank you all for your patience and cooperation. And of course, as usual, our gratitude to the Grafton County Sheriff’s Department, who supply all our required continuing education at no cost. And to the NH State Police, whose only problem is that there are not enough of them.

William R. Deal
Police Chief

FAST SQUAD REPORT – 1999

There were forty-two emergency calls during the past year. Several of these were motor vehicle accidents, however, the largest portion of our calls continue to be medical in nature. As in other years, I would like to remind everyone that we're just a phone call away and that we're available 24 hours a day. If there is any question as to the need for medical assistance, please pick up the phone and dial 9-1-1. Help will be dispatched immediately.

Two FAST Squad members are currently pursuing higher levels in the field. Ellen Putnam, currently an EMT Basic (EMT-B), is pursuing an EMT Intermediate (EMT-I) certification. Larry Ackerman, currently an EMT-1 is pursuing an EMT Paramedic (EMT-P) certification. Please join me in thanking both of these individuals for their ongoing commitment and dedication to EMS.

This year the FAST squad is asking the town for additional funds in a separate article. The funds are for the purchase of a new Automated External Defibrillator (A.E.D.) Although the town already has such a device, it is old and is in need of service. As such, it can not be safely or reliably used. On several occasions we have attempted to locate the manufacturer of the device in an attempt to replace its batteries and have it calibrated, to no avail. It is the FAST squad's opinion that due to technological advances, and the apparent lack of support of the existing system, it would be in the towns best interest to replace the old unit with a new one. These new systems do not require someone to be an EMT to use them. With minimal training, (4hours) almost anyone could be trained in its use. It would be our hope that all members of the fire department, town officials, and teachers would be trained. I hope you will all agree and support us in our request.

If you haven't looked into or purchased a subscription for Upper Valley Ambulance service, please do so . The cost is only \$ 30.00 and covers everyone in your household for one year. Subscription cards are available at the Town Clerk's office or at the Upper Valley Ambulance office in Fairlee. Please pick one up and read about the benefits, it's certainly worthwhile. Upper Valley Ambulance is also a local "Life Line" installer. Please give them a call if you or someone in your family would benefit from this service.

The FAST Squad needs more people. It is our desire to recruit at least two new members this year. Money has been budgeted for training so please come and talk to us if you would be interested in joining the FAST squad. No amount of time is too small to be of assistance. We meet at the fire station the last Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M., or you may contact any squad member.

This year we are requesting \$1,500.00 for our budget. This money will be used for training, equipment, and consumable supplies, such as oxygen, bandaging, etc.

Have a safe and healthy year.

Respectfully submitted

Tom Elliott

Captain, Piermont Fast Squad

1999 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Well, 1999 has come and gone and Y2K came in with no problems. The fire pond on RIVERVALE is just about done. We need to get a little more gravel put down. So far, the hydrant has not froze and I don't expect it to as it has been down to 25 degrees below. The other hydrants in town do freeze. I'm in the planning stage for a pond in the CAPE MOONSHINE ROAD area. It takes a lot of paper work to get a pond built, and money. Hopefully we can start on this pond this fall. The pond on RIVERVALE would not have been built if it wasn't for donations of labor and cash we received towards it. I would like to thank FRED SHIPMAN for the donation of money and the easement on his land, and CHRIS DAVIDSON for the donation of over \$1,000 in labor and equipment, the RIVERVALE ASSOCIATION for \$100, PUTNAM FARM, PETER TRAPP AND METCALF FARM for mulch hay, the grass seed by the FIRE CHIEF of \$147, and members of the FIRE DEPT. spreading seed and mulch, and a \$500 grant from the task force on rural fire protection. We also need to upgrade some of the other ponds. It will take a few years to get them all done. Engine 2 was repaired late this fall and looks good. This fix will help this truck last at least 12 to 15 years. Your firefighters have been busy this past year with training, fire calls and keeping the station in good shape and the equipment in working order.

We have some new members this year. They are PETER TRAPP, KEITH BRICK, MICHELLE METCALF AND MIKE HUDSON. We could still use at least 5 more people. If anyone is interested, please give me a call. It takes about 3 or 4 hours a month plus calls. This year we installed or provided 13 smoke detectors for people at no charge. If you need a smoke detector, see me or ask any firefighter. We also bought 2 pagers for new personnel at no cost to the town. The total cost was about \$800. Fire calls were down by one, for a total of 33 calls. Some of these calls were long, over 2 hours. When we get back to the station, the call is not over. We still have to clean the equipment and get it ready for the next call. If you have any questions about your fire department, please ask.

Thank you.

Wayne Godfrey, Chief

PROPOSED FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2000

Telephone	620.00
Heat	1,000.00
Electricity	1,050.00
Gasoline	550.00
Payroll	4,600.00
Chief's Salary	600.00
FICA	385.00
Forestry	550.00
Twin State Mutual Aid	250.00
Hepatitis B Shots	350.00
Radio Repairs	800.00
Truck Supplies and Repairs	1,150.00
Air Compressor	250.00
Training	700.00
New Equipment	2,800.00
Fire Ponds	2,000.00
Fast Squad	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	375.00
Total	19,530.00

FIRE CALLS 1999

1/5	Car accident	1/18	Assist Fast Squad
1/31	O2 Alarm-Faulty Furnace	2/16	MA Bradford (held)
3/1	Chimney Fire 4.5 hr. call-received	MA	From Bradford & Haverhill
3/11	Assist Fast Squad	3/18	Flooded Basement 2.5 hr. call
4/16	MA Bradford (held)	5/2	Non permitted fire
5/8	Overtured Boat	5/8	False Alarm
5/31	Overtured Boat	6/1	Electrical Fire
6/8	Motor Vehicle Accident *	6/16	Brush Fire *
7/6	False Alarm	7/14	Assist Fast Squad
7/18	Motor Vehicle Accident 2.5 hrs.	7/22	MA Orford (held)
7/25	Motorcycle Accident	8/24	Motor Vehicle Accident
9/10	Cover Haverhill	9/16	Tree on Wires 10 hr. call
9/21	House Full of Smoke-received MA	from	Bradford
9/23	School Alarm	9/23	School Alarm Again
9/28	Log Truck Rollover-5 hr. call *	9/19	MA Bradford
10/23	MA Bradford	11/6	MA-Bradford
11/15	MA Bradford	11/15	Cover Haverhill
12/22	Chimney Fire		

Total Calls 33

- Paid by the insurance company or the responsible party.
- (Held) means held at the Station; MA means Mutual Aid provided

SELECTMEN'S REPORT 1999

The front room in the Old Church Building has now been renovated, a handicapped assessable ramp and bathroom installed and the voting booths are permanently set up. New carpet and floor tiles and fresh paint make the room very pleasant. The Planning Board and Conservation Commission hold their monthly meetings there and it has been used by the Library for special presentations and activities. The town budget was not sufficient to finish the work in 1999 that had to be done before the room was usable, so in true Piermont fashion, many volunteers donated paint, materials and labor to finish the room. Many thanks to all who gave, including Helga Mueller, Peter LaBounty, Fred Shipman, Bob Lang, Kay Wescott, Dean Osgood, Rod Michenfelder, Tom Stevens, Ed French and Jean Daley. I apologize if I've left out anyone, as I'm sure I have! Voting in the New Hampshire Primary in November was held in the Old Church Building, with many favorable comments. One comment made was perhaps changing the name of the building. "The Meeting House" was mentioned as a possibility. If you have any ideas or comments, please let the Selectmen know.

During the year 2000 we plan to paint the town office/library building and the Old Church Building. We also have to install a fire escape at the fire station, renovate another room and replace the roof at the Old Church Building.

The old dumpsite is closed now. The only remaining item is annual water testing of the monitoring wells. There is a Warrant Article asking for funds to pay for this. The water has tested clean so far and we are optimistic that we will not have to continue this testing for too many years.

The town-wide revaluation and abatement process was concluded. As to be expected in a project of this magnitude, there were valid discrepancies that were corrected, but also some complaints that were unjustified. We hope we were able to explain satisfactorily the basis for the assessments.

Gerry Wood was hired as Assistant Town Clerk and has been a great help to Linda Lambert. Gerry is doing an excellent job, and we appreciate her willingness to step in and help. Thanks to twice-a-year tax billing and Jim Lambert's expertise in moving funds around the various accounts, Piermont again did not have to borrow money.

A special thank you to all the volunteers in Piermont- members of the various Boards, the fire department and fast squad, the Historical Society and the people who just step in and help whenever needed. Your contributions are what make Piermont such a wonderful town to live in.

Respectfully,

Jean D. Daley
Chairman



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Piermont as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's 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 financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our 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 Piermont 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 Piermont, 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.

The Unaudited Supplementary Information presented is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and do not express an opinion on it. In addition, we do not provide assurance that the Town of Piermont is or will become year 2000 compliant, the Town of Piermont's year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which the Town of Piermont does business are or will become year 2000 compliant.

*Town of Piermont
Independent Auditor's Report*

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Piermont taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules 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 Piermont. 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.

January 28, 2000

PIERMONT PLANNING BOARD

Meetings of the Board are held the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Church Building on Route 10. Members of the Board at year end were:

Peter Labounty, Chairman	Suzanne Woodard
Thomas Stevens, Vice Chairman	Kay Wescott
Robert Michenfelder	Fred Shipman
Jean Daley, ex-officio	Dean Osgood, alternate ex-officio

At the April election of officers Peter Labounty was re-elected chairman, and Thomas Stevens was re-elected vice chairman. At year end there were no alternate members of the Board. Alternate members are needed on the Board to fill in during the absence of regular members when a quorum is essential to vote on an application. Anyone interested in serving in the capacity of alternate member please contact one of the selectmen.

The following actions were taken by the Board during 1999:

Telecommunications Facility Ordinance - Following a Public Hearing held by the Board in February, this ordinance was approved by the voters at the 1999 Town Meeting and was made an addendum to the Zoning Ordinance.

Amendment to Zoning Ordinance - The amendment pertaining to change in the definition of "front lot width" was also approved at the 1999 Town meeting and was included in the Zoning Ordinance.

Piermont Master Plan - Work on developing the Transportation Section was completed this year, and following a public hearing in October was adopted by the Board and included in the Master Plan. Work on developing a Recreation Section is now in progress. Sections on Conservation and Preservation, Community Facilities, and Utility and Public Service still remain to be formulated. Community members are invited to attend the meetings of the Board to give their input in the development of these sections for the Master Plan.

Planning Board approvals granted in 1999 - The following applications were approved:

Nancy Hartley/Ruth Sherrow lot line adjustment on River Road; N.H. Fish & Game/Trust for Public Lands lot line adjustment at Lake Tarleton Public Boat Access; Walter Donovan lot line adjustment at Lake Armington; William Daley and Elizabeth Bayne/Catherine and Charles Grant lot line adjustment; Vernon Bixby Estate five-lot subdivision on Cape Moonshine Road; Peter F. Mazzilli and Son lot line adjustment off Anthony Avenue; Dorothy Lutz/Betsey and Gary Spiess lot line adjustment on Indian Pond Road; and Christa Blanchard/Keniston, Adler and Weeks, Jenks lot line adjustment off Route 25C.

Peter Labounty, Chairman

PIERMONT CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Regular monthly meetings of the Commission are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the old Methodist Church Building on Route 10. The members of the Commission are: Helga Mueller, chairman; David Ritchie, treasurer; Don Smith; Earnest Hartley; Eric Underhill; and Robert A. Michenfelder.

As of December 31, 1999, the town's Conservation Fund contains \$3,386.55, of which \$2,131.32 is in a Certificate of Deposit at the Woodsville Guarantee Savings Bank. Contributing to the Conservation Fund are 10% of all current use lien release taxes collected by the town. The Underhill Canoe Site fund for the upkeep of the Underhill Canoe Campsite also in a CD at the Woodsville Guarantee Savings Bank contains \$ 2,829.22.

The Commission has received a generous donation to the Conservation Fund of \$1,000 from the Alexander Host Foundation. The Host family who own property in Piermont and Orford made the donation in "support of the efforts of the Commission to preserve open space."

It has been another active year for the Commission. Phase III of the Commission's Bedford Road Trails project has been completed. On October 3, the Commission held an "Open Trails Fest" at the site to acquaint the community with the progress of the work. Over 40 community members enjoyed guided hikes along the three completed trails and a lunch of hot dogs and hamburgers. The Commission envisions this site to provide nature and forestry education for students of the Village School, and for the townspeople to use the trails for outdoor activities such as hiking, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, and horseback riding. The Commission's vision became a reality this year when fifth through eighth grade students used the site as a science classroom to learn about the forest and identify the various tree species. Under the guidance of commission members, students attached cards, prepared by them, describing each species and its uses to markers erected by the commission. Since the development of the site was authorized by the voters at the 1997 Town Meeting, a total of \$10,023.87 has been realized from logging, of which \$1,208.87 have been expended so far to construct trails and defray other expenses to develop the site. Much work still remains to be completed. Members of the Commission are in the process of developing a trail map and erect signs marking the three major trails: Dana's Loop, the Sugar House Trail, and the Lookout Trail. Other trails remain to be developed and existing ones have to be maintained.

The Commission received the results of a wetlands study of five wetlands in the town. In 1998 the Commission had contracted the services of a student and his advisor from Plymouth State College to do a comparative wetlands study. The five wetlands selected by the Commission included an Eastman Brook wetland, the Day Farm Preserve, Whitman Pond, Lily Pond, and the beaver ponds at Clay Hollow. The purpose of the study was to provide the town with a detailed assessment of the wetlands, knowledge of their environmental importance, and to provide members of the commission with

examples of the wetland evaluation method to use as reference in future evaluations. The cost of the study was \$628.96 which was taken from the Conservation Fund.

The Underhill Canoe Campsite and the Sarah Moore Canoe Access continue to be popular with the public. Both sites are maintained by the Commission and are open from May 1 to November 1.

The Lake Tarleton Project moved another step closer to completion this year with the purchase by the State of New Hampshire of 48 acres of land including a sandy beach area on Lake Tarleton for a state park. The former Santucci house on the lake was gifted to the state for use as a future visitor's center with monies raised by private supporters of the Lake Tarleton Preservation Project.

During the year members of the Commission monitored logging sites and wetlands projects in town. We need townspeople to assist us in our various projects. Please contact any of our members if you are willing to volunteer for any of our projects, or if you need assistance in completing applications to the Wetlands Board, reviewing planned projects, or consulting on conservation easements.

Helga Mueller, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 1999

Having received no applications for either Special Exceptions or variances, there were no meetings of the ZBA in 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Shipman, Chairman

PIERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In 1999, the Society celebrated 25 years as a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the heritage of the people of Piermont. It is not a taxpayer supported organization but relies wholly on the yearly dues collected from members, fundraisers, and donations from benefactors.

The Society mourns the passing of longtime member Florence Robbins. Florence was actively involved with the Society and had donated a pictorial account of people and places of our town to the Society.

The officers and directors of the Society in 1999 were: Joe Medicott, president; Helga Mueller and Linda Lambert, co-vice presidents; Fred Shipman, treasurer; Anna Williams, corresponding secretary; Lloyd Hall, director of preservation; and Betty Hall, director-at-large.

Two interesting programs open to the public were presented during the year: a program in May entitled "World War II in New Hampshire" by Professor Lawrence Douglas of Plymouth State College; and "Winter in Igloolik" by Dr. Austin Hogan in November.

The Society gratefully acknowledges a donation by Bruce Koloseike of letters and other memorabilia of his grandmother, Elizabeth H. Underhill. We appreciate any donations of artifacts and memorabilia of Piermont's past or present.

Our museum rooms are located above the library and may be visited by calling Lloyd Hall at 272-5858. We are hopeful that sometime in the future we will be able to provide the townspeople with better accessibility to our collection.

Plans for 2000 include completing the mapping of Clay Hollow Cemetery and compiling it into a computer program, and to finish developing a "Welcome to Piermont" pamphlet.

