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CHESTERFIELD FIRE & RESCUE PRECINCT
DECEMBER 31, 2003

SPOFFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 31, 2003



Mud Season – Castle Road



Flooding event – Pond Brook Road

DEDICATION

Typically, we dedicate the Town Report to an individual who has served the Town with some distinction. 2003 was a challenging year and the Employees of the Town of Chesterfield served with extraordinary distinction. As we all look back at 2003, everyone will remember some or all of the following: more snow than we have seen in years, a terrible mud season, a severe flood event in August, arsonists burning down the recycling building at the Transfer Station, the police department being short-staffed for part of the year, the town office wrapping up the first full revaluation in 13 years. Through these and many other challenges, ALL Town Employees were working for us with dedication, professionalism and a sense of humor through the most extraordinary of circumstances. Thank you each and everyone for the remarkable job that you did through the most unusual of conditions. For your contributions and hard work, this Town Report is dedicated to you, Chesterfield Town Employees.



Flooding event – Pond Brook Road



Aftermath, Transfer Station Fire

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**2003
TOWN OFFICERS**

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT	Edwin Smith	2004
	McKim Mitchell	2004
	Henry AL Parkhust	2004
	Irene A. Pratt	2004
	Barbara Hull Richardson	2004
MODERATOR	Michael Bentley	2004
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Warren Allen	
SELECTMEN	Fred Szmit, Chairman..	2004
	Warren Porter	2005
	Chester Greenwood	2006
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	Rick Carrier	
TOWN CLERK	Shirley Philbrick	2006
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK	Vacant	
TAX COLLECTOR	Elizabeth Benjamin	2004
DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR	Vacant	
TOWN TREASURER	Edward Cheever	2004
DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER	Margaret Winn	
HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR	Stephen "Bart" Bevis	
FULL-TIME POLICE	Lester Fairbanks, Chief	
	Jason Graves, Lt.	
	Keith Naylor	
	Royce Pelkey Jr.	
	Kevin White	
PART-TIME POLICE	Thomas Aveni	
	Collin Zamore	
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	Vacant	
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS	Jane J. Allen	2004
	Jane Perham	2005
	Susan Drew	2006
SEXTON	Pat Struthers	
HEALTH OFFICER	Paula Bassi	
DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER	Joseph Bassi	

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	Ted Crombie	
DEPUTY CODE ENFORCEMENT	Paula Bassi	
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	Ruth Van Houten, Director Tom Allen Paula Bassi Steve Buckley Al Chesley Harriet Davenport Lester Fairbanks Jean Hansan Deb Hogancamp Neil Jenness Mark Johndro John Keppler Jessica MacLeod Shirley Philbrick Pat Porter Marilyn Rousseau Fred Szmít	
LIBRARIAN	Elizabeth J. Anderson	
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	Cathryn Harvey, chair Paul Link Kathleen Stohr Jean Hansen Carol Larsen-Sorterup Lee Brockman Karen LaRue Fred Szmít, selectmen's rep	2004 2004 2004 2005 2005 2006 2006
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	Edward Cheever Leslie MacLean Clifford White, chm.	2004 2006 2008
BUDGET COMMITTEE	Linda Lord Ray Egan Nelson Fegley Robert Yacubian James Hogancamp Gary Winn Anita Barber Robert Brockman Rick Harrington Warren Porter, Selectmen's rep Dave Thomas, Spofford Fire rep Deborah Hogancamp, Chesterfield Fire rep John Loftus, School Board rep	2004 2004 2004 2004 2005 2005 2005 2006 2006

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	Charles Reilly	2004
	Andy Cay	2005
	Harriet Davenport	2005
	Burton Riendeau, Chm	2005
	John Perkowski	2006
	Lucius Evans (Alt)	2004
	Davis Peach (Alt)	2004
	Carol Ross (Alt)	2005
	Tony Souza (Alt)	2005
	Warren Porter, selectmen's rep	
PLANNING BOARD	Davis Peach, Chm	2004
	Susan Lawson-Kelleher	2004
	Valerie Starbuck	2005
	Don Brehm	2005
	Robert Del Sesto, vice-chair	2006
	Thomas North	2006
	Fred Szmit, selectmen's rep	
	Scott Coulborn (Alt)	2005
	Stephen Pro (Alt)	2005
CEMETERY COMMISSION	John Rancourt	2004
	Cornelia Jeness	2004
	Audrey Ericson	2005
	David Smith	2006
	Richard Johnston	2006
	Chet Greenwood, selectmen's rep	
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION	Shawn Dean	2004
	Cecilia Russell	2005
	Dennis Cahill	2005
	Kristen McKeon	2006
	Ruth Van Houten	2006
	Warren Porter, selectmen's rep	
PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR Melissa Donovan		
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	Steve Fisher	2003
	Jeffrey Newcomer	2003
	Kathy Thatcher	2004
	Lynn Borofsky	2005
	Thomas Duston, Co-Chm	2005
	William Tyler (Alt)	2004
	Amy LaFontaine (Alt)	2005
	Chet Greenwood, selectmen's rep	

Selectboard Report – 2003

People

Places

Things

Year 2003 is behind us and what a year it was! The year began with snow and more snow even enough for FEMA assistance money early in the year. The Highway Department did their usual professional job keeping the roadways passable throughout the winter. The end of March brought with it the worst mud season in recent memory. A state of emergency was declared on March 27th restricting the use of some gravel roads for 3 weeks. The weather returned to "normal" for a brief period of time and then the rains came. In the beginning of August, Chesterfield suffered severe flood damage from a 50-year rain event. The Governor declared a state of emergency for Chesterfield and other surrounding towns. FEMA assistance for the flood event provided funding for road repair and storm damage. The Highway crew did a remarkable job bringing our roads back to their pre-flood condition. We applaud the hard work of the Highway Department in keeping our roadways in good and passable condition and dealing with the challenges that Mother Nature threw at us in 2003. The level of Spofford Lake was abnormally high all season due to the rainy summer.

Other Town departments were challenged though out the year. During the flood event in August, Ruth Van Houten and the OEM team did an excellent job helping those who needed immediate assistance. The recycling building was destroyed in August, due to arson. The Transfer Station team did an excellent job getting the operation up and running, missing only one day of operation due to the fire. As a result of the fire, a committee was formed to look at the operation of the recycling facility and how best to turn the loss of the building into an opportunity to revamp the operation. We would like to thank Joe Novick, Joe Kowalski, Rick Harrington, Bob Yacubian, Tom Duston and Fred Szmit for their time and efforts to reconfigure the operation and replace the building. The Police Department operated much of 2003 short staffed. An officer had to be hired to replace the vacancy that opened up when Lester Fairbanks was promoted to Police Chief in the fall of 2002 and another vacancy occurred when Patrolman Tillson left the department. Two new full-time officers were hired and trained to fill those vacancies, Keith Naylor and Royce Pelkey. Also hired, as a part-time officer, was Collin Zamore, replacing Peter Prince. We applaud the Police Department for their dedication and professionalism operating short handed during the new officer, training period. Also in 2003, the town went through a town-wide revaluation, the first full revaluation since 1989. We thank the Town Office staff for their efforts to complete this difficult process on time while keeping up with their other duties. The Code Enforcement and the Town Health Officers were kept busy with an expanding number of building permits.

We also wish to recognize all the volunteers in town who serve on the various boards and committees, putting in many hours for the good of the community. This year, the Planning Board worked on the review of several high profile applications, developed a steep slope ordinance to bring to the voters and handled numerous other issues that came before them in 2003. The Zoning Board dealt with many cases again this year. Many of the hearings before the Zoning Board dealt with building expansion on non-conforming lots. The Conservation Commission had a full year reviewing DES applications, wetland violations and improving the hiking trails in Town. We also wish to thank the Library Trustees, the Parks & Recreation Commission, Cemetery Commission, Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and the Budget Committee for giving of themselves so that the business of the town gets accomplished.

During the year, Rick Johnston left as Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission and Amy LaFontaine left as a part time office employee and deputy Town Clerk. Code Enforcement Officer Pat Haley moved out of state and Ted Crombie was hired for the position. Also in 2003 the new Chesterfield Bridge was opened after several years of construction.

Frederick Szmit, Chmn

Warren Porter

Chester Greenwood

Board of Selectmen

**2004 TOWN WARRANT
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chesterfield, in the County of Cheshire, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the CHESTERFIELD TOWN HALL in said Chesterfield, on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon (polls at this location close at 6:00 p.m.) to ballot for Town Officers and other questions required by law to be decided by ballot.

You are further hereby notified to meet at the CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL in said Chesterfield on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at six thirty of the clock in the evening (polls at this location will be open from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) to ballot for Town Officers and other questions required by law to be decided by ballot.

ARTICLE 1: To vote an Australian Ballot for all necessary Town Officers.

ARTICLE 2: To vote by ballot on amendments to the Zoning Ordinances.

The business meeting will be called to order at 6:30 of the clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for the reconstruction of 3,000 feet more or less by 18 foot wide section of Poocham Road beginning at Pond Brook Road and ending at the Old Robertson Cemetery, and to authorize the issuance of not more than Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. [2/3 ballot vote required]
(Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend \$150,000)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to reconstruct 3,000 feet more or less by 18 foot wide section of North Poocham Road beginning at Pond Brook Road ending at the Old Robertson Cemetery.

(Inserted by Petition)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for the reconstruction of 3,000 feet more or less by 18 foot wide section of Poocham Road beginning at Pond Brook Road and ending at the Old Robertson Cemetery.
(Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend \$150,000)

ARTICLE 6: To vote on the following modifications of the Elderly Exemptions from property under the provisions of RSA 72:39-b: Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Chesterfield, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$30,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$45,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$60,000. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$25,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$30,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$60,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive years,

own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by the person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years.

ARTICLE 7: To vote on the following modification of the optional Veterans' Tax Credit, under the provisions of RSA 72:28: Shall we modify the tax credit from \$100 to \$200, effective April 1, 2004.

ARTICLE 8: To hear the report of the Budget Committee, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Dollars (\$2,118,270) for the following purposes, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

1. Executive	111,002
2. Elections, Registrations, Vital Stats	44,005
3. Financial Administration	48,876
4. Legal Expense	25,000
5. Personnel Administration	269,000
6. Planning Board	13,280
7. Board of Adjustment	7,300
8. General Government Buildings	25,700
9. Cemeteries	40,685
10. General Insurance	44,000
11. Regional Association (SWRPC)	4,200
12. Police	313,237
13. Police Reimbursable Detail	20,000
14. Ambulance	15,000
15. Code Enforcement	33,700
16. Office of Emergency Management	56,000
17. Forest Fires	4,000
18. Highway/Town Road Maintenance	551,964
19. Street Lighting	16,000
20. Solid Waste	216,257
21. Health Officer	10,950
22. Animal Control	4,900
23. Other Health (Hepatitis B Shots)	300
24. General Assistance	25,000
25. Parks and Recreation	57,139
26. Library	98,475
27. Patriotic Purposes	400
28. Conservation Commission	3,000
29. Debt Service	<u>58,900</u>
	2,118,270

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) to purchase a used roll-off truck at the Transfer Station, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand Dollars (\$21,000) to purchase a trash compactor at the Transfer Station, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for rebuilding the Transfer Station building, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to construct a new roadway entrance into the Transfer Station and Highway facilities and authorize the use of fund balance in that amount for this purpose, or act in any way related thereto. This new roadway entrance will be north of the existing entrance (Old Brattleboro Road) on land currently owned by the Town, bypassing the existing brook.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Four Dollars (\$98,274) for the purpose of resurfacing Town roads, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the development of the Master Plan. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the Master Plan is completed or by December 31, 2009, whichever is sooner, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Three Thousand Dollars (\$63,000) to be added to the already established Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the already established Highway Roof for Fuel Tanks and Fueling Area Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the already established Right of Way Survey Expendable Trust Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Six Thousand Dollars (\$66,000) to be added to the already established Town Office Building Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the already established Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the already established Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to be added to the already established Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to upgrade the Police Department telephone system and to authorize the use of the fund balance of the 2003 Police Department budget in that amount, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) for the purchase of new Police cruiser light bars, and authorize the withdrawal of up to Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) from the Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for computer upgrades at the police department and authorize the withdrawal of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) from the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500) for Wares Grove Building repair and authorize the withdrawal of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500) from the Parks & Recreation Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to repair the North Shore beach area, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Cemetery Truck Replacement Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of future cemetery truck replacement and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) toward this purpose. And further, to see if the Town will vote to appoint the Cemetery Commission (Trustees) as agents to expend from this fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Cemetery Mower Replacement Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of future cemetery mower replacement and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) toward this purpose. And further, to see if the Town will vote to appoint the Cemetery Commission (Trustees) as agents to expend from this fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

- ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250) to support the Chesterfield Senior Meals program, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Thirteen Dollars (\$7,513) to aid Home Healthcare and Community Services and Meals on Wheels, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Four Dollars (\$4,524) to support the work of Monadnock Family Services/Mental Health, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to support the work of Keene Community Kitchen, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$140) to support the work of Windham Youth Services, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred and Forty Six Dollars (\$1,146) to support the work of The Southwestern Community Services, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) to support the work of The Samaritans, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$350) to support the work of The Gathering Place, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) to support the work of The Visiting Nurse Alliance, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) to support the work of The Drop In Center, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to accept the following to be added to the Chesterfield Cemetery Maintenance Funds:

Edward and Linda Penning Cheever \$1,350.00
Friedsam Cemetery Lots #89 A+B, 107 A+B, 108 A+B

Sandra Pechillo \$ 225.00
Friedsam Cemetery Lot #35A

Memorial Day flowers – Frank H. Watts & Edward Haynes \$ 1,000.00
Chesterfield West Cemetery Lot #103

Memorial Day flowers – D. Homer Cray \$ 700.00
Chesterfield West Cemetery Lots #106

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to accept the following to be added to the 1924 Mead Cemetery Fund:

James G. Mead \$ 500.00

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to dispose of municipal assets by sealed bid, or by other means as deemed appropriate, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 43: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands this Twelfth day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Four.

Chesterfield Board of Selectmen

Frederick Szmit

Warren Porter

Chester Greenwood

A True Attested Copy of the Warrant
Chesterfield Selectmen

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD 2004

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	ACTUAL APPROP. 2003	ACTUAL EXPEND. 2003	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED 2004	NOT RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN 2004	BUDGET COMM. RECOMMENDED 2004	NOT RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMM. 2004
General Government						
Executive	107,304	97,676	111,002	0	111,002	0
Elections, Regs,Vital Stats	37,088	39,851	44,005	0	44,005	0
Financial Administration	48,338	40,227	48,876	0	48,876	0
Legal Expense	25,000	10,403	25,000	0	25,000	0
Personnel Administration	258,900	237,179	269,000	0	269,000	0
Planning & Zoning	20,030	14,757	20,580	0	20,580	0
General Government Buildings	26,100	21,711	25,700	0	25,700	0
Cemeteries	41,581	40,230	40,685	0	40,685	0
General Insurance	40,000	43,644	44,000	0	44,000	0
Regional Association (SWRPC)	4,000	3,956	4,200	0	4,200	0
PUBLIC SAFETY						
Police	383,951	296,478	333,237	0	333,237	0
Ambulance	13,700	13,688	15,000	0	15,000	0
Code Enforcement	34,550	26,491	33,700	0	33,700	0
OEM/Emergency Management	17,400	8,642	56,000	0	56,000	0
Forest Fires	4,000	2,768	4,000	0	4,000	0
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS						
Administration, Highways & Streets	23,850	37,162	23,467	0	23,467	0
Highways and Streets	501,865	566,790	528,497	0	528,497	0
Street Lighting	15,600	14,213	16,000	0	16,000	0
SANITATION						
Transfer Station	191,336	210,265	216,257	0	216,257	0

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD 2004

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	ACTUAL APPROP. 2003	ACTUAL EXPEND. 2003	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED 2004	NOT RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN 2004		BUDGET COMM. RECOMMENDED 2004	NOT RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMM. 2004
HEALTH/WELFARE							
Health Officer	10,150	9,949	10,950	0	0	10,950	0
Animal Control	3,000	320	4,900	0	0	4,900	0
Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	20,209	19,755	20,923	0	0	20,923	0
Direct Assistance - Welfare	25,000	5,366	25,000	0	0	25,000	0
CULTURE AND RECREATION							
Parks and Recreation	52,881	52,728	57,139	0	0	57,139	0
Library	90,996	90,996	98,475	0	0	98,475	0
Patriotic Purposes	400	380	400	0	0	400	0
CONSERVATION							
Conservation Commission	3,000	1,633	3,000	0	0	3,000	0
DEBT SERVICE							
Principal/Interes/TAN	64,300	59,275	58,900	0	0	58,900	0
CAPITAL OUTLAYS							
Reconstruct Poocham Road bonding	0	0	150,000	100,000	100,000	150,000	100,000
Reconstruct Poocham Road	0	0	150,000	100,000	100,000	150,000	100,000
Master Plan development	0	0	30,000	0	0	30,000	0
Used Roll-off truck	0	0	45,000	0	0	0	450,000
Trash Compactor	0	0	21,000	0	0	21,000	0
Transfer Station building	0	0	10,000	0	0	10,000	0
New Roadway to Highway facility	0	0	100,000	0	0	100,000	0
Resurfacing	127,018	127,018	98,274	0	0	98,274	0
Upgrade Police Telephone System	0	0	6,000	0	0	6,000	0
Police Cruiser Light Bar	0	0	6,000	0	0	6,000	0
Police Computer upgrade	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0	1,500	0
Wares Grove Building repair	0	0	5,500	0	0	5,500	0
North Shore Beach area repair	0	0	4,000	0	0	4,000	0

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD 2004

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	ACTUAL APPROP. 2003	ACTUAL EXPEND. 2003	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED 2004	NOT RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN 2004	BUDGET COMM. RECOMMENDED 2004	NOT RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMM. 2004
TO CAPITAL RESERVES						
Revaluation CRF	0	0	10,000	0	10,000	0
Town Office Building CRF	65,000	65,000	66,000	0	66,000	0
Highway Heavy Equipment CRF	59,000	59,000	63,000	0	63,000	0
Police Cruiser CRF	20,000	20,000	20,000	0	20,000	0
Police Equipment CRF	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	12,000	0
Highway Roof for fuel tanks CRF	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	0
TO TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS						
Right of Way Expendable Trust	500	500	1,000	0	1,000	0
Cemetery Truck Replacement Exp Trust	0	0	1,500	0	1,500	0
Cemetery Mower Replacement Exp Trust	0	0	1,500	0	1,500	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	2,359,547	2,261,551	2,951,167	200,000	2,906,167	650,000

ESTIMATED REVENUES FOR 2004

TAXES

Land Use Change Tax	0
Yield Tax	10,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	9,500
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	54,000
Excavation Tax	2,000

LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES

Business Licenses & Permits	2,500
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	625,000
Building Permits	25,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	11,000

FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

0

FROM STATE

Shared Revenues	16,000
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	110,000
Highway Block Grant	80,000
State & Fed. Forest Land Reimb.	7,500
Other	42,000

FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

20,100

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

Income From Departments	68,000
Other Charges	45,000

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Sale of Municipal Property	1,000
Interest on Investments	15,000
Other	29,300

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

From Special Revenue Funds	0
From Capital Reserve Funds	13,000
Trust & Agency Funds	7,900

Proc. From Long Term Bonds & Notes 250,000

Amounts Voted from Surplus 106,000

TOTALS 1,549,800

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION 2003

	Chesterfield & W. Chesterfield		Spofford		Total Town
Value of Land Only:					
Current Use	\$ 923,200		\$ 481,000		\$ 1,404,200
Conservation Restriction Assessment	5,800		0		5,800
Discretionary Easement	0		22,000		22,000
Residential	46,121,700		96,044,800		142,166,500
Commercial/Industrial	5,837,700		4,808,600		10,646,300
Total of Taxable Land	52,888,400		101,356,400		154,244,800
Value of Buildings Only					
Residential	\$ 88,958,500		\$ 97,622,400		\$ 186,580,900
Manufactured Housing	449,200		395,800		845,000
Commercial/Industrial	17,001,100		5,483,800		22,484,900
Total Value of Taxable Buildings	106,408,800		103,502,000		209,910,800
Public Utilities	\$ 2,568,322		\$ 0		\$ 2,568,322
Valuation Before Exemptions	\$ 161,865,522		\$ 204,858,400		\$ 366,723,922
Blind Exemptions	0	(1)	15,600	(1)	15,600
Elderly Exemptions	(20) 620,000	(15)	500,000	(35)	1,120,000
Physically Handicapped Exemption	0		0		0
Total Dollar Amount of Exemption	620,000		515,600		1,135,600
NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$161,245,522		\$204,342,800		\$365,588,322
REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES					
State Forest Land					7,468
Camp Spofford					9,500
TAX CREDITS					
Totally & Permanently Disabled Veterans		(8)			11,200
Other War Service Credits		(199)			19,900
ELDERLY EXEMPTION COUNT					
Number of Individuals With Initial Applications in 2003			1 @ \$20,000		
			1 @ \$30,000		
Total Number of Elderly Exemptions Granted in 2003			8 @ \$20,000		
			12 @ \$30,000		
			15 @ \$40,000		

CURRENT USE REPORT

<u>Use</u>	<u>Acres</u>	
Farm Land	1,437	
Forest Land	14,545	
Unproductive Land	81	
Wet Land	527	
Total Number of Acres Exempted Under Current Use		16,590

CHESTERFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN MEETING 2003

Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting of the voters of the Town of Chesterfield, New Hampshire, called at the Chesterfield School in said town on Tuesday, March 11, 2003.

Assistant Moderator Warren Allen called the Town Meeting to order at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Town Hall and declared the polls open for voting by ballot for Town Officials and amendments to the Zoning Ordinances.

Polls were closed at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall and voting resumed at 6:30 pm at the Chesterfield School. Moderator Michael Bentley called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm with Warren Allen and Amy LaFontaine as assistant moderator and deputy clerk, respectively.

Police Chief, Lester Fairbanks, let the meeting in the salute to the flag.

Moderator Bentley introduced two interpreters for the hearing impaired and asked if there was anyone present in need of their services. Seeing no reply, he stated that he would ask again in a half hour and if there was still no one needing their services they would be free to go.

ARTICLE 3: Chairman Robert Borofsky presented the report of the Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made by Fred Szmit and seconded by Chet Greenwood to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Forty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$2,047,620) for the following purposes, or act in any way related thereto. (\$2,039,474 recommended by Budget Committee).

	Recommended By The Selectmen	Recommended By The Budget Committee
1. Executive	107,304	107,304
2. Elections, Registrations, Vital Stats	38,088	37,088
3. Financial Administration	48,338	48,338
4. Legal Expense	25,000	25,000
5. Personnel Administration	258,900	258,900
6. Planning Board	13,280	13,280
7. Board of Adjustment	6,750	6,750
8. General Government Buildings	26,100	26,100
9. Cemeteries	41,581	41,581
10. General Insurance	40,000	40,000
11. Regional Association (SWRPC)	4,000	4,000
12. Police	303,951	303,951
13. Police Reimbursable Detail	80,000	80,000
14. Ambulance	13,700	13,700
15. Code Enforcement	34,550	34,550

16.	Office of Emergency Management	17,400	17,400
17.	Forest Fires	4,000	4,000
18.	Highway/Town Road Maintenance	525,715	525,715
19.	Street Lighting	15,600	15,600
20.	Solid Waste	191,336	191,336
21.	Health Officer	10,150	10,150
22.	Animal Control	5,000	1,000
23.	Other Health (Hepatitis B Shots)	300	300
24.	General Assistance	25,000	25,000
25.	Parks and Recreation	52,881	52,881
26.	Library	90,996	87,850
27.	Patriotic Purposes	400	400
28.	Conservation Commission	3,000	3,000
29.	Debt Service	<u>64,300</u>	<u>64,300</u>
		2,047,620	2,039,474

A voice vote was in the negative on a motion was made by Bob Borofsky and seconded by Susan Newcomer to amend Article 4 to read: \$2,039,474, the amount recommended by the Budget Committee.

A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Bob Borofsky and seconded by Cathy Harvey to amend Article 4 to read \$2,044,620, decreasing the Election budget by \$1,000 and decreasing the Animal Control budget to \$3,000.

A voice vote was in the affirmative to adopt Article 4 as amended.

Michael Bentley once again asked the there was anyone in need of the services for the hearing impaired. Seeing no show of hands he released the interpreters.

ARTICLE 5: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Warren Porter and seconded by Fred Szmit to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000) to be added to the already established Town Office Building Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 6: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Fred Szmit and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Nine Thousand Dollars (\$59,000) to be added to the already established Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 7: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Chet Greenwood and seconded by Bart Bevis to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Two Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty One Dollars (\$52,621) to purchase a F0559 Truck for the Highway Department and authorize the withdrawal of up to Fifty Two Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty One Dollars (\$52,621) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, said amount to be offset by the amount received from the trade-in or sale of the existing 1994 F-350 Truck, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 8: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Warren Porter and seconded by Bart Bevis to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Seven Thousand Eighteen Dollars (\$127,018) for the purpose of resurfacing Town roads, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 9: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Fred Szmít and seconded by Bart Bevis to see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Highway Roof for Fuel Tanks and Fueling Area and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 10: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Chet Greenwood and seconded by Bart Bevis to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to be added to the already established Right of Way Survey Expendable Trust Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 11: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Warren Porter and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the already established Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 12: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Fred Szmít and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to be added to the already established Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 13: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Chet Greenwood and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$29,500) for the purchase of a police cruiser and switchover costs, and authorize the withdrawal of up to Twenty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$29,500) from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 14: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Warren Porter and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500) for the replacement and upgrading of firearms, holsters and training for the police department and authorize the withdrawal of up to Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500) from the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 15: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Fred Szmit and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for the purchase of Golden Eagle Radar with Video Interface for the police department and authorize the withdrawal of up to Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) from the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 16: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Chet Greenwood and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for computer upgrades at the police department and authorize the withdrawal of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) from the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 17: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Warren Porter and seconded by Bob Yacubian to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500) to wire the Chesterfield School to accept a generator and to construct a pad for a generator to be placed on or act in any way related thereto. The purpose is to have the ability to use the school for an emergency shelter, if needed.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 18: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Fred Szmit and seconded by Neil Jenness to see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Cemetery Development at Friedsam Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of future cemetery expansion and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) toward this purpose. And further, to see if the Town will vote to appoint the Cemetery Commission (Trustees) as agents to expend from this fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 19: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Chet Greenwood and seconded by Susan Newcomer to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to support the Chesterfield Senior Meals program, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 20: A motion was made by Susan Newcomer and seconded by Neil Jenness to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety Eight Dollars (\$7,398) to aid Home Healthcare and Community Services and Meals on Wheels, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Neil Jenness and seconded by Susan Newcomer to amend Article 20 to Seven thousand nine hundred ninety eight dollars (\$7998), the additional \$600 to support a 12 week exercise program for senior citizens.

A voice vote was in the affirmative to adopt Article 20 as amended.

A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Susan Newcomer and seconded by Toni O'Neil to accept **Articles 21 through 28** as written.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety Five Dollars (\$4,495) to support the work of Monadnock Family Services/Mental Health, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to support the work of Keene Community Kitchen, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$140) to support the work of Windham Youth Services, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Twenty Six Dollars (\$726) to support the work of The Southwestern Community Services, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) to support the work of The Samaritans, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$350) to support the work of The Gathering Place, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) to support the work of The Visiting Nurse Alliance, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) to support the work of The Drop In Center, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 29: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Neil Jenness and seconded by Toni O'Neil to see if the Town will vote to accept the following to be added to the Chesterfield Cemetery Maintenance Fund:

Sylvia Benson

\$ 225.00

Chesterfield West Cemetery Lots #74E B-2, C-3

Edward M. and J. Gail Meyer Friedsam Cemetery Lots #103 A+B and 104 A+B	\$ 900.00
Kevin Lougee Friedsam Cemetery Lots #216B	\$ 225.00
Linda Claflin Chesterfield West Cemetery Lots #82W G+H	\$ 450.00
David D. and Susan L. Allen Friedsam Cemetery Lots #120 A+B	\$ 450.00
Ryan E. and Minday A. McAvoy Friedsam Cemetery Lots #86 A+B and 85B	\$ 675.00
Nina M. Foster Friedsam Cemetery Lots #33 A+B	\$ 450.00

ARTICLE 30: A vote by a show of hands was in the affirmative on a motion made by Fred Szmít and seconded by Bob Del Sesto to see if the Town will vote to amend the Chesterfield Scenic Road Designation, adopted at Town Meeting on March 12, 1996, to impose provisions with respect to such a road which are different from or in addition to those set forth in RSA 231:158 Effect of Designation as Scenic Roads as follows:

Any state, municipality, utility, or person prior to the cutting, damage, or removal of trees, or the tearing down or destruction of stone walls within the scenic road Right-of Way shall, in addition to the provisions of RSA 231:158, post signs in a prominent position (as specified by the Planning Board) at all intersections with other roads seven days before the public hearing required by RSA 231:158. The signs shall notify travelers that said work is planned for the scenic road. The signs shall be of a size and wording approved by the Planning Board. The Planning Board, at its discretion, may require the applicant to number and flag significant trees at the same time that the signs are posted. The provisions of this paragraph shall not limit or restrict the threat to safety or the prompt restoration of utility services provisions of RSA 231:158 II. or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 31: A motion was made by Chet Greenwood and seconded by Tim Butterworth to see if the Town will vote to discontinue a section of the North Hinsdale Rd. starting at the Hinsdale/Chesterfield line and continuing northerly for about a quarter of a mile to the junction with Bradley Road.

(Inserted by Petition)

After much discussion and a voice vote to limit debate, a voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Tim Butterworth and seconded by Bob Yacubian to amend Article 31 to read: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify a portion of North Hinsdale Road starting at the Hinsdale/Chesterfield line and continuing northerly for about a quarter of a mile to the junction with Bradley Road as a Class VI road SUBJECT TO GATES AND BARS. Said portion of North Hinsdale Road is currently classified as a highway to summer cottage.

A voice vote was in the affirmative to adopt Article 31 as amended.

Moderator Bentley declared the polls closed at 8:03 pm.

ARTICLE 32: A voice vote was in the negative on a motion made by Val Starbuck and seconded by Jim O'Neil to adopt the following: Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health insurance coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved That we, the citizens of CHESTERFIELD, New Hampshire, call our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that: Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un – and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive; Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system; Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

(Inserted by Petition)

ARTICLE 33: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Fred Szmit and seconded by Bob Del Sesto to see if the Town will vote to change the name of the Stow Mills Fund, a trust fund established in 1992 to United Natural Foods Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 34: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Chet Greenwood and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to dispose of municipal assets by sealed bid, or by other means as deemed appropriate, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 35: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Anthony Vulcano asked that someone speak about the state of the revaluation of property in town. Rick Carrier stated that it was approximately 60% done and hopefully will be completed by August. In the near future the assessors may begin scheduling night and weekend hours in an effort to get it all completed.

The moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

The ballots cast under Articles 1 and 2 were counted.

Number of names on the checklist 2075
Number of Ballots Cast 182

Article 1	Votes
Selectman for Three Years Chester Greenwood	174*

Town Clerk for Three Years Shirley Philbrick	174*
Tax Collector for One Year Elizabeth Benjamin	176*
Treasurer for One Year Edward Cheever	174*
Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years Susan C. Drew	174*
Budget Committee for One Year Linda Lord (write in)	6 (declined)
Ray Egan (write in)	5*
Tom Woodman (write in)	5 (declined)
Budget Committee for Three Years Robert Brockmann	153*
Rick Harrington	156*
Tom Woodman (write in)	5 (declined)
Al Chesley (write in)	3 (declined)
Linda Lord (write in)	3 (declined)
Cemetery Commission for Three Years Rick Johnston	153*
David N Smith	163*
Library Trustee for Three Years Lee Brockmann	126*
Jean Hansen (write in)	13
Karen LaRue (write in)	6*
Library Trustee for Two Years Jean T Hansen	83*
Karen LaRue	62

* declared elected

Article 2

- 1.) A vote was in the affirmative to adopt Amendment #1 to amend sections **206.1a Requirements and Restrictions AND 206.3 Uses Permitted by Special Exception** under Article II, Use Districts Section 205 Commercial/Industrial District (C/I) of the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

206.1a Requirements and Restrictions

The following requirements and restrictions apply to all uses:

- A. All resulting noise, dust, glare, vapors, smoke odors and refuse are confined to the interior of buildings.
- B. The use is not offensive to surrounding properties due to glare, noise, smoke dust, odors, fumes, vibrations, excessive traffic or blocked views.
- C. No outside storage of goods or materials except as may be permitted under site plan review.

206.3 Uses Permitted by Special Exception

In the C/I District, the following uses only are permitted as special exceptions granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment pursuant to Section 601.3 Section 206.1a (Requirements and Restrictions) applies.

- A. Places of manufacturing, assembly, testing, or packaging of goods.
- B. Trucking and freight materials.
- C. Dwelling units in buildings containing uses permitted by Section 206.2 provided that dwelling units occupy no more than 50 percent (50%) of the floor area of a building and that the gross residential density of the site does not exceed one (1) dwelling unit per two (2) acres.

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 136

No 40

2.) A vote was in the affirmative to adopt Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board to amend section **13.02 Codes** under Section 1 Restrictions of the Town Building Ordinances as follows:

13.02 CODES – All construction, prefabrication, alteration, modification, repairs and maintenance, unless otherwise covered by the ordinance of the Chesterfield Zoning Ordinance, shall be in accordance with the codes being those adopted by the State of New Hampshire or otherwise determined by the Chesterfield Board of Selectmen:

- BOCA National Building Code 1999
- International Building Code 2000
- International Plumbing Code 2000
- International Mechanical Code 2000
- International Energy Conservation Code 2000
- National Electrical Code 1999
- Life Safety Code

This Ordinance is not intended to prevent an individual from construction, prefabricating, altering, modifying, repairing or maintaining structures on his/her property, or from using materials on his/her property for this purpose, subject to the constraints of state statute and pertinent codes.

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 138

No 39

Respectfully submitted:

Shirley E. Philbrick
Town Clerk

REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

March 11, 2003

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. RSA 21-J:34.

Frederick Szmit
Warren Porter
Chester Greenwood
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Executive	\$	107,304
Election, Registration & Vital Stats.		37,088
Financial Administration		48,338
Legal Expense		25,000
Personnel Administration		258,900
Planning and Zoning		20,030
General Government Buildings		26,100
Cemeteries		41,581
Insurance		40,000
Advertising & Regional Association		4,000

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police		303,951
Police Reimbursable Detail		80,000
Ambulance		13,700
Code Enforcement		34,550
Emergency Management		17,400
Other Public Safety (Forest Fires)		4,000

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:

Administration		23,850
Highways & Streets		501,865
Street Lighting		15,600

SANITATION:

Administration		191,336
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HEALTH:

Health Officer		10,150
Animal Control		3,000
Health Agencies and Hospitals		20,209

WELFARE:

Direct Assistance		25,000
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CULTURE AND RECREATION:

Parks and Recreation		52,881
Library		90,996
Patriotic Purposes		400

CONSERVATION:

Commission Operating Budget 3,000

DEBT SERVICE:

Principal - Long Term Bonds & Notes 50,000
Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes 9,300
Interest on TANS 5,000

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

Land 0
Machines, Vehicles & Equipment 111,667
Buildings 0
Improvements Other Than Buildings 127,018

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:

To Capital Reserve Funds 166,000
To Expendable Trust Funds 5,500

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$ 2,474,714

NET ASSESSED VALUATION: 365,588,322

TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT 7,176,047

TAX RATE PER THOUSAND OF VALUATION:

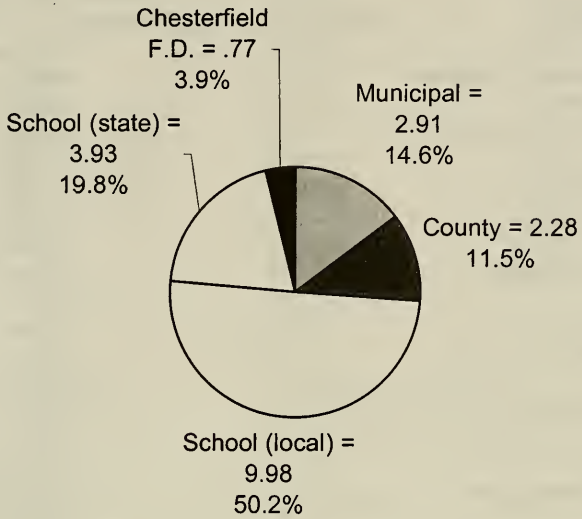
Municipal 2.91
County 2.28
School (local) 9.98
School (state) 3.93
TOTAL 19.10

Spofford Fire District 0.54 TOTAL = 19.64
Chesterfield Fire Department 0.77 TOTAL = 19.87

Chesterfield/W. Chesterfield

Tax Rate = 19.87

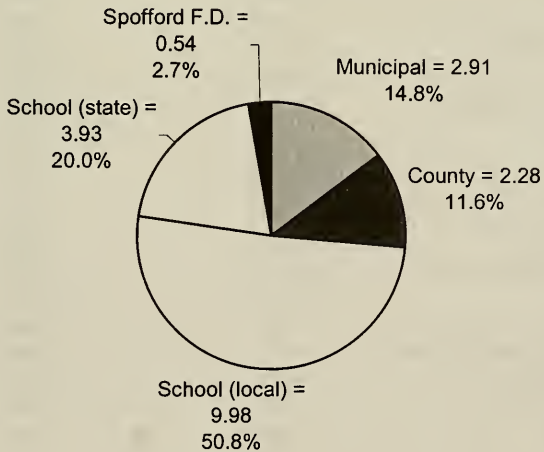
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Spofford

Tax Rate = 19.64

2003



COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES - 2003

ITEMS	03 Approp.	Expended	Unexpended (Overdraft)
Executive	107,304	97,676	9,628
Elections/Registration/Vital Statistics	37,088	39,851	(2,763)
Financial Administration	48,338	40,227	8,111
Revaluation of Property (from 2002)	74,175	52,175	22,000
Legal	25,000	10,403	14,597
Personnel Administration	258,900	237,179	21,721
Planning Board	13,280	7,089	6,191
Zoning Board	6,750	7,668	(918)
General Government Buildings	26,100	21,711	4,389
Cemeteries	41,581	40,230	1,351
General Insurance	40,000	43,644	(3,644)
Regional Association	4,000	3,956	44
Police	303,951	278,224	25,727
Police Reimbursable Detail	80,000	18,254	61,746
Ambulance	13,700	13,688	12
Code Enforcement	34,550	26,491	8,059
OEM/Emergency Management	17,400	8,642	8,758
Forest Fires	4,000	2,768	1,232
Highways & Streets	525,715	603,952	(78,237)
Street Lighting	15,600	14,213	1,387
Solid Waste	191,336	210,265	(18,929)
Health Officer	10,150	9,949	201
Animal Control	3,000	320	2,680
Hepatitis B Shots	300	300	0
General Assistance	25,000	5,366	19,634
Parks & Recreation	52,881	52,728	153
Library	90,996	90,996	0
Patriotic Purposes	400	380	20
Conservation Commission	3,000	1,633	1,367
Debt Service	64,300	59,275	5,025
Highway F-550 Truck purchase	52,621	52,621	0
PD Computer Upgrade	1,500	1,500	0
PD Cruiser Purchase	29,500	29,276	224
PD Body Armor (from 2002)	4,546	1,412	3,134
PD Firearms, Holsters, Training	8,500	8,435	65
PD Golden Eagle Radar	2,500	2,493	7
OEM Generator set up for school	12,500	12,500	0
Resurfacing	127,018	127,018	0
Home Health/M.O.W.	7,998	7,544	454
Monadnock Fam. Serv./Mental Health	4,495	4,495	0
Keene Community Kitchen	5,000	5,000	0
Youth Services	140	140	0
The Gathering Place	350	350	0

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES - 2003

Chesterfield Senior Meals	500	500	0
Southwestern Community Services	726	726	0
Samaritans	250	250	0
Visiting Nurse Alliance	250	250	0
Drop In Center	200	200	0
Right of Way Exp Trust	500	500	0
Cemetery Dev. Friedsam Exp Trust	5,000	5,000	0
Highway Heavy Equipment CRF	59,000	59,000	0
Highway Roof for Fuel Tanks CRF	10,000	10,000	0
Police Cruiser CRF	20,000	20,000	0
Police Equipment CRF	12,000	12,000	0
Town Office Building CRF	65,000	65,000	0

TOTALS	2,548,889	2,425,463	123,426
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Liabilities to Carry Over - 2003		Excess Appropriations:	123,426
None	0	Liabilities to Carry Over	0
		Revenues In Excess of Est.:	167,667
Revenues Received:	1,644,681		
Revised Estimated Revenues:	1,477,014	Balance:	291,093
Revenues In Excess of Estimate:	167,667		

These figures are based on the Town portion of the budget only and do not include tax revenues, discounts & refunds or payments to the School, Spofford Fire District, Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct, Cheshire County or the State of New Hampshire.

STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUES FOR 2003

<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED</u> (Oct. 2003)	<u>ACTUAL</u>
TAXES		
Land Use Change Tax	0	0
Yield Tax	7,000	7,065
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	9,500	9,500
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	50,000	52,589
Excavation Tax	2,900	2,914
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		
Business Licenses & Permits	2,400	2,397
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	630,000	669,931
Building Permits	30,000	30,793
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	12,000	13,550
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	6,000	125,134
FROM STATE		
Shared Revenues	18,310	32,652
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	106,952	106,952
Highway Block Grant	171,363	171,363
State & Fed. Forest Land Reimb.	7,468	7,468
Other	20,000	20,424
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	21,000	20,985
CHARGES FOR SERVICES		
Income From Departments	65,000	70,414
Other Charges	42,000	41,714
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		
Sale of Municipal Property	23,500	23,500
Interest on Investments	14,000	13,221
Other	60,000	58,129
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		
From Capital Reserve Funds	94,621	154,235
Trust & Agency Funds	8,000	9,751
Amounts Voted from Surplus	0	
TOTALS	1,402,014	1,644,681

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT 2003

MUNICIPALITY:	Chesterfield, NH		
TYPE OF NOTE (BOND OR LONG-TERM):	Bond		
AMOUNT OF BOND OR LONG-TERM NOTE:	267,750		
PURPOSE OF ISSUE:	To Erect Chesterfield Fire Station		
AUTHORIZED BY:	Annual Meeting	DATE:	03/08/1994
BANK(S):	New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank		
DATE ISSUED:	08/15/1994	DATE DUE:	08/15/2009
ORIGINAL AMOUNT:	\$267,750	INTEREST RATE	variable
PRINCIPAL BALANCE (AS OF 12/31/03)	\$90,000		
PRINCIPAL PAYABLE DATE:	08/15/2003		
INTEREST PAYABLE DATES:	2/15/03 & 8/15/03		
INITIAL PAYMENT DUE:	08/15/1995		
ANNUAL PRINCIPAL PAYMENT:	Variable		

TYPE OF NOTE (BOND OR LONG-TERM):	Bond		
AMOUNT OF BOND OR LONG-TERM NOTE:	263,935		
PURPOSE OF ISSUE:	For Construction & Original Equipping of a New Library		
BANK(S):	New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank		
AUTHORIZED BY:	Annual Meeting	DATE:	03/11/1997
DATE ISSUED:	08/15/1997	DATE DUE:	08/15/2004
ORIGINAL AMOUNT:	\$263,935	INTEREST RATE:	4.70%
PRINCIPAL BALANCE (AS OF 12/31/03)	\$35,000		
PRINCIPAL PAYABLE DATE:	08/15/2003		
INTEREST PAYABLE DATES:	2/15/03 & 8/15/03		
INITIAL PAYMENT DUE:	08/15/1998		
ANNUAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:	Variable		

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
(As of 4/1/03)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS & LANDS:

4-A04	Land	32,500
4-A05	Highway Garage & Recycling Center	496,800
5D-B35	North Shore L&B	351,300
5M-A11	Wares Grove L&B	865,000
12-B01	Friedsam Forest	190,100
12-B03	Friedsam Memorial Park	142,500
12B-B04	New Library L&B	510,100
12B-B05	Town Hall & Friedsam Building	422,600
12B-C09	Town Office L&B	257,200
12B-C09	Police Station	75,200

LANDS & BUILDINGS ACQUIRED BY TAX COLLECTOR'S DEED:

2B-B17	Poocham Rd	1.56 acres	33,200
5E-D5& 6	Pine St.	7,670 sf	17,700
5E-D12&13	Pine St.	6.78 acres	71,800
5E-D19	N. Shore Rd.	12,231 sf	40,400
5E-D22	Pierce St.	16,406 sf	30,800
5J-D02	Pine Crest Dr.	1.05 acres	31,900
5K-A04	Off Canal St.	1,800 sf	67,600
8-C03	Off Rte. 9	3.00 acres	35,800
8-C23	Off Forestview Drive	8.00 acres	9,600
10B-A2	400 Route 9A	1.37 acres	92,800
11A-B06	Old Chesterfield Rd.	7,313 sf	26,500
11A-B07	Old Chesterfield Rd.	10,000 sf	19,700
13B-A12	Main St.	8,750 sf	28,900
14B-C1	Route 9	12,750 sf	10,100
14B-C2	Route 9	9,435 sf	9,700
14C-C15	Mountain Road	8,000 sf	13,300
14C-C16	Mountain Road	7,000 sf	13,000
15-A15.4	Gulf Rd.	5.00 acres	27,900
20-A12	Ebon Brown Rd.	7.66 acres	4,600
20-E1	Old Swanzey Rd.	8.50 acres	25,000
21-A03	Carlton Rd.	18,000 sf	8,300
21-A03.1	Winchester Rd.	4.75 acres	17,700
24-A04	Gulf & Merrifield	40.00 acres	103,500
25-A12	Gulf Road	5.10 acres	28,000

OTHER PROPERTIES:

5C-C09	Wheeler lot- N. Shore	275,400
6-A32.1	Westmoreland Rd.	32,100
7-A07	Blodgett/Ricci Donation	3,000
12B-A12	Rte. 63 – Sunset Strip	39,000
12B-C08	Route 63 – adjoin Fire Station	48,300
12B-D03.1	Fire Pond – Old Chesterfield Rd.	10,700
13-H22	Morrisse Gift - Route 9	17,000
14C-D05	Gulf Rd. Green Belt	43,500
16-A05	Route 63 & Stage (old hwy lot)	53,100
24-A01	Off Gulf Rd.	41,200
24-A02	Off Gulf Rd	27,800

Total: 4,702,200

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

FOR THE YEAR 2003

RECEIPTS

Dog Licenses			
4	Issued 2001	\$	60.00
768	Issued 2002		5194.00
	Total Dog Licenses	\$	5254.00
Vehicle Permits: 5406 Issued	\$	659118.20	
Motor Vehicle Overpayments		132.00	
Penalty Fees		175.00	
Filing Fees		5.00	
Marriage Licenses		456.00	
Vital Record Fees		453.00	
Civil Forfeiture Fines		400.00	
Postage		30.00	
Copies of the Checklist		137.75	
		\$	660906.95
	Total Receipts	\$	666160.95

PAYMENTS

Clerk's Fee for Issuing:			
772 Dog Licenses	\$	772.00	
Paid to Treasurer:			
Dog Licenses		4482.00	
Vehicle Permits		659118.20	
Motor Vehicle Overpayments		132.00	
Penalty Fees		175.00	
Filing Fees		5.00	
Marriage Licenses		456.00	
Vital Record Fees		453.00	
Civil Forfeiture Fines		400.00	
Postage		30.00	
Copies of the Checklist		137.75	
	Total Payments	\$	666160.95

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR ENDING 12/31/03**

Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Levy for Year of this Report	2002	2001	2000 & Prior
Property Taxes	XXXXXX	408,007.76	656.13	
Land Use Change	XXXXXX		5,166.08	
Yield Taxes	XXXXXX	1,844.79	610.92	
ExcavationTax @.02/yd	XXXXXX			
Utility Charges	XXXXXX			

Taxes Committed This Year:		
Property Taxes	7,136,742.78	875.00
Land Use Change	7,550.00	
Yield Taxes	6,099.01	
ExcavationTax @.02/yd	2,913.72	
Utility Charges	40,939.00	
Other Charges		47.00

Overpayment:				
Property Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Land Use Change interest			778.70	
Interest - Late Tax	5,086.98	22,086.95	66.49	

TOTAL DEBITS	7,199,331.49	432,861.50	7,278.32	0.00
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Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2002	2001	2000 & Prior
Property Taxes	6,717,035.54	271,238.78	135.70	
Land Use Change	7,550.00		2,780.00	
Yield Taxes	5,219.85	1,844.79		
Interest	5,086.98	22,086.95	66.49	
Penalties - Land Use Change			778.70	
- Yield		420.31		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yc	2,913.72			
Utility Charges	40,939.00			
Conversion to Lien		134,141.67		
Discounts Allowed:				

Abatements Made:				
Property Taxes	2,371.50	3,129.00		
Yield				
Other	113.28			
Adjustments				
Uncollected Taxes End of Year				
Property Taxes	417,222.46		520.43	
Land Use Change			2,386.08	
Yield Taxes	879.16		610.92	
TOTAL CREDITS	7,199,331.49	432,861.50	7,278.32	0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR CHESTERFIELD

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999 & Prior</u>
Unredeemed Liens Balance				
At Beginning of Fiscal Year:		79,692.05	44,297.96	32,937.64
Liens Executed				
During Fiscal Year:	146,419.88			
Interest & Cost Collected				
(AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	3,088.62	6,384.67	11,789.17	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$149,508.50	\$86,076.72	\$56,087.13	\$32,937.64

Credits

Remitted to Treasurer:	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999 & Prior</u>
Redemptions	35,807.12	20,948.51	38,597.60	
Interest & Costs Collected				
(After Lien Execution)	2,563.62	6,502.17	11,789.17	
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	2,355.04	1,723.25	1,664.44	
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance				
End of Year	108,782.72	56,902.79	4,035.92	32,937.64
TOTAL CREDITS	\$149,508.50	\$86,076.72	\$56,087.13	\$32,937.64

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD

TREASURERS REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2003

BEGINNING BALANCE FISCAL YEAR 2003 **2,311,613.13**

REVENUE FROM TAXES

Property Taxes	7,166,404.41
Redemptions	95,353.23
Land Use Change Tax	10,330.00
Yield Tax	7,064.64
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	9,500.00
Excavation Tax	2,913.72
Overpayments	10,075.26
Penalties & Interest	52,589.00

TOTAL REVENUE FROM TAXES **7,354,230.26**

REVENUE FROM LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES

Business Licenses & Permits	2,396.56
Motor Vehicle Permits, Fees & Overpayments	670,063.20
Building Permits & Renewals	30,792.95
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	13,550.31

TOTAL REVENUE FROM LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES **716,803.02**

REVENUE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Federal Grants	125,133.60
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TOTAL REVENUE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT **125,133.60**

REVENUE FROM THE STATE OF N.H.