We encourage all Piermont residents to join and participate in our activities. Help with our projects is urgently needed. Our annual membership dues are \$5 per family, \$3 for individuals, and \$1 for students. Life memberships are \$50 per individual. Piermont residents over 80 years of age are automatically members and pay no dues. Donations to the Society are tax deductible.

Yearly dues are payable during January of every year and may be mailed to Fred Shipman, Treasurer, Piermont Historical Society, P.O. Box 273, Piermont, N.H. 03779

Joe Medicott, President

TRANSFER AND RECYCLE REPORT - 1999

	1998	1999
Total Recycled	70.00 Tons	65.60 Tons
Total Garbage	231.65 Tons	235.69 Tons

Well, 1999 has come and gone. A lot has happened over the year in the recycling end of things. First, Twin Rivers in Bath closed up so we had to find some other place to ship our stuff. We were already shipping to two places, which worked out good because what one would not take, the other would. But in June, that fell apart so we had to ship all to one company. It started out all right for a few loads, then they said they had to get paid for certain items at \$20 a ton. That wasn't bad. After a couple of loads they said they wanted \$100 a ton for plastic. If we could bring it in a ton at one time it would be only \$20 per ton. We have no area to store that amount under cover. If the sun hits plastic too long, it is no good and no one will take it. Plus it cost \$90 per load to move it. There was no money in the budget for this and by law I can not knowingly go over budget without town approval. I decided to stop taking plastic as I could throw it in the dumpster for \$88 per ton. I took a lot of grief for this, which was uncalled for, especially for the amount of money the town pays me. People in some cases were down right rude – all over a few plastic bottles. Hopefully, the next time it is 20 below you people will volunteer to work a weekend to get a feel for it and I can come in and hollar at you.

By the time you read this, we will be taking plastic once again. We will be shipping all of our stuff to Northeast Waste. It will cost us \$41 per ton to recycle all of it, even aluminum, but they will pay us back for most items, which will cover the \$41 per ton disposal fee. Plastic right now will pay back at about \$70 per ton, so we would make money on this and cover other items which we would lose on. Aluminum would pay about \$400 per ton. These are today's figures. The price rises and fall so fast it is hard to say what the next day's payout would be. Kind of like the stock market – you lose, you gain and ride out the storm. I believe in the long term this will be a much better deal for the town.

Trash showed a slight increase this year. On the Warrant this year will be the question of whether the town wishes to go to a pay as you throw program. What this is, is a cost per bag to dispose of your trash. I don't have the cost as of yet, as we don't know yet what it will cover. It can cover just about whatever the selectmen want to. It has the capability of bringing in close to \$20,000 plus, in the long run, it would mean more income from recycling. If you are into recycling and don't mind paying for those who aren't, then vote it down, but a good portion of the people who are not recycling are people who rent and don't really see the effect on their taxes as they don't pay any. Without some form of control in place the budget will only keep moving up. This is one way which you can control the cost. The projected budget in 2001 without a pay program would be about \$39,000; with it, it could be about \$17,000. Recycling was down a little this year by the amount we sent out, but was pretty close to normal. We had a lot of metal which did not go out in 1999 which would have made us about the same as last year. Trash totals were 231.65 in 1998 and 235.69 in 1999. We also had a lot of people get their own dumpster

pickup, which helped hold trash tonnage down. Recycling in 1998 was 70.00 tons. In 1999 it was down to 65.60 tons, plus the loads not sent out of about 5 tons. This has been the pattern for the last couple of years, trash going up, recycling going down. When you first start up a pay program, there is always fear of dumping over the bank, but in checking with other towns that is not a problem.

Thank you.
Wayne Godfrey
Manager

2000 TRANSFER & RECYCLE BUDGET

Waste Management of NH	22,588
Salary	5,176
FICA	396
Training	350
Electric	300
Recycle Hauler	3,670
Plastic Bags	300
State Recertification	100
Light Bulb and Battery Removal	315
Metal and Tire Removal	300
Maintenance on Compactor	250
*Tipping Fee Recycling	2,255
Clean Up	200
Paint Recycling	300
Miscellaneous Items	150
Total	36,650

*It is expected this amount plus more will be returned to the Town via sales or credits.

NOTE: This budget includes Plastic Recycling.

Waste management Break Down:	
Hauling 23 X \$358.74	8,251
Disposal 248 Tons X \$52.97	13,137
Dumpster 12 X \$100	<u>1,200</u>
Total Waste Management Costs	22,588

PAY AS YOU THROW PROPOSAL

WHAT PER BAG COST WOULD COVER	ACTUAL COST	COST RECOMMEND
TIPPING\HAULING\RENT	\$1.52	\$1.60
TIPPING\HAULING	\$1.44	\$1.50
TIPPING\RENT	\$0.97	\$1.00
TIPPING ONLY	\$0.88	\$0.90
HAULING\RENT	\$0.64	\$0.65
HAULING ONLY	\$0.56	\$0.60
RENT ONLY	\$0.08	\$0.10

BASED ON 248 TONS @60 BAGS PER TON = 14880 BAGS
 COST OF BAGS NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE WHICH WILL ADD TO COST PER BAG

THE FIRST YEAR OF THE PROGRAM YOU WOULD NOT SEE A BIG DROP IN GARBAGE. BUT THE SECOND YEAR YOU WOULD SEE DROP IN TRASH AND RISE IN RECYCLING. THE NUMBER OF TRIPS TO HAUL TRASH WOULD GO DOWN AS WE WOULD BE MAKING LESS TRASH. THE HAULING OF RECYCLABLES ITEMS WOULD RISE BUT IT COST A LOT LESS TO HAUL RECYCLABLES THEN TRASH. IF WE WERE TO REDUCE TRASH BY 10% THE FIRST YEAR THIS WOULD BE 24 TONS AT ABOUT 90.00 PER TON = \$2160. PLUS THE SALE OF BAGS WOULD GENERATE ABOUT \$19000.00 PLUS RECYCLE INCOME OF ABOUT \$3000.00 SO IN THE YEAR 2001 THE BUDGET WOULD LOOK SOMETHING LIKE THIS

SALARY	\$8000.00
FICA	\$612.00
WASTE MANAGEMENT	\$22588.00
PLASTIC BAGS	\$300.00
RECYCLER HAULER	\$3670.00
ELECTRICITY	\$300.00
RECERTIFICATION	\$100.00
LIGHT + BATTERY	\$315.00
TIRE AND METAL	\$300.00
TIPPING FEE RECYCLE	\$2255.00
CLEAN UP	\$200.00
PAINT RECYCLING	\$300.00
MISC ITEMS	\$150.00
TRAINING	\$350.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$39440.00
INCOME FROM BAGS	\$19000.00
TOTAL TAX MONEY NEEDED	\$20440.00

THESE FIGURES ARE FOR ILLUSTRATION PROPOSES ONLY. THE INCOME FROM RECYCLING SALES IS NOT TAKEN OFF AS WE HOPE TO PUT THIS MONEY IN A SPECIAL FUND FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

IF YOU WANT REDUCE TAXES AND HELP THE ENVIRONMENT THIS IS THE WAY TO GO IF YOU ONLY HAVE 1 BAG A WEEK AND RECYCLE AND YOUR NEIGHBOR HAS 5 BAGS AND NO RECYCLING YOUR ARE PAYING FOR THEIR UNCARING.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT – 1999

The call volume for this year is way down. Maybe people are starting to keep their dogs under control. People who forget to license their dogs seem to be the same people each year. After reminding the same people year after year I have finally just gone straight to writing fines. On some this does not work. The fine is \$25.00 per dog plus monthly late fee to town, plus my fee and certified letter fee. It could cost you \$40.00, more or less, but if you take care of it when due it costs \$6.50 or \$9.00. We usually have a rabies clinic at the fire station for your cat or dogs. All types of shots are available, at a lower cost than going to the vet directly. For your pet's safety, please use this service.

I responded to the following calls this year:

Stray dogs or cats	4 calls
Dogs on loose	5 calls
Cat Bite	2 calls
Barking Dog	5 calls
Investigate Animal Abuse	3 calls
Dog Chasing Deer	1 call
Bear Problem	1 call
Miscellaneous Complaints	2 calls
Total	49 calls

Thank you.

Wayne Godfrey, Animal Control Officer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS 1999

The stock market values continue to climb. Capital gains reinvested to buy more shares was at a record level. Piermont funds are invested in low risk, and therefore, lower yield, investments, earning what is a reasonable income given current market conditions.

Our investment objective has been, and remains, to maximize income from investments that pose little or no risk of principal. The principal amount of a trust fund cannot be spent – only the income – while a capital reserve fund can be spent in whole or in part for the purchase of some specified item by vote at Town/School meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Frederick W. Shipman
Bookkeeping Trustee

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES 1999

BURIALS

Cemetery Sexton Lou Hobbs has, since 1983, been responsible for arranging burials, lot layout and sales, marker placement and general customer service for the Piermont cemeteries. Again, a most sincere thanks to Lou for the great service (without much pay) year after year.

GROUNDS CARE

Many thanks to John Metcalf and his able crew for the fine job done in 1999 on cemetery spring clean-up, mowing, trimming, stone repair, liming and fertilizing and fall clean-up. Piermont's cemeteries are something we can all be proud of.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick W. Shipman,
Bookkeeping Trustee

TOWN EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Vehicular Equipment - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 1999

Beginning Balance, 1/1/99	14,922.24
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income	777.44
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/99	20,699.68

TOWN REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Revaluation of Town Properties - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 1999

Beginning Balance 1/1/99	556.89
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	105.70
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/99	5,662.59

TOWN BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Capital Improvements - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 1999

Beginning Balance, 1/1/99	41,586.21
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income	2,024.46
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/99	48,610.67

SEWAGE DISTRICT RESERVE FUND
For Capital Improvements - Cash Equivalent Fund
December 31, 1999

Beginning Balance, 1/1/99	35,538.23
Shares Purchased	0.00
Dividend Income	251.90
Shares Sold	<u>35,790.13</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/99	0.00

TOWN BRIDGES EXPENDABLE TRUST
For the Repair and Maintenance of Town Bridges - Cash Equivalent Fund
December 31, 1999

Beginning Balance 1/1/99	608.94
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	191.99
Shares Sold	<u>3,000.00</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/99	2,800.93

HERBERT A. CLARK MEMORIAL TRUST FUND
For the Support of the Town
31-Dec-99

Name of Investment	Dividend or Interest Income	Capital Gain Reinvested	Total Shares Owned	Principal Amount market Value or Year End Balance
Western Res	2,353.80	0.00	1,100.00	18,631.80
Decatur Fund	1,441.66	1,395.79	3,042.81	50,754.14
Fidelity Puritan Fund	3,874.66	16,402.18	5,010.14	95,342.93
Fidelity Fund	2,228.93	3,956.00	7,923.65	336,834.36
Phoenix Fund	571.80	0.00	748.45	5,905.24
George Putnam	1,440.12	2,544.23	2,577.28	41,958.07
Seligman Fund	2,831.35	14,989.85	13,078.09	195,255.94
Chesapeake/Potomac				
Telephone of VA.	281.25	0.00	1 5M Bond	4,459.40
Colonial Util.	940.52	3,793.84	2,447.32	55,162.62
TOTALS	15,964.09	43,081.89		804,304.50

CEMETERY TRUST FUND
for the support of the cemeteries December 31, 1999

Name of Investment	Dividend or Interest Income	Capital Gain Reinvested	Total Shares Owned	Principal Market Value Year End
Cemetery Care Fund				
Colonial Utilities	439.54	1,773.08	1,143.78	25,780.80
Oklahoma Gas/Elec	414.80	0.00	452.00	8,588.00
Fidelity Puritan	4,043.03	4,561.16	5,227.85	99,485.99
Woodsville Bank CD-704862	74.31	0.00		1,376.21
Due From Operating Acct				200.00
TOTAL	4,971.68	6,334.24		135,431.00
Cemetery Lots Fund				
Woodsville Bank CD-704863	239.39			4,563.95
Due from Operating Acct				200.00
TOTAL	239.39			4,763.95
Operating Account				
Woodsville Bank-23104015	70.08			5,884.80
Due Cemetery Care CD				-200.00
Due Cemetery Lot CD				-200.00
TOTAL	70.08			5484.80
GRAND TOTAL	5,281.15	6,334.24		145,679.75
Cemetery Payments				
		Amount		
Green Thumb Nursery		270.00		
John Metcalf		6,792.00		
Nettie Ackerman		137.50		
LaValley Building Supply		95.84		
Ide's		81.00		
Louis Hobbs		200.00		
USPS		33.00		
		7,609.34		
Cemetery Receipts				
Town Appropriation		3,500.00		
Interest and Dividend Income		4,451.69		
Burial Fees, net after		<u>235.00</u>		
		8,186.69		
Cemetery Lot Sales				
1 Lot in South Lawn		200.00		

ACCRETION OF CEMETERY FUND

DATE	NAME	GIVEN
2/14/00	Chandler, George	\$50.00
7/11/02	Fletcher, Mary	\$47.25
9/12/02	Simpson, Charles H.	\$100.00
11/3/02	Platte, James	\$100.00
9/12/07	Talmon, Emily	\$50.00
4/29/09	Quint, Hosea	\$50.00
11/10/10	Drown, Stephen	\$600.00
6/4/12	Mattoon, Mrs. E.O.	\$50.00
6/6/16	Hunt, Mary	\$100.00
10/1/16	Clark, Judson	\$50.00
4/1/18	Baldwin, Hattie	\$100.00
9/1/19	Spaulding, Pearl D.	\$108.65
10/1/19	Muchmore, Henry S.	\$108.65
11/22/22	Page, Charles and Fred	\$100.00
7/1/23	Lawrence, Ellen	\$100.00
10/19/23	Kimball, Catherine L.	\$100.00
3/7/24	Learned, Sarah	\$100.00
11/17/25	Butson, James and Luvia	\$100.00
12/1/25	Stickney, Emma	\$100.00
7/1/26	Chandler, George	\$50.00
9/29/26	Colby, Sarah Hammond	\$100.00
8/3/27	Sargent, Fay S.	\$100.00
3/28/28	Manson, Ardella L.	\$100.00
7/1/28	Mattoon, Mrs. E.O.	\$50.00
7/2/28	Webster, Ellen	\$100.00
11/14/28	Knight, Albert J.	\$310.00
4/25/29	Palmer, Chestina A.	\$200.00
10/1/31	Ranney, Gertie B.	\$100.00
11/1/31	Blaisdell, Kate M.	\$100.00
7/15/33	Swift, Elsie B.	\$100.00
9/30/33	Bickford, Elizabeth	\$100.00
7/1/35	Robie, Freeman A.	\$75.00
12/1/38	Underhill, Sarah A.	\$100.00
12/10/38	Emery, Mr. & Mrs. George	\$75.00
11/29/39	Carman, Newlett S.S.	\$100.00
7/1/40	Brown, William B.	\$100.00
1/29/42	Horton, William & Mary	\$100.00
8/9/43	Hill, Joseph	\$100.00
9/1/43	Underhill, Elizabeth	\$50.00
10/13/43	Clark, Judson	\$50.00
11/29/44	Libby, Alice G.	\$100.00
11/29/44	Mead, Alice G.	\$100.00
4/6/45	Gould, Aaron P.	\$100.00
12/20/45	Ford, Edward	\$100.00
6/1/46	Manchester, Beatrice	\$100.00
6/15/46	Dodge, George & Croydan	\$200.00
6/15/46	Cutting, David	\$100.00
10/30/47	Corliss, George	\$100.00
11/2/47	Mrs. Kennedy	\$50.00
9/4/48	Horton, Fred	\$100.00
11/15/48	Ranney, Orlene	\$50.00
11/28/49	Ames, Luella	\$85.00

11/28/49	Runnels, Arthur	\$85.00
1/2/51	Flint, Burton & Ella	\$1,000.00
11/14/52	Underhill, Stephen	\$100.00
3/29/54	Underhill, Leon	\$100.00
5/11/55	Gannett, Grace	\$50.00
5/11/55	Gannett, Grace	\$600.00
5/11/55	Gannett, Grace	\$5,000.00
8/20/55	Howard, Earle V.	\$100.00
5/29/56	LaMontagne, Claraence	\$100.00
6/13/56	Alessandrini, Simeone	\$100.00
12/25/56	Evans & Weeks	\$100.00
10/27/57	Striker, William	\$50.00
11/4/58	Robie, Lyman E.	\$100.00
2/3/59	Howard, Earle V.	\$100.00
11/25/59	Smith, George F.	\$100.00
4/13/60	Morey, Dwight	\$100.00
2/15/62	Piermont Grange	\$125.38
2/15/62	Drew, Harris	\$100.00
10/12/62	Gilbert, Ernest E.	\$50.00
8/8/63	Bedford, Arvilla	\$100.00
8/31/63	Perkins & Herrick	\$50.00
9/11/63	Delbar, Robinson & Simpson	\$100.00
9/21/63	Robinson, Fred C.	\$100.00
7/19/66	Davis, Mrs. Walter	\$50.00
11/17/66	Davis, Norman	\$100.00
12/22/66	Owen, Dr. Robert L.	\$100.00
4/17/67	Benson, Pauline Keyes	\$100.00
9/26/67	Deal, Eleanor D. & William R.	\$100.00
3/11/69	Jewell, Carrie J.	\$100.00
4/29/69	Hartley, E.D. & M.	\$100.00
9/2/69	Mellin, Kenneth & Marjorie	\$100.00
4/1/70	Burns, Mrs. Lester M. & Children	\$100.00
6/25/70	Robertson, Paul H.	\$100.00
8/31/70	Weeks, George W.	\$100.00
12/15/70	Swain, Earl C. & Lillian M.	\$100.00
3/25/71	French & Heath	\$100.00
5/24/71	Fellows, Charles	\$50.00
7/31/71	McDonald, Eben & Floyd	\$100.00
12/27/71	Drew, Ralph Harris, In Memory of	\$100.00
5/1/72	Clayburn, Eda P.	\$25.00
6/30/72	Fadden, Lois & Edward	\$100.00
7/25/72	Lee, Robert E. & Mildred	\$100.00
9/7/72	McLam, N. Gordon & Lurlene	\$100.00
9/15/72	Putnam, Gladys Emery	\$100.00
10/11/72	Benson, Pauline Keyes	\$100.00
3/3/73	Simpson, J. Ralph & Elsie M.	\$100.00
6/14/73	Mitchell, Edward & Helen	\$100.00
8/1/74	Keller, Mr. & Mrs. George, In Memory of Bertha Brooks	\$100.00
12/31/74	Heath, In Memory of Carrie Simpson	\$100.00
6/16/75	Ferine, lasbelle, In Memory of	\$100.00
7/14/75	Byron, Mr. & Mrs. Bernard	\$100.00
7/24/75	Mason, Anna, In Memory of Mrs. E.H. Sheldon	\$500.00
7/12/76	Hibbard, Lloyd C. & Eudora M.	\$100.00
11/4/76	Stetson, Clinton & Edna	\$100.00
1/17/77	Webster, Ralph & Pauline, In Memory of Hattie Webster	\$220.00
7/20/77	Burbeck, Christie G.	\$100.00

7/28/77	The Ritchie Family	\$100.00
11/28/77	McDonald, Floyd, In Memory of Alice McDonald	\$100.00
6/1/78	Robinson, Phillip	\$100.00
8/21/78	The William Daley Family	\$200.00
10/9/78	Gilbert, Ernest E. & Helen L.	\$50.00
12/30/78	Ingalls, Irene D. . Martin Day Lot	\$200.00
12/30/78	Ingalls, Irene D. . Ernest D. Day Lot	\$200.00
12/30/78	Day, Martin H. . Martin Day Lot	\$200.00
12/30/78	Day, Martin H. . Ernest D. Day Lot	\$200.00
7/7/79	The Henry I. Wilson Family	\$100.00
12/21/79	Underhill, Ernest S. & Nancy W.	\$100.00
7/24/80	Wilson, George H. & Annie	\$100.00
10/7/80	In Memory of Floyd F. Davis	\$1,000.00
7/11/81	Wilson, Charles E. & Beatrice	\$100.00
8/20/82	Miller, Marianna Metcalf	\$200.00
12/4/82	In Memory of William & Vera Weaver	\$100.00
12/27/82	Brewer, James T. & Alice A.	\$1,000.00
1/24/83	Ludman, Jennie H.	\$50.00
4/11/83	Ritchie, Helen & G. Fremont	\$100.00
4/29/83	Smith, Floyd L. & Pearle W.	\$100.00
5/27/83	Stetson, Dale, In Memory of Louis & Bessie Stetson	\$200.00
10/11/83	Mack, Walter & M.W. Kenyon .	\$100.00
11/21/83	Woodard, Russell & Suzanne	\$100.00
9/22/84	Mack, Delbert	\$100.00
1/31/85	Jackson, Paul & Ellen	\$100.00
7/5/85	Whitlock, George & Betty	\$100.00
8/29/85	In Memory of Eugene B. Robbins	\$100.00
7/17/86	Mitchell, Robert L.	\$100.00
5/25/87	Gardner, Harold, Sr. & Sophronia	\$100.00
11/18/87	The Alfred & Marion Musty Family	\$100.00
4/12/88	Hartley, Ernest W. & Nancy C.	\$100.00
10/11/89	Wardrop, John & Marjorie	\$100.00
10/8/90	Sheldon, Charles	\$500.00
11/8/90	Hare, Daniel	\$200.00
4/2/91	Owen, Winifred	\$100.00
8/8/91	Hill, Evril	\$100.00
8/19/91	Hare, Margaret	\$200.00
11/2/92	Brooks, Olin C. & Maxine F.	\$25.00
11/4/93	Cheney, Donald	\$200.00
4/26/94	Webster, Ralph A. Jr. & Pauline	\$500.00
9/21/94	Hall, Lloyd E. and Betty Lou	\$200.00
12/8/94	Cole, Archie and Pauline	\$150.00
8/7/95	Mueller, Myron & Helga	\$200.00
8/13/97	Stevens, Mary	\$100.00
1/12/99	Stevens, Alfred	100.00
11/21/99	Hogan, Austin	<u>100.00</u>
		\$26,089.93

VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1999

BIRTHS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF CHILD</u>	<u>FATHERS NAME</u>	<u>MOTHERS MAIDEN NAME</u>
01-29-99	KASSIDEE FAY ROGERS	SHAWN	KARLYCE BROWN
02-09-99	LYDIA ROSE WHITAKER	LEONARD	DEBORAH GARLITZ
05-27-99	ETHAN LUKE WINNBERRY	MARK	CYNTHIA MERCHANT
08-04-99	CHRISTOPHER JAMES	NELSON	DANIEL DEBORAH CLOUD
12-23-99	BRITTNEY ROSE SMITH	DENNIS	DARCY TAYLOR

DEATHS

<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>
2-09-99	HERBERT FRENCH	LEBANON, NH
2-17-99	MARION AMES LEONARD	ALEXANDRIA, VA
4-12-99	GEORGE RONALD WILSON	EXETER, NH
6-25-99	HAROLD GARDNER	HAVERHILL, NH
7-25-99	MELVIN JENNINGS	LEBANON, NH
9-10-99	EVA MAE HORTON	BRADFORD, VT
10-21-99	MARTHA ELLEN FAGNANT	NO. HAVERHILL, NH
10-25-99	ROBERT WINN	NEWBURY, VT
10-26-99	SARAH A. HOGAN	PIERMONT, NH
12-28-99	FLORENCE SMITH ROBBINS	HAVERHILL, NH

MARRIAGES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME AND SURNAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM</u>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME</u>
2-27-99	HENRY L. JOHNSON JANET McLERRAN	BRADFORD, VT PIERMONT, NH
6-26-99	SVEN A DEL POZZO NICOLE HARVALIK	PIERMONT, NH KINGSTON, NH
7-21-99	NICHOLAS RYAN HUTCHINS MEGAN MARIE STOCKING	PIERMONT, NH FAIRLEE, VT
8-21-99	THOMAS F ORTOWSKI JUDY E KINNEY	PIERMONT, NH CLAREMONT, NH
9-11-99	FRANK W RODIMON LAURA A NICKLES	PIERMONT, NH PIERMONT, NH
9-18-99	DONALD CLESSON MOORE AMY MARGARET WINOT	HAVERHILL, NH HAVERHILL, NH
9-23-99	JEFFREY DALE STROHM JADE COURTNEY HUNTINGTON	SALT LAKE CITY, UT FORT COLLINS, CO
10-9-99	ERIC K UNDERHILL GEORGETTE D THIBEAULT	PIERMONT, NH PIERMONT, NH

**REQUESTS
FOR
PARTICIPATION
AND
DONATION**



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
 DEPARTMENT of RESOURCES and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
 DIVISION of FORESTS and LANDS

172 Pembroke Road P.O. Box 1856 Concord, New Hampshire 03302-1856

GEORGE M. BALD
 Commissioner

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PHILIP A. BRYCE
 Director

December 22, 1999

Dear Forest Fire Warden and Town Officials:

Attached is a copy of the 1999 Report of the Town Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger. This is provided to you for your information and publication in the 1999 Town Report. The Division of Forests and Lands feels that the general information and statistics that are contained in this report are a valuable tool in assisting with forest fire prevention efforts in your community. If you have any questions, please contact me at the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, PO Box 1856, Concord, New Hampshire 03302-1856, or (603) 271-2217.

Respectfully Submitted,


Forest Ranger

Forest Protection (603) 271-2217
 Forest Management (603) 271-3456



Land Management (603) 271-3456
 Information & Planning (603) 271-3457

Natural Heritage Inventory (603) 271-3623

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 DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS 603-271-2214

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC. ANNUAL REPORT 1999

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

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

During 1999, 29 older residents of Piermont were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Haverhill and Orford senior programs:

- Older adults from Piermont enjoyed 1,095 balanced meals in the company of friends in the senior dining rooms.
- They received 958 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Piermont residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 528 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 44 visits by a trained social worker.
- Piermont's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 1,013 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Piermont residents in 1999 was \$11,951.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. In addition, community-based services offered by the Council save tax dollars over nursing home care or other long-term care options. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

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

Carol W. Dustin, Executive Director

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. During the 1999 season Forest Rangers were busy assisting communities with suppression of difficult and remote multi-day fires. Forest Rangers have also investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The 1999 fire season was a challenging but safe year for wildland firefighters in New Hampshire. The severe drought conditions throughout the spring and summer months combined with residual effects of 1998 Ice Storm, resulted in a dramatic increase in wildland fires. In addition to burning in excess of 452 acres, 35 structures were also impacted by wildfire. Wildland fires in the urban interface is a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their structures by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

Please contact your local fire department before doing ANY outside burning.

REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!

1999 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru December 10, 1999)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Hillsborough	271	50
Rockingham	218	111
Merrimack	213	115
Belknap	139	66
Cheshire	131	28
Strafford	98	26
Carroll	81	17
Grafton	70	18
Sullivan	62	17
Coos	18	3.25
	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
1999	1301	452.28
1998	798	442.86

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Debris Burning	352
Miscellaneous *	279
Smoking	188
Children	176
Campfire	161
Arson/Suspicious	54
Equipment Use	43
Lightning	42
Railroad	6

* Miscellaneous (powerlines, fireworks, structures, OHRV)

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Piermont

October 1, 1998 to September 30, 1999

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 29 Piermont residents (out of 122 residents over 60, 1990 Census).

<u>Services</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	x	<u>Unit (1) Cost</u>	=	<u>Total Cost of Service</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	1,260	x	\$5.31	\$	6,690.60
Transportation	Trips	528	x	\$8.48	\$	4,477.44
Adult Day Service	Hours	0	x	\$4.57	\$	0.00
Social Services	Half-hours	44	x	\$17.79	\$	782.76

Number of Piermont volunteers: 6. Number of Volunteer Hours: 1,013

GCSCC cost to provide services for Piermont residents only	\$	<u>11,950.80</u>
Request for Senior Services for 1999	\$	1095.00
Received from Town of Piermont for 1999	\$	1095.00
Request for Senior Services for 2000	\$	<u>1,095.00</u>

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from Audit Report for October 1, 1998 to September 30, 1999
2. Services were funded by: Federal and State programs 44%, Municipalities, Grants & Contracts, County and United way 14%, Contributions 19%, In-Kind donations 19%, Other 2%, Friends of GCSCC 2%.

COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

From Audited Financial Statement for GCSCC
Fiscal Years 1998/1999

October 1 - September 30

UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED

	<u>FY 1999</u>	<u>FY 1998</u>
Dining Room Meals	69,000	67,204
Home Delivered Meals	110,374	109,789
Transportation (Trips)	38,438	37,622
Adult Day Service (Hours)	9,191	10,373
Social Services (1/2 Hours)	9,366	9,022

UNITS OF SERVICE COSTS

	<u>FY 1999</u>	<u>FY 1998</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered Meals	\$ 5.31	\$ 5.14
Transportation (Trips)	8.48	7.67
Adult Day Service	4.57	3.86
Social Services	17.79	15.78

For all units based on Audit Report, October 1, 1998 to September 30, 1999

1999
WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH
and
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Town of Piermont

OUR SERVICES

Mental Health:

- 24 hour emergency services
- individual, group and family counseling
- assessment and medication management provided by psychiatrists and registered nurses
- in-home and community based services to children
- foster homes for children with severe emotional disturbance
- home-based services to elders
- consultation to area schools, hospitals and nursing homes
- housing, vocational, case management and financial assistance to persons with severe mental illness
- experiential, activity based program for adjudicated youngsters
- psychological and disability determination evaluations

Common Ground – Developmental Services:

- a variety of housing options in the community, including independent homes and apartments, staffed homes, and family living environments
- a network of community connections to assist in identifying quality jobs, including the development and support of small businesses owned and operated by our consumers
- service coordination
- individualized supports to enhance the recreational and social lives of persons with disabilities
- supports and services to the families of infants and young children who are at risk of developmental delay

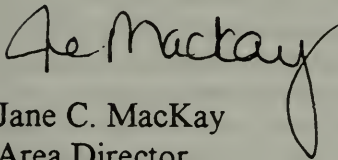
- Life-long support to families who have a member with a developmental disability, including respite services, advocacy, information and referral

Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Prevention:

- drug and alcohol assessments
- drug and alcohol counseling for individuals and family members
- intensive counseling and education offered in the evening as an alternative to residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation
- individual and group prevention services offered to three school districts and one private school
- counseling to persons convicted of motor vehicle offenses as a follow-up to the Impaired Driver Intervention Program
- drug testing

In 1999, 11 Piermont residents received 371.25 hours of services at a discounted rate. In addition, individuals received assistance finding and paying for housing, emergency assistance with heat, lights, medication or food bills and assistance obtaining and maintaining employment. Town support helps us to provide these services. We believe that our services benefit those we serve, and, ultimately, the availability of our services saves money for the town.

Thank you for your continued support of the people we serve.



Jane C. MacKay
Area Director

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UNIVERSITY OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
Helping You Put Knowledge And Research To Work

December 13, 1999

To: Grafton County Town Offices
From: Deb Maes, Extension County Office Administrator
Re: Extension 1999 Annual Report

Deb Maes

Once again, the Grafton County Extension Office would like to submit the following report to be included in the printed town report. Residents from each town are in contact with many of our office staff throughout the year with a variety of requests, questions and need for information. We feel it is important, given our funding sources that all residents of each community, and as part of Grafton County, are aware of our educational efforts that benefit us all.

If you would prefer us to send you a copy of this report electronically so that you can do your own formatting, please contact me at 787-6944 or electronically at deborah.maes@unh.edu and we will be happy to accommodate you. Also, if you have any questions or comments about our report please let us know.

Thank you and Seasons Greetings.

UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION--GRAFTON COUNTY--1999 ANNUAL REPORT

UNH Cooperative Extension is a unique partnership among the Federal, State and County Governments who provide the funding and support for this educational outreach component of the University of New Hampshire. With an Extension Office in each New Hampshire county and campus-based subject matter specialists we serve the entire state.