Shared Revenue – Block Grants	32,652.00
Room and Meals	106,952.48
Highway Block Grants	171,362.52
Forest Land Grants & Reimb.	7,467.96
Emergency Management Grants	12,431.01
Other State Grants & Reimb.	7,993.00

TOTAL REVENUE FROM THE STATE OF N.H. **338,858.97**

REVENUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

Chesterfield Fire Precinct	20,985.00
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TOTAL REVENUE FROM OTHER GOVERNEMENTS 20,985.00

REVENUE FROM DEPARTMENT SERVICES

Police Department	26,724.14
Planning & Zoning Boards	7,377.50
Highway Department	725.22
Cemetery Commission	2,780.00
Recycling Center	32,755.33
Recreational Services	41,714.00
Miscellaneous Dept. Revenue	50.00

TOTAL REVENUE FROM DEPT. SERVICES 112,126.19

REVENUE FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES

Sale of Town Property	23,500.00
Interest on Investments	13,221.11
Rents	1,552.00
Fines and Forfeits	8,968.75
Insurance Payments, Dividends & Reimb.	2,960.43
Contributions & Donations	3,775.00

TOTAL REVENUE FROM MISC. SOURCES 53,977.29

REVENUE FROM OTHER MISC. SOURCES

Miscellaneous Revenue	1,862.05
Reimbursements	36,948.99
Return of Appropriations - Library	2,061.40
Revenue Adjustments	5,582.34

TOTAL REVENUE FROM OTHER MISC. SOURCES 46,454.78

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

Transfers from Conservation Fund	6,166.19
Transfers from Capital Reserves	154,235.00
Transfers from Trust Funds	9,750.70

TOTAL REVENUE FROM INTERFUND TRANSFERS 170,151.89

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE – FISCAL YEAR 2003 11,250,334.13

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS – FISCAL YEAR 2003 (8,652,881.44)

ENDING BALANCE – FISCAL YEAR 2003 2,597,452.69

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD
CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACCOUNTS

SAVINGS ACCOUNT #603008713

Balance 01/01/03	570.43
Earned Interest	3.62
2003 REVENUE	
05/30 State of NH	450.40
10/30 State of NH	110.00
2003 WITHDRAWALS	
12/31 CD #605015809	(257.19)

BALANCE

877.26

CD #605015809

Balance 01/02/03	113,400.00
Earned Interest	2,179.00
Town of Chesterfield (LUC)	4,163.81
Transferred from savings	257.19

BALANCE

120,000.00

TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUNDS

120,877.26

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Chesterfield, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Chesterfield, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Chesterfield, New Hampshire'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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by Town officials, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As more fully described in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which should be included to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not known.

As described in Note 1, the Town has recognized tax revenues of \$444,930 in its General Fund which were not received in cash within sixty days of year end as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GASB Interpretation 3). Town officials believe, and we concur, that the application of this accounting principle, which would result in a decrease of the undesignated General Fund balance from \$990,659 to \$545,729, would give a misleading impression of the Town's ability to meet its current and future obligations.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general purpose financial statements of the omission described in the third paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Chesterfield, New Hampshire as of December 31, 2002 and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its non-expendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

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March 31, 2003

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS 2003

ACCT #	SOURCE	2003 REC'D	
	TAXES:		
3120	Land Use Change Tax	0	
3185	Timber Taxes	7,065	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	9,500	
3187	Excavation Tax	2,914	
3190	Interest & Penalties on Taxes	52,589	
			\$72,068
	LICENSES, PERMITS, FEES:		
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	2,397	
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	669,931	
3230	Building Permits	30,793	
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		
	Dog Licenses	4,482	
	Marriage Licenses	456	
	Vital Records	453	
	Misc Town Clerk Fees	1,467	
	Boat Registrations	6,332	
	Pistol Permits	355	
	Filing, Recording Fees	5	
			\$716,671
	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		
3319	Federal Grant	125,134	
			\$125,134
	FROM STATE:		
3351	Shared Revenues	32,652	
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	106,952	
3353	Highway Block Grant	171,363	
3356	Forest Land Reimbursement	7,468	
3359	Other:		
	Emergency Management & Civil Defense	12,431	
	Misc. State Grants & Reimb	7,993	
			\$338,859
	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		
	Fire Department Bond Payment	20,985	
			\$20,985
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES:		
3401-3406	Income from Departments		
	Police Dept Revenue		
	Accident Reports	525	
	Discovery Reports	200	
	Reimbursable Details	25,597	
	Witness Fees	303	

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS 2003

	Misc. Police Revenue	100	
	Planning Board	2,548	
	Zoning Board	4,830	
	Highway Department Revenue	725	
	Cemetery/Burials	2,780	
	Misc Department Fees	50	
3404	Solid Waste/Recycling Fees	32,755	
3409	Parks & Rec/Admissions, etc	41,714	
			\$112,127
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:		
3501	Sale of Town Property	23,500	
3502	Interest on Investments	13,221	
3503	Rents	1,552	
3504	Court Fines	7,579	
	Parking Fines	655	
	Town Clerk Fines & Forfeitures	680	
	Tax Collector - Misc Charges	55	
3506	Workers Comp. Dividends/Reimb	943	
	Unemployment Ins. Reimbursement	475	
	Prop/Liab Insurance Reimbursements	1,542	
	Cemetery Trust Funds	3,775	
3509	Copies	910	
	Sales	922	
	Refunds	30	
	Misc. Outside Reimbursements	4,015	
	Welfare Reimbursements	11,669	
	Engineering Reimbursements	0	
	Forest Fire Reimbursements	302	
	Utilities Reimbursements	379	
	Rimb Tax Lien - Town Office	15,720	
	Public Works Reimbursements	1,261	
	Health Insurance Reimburse - Retirement	3,604	
	Return of Appropriation	2,061	
			\$94,850
	TRANSFERS IN:		
3912	From Capital Reserve Funds	154,235	
	From Cemetery Trust Funds	9,316	
	From Other Trust Funds	435	
			\$163,986
	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		\$1,644,680

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 2003

Executive/General Government	
Selectmen's Salary	7,454
Meetings & Conferences	619
Mileage	117
General Services	4,908
Tax Map Updating	600
Telephone	2,710
Advertising	2,828
Printing Town Rept/Inv. Bks	2,890
Dues	2,686
Selectmen's Expense	1,167
Office Supplies	3,751
Postage	1,736
Town Car Maintenance	677
Office Equipment	130
Equipment Repairs	544
Computer Equipment	1,895
Town Administrator Salary	38,514
Selectmen's Secretary	20,768
Supervisor of Checklist	403
Trustees of Trust Funds	3,060
Trustees Expense	218
	\$97,675
 Elections, Regs,Vital Stats	
Town Clerk Salary	12,738
Motor Vehicle	18,691
Town Clerk Misc Fees	1,297
Deputy Town Clerk	3,208
Town Clerk Telephone	406
Vital Records - State	839
Dog Licenses - State	1,990
Election Payroll	406
Election Supplies	0
Election Meals	104
Election Ballots	12
Election Advertising	161
	\$39,852
 Financial Administration	
Bookkeeper Salary	1,781
CPA Services	6,331
Property Appraisal	4,275
Deputy Tax Collector Salary	1,445
Tax Collector Fees	1,615
Tax Collector Salary	10,018
Tax Collector Expense	4,250
Tax Collector Telephone	618
Treasurer Salary	8,110
Deputy Treasurer	360
Treasurer's Expense	480
Budget Committee Secretary	944
	\$40,227
 Revaluation of Property	 52,175

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 2003

		\$52,175
Legal	10,403	
		\$10,403
Personnel Administration		
Health Insurance	130,423	
Life Insurance/Long Term Disability	5,401	
Dental Insurance	11,204	
FICA/Medicare	48,092	
Employees Retirement	19,497	
PD Retirement	11,247	
Unemployment Compensation	600	
Employee Bonus	10,714	
		\$237,178
Planning Board		
Part-time Secretary	3,745	
Technical Assistance	0	
Services	432	
Printing	70	
Meetings & Conferences	166	
Office Supplies	92	
Advertising	1,194	
Secretary Expense	0	
Postage	1,390	
		\$7,089
Zoning Board		
Part-time Secretary	2,918	
General Supplies	249	
Advertising	2,066	
Secretary's Expense	60	
Postage	2,375	
		\$7,668
General Government Buildings		
Janitor	2,298	
Electricity	2,678	
Fuel Oil	4,610	
Repairs & Maintenance	8,497	
Supplies	380	
Lawn Care	2,881	
Alarm Contract	366	
		\$21,710
Cemeteries		
Full-time Salaries	17,722	
Part-time Salaries	9,129	
Subcontract	1,365	
Full-time Overtime	141	
Lot Repurchase	0	
Admin Expense	200	
Meetings & Conferences	25	
Transportation	1,547	
Electricity	132	
Dues	10	

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 2003

Supplies	1,667	
Materials & Equipment	6,509	
Equipment Maintenance	895	
Maintenance/Projects	889	
		\$40,231
General Insurance	43,644	
		\$43,644
SWRPC Regional Association	3,956	
		\$3,956
Police		
Chief Salary	46,726	
Full time Salaries	108,195	
Regional Prosecutor	16,063	
Salaries- P/T	22,153	
Fulltime Overtime	6,475	
Uniforms	3,786	
Uniform Cleaning	728	
Telephone	4,663	
Fleet Maintenance	11,316	
Vehicle Supplies	354	
Printing	749	
Dues & Subscriptions	25	
Office Supplies	1,234	
Investigations	852	
Photography	63	
Postage	123	
Gas & Oil	6,525	
Building Maintenance	887	
Building Supplies	135	
Office Equipment	1,997	
Office Equip. Repair	7,757	
FT/Court	449	
PT/Court	94	
Community Policing	100	
Meetings/Conferences	0	
Training	2,819	
Officer Certification	3,122	
Secretary	23,518	
Janitor	519	
Electricity	1,814	
Fuel Oil	135	
Equipment Purchase	3,962	
Equipment Maintenance	886	
		\$278,224
Police Reimbursable Detail	18,254	
		\$18,254
Ambulance	13,688	
		\$13,688

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 2003

Code Enforcement		
Code Enforcement Salary	24,211	
Meetings & Conferences	180	
Mileage	264	
Telephone	600	
Supplies	1,038	
Services	198	
		\$26,491
OEM/Emergency Management		
Training	55	
Travel	460	
Telephone	5	
Lease	1,800	
Supplies/Misc.	970	
Maintenance/Repairs	1,268	
Equipment	0	
RERP/NH	4,083	
		\$8,641
Forest Fires		
Forest Fires/Training	1,423	
Vehicle Maintenance	1,345	
		\$2,768
Highway		
PW Director Salary	0	
Meetings & Conferences	900	
Blasting Supplies	0	
Mileage	273	
Uniforms	2,475	
Telephone	2,022	
Electricity	2,624	
Spofford Dam	300	
Dues	165	
Supplies	2,554	
Building Maintenance	15,435	
Contracted Services	10,414	
Equip Repair	616	
Rented Equipment	15,519	
Parts/Supplies/Edges	10,497	
Asphalt	8,421	
Gas,Oil,Diesel	27,158	
Sm. Equipment Purchase	2,183	
Repair & Upkeep	85,785	
Miscellaneous	654	
Salaries - F/T	173,897	
Salaries - P/T	11,467	
Full Time Overtime	43,213	
Part Time Overtime	605	
Delins, Posts & Signs	2,880	
Chloride	0	
Culverts, Blocks & Covers	7,201	
Sand & Gravel	107,613	
Salt	51,527	

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 2003

Contingency	17,554	
		\$603,952
Street Lighting	14,213	
		\$14,213
Solid Waste Department		
Full Time Salaries	46,930	
Part Time Salaries	8,423	
Full Time Overtime	4,546	
Part Time Overtime	0	
Meetings and Conferences	388	
Uniforms	959	
Telephone	924	
Electricity	2,624	
Safety Supplies	1,220	
Office Supplies	1,552	
Fuel	667	
Miscellaneous	530	
Buildings/Additions	4,338	
Equipment Repair	2,107	
Transportation/Hauling	116,925	
Contracted Services	18,132	
		\$210,265
Health Officer		
Health Officer Salary	9,616	
Mileage	53	
Dues	10	
Supplies	65	
Miscellaneous Expense	205	
		\$9,949
Animal Control		
Salary	80	
Equipment Maintenance	0	
Equipment Purchase	0	
Supplies/Equipment	0	
Animal Containment	240	
TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL		\$320
Other Health (Hepatitis B Shots)	300	\$300
General Assistance	5,366	\$5,366
Parks and Recreation		
COMMISSION		
Commission Treasurer	1,145	
Director Salary	6,920	
Recertification	280	
Mileage	114	
Advertising	0	
Water Testing	424	
Port Toilets	570	
Tennis Court	67	

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 2003

Supplies	48	
T-shirts	0	
Miscellaneous	23	
Special Programs	29	
SUMMER PROGRAM		
Prog. Salaries	5,714	
Recreation Coord.	2,464	
Prog Materials	1,020	
WARES GROVE		
Salaries	16,574	
Telephone	946	
Electricity	922	
Maintenance	1,785	
Supplies	912	
Concession Supplies	5,773	
Plumbing/Pumping	307	
Sand	282	
Rubbish Removal	626	
Fencing	42	
New Equipment	1,296	
NORTH SHORE		
Salaries	1,750	
Telephone	299	
Electricity	177	
Maintenance	1,030	
Supplies	296	
Septic	295	
Sand	0	
Rubbish	261	
Equipment	338	
		\$52,729
Library		
Payments to Library Trustees	90,996	
		\$90,996
Patriotic Purposes		
	380	
		\$380
Conservation Commission		
Secretary Salary	628	
Contracted Services	0	
Supplies	569	
Dues	200	
Meetings/Conferences	162	
Postage	4	
Miscellaneous	71	
		\$1,634
Debt Service		
Principal Bond/Note	50,000	
Interest Bond/Note	9,275	
Interest Temporary Loans	0	
		\$59,275
Capital Outlay/Warrant Articles		
Highway F-550 Truck purchase	52,621	
PD Computer Upgrade	1,500	

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 2003

PD Cruiser Purchase	29,276	
PD Body Armor (from 2002)	1,412	
PD Firearms, Holsters, Training	8,435	
PD Golden Eagle Radar	2,493	
OEM Generator set up for school	12,500	
Resurfacing	127,018	
Chesterfield Senior Meals	500	
Home Health/M.O.W.	7,544	
Monadnock Fam. Serv./Mental Health	4,495	
Keene Community Kitchen	5,000	
Youth Services	140	
The Gathering Place	350	
Southwestern Community Services	726	
Samaritans	250	
Visiting Nurse Alliance	250	
Drop In Center	200	
		\$254,710
Capital Reserves & Trust Payments		
Right of Way Exp Trust	500	
Cemetery Dev Friedsam Exp Trust	5,000	
Highway Heavy Equipment CRF	59,000	
Highway Roof for Fuel Tanks CRF	10,000	
Police Cruiser CRF	20,000	
Police Equipment CRF	12,000	
Town Office Complex CRF	65,000	
		\$171,500
Unclassified		
Tax Liens	146,420	
Discounts/Refunds, etc.	25,845	
Land Use Change	10,330	
Abatements	3,945	
Conservation Fund	6,085	
Cemetery Trust Funds	3,775	
Expendable Trust Expenditures	13,285	
		\$209,685
Payments to Other Governments		
County Taxes	836,154	
Spofford Fire District	110,345	
Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct	124,159	
School District	4,950,636	
		\$6,021,294
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR ALL PURPOSES		\$8,656,442

FINANCIAL STATEMENT	
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD	
JANUARY 1, 2003 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2003	
RECEIPTS:	
BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2003	\$ 5,455.74
NEW FUNDS AND ADDITIONS	\$ 7,499.44
CAPITAL RESERVE ADDITIONS	\$ 318,998.00
CAPITAL RESERVE WITHDRAWALS	\$ 153,796.31
NON CAPITAL RESERVE ADDITIONS	\$ 5,000.00
INVESTMENT DIVIDENDS	\$ 13,849.71
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 504,599.20
EXPENDITURES:	
NEW FUNDS INVESTED	\$ 331,497.44
CAPITAL RESERVES PAID OUT	\$ 153,796.31
CHESTERFIELD CEMETERY COMMISSION:	
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	\$ 9,315.75
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	\$ 1,369.20
SELECTMEN: HAMILTON CHRISTMAS FUNDS	\$ 392.00
HOME HEALTH SERVICES	\$ 434.95
E. BONNEY FUNDS: SCHOOL FUND	\$ 86.99
GRACE COMMUNITY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH FUND	\$ 38.52
FRIENDS OF CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 500.00
VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 500.00
CHESTERFIELD SCHOLARS FUND	\$ 500.00
W. CHICKERING SCHOLARSHIP FUND	\$ 250.00
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2003	\$ 5,918.04
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 504,599.20

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD
ON DECEMBER 31, 2003

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	BENEFICIARY	HOW INVESTED	P	A	M		C		O		M		E	
							BAL BEGIN YEAR	NEW FUNDS	BAL END YEAR	INC BAL BEGIN YEAR	EXPENSE DUR YEAR	INCOME AMOUNT	BAL YR END			
1892	INDIVIDUAL CEMETERY FUNDS	LOT CARE	CCC	CF1			\$ 179,010.45	\$ 3,775.00	\$ 182,785.45	\$ -	\$ 7,762.12	\$ -	\$ 7,762.12	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1960	ETTA HUBBARD TOWN	GEN CEM CARE	CCC	CF1			\$ 35,843.27	\$ -	\$ 35,843.27	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,853.63	\$ 1,553.63	\$ 81.78	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -
1941	FRANK C. HAMILTON	POOR CHILD X-MAS	SEL	CF1			\$ 1,866.67	\$ -	\$ 1,866.67	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81.78	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1941	FRANK C. HAMILTON	ELDERLY X-MAS	SEL	CF1			\$ 7,157.09	\$ -	\$ 7,157.09	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 310.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1988	HOME HEALTH SERVICES	HOME HEALTH	SEL	CF1			\$ 10,034.60	\$ -	\$ 10,034.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 434.95	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1980	CHESTERFIELD SCHOLARS	SCHOLARSHIP	INDIVID	GB			\$ 12,500.00	\$ -	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 2,659.55	\$ 620.69	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,760.24	\$ -	\$ -
1986	FRIENDS OF CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	INDIVID	GB			\$ 7,745.57	\$ 724.44	\$ 8,470.01	\$ 150.45	\$ 216.70	\$ 250.00	\$ 74.67	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2000	W. CHICKERING SCHOLARSHIP	SCHOLARSHIP	INDIVID	GB			\$ 5,920.88	\$ -	\$ 5,920.88	\$ 105.97	\$ 359.75	\$ 500.00	\$ 337.36	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1989	VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP	VOC SCHOLARSHIP	INDIVID	GB			\$ 8,400.00	\$ -	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 477.61	\$ 359.75	\$ 500.00	\$ 337.36	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1980	BONNEY, ELIZABETH F.	SUPP SPOFFORD SCHL	CCS	CF1			\$ 27,365.99	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 30,365.99	\$ 1,862.16	\$ 595.63	\$ -	\$ 86.99	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1992	UNITED NATURAL FOODS FUND	EDUCATION	CCS	GB			\$ 2,219.80	\$ -	\$ 2,219.80	\$ -	\$ 96.22	\$ -	\$ 96.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1935	BECKLEY LIBRARY	PURCHASE BOOKS	LT	CF1			\$ 16,736.43	\$ -	\$ 16,736.43	\$ -	\$ 725.44	\$ -	\$ 725.44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1962	ETTA HUBBARD LIBRARY	GENERAL LIBRARY	LT	CF1			\$ 9,222.44	\$ -	\$ 9,222.44	\$ -	\$ 399.75	\$ -	\$ 399.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1944	ETTA HUBBARD LIBRARY	PURCHASE BOOKS	LT	CF1			\$ 2,406.36	\$ -	\$ 2,406.36	\$ -	\$ 104.30	\$ -	\$ 104.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1941	FRANK C. HAMILTON LIBRARY	PURCHASE BOOKS	LT	CF1			\$ 1,003.46	\$ -	\$ 1,003.46	\$ -	\$ 43.48	\$ -	\$ 43.48	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1976	SALLIE FRIEDSAM LIBRARY	PURCHASE BOOKS	LT	CF1			\$ 888.73	\$ -	\$ 888.73	\$ -	\$ 38.52	\$ -	\$ 38.52	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1931	BONNEY, ELIZABETH F.	EVAN CHRCH PREACH	EVAN	CF1			\$ 330,348.66	\$ 7,499.44	\$ 337,848.10	\$ 5,455.74	\$ 13,849.71	\$ 13,387.41	\$ 5,918.04	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL															

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS							
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD							
DONORS OF NEW FUNDS AND ADDITIONS FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003							
UNITED NATURAL FOODS (education fund)							
Added by United Natural Foods					\$ 3,000.00		
TOTAL UNITED NATURAL FOODS						\$ 3,000.00	
CHESTERFIELD MAINTENANCE FUNDS							
Friedsam Cemetery							
Sandra Pechillo					\$ 225.00		
Edward & Linda Penning Cheever					\$ 1,350.00		
Chesterfield West Cemetery							
Winifred W. Cray - Flower Fund					\$ 1,700.00		
Mead Cemetery Trust Fund					\$ -		
Mead Cemetery Trust Fund					\$ 500.00		
TOTAL CHESTERFIELD MAINTENANCE ADDITIONS						\$ 3,775.00	
FRIENDS OF CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL/PTA SCHOLASTIC AWARD							
Friends of Chesterfield School					\$ 724.44		\$ 724.44
TOTAL NEW FUNDS AND ADDITIONS							\$ 7,499.44

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD
ON DECEMBER 31, 2003

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	BENEFICIARY	HOW INVESTED	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					BALANCE YEAR
					P	R	I	N	C	
1994	Chesterfield School District	Renovate/Reconstruct	CRF	GB	\$ 58,135.28	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 1,347.87	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109,483.15
2002	Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct	Small Equip	CRF	GB	\$ 7,886.52	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 167.39	\$ 11,219.93	\$ -	\$ 11,933.98
2002	Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct	Fire Pond Maint/Repair	CRF	GB	\$ 21,161.05	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21,161.05	\$ -	\$ -
2003	Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct	Heavy Equip	CRF	GB	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 25.49	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,025.49
1988	Spoford Fire District	Hwy Equip	CRF	GB	\$ 79,143.10	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 1,955.14	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 104,868.24
2000	Spoford Fire District	Small Equip	CRF	GB	\$ 62,840.23	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 186.64	\$ 1,626.38	\$ -	\$ 14,882.68
2000	Spoford Fire District	New Building	CRF	GB	\$ 7,522.62	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 1,548.41	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,276.00
1986	Town of Chesterfield	Police Cruiser	CRF	GB	\$ 10,952.48	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 240.03	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,245.51
1999	Town of Chesterfield	Police Dept Equip	CRF	GB	\$ 10,952.80	\$ 15,963.00	\$ 288.40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,204.20
1999	Town of Chesterfield	Highway Equip	CRF	GB	\$ 13,624.13	\$ 59,000.00	\$ 1,891.61	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 99,584.17
1999	Town of Chesterfield	Parks & Rec Bldg	CRF	GB	\$ 5,925.61	\$ 235.00	\$ 330.48	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,237.95
1997	Town of Chesterfield	Parks & Rec Oldr CR Chsr	CRF	GB	\$ 7,929.01	\$ -	\$ 1,814.44	\$ 52,175.00	\$ -	\$ 28,668.45
1994	Town of Chesterfield	Revaluation	CRF	GB	\$ 65,909.83	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 1,964.36	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 132,474.19
2001	Town of Chesterfield	New Town Office Bldg	CRF	GB	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 14.02	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,014.02
2003	Town of Chesterfield	Hwy Roof/Fuel Tanks/Area	CRF	GB	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL				\$505,130.22	\$ 318,998.00	\$ 11,605.62	\$ 174,957.36	\$ -	\$ 660,776.48

TRANSFER TO EX TRUST

\$21,161.05 FROM CRF

EXPENDABLE TRUSTS

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	BENEFICIARY	HOW INVESTED	EXPENDABLE TRUSTS					BALANCE YEAR
					P	R	I	N	C	
1992	Chesterfield School District	HS/SpecEd	EX TRUST	GB	\$150,902.11	\$ -	\$ 3,271.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 154,173.22
2002	Town of Chesterfield	ROW Survey	EX TRUST	GB	\$ 10,020.46	\$ 500.00	\$ 218.01	\$ 3,350.00	\$ -	\$ 7,386.47
2002	Town of Chesterfield	OEM Emerg Prep	EX TRUST	GB	\$ 10,020.46	\$ -	\$ 212.17	\$ 9,600.00	\$ -	\$ 632.63
2001	Spoford Fire District	Fire Pond	EX TRUST	GB	\$ 6,306.68	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 151.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,458.49
2003	Town of Chesterfield	Development/Fredsam Cem	EX TRUST	GB	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6.71	\$ 335.00	\$ -	\$ 4,671.71
2002	Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct	Fire Pond Maint/Repair	EX TRUST	GB	\$ -	\$ 22,661.05	\$ 478.39	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,139.44
	TOTAL				\$177,249.71	\$ 29,161.05	\$ 4,338.20	\$ 13,285.00	\$ -	\$ 197,463.96

Note: Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct Fire Pond funds were transferred from an expendable trust to a capital reserve fund as per Article 6 of the March 18, 2003 precinct meeting.