Our education programs are designed to respond to the local needs of county residents through the direction and support of a volunteer advisory council. Our current programs focus on:

- ▶ Dairy and Pasture Management
- ▶ Agriculture Profitability and Nutrient Management
- ▶ Forest & Wildlife Habitat Management and Stewardship
- ▶ Nutrition, Food Safety, Parenting and Family Financial Management
- ▶ Positive Youth Development
- ▶ Water Quality Education
- ▶ Family Lifeskills Program (LEAP/LIFT)
- ▶ After-School Programs

The Extension Staff of seven works out of North Haverhill but we travel to all areas of the county. Three other grant-funded staff members provide programs through satellite offices in Plymouth, Littleton and Lebanon. Information and education are presented through phone calls, farm/office/home/agency visits, the media, workshops and educational series. Volunteers help expand our efforts through the Master Gardeners Program, 4H Clubs, and the Coverts Project. Our work is supported by an office staff of three.

Here are some ways that local residents benefitted from the work of Cooperative Extension. Residents receive a bi-monthly newsletter highlighting upcoming events as well and looking at some of the research that affects individuals, families and communities. Parents receive our aged-paced newsletters, Cradle Crier and Toddler Tales, that chronicle the early years of a child's life. Research on soils and nitrates has reduced the amount of fertilizers being applied to local farm lands, thereby reducing the chance of runoff into local streams, rivers or water supplies. Forest management plans help local landowners and those employed in the forest industry preserve the beauty of our local woodlands that draw thousands of tourists to our area. Youth across the county work with adult volunteers learning important life skills through our 4H program. An after-school project in North Haverhill is being evaluated by UNH professors. The information from this project will help to improve other local after-school programs. Water Quality events around the county allow residents an opportunity to learn how they can help keep their water clean and how agencies across the state are working toward that goal. Families with limited resources have access to nutrition and financial education to help them stretch their food dollars, thereby providing a more balanced diet for our young children. Cooperative Extension staff serve as resources to residents and agencies throughout the county. Homeowners concerned about their plants, trees and grounds get quick identification and control guidelines. Communities interested in improved decision making receive support from Cooperative Extension. Agriculture businesses receive help with business plans, marketing, computer usage and diversification.

Here in Grafton County the office is located on Route 10 in North Haverhill in the Grafton County Courthouse. We are open from 8 AM until 4 PM Monday through Friday.

You can reach us: by phone--(603)787-6944; fax--(603)787-2009; email grafton@unhce.unh.edu, at our office in North Haverhill; or through our UNHCE Web site <http://ceinfo.unh.edu>.

We believe that our job is to provide residents of your community and Grafton County with the education and information they need to make informed decisions to strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources and improve the economy.

Respectfully submitted: Deborah B. Maes, Extension Educator and County Office Administrator.

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT

December 1, 1999

To the Honorable Citizens of Piermont, NH :

We are pleased to present our 9th annual report to the citizens we serve. Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service since July 1, 1990. From 1990 to the end of this year Upper Valley will have responded to over 10,500 ambulance calls. This year we will have responded to over 680 requests for medical assistance from the eight communities we serve.

With the continued support of the citizens, our employees, and community governing bodies, we have been able to level fund or lower our assessment rate for eight of the past nine years. However, 1999 has proven to be a very challenging year. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 and its associated legislation has created a serious revenue loss for our service. In addition, HMO's continue to ratchet down their reimbursement levels, and our bad debt load continues to climb as more members of our communities find themselves without adequate insurance coverage. Despite the fragile reimbursement landscape, we have been able to continue providing a high level of service, while preparing for the additional reimbursement challenges that lay ahead. We continue to provide contract ambulance services to the ICN/PICU DHMC which have helped offset some of the revenue losses. After countless hours of discussion and thought, the UVA Board of Directors have approved the 2000 budget reflecting an increase in our per capita request of \$1 to \$15.00/ per capita.

Our professional staff is extremely capable and dedicated, spending many hours each year enhancing their skills while participating in training programs such as Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Pediatric Advanced Life Support and Advanced Trauma Life Support.

We continue to work with the American Heart Association as a Training Center. In 1999, over 250 people were trained in CPR. Tours, lectures, demonstrations, and CPR classes are available for the general public. For further information please call 802-333-4043.

Our Domicile Risk Assessment Program, "Home Sweet Home...Home Safe Home continues to grow. At no cost to you, trained members of Upper Valley Ambulance will come to your home and help you identify hazards in and around your home and make recommendations for a safer home environment in the hopes of preventing an injury from occurring. We strongly urge everyone to take advantage of this free program. If you would like to schedule an assessment, or would like to volunteer to assist us with this worthwhile program, please give our office a call.

Many of you are familiar with our Subscription Service. The yearly membership fee of \$30 entitles you to medically necessary emergency medical services at no additional cost to you. Applications are available at your local Town Offices, at our business office on Lake Morey Road in Fairlee, or area places of business.

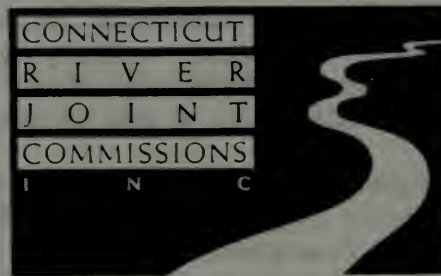
We encourage you to join your friends and neighbors who stop by to visit, or have their blood pressure checked at our Lake Morey Road facility. Please feel free to contact John Vose, Administrator or your Town Representative, if you have any questions concerning our service.

Finally, we would like to invite you to our 10th Anniversary Celebration to be held this July. It is hard to believe that ten years have passed since we first began service as your community provider. We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. will continue striving to provide the highest quality emergency medical care at the lowest possible cost to all the citizens we serve.

Sincerely,

Larry Lancaster, Chair
Board of Directors
Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc

Margaret Ritchie Cleaves
Piermont Representative
Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc



ANNUAL REPORT - 1999

UPPER VALLEY RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE of the CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

With the designation of the Connecticut as an American Heritage River, it has been a busy year for our waterway on all levels. In celebration of this honor, our river hosted both federal and state agencies and the Vice President of the United States. All of these agencies are looking to the river's local subcommittees of citizens for advice on how best to answer the concerns and needs of valley people. Among them is heavy metal contamination at the Elizabeth Mines in Strafford and the portion of the old Fairlee dump which had migrated into the river.

This year, the Subcommittee has continued to provide information, advice and assistance to the states and to local landowners on a number of projects on or near the river, from residential development and docks to large and small bridge repairs, including the Orford/Fairlee Bridge.

The Subcommittee is monitoring recreational use of the river and advised the CRJC on preparation of a new pamphlet, *Boating on the Connecticut River*. The pamphlet contains new recreation maps which are color-coded to show legal boating speeds, no wake zones, and access points. The 28-page pamphlet has been made available to the public without charge and the maps are posted at access sites. We also sponsored a canoe trip on the river as part of Upper Valley Trails Day this summer.

Towns in the Upper Valley region are reviewing the many tools and recommendations we have provided in the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*. Several communities are actively moving to incorporate them as they update their existing town plans and revise their zoning ordinances, particularly in the area of shoreland protection.

The public is encouraged to participate in our meetings, which take place at the Lyme Town Office on the third Tuesday evening of most months. We invite citizens interested in representing the Town to contact the selectboard. More information, including a calendar, advice on bank erosion and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, and summary of the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*, is on the web at www.crjc.org/localaction.htm.

Harold Covert, Piermont representative to the Upper Valley River Subcommittee

Upper Valley Subcommittee region: Bradford, Fairlee, Thetford, Norwich, Hartford VT & Piermont, Orford, Lyme, Hanover, & Lebanon NH

UVLSRPC Services Which Benefit All Member Communities

- Assist residents of member communities by providing advice, information, or data for planning-related questions.
- Meet with state officials and agency representatives to influence policy and to help keep the Region an active participant in many ongoing programs. This includes activity with transportation, solid waste, economic development, and environmental regulatory agencies in both New Hampshire and Vermont.
- Review and comment on proposed state plans, policies, regulations and rules related to water quality and other natural resources in New Hampshire and Vermont.
- Maintain a library of regional data, maps and planning resources, and respond to many requests for information.
- Maintain Geographical Information System (GIS) library and respond to data requests from state and federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, students and communities.
- Use the Geographical Information System (GIS) to perform mapping and analyses for member communities.
- Assist the Upper Valley Solid Waste District in dealing with solid waste issues. Provide general staff support for the District.
- Organize and administer regional household hazardous waste collections.
- Provide support for the Upper Valley Household Hazardous Waste Committee.
- Work in cooperation with the Sullivan County Economic Development Council.
- Serve on the Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors.
- Serve on the Economic Development Corporation of the Upper Valley (EDCUV) Board of Directors.
- Provide office space and services to EDCUV.
- Sponsor local sessions of the NH Municipal Law Lecture Series.
- Provide technical assistance to Advance Transit and Rideshare.
- Use the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee to develop regional policies and recommendations for the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Provide data about our regional build-out analysis which forecasts the population and number of dwellings in the Region when totally built out.
- Revise and update the Regional Plan.
- Comply with applicable Vermont Act 200 requirements at the local, regional and state level, including participation in the Council of Regional Commissions.
- Participate in Vermont Act 250 reviews and review of developments of regional impact in New Hampshire.
- Sponsor planning board training sessions in New Hampshire and Vermont.
- Work with Upper Valley Land Trust and the Society for the Protection of NH Forests to protect open space and conserve important parcels of land.
- Participate in and work with the Connecticut River Joint Commissions.
- Review land use controls and master plans, and suggest amendments.
- Produce our newsletter to provide information about planning issues and other topics of regional concern.
- Organize a monthly brown bag lunch for selectmen and town managers where regional and local issues are discussed informally.
- Update the Regional Profile, a compendium of information about the Region. Many businesses use this resource.
- Maintain a website to provide easy access to information about the Region and links to our communities and organizational partners.

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission 1999 Annual Report

The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) is a voluntary association of 26 New Hampshire and 3 Vermont communities. The Commission is concerned with the development of comprehensive plans for beneficial and balanced economic, environmental, and social growth throughout the Region. It functions as a research, resource and informational agency and, when appropriate, acts to obtain Federal, State and other approvals, grants-in-aid, loans, and similar assistance for individual member towns and for the Region. The Commission provides technical assistance to member communities in the areas of planning (land use, transportation, water quality, etc.), reviews of local development applications, mapping, community development, grantsmanship, and grant administration. In addition, ongoing regional initiatives, such as our regional transportation planning program and household hazardous waste collections, and special regional projects, including the Lake Sunapee and Connecticut River Scenic Byway Studies, the Cold River watershed planning study, the Connecticut River boater education project, and the community-based inventory of cultural and natural resources were undertaken to the benefit of more than one community.

Thanks are due to both the Vermont and New Hampshire legislatures for their continued support. Our Commission has enjoyed close collaboration with the Economic Development Corporation of the Upper Valley, the Sullivan County Economic Development Corporation, Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation, and the Upper Valley and Quechee chambers of commerce, and looks forward to a continued productive partnership.

In the past year, services such as our Planning Board training and library, which features maps, planning resources and US Census data, were utilized by a large number of the Region's residents, local officials, board members, citizen groups, prospective businesses, and other nonprofit organizations.

In 1999, some examples of our work specifically for the Town of Piermont included:

- Continued work with local groups in town to finalize list of important natural and cultural resources which was submitted to the NH Land and Cultural Heritage Commission.
- Organized two regional workshops on the National Flood Insurance Program for local officials responsible for implementing the program.
- Prepared an index of zoning standards and provisions for the NH communities in the region.
- Developed new GIS base map to assist with work of the Upper Valley Land Trust.

Our Commission appreciates Piermont's participation and support, and we look forward to serving the community in the coming year.

White Mountain Mental Health & Developmental Services

November 22, 1999

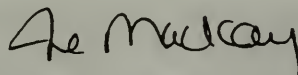
Board of Selectmen
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Selectmen:

White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services is requesting level funding for 2000 in the amount of \$300.00 . The details of the number of people served from your community and the cost of these services will be included in the 1999 Director's Report which will be sent at a later date.

Thank you for your long record of support of our agency. We look forward to a continuing relationship in 2000.

Sincerely,



Jane C. MacKay, CCSW
Area Director

**VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC.
BRADFORD BRANCH
REPORT TO THE TOWN OF PIERMONT**

Continued changes in our nation's health-care system mean that government has placed increased responsibility for patient care with community-based agencies, such as our Bradford Branch. We are very appreciative of the continued support that the Town of Piermont provides to help us meet the home care, hospice, and family support service needs of people in your community. We offer services that help your family, friends, and neighbors remain at home during times of illness or injury; we promote community wellness; and we provide important services to families at risk:

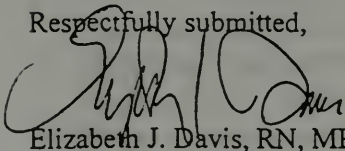
- Town funds help provide care for people who require necessary services but are unable to pay or who do not have adequate health insurance.
- Our comprehensive range of services is available to everyone in the community — people of all ages and all economic means use our Bradford Branch.
- Hospital discharge planners and attending physicians work closely with us to decide on an appropriate course of treatment for each home health or hospice patient.
- Our clinical staff provide skilled services for people recovering from surgery or accidents; who have an acute illness or a disability; who require long-term care; or who need support and symptom control during a terminal illness.

The Bradford Branch provided the following services in the Town of Piermont during the past year:

<i>Visits</i>			
<i>(July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999)</i>			
Skilled Nursing	759	<i>Well Child Clinics</i>	
Physical Therapy	70	Children	5
Speech Therapy	1	Clinic Vists	5
Occupational Therapy	11	Dental Clinic Visits	1
Medical Social Worker	11		
Home Health Aide	<u>1,513</u>	<i>WIC Program</i>	
Total Visits	<u>2,365</u>	Clients	11
		Clinic Visits	51
 <i>Maternal and Child Health</i>			
Children	1		
Home Visits	3		

On behalf of people we serve in your community, thanks for your continued confidence.

Respectfully submitted,



Elizabeth J. Davis, RN, MPH

EJD/kdr

cc: Al Marchioni

November 10, 1999

Jean Daly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
PO Box 67
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Ms. Daly:

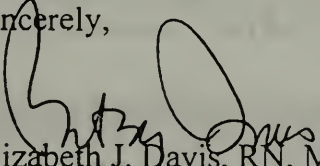
As you prepare the Town Budget for the year 2000, I want to thank you and the citizens of Town of Piermont for working with us during the past year.

The partnership between the Town of Piermont and our Bradford Branch is a vital collaboration to ensure that our home health, hospice, and family services are available to people of all economic means whenever needed. Together, we also provide a healthcare safety net of necessary care for your community's most vulnerable citizens — frail elderly and disabled people, families-at-risk, people with terminal illnesses, and the underinsured.

Our Bradford Branch respectfully requests funding of \$2,528 (\$2,428 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance and \$100 to support our Hospice program) to continue offering all of these services to the people of Piermont in the year 2000, based on our service projections. The attached report itemizes the care we provided to people throughout your community last year.

Our Bradford clinical staff and I would enjoy meeting with you and the Selectmen to discuss our Agency's role in promoting cost-effective solutions to Piermont's community healthcare needs. Please feel free to telephone me at (802) 295-2604 to arrange a convenient time.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth J. Davis, RN, MPH
Chief Executive Officer

EJD/kdr

Enclosures: Report to Town
1998 Annual Report

cc: Al Marchioni

Report to the People of District One

By

Raymond S. Burton

Executive Councilor

RFD #1

Woodsville, NH 03785

Tel: (603) 271-3632

747-3662

E-mail: rburton@gov.state.nh.us.