NON-CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	BENEFICIARY	HOW INVESTED	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					BALANCE YEAR
					P	R	I	N	C	
2003	Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct	Building Maintenance	CRF	GB	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4.25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,004.25
	TOTAL				\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4.25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,004.25

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS
 TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD
 DECEMBER 31, 2003

DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	[----- P R I N C I P A L -----]				[----- I N C O M E -----]				GRAND TOTAL PRINCIPAL YEAR END	
	BAL BEGIN YEAR	PURCHASES	CASH CAP GAINS	PROCEEDS FROM SALE	GAIN/LOSS FROM SALE	BAL YEAR END	BAL BEQ.YR	INCOME DUR.YR		EXPEND DUR.YR
Common Fund # 1 - Granite Bank	\$ 268,416.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 268,416.22	\$ 200.00	\$ 11,634.51	\$ 11,634.51	\$ 200.00
Common Fund # 1 - Granite Bank	-	\$ 3,775.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,775.00	\$ -	\$ 2.90	\$ 2.90	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 268,416.22	\$ 3,775.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 272,191.22	\$ 200.00	\$ 11,637.41	\$ 11,637.41	\$ 200.00

**Highway Heavy Equipment
Capital Reserve Fund**
(Subject to annual review)

yearly contribution (2000 dollars)	\$56,000	interest inflation	3.0% 2.5%
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Year	Item	Description	1999 Cost (Inflation factored)	Notes	CRF Balance
		beginning balance			\$32,307
1999	CRF	deposit into fund	31,000		\$63,307
		Interest	1,807		\$65,114
2000	CRF replace	deposit into fund 35000 GVW	47,000	<i>less backhoe lease</i>	\$112,114
		Interest	-86,752		\$25,362
			3,571		\$28,933
2001	CRF replace	deposit into fund 1-ton	51,500	<i>less backhoe lease</i>	\$80,433
		Interest	-49,344		\$31,089
			1,978		\$33,067
2002	CRF replace	deposit into fund NONE	49,000	<i>less backhoe lease</i>	\$82,067
		Interest	0		\$82,067
			1,146		\$83,213
2003	CRF replace	deposit into fund 1-ton	59,000		\$142,213
		Interest	-45,621		\$96,592
			1,992		\$98,584
2004	CRF	deposit into fund	63,000		\$161,584
		NONE	0		\$161,584
		Interest	4,848		\$166,432
2005	CRF replace	deposit into fund NONE	65,000		\$231,432
		Interest	0		\$231,432
			6,943		\$238,374
2006	CRF replace	deposit into fund 35000 GVW	67,000		\$305,374
		Interest	-104,662		\$200,712
			6,021		\$206,733
2007	CRF replace	deposit into fund loader	69,000		\$275,733
		Interest	-112,925		\$162,808
			4,884		\$167,693
2008	CRF replace	deposit into fund NONE	71,000		\$238,693
		Interest	0		\$238,693
			7,161		\$245,853
2009	CRF replace	deposit into fund 35000 GVW	73,000		\$318,853
		Interest	-112,710		\$206,143
			6,184		\$212,328
2010	CRF replace	deposit into fund NONE	75,000		\$287,328
		Interest	0		\$287,328
			8,620		\$295,948

**Highway Heavy Equipment
Capital Reserve Fund**
(Subject to annual review)

2011	CRF	deposit into fund	77,000	\$372,948
	replace	backhoe	-74,789	\$298,159
	replace	1-ton	-62,324	\$235,835
		Interest	8,945	\$244,779
2012	CRF	deposit into fund	79,000	\$323,779
	replace	25000 GVW	-114,988	\$208,791
	replace	35000 GVW	-121,376	\$87,415
		Interest	2,622	\$90,038
2013	CRF	deposit into fund	81,000	\$171,038
	replace	1-ton	-65,479	\$105,558
		Interest	3,167	\$108,725
2014	CRF	deposit into fund	83,000	\$191,725
	replace	grader	-187,926	\$3,800
		Interest	114	\$3,914
2015	CRF	deposit into fund	85,000	\$88,914
	replace	NONE	0	\$88,914
		Interest	2,667	\$91,581

current year	cycle	description	replacement year(s)	cost less 5% for trade-in	2000 dollars estimated cost
2000	12 years	35000 GVW (MAC)	2000 & 2012	90,250	95,000
1998	13 years	backhoe	2011	57,000	60,000
1995	11 years	35000 GVW	2006 & 2017	90,250	95,000
1994	20 years	grader	2014	133,000	140,000
1995	12 years	loader	2007	95,000	100,000
1994	10 years	1-ton	2003 & 2013	47,500	50,000
1991	10 years	1-ton	2001 & 2011	47,500	50,000
1998	14 years	25000 GVW	2012	85,500	90,000
1998	11 years	35000 GVW	2009	90,250	95,000

years	purchase	years	purchase
2000	35000 GVW	2008	none
2001	1-ton	2009	35000 GVW
2002	none	2010	none
2003	1-ton	2011	Backhoe & 1-ton
2004	none	2012	35000 GVW & 25000 GVW
2005	none	2013	none
2006	35000 GVW	2014	grader & 1-ton
2007	loader	2015	none

Police Equipment CRF

yearly contribution	\$12,000	YEARS	interest	3.00%
	\$7,000	1999-2004 2005-2011		

Year	Item	Description	Cost	NOTES	CRF Balance
					\$0
1999	CRF	deposit into fund	12,000		\$12,000
	Port. Radio	Motorola Digital Radio	-4,000		\$8,000
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$6,500
	interest		25		\$6,525
2000	CRF	deposit into fund	12,000		\$18,525
	Port. Radio	Motorola Digital Radio	-3,977		\$14,548
	Radar Unit	Less Fed. Grant	-2,000		\$12,548
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,498		\$11,050
	interest		442		\$11,492
2001	CRF	deposit into fund	12,000		\$23,492
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,481		\$22,011
	Video	Includes 1/2 Fed Grant	-3,357		\$18,654
	interest		768		\$19,422
2002	CRF	deposit into fund	12,000		\$31,422
	Vests	Eight units	-8,454		\$22,968
	Computer	Records Management Program	-7,480		\$15,488
	Port. Radio	Motorola Digital Radio	-4,192		\$11,296
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,319		\$9,977
	interest		575		\$10,552
2003	CRF	deposit into fund	12,000		\$22,552
	CRF	deposit from prior year(s)	3,963		\$26,515
	Vests	encumbered 2002	-1,412		\$25,103
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$23,603
	Radar Unit	Includes 1/2 Fed Grant	-2,493		\$21,110
	Firearms	8 firearms & holsters	-8,473		\$12,637
	interest		287		\$12,924
2004	CRF	deposit into fund	12,000		\$24,924
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$23,424
	Light bars	2 cruiser light bars	-6,000		\$17,424
	interest		523		\$17,947
2005	CRF	deposit into fund	7,000		\$24,947
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$23,447
	interest		703		\$24,150
2006	CRF	deposit into fund	7,000		\$31,150
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$29,650
	interest		890		\$30,540
2007	CRF	deposit into fund	7,000		\$37,540
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$36,040
	interest		1,081		\$37,121
2008	CRF	deposit into fund	7,000		\$44,121
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$42,621
	interest		1,279		\$43,899
2009	CRF	deposit into fund	7,000		\$50,899
	Radios	MDT Mobile	-12,000		\$38,899
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$37,399
	Video	Includes 1/2 Fed Grant	-3,500		\$33,899
	interest		1,017		\$34,916
2010	CRF	deposit into fund	7,000		\$41,916
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$40,416
	interest		1,212		\$41,629
2011	CRF	deposit into fund	7,000		\$48,629
	Computer	Upgrade of hardware	-1,500		\$47,129
	interest		1,414		\$48,543

**Police Cruiser
Capital Reserve Fund**

YEARS

yearly contribution	\$20,000	1999-2004	interest	3.00%
	\$23,000	2005-2011		

Year	Cycle in Years	Item	Description	Cost	NOTES	CRF Balance
			beginning balance			\$13,740
1999	every 1st year	CRF	deposit into fund	18,000		\$31,740
		PD cruiser	loaded w/lights	-9,000	leased	\$22,740
		interest		682		\$23,333
2000	every 2nd year	CRF	deposit into fund	13,700	<i>less lease pm</i>	\$37,033
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-27,985	purchase	\$9,048
		interest		1,393		\$10,441
2001	every 3rd year	CRF	deposit into fund	13,700	<i>less lease pm</i>	\$24,141
		none		0		\$24,141
		interest		715		\$24,856
2002	every 1st year	CRF	deposit into fund	13,700	<i>less lease pm</i>	\$38,556
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-28,993	purchase	\$9,563
		interest		719		\$10,282
2003	every 2nd year	CRF	deposit into fund	20,000		\$30,282
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-29,276	purchase	\$1,006
		interest		240		\$1,246
2004	every 3rd year	CRF	deposit into fund	20,000		\$21,246
		none		0		\$21,246
		interest		637		\$21,884
2005	every 1st year	CRF	deposit into fund	23,000		\$44,884
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-30,500	purchase	\$14,384
		interest		432		\$14,815
2006	every 2nd year	CRF	deposit into fund	23,000		\$37,815
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-31,000	purchase	\$6,815
		interest		204		\$7,020
2007	every 3rd year	CRF	deposit into fund	23,000		\$30,020
		none		0		\$30,020
		interest		901		\$30,920
2008	every 1st year	CRF	deposit into fund	23,000		\$53,920
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-32,000	purchase	\$21,920
		interest		658		\$22,578
2009	every 2nd year	CRF	deposit into fund	23,000		\$45,578
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-32,500	purchase	\$13,078
		interest		392		\$13,470
2010	every 3rd year	CRF	deposit into fund	23,000		\$36,470
		none		0		\$36,470
		interest		1,094		\$37,564
2011	every 1st year	CRF	deposit into fund	23,000		\$60,564
		PD cruiser	loaded no seals	-33,500	purchase	\$27,064
		interest		812		\$27,876

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

2003 was, for the Highway Department, a very trying year. Blizzards and cold temperatures led into a devastating mud season. (Residents of gravel roads got a taste of what mud season REALLY means!) Torrential rains followed the mud and caused significant damage to many of our roads. These unusually severe seasons put our costs to operate, up considerably in areas such as maintenance, gravel, overtime, rented equipment, and contracted services. Fortunately, the President declared the area a disaster, and we were reimbursed through Federal funding for the majority of our expenses incurred by flooding.

Along with all this, we still managed to resurface about 9 miles of road, replace a multitude of culverts, and tried to keep up with grading, patching, etc. With a little cooperation from Mother Nature, we will try to get caught up a bit on projects in the upcoming year.

We issued 29 driveway permits in 2003 versus 24 in 2002 and we have a new town road named Very Mill Road in Spofford that was accepted in December.

We took delivery of a new Ford F-550 (small truck) this summer to replace the 1994 F-350 Ford. The new truck is equipped with a 9' heavy duty snow plow and a stainless steel body. Our next replacement truck is scheduled for 2005 and if all goes as planned, will replace a 1995 Ford 9000, 3500 GVW (big truck).

Once again, we hope the taxpayers of Chesterfield are reasonably satisfied with the level of service from your Highway Department.

We welcome all comments (pro or con) regarding our performance.

Respectfully submitted,

Bart Bevis
Road Agent

Chesterfield Transfer & Recycling Facility 2003 Annual Report

As we acknowledge another year has passed, we look back at 2003. Last year showed an increase in use of our facility by citizens. Having done a traffic study with the help of Southwest Regional Planning Commission, we were surprised how many individuals use the transfer & recycling center every day. Planning for growth has become one of our priorities. As we rearrange our facility to optimize use of our current layout, we would like to thank everyone for their patience.

I am sure you are all aware of our catastrophic fire we suffered at the hands of some arsonists back on August 22, 2003. We are in transition again. The new design is a drive through concept. The idea being to keep users protected from most of the elements such as rain, snow, and mud. There will not be any heat but a roof over the entire facility. This should make it more convenient for users. We would like to take the opportunity to thank all who helped us get back up to speed. The facility was closed for just *one* day immediately after the fire. That in itself was amazing. We would also like to take this time to thank the rebuilding committee for their tireless efforts. We should all be proud of their work and sacrifices. Their "can do" attitude washed off on all of us. The rebuilding committee members are:

Fred Szmít
Bob Yacubian
Rick Harrington
Joe Kowalski
Tom Duston

Thank all of you for being patient with us through this trying time. Your many kind words and acts have not gone unnoticed. With 2004, we are continuing our public education on good ways to recycle. Please take a moment in your busy day to check out our new website within Chesterfield's town website at www.nhchesterfield.com. Please give us a call and we will try to help you out.

Respectfully,
Joseph A Novick
Willy Gomaró
Elaine Blake
Frank Davis
Jessica Provenchia

**CHESTERFIELD TRANSFER RECYCLING CENTER
2003 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Chesterfield Transfer Recycling Center received the following units in 2003:

ITEM DESCRIPTION	# UNITS
Air Conditioner	16
Dehumidifier	3
Dishwasher	30
Dryer	34
Freezer	6
Furnace / Boiler	39
Propane Tank	108
Refrigerator	69
Stove	57
Tires ~ under 16"	205
Tires ~ 16" to 20"	5
Tires ~ Over 20"	0
Trash Compactor	0
Washer	41
Water Heater	41

ITEM DESCRIPTION	# UNITS
Box Spring	68
Building Debris (CY)	267
Chairs ~ Stuffed	104
Computer Monitor	32
Couch / Loveseat	98
Furniture - Other	53
Large Irr. Shape	5
Mattress	176
Microwave	25
Television ~ Small	29
Television ~ Med.	73
Television ~ Large	9
Sheetrock (CY)	18.7248
Shingles (CY)	55.7416

* (CY is cubic yards)

Tonnages and percent increases for 2003 are as follows:

MATERIAL	2002 TONNAGES	2003 TONNAGES	TONNAGE INCREASE	PERCENT INCREASE
<i>Municipal Solid Waste</i>	691.90	814.81	122.91	17.76%
<i>Construction & Demolition</i>	241.89	276.49	34.60	14.30%
<i>Co-Mingled</i>	136.22	147.70	11.48	8.43%
<i>Paper</i>	171.83	201.52	29.69	17.28%
<i>Cardboard</i>	44.32	30.10	-14.22	-32.08%
<i>Scrap Metal</i>	134.69	158.91	24.22	17.98%



POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT



I would like to thank the Town of Chesterfield for the opportunity to present the Chesterfield Police Department's activity over the past year and some of our goals and programs for 2004.

The past year has been one of building for the Chesterfield Police Department. Officer Royce Pelkey has completed the Full-time Police Academy and our 14 week Field Training Program. He is currently settling into his patrol duties. Royce's friendly demeanor and natural empathy has been reflected by many positive comments by those he has come into contact with. Officer Collin Zamore has completed the Part-time Police Academy and Field Training Program. Collin is from Chesterfield and has tremendous potential. In July we hired Keith Naylor to fill the fifth full-time slot. Keith has a Bachelor's Degree in History and Political Science and is very detail oriented. He is graduating from the Full-time Police Academy in March and will immediately take up his patrol duties. Please introduce yourself when you see him as I know he looks forward to meeting you.

This year Peter Prince retired from our force after 15 years of service. I would like to thank Peter for always being there and hope he enjoys the extra time with his family.

Officer Kevin White attended and graduated from the NH D.A.R.E. Academy this past year. He will take over D.A.R.E. instruction as well as organize other community policing activities. I know Kevin will do a fine job as he has that special gift with kids and a strong sense of community. I look forward to seeing Kevin bring his many ideas to fruition.

The past year has tested our department in many ways. Our young dedicated staff has risen to the occasion and pulled together with other town departments to serve our residents in a professional manner. Last winter was long and cold with snow starting in October and remaining until April. This was quickly followed by the worst mud season I can remember, resulting in 3 town roads being closed. Summer brought floods which closed more roads and caused the evacuation of a local resident. During this time we also lost a 125 year old local landmark, the Davis Barn, to a lightning strike. The Chesterfield Transfer Station was the victim of arson resulting in the total loss of the structure. Finally, we joined many other communities in New Hampshire with a confirmed case of the West Nile virus.

The Chesterfield Transfer Station fire was one of many arsons which occurred in the Cheshire County area. A task force was quickly formed and in a short time led to the arrest of several young subjects in Pennsylvania. This County, as well as this Town, has come together and realized that crime is not a local problem. Through inter-agency cooperation we have become far more successful in keeping those we serve safe.

Throughout these challenges teamwork provided successful resolutions to trying times. You should feel proud to have a town where all of the various departments work together without egos interfering and with a common goal of service. I would like to thank our Highway Department, Spofford and Chesterfield Fire Departments, Selectmen and our OEM Director Ruth Van Houten for the leadership, dedication, and sacrifice they showed through the past year. I am personally proud of the men and women of the Chesterfield Police Department for their unselfishness when I called upon them. I also want to thank their families for their understanding.

Lt. Graves continues to show the same fighting spirit that he always has this year. This time the fight is of a different nature as he has been diagnosed with Cancer. I would not wish this on my worst enemy, let alone a good friend. Watching him battle through the cure has confirmed the caliber of his mental toughness and reminded me that I take so much for granted in life. I hope that Jason will continue on his road to recovery and look forward to having him back at the Department where his shoes are impossible to fill.

Duane Chickering has returned to Chesterfield after 6 years with the Los Angeles Police Force. He has come on board as a temporary administrative employee to help while Lt. Graves has been undergoing treatment. Due to his experience and knowledge he has been able to fill in for Lt. Graves with minimal training and oversight.

This department would not have been able to function smoothly this past year if it wasn't for Penny Cooper. Her service to this town includes being my Administrative Assistant, Department Secretary, Dispatcher, Chesterfield Fire/Rescue Lieutenant and Budget Committee Secretary. Her dedication has had a large part in all of our department successes this year. I would like to publicly thank Penny Cooper and Duane Chickering for their hard work and support.

It remains true that if you are going to get injured in the Town of Chesterfield it will be in an automobile accident. While these statistics can fluctuate due to many factors it appears that Route 9 was somewhat safer in 2003. Of all injuries due to a collision, 50% of these (compared to 70% in 2003) were from accidents on Route 9. Collisions on Route 9 account for 53% of all accidents in town this year. We plan to continue targeted enforcement on Route 9 to further reduce the injuries. I will also begin to look at other locations in town to allocate our resources and reduce the speeds and resulting injuries. I would be happy to speak with residents who see dangerous roadways or drivers in their neighborhoods. Together, I hope we can make this town a safer place for those who walk, bike or drive in Chesterfield.

I wish to thank the residents of Chesterfield for their continued support and assistance. Many times the information you have provided has made the difference in successful resolutions to our investigations. Please feel free to call us with any concern you have, as it is our goal to provide only the best service to our town. Our business line is 363-4233, if you have a need of immediate response call 911.

Department Statistics

	2003	2002	2001	2000
Assaults	24	43	36	10
Fraud	15	26	7	11
Thefts	36	57	75	40
Burglaries	10	10	10	10
Liquor Law Violations	75	56	37	19
DWI Arrests	17	14	14	10
Drug Offense	10	5	10	13
Sexual Offenses	11	4	4	11
Criminal Threatening	5	4	7	5
Trespassing	7	9	9	7
Animal Complaints	192	144	190	122
Assist Other Departments	102	303	192	98
Citizen Assists	428	513	567	408
Other Calls for Service	281	390	843	712
Total Calls	1286	1578	2041	1476
Accidents:				
Total	73	97	52	74
Injuries	22	29	18	38
Summonses:	829	872	889	
Warnings:	720	279	264	

Respectfully Submitted,

Lester C. Fairbanks
Chief of Police

Chesterfield Conservation Commission, 2003 Annual Report

According to New Hampshire law, local conservation commissions are charged with protecting the environmental integrity of the town, both at present, and for future generations. This would include protecting rivers, lakes and wet lands, working with other town boards to regulate development in sensitive areas such as steep slopes and around these water bodies and wet lands, and working to maintain open space and provide appropriate low impact outdoor recreation in the protected open space.

Our most important legislated responsibility is to act as the local agent for the New Hampshire Department of Environment Services (DES) regarding permits for, and complaints related to, construction activities around the various streams, lakes and wetlands. Individuals who wish to disturb or fill wetlands must apply for a permit from the DES and then we make a recommendation that goes along with the filed permit. Many permits are approved, some are not, and some are approved with "conditions". We also file complaints brought to us regarding inappropriate wetland or protected stream disturbances, or help citizens file such complaints. These go to the DES for action. **We note that most people do file such permits, and further note that failure to do so can result in fines and/or remediation rulings from DES. We strongly urge citizens to exercise extreme caution when dealing with the town's valuable water resources.**

We are very active in maintaining hiking trails in the area of the Madame Sherri Forest and hiking and skiing trails in the Friedsam Town Forest. We are currently working with two grants for trail maintenance and bridge building received from the State of New Hampshire Recreational Trails Bureau. We are partners in land protection efforts with the Monadnock Conservancy, the Friends of Pisgah, and conservation commissions in surrounding towns.

A special note of thanks goes to the Chesterfield Highway Department for doing a timely and thorough job of keeping the parking lots plowed at both the Sherri and Friedsam forests.

We encourage townspeople to visit our web site at www.chesterfieldoutdoors.com, and to utilize the varied and excellent hiking trails in the forests mentioned above.

Tom Duston, Chair
Chet Greenwood, Selectboard representative
Lynne Borofsky
Steve Fisher

Amy LaFontaine
Jeff Newcomer
Bill Tyler
Kathy Thatcher

Health Department

Over the past year the Health Department has been involved in many varied issues including rodent control, dumping of trash, tenant-landlord disputes pertaining to heat or unsafe living conditions, contaminated wells, west Nile virus, the testing of the two town beaches and library water supply.

Above all the Health Department has remained committed to protecting our water supply. The desirability of living in Chesterfield, especially in the Spofford lake area is putting an ever increasing demand on the soil to filter our septic waste. Very small lots of record that would not be considered as buildable lots by today's codes, camps and cottages that were previously used mainly during the summer are now being used year around. The size of these units and number of bedrooms is being increased at a very rapid rate and increasing the septic loading.

The town not having a public water supply system depends on the integrity of our underground aquifers. Unlike heavy metal contamination getting into an aquifer sinking to the bottom and effecting a few near by wells, septic contamination is lighter than water, doesn't sink and can contaminate a much larger portion of an aquifer.

All new, failed or replaced septic systems are reviewed by this department before being sent for State approval. Septic system Construction Approvals must comply with current state and town regulations before a building permit can be issued for new construction or expansion of use. Please check all building and zoning ordinances pertaining to septic requirements and feel free to contact this department with any septic questions.