It is a pleasure to report to you as one of your elected officials serving on the five-member Executive Council within the Executive Branch of your NH State Government. This five-member elected group acts much like a board of directors for your very large NH State Government carrying out the law and budget as passed by the NH House & Senate and signed into law by the Governor. We also act upon gubernatorial nominations to the entire Judicial Branch of your Government, State Supreme Court, Superior Court, Probate Court, District Court all are nominated by the Governor, a posted public hearing must be held by the Council and then a vote to deny or confirm the nomination is held. Persons interested in serving on a volunteer board of commission should contact Kathy Goode at the Governor's Office, 271-2121.

This is a brief list & quick reference of some of the available services from NH State Government for citizens looking for financial and Technical assistance and general information.

Adjutant General John Blair (Army & Air Guard of NH) 271-1200
Community Presentations on Drug Demand Education.

Director Bruce Cheney of the NH Emergency E-911 Office 271-6900
Mapping Services to towns, tours, and presentations available.

Director Art Haeussler of the State & Federal Surplus 271-2602
Informative newsletter about surplus foods, products, etc.

Commissioner Steve Taylor, NH Dept. of Agriculture 271-2561

Information on restoring old barns, controlling pests, has NH Weekly Market Bulletin available.

Attorney General Phil McLaughlin 271-3658

Financial grants for domestic violence, victim assistance, consumer protection bureau.

Call Mark Thompson for listing.

Consumer Advocate Mike Holmes (Public Utilities) 1-800-852-3793

Handles complaints about electric bills, phone bills, etc.

NH Director of Prison Industries, Dennis Race 271-1875

Available products in furniture, data entry, signs, decals, car repair, printing and web page development.

NH Director of Historical Resources, Nancy Dutton 271-3558

Consults, has information about, historic structures, preservation, and appropriate laws and regulations.

NH State Librarian, Mike York 1-800-499-1232

Has services for persons with disabilities, electronic information, archives and political library.

NH Director of Emergency Management, Woodbury Fogg 1-800-852-3792

Is ready to respond to inquiries about ice jams, floods, high winds, oil spills, big fires, etc.

NH Employment Security Comm., John Ratoff 1-800-852-3400

Finds employees, trains them, keeps them working.

NH Environmental Services Comm., Robert Varney 271-3503

Air Resources, Waste Management (dumps/landfills) water/sewers, wetlands permits.

River management.

NH Fish & Game Dept., Director Wayne Vetter 271-3421

Hunter Education, public boat launches, wildlife centers.

NH Health & Human Services, Comm. Don Shumway 1-800-852-3345

Public Health, aids info, mental health, youth & families, long-term care, disabilities, elderly services, ombudsman.

NH Insurance Dept./Comm., Paula Rogers 1-800-852-3416

Processes complaints about insurance fraud.

NH Labor Department, Comm. Jim Casey 1-800-272-4353

Handles complaints about wage and hours, worker's compensation, and vocational rehabilitation.

NH Community Technical College System, Comm. Glenn DuBois 1-800-247-3420
Info on programs for college credit, scholarships, at the seven-campus system throughout the State.

NH Dept. of Resources & Economic Development, Comm. George Bald 271-2411
Info on all State parks, economic development, ski operations, trails bureau, tourism maps, State forestry nursery and international commerce, and camping reservations.

NH Department of Safety, Comm. Richard Flynn 271-2791
Fire safety standards/training, motor vehicle registration, boating safety, State Police.

NH Secretary of State, William Gardner 1-800-562-4300
Corporate name department, records management & archives, securities regulation.

NH Transportation Dept., Comm. Leon Kenison 271-3734
NH Airports, bridges, highway design, public transportation, railroads, public works - all are part of this key department.

NH Veterans Council, Director Dennis Viola 1-800-622-9230
Advocate for veterans and their families.

NH Veterans Home in Tilton - Commandant Barry Conway 286-4412
A very suitable home for veterans with approved care and rehabilitative services.

NH Youth Services Dept., Comm. Peter Favreau 271-5942
Youth Center in Manchester, Detention Center in Concord, and the Tobey School for Youth.

All of NH State Government is accessible through 271-1110 and through the NH Webster System at <http://www.state.nh.us>, or call my office any time at 271-3632, or e-mail to - rburton.@gov.state.nh.us

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond S. Burton
State House Room 207
Concord, NH 03301

North Country Home Health Agency, Inc.

Piermont Town Report
1999

Nationally, Home Health Care is a service in great demand and great flux. In the last year, over 3,000 home health care agencies across the country have closed their doors in response to Medicare reform. Locally, changes in federal government and State reimbursement systems have presented the North Country Home Health Agency's Board of Directors and staff with tremendous funding challenges. Dedicated to providing services to the community, the Agency relies on Town support and individual donations to help underwrite the cost of providing home care services to people with limited or no health care benefits. Thank you for your generosity in the past year, it has been essential to our success.

The work of North Country Home Health Agency includes: nurses, therapists, aides, homemakers, and companions assisting people who are recuperating from surgery, individuals coping with chronic illnesses and families caring for loved ones and friends. Home Health Services reduce expensive hospital stays, eliminate or delay moves to nursing homes, and support families by offering competent and comprehensive care. It is only with your Town's continued support that North Country Home Health can continue to meet the home health needs of North Country residents.

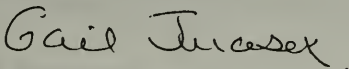
Services provided to the Town in 1999 included:

Type of Care	# of Visits
Nursing	0
Physical/Occupational Therapy/Speech Therapy	0
Medical Social Service	0
Home Health Aide/Homemaker/Companion	10

Additionally, North Country Home Health provided 30 health screenings and clinics to the public in 1999. Approximately 850 residents participated in these preventative health programs.

Because of your generosity and support North Country Home Health is able to provide hundred of hours of home health care and hospice services to those in need.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail Jurasek
Executive Director



Swiftwater Road, P.O. Box 2001, Woodsville, New Hampshire 03785-2001 • 603-747-2761 • FAX 603-747-3310

Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
New Hampshire 03779

January 14, 2000

Dear Members of the Board:

It certainly has been a very exciting year at Cottage Hospital. The past year saw the addition of new equipment for our x-ray, laboratory and surgical services departments, and we welcomed four new providers to the area. Despite turbulent times in the healthcare industry, Cottage Hospital managed to finish Fiscal Year 1998-1999 with a positive bottom line.

At Cottage Hospital we are all very proud of the personal care that we are able to give to our patients. Time and time again, we hear from patients and family members about the outstanding care they have received while in our care.

We know our communities are supportive of our institution, and we are extremely grateful for the financial support that our area towns have provided over the years. Although funds are always needed at Cottage Hospital, we know there are many worthy organizations also asking for money this year. Therefore, the Cottage Hospital Board of Trustees has decided NOT to ask the town of Piermont for financial support for the sixth consecutive year.

We thank you for your continued support and pledge to continue to do our best to provide you with the best healthcare possible.

We will appreciate your including this message in your Annual Report, and we will forward you our 1999 Annual Report as soon as it is available.

Best wishes for a healthy year.

Sincerely,

Reginald J. Lavoie
Administrator



TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION

Serving Coos, Carroll & Grafton Counties

30 EXCHANGE STREET, BERLIN, N.H. 03570
TOLL FREE NO. 1-800-552-4617
FAX NO. 752-7607

November 16, 1999

Board of Selectmen
Town Of Piermont
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Selectboard:

Tri-County Community Action Program is a private, not-for-profit agency that is requesting, at your 2000 Town Meeting, \$750 in funding to help support its Community Contact Program. Community Contact has provided services for 79 of Piermont's citizens, processed 16 fuel assistance applications, gave emergency food to 171 citizens, and helped 103 times with housing, income and referral information.

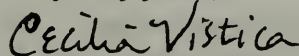
Tri-County Community Action has spent \$7,872 on Piermont citizens between July 1, 1998 and July 1, 1999.

Community Contact provides necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in our communities. We are depending upon funding from your town and neighboring communities county wide. The local funds are combined with the Community Services Block Grant, Fuel Assistance and NH Emergency Shelter Grant, Homeless Programs and FEMA. We also are the conduit through which the USDA Surplus Food gets distributed to the food pantries throughout Grafton County in order to serve our residents.

We have greatly appreciated the Town of Piermont's support and cooperation in the past and look forward to continuing our partnership to provide essential services to your residents.

Please feel free to call me if you should have any questions. I may be reached at 444-6653.

Very truly yours,



Cecilia Vistica
Grafton County
Community Contact Manager
603-444-6653

ACORN

AIDS Community Resource Network

November 15, 1999

Dear Town of Piermont:

We are writing to request that you consider allocating town funding for the care of our community members who have HIV/AIDS. Today, more than ever, we can do something about the problems around us. Worldwide, AIDS is an epidemic of every gender and culture. "Worldwide" is an important perspective not only because people matter wherever they live, but also because on a shrinking planet what's global today is local tomorrow. If AIDS has taught us nothing else, it has shown us that the virus pauses at no national borders. While we like to think of ourselves as safe in rural New England, the reality is that HIV/AIDS is here.

Between July 1998 and June 1999, there were 47 new cases of full-blown AIDS diagnosed in the State of New Hampshire. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) reports that there are currently 454 people living with AIDS in the state of New Hampshire. During the same time, the State of Vermont 16 new cases of AIDS and the CDC reports that there are currently 161 people living with AIDS in the state. Neither state tracks incidence of HIV infection, however, recent estimates range from 600-1500 HIV+ people in New Hampshire and 330-430 HIV+ people in Vermont .

ACORN's mission is "to support and assist those whose lives are affected by HIV/AIDS to live fully and with dignity and to stop the spread of the disease through education, information, and understanding." At this time of decreased federal and state funds, our wide range of services is becoming very difficult to provide and we rely upon the financial help of the municipalities that we serve.

We are requesting financial assistance from Piermont and other New Hampshire communities which we serve. While confidentiality rules prohibit us from disclosing the number of HIV/AIDS infected persons in any specific municipality, ACORN provides and coordinates services for over 150 infected and affected individuals in more than 50 local communities of four counties in New Hampshire and Vermont.

AIDS Community Resource Network

These services include practical assistance such as transportation, hospital visitation and help with day-to-day tasks. We also offer support groups, education and prevention programs for schools and community groups, and public policy advocacy. Financial assistance from municipalities will go directly to services and educational activities that will prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS and the ignorance and prejudice that make our efforts necessary. Please consider our request for \$300 in your budget for the Year 2000. We have enclosed additional information on ACORN services offered in our community and we would be happy to send a representative to any meeting where our request will be considered.

Thank you for your consideration; we hope to receive a response at your earliest convenience. In pledging your support to ACORN, you are allowing us to act in your stead assuring that people living with HIV/AIDS in our community have food, clothing, housing and access to medical care.

Sincerely,



Tom Mock and Kylie Fauth
Executive Directors of ACORN

578 Hartford Avenue • White River Junction, VT 05001 • (802) 295-8777 • (800) 816-2220
FAX: (802) 295-3278 • E-mail: acorn@valley.net

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL BOARD
of the
PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
for the
FISCAL YEAR
July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999

ORGANIZATION OF PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD

Alex Medicott, CHAIR
Fred Shipman
William Daley

Term Expires 2000
Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2002

MODERATOR

Arnold Shields

CLERK

Linda Lambert

HEALTH OFFICER

Alex Medicott

TREASURER

James Lambert

AUDITORS

Plodzik & Sanderson

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Linda J. Nelson

1998-1999 STAFF

Gary Tirone - Principal/Grades 7 & 8

Dale Gilson - Kindergarten

Brenda Bianchi - Grades 1-2

Eileen Belyea - Grades 3-4

Nancy Sandell - Grades 5-6

Lawrence Duffy - Grades 5-8 Math

Debbie Eaton - Reading Recovery

Betsy Nadeau - Special Education Teacher

Martin Smit - Guidance

Carol Priestley - Library Assistant

Marianne O'Malley - Sign Language Interpreter

Elizabeth Jones - Sign Language Interpreter

Dale Post - Music

Cameron Prest - Physical Education/Health Education

Paula Poirier - Art Education

Ben Gitchel - Instructional Assistant

Pamela Hartley - Instructional Assistant

James Raper - Custodian

Cindy Jackson - School Secretary

Barbara Dunbar - School Nurse

Linda Lea, Tammy Collins, Vicky Latona - School Lunch

Judith Canning - Instructional Assistant

Joann Roy - Instructional Assistant

Heidi Osgood - Instructional Assistant

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Old Church Building in said district on the 14th day of March 2000, polls to be open for election of officers at 10:30 o'clock in the morning and to close not earlier than 6:00 o'clock in the evening.

- ARTICLE 1: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Moderator for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 2: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a School District Clerk for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 3: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 4: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, one School Board Member for a term of three years expiring in 2003.

Given under our hands at said Piermont this 15th day of February 2000.

Alex Medicott, Chairperson

Fred Shipman

William Daley

PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Piermont Village School in Piermont, New Hampshire on the 21st day of March 2000 action on the Articles in this Warrant to be taken commencing at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received for State Adequate Education Grant together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town. This Article is exclusive of any other Article on this Warrant. (The School Board recommends \$1,179,803.00)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the District will raise and appropriate up to \$5,000.00 to be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund to meet the expenses of educating persons with disabilities in accordance with RSA 35:1-b, and further, authorize the transfer of that amount from the June 30, 2000 undesignated fund balance (surplus). (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

- ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will raise and appropriate up to \$5,000.00 to be added to the Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund for building maintenance and, further, authorize the transfer of that amount from the June 30, 2000 undesignated fund balance (surplus). (The School Board recommends this Article.)
- ARTICLE 5: To see if the District will raise and appropriate up to \$5,000.00 to be added to the School Building Capital Reserve Fund and, further, authorize the transfer of that amount from the June 30, 2000 undesignated fund balance (surplus). (The School Board recommends this Article.)
- ARTICLE 6: (By Petition) To see if the town will vote to instruct the Piermont School Board to start the process by which the Piermont District can become part of the Rivendell Interstate School Distirct.
- ARTICLE 7: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Piermont this 15th day of February 2000.

Alex Medicott, Chairperson

Fred Shipman

William Daley

PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

**MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING
MARCH 16, 1999
TOWN OF PIERMONT**

Polls opened March 9, 1999 at 10:30 in the Piermont Village School and remained opened until 6:30 for voting by Official Ballot on Article One, Article Two, Article Three, and Article Four. There were 243 voters that voted during the day.

Article 1: Moderator	S. Arnold Shields	Term: one year
Article 2: School Clerk	Linda Lambert	Term: one year
Article 3: Treasurer	James Lambert	Term: one year
Article 4: School Board Member	William Daley	Term: three years

Results of voting was announced by Moderator S. Arnold Shields at the Town meeting held that night at the School.

Moderator S. Arnold Shields opened the School District Meeting at 7:05 on March 16, 1999 with the townspeople, school board, and SAU 23 members present to consider the warrant the School Board presented. Moderator lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. It was requested that all people please use the microphone so all can hear.

It being pass time for a recount on the ballot voting the present elected officers were sworn in, they were Helga Mueller and Stephine Gordon as Library Trustees, William Daley as School Board Member, James Lambert as Town and School Treasurer, Fred Shipman as Trust Fund Trustee.

Joe Medicott moved to have the reading of the whole warrant at this time passed over, seconded by William Daley.
No discussion. Voice passed.

ARTICLE ONE: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

There being no discussion, Moderator moved to pass over so moved by Jean Daley, seconded by Joe Medicot.
No discussion. Voice passed to pass over.

ARTICLE TWO: To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District and to authorize the application against said appropriations of such sums as are estimated to be received for the State Foundation Aid fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town. The article is exclusive of any other Article on the Warrant. (The School Board recommends \$1,037,647.00).

Moved by Jean Daley, seconded by Christa Davis

Discussion: Anthony (Tony) Smith asks in light of the sum of money being raised he was wondering what money is being spent by the school in raising test results taken last fall? Alex stated that is a line item printed in the budget on page 125, line item 2212 of town report.

As you can see the money being spent this year as to \$1,200. compared to next year. This goes towards teachers to work on curriculum in response to the test scores. Those scores are being looked at by the teachers and curriculum and changing things to correct the results. Tony asks if this sum is enough percentage was to the test results? Alex questions how excited do you get for a one test score for so few number of students in prospective of the whole. Tony asks even with the small class size is this true?. Yes, statistics are bad to look at for one year we have to be careful with that. Principal Tirone state that the test scores listed in the paper needs 10 students for judging scores. The seventh grade has 10 students and did finish in top percentile. Helga Mueller inquired as to why we need to raise \$1,037,647. if a plan in the legislature goes through? What happens to this money then? Alex responds with no one knows for sure what is going to happen. This is a good guideline and goal until the new plan is passed. Helga says we may not need money we are about to raise. If new plan passed, what happens to this money then? Tony Smith responded with the point that the school board needs \$1,037,647 to run the school so if Concord puts in a certain percentage per student that amount would be taken off the total amount and the remaining money will be raised with property tax money. Everyone present seems to agree with his guesstimation.

John Metcalf has a question on property taxes-if Piermont is one of the so called property rich towns, what happens if we are required to send money to poorer towns and still raise money for this school. Fred says this sounds like Act 60 in Vermont and like Vermont residents they are refusing to send money. We can refuse to send to Concord, but feels that the industrial and commercial towns will be hit harder than us, this is his opinion, because no one knows what will happen. Helga wants a letter sent to the legislature. Moderator ruled out of place at this time but will get to her in a later Article. Motion called, seconded by Jean Daley. Voice passed. One strong no.

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the District will raise and appropriate up to \$5,000. To be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund to meet the expenses of educating persons with disabilities in accordance with RSA 35:1-b, and further, authorize the transfer of an amount from the June 30, 1999 undesignated fund balance (Surplus). The School Board recommends this appropriation.

Moved by Joe Medicott, seconded by Jean Daley

Discussion: Tony Smith asks if we are raising an extra \$5000, or is this coming out of surplus. Alex stated this comes out of surplus not in budget but it already has been raised by taxes see sheet in town report. This expense if there is a surplus the Board is asking to move this sum into this fund. Helga Mueller asks what the difference between the funds is. Expendable Fund is used for emergencies without going to town for permission to spend. Capital Reserve Funds needs 2/3 vote of School meeting to take out of fund and use. Christa Davis asks where the beginning money came from and how much in them now. The beginning balances for all these funds came from the old school bus fund we use to have, just split into these funds for future use. Linda Nelson (SAU) amounts are on page 126 in town report. Why do we need this fund? Alex answers with an unexpected student coming during the year with a disability could cost up to \$15,000. This is an insurance fund in case this does happen we have the money without going back for more money. Can't run in a deficit.

Article called. Voice passed.

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the District will raise and appropriate up to \$5,000 to be added to the Buildings Expendable Trust Fund for building maintenance, and, further, authorize the transfer of an amount from the June 30, 1999 undesignated fund balance (Surplus). (The School Board recommends this Article).

Moved by Helga Mueller, seconded by William Daley
No discussion. Voice passed.

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the District will raise and appropriate up to \$5,000 to be added to the School Building Capital Reserve Fund, and further, authorize the transfer of an amount from the June 30, 1999 undesignated fund balance (surplus). (The School Board recommends the Article).

Moved by Joe Medicott, seconded by Jean Daley.

Discussion: Christa Davis asks why we need money to build buildings with a new school? Alex says this fund is needed so if new classrooms are needed or other improvements we have the fund for these needs. Christa asks if money can be moved to the other funds? A Capital Reserve Fund has to be voted by the voters, if the voters say yes then it can be moved by a 2/3 vote. The other two funds can be moved and used at the Board's discretion. Bernatte Ratel asks what fund does it come out of – Capital Fund for buildings and Expendable Fund for emergencies.

Question called. Voice passed.

ARTICLE SIX: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Jean Daley commented that the minutes for voting hours needs to be changed from 11-7PM to the correct hours 10:30 to 6:30 PM. So noted.

Helga Mueller finally gets to place her motion on the floor. Helga's motion is "To have the community send a letter to the Governor and Legislators to show great displeasure in their lack of expediency for a plan for the school problem. This letter should be done in a weeks

time by the School Board.” Seconded by Gina Oakes.
Voice passed a few nays heard.

Tony Smith asks if the testing is not accurate so far that it costs the community can we do away with them? Linda Nelson says there is a RSA so it's a state law we have to do them. Tony Smith asks what changes in the curriculum has been changed. Principal Tirone has a written report in his office for anyone to read. Also, K-3 teachers have made a closer curriculum so studies have a more consistence in all these grades.

Alex Medicott welcomes William Daley to the Board due to the leaving of Cindy Putnam after 12 years on the Board, a round of standing ovation was given Cindy plus a lovely plant.

Motion to adjourn by Jean Daley
Seconded by William Daley
Voice passed and adjourned at 8:50.

Submitted by Linda Lambert,
School District Clerk

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD AND CITIZENS OF PIERMONT, I SUBMIT MY FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

The SAU 23 Offices moved this year to the renovated original section of the James R. Morrill Building where the Town Offices of Haverhill are also housed. Furniture from the former court in Woodsville was placed in the new conference room, which we share with the Town of Haverhill. The renovation work was very well done, providing us with attractive well-lighted offices. Aside from this move, the SAU has had a stable year, with the Chair and Vice Chair remaining, respectively, Wayne Fortier of Haverhill and Sarah Lester of Warren. In July 1999, Monroe officially separated from SAU 23 in a smooth transition of services. Michael Penkert assumed official duties as Assistant Superintendent of SAU 23, a promotion from Director of Instructional Support Services. In a continuing effort to maintain a streamlined SAU operation, the Director position was not replaced when Penkert assumed the Assistant Superintendent position. We are pleased that the SAU Assessment has remained at the 1996 funding level as we have carefully reorganized.

After a period of turnover, the Piermont School Board has experienced stable membership this year, with Alex Medicott remaining the Chair, Fred Shipman as Vice Chair, and Bill Daley, newly elected in 1999, as Secretary. With the ending of her nine years on the Piermont Board, Cindy Putnam became the Board recorder of minutes in March, 1999. Having a formal minute taker has been very helpful, allowing all three Board members to fully participate in discussions.

Piermont became a receiver town under the NH State Adequacy Grants, the current version of school funding reform in New Hampshire. These funds have had a positive effect on Piermont's school budget, reducing the anticipated tax rate of \$20.61 at budgeting time in March to \$17.46 in October when taxes were actually set. The debate on school funding continues. We're not likely to have a final answer to the state funding formula soon.

Student performance on the NH Assessments is listed following this report. Piermont's Principal and teachers analyze these scores carefully and adapt their instructional program to address areas of concern. The school's sustained work on literacy and mathematics instruction is a result of these analyses. In reporting on the school's educational progress this year, I am using nine important features of schools that the New Hampshire State Board of Education identified in a public position paper in 1999. The State Board established these benchmarks to help communities track how their local school fares on the core work of education, as the State Board defines it.

1.Strong Leadership: PVS has experienced a change in leadership this year. Principal Gary Tirone resigned to return to a position of teaching in Exeter. Amos Kornfeld joined the school in August, leaving a successful first year's experience as a Principal in Vershire School District. Mr. Kornfeld brings an energetic enthusiasm to his first year in Piermont and exemplifies the kind of strong instructional leadership that Piermont expects in its Principals.

The School Board leadership is also a key ingredient in school success. Piermont's Board consistently represents the highest standard of School Board work, regularly hearing reports on instructional programs, teaching effectiveness, as well as on policy, budget and facilities management. The School Board in this small rural community has established a positive vision of accountability and high expectations for performance for students and employees of the school.

2. Good Teachers: Piermont continues to enjoy the benefit of an excellent teaching staff. Teacher leadership is a crucial ingredient in professional planning for educational programs as well as in student programs such as Young Authors and fund raising for the Washington, D. C. trip. Teacher portfolios of their work provide documentation of their professional goals and instructional and assessment practices. The portfolios allow for more reflective discussion of practice among teachers and administrators. Parents may also review teacher portfolios to gain an understanding of a teacher's philosophy and instructional approach. Starting in January 2000, PVS will begin a year long reassessment of school goals that will be tied directly to student learning data. This is in preparation for a new professional development plan that will be submitted to the state in June 2001, which must directly tie all professional development credits for teachers and support staff to student learning needs.

3. Strong Parent and Community Commitment: Piermont Village School and the Piermont community have historically maintained very strong relationships. That tradition remains intact and, with the addition of Principal newsletters mailed throughout the community, is strengthened this year. Community participation in school events and support for school programs is a model for other rural schools. It is hard to imagine a more productive, positive relationship.

4. High Learning Standards: While small group numbers may occasionally seem to belie this fact, Piermont students generally perform very well on the NH Assessments at grades three and six. This reflects the high standards set for learning by the School Board, parents and the faculty and staff.

PVS will be reviewing school and K-12 Learning Objectives for inclusion in the District's professional development plan which must be revised for state review by June, 2001. These goals will be tied to the faculty and staff analysis of school data, including NH Assessment Scores, other standardized scores, attendance rates and so forth. Ultimately, the school's professional development program for teachers will be tied directly to student performance data. This helps to ensure that schools will both set high standards and meet them. PVS administrators and faculty are now in the process of establishing a school-wide plan for tracking student information regularly and adjusting programs to fit the most recently identified needs of students.

5. Healthy and Appropriate Facilities and Reasonable Class Size: Class sizes in Piermont are small, relative to schools in larger towns. However, combination classes, a long established practice at Piermont necessitated by the number of classrooms available, make classroom groups at about state average.

In addition, the District has a local Safety Committee (Joint Loss Planning Committee) which will meet quarterly to assess school facilities for health and safety issues, using state guidelines for monitoring. The struggle to maintain facilities with limited resources continues. However, the Board routinely monitors the school, with Principal and local volunteer assistance, to monitor safety issues and plan needed improvements.

6. Safe and Orderly Learning Environments: The school has revised and updated its Emergency Planning documents to establish more detailed strategies for ensuring the safety of children. New safety drills have been added to the Plan, and Troop F personnel have reviewed the plan with the Principal.

Building reports at each monthly Board meeting help to keep the Board and staff aware of any issues that might need to be addressed to ensure safe orderly learning environments. A staff developed discipline code and its consistent reinforcement school-wide also contribute to making PVS a safe, welcoming place for students.

7. Proper Use of Technology: PVS is carefully moving toward establishing technology as a significant part of the academic program. For the first time, the school meets the state guidelines of at least one computer for every ten students and teacher access to the Internet. Each classroom has computers available for student use. A one-day-per-week Technology Coordinator has helped teachers develop classroom websites. Under Mr. Kornfeld's leadership, additional computers are being purchased and new software applications reviewed.

8. Early Childhood Intervention: While a discussion of the possibility of full day kindergarten was held by the School Board this year, no plans have been initiated to expand the very successful half day program at the school. The SAU 23 Pre-School housed at Woodsville Elementary School in Woodsville is available to service Piermont students as is Learn and Grow PreSchool, which continues to offer very successful pre-school programs for three and four year olds. Piermont uses the Early Prevention of School Failure screening to identify students potentially in need of services in the crucial early years.

9. Substantial Ties with the Business Community: While formal school-business partnerships are most common at the high school level, there is no question that local businesses work closely with the school to support student programs. The bi-annual Washington D.C. trip and the many excellent special programs that the school offers would be impossible without Piermont's strong community ties to the school.

If the NH State Board of Education is correct in its identification of the above nine features of excellent schools, Piermont's School Board, administration, faculty and staff are on task – and successfully so. There is every reason for the community to continue its support and respect for this small, excellent rural school.

Finally, in this year, we witness the end of long School Board membership for Cindy Putnam, who did not run for re-election in 1999, and for Alex Medicott, who will not be running in 2000. Between them, Cindy and Alex represent twenty-two years of School Board service. That is a lot of learning and wisdom for a school to lose over the course of a year. This is not to suggest that new Board member, Bill Daley, has not had a terrific first year or that our Board-member-to-be will be any less than excellent. Now in my eighth year in SAU 23, I have seen many excellent Board members leave to be replaced by equally fine ones. That is the routine and positive way of elected bodies. However, those of you who have witnessed the many many thoughtful and creative decisions made by Cindy and Alex over their years of service know how much they will be missed. They have been firm when needed, wise and supportive of Piermont's high standards of excellence and always compassionate and understanding of the special expectations that families and students place on the local school. Like Cindy before him, Alex leaves us a legacy of excellent leadership – and with his good humor intact! Thank you, Cindy and Alex. You will be missed.

Respectfully submitted,

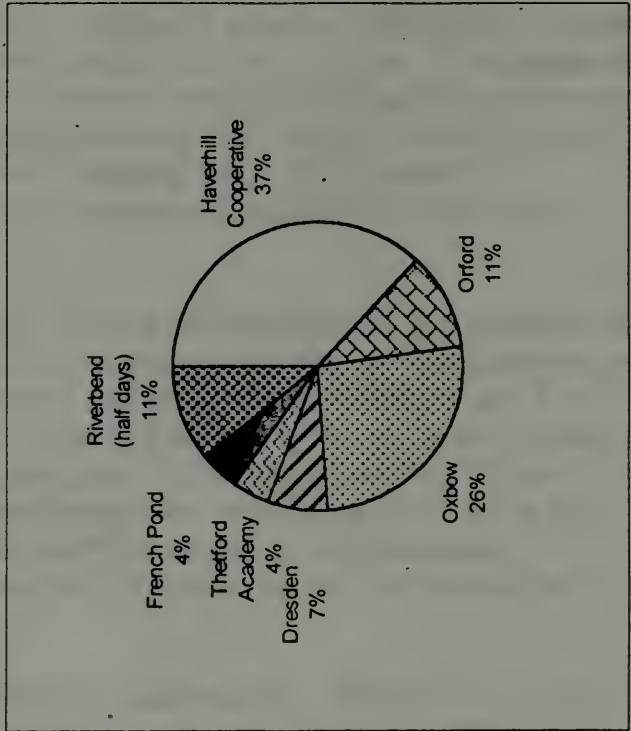
Linda Nelson
Superintendent

Piermont School District 1999-2000

Students Tuitioned to Other Districts

(As of 12/99)

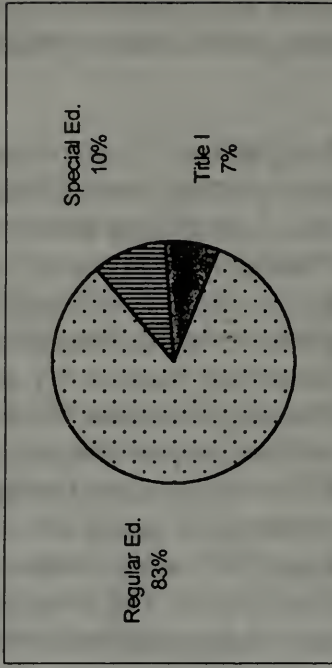
Haverhill Cooperative	17
Orford	5
Oxbow	12
Dresden	3
Thetford Academy	2
French Pond	2
Riverbend (half days)	5
Total Tuitioned Students	46



STUDENT POPULATION

(As of 6/99)

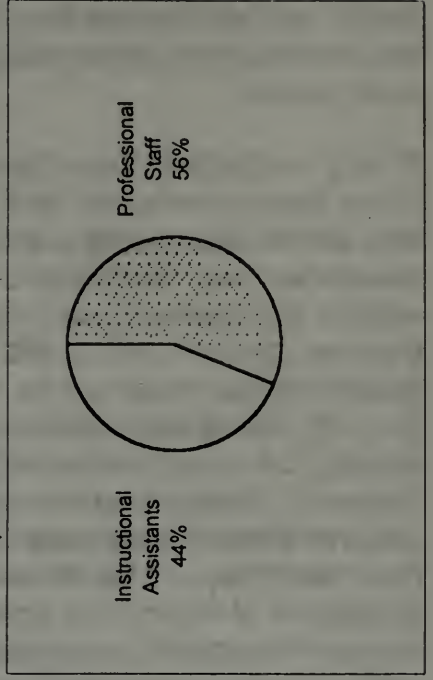
Special Ed.	8
Title I	6
Regular Ed.	67
Total Students	81