It is imperative that we realize the importance and take the responsibility to protect our water supply.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paula Bassi

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paula Bassi". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Town Expenditures 1996 - 2003

ACCT NAME	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Executive	76,939	82,704	82,387	89,611	93,410	94,787	96,199	97,676
Elections, Reg., Vital Stats	20,207	20,232	24,271	20,827	28,852	30,642	37,124	39,851
Financial Administration	32,787	35,893	35,038	36,300	40,624	40,353	41,321	40,227
Legal Expense	13,441	44,981	10,437	9,003	12,500	20,709	10,032	10,403
Personnel Administration	116,938	134,518	131,609	128,747	147,739	147,337	191,067	237,179
Planning Board	11,317	4,628	5,115	4,708	10,353	15,370	10,517	7,089
Zoning Board	3,209	3,376	2,732	3,164	5,551	5,317	5,674	7,668
General Gov. Buildings	18,320	19,203	23,497	20,143	26,789	23,977	21,310	21,711
Cemeteries	30,894	53,365	28,222	25,971	34,013	37,699	40,061	40,230
General Insurance	62,808	70,556	33,282	22,899	39,162	36,063	38,130	43,644
Regional Association	3,523	3,555	3,582	3,622	3,619	3,664	3,896	3,956
Police	181,683	215,572	244,819	273,921	265,149	288,123	291,813	278,224
PD Reimbursable Detail	0	0	0	0	42,737	26,894	54,800	18,254
Ambulance	14,764	13,201	16,867	12,990	19,918	12,549	15,150	13,688
Chesterfield Fire Dept.	80,971	85,773	46,240	60,996	63,488	76,600	0	0
Code Enforcement	7,017	6,804	8,952	8,308	10,529	11,727	15,434	26,491
Fire Inspector	0	0	0	8,162	8,731	8,779	8,835	0
OEM/Emerg. Management	3,645	6,787	2,555	6,891	2,987	2,802	6,629	8,642
Forest Fires	1,928	2,510	1,660	7,830	1,744	7,061	941	2,768
Highway/Town Rd. Maint.	472,075	475,863	396,894	386,566	409,894	429,741	464,888	603,952
Street Lighting	18,944	19,307	18,555	18,593	18,466	17,523	15,444	14,213
Solid Waste	89,069	103,672	115,154	132,326	136,617	141,588	166,097	210,265
Health Officer	859	1,618	2,601	3,988	4,124	7,543	9,362	9,949
Animal Control	1,911	1,580	2,946	1,979	1,185	1,185	849	320
Hep. B Shots/Misc. Health	11,906	13,345	14,436	12,015	14,102	15,671	17,869	19,755
General Assistance	16,932	21,368	21,404	13,789	21,419	18,307	9,582	5,366
Parks & Recreation	31,043	39,371	47,680	36,597	40,301	44,711	51,158	52,728
Library	41,435	45,585	51,027	62,819	69,704	77,609	83,940	90,996
Patriotic Purposes	244	331	293	0	255	300	325	380
Conservation Commission	323	608	729	1,484	1,481	2,244	1,735	1,633
Debt Service	33,904	32,425	85,194	89,630	93,171	90,158	82,239	59,275
Capital Outlay, Warrant Articles	148,963	737,201	328,057	154,772	437,001	333,717	283,678	287,430
Capital Reserve & Trust Pay.	115,500	107,981	91,772	109,000	155,650	157,660	162,700	171,500
TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES	1,661,699	2,403,913	1,878,007	1,769,551	2,262,123	2,228,410	2,238,799	2,425,463
Payments to Other Governments	5,003,187	5,121,178	5,457,056	4,668,927	5,289,569	5,429,597	5,979,312	6,021,294
Total Fund Equity End of Year	431,511	704,119	612,346	824,622	874,252	1,036,560	1,104,629	
Unreserved Fund Balance EOY	414,963	643,685	539,201	790,741	795,250	949,069	990,659	

Town Tax History 1996 - 2003

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
TAXES: DRA Computations								
Town Appropriations	1,922,259	2,626,396	2,024,617	2,053,964	2,431,405	2,437,702	2,469,558	2,477,168
less Revenues	-1,195,482	-1,632,652	-1,124,877	-1,041,480	-1,518,424	-1,483,768	-1,673,745	-1,477,014
less Shared Revenues	-10,750	-10,696	-11,072	-11,072	-11,072	-11,072	-11,072	-11,072
add Overlay	128,405	124,866	23,435	24,794	48,650	23,881	23,865	49,573
add War Service Credits	34,500	34,200	33,200	33,100	32,800	31,900	32,000	31,100
Special Adjustment				-117,885	-117,905	-167,585	0	0
Net Town Appropriation	878,932	1,142,114	945,303	941,421	865,454	831,057	840,606	1,062,755
Town Tax Rate	3.72	4.80	3.97	3.95	3.55	3.37	3.36	2.91
Net Local School Budget	4,269,940	4,374,823	4,516,936	5,043,815	5,501,299	5,789,880	6,162,575	6,517,562
less Shared Revenues	-41,775	-41,566	-43,028					
Adequate Education Grant				-969,403	-969,403	-1,109,958	-1,211,939	-1,440,558
State Education Taxes				-1,641,585	-1,641,585	-1,662,232	-1,612,776	-1,427,555
Net School Appropriation	4,228,165	4,333,257	4,473,908	2,432,827	2,890,311	3,017,690	3,337,860	3,649,449
Local School Tax Rate	17.85	18.19	18.78	10.22	11.84	12.21	13.37	9.98
State School Tax Rate				6.96	6.80	6.79	6.53	3.93
Total School Tax Rate	17.85	18.19	18.78	17.18	18.64	19.00	19.90	13.91
Due to County	577,244	585,347	582,856	587,039	623,693	700,814	778,559	836,154
less Shared Revenues	-3,175	-3,159	-3,270	-3,270	-3,270	-3,270	-3,270	-3,270
Net County Appropriation	574,069	582,188	579,586	583,769	620,423	697,544	775,289	832,884
County Tax Rate	2.42	2.44	2.43	2.45	2.54	2.82	3.11	2.28
Total Property Taxes Assessed	5,681,166	6,057,599	5,998,797	5,599,602	6,017,773	6,208,523	6,566,531	6,972,643
less War Service Credits	-34,500	-34,200	-33,200	-33,100	-32,800	-31,900	-32,000	-31,100
add Village Dist. Commitments	156,003	161,008	152,317	179,994	209,771	265,412	220,831	234,504
Total Property Tax Commitments	5,802,669	6,184,407	6,117,914	5,746,496	6,194,744	6,442,035	6,755,362	7,176,047
Net Assessed Valuation of all Property in Town	236,813,909	238,205,196	238,236,593	238,159,246	244,064,572	247,136,539	249,627,155	365,588,322
Tax Rate	23.99	25.43	25.16	23.58	24.73	25.19	26.37	19.10
% of Market Value	1.00	1.01	0.99	0.97	0.95	0.88	0.85	0.97
Am. Of Tax on \$100,000 Home	2,399.00	2,568.43	2,492.82	2,287.26	2,349.35	2,216.72	2,241.45	1,952.70
add for Spofford Fire District	0.43	0.43	0.35	0.46	0.67	0.70	0.77	0.54
add for Chesterfield Fire District	0.96	1.01	1.02	1.14	1.10	1.55	1.03	0.77

Office of Emergency Management

EMERGENCY – POLICE and FIRE 911

**NON-EMERGENCY 355-2000 or
CHESTERFIELD POLICE 363-4233**

The following paragraph is part of the written evaluation by FEMA and Vermont Yankee of the Chesterfield Emergency team following the Vermont Yankee rated drill. “The Chesterfield Emergency Operation Center staff is very committed to effectively responding in the event that a radiological emergency were to affect the Town’s population, and in particular its school children. The Emergency Management Director engaged key EOC staff, as appropriate, to discuss key issues and to clarify the intent and purpose of certain actions. Additionally, the EMD was very proactive in planning ahead and discussing with the Chief of Police the potential impact on Chesterfield of protective actions implemented by neighboring towns. Furthermore, the EMD and the Chief of Police effectively discussed the expected seasonal and weekly variations in potential emergency response resources demands that Chesterfield would face if the emergency were to take place at a different time.” The corrective action suggestions from the FEMA observer included more detailed record keeping by the EOC, and the lack of understanding requests from the N.H. Office of Emergency Management for transportation information if an evacuation order had been received. The number of buses requested is based on the School and Staff attendance. This verbal request has been addressed with both the N.H. EOC, Chesterfield Radio Communication personnel. The Spofford Fire Department will be trained in dosimeter use (measuring radiation in the air) by Mr. Al Chesley a recent member to our team. Al comes to us with 32 years with Vermont Yankee and experience in the Radiological Emergency Response Plan protection.

The Selectmen declared a Town Emergency in March due to impassible roads during mud season. Three roads were closed. The term “pudding” was used to describe their condition. All vehicles were banned from travel on these roads. We volunteered our town as an experimental test site for a new road covering developed by the Federal Cold Weather Laboratory in Hanover. The Lab has finished its evaluation of material and is now looking for a manufacturer of this material.

Thanks to Bart Bevis, Assistant Fire Chief and Road Agent, the local radio frequency he worked hard to obtain was effectively used among the Town Departments during our sudden and devastating flood this summer. A family was evacuated to Keene and housing for one week was provided by the Red Cross, until a rental could be located. The School was readied to provide

shelter if this became necessary (our generator is installed and operating). The State was in Emergency Alert for one week. Roads were barricaded where washed out and considerable expense in time and road repair was expended by Chesterfield.

Both Fire Departments worked to pump basements, shut off gas and keep our town safe. During the week rain storms washed out culverts, temporary road repairs and many private driveways. Major issues associated with flooding occurred along Route 63 and the Lake. Private contractors were hired to run stone, gravel, etc. After the rain stopped the work with FEMA began. Planning meetings were held, one included Westmoreland Selectmen, whose town had considerable damage. Chesterfield received three checks from FEMA for a percentage of time to Chesterfield and Spofford Fire Departments and to the Town for the time and road repair expenses.

Al Chesley has compiled a master list of residents, the Selectmen have written a cover letter and a N.H. Emergency Public Information Brochure will be mailed to all homes. This information is important. Flood plain information is available from maps at the Town Office, along with a public information notification radio. Arrangements were made with the State training personnel to conduct three night classes in the Incident Command System which is a nationwide system of handling emergencies. Representatives from the Police Department, both Fire Departments, Spofford Camp, and Swanzy EM personnel attended. An all-day workshop was presented in our Headquarters by the State School Safety Co-ordinator. Staff, School Board Member and personnel from Westmoreland, Winchester and team members were instructed in handling a disaster, Incident Command procedure, along with several table-top exercises. Chesterfield School plans to enlarge this training to include the entire staff. I serve on the School Safety Committee which the Assistant Principal leads. This group which includes staff, Police Fire personnel and School Board representation has completed and distributed a safety brochure for children and their parents. We continue to apply for grants and funding was obtained for the writing of the Town Emergency Plan, which is in progress. Please know all Town and School Departments have a close, well-oiled working relationship, resulting in good emergency preparedness for all residences and visitors.

Ruth Van Houten

**Chesterfield Parks and Recreation Commission
Town Report
2003**

The commission would like to congratulate Melissa on her new daughter, Miranda Melissa. She is affectionately referred to as the little M&M.

The beach weather this year was inconsistent and with the arrival of a New baby to our working director, operating costs were slightly overbudget. One can only cut back hours to a certain extent before losing workers to more constant work, but bad weather keeps beachgoers away, thus lowering revenues more than payroll. This is an unfortunate reality of running a weather dependent business.

A big thank you to Amy Rancourt and her Recreation staff. The program, once again, ran smoothly, keeping over 100 town children entertained throughout the summer. And again, thanks to the weather, this was no easy task.

On a sobering note, during the town flooding, much of North Shore beach was lost. The good news is the beach will be repaired with FEMA money. A repair plan has already been submitted.

The commission looks forward to some exciting new projects and offerings for the summer of 2004. They include another Boy Scout project. The work done will be to the Recreation building. Rick Cooper will be in charge of the troop doing the work. A thanks in advance for the quality work we know they will do. A new program for this summer will include a one-week tennis camp. The "camp" will be for 6, 7 and 8th graders and be held at the new court. A charge for the camp will cover all of the Commission's costs. Racquets and sneakers are all the campers need to supply in order to participate. More complete information will be forthcoming in the Chesterfield Newsletter and our Beach Brochure. We look forward to a positive response to this exciting offering.

We are sad to report that our chairman, Rick Johnston, finds it necessary to step down from the commission. We thank him for his time and leadership. Dennis Cahill has accepted a position on the Commission to fill the vacancy and Shawn Dean has gallantly stepped in as our new Chairman. As usual, the commission will continue to work diligently to make the recreation options as vast as possible for our fine town of Chesterfield.

Respectfully submitted,

Chesterfield Parks and Recreation Commission

CHESTERFIELD CEMETERIES 2003 REPORT

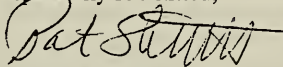
The spring, summer and fall of 2003 were exceptionally wet seasons. Keeping the cemeteries looking in top condition was a rigorous task. It took all of our time and energy just to keep them mowed and weed whacked. The Cemetery Commission and I thank Doug Wrobel for his hard work in this endeavor.

We were able to tear down and rebuild the cemetery fence at the Noyes Robertson-Coolidge Cemetery. Many thanks to Cliff Struthers, Winchester's Cemetery Sexton for his help and expertise.

This was a very busy season as it always is. Unfortunately, we were unable to complete many projects we had hoped to get to due to the wet weather. I am hoping for a drier year so that we may begin staining the fence at Cemetery West.

Thank you once again to the Chesterfield Cemetery Commission for all their support of our work. I look forward to my fifth season as the Sexton for the Town of Chesterfield.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Struthers
Cemetery Sexton

Code Enforcement/Building Inspection Annual Report – 2003

Land everywhere is becoming a scarce commodity and this is particularly true in Chesterfield. The desirable “flat” building lots are now extinct and those wishing to build are forced to look at land with drawbacks that require more and more site design and planning prior to the actual purchase. From a Code Enforcement standpoint this department is looking very closely at how the applicant has addressed the potential drainage problems created by the construction of the structure – whether it is residential or commercial, the sewage disposal system, the driveway and parking area(s) as well as the green space around the structure. We also look at how the development will affect the land surrounding the property in order to be as proactive as possible and avoid some of the problems that have been created in the past.

The generally accepted image of the department of Code Enforcement is that we are focused on the issuance of Building Permits and Building Code compliance. Although this is the area where we are most often in the public eye it is but one of the many responsibilities and duties we oversee. The Town of Chesterfield has a Zoning Ordinance, a Building Ordinance (both of these documents are on the website), a Land Use Regulations Ordinance, a Conservation Commission, a Planning Board and a Zoning Board. All of these ordinances, regulations, boards and commissions are dealt with – either directly or indirectly – by this department.

We are also responsible for compliance by all of the Building Codes. The majority of people applying for a Building Permit are first time applicants and both myself and my Deputy put a considerable amount of effort and pride into guiding them through the process. A great deal of time is spent answering questions and finding alternative solutions when necessary in order to avert and avoid problems before they arise. What is not understood by many is that the building codes are not meant to deter construction – quite the contrary – they are meant to provide a MINIMUM set of standards that will ensure the applicant a structure that is properly built and will provide the occupants a safe and healthy environment.

For those interested in numbers:

Building Permits saw a 17% increase over 2002 – a total of 121 were issued.

New Residential Permits:	39
New Commercial Permits:	1
Remodeling/Additions – Residential:	71
Remodeling/Additions – Commercial:	6
Demolition – Residential:	4

It can never be said that Code Enforcement is a mundane position. It is indeed a most challenging and rewarding position.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederic W. Crombie
Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector

CHESTERFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT - 2003

The Chesterfield Public Library extends sincere thanks to the town residents and library users for their continued support of the library and its programs. Many generous donations were given in 2003, including: many volunteer hours, monetary gifts, large numbers of books, videos, puzzles, and other media. We also greatly appreciate the wonderful contributions for the Silent Auction, and for raffles, and the lovely baked goods for sales and functions. We welcomed more than 100 new registered users this past year, and we hope those who have not yet used the library will come in. All services are free to town residents and tax payers.

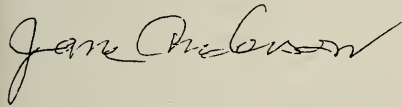
The library now has a web site: www.chesterfieldlibrary.org Please check it out for listings of events, new materials, and other library related information. You can also link to other town and state departments. Our automated circulation/catalog system now holds 80% of the library holdings, and the process is progressing well. It is our intention to have the new system working before the end of 2004.

Due to the generosity of the Chesterfield Lion's Club, we now have the "Visual Enhancement Center" in the library. It consists of a large-screen monitor and computer with visual enhancing software. Those who are visually challenged can enlarge the font to a comfortable reading size for word processing or surfing the Internet.

The Friends of Chesterfield Library continue to provide programs and valued support to and for library related events and projects. They purchased a bicycle rack for safer bike parking, a laptop computer to help with our conversion process, a mobile computer cart to store computer equipment, holiday decorations, and the cost of four speakers/performers for library programs. In addition, they added \$500 to the "Chesterfield Library Endowment Fund".

Once again, we thank our library volunteers for their dependable service, either weekly or as needed, totaling 1895 hours. Pre-school story time continues every Monday morning at 10:30, except for holidays, throughout the year. The summer reading program runs for six weeks every summer, and is always well attended and greatly enjoyed. For the senior citizens, we have started a "Coffee Klatch" on the fourth Wednesday of every month, from 10 am to noon. We continue to offer large print and audio materials, and delivery of materials to shut-ins. For all ages, we have computers for public use and free Internet service for all registered library users.

Jane Anderson, Library Director



Report of the Chesterfield Public Library's Activity in 2003

Circulation of Materials

Books	Fiction	Non-Fiction	Total
Adult	3875	991	4866
YA	108	5	113
Child	4326	1223	5549
Total Books			10,528

<u>Non-Book</u>			
Video		1891	
Audio Books/Cassettes		1394	
CD's		22	
Magazines		431	
Puppets		122	
Puzzles		182	
Total Non-Books			4042

Total Circulation of Materials 14,570

Interlibrary Loan	Rec'd	214
	Sent	231

In-Library Use of Materials	833
Reference Questions answered	483
Directional Questions answered	210
Computer Use	3167
Total library visits	11,055

Registered Users	2440
Days Open 251	Hours Open 1551
Programs/Meetings held	
Adult 44	Attendance 453
YA 1	5
Child 53	1610

Library Holdings

Books held 1/1/2003 22,021

Books added:		
Adult: New	467	Gift 453 = 920
YA	44	2 = 46
Child:	446	168 = 614
		1580

Books Withdrawn:		
Adult	602	
YA	1	
Child	227	
		830
Increase		750
Total Books Held		22,771

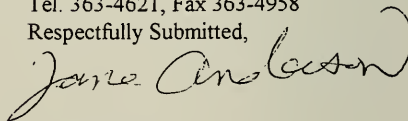
Non-Book Materials:	
Audio Books/cassettes	857
Includes: Adult, YA, Juvenile, and Music	
Videos	603
DVD's	0
CD's	89
Puzzles	97
Puppets	52

Magazines: Titles	36	Issues	461
Total Library Holdings 12/31/03		24,365	
Copier & Printer \$.10 copy/page			
Fax \$1.00/sent \$.50/rec'd			

Hours Open:	
Mon.	10-4
Tues.	1-8
Wed.	1-5
Thurs.	10-8
Sat.	9-1

E-mail: chesterfieldlib@ptcnh.net
 NEW: Check out our Web Site at:
chesterfieldlibrary.org

Tel. 363-4621, Fax 363-4958
 Respectfully Submitted,



Jane Anderson
 Library Director

WELFARE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
2003

The Chesterfield Welfare Dept works under the guidelines established by the New Hampshire Local Welfare Administrator's Association. The executive board of the association keeps abreast of all legislation pertaining to local and State welfare and at times have testified before the House of Representatives. Monthly meetings are held to get this information to the local officials. These meetings also give us the opportunity to share ideas, experiences and resource information. These exchanges have better equipped me to aid those who seek assistance.

This year I have been privileged to work with area organizations that help to assist those in need. These include Southwest Community Services, Joan's Pantry, Salvation Army and Keene Community Kitchen. I have also been given the opportunity to witness the generosity of the private sector of our community; people who have been willing to step in and make a difference in the lives of others. Thank you all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Ross
Welfare Director

Rescue Inc.

Annual Report

Providing Rescue Inc.'s nine communities with emergency medical services is a \$1.5 million effort each year. Rescue's overall expenses reflect the costs for preparedness. They include 24-hour paramedic and volunteer staffing, communications equipment, reliable emergency vehicles, vehicle maintenance, personnel training, medical equipment and supplies, support for First Response teams, medical supervision and maintaining a physical plant. A team of over 40 volunteers from around the area contributes over \$225,000 worth of their time to offset the agency's operating expenses. Without these dedicated volunteers, we would not be able to operate as we currently do. Fee for service comes from five main sources: Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance companies, private paying clients and special service contracts.

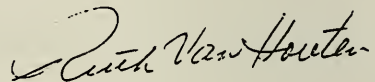
Last year, Rescue responded to a total of 3364 emergencies and provided transport services for a total of 2523 patients.

Like many other nonprofit agencies, Rescue has been hard-hit by a significant decline in the amount of monetary contributions by both individuals and corporations. At the same time, Federal rule changes, with which Rescue is required by law to comply with, have resulted in a significant increase in costs and a decrease in income.

While our income has increased at a rate of about 3% per year over the past five years, insurance and the cost of personnel benefits (e.g. health insurance, workers comp. etc.) have increased by 103%. Requisite vehicle maintenance costs and dispatch fees have risen a staggering 200%. We are in need of new vehicles, but have not purchased them due to the current financial environment.

Despite generous contributions of time and money, combined with town subsidy payments, Rescue no longer finds it possible to cover its costs. Each town was asked to increase its subsidy for the forthcoming fiscal year from \$4.50 to \$5.25 per capita. This is still a bargain as some Vermont towns are paying as much as \$21.00 per capita for emergency services. Our subscription service continues to be a source of income for us and a good value to the subscriber. Unfortunately, only about 14% of the eligible households participate in the Subscription Program.

Rescue members, both paid and volunteer, continue to upgrade their knowledge and abilities in order to make a difference in a life-threatening situation. Town residents can be assured that when they dial 911, they will receive timely, capable, and professional care.



Chesterfield Fire Warden Report

My first year as Fire Warden went well. I issued over 160 permits.

I want to thank the citizens of Chesterfield for their patience as I learned my duties. I also want to thank the Deputy Wardens for their assistance.

A reminder that there is no burning without a fire permit unless the ground around the fire is completely covered with snow. Also, do not leave a fire unattended until it is completely out per State (cold to the touch).

Respectfully submitted,

Merrill R. Yeaw

428 Pond Brook Road

West Chesterfield, NH

(603) 256-6358

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding area) is completely covered with snow. Violations of the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, in addition to the cost of suppressing the fire.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning. Contact the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at (800) 498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and making sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your fire department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands at www.nhdf.org or 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

2003 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires Reported thru November 03, 2003)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Belknap	40	4.86
Carroll	46	13.99
Cheshire	8	.68
Coos	7	17.40
Grafton	22	12.60
Hillsborough	60	11.34
Merrimack	98	10.45
Rockingham	56	18.54
Strafford	34	7.94
Sullivan	3	2.03

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	10
Campfire	25
Children	13
Smoking	20
Debris	226
Railroad	3
Lightning	2
Equipment	8
Misc*	67

(*Misc: powerlines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2003	374	100
2002	540	187
2001	942	428
2000	516	149

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

CHESTERFIELD RETIREES & SENIORS PROGRAMS:

REPORT FOR 2003

Thanks to HCS and the Town of Chesterfield, plus voluntary donations, we now have the AGE IN MOTION (AIM) exercise program. This is held at the town hall two times a year, each program running for 12 weeks, twice a week, on Tuesday and on Thursday, from 2 to 3 P.M.

In 2003 an average of 12 to 16 people participated and we are hopeful for a larger attendance as more people learn that this excellent program is available in our town. Call HCS at 352-2253 for further information about AIM.

Our long-standing seniors' luncheon program continues. A home-cooked meal is served to our guests on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, with the exception of August, January and February. The July get-together is held at Wares Grove (weather permitting) and is a big event, including seniors who are at the lake for the summer.

We were unable to coordinate a "trip" of any sort during 2003, but plan to, in 2004, possibly on the Green Mt. Express or the Brattleboro Belle.

Please note: The next luncheon will be held at the town hall on Wednesday, March 10th, serving at 12:30 P.M. The monthly HCS health clinic precedes the meal, at 11:30. Reservations for the luncheon are helpful: Call Joanne at 363-8348.

Many thanks to the Town of Chesterfield for their continuing help for the benefit of our senior residents!

Respectfully,

June Rawlings
Audrey Ericson
Neil Jenness
Cathy Jenness

Joanne MacLean
Gail Meyer
Alice Nowell

VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC
Home Care, Hospice and Family Health Services -- Report to the Town of Chesterfield

The Visiting Nurse Alliance is like the local police and fire departments - a strategic part of the community's safety net – with services that must be continuously available to anyone in need. The need varies dramatically from month to month and year to year. The VNA provides a comprehensive range of care, requisitioned by hospital staff and physicians, for everyone, regardless of ability to pay.

We value the continued partnership with the Town of Chesterfield to help us meet your residents' home care, hospice and family health needs. Town funding accomplishes the following:

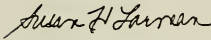
- Enables your family, friends and neighbors to remain independent and at home as they receive skilled clinical care during times of injury, recovery from surgery or accidents, disability, whether for short-term and chronic illness. For many such patients, many are addressing multiple medical, emotional and social issues at the same time.
- Provides emotional support plus pain and symptom management during terminal illness. Hospice care extends to family members as well. More and more patients want to be at home during their end of life, and through hospice they have that control.
- Provides community-wellness programs and assistance to young families at risk. Clients range from fathers and/or mothers who want to be more effective parents through learning parenting skills or providing a balanced diet; infants who require hi-tech health care; and children who grow and learn through play groups that offer interaction with other children.