STAFF POPULATION

(Administration and SAU support staff not included)

Professional Staff	8.2
Instructional Assistants	6.4
Full Time Equivalents	14.6



SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #23 PROJECTED REVENUES

Local Revenue		2000-2001
	Use of Fund Balance	\$25,000
1111	District Assessment	\$388,953
1336	Tuition - French Pond	\$137,883
1337	Tuition - French Pond Summer School	\$6,223
1950	Itinerants	\$75,295
1510	Interest	\$5,000
1951	Speech/ Language	\$97,821
5220	Transfer from Federal Projects	\$13,700
	Total Revenue Fund 1	\$749,875

Revenue from Federal and State Sources		
4410	Title I	\$328,116
4410	Title II	\$15,048
4470	IDEA SPED/Preschool	\$91,774
4480	Title IV Drug/Alcohol	\$7,566
4490	Title VI	\$14,292
	Total Revenue Fund 2	\$456,796
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,206,671

DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS

DISTRICT	1998-99 TOTAL PERCENT	1998-99 APPORTIONMENT	1999-200 TOTAL PERCENT	1999-2000 APPORTIONMENT	2000-01 TOTAL PERCENT	2000-01 APPORTIONMENT	1998-99/1999-00 DIFFERENCE
BATH	9.85%	\$36,855	13.47%	\$48,437	12.91%	\$50,194	\$1,757
BENTON	1.48%	\$5,538	1.91%	\$6,868	1.89%	\$7,351	\$483
HAVERTHILL	55.24%	\$206,687	64.25%	\$231,040	64.05%	\$249,125	\$18,085
MONROE	17.25%	\$64,543	0.00%	\$0	0.00%	\$0	\$0
PIERMONT	8.18%	\$30,606	10.58%	\$38,027	11.25%	\$43,757	\$5,730
WARREN	8.00%	\$29,933	9.80%	\$35,222	9.91%	\$38,526	\$3,304
TOTAL	100.00%	\$374,160	100.00%	\$359,595	100.00%	\$388,953	\$29,358

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT HISTORY

	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
1993-94	\$583,496	\$371,719	\$390,882	\$392,644	\$374,160	\$359,595	\$388,953

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #23 2000-2001 BUDGET

	1998-99 ACTUAL EXPENSES	1999-2000 APPROVED BUDGET	2000-01 PROPOSED BUDGET	2000-01 ASSESSMENT	2000-01/ 1999-00 +/-
1100 Regular Programs	82,344	58,342	75,295	.	16,953
1230 French Pond	122,784	125,654	135,008	.	9,354
1435 FPS Summer School	5,951	6,073	6,073	.	
2150 Speech and Audiology	63,605	90,194	95,402	.	5,208
2159 Speech - Summer School	1,345	2,519	2,419	.	(100)
2212 Instruction/Curriculum Developm	1,237	0		.	
2213 Instructional Staff Training	1,455	2,000	2,000	2,000	.
2311 School Board	1,308	1,492	1,492	1,492	.
2313 SAU Treasurer	2,244	2,454	2,454	2,454	.
2317 Audit	2,500	2,500	500	500	(2,000)
2318 Legal	477	500	2,700	2,700	2,200
2321 Office of Superintendent	263,064	295,557	314,715	314,715	19,158
2330 Special Ed. Admin. Services	74,386	68,292	75,792	75,792	7,500
2620 Operation of Buildings	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	.
2640 Care and Upkeep Equipment	9,858	10,500	13,000	13,000	2,500
2722 FPS Transportation	4,685	4,675	2,875	.	(1,800)
2729 FPS Summer School Trans.	64	300	150	.	(150)
4600 Building Improvements (move)	7,498	0		.	
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	664,805	\$691,052	749,875	432,653	58,823
FUND 2 FEDERAL/STATE PROGRAMS					
Title I Programs	344,784	328,116	328,116	-	
Title 2 Eisenhower Funds	22,919	15,048	15,048	-	
Title 6 Innovative Education	14,496	14,292	14,292	-	
Title 4 Safe & Drug Free Schools	7,669	7,566	7,566	-	
School to Work	3,180	-	-	-	
Service Learning	12,838	-	-	-	
IDEA SPED Funds	103,381	91,774	91,774	-	
FUND 2 TOTAL	509,267	456,796	456,796	.	.
SAU BUDGET TOTAL	1,174,072	1,147,848	1,206,671	432,653	58,823
	Less use of fund balance, interest, indirect costs transferred from grants				(43,700)
	FINAL ASSESSMENT				388,953

School Administrative Unit #23

Report of the Superintendent's and Business Administrator's Salaries

Section 5, Chapter 243, Laws of 1953 of the State of New Hampshire requires that school district annual reports show the total amount paid to the Superintendent and Business Administrator.

One-half of the School Administrative Unit expenses is prorated among the school districts of the Unit on the basis of adjusted valuation. One-half is prorated on the basis of average daily membership in the schools for the previous school year ending June 30. The Superintendent of SAU #23, during the 1999-2000 school year will receive a salary of \$71,400. The Assistant Superintendent of SAU #23, during the 1999-2000 school year is a 35% position at a salary of \$15,899. The Business Administrator position is a contracted consultant service for \$9,000. These positions are prorated among the school districts.

The table below shows the pro-ration of the salary to each school district:

Superintendent Salary		
Bath	\$9,617.	13.47%
Benton	\$1,363.	1.91%
Haverhill Cooperative	\$45,869.	64.24%
Piermont	\$7,554.	10.58%
Warren	\$6,997.	9.80%
TOTAL	\$71,400.	
Assistant Superintendent Salary - 35%		
Bath	\$2,141.	13.47%
Benton	\$303.	1.91%
Haverhill Cooperative	\$10,215.	64.24%
Piermont	\$1,682.	10.58%
Warren	\$1,558.	9.80%
TOTAL	\$15,899.	
Business Administrator Contracted Consultant		
Bath	\$1,212.	13.47%
Benton	\$171.	1.91%
Haverhill Cooperative	\$5,783.	64.24%
Piermont	\$952.	10.58%
Warren	\$882.	9.80%
TOTAL	\$9,000.	

**PIERMONT VILLAGE SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

To the School Board and citizens of the Piermont School District, I submit the annual report for the calendar year 1999.

The Piermont Village School is a school that continues to strive to educate its children to their fullest capabilities, utilizing the collaborative resources of school, family and community. We continue to emphasize the three R's, reading, writing and arithmetic, while recognizing that each of them is not an end in itself. We are striving to become a school community that reads for meaning, writes to communicate, and understands math to solve problems. Like all organizations, we are continually looking at ways to improve. Some of the educational initiatives to which we have been devoting substantial energy include analyzing our elementary math program and exploring new models, and revising how and what we do in our teaching of reading and writing. We are also actively examining and refining our assessment methods to be sure that we are not only aware of how our students are learning, but that we are indeed measuring what we are teaching.

Each day students and teachers come to the Piermont Village School to learn. Students daily strive to master the academic skills and learn the content that we teach. However, we do have a number of special people and events that enrich our lives. The following is a year in review of those extraordinary occasions.

Winter, 1999

We are sorry to say goodbye to our music teacher Dale Post, but were very lucky to have David Heinz from the high school step in to give band lessons to our 5-8 grades.

In February we were entertained by Austin Hogan who showed slides of Antarctica and by Craig Jewett from the NH Fish and Game Department who gave staff and students useful information on winter survival.

Spring, 1999

Our school wide production of *Peter Pan*, adapted by Nancy Sandell, was a great success.

Dana Hartley and Felicia Garrett came in 1st and 2nd respectively in the *Journal Opinion's* Cabin Fever Writing Contest.

Laurie McGregor came to us in March to continue our general music program and was able to bring together a fabulous school wide musical performance of *Hailstones and Halibut Bones*.

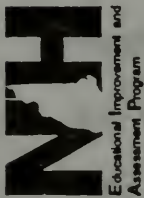
During the week of April 12, our 7/8-grade class had another successful trip to Washington, D.C. They came back exhausted but full of stories of the Washington Monument, Smithsonian Institute, Capitol Hill, Fort McHenry, Mount Vernon and so much more.

The New Hampshire Educational Improvement and Assessment Program (NHEIAP) is a comprehensive test, covering a broad range of objectives in English Language Arts and Mathematics in grade 3, and English, Math, Science and Social Studies in grade 6. A complete description of the objectives can be found in the K-12 Frameworks which we have at the school.

On the following pages are the three-year results of the NHEIAP's that PVS students have taken in May of 1997, 1998, and 1999. If you read the top of the page, you will see that because our number of students is below 10 annually, we have been give these cumulative reports and not annual ones.

Here are some things that may help you to understand the reports. Under the **Students at Each Proficiency Level** are three columns. The first column, under **School 3-yr aggregate**, is headed by **N**. This column represents the number of Piermont students falling into this category over the past 3 years. The center column headed by % represents the percentage of Piermont students that fall into this category. To the right of this, also headed by a % is the percentage of New Hampshire students who fall into this category over the past three years. This interpretation holds true for all of the subject areas in both third and sixth grade. For example, if you look at the 6th grade Science results you see that one (1) Piermont student was advanced, representing 4% of Piermont's sixth graders over the last three (3) years. Less than 1% of the New Hampshire students achieved advanced level over the past three years.

Respectfully submitted,
Amos Kornfeld
Principal



END-OF-GRADE THREE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT FOR SMALL DISTRICTS — 1999
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SAU #: 23

DISTRICT NAME: PIERMONT

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS RESULTS

MATHEMATICS RESULTS

Proficiency Levels

Proficiency Levels

	Students at Each Proficiency Level			Advanced: Students at this level demonstrate a thorough comprehension of the materials they read, hear, and view. They are able to identify main and subordinate ideas, supporting details, and facts. They use comparisons and predictions to increase their level of understanding. They can draw conclusions and make critical judgments. Their responses are detailed and "reflect careful thought. When writing, they communicate clearly and effectively. They can organize ideas, develop a topic, add supporting detail, and vary both sentence structure and vocabulary. They make few, if any, mechanical errors.	Proficient: Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of the materials they read, hear, and view. They are able to identify main ideas and draw conclusions. Their responses show thought and are supported with some detail. When writing, they communicate competently and are able to adequately develop and support their ideas. Although they demonstrate a firm grounding in the mechanics of written expression, they may make some errors in spelling and grammar. However, these do not interfere with a reader's ability to understand the text.	Basic: Students at this level are able to determine the literal meaning of the materials they read, hear, and view. They can identify clearly-stated main ideas and make direct comparisons. Their responses are sometimes incomplete and are supported with few details. When writing, they communicate at a rudimentary level. Although they employ both simple and more-complex sentences, overall their work shows elementary organization, development, and use of detail. While they demonstrate a fundamental control of mechanics, they may make errors in spelling and grammar.	Novice: Students at this level are at the beginning of their literacy development. They extract limited meaning from what they read, hear, and view. Although they may be able to locate major details, they are often unable to identify clearly-stated main ideas. When writing, they have difficulty communicating. While it may be related to the point they are trying to make, their written work is minimal and shows little organization, development, or use of detail. Errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling, and grammar may interfere with a reader's ability to understand the text.	Students at Each Proficiency Level		
	District 3-yr aggregate		State 3-yr average					District 3-yr aggregate		State 3-yr average
	N	%	%					N	%	%
	0	0	5	2	7	13				
	3	11	22	2	7	26				
	13	48	44	15	56	42				
	10	37	25	7	26	17				
Students Not Included in the Report:	1	4	4	1	4	2				

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END-OF-GRADE SIX SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT FOR SMALL DISTRICTS — 1999

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SAU #: 23

DISTRICT NAME: PIERMONT

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS RESULTS	Students at Each Proficiency Level			
	District 3-yr aggregate		State 3-yr average	
	N	%	N	%
Proficiency Levels				
Advanced: Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They extract main and subordinate ideas, supporting details, and information from materials they read, hear, and view. They draw conclusions, make critical judgments, and develop meaningful connections between and among ideas and concepts. They explain and support their inferences and interpretations. Their writing is clear, effective, and fluent. They organize ideas, develop a topic, add supporting details, and vary both sentence structure and vocabulary. They make few, if any, mechanical errors.	2	7	2	2
Proficient: Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They extract main ideas, analyze text, evaluate and organize information, draw conclusions, and make inferences and interpretations. They critically evaluate materials they read, hear, and view. They effectively organize, develop, and support ideas so that a reader can easily understand the intent of their writing. They demonstrate a firm grounding in the mechanics of written expression; however, they may still make some errors.	5	18	15	15
Basic: Students at this level demonstrate a reasonable understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They recognize main ideas and identify supporting details. They gather information from materials they read, hear, and view and use it to make obvious conclusions. Their responses often include appropriate examples. They employ sufficient organization, development, and support of ideas to satisfactorily communicate the intent of their writing. While they demonstrate a fundamental control of the mechanics of written expression, they may make errors in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and/or punctuation.	13	46	40	40
Novice: Students at this level demonstrate some understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They recognize clearly-stated topics and details in materials they read, hear, and view. For the most part, their responses to questions are literal. Their writing shows limited organization, development, and use of detail. Errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling, and/or grammar may interfere with a reader's ability to understand the text.	7	25	41	41
Students Not Included in the Report:	1	4	3	3

MATHEMATICS RESULTS	Students at Each Proficiency Level			
	District 3-yr aggregate		State 3-yr average	
	N	%	N	%
Proficiency Levels				
Advanced: Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of mathematical concepts and skills. They are able to use both physical and conceptual models, make connections between and among concepts, and use estimation to monitor the reasonableness of their work. Their mathematical reasoning and problem solving is systematic, direct, and thorough. They employ numbers, graphs, diagrams, examples, and generalizations to explain their conclusions and problem-solving strategies clearly and concisely.	0	0	1	1
Proficient: Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of mathematical concepts and skills. They make few, if any, errors in computation. They use tables and graphs to organize, present, and interpret data. They employ appropriate strategies to solve a wide range of problems. They clearly communicate their solutions and problem-solving strategies.	4	14	12	12
Basic: Students at this level demonstrate a reasonable understanding of fractions, geometry, measurement, and probability and statistics. They accurately perform computations with whole numbers and decimals. They can read and construct graphs. They apply their mathematical knowledge and skills in addressing everyday situations and solving straight-forward problems. They adequately communicate their solutions and problem-solving strategies.	11	39	32	32
Novice: Students at this level demonstrate some understanding of fractions, decimals, geometry, measurement, and probability and statistics. They add, subtract, multiply, and divide whole numbers with a fair degree of accuracy. They can obtain information from graphs. They display a limited ability to use their mathematical knowledge and skills to solve problems. Their explanations of their answers are brief and incomplete.	12	43	53	53
Students Not Included in the Report:	1	4	2	2

SCIENCE RESULTS Proficiency Levels	Students at Each Proficiency Level		
	District 3-yr aggregate		State 3-yr average
	N	%	%
<p>Advanced: Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. They recognize that the sciences are interrelated. They analyze, synthesize, and interpret data from experiments with several variables. They are aware of the limitations of science as well as its useful application in other areas. They use scientific knowledge and processes to solve problems. They employ a variety of forms, including text, graphs, figures, and diagrams, to communicate scientific information clearly and concisely.</p>	1	4	<1
<p>Proficient: Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. They are familiar with procedures used in science, such as designing experiments, controlling variables, and selecting appropriate equipment. They draw conclusions from data presented in graphs and tables. They use their scientific knowledge to examine problems and evaluate advantages and disadvantages of proposed solutions. They clearly communicate and explain their understanding, problem-solving strategies, and solutions.</p>	2	7	5
<p>Basic: Students at this level demonstrate a rudimentary understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. They are familiar with methods used in science such as observation and classification. They obtain information from graphs and tables and draw obvious conclusions from data. They use their scientific knowledge to address straightforward problems and adequately communicate their understanding and solutions.</p>	6	29	22
<p>Novice: Students at this level demonstrate some understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. For example, they are aware that scientific information is obtained from observations and experiments and are familiar with a number of specific facts. Their ability to address straightforward scientific problems and communicate their solutions is uneven and limited by the extent of their knowledge.</p>	16	57	70
Students Not Included in the Report:	1	4	2

SOCIAL STUDIES RESULTS Proficiency Levels	Students at Each Proficiency Level		
	District 3-yr aggregate		State 3-yr average
	N	%	%
<p>Advanced: Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of information, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and civics and government. They integrate the use of tools such as maps, globes, graphs, and charts, as well as an understanding of chronology, in defining and addressing problems. They interrelate their knowledge of the social studies and apply it to the examination of relevant issues. They communicate their conclusions and problem-solving strategies clearly and concisely.</p>	1	4	5
<p>Proficient: Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of information, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and civics and government. They can explain important ideas such as the rights and responsibilities of citizenship or how supply, demand, and competition affect prices. They obtain information from maps, globes, graphs, charts, narratives, artifacts, and timelines and form conclusions based on data. They apply their knowledge of the social studies to relevant tasks and clearly communicate and explain their findings.</p>	1	4	10
<p>Basic: Students at this level demonstrate a rudimentary understanding of information, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and civics and government. They can describe people, places, and events as well as important ideas such as the relationship between geography and the development of population centers. They obtain information from maps, globes, graphs, charts, narratives, artifacts, and timelines and make obvious conclusions based on data. They use their knowledge of the social studies to address straightforward tasks and adequately communicate their findings.</p>	11	39	34
<p>Novice: Students at this level demonstrate some understanding of information, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and civics and government. For example, they recognize the importance of documents such as the Declaration of Independence, the New Hampshire Constitution, and the United States Constitution, are familiar with a number of specific facts, and are aware that the social studies are interrelated. Their ability to address straightforward social studies tasks and communicate their findings is uneven and limited by the extent of their knowledge.</p>	4	14	49
Students Not Included in the Report:	11	39	2

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
1998 - 1999**

Number of pupils registered during the year	83
Average Daily Membership	75.2
Percent of Attendance	96%
Number of pupils neither absent nor tardy	7

Number of pupils whose tuition was paid by district	
Elementary	0
Junior High	0
Secondary	21

ENROLLMENT BY GRADE

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL
	6	10	10	10	11	8	8	10	8	81

HONOR ROLL

1998-1999 ACADEMIC YEAR

In order to be named to the honor roll a student must be in grades five through eight and receive A's and B's in all subject areas, social adjustment, and work habits. The following is a list of students that were named to the honor roll for all four marking periods.

<u>Grade 5</u> John Garrigan Gabrielle Gould* Dana Harley* Nicole Latona*	<u>Grade 6</u> Corey Collins* Kara Labs* Amanda Nadeau*	<u>Grade 7</u> Rachel Daly* Lindsay Green Mike Musty* Jessica Oakes* Monique Priestley* Geoff Pushee*	<u>Grade 8</u> Erin Dunbar* Mindy Morgan* Lily Weinberg*
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*Indicates students who were on the honor roll all four quarters.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Matthew Elliott
Jennifer Frost

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE
1998 - 1999 Academic Year**

Jonathan Cook
Dana Hartley
Adam Hill
Nicole Latona
Jessica Oakes
Brain Priestley
Sarah Priestley

SCHOLARSHIP FUND 1999

Beginning Balance 1/1/99		\$8,222.34
Scholarships Awarded		(\$384.00)
Interest Earned		
Woodsville Guaranty		
Savings Bank CD 704846	333.02	
Woodsville Guaranty		
Savings Bank PB 30879	<u>51.90</u>	
TOTAL	\$384.92	\$384.92
New Fund Donations:		
In memory of William Daley		\$1,000.00
Ending Balance, 12/31/99		\$9,223.26

SCHOOL FUND FOR SUPPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT 12/31/99

<u>Name of Investment</u>	<u>Dividend or Interest Income</u>	<u>Capital Gains Reinvested</u>	<u>Total Shares Owned</u>	<u>Principal Amt. Market Value, or Year End Value</u>
Fidelity Cash Reserves:	196.57	0.00	3,713.20	3,713.20
Fidelity Puritan Fund:	1,651.62	2,497.64	2,686.85	51,130.79
Seligman Fund:	<u>428.21</u>	<u>2,267.03</u>	1,977.90	<u>29,530.05</u>
TOTALS	\$2,276.40	\$4,764.67		\$84,374.04

SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION EMERGENCY EXPENDABLE TRUST 1999

Beginning Balance, 1/1/99		15,271.20
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund		793.70
Shares Purchased		5,000.00
Shares Sold		<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/99		\$21,064.90

SCHOOL BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND 1999

Beginning Balance, 1/1/99		19,366.09
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund		985.30
Shares Purchased		5,000.00
Shares Sold		<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/99		\$25,351.39

SCHOOL BUILDING EMERGENCY REPAIRS EXPENDABLE TRUST 1999

Beginning Balance, 1/1/99		15,271.20
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund		793.70
Shares Purchased		5,000.00
Shares Sold		<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/99		\$21,064.90

PIERMONT SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

Greetings to all,

Another year is moving along quickly at the Piermont Village School and I can't believe this is my third year as the School Nurse. Yearly screening is progressing well. Each year I see every child, and screen vision, hearing, height and weight. If there are concerns a letter for referral is sent home. So far this year there have been very few referral notices sent.

November and December saw many cases of colds and flu, but most classrooms were back to health after the Christmas break. Please remember, if your child is not feeling well from cold or flu they are much better off at home resting and not at school giving their cold to another student. Also remember that at this time of year when flu is rampant, stressing good hand washing to your child is important.

As you enter the first door of the school before entering the lobby please take a moment to look at the bulletin board where I post information on health insurance, camps, parenting workshops, etc. Also, I have been including some notes and health tips in the newsletter which is something I plan on doing on a more regular basis.

As always, please contact me if you have concerns or suggestions for things you would like to see me do at school. I enjoy my time at school and with your children.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Dunbar, RN

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
For The
Fiscal Year July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999**

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 1998:	\$ 76,403.92
Add 1998-99 receipts	<u>920,124.01</u>
TOTAL	996,527.93
Less 98-99 School Board orders	(971,483.62)
Balance on hand June 30, 1999:	\$ 25,044.31

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

Fiscal Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Total
2000	45,000	33,075	78,075
2001	45,000	30,038	75,038
2002	40,000	27,000	67,000
2003	40,000	24,300	64,300
2004	40,000	21,600	61,600
2005	40,000	18,900	58,900
2006	40,000	16,200	56,200
2007	40,000	13,500	53,500
2008	40,000	10,800	50,800
2009	40,000	8,100	48,100
2010	40,000	5,400	45,400
2011	40,000	2,700	42,700
TOTALS	490,000	211,613	701,613

Audit Report

The Piermont School District has been audited by the Plodzick & Sanderson Professional Association. Copies of the audit are available for public review at the Superintendent's Office at the James R. Morrill Municipal Building, North Haverhill, NH.

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUES

	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED*	PROPOSED	
	<u>1998-99</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>	<u>+ or -</u>
Beginning Fund Balance	60,290	465	15,000	14,535
Revenue From Local Sources				
1111 Current Appropriation	830,855	391,365	474,957	83,592
1320 Tuition from Other LEA's	5,830	-	5,000	5,000
1510 Interest on Investments	931	1,800	900	(900)
1511 Trust Fund Interest	1,854	3,300	3,300	-
1600 Food Service Sales	10,625	10,400	10,400	-
1980 Refund from Prior Year	-		911	911
1990 Miscellaneous	9,579	8,442	8,442	-
Revenue From State Sources				
3110 State Adequacy Funding		580,360	580,360	
Foundation Aid	15,434	-	-	-
3210 School Building Aid	13,500	13,336	13,336	-
3241 Vocational Tuition	17,100	12,350	16,500	4,150
3242 Transportation	952	484	952	468
3230 Catastrophic Aid	-		34,400	34,400
3260 Child Nutrition	462	400	400	-
Kindergarten Aid	4,500	-	-	-
Revenue From Federal Sources				
4560 Child Nutrition	6,963	7,000	7,000	-
4810 National Forest Reserve	1,130	945	945	-
4580 Medicaid	11,603	7,000	7,000	-
Fund Transfers				
5210 Transfer to Food Service	12,077	-	-	-
TOTAL	1,003,685	1,037,647	1,179,803	142,156

	School		\$1.00 on the
	Year	Rate	Tax Rate
Actual	1995-96	\$37.37	20,081
Actual	1996-97	\$36.27	20,908
Actual	1997-98	\$38.54	21,474
Actual	1998-99	\$18.35	44,706
Actual	1999-00		
	Local Education Tax	\$8.81	44,419
	State Education Tax	<u>\$6.77</u>	42,726
	TOTAL	\$15.58	
Estimated	2000-01		
	Local Education Tax	\$10.69	44,419
	State Education Tax	<u>\$6.77</u>	42,726
	TOTAL	\$17.46	
	Estimated Increase	\$1.88	

NOTE: Estimated in October; the tax rate was set based upon these figures.
Actual revenues will be reported at end of the fiscal year.

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSED 2000-2001 BUDGET

<u>DISTRICT SUMMARY</u>		<u>Expenditures</u> <u>1999-99</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>1999-00</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Budget</u> <u>2000-01</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>A.</u>	<u>Instruction</u>				
1100	Regular Programs	\$452,867.58	\$507,413.00	\$577,274.00	\$69,861.00
1270	Enrichment	\$1,308.87	\$1,835.00	\$1,720.00	(\$115.00)
1300	Vocational Education	\$19,100.00	\$12,000.00	\$21,400.00	\$9,400.00
2120	Guidance	\$8,255.22	\$8,824.00	\$9,466.00	\$642.00
2125	Test Supplies	\$50.80	\$435.00	\$435.00	\$0.00
2212	Cumculum Development	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
2213	Staff Training	\$6,170.48	\$6,000.00	\$7,500.00	\$1,500.00
2222	School Library	\$2,953.39	\$3,400.00	\$3,444.00	\$44.00
	TOTAL INSTRUCTION	\$490,706.34	\$541,107.00	\$622,439.00	\$81,332.00
<u>B.</u>	<u>Co-Curricular</u>	\$2,500.35	\$3,209.00	\$4,171.00	\$962.00
<u>C.</u>	<u>Special Education</u>				
1200/1231	Special Programs	\$121,938.77	\$117,138.00	\$205,403.00	\$88,265.00
1430	Summer School	\$4,469.03	\$2,790.00	\$3,070.00	\$280.00
2150	Speech and Audiology	\$6,687.88	\$40,673.00	\$6,279.00	(\$34,394.00)
2159	Speech - Summer School	\$196.49	\$435.00	\$480.00	\$45.00
2162	Physical Therapy	\$3,170.18	\$5,215.00	\$8,400.00	\$3,185.00
2163	Occupational Therapy	\$2,274.00	\$2,235.00	\$5,670.00	\$3,435.00
	TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$138,736.35	\$168,486.00	\$229,302.00	\$60,816.00
<u>D.</u>	<u>SAU Services</u>				
2321	Office of the Superintendent	\$30,606.00	\$38,027.00	\$43,757.00	\$5,730.00
<u>E.</u>	<u>Adminlstration</u>				
2410	Office of the Principal	\$78,720.75	\$79,211.00	\$69,987.00	(\$9,224.00)

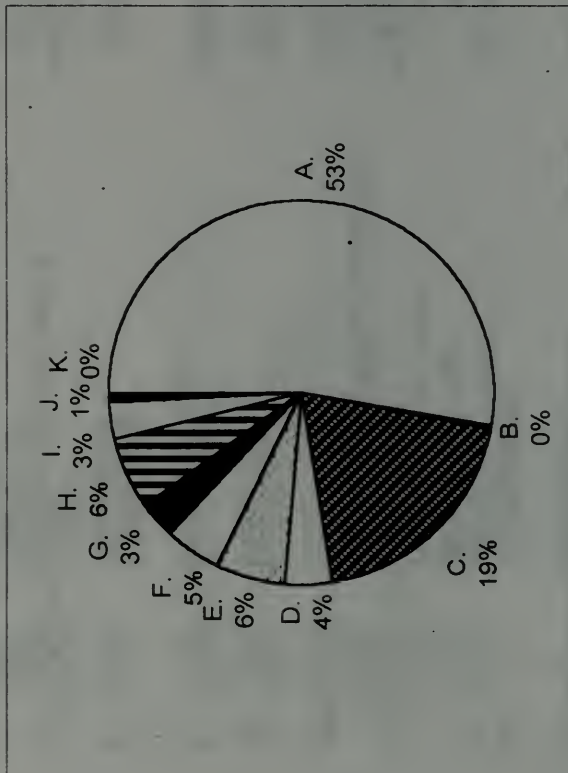
	<u>Expenditures 1998-99</u>	<u>Budget 1999-00</u>	<u>Budget 2000-01</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>F.</u>				
	<u>Operation of Buildings</u>			
	2620 Buildings	\$40,100.56	\$44,296.00	\$4,496.00
	2630 Grounds	\$3,076.00	\$2,875.00	\$0.00
	2640 Equipment	\$3,103.90	\$2,400.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL OPERATION OF BUILDINGS	\$46,280.46	\$49,571.00	\$5,200.00
<u>G.</u>				
	<u>Transportation</u>			
	2721 To and From School	\$30,690.90	\$33,721.00	\$27,432.00
	2722 Special Transportation	\$63.46	\$450.00	\$5,550.00
	2723 Vocational Transportation	\$952.00	\$952.00	\$476.00
	2725 Field Trips	\$2,052.40	\$600.00	\$2,400.00
	2729 Summer School Special Transportation	\$0.00	\$1,350.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	\$33,758.76	\$37,073.00	\$35,858.00
<u>H.</u>	<u>5000 Debt Service</u>	\$81,112.50	\$78,075.00	(\$3,037.00)
<u>I.</u>	<u>3120 Food Service</u>	\$30,126.68	\$31,969.00	\$1,323.00
<u>J.</u>	<u>School Board</u>			
	2311 School Board	\$3,457.88	\$3,590.00	\$3,604.00
	2313 Treasurer	\$1,259.54	\$964.00	\$1,024.00
	2314 Election and District Meeting	\$262.02	\$409.00	\$409.00
	2317 Audit	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,200.00
	2318 Legal Services	\$108.50	\$750.00	\$750.00
	2832 Recruitment Advertising	\$408.72	\$300.00	\$300.00
	TOTAL SCHOOL BOARD	\$7,596.66	\$8,113.00	\$174.00
<u>K.</u>	<u>District Wide Services</u>			
	2112 Attendance	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	2130 Health	\$2,906.40	\$2,755.00	\$2,849.00
	TOTAL DISTRICT WIDE SERVICES	\$2,906.40	\$2,805.00	\$94.00

	<u>Expenditures 1998-99</u>	<u>Budget 1999-00</u>	<u>Proposed Budget 2000-01</u>	<u>Difference</u>
L				
	<u>Fund Transfers</u>			
5221	Transfer to School Lunch	\$12,077.01	\$1.00	\$1.00
5250	Transfer to Capital Reserve *	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5252	Transfer Expendable Trust *	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00
	TOTAL FUND TRANSFERS	\$12,077.01	\$1.00	\$2.00
	GRAND TOTAL	\$955,128.26	\$1,037,647.00	\$142,156.00

*NOTE: Fund transfers voted from the 98-99 fund balance were transferred after close of books, August 1999, and will show as 99-00 expense.

Summary of Expenditures

A.	Instruction	\$622,439
B.	Co-Curricular	\$4,171
C.	Special Ed.	\$229,302
D.	SAU Services	\$43,757
E.	Administration	\$69,987
F.	Operation of Bldgs.	\$54,771
G.	Transportation	\$35,858
H.	Debt Service	\$75,038
I.	Food Service	\$33,292
J.	School Board	\$8,287
K.	District-wide Services	\$2,899
L.	Fund Transfers	\$2
	TOTAL BUDGET	\$1,179,803



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