The VNA provided the following services this past year: (July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003)

Skilled Nursing	23
Physical Therapy	6
Medical Social Worker	1
Home Health Aide	4
Total Visits	34

On behalf of the people we serve in your community, thank you for your continued confidence.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan H. Larman, BSN, MBA
President and Chief Executive Officer

Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT and NH, Inc.
46 S. Main Street, White River Junction, VT 05001

Youth Services

Report to the Town of Chesterfield

For over thirty years, Youth Services has helped Windham County area youth and families overcome life's challenges and learn healthy new ways to live. Whether it be problems such as substance abuse, family crisis, or general issues of growing up, our organization's staff of professionals helps youth and families find solutions. Equally important, Youth Services works in partnership with other local service providers, schools, private and public funding sources as well as with community and state groups to deliver services that help our area's youth and families, regardless of their ability to pay.

Some of the services our agency provides include Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment, Youth and Family Counseling, Home-Based Family Services, and mentoring through our Big Brothers Big Sisters Program. In addition, we offer crisis intervention through our Youth Outreach, Transitional Living Services and Runaway Programs and alternatives to the court system through our Juvenile and Adult Court Diversion and Restorative Programs.

This past year, Youth Services' programs assisted over 2,019 local youth and family members and 8 from the Town of Chesterfield. Support from communities such as yours helps make it possible for Youth Services to be responsive to the ever-changing needs of our area's residents.

This year, we respectfully request \$140 from the Town of Chesterfield to help fund our agency's services. Your ongoing support will help make it possible for Youth Services' programs to have a significant, positive impact on the lives of youth and families in the Town of Chesterfield and throughout the Windham County area. We are very grateful for your past generosity and hope we can count on your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Leitha Cipriano
Executive Director

The Gathering Place

For the past fifteen years, The Gathering Place has provided adult day services for local residents who are frail, isolated or disabled. TGP is committed to helping participants remain respected community members by encouraging their independence, and challenging them to reach and maintain their maximum levels of physical strength and mental well-being. TGP is both a cost-effective way to minimize the stress of providing home care, and an affordable alternative to nursing home placement.

TGP offers on-site physical and occupational therapies, counseling and a daily exercise program. Personal services include hairdressing, showers, podiatry and assistance with the activities of daily living. Our professional staff includes a full-time nurse, recreational therapist and occupational therapist. We can also arrange transportation to and from doctors' appointments.

Scholarships are available based on an income-sensitive, flexible fee schedule; we are a Medicaid and VA provider. Our program is opened Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm.

The Gathering Place is located in downtown Brattleboro in a lovely Victorian home with a large deck and outside area for games, relaxation and gardening. Our program includes stimulating and varied activities, entertainment, lectures, socials, field trips and local walks to places such as the Farmers Market and library. We serve a light breakfast, mid-day meal and afternoon snack.

Aside from respite, TGP offers caregivers support, education, assistance with outreach and the ability to remain employed. TGP sponsors a monthly Parkinson's Disease Support Group and facilitates a monthly Caregivers Support Group— both free and open to the public.

The Gathering Place— a good place to be!

Lynn Bedell, Executive Director
The Gathering Place
30 Terrace Street
Brattleboro VT 05301
802-254-6559 - 802-257-2859 fax
tgp@sover.net - www.gatheringplaceadulday.org

CHESTERFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT



Chesterfield Fire and Rescue had a busy year responding to 159 calls. During 2003 we incurred a 16% increase in the number of calls and an 85% increase in response hours.

On August 6th, we spent 8 hours fighting a barn fire, caused by lightning strike, at the Alvin & Freda Davis residence. Working this fire during an electrical storm was an extreme hazard and a mutual aid firefighter was struck by lightning. Several mutual aid towns responded to assist our needs. On August 22nd, we worked 17 hours fighting the fire at the Transfer Station; again with assistance from several mutual aid units.

I would like to thank Dick Wrobel of Forestview for furnishing breakfast sandwiches and coffee for the 40 some individuals working at the Transfer Station fire scene. We also greatly appreciate the support from community members that provided food and drink during this and other calls.

We welcome the addition of five new members to our volunteer force that previously consisted of twenty-six individuals. We are always in need of more members for the department because of the increased level of calls.

Due to wet conditions, we were unable to install a new fire pond in the vicinity of Pinnacle Springs. We anticipate this project to be completed during 2004.

We have applied for several grants during the year and the results of such applications continue to pend.

The following three members celebrated anniversaries in 2003:

Stephen (Bart) Bevis	30 years
Irvin Bruce	30 years
Wayne Austin	25 years

Congratulations and thank you!

Once again, thank you to our community for the support of the Fire Department and its volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,
Louis E. Perham
Chief
Chesterfield Fire & Rescue

Commissioners:
Donald LaFontaine, Chairperson
Deborah Hogancamp
Stephen (Bart) Bevis

2003 Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Activity Report

FIRE

Alarm Sounding	13
Brush/Grass	4
Chimney	7
Dumpster	1
False Alarm	1
Kitchen	1
Mutual Aid	28
Outbuilding	1
Smoke Investigation	3
Snowmobile	1
Structure	3
Vehicle	4

HAZMAT

Fuel Spill	1
Hazardous Material	1
Oil Leak	1

MISCELLANEOUS

Storm/Flood Assist	1
Public Assist	1
Power Outage/Wires Down	4

RESCUE

Motor Vehicle Accidents	22
Rescue Calls	61

TOTAL CALLS 159

**WARRANT FOR THE
CHESTERFIELD FIRE AND RESCUE PRECINCT
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD, NH
FOR THE YEAR 2004**

To the inhabitants of the Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct, Town of Chesterfield, county of Cheshire, state of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in precinct affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Center Station of the Chesterfield Fire Department, 492 Route 63, in said Chesterfield on Tuesday, the 16th day of March, 2004 at 7:00 PM to select Precinct Officers and to vote on the following articles:

Article 1: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year

Article 2: To elect a Secretary / Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 3: To elect a Commissioner for three years (2004-2007)

Article 4: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$93,300.00 for the following purposes, or act in any way related thereto:

(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Item	Proposed by Commissioners Fiscal Year 2004	Proposed by Budget Committee Fiscal Year 2004
Audit Expenses	2,500	2,500
Heating Oil	3,000	3,000
Telephone	1,400	1,400
Electricity	2,000	2,000
Insurance	9,000	9,000
Operations Payroll	18,000	18,000
Administrative Expenses	750	750
Administrative Equipment	1,000	1,000
Legal Expenses	250	250
Contracted Services	1,200	1,200
Vehicle Gas and Oil	1,250	1,250
Vehicle Maintenance	10,000	10,000
Dues	275	275
Equipment Testing	1,000	1,000
Building Maintenance	1,500	1,500
Small Equipment Repair	2,000	2,000
Supplies	250	250
Fire Prevention Program	750	750
Rescue Supplies	1,500	1,500
Training	2,000	2,000
Small Equipment	6,500	6,500
Emergency Contingency Fund	7,000	7,000
Bond and Interest	20,175	20,175
	<hr/> 93,300	<hr/> 93,300

- Article 5: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- Article 6: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,733 for the purchase of small fire and rescue equipment and to authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$2,733 from the Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- Article 7: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Expendable Trust for Fire Ponds, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- Article 8: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- Article 9: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Building Maintenance Non-Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
- Article 10: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT			
CHESTERFIELD FIRE & RESCUE PRECINCT			
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR OF 2003			
Cash - January 1, 2003		\$14,775.69	
REVENUE			
Town of Chesterfield:			
Budget Appropriations	\$85,381.00		
Less December 31, 2002 Surplus	\$(12,722.00)		
Capital Reserve Funds	\$45,000.00		
Non-Capital Reserve Fund	\$5,000.00		
Expendable Trust Fund	\$1,500.00		
Rental Income	\$1,800.00		
Interest Income	\$127.86		
Insurance Claim	\$3,238.50		
State of New Hampshire - Disaster Assistance	\$1,268.94		
Town of Chesterfield - Bond Interest Reduction	\$3,639.42		
Miscellaneous Income	\$5.00		
		\$134,238.72	
EXPENSES			
Budget Appropriations	\$83,726.73		
Capital Reserve Fund	\$11,219.93		
Capital Reserve Funds Reinvest	\$33,780.07		
Non-Capital Reserve Fund Reinvest	\$5,000.00		
Expendable Trust Fund Reinvest	\$1,500.00		
		\$135,226.73	
Cash Balance December 31, 2003		\$13,787.68	

BUDGET REPORT				
CHESTERFIELD FIRE & RESCUE PRECINCT				
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR OF 2003				
		ARTICLE 4		
LEDGER #	LINE ITEM	APPROPRIATION	EXPENSE	VARIANCE
300010	Heating Oil	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,017.72	\$ (17.72)
300015	Telephone	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,362.36	\$ 37.64
300020	Electricity	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,908.28	\$ 91.72
300022	Insurance	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 8,608.77	\$ (8.77)
300025	Salaries	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
300030	Operations Payroll	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 17,180.28	\$ (2,680.28)
300050	Administrative Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 532.46	\$ 467.54
300051	Administrative Equipment	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,132.48	\$ 367.52
300055	Legal Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00
300060	Contracted Services	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,613.00	\$ 387.00
300065	Vehicle Gas & Oil	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 963.89	\$ 286.11
300070	Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 7,332.05	\$ 2,667.95
300075	Dues	\$ 250.00	\$ 270.00	\$ (20.00)
300080	Equipment Testing	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,170.90	\$ (170.90)
300085	Building Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 918.87	\$ 581.13
300090	Small Equipment Repair	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,093.12	\$ (1,593.12)
300095	Supplies	\$ 250.00	\$ 113.77	\$ 136.23
300100	Fire Prevention Program	\$ 750.00	\$ 878.46	\$ (128.46)
300110	Rescue Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 781.02	\$ 718.98
300115	Training	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,923.60	\$ (423.60)
300120	Small Equipment	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,290.61	\$ (790.61)
300125	Bond & Interest	\$ 20,986.00	\$ 20,985.00	\$ 1.00
300130	Interest on TAN	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
300135	Emergency Contingency Fund	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 600.09	\$ 6,399.91
	Total	\$ 90,336.00	\$ 83,726.73	\$ 6,609.27

WARRANT			
ARTICLE			
5 & 6	Small Equipment CRF	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
7	Fire Ponds Expendable Trust	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
9	Heavy Equipment CRF	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
10	Building Maintenance Non-CRF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
	Total	\$ 51,500.00	\$ 51,500.00

**CHESTERFIELD FIRE AND RESCUE PRECINCT
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD, NH
PRECINCT MEETING 2003**

Moderator Gary Winn called the Annual Precinct meeting to order at 7:00 PM at the Chesterfield Center Fire Station on Tuesday, March 18, 2003. There were 22 people in attendance.

- Article 1:** To elect a moderator for the ensuing year. On a motion made by Lou Perham and seconded by Bruce Gideos, Gary Winn was elected by a voice vote.
- Article 2:** To elect a secretary/treasurer for the ensuing year. On a motion made by Stephen Bevis and seconded by Richard Gauthier, Jane Perham was elected by a voice vote.
- Article 3:** To elect a Commissioner for three years (2003-2006) On a motion made by Lou Perham and seconded by Bruce Gideos, Donald LaFontaine was elected by a voice vote.
- Article 4:** A voice vote in the affirmative on a motion made by Lou Perham and seconded by Steve Chickering to see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,336.00 for the following purposes, or act in any way related thereto:

	Proposed by Commissioners Fiscal Year 2003	Proposed by Budget Committee Fiscal Year 2003
Item	Commissioners Fiscal Year 2003	Budget Committee Fiscal Year 2003
Heating Oil	3,000	3,000
Telephone	1,400	1,400
Electricity	2,000	2,000
Insurance	8,600	8,600
Salaries	2,000	2,000
Operations Payroll	14,500	14,500
Administrative Expenses	1,000	1,000
Administrative Equipment	1,500	1,500
Legal Expenses	250	250
Contracted Services	2,000	2,000
Vehicle Gas and Oil	1,250	1,250
Vehicle Maintenance	10,000	10,000
Dues	250	250
Equipment Testing	1,000	1,000
Building Maintenance	1,500	1,500
Small Equipment Repair	1,500	1,500
Supplies	250	250
Fire Prevention Program	750	750
Rescue Supplies	1,500	1,500
Training	1,500	1,500
Small Equipment	6,500	6,500
Emergency Contingency Fund	7,000	7,000
Bond and Interest	20,986	20,986
Interest on TAN	100	100
	90,336	90,336

(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Article 5: A voice vote in the affirmative on a motion made by Lou Perham and seconded by Steve Chickering to see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Article 6: A voice vote in the affirmative on a motion made by Amy LaFontaine and seconded by Bruce Gideos to see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,174 for the purchase of small fire and rescue equipment and to authorize the withdrawal of the sum of \$15,174 from the Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Article 7: A voice vote in the affirmative on a motion made by Richard Gauthier and seconded by William Vogeley to see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to be added to the already established Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Ponds, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Article 8: A unanimous voice vote in the affirmative on a motion made by Bruce Gideos and seconded by William Vogeley to see if the Precinct will vote to change the Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Ponds to a new Expendable Trust for Fire Ponds in which the principal and interest can be appropriated and expended. Also, to see if the Precinct will vote to appoint the Commissioners as agents to expend from the Expendable Trust for Fire Ponds or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Commissioners)

Article 9: A voice vote in the affirmative on a motion made by Steve Chickering and seconded by Any LaFontaine to see if the Precinct will vote to establish a fund to be known as The Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to establish the trust or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Article 10: A voice vote in the affirmative on a motion made by Bruce Gideos and seconded by Steve Chickering to see if the Precinct will vote to establish a fund to be known as The Chesterfield Fire and Rescue Precinct Building Maintenance Non-Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to establish the trust or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Commissioners)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

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

The moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane D. Perham
Secretary/Treasurer

SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT
2003 COMMISSIONERS REPORT

The Fire Department responded to 152 calls during 2003. Over one half of the total was for rescue and accident responses. The total number of calls continues to increase each year with the greatest increase being in rescue responses.

We are happy to report that the dept. is fully staffed with dedicated volunteers, most of whom are dual trained in firefighting and rescue work. Many are nationally registered EMT's with one an EMT-I, meaning that he can administer certain medication or establish IV's that are so important in critical cases.

The total proposed 2004 budget including all capital reserve fund investments is up 3.8%, driven up because of additional training and payroll due to increased calls and new regulations. The district is now required by N.H. DRA to complete an external audit each year and we are therefore forced to include \$1800. for that expense. While we have carried building repairs at the same cost as last year, we will recommend that a minimum be spent if the district voters allow us to proceed with further station replacement planning. We recommend that any monies saved this year be placed in the new building capital reserve fund. The fire department officers recommended that we delay the purchase of a new brush truck for one year because the monies presently allocated for this truck in the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund is not quite enough to cover costs. We do not recommend the purchase until all monies are available thru capital reserve, not by direct additional appropriations.

Through the Office of Emergency Management, a new digital multi-channel radio base station is now installed, greatly increasing the radio capabilities in the area. A new large air compressor is now installed, donated by Thomas Construction that is used to keep all air systems on all units fully charged at all times. Thomas Construction has also covered the costs to purchase a pulse oximeter used to determine patient oxygen levels prior to starting treatment. We thank Thomas for these critically needed items.

The new hand held computer is now in full use on the rescue vehicle, providing up to the moment information on almost all medical situations, haz-mat procedures, as well as fire fighting instructions for unique situations. Mapping of the district to make for even faster responses will be installed this year.

We are recommending that \$25,000. be withdrawn from the New Building Capital Reserve Fund so that site engineering analysis and plans as well as architectural plans be completed for the new Spofford Fire Station. Negotiations have begun for possible acquisition of a village property that will serve the district well. To be sure that the property is adequate we feel engineering and architectural designs need to be completed. The intent is to have all information completed, including firm construction costs so that a final bond vote for a new station can occur at the 2005 Precinct meeting. Prior to the upcoming 2004 Precinct meeting, fact sheets will be available on the information available to date to help district voters understand the importance of supporting this important project.

As always, the Commissioners and firemen thank all district voters for their support.

Dave Thomas, Chairman
Chet Greenwood
Mike Wiggin

Warrant for the Spofford Fire District For the Year 2004

To the inhabitants of the Spofford Fire District qualified to vote on the affairs of the District: You are hereby notified to meet at the Spofford Village Hall on Tuesday, March 16th at 7:30PM to vote on the following articles:

Article 1: To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2: To choose a clerk/treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 3: To choose a Commissioner for three years; 2004, 2005, 2006

Article 4: To see if the District will vote to accept the operating budget or act thereon:

Heating Oil	\$ 3,000.00
Phone & Lights	\$ 2,000.00
Worker's Compensation	\$ 650.00
Fire & Liability Insurance	\$ 5,300.00
Janitorial Expenses	\$ 750.00
Treasurer's Expenses	\$ 200.00
Rescue Supplies	\$ 1,000.00
Gas & Diesel Fuel	\$ 400.00
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00
Radio Repairs/Replacement	\$ 2,000.00
Building: Repairs, Maintenance, Upgrade	\$10,000.00
Training & Dues	\$ 4,000.00
Payroll & other related expenses	\$16,000.00
Small Equipment	\$ 2,500.00
Hepatitis B & TB Inoculations	\$ 800.00
Defib Service Contract	\$ 1,100.00
Fire Prevention Program	\$ 100.00
Bank Charges	\$
Financial Audit	\$ 1,800.00
Totals	\$56,600.00

Article 5: To see if the District will note to appropriate the sum of \$24,000.00 to be added to the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund or act in any way thereto.

(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners)

Article 6: To see if the District will vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to the already established New Building Capital Reserve Fund of which \$8,000.00 will be funded from the 12/31/03 surplus or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners)

Article 7: To see if the District will vote to appropriate the sum of \$9,200.00 to the already established Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners)

Article 8: To see if the District will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to the already established Spofford Water Hole Capital Reserve Fund or act in any way related thereto.
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners)

Article 9: To see if the District will vote to Withdraw up to the sum of \$5,160.00 from The existing Small Equipment CRF to purchase EMS Gear and Fire Gear.
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners)

Article 10: To see if the District will vote to withdraw up to the sum of \$25,000.00 from New Building CRF for possible site investigation, engineering and architectural design for a new Fire Station.
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners)

Article 11: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Commissioners: _____ David Thomas

_____ Michael Wiggin

_____ Chester C. Greenwood

**BUDGET REPORT
SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT
FOR THE YEAR 2003**

<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>SPENT</u>	<u>REMAINING</u>
301 Heating Oil	\$4,000.00	\$2,334.68	\$1,665.32
302 Phone & Lights	\$2,000.00	\$1,999.23	\$0.77
303 Worker Compensation Ins.	\$350.00	\$327.00	\$23.00
304 Fire Liability Ins.	\$5,200.00	\$4,315.53	\$884.47
305 Janitorial Expenses	\$750.00	\$572.64	\$177.36
306 Treasurer Expenses	\$200.00	\$164.69	\$35.31
307 Rescue Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$935.65	\$64.35
308 Gas & Diesel Fuel	\$400.00	\$491.60	-\$91.60
309 Equipment Repair & Maint.	\$5,000.00	\$4,077.37	\$922.63
310 Radio Repair & Maint.	\$2,000.00	\$1,915.76	\$84.24
311 Building Repairs & Maint.	\$10,000.00	\$964.11	\$9,035.89
312 Training & Dues	\$3,500.00	\$2,935.72	\$564.28
313 Payroll & Other Related Exp.	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00
314 Small Equipment	\$2,500.00	\$2,179.86	\$320.14
315 Hepatitis B, TB Inoculations	\$800.00	\$649.00	\$151.00
317 Defib Service Contract	\$1,100.00	\$1,070.00	\$30.00
318 Fire Prevention Program	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Bank Service Charge		\$11.70	-\$11.70
Totals	\$53,900.00	\$39,944.54	\$13,955.46

Spent: \$39,944.54

Remaining: \$13,955.46

\$53,900.00

Special Warrant Articles:

Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve \$23,000.00

Small Equipment Capital Reserve \$8,800.00

New Building Capital Reserve Fund \$22,000.00

Spoftford Water Hole Capital Reserve \$1,000.00

Computer & Pumps \$1,626.38

\$56,426.38

Total Expenditures:

\$96,370.92

SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT
For the year ending December 31st, 2003

Cash on hand 01/01/03 \$7,982.37

Revenue:

Town of Chesterfield	\$110,345.00	
State of NH-Revenue Sharing Grant	\$268.24	
State of NH-Emergency Management	\$852.34	
Interest	\$28.55	
Rent from Hall	\$70.00	
Transfer from Small Equipment	\$1,626.38	
		\$113,190.51
		<u>\$121,172.88</u>

Expenses:

Appropriation	\$39,944.54	
Warrant Articles	\$54,800.00	
Small Equipment	\$1,626.38	
		\$96,370.92
Cash on hand 12/31/03 remaining to offset taxes		\$24,801.96

**MINUTES FOR THE SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT MEETING
FOR THE YEAR 2003**

Moderator Michael Bentley called the meeting to order at 7:30PM at the Spofford Village Hall on Tuesday, March 18, 2003. There were 16 people in attendance. Dispensing the reading of the warrant, articles were taken up in turn.

Article 1: To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year. On a motion by Chester Greenwood and second Thomas Davoli, Michael Bentley was elected unanimously.

Article 2: To choose a Clerk/Treasurer for the ensuing year. On a motion by David Thomas and second by Chester Greenwood, Jeanne Peterson was elected unanimously.

Article 3: To choose a Commissioner for three years 2003, 2004, 2005. On a motion by David Thomas and second by Michael Wiggin, Chester Greenwood was elected unanimously.

Article 4: To see if the District will vote to accept the operating budget or act thereon: (\$53,900.00) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) On a motion by Chester Greenwood and second by Steven Buckley adopted as read was passed unanimously.
A comment was made by William Allen that 2 damaged shutters on the Village Hall needed to be replaced using funds from the Building Repairs & Maintenance portion of the operating budget.

Article 5: To see if the District will vote to appropriate the sum of \$23,000.00 to be added to the existing Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund or act in any way thereon.
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
On a motion by Steven Buckley and second by Tom Davoli adopted as read was passed unanimously.

Article 6: To see if the District will vote to appropriate the sum of \$8,800.00 to be added to the existing Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund or act in any way thereon.
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
On a motion by Steve Buckley and second by Chester Greenwood adopted as read was passed unanimously.

Article 7: To see if the District will vote the sum of \$22,000.00 to be added to the existing New Building Capitol Reserve Fund or act in any way thereon.
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
On a motion by Steven Buckley and second by Richard Green adopted as read was passed unanimously.

Article 8: To see if the District will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be added to the existing Waterhole Expendable Trust Capitol Reserve Fund or act in any way thereon.
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
On a motion by Steven Buckley and second by Tom Davoli adopted as read was passed unanimously.

Article 9: To see if the District will vote to withdraw the sum of \$2,600.00 from the existing Small Equipment Capitol Reserve Fund to purchase a computer and pumps or act in any way thereon.
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
On a motion by Steven Buckley and second by Wayne Guyette adopted as read was passed unanimously.

Article 10: To see if the District will vote to withdraw a sum up to \$5,000.00 from the existing New Building Capitol Reserve Fund for possible site investigation for a new Fire Station or act in any way thereon.
(Recommended by the Board of Commissioners) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
On a motion by Steve Buckley and second by Michael Fuller adopted as read was passed unanimously.

**MINUTES FOR THE SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT MEETING
FOR THE YEAR 2003**

Article 11: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

On a motion by Karen Guyette and second by Wayne Guyette all existing records of the Village Factory Hall Association be given to the Chesterfield Historical Society. Motion was passed unanimously.

Michael Wiggin spoke of the work being done by a Senior Design Class at Keene State College. One group is designing a new firehouse and another group is working on a location for a station and what to do with existing Village properties, such as the Electrosonic building.

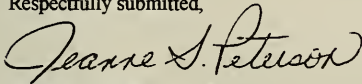
David Thomas presented a Certificate of Appreciation, from the Commissioners, to Janet Dunham for her years of service as Clerk/Treasurer of the Spofford Fire District.

David Thomas expressed the Fire Districts Appreciation for the money given by the Spofford Lake Association for the installation of the new Dry Hydrant.

Steven Buckley expressed the Fire Districts Appreciation for the air compressor donated by D & L Thomas Equipment Corporation.

On a motion by Steven Buckley and a second by David Thomas the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanne S. Peterson
Clerk/Treasurer

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

MODERATOR
Gary Winn

CLERK
Antonina Mann

TREASURER
Anita Barber

MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

	Term Expires
Fred S. Rowley, Chair.	2004
Barbara I. Girs	2005
John B. Loftus, III	2005
Stephen Pfistner	2004
Jacqueline L. Reilly	2006

ATTENDANCE OFFICER
Lester Fairbanks

N.H. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 29 ADMINISTRATION

Phillip G. McCormack, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
Barbara S. Tremblay, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Wayne E. Woolridge, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
John R. Harper, Business Administrator
Timothy L. Ruehr, Business Manager
Patricia Trow Parent, Manager of Personnel Services
Bruce Thielen, Director of Special Education
Michael Duhaime, Director of Technology Services

PRINCIPAL
Martin F. Mahoney

SCHOOL NURSE
Jane Vincello

SCHOOL DOCTOR
George Idlekope, M.D.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

This school district receives federal financial assistance. In order to continue receiving such federal financial assistance, this school district will not discriminate in their educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age, or handicapping condition, under the provisions of Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Complaints regarding compliance with Title IX regulations should be submitted in writing to the Title IX liaison for School Administrative Unit 29, the Personnel Manager, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

Complaints regarding compliance with Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Section 504 should be submitted in writing to the Director of Special Education, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

Phillip G. McCormack, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Chesterfield qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Chesterfield Elementary School in said District on the 6th day of March, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear the 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 vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the District will vote to authorize and empower the school board to borrow up to \$85,000 representing the State of New Hampshire share of special education costs for the 2004-2005 school year pursuant to R.S.A. 198:20-D upon such terms and conditions as the school board determines in the best interests of the District; said sum, together with the costs of borrowing, to be repaid by the State of New Hampshire, pursuant to R.S.A. 186:C-18, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(This article is recommended for approval by the Chesterfield School Board and the Chesterfield Budget Committee.)*

ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to \$25,000 of its unencumbered funds, if any, remaining on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2004, to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by voters on March 5, 1994, for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of the school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(This article is recommended for approval by the Chesterfield School Board and the Chesterfield Budget Committee.)*

ARTICLE 5: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL BOARD

Fred S. Rowley, Chair

Barbara I. Girs

John B. Loftus, III

Stephen Pfistner

Jacqueline L. Reilly

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Chesterfield qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Chesterfield Elementary School in said District on the 6th day of March, 2004, at 10:00 in the forenoon to bring in your votes for the election of school district officers. The polls will open not later than 10:00 a.m., nor close earlier than the termination time of the District Meeting (as a minimum, 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.).

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary school district officers:

Two members of the school board for the ensuing three years
A moderator for the ensuing year
A clerk for the ensuing year
A treasurer for the ensuing year from July 1, 2004

Given under our hands at said Chesterfield, this 4th day of February, 2004.

*Fred S. Rowley, Chair
Barbara I Girs
John B. Loftus, III
Stephen Pfistner
Jacqueline L. Reilly*

**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
DISTRICT MEETING
PROPOSED 2004-2005 BUDGET**

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	2002-2003 ACTUAL	2003-2004 BUDGET	2004-2005 PROPOSED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE	2004-2005 PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD
51100 REGULAR INSTRUCTION				
Salaries/Benefits - Teachers	\$1,511,317	\$1,638,374	\$1,647,456	\$1,647,456
Salaries/Benefits - Aides	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Salaries/Benefits - Substitutes	\$20,548	\$23,848	\$23,848	\$23,848
Salaries/Benefits - E.S.L./Interpreter	\$1,695	\$14,200	\$0	\$0
Repairs to Equipment	\$5,129	\$4,100	\$5,500	\$5,500
Tuition - KHS	\$1,249,447	\$1,307,232	\$1,262,144	\$1,292,928
Travel Reimbursement	\$0	\$0	\$400	\$400
Consumable Supplies	\$34,667	\$44,000	\$39,200	\$39,200
Instructional Materials	\$21,792	\$20,100	\$27,050	\$27,050
Classroom Reference Materials	\$4,438	\$6,100	\$4,300	\$4,300
Software	\$1,859	\$2,900	\$3,100	\$3,100
New Equipment	\$7,491	\$9,100	\$8,600	\$8,600
New Furniture	\$2,676	\$1,925	\$950	\$950
Replacement Equipment	\$16,139	\$17,000	\$16,000	\$16,000
Replacement Furniture	\$3,295	\$2,100	\$1,400	\$1,400
TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$2,880,492	\$3,090,979	\$3,039,948	\$3,070,732
51200 SPECIAL INSTRUCTION				
Salaries/Benefits - Teachers	\$445,583	\$240,727	\$251,964	\$251,964
Salaries/Benefits - Support Staff	\$313,653	\$583,975	\$474,456	\$534,456
Sped Summer/ESY	\$17,380	\$21,348	\$17,344	\$17,344
Tutorial Service	\$39,531	\$0	\$20,328	\$20,328
Vision Services	\$4,478	\$3,760	\$0	\$0
Certified Nursing Assistant	\$700	\$0	\$0	\$0
Occupational Therapy Services	\$25,665	\$29,450	\$23,875	\$23,875
Physical Therapy Services	\$760	\$0	\$0	\$0
Tuition - KHS	\$463,501	\$489,251	\$368,388	\$382,032
Tuition-Elementary-OOD	\$148,274	\$154,446	\$277,296	\$277,296
Tuition-High School-OOD	\$182,603	\$219,235	\$155,601	\$155,601
Tuition- TNT	\$13,286	\$0	\$16,061	\$16,061
Tuition - Preschool	\$6,062	\$10,059	\$12,792	\$12,792
Consumable Supplies	\$1,563	\$1,900	\$1,500	\$1,500
Instructional Materials	\$1,945	\$3,200	\$2,250	\$2,250
Software	\$223	\$300	\$300	\$300
Equipment/Furniture	\$3,925	\$6,861	\$2,775	\$2,775
TOTAL SPECIAL INSTRUCTION	\$1,669,132	\$1,764,512	\$1,624,929	\$1,698,573
	\$0	\$0		

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2004-2005
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE	PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD
51400 COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES				
Destination Imagination Supplies	\$1,569	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Athletic Officials	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$2,100
Maintenance of Athletic Field	\$1,814	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
Co-curricular Supplies	\$192	\$400	\$400	\$400
Assembly Programs	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$2,500
Student Fees/Special Programs	\$11,760	\$11,830	\$8,180	\$8,180
Math Counts	\$200	\$200	\$0	\$0
Intramural Supplies	\$0	\$350	\$350	\$350
Salaries/Benefits	\$13,109	\$15,825	\$14,717	\$14,717
Awards	\$600	\$600	\$1,000	\$1,000
Athletic Uniforms	\$369	\$500	\$500	\$500
Replacement of Equipment	\$543	\$700	\$700	\$700
Athletic Dues & Fees	\$400	\$400	\$1,400	\$1,400
TOTAL COCURRICULAR ACTIVS.	\$33,655	\$39,905	\$36,847	\$36,847
	\$0	\$0		
52110 TOTAL ATTENDANCE SERVICE	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$1
52120 GUIDANCE SERVICES				
Salary/Benefits	\$59,176	\$62,108	\$58,561	\$58,561
Guidance Consultations	\$0	\$125	\$125	\$125
Testing Services	\$2,048	\$2,300	\$0	\$0
Testing and Evaluation	\$14,393	\$10,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
Supplies/Reference	\$673	\$600	\$430	\$430
TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES	\$76,290	\$75,133	\$71,116	\$71,116
	\$0	\$0		
52130 HEALTH SERVICES				
Salaries/Benefits - Nurse	\$59,498	\$66,234	\$69,558	\$69,558
Salaries/Benefits - Clerical Assistant	\$8,522	\$4,515	\$3,789	\$3,789
Physician Services	\$750	\$1,000	\$500	\$500
Calibration/Repair of Equipment	\$79	\$200	\$200	\$200
Nurse's Supplies	\$680	\$1,100	\$1,000	\$1,000
Reference Materials	\$0	\$150	\$150	\$150
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Software	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	\$69,529	\$73,199	\$75,197	\$75,197

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	2002-2003 ACTUAL	2003-2004 BUDGET	2004-2005 PROPOSED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE	2004-2005 PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD
52140 PSYCHOLOGY SERVICES				
Salaries/Benefits - Psychologist	\$60,871	\$64,003	\$66,966	\$66,966
Psychological Counseling	\$39,669	\$41,420	\$33,180	\$33,180
Supplies	\$533	\$500	\$500	\$500
Reference Materials/Periodicals	\$798	\$730	\$750	\$750
Software	\$353	\$275	\$400	\$400
New Equipment	\$1,118	\$1,600	\$2,100	\$2,100
TOTAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICES	\$103,342	\$108,528	\$103,896	\$103,896
52150 SPEECH SERVICES				
Salaries/Benefits - Speech Pathologist	\$72,137	\$75,344	\$77,955	\$77,955
Speech/Language Supplies	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250
Instructional Materials	\$522	\$575	\$575	\$575
Speech/Language Furniture	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$0
Software	\$498	\$500	\$550	\$550
Speech/Language Equipment	\$490	\$900	\$0	\$0
Summer Speech/Language	\$2,105	\$648	\$2,100	\$2,100
TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES	\$75,751	\$78,417	\$81,431	\$81,431
52210 STAFF DEVELOPMENT				
Continuum Salaries/Benefits	\$9,579	\$13,279	\$17,484	\$17,484
CEA Course Reimbursement	\$7,621	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000
Curriculum Development	\$637	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
Staff Development	\$1,125	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000
Travel Reimbursement	\$3,716	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
Professional Resources/Affiliations	\$403	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
CSSA Staff Development	\$1,649	\$5,550	\$6,000	\$6,000
TOTAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT	\$24,729	\$43,329	\$47,984	\$47,984
52220 LIBRARY SERVICES				
Salaries/Benefits - Media Generalist	\$65,906	\$70,093	\$73,307	\$73,307
Salaries/Benefits - Library Aide	\$6,842	\$6,678	\$6,727	\$6,727
Media Membership	\$2,496	\$2,550	\$2,424	\$2,424
Repairs to Equipment	\$1,256	\$1,000	\$1,700	\$1,700
Consumable Supplies/Periodicals	\$3,648	\$4,600	\$3,700	\$3,700
Books/Reference Materials	\$11,912	\$12,000	\$8,200	\$8,200
Software	\$2,379	\$2,700	\$2,700	\$2,700
Equipment	\$0	\$1,800	\$0	\$0
Library Furniture	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Professional Dues	\$140	\$150	\$375	\$375
TOTAL LIBRARY SERVICES	\$94,579	\$101,571	\$99,132	\$99,132

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	2002-2003 ACTUAL	2003-2004 BUDGET	2004-2005	
			PROPOSED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE	PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD
52290 CONSULTATION				
Sped Program Consultation	\$6,511	\$4,480	\$2,800	\$2,800
TOTAL STAFF SPED SUPPORT	\$6,511	\$4,480	\$2,800	\$2,800
52310 SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES				
Board Member Salaries/Benefits	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200
District Benefits (FICA)	\$338	\$543	\$543	\$543
Unemployment Compensation	\$2,589	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fingerprinting Reimbursement	\$34	\$500	\$400	\$400
Staff Physicals	\$0	\$400	\$400	\$400
Audit/Legal Services	\$5,413	\$5,200	\$5,500	\$5,500
SB Expenses-District Meeting	\$804	\$500	\$500	\$500
Advertising	\$161	\$200	\$200	\$200
School Board Expenses	\$2,424	\$1,900	\$1,900	\$1,900
NHSBA Dues	\$2,809	\$2,850	\$3,000	\$3,000
District Clerk	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
District Treasurer	\$2,161	\$2,165	\$3,165	\$3,165
Treasurer's Supplies	\$355	\$500	\$500	\$500
District Moderator	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Legal Fees-Negotiations	\$12,337	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
Stenographer	\$986	\$927	\$1,297	\$1,297
TOTAL BOARD SERVICES	\$34,810	\$20,085	\$26,805	\$26,805
TOTAL SAU #29 SERVICES	\$287,814	\$306,552	\$316,467	\$316,467
52410 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION				
Salaries/Benefits - Principal	\$110,839	\$86,477	\$104,307	\$104,307
Salaries/Benefits - Asst.Principal	\$34,149	\$65,530	\$59,401	\$59,401
Salaries/Benefits - Admin. Asst.	\$26,703	\$40,119	\$41,987	\$41,987
Salaries/Benefits - Receptionists	\$17,724	\$34,388	\$35,416	\$35,416
Management Development	\$1,835	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Repairs to Equipment	\$2,448	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
Telephone/Internet	\$16,091	\$12,844	\$13,000	\$13,000
Postage	\$2,517	\$5,500	\$3,000	\$3,000
Printing	\$5,677	\$3,500	\$1,000	\$1,000
Travel Reimbursement	\$2,607	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$2,500
Office Supplies	\$241	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$1,500
Software	\$0	\$1,409	\$1,237	\$1,237
Equipment	\$4,032	\$4,032	\$4,032	\$4,032
Professional Dues	\$818	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Graduation Supplies	\$2,250	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$1,500
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$227,930	\$268,299	\$274,630	\$275,880

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2004-2005
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE	PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD
52600 SCHOOL MAINTENANCE				
Salaries/Benefits - Custodians	\$106,387	\$107,952	\$109,299	\$109,299
Rubbish Removal	\$4,739	\$6,600	\$6,788	\$6,788
Repairs to Equipment	\$933	\$800	\$600	\$600
Maintenance Services	\$46,164	\$40,455	\$35,455	\$35,455
Insurance	\$11,816	\$15,200	\$16,000	\$16,000
Custodial Supplies	\$11,229	\$11,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Electricity	\$26,185	\$29,304	\$29,304	\$29,304
Bottled Gas	\$2,653	\$2,700	\$2,700	\$2,700
Fuel Oil	\$20,322	\$19,950	\$21,000	\$21,000
Equipment	\$522	\$300	\$2,200	\$2,200
Salaries/Benefits-Summer Custodial	\$12,826	\$12,799	\$7,689	\$7,689
Building Repair and Maintenance	\$113,007	\$50,000	\$29,800	\$29,800
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	\$356,782	\$297,060	\$270,835	\$270,835
52700 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION				
Regular Elementary	\$198,428	\$204,380	\$194,121	\$194,121
Special Education-Elementary	\$57,402	\$31,200	\$102,406	\$102,406
Field Trips	\$6,140	\$7,810	\$3,250	\$3,250
Athletic Transportation	\$5,682	\$4,500	\$6,700	\$6,700
Regular High School	\$66,142	\$68,127	\$64,707	\$64,707
Special Education-High School	\$43,198	\$39,570	\$23,330	\$23,330
TOTAL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$376,991	\$355,587	\$394,514	\$394,514
52513 CAT AID INTEREST	\$3,977	\$0	\$0	\$0
55220 TRANSFERS				
Federal Projects	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000
Capital Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
School Lunch	\$12,101	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
Capital Reserve	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0
Expendable Trust	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL TRANSFERS	\$32,101	\$190,000	\$140,000	\$140,000
GRAND TOTALS	\$6,354,416	\$6,817,637	\$6,606,532	\$6,712,210

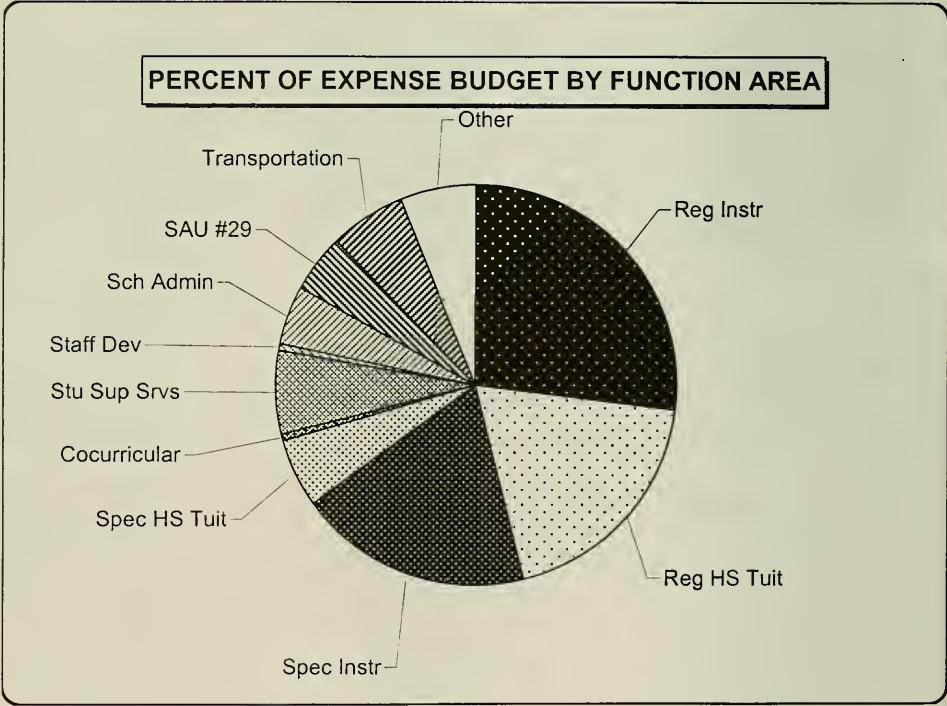
**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
ESTIMATED REVENUES**

REVENUE ACCOUNTS	2002-2003 ACTUAL	2003-2004 BUDGET	2004-2005 PROPOSED
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$88,773	\$78,507	\$100,000
Local Property Tax	\$3,337,860	\$3,649,449	\$3,866,862
Interest	\$16,019	\$25,000	\$20,000
Lunch - Local Sales	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000
Tuition	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Local	\$7,311	\$3,460	\$3,700
Shared Position	\$7,703	\$0	\$14,979
N.H. Adequacy Grant	\$1,211,939	\$1,440,558	\$923,270
N.H. Property Tax	\$1,612,776	\$1,427,555	\$1,427,555
N.H. Building Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0
N.H. Handicapped Aid	\$86,951	\$52,330	\$90,166
Net Change in Reimbursement	(\$16,363)	(\$222)	\$0
Anticipation Borrowing			
N.H. Kindergarten Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0
N.H. Lunch Aid	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$78,538	\$6,000	\$25,000
Federal Projects	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000
Lunch - Federal	\$0	\$18,000	\$18,000
Transfer from Expendable Trust	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfer from Capital Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTALS	\$6,431,508	\$6,817,637	\$6,606,532

Budget Increase	-3.10%
Property Tax Increase	4.28%
Prop. Tax Rate Increase	\$0.59
Tax Increase on \$100,000 house	\$59.47
Tax Increase on \$150,000 house	\$89.20

**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGETED EXPENSES FOR 2004-2005**

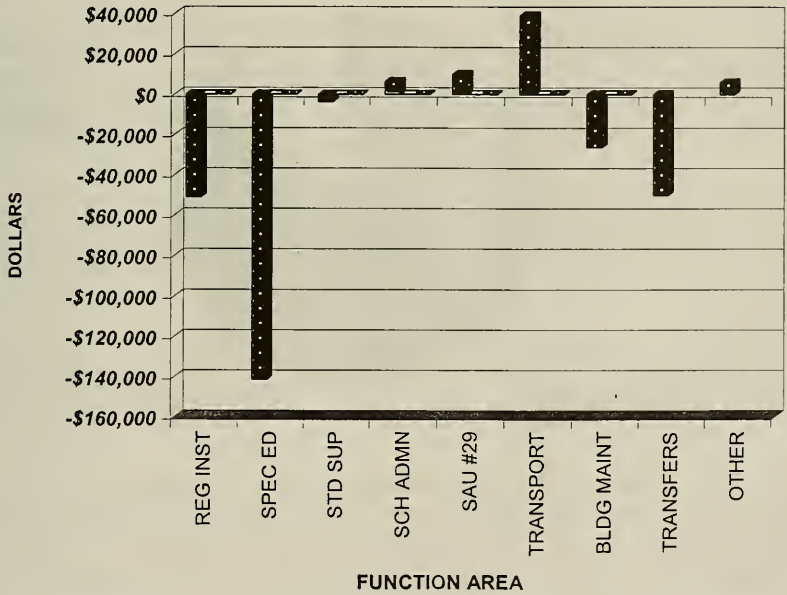
FUNCTION AREA	DOLLARS	PERCENT
REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$1,777,804	26.91%
REGULAR HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS	\$1,262,144	19.10%
SPECIAL INSTRUCTION	\$1,259,341	19.06%
SPECIAL HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS	\$368,388	5.58%
COCURRICULAR	\$36,847	0.56%
STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES	\$430,773	6.52%
STAFF DEVELOPMENT	\$47,984	0.73%
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$301,435	4.56%
SAU # 29	\$316,467	4.79%
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$394,514	5.97%
OTHER (MAINTENANCE/TRANSFERS)	\$410,835	6.22%
TOTAL	\$6,606,532	100.00%



**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
CHANGES BY FUNCTION 2004-2005**

	DOLLARS	PERCENT
REGULAR INSTRUCTION	-\$51,031	-0.66%
SPECIAL EDUCATION	-\$141,263	-3.82%
STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES	-\$3,637	-1.08%
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$6,331	2.83%
SAU # 29	\$9,915	3.23%
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$38,927	10.95%
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	-\$26,225	-8.83%
TRANSFERS	-\$50,000	-26.32%
OTHER	\$5,878	2.87%
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TOTAL	<u>-\$211,105</u>	

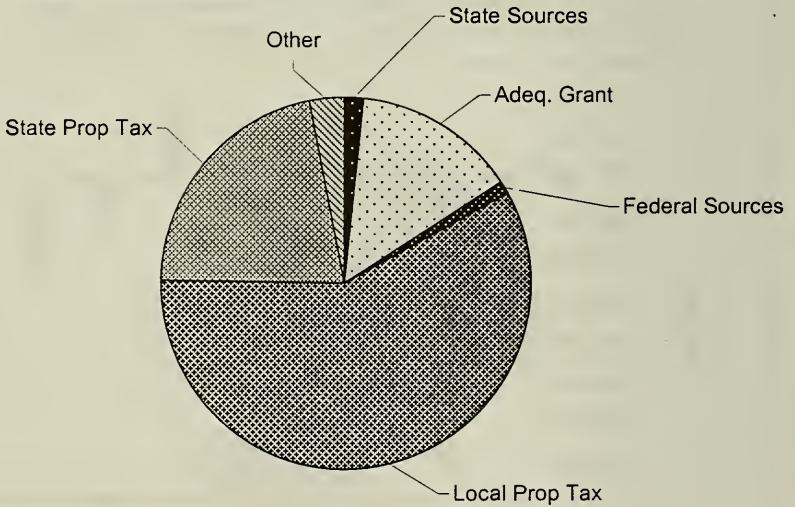
BUDGET CHANGES BY FUNCTION AREA



**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGETED REVENUE FOR 2004-2005**

	DOLLARS	PERCENT
STATE SOURCES	\$117,166	1.77%
ADEQUACY GRANT	\$923,270	13.98%
FEDERAL SOURCES	\$73,000	1.10%
PROPERTY TAXES		
LOCAL TAX	\$3,866,862	58.53%
STATE TAX	\$1,427,555	21.61%
LOCAL NON-TAX & SURPLUS (OTHER)	\$198,679	3.01%
TOTALS	\$6,606,532	100.00%

PERCENT REVENUE BUDGET BY FUNDING SOURCE





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the School Board
Chesterfield School District
Chesterfield, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Chesterfield School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the School District'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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Chesterfield School District 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 Chesterfield School District as of June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Chesterfield School District 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 Chesterfield School District. 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.

*Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association*

October 16, 2003

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

for the

Fiscal Year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003

Chesterfield

School District

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, <u>2002</u> (Treasurer's bank balance)	<u>156767.65</u>
Received from Selectmen (Include amounts actually received):	
Current Appropriation	<u>4950636.00</u>
Deficit Appropriation	<u> </u>
Balance of Previous Appropriations	<u> </u>
Advance on Next Year's Appropriations	<u> </u>
Revenue from State Sources	<u>1418761.58</u>
Revenue from Federal Sources	<u>84123.82</u>
Received from Tuitions	<u> </u>
Received as Income from Trust Funds	<u>2880.00</u>
Received from Sale of Notes & Bonds (Principal only)	<u> </u>
Received from Capital Reserve Funds	<u>79049.25</u>
Received from all Other Sources	<u>175100.66</u>
Total Receipts	<u>6710551.31</u>
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (Balance & Receipts)	<u>6867318.96</u>
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID	<u>6612073.25</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, <u>2003</u> (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	<u>255245.71</u>

Anita J. Barber
District Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements, and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of _____ of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, _____, and find them correct in all respects.

Auditors: _____

Date: _____

DETAIL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

DATE	FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
	Miscellaneous	Library Book Reimbursement	144.08
	State of NH	Food	26106.00
	" "	Medicaid	86057.74
	Miscellaneous	Interest	16018.94
	" "	Healthcare Reimbursement	8921.67
	" "	Art Camp	1670.00
	State of NH	Class Size Red	33668.35
	" "	Leas-Leas	-1105.98
	Miscellaneous	Refund overpayments	2037.21
	Miscellaneous	Sale of Replaced Windows	1000.00
	Miscellaneous	School Lunch	49093.60
	" "	Telephone/Internet refunds	4030.36
	Friends of School	Reimburse Awards/Shrubs	1604.00
	Stow Mills Trust	Trust monies	2880.00
	Citizens Bank	Lost Property Payment	283.57
	Miscellaneous	Gym Rental	330.00
	Town of Chesterfield	Trust Fund transfer (windows)	79049.25
	State of NH	Catastrophic Aid	86951.47
	State of NH	Title I	57500.00
	" "	Title II	1768.82
	Granite Bank	Catastrophid Aid Loan	85222.00
	Chesterfield School	Activity Fund Reimbursement	4853.18
	State of NH	Adequacy Grant	1211939.00
	Miscellaneous	NSF Checks Returned	-107.95

TOTAL RECEIPTS DURING YEAR

CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING MARCH 8, 2003

Toni Mann, School District Clerk swore in Deputy School District Moderator Linda Lord and she opened the polls at 10:00 a.m. for voting. The following persons were appointed as ballot clerks and took the oath of office from Toni Mann: Bruce Lord, Audrey Ericson, Robert Yacubian, Betsy Yacubian, Paula Dustin, Susan Newcomer, Windi Fourdraine, Linda Heimerdinger, Marcia Esche and Karen Rydant.

At 7:02 p.m., the Moderator called the meeting to order for the purpose of acting on the articles in the warrant.

The Moderator, Gary Winn began the meeting with introductions, introducing himself, the Moderator, Gary Winn; District Clerk, Antonina Mann; the Officials of SAU 29: Superintendent, Phil McCormack; Business Manager for Towns, Tim Ruehr; Assistant Superintendent of Towns, Wayne Woolridge; Legal Advisor, Matt Upton; the Chesterfield School Board: Fred Rowley, Chairman; Barbara Girs, Stephen Pfistner, John Loftus and Jacqueline Reilly; Principal of Chesterfield School, Martin Mahoney.

The Moderator announced that the polls would be open for the duration of the meeting and explained briefly the Parliamentary procedures being used.

The Moderator informed the meeting that all votes on warrant articles, including any amendments with a value of more than \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand dollars) would be by secret paper ballot.

ARTICLE 1: Fred Rowley moved that the District receive the reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers chosen as printed in the annual report. Seconded by Joan O'Neil. Robert Borofsky spoke for the Budget Committee. Cathy Harvey represented the Chesterfield Endowment Fund. Article 1 passed by a voice vote.

ARTICLE 2: Stephen Pfistner moved that the District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Chesterfield School Board and the Chesterfield Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits: In the year, 2002-03; estimated increases, \$58,892 (Fifty eight thousand, eight hundred ninety-two dollars). In the year, 2003-04; estimated increases, \$196,076 (One hundred ninety-six thousand, seventy-six dollars). In the year, 2004-05; estimated increases, \$123,955 (One hundred twenty-three thousand, nine hundred fifty-five dollars). And further, to approve the cost items for 2002-2003, said sums to come from a transfer of appropriations within the current budget and will not require any additional funds to be raised through general taxation for the 2002-2003 fiscal year; and, further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$196,076 (One hundred ninety-six thousand, seventy-six dollars) for the 2003-2004 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. Seconded by Susan Sciuto. The Moderator recognized Pat Trow Parent to make a few additional comments. Discussion followed. The paper ballot showed 133 (One hundred thirty-three) votes- Yes and 22 (Twenty-two) No votes. 156 (One hundred fifty-six) votes were available. The Moderator declared Article 2 passed by paper ballot.

Stephen Pfistner moved to restrict reconsideration on Article 2. Seconded by Susan Newcomer. The Moderator declared the voice vote to be in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 3: Stephen Pfistner moved to pass over this article. Tom Woodman seconded. The body passed the motion.

ARTICLE 4: John Loftus moved that the District approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Chesterfield School Board and the Chesterfield Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits: In the year, 2002-03; estimated increases, \$17,794 (Seventeen thousand, seven hundred ninety-four dollars). In the year, 2003-04; estimated increases, \$30,853 (Thirty thousand, eight hundred fifty-three dollars). In the year, 2004-05, estimated increases, \$25,210 (Twenty-five thousand two hundred ten dollars). In the year, 2005-06, estimated increases, \$35,560 (Thirty-five thousand, five hundred sixty dollars). And, further, to approve the cost items of \$17,794 (Seventeen thousand, seven hundred ninety-four dollars) for 2002-2003, said sums to come from a transfer of appropriations within the current budget and will not require any additional funds to be raised through general taxation for the 2002-2003 fiscal year; and, further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,853 (Thirty thousand, eight hundred fifty-three dollars) for the

2003-2004 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. Elaine Rowley seconded. Tim Reuhr discussed the article with the body. The paper ballots showed 149 (One hundred forty-nine) votes -Yes and 10 (Ten) votes -No. The Moderator declared Article 4 passed by paper ballot.

Stephen Pfistner moved to restrict reconsideration on Article 4. Seconded by Charles Reilly. The Moderator declared the motion carried to reconsider.

Fred Rowley, representing the Chesterfield School Board asked for input on the use of surplus funds to be used for the replacement of the existing roof. Discussion ensued.

A straw vote was taken in favor of the Chesterfield School Board using an estimated \$80,000 (Eighty thousand dollars), sums to come from the surplus within the current budget 2002-2003 for the replacement of the existing roof.

ARTICLE 5: John Loftus moved to pass over this article. Richard Harrington seconded. The Moderator declared the motion to pass over this article carried.

ARTICLE 6: Robert Borofsky moved that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,550,708.00 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Seconded by Robert Yacubian.

Barbara Girs moved to amend Article 6 to read that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,540,708.00 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Anita Barber seconded. The Moderator declared that the voice vote was in the affirmative. Discussion follows on Article 6.

Robert Delsesto moved to amend Article 6 to read that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,511,532 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Lowering the sum by \$29,376 for the cost of High School tuition. Seconded by Ruth VanHouten.

John Loftus moved to have a voice vote. Fred Rowley seconded The voice vote was declared in the affirmative. Robert Delsesto asked there be a show of hands for the amendment to lower the sum of Article 6 by \$29,376 to \$6,511,532. The show of hands was 12 (Twelve) - Yes and many more Nos. The Moderator declared the amendment failed.

A paper ballot was used to vote on the Article 6. Yes - 129(One hundred twenty-nine); No -19(Nineteen). The Moderator declared that Article 6 passed by paper ballot.

Stephen Pfistner moved to restrict reconsideration on Article 6. Seconded by Anita Barber. The Moderator declared the voice vote to be in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 7: Fred Rowley moved that the District authorize and empower the School Board to borrow up to \$85,000.00 representing the State of New Hampshire share of special education costs for the 2003-2004 school year pursuant to R.S.A. 198:20-D upon such terms and conditions as the School Board determines in the best interests of the District; said sum together with the costs of borrowing to be repaid by the State of New Hampshire, pursuant to R.S.A. 186:C- 18. Seconded by Joan O'Neil.

Fred Rowley moved to have a voice vote on Article 7. Anita Barber seconded. The Moderator declared Article 7 passed by voice vote.

Stephen Pfistner moved to restrict reconsideration on Article 7. Seconded by Susan Sciuto. The Moderator declared the voice vote to be in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 8: Jacqueline Reilly moved that the District appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to \$50,000 of it unencumbered funds, if any remain on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2003 to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters at the March 5, 1994 District Meeting for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of the school buildings and related costs. Seconded by Robert Brockman.

Stephen Pfister moved to have a voice vote on Article 8. Seconded by Anita Barber. The Moderator declared the voice vote in the affirmative. A show of hands was asked for to affirm the vote on Article 8. One hand for a No vote, many hands in the affirmative. Gary Winn declared that Article 8 passed.

ARTICLE 9: Barbara Girs moved that the District approve the following statement and alert state and federal lawmakers to the concerns expressed in the statement regarding unfunded and underfunded mandates.

Whereas, NH School Districts face ever tightening budgets; and

Whereas, NH School Districts are finding it increasingly difficult to raise and appropriate sufficient dollars on the local level to provide their students a quality education; and

Whereas, newly-enacted and existing federal mandates have placed an undue and heavy financial burden on local school district budgets;

Be it therefore Resolved. That the voters of the District vigorously oppose any and all unfunded and under-funded federal educational mandates, including but not limited to, those contained in the recently enacted No Child Left Behind Law, as well as those mandates historically unfunded with the IDEA/Special Education Laws.

Seconded by Susan Newcomer.

Robert Delsesto moved to amend Article 8 to add Federal and State so that it reads;

Whereas, NH School Districts face ever tightening budgets; and

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Be it therefore Resolved. That the voters of the District vigorously oppose any and all unfunded and under-funded federal and state educational mandates, including but not limited to, those contained in the recently enacted No Child Left Behind Law, as well as those mandates historically unfunded with the IDEA/Special Education Laws.

Ruth VanHouten seconded. The Moderator moved that the amendment carried in the affirmative.

The Moderator asked that the District Clerk record the vote on Article 9 to be unanimous.

ARTICLE 10: To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Ruth VanHouten asked that the public be advised as to how the Fire Marshall came to the decision a sprinkler system was not needed at Chesterfield School. Fred Rowley, School Board Chairman, said he would take it into consideration and proceed.

McKim Mitchell discussed a tax relief program available.

The moderator declared the polls closed at 8:50PM.

Fred Rowley moved to adjourn at 9:42PM, seconded by Toni O'Neil. The Moderator declared the voice vote to be in the affirmative.

The official town checklist was used for elections. One hundred eighty-nine (189) ballots were cast at the ballot box. Three (3) absentee ballots were cast.

School Board Member for 3 years:

Kristi Dompier	25
Kristin McKeon	68
Jacqueline Reilly	90

Jacqueline Reilly was declared the winner.

Moderator for the ensuing year:

Gary Winn 179

Gary Winn was declared the elected moderator.

Clerk for ensuing year:

Antonina Rachanow-Mann 177

Antonina Mann was declared the elected clerk.

Treasurer for the ensuing year, beginning July 1, 2003:

Anita Barber 166

Anita Barber was declared the elected treasurer.

All elected officials will wait the prescribed three days for reasons of recall to take the oath of office and to sign the prescribed oath of office. It will be done at a later time.

Antonina R. Mann, Clerk
Chesterfield School District

A true copy attest

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

This past year, the staff at Chesterfield Elementary School has devoted considerable time and energy to issues related to the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation. This is a piece of federal legislation that has, and will continue to have a profound influence on public schools with regard to what and how we do what we do in schools, the manner in which students are assessed and the standards to which they are held accountable, sanctions levied against those schools which do not meet the predetermined federal expectations, and the qualifications of teachers in the classroom. When appropriate, I will present this year's report from the NCLB perspective.

The primary thrust behind the legislation is student performance and accountability. Student performance can be assessed in many ways. Test scores, classroom performance, behavior, attendance, involvement in co-curricular activities, and community service or involvement are some of the more often used measures. A standard measurement is the use of the results obtained through the state-mandated testing program (NHEIAP). This year, Chesterfield students performed quite well on the tests. At the third grade level, earned scores show 72 percent of the students scoring at the "Basic" or better level in English language arts. The N.H. Department of Education equates this with performing on grade level. Their mean scaled score is 7 percent higher than the comparable state score. In mathematics, 82 percent of Chesterfield's third graders scored at the Basic or better level. Earned scores were equally solid at the sixth grade level. In all subjects tested, the percentage of Chesterfield's students scoring at the Basic or better level exceeded the comparable state percentage except in science. Earned scores for Chesterfield's sixth graders show 81 percent in English language arts, 82 percent in mathematics, 66 percent in science, and 66 percent in social studies performing at the Basic or better level.

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) is the term used to assess school performance as it relates to the requirements of NCLB. Elementary schools must score at a prescribed score (i.e., percentage of students scoring at the Basic or better level) on the English language arts and mathematics tests. Failure to do so identifies the school as one in need of improvement. To meet AYP, 60 percent of the students (Grades 3 and 6, the only grades tested at this time) must earn a score that places them at the Basic or better level in English language arts and 64 percent in mathematics. Chesterfield's scores are 78 percent and 81 percent, respectively.

Review of these scores indicates a relatively solid performance at the elementary level. Although using a different standard of measure -- grade point average -- I believe this level of performance continues into the high school. Last year Chesterfield tutored 215 students to Keene High School. The overall grade point average (GPA) for this group was 2.73 which is basically the equivalent to a "B-". With the exception of math classes (50 percent), over 60 percent of the students earned a grade of "B" or better in the core subject areas -- English, social studies, world language, and science. Students took advantage of challenging course work in the core subject areas at the honors or Advanced Placement levels, and performed very well with 87 percent of the students earning a grade of "B" or better. A subject area breakdown of earned grades ("B" or better) in those honors or Advanced Placement levels is as follows: 78 percent in English, 89 percent in mathematics, 93 percent in science, 90 percent in social studies, and 100 percent in Spanish.

Other indicators also show Chesterfield's students performing well and benefiting from the opportunities offered at the high school. Participation continues to be high in a variety of co-curricular activities, both athletic and non-athletic. Nine students from Chesterfield were among this year's inductees into the National Honor Society. A Chesterfield student was identified as a commended scholar by the National Merit Scholarship Program in recognition of her attained score (top 5 percent in more than 1,000,000 students taking the exam) on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT). Three of the top 10 students in the 2003 graduating class at Keene High School were from Chesterfield. Eighty-one percent of the graduating seniors from Chesterfield applied to, and were accepted into some type of post secondary program. This represents acceptance by 26 different colleges/universities in 9 different states. Chesterfield's attendance rate at the high school was 95.3 percent.

None of this happens by chance but, rather, by the hard work and commitment of a highly qualified staff. The staff has worked diligently to become better trained in the analysis and use of test data, and has participated in a variety of professional development activities that foster quality teaching. They have participated in training activities related to curriculum mapping, skillful teaching, integration of technology into the learning process, data analysis, and instruction in the content areas (e.g., math, world language, reading). Staff members have also made valuable contributions to SAU 29 curriculum initiatives. Their involvement in this process has been constructive and helpful. This work helps facilitate students' transition from grade to grade or school to school.

Although not criteria used in NCLB to assess the overall performance or effectiveness of a school, community involvement and support continue to earn high grades in Chesterfield. Community involvement in school-related activities has been tremendously beneficial to students. One of the best examples of this is the work of parent and community volunteers in support of the Destination Imagination program which earned our students a state championship and trip to the world competition in Tennessee. On behalf of the staff at the school, I want to sincerely thank community members for their continued support of the school -- its programs, its students and its staff. It clearly sets Chesterfield Elementary School apart from many other less fortunate schools in New Hampshire. This is something that is greatly appreciated and not taken for granted.

Please plan to attend the annual district meeting on Saturday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

Phillip G. McCormack, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENT

The district's official K-8 enrollment, as reported to the Department of Education on October 1, 2003, totaled 401 students, a number that has changed very little (+1) since that time. These figures, taken into consideration with the changes that have occurred over the past year, reflect the following factors:

- a difference of -16 from that which was reported at this same time last year;
- the transfer out-of-district of 36 students/27 families and the registration of 47 new students/35 families since the end of school in June, 2003 (Note: The total impact of these shifts effects 21% of our total enrollment.);
- and a difference of -21 from those currently enrolled in kindergarten (35) and the number of students in our most recent graduating class (56);

<u>Enrollments/Placements - October 1, 2003</u>			
Kindergarten	35	Grade 5	47
Grade 1	40	Grade 6	46
Grade 2	41	Grade 7	51
Grade 3	45	Grade 8	49
Grade 4	48	TOTAL	401

In consideration of these factors and historical data, the proposed budget for 2004-2005 projects a total K-8 enrollment of 404 students.

STAFF RECOGNITION

Instructional Staff

Over the past year, we experienced the following changes to both instructional and support positions:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Replacing</u>
Mrs. Elsa Borrero*	Spanish	Mrs. Wendy Russell
Mrs. Lynn Carey	Guidance Counselor	Mrs. Cynthia Edson
Ms. Tina Denis*	Sixth Grade	**
Mrs. Barbara Stack	Art (20%)	Mrs. Melissa Donovan
Mr. Patrick Whalen*	Physical Education	Mr. Rico Marino

* Ms. Denis, Mrs. Borrero and Mr. Whalen are no strangers to us as they all worked here last year in these same positions as either long-term substitutes or on a one-year contract. We were very pleased and excited to see them return.

**This vacancy was created by the approval of the board to merge, for one year, Ms. Kennedy's and Mrs. Yacubian's positions. This decision also resulted in the transfer of Mrs. Gitchell to the middle school. Both Ms. Kennedy and Mrs. Yacubian continue to maintain responsibility for the same instructional components of the middle school curriculum (language arts and social studies) in a 60% and 40% capacity, respectively.

Mrs. Carey comes to us from Mascenic Regional High School where she has worked for the past four (4) years in the Guidance Department. Mrs. Carey received her Bachelor of Arts degree (Magna Cum Laude) in Psychology from the State University of New York (1995) and a Masters of Education in Counseling/Consultation from Keene State College (1999). She is also presently enrolled in the Educational Leadership program of studies at KSC. Mrs. Carey and her family reside in Swanzey.

Mrs. Stack comes to us with considerable experience, having taught art at the elementary level, in Grantham and Keene, NH (St. Joseph's Regional Elementary School), and most recently in Middletown, NY. Mrs. Stack received a Bachelor of Arts degree in both Art and Elementary Education from the College of Our Lady of The Elms (1969). Due to declining enrollment, the administration has recommended the elimination of this part-time position for the 2004-2005 school year.

We also welcomed Mrs. Heather Girrior back from her approved leave of absence. Heather has been assigned this year to a self-contained third grade.

Assistant Principal

This past June, Mrs. Sharyn D'Eon was selected to officially replace Mr. Robert Edson as our school's Assistant Principal. Rob left the employ of the district in November, 2002 to take an interim position at Jonathan Daniels Elementary School in Keene and has since been selected as the Principal in Norwich, Vt. Losing Rob also meant regrettably losing his wife Cindy, our school's Guidance Counselor, and their wonderful children. Sharyn had been filing the position on an interim basis since December, 2002. To-date, Mrs. D'Eon has proven to be an outstanding addition to our school and has made many positive contributions to the growth of our instructional and co-curricular programs.

Consolidated Grants

The district's 2004 Title IIA grant application was once again approved by the New Hampshire Department of Education. The funds continue to be used to employ Mrs. Bettina Ramsey to work full-time in support of teachers and students, which this year has involved those in grades 3-4.

Support Staff

Custodian, 2nd Shift - May 2, 2003 marked the final day for Doug Wrobel, one of our school's second shift custodians. Doug had been employed by the district for 14 years (March, 1989). Over that span of time, we all came to appreciate his strong work ethic, dedication and sense of ownership for what he did. When faculty, students, parents and visitors comment on the cleanliness of the building, those comments reflect positively on the hard work and dedication of Doug and others who quietly go about their daily chores without fanfare. We miss him, wish him well, and offer our sincere thanks for his many years of dedicated service.

Mr. Edward 'Ted' Peaks was hired to fill this vacancy. Ted is a longtime resident of the area, having graduated from both Keene High School and Keene State College, where he received advanced training/degrees in both Electronics and Business Management/Economics. His work experience over the years has included being employed at Troy Mills, CR Bard, Markem, Whitney Blake, Continental Cable and TFX Medical. We are extremely happy to have him with us and hope that he experiences the same lengthy employment tenure as the gentleman he replaced.

Instructional Support Staff

I also want to take this opportunity to formally welcome the following individuals, hired to fill the vacancies resulting from selective resignations/reassignments:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Ms. Stephanie Bergeron	Inclusion Aide - Grades 1/2 - Mrs. Morrissette
Ms. Suzanne Heinkel	Inclusion Aide - Grade 2 - Mrs. Whitford
Mr. George Ciampolillo	Inclusion Aide - Grade 3 - Mr. Potter
Ms. Jennifer D'Alessio	Inclusion Aide - Grades 3/4 - Mrs. Dunn
Ms. Sasha Norris	Inclusion Aide - Grade 4 - Mrs. Starkey
Mr. Brian Miller	Inclusion Teacher Assistant - Grade 6 - Ms. Denis
Mrs. M. Georgia O'Conner	Inclusion Aide - Grade 8
Mrs. Lisa Cook	Part-time Library Aide

Both Ms. D'Alessio and Mrs. O'Conner have employment experience with us in the past and we enthusiastically welcomed their return.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

School Goals

In consideration of the mandates being made by both the State Department of Education and the No Child Left Behind Legislation, the following three-year goals were recommended by the administration and endorsed by the school board (October, 2003):

1. The use of iAnalyze to review NHEIAP test results and develop action plans that impact positively on the design/organization of the curriculum in the areas of language arts, math, science and social studies, alternative assessments and related instructional practices.
2. Begin the process of Curriculum Mapping.
3. Comply with provisions of No Child Left Behind (NCLB), specifically as they relate to retaining High Quality Teachers (HQT), attaining Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) and paraprofessional certification.

4. Initiate discussions and research relative to the implementation of a full-day kindergarten program.

With regard to each of these goals, I would offer the following interim report:

- This past summer, all professional staff completed in-service training in the use of iAnalyze, the program developed by the State Department of Education to review the data from the annual testing done in grades 3 and 6. Since that time, subcommittees have been formed in each of the major subject areas, e.g. language arts, math, science and social studies. The information gleaned from these studies has been shared and discussed with the faculty at-large, and action plans have been developed by teachers in their respective classrooms.
- Very simply, Curriculum Mapping is a technique for charting what is being taught and when at specific grade levels. Although we have accomplished a lot over the past 15 years as an SAU to develop, revise and refine K-12 curriculum continuums that identify the topics and skills in the various subject areas, this innovative technique will allow us to take the information we have and format it into a more 'user friendly' document, one that can be shared with colleagues teaching at different grade levels, thus improving upon the 'connectedness' that currently exists. In this way, we hope to improve the level of instructional continuity and consistency.
- The two major components of the NCLB legislation affecting our school this year involved the requirement to demonstrate, through testing in grades 3 and 6, Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) and ensure that our staff was Highly Qualified. I am pleased to report that we met those standards with regard to both curriculum and staffing. Having said that, the bar will continue to be raised in the years to come and there is much work to do if we are to continue to remain in compliance. As stated by Dr. McCormack at a recent school board meeting, *"AYP is a political, not an educational, response to addressing the issues surrounding public education."* I wholeheartedly concur and would only reference the political debates among the Presidential candidates as evidence. I have always felt confident in our school's ability to provide quality education for the children of this community and in the dedication of its professional and support staff over the years to achieve that goal. No form of legislation will change that, for it is something we aspire to do each and every day.
- I feel that it is time for us to give serious consideration to having our kindergarten move to a full-day program. As such, I have asked for and received the endorsement of the board to form a committee, whose role will be to conduct related research, survey the community and sponsor forums in advance of making a formal proposal for the 2005-2006 school year.

K - 8 Social Studies Curriculum Continuum

For the past two years, the SAU Social Studies Curriculum Committee has been reviewing the current K-12 curriculum continuum in relation to state and national standards, and the changes that have been made at the high school level with regard to course selections and content. With that in mind, the committee has come to closure on this important issue and submitted a formal proposal for adoption, effective next year. The following represents the major changes that will be made, which will directly affect our school:

1. Changing the current social studies curriculum associated with American History to a three (3) epoch study, of which the first two will be taught in grades 7 and 8, and the third at the high school.
2. Including selected continents for study at respective elementary grade levels.

Consistent with these proposed changes, monies have been included in next year's proposed budget for the purchase of new textbooks (two year phase in) and supplementary materials. Mr. VanStechelman and Mrs. Starkey did a truly outstanding job representing the district during this long review process and are to be commended for their professionalism and dedication.

K-8 Science Curriculum Continuum

Considerable work continues to be done in the area of science, specifically as it involves realigning our current K-12 curriculum continuum with both state and national standards, and reorganizing the skills, learning objectives and instructional benchmarks. In addition, some minor changes are being considered with regard to the study of selected topics at certain grade levels in order ensure instructional continuity across the SAU, e.g. the study of weather and the human body in grades 4 and 5. Mrs. Jeannette Gardner currently serves as the district representative on this committee.

DESTINATION IMAGINATION 2003

For the first time in the long and rich history of our involvement in this outstanding program, one of our school teams not only took first place in the state competition, but also came in fourth in the world competition that was held this past May in Knoxville, Tennessee. This was a truly outstanding achievement when you consider the fact that the team was competing against 70+ teams from around the world. Congratulations to the team members, Mrs. Gardner (their coach), and to Mrs. Starkey (this past year's DI Coordinator), for their support and hard work. Special thanks also to the community at-large for the personal and financial support they offered, which made this experience possible. It is one that these students, our school and community will cherish and remember forever.

Unfortunately, the excitement and euphoria of last year became lost in reality that this year, for the first time in over 20+ years of involvement, our school will not be entering any teams in the 2004 competition. Although individual students and parents did express some initial interest, it was not enough to warrant registering the school. It is my sincere hope that we will see a rebirth of interest in the future.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

To say that last year's event was a huge success would be an understatement. As noted in the related edition of the Star Spangled Banner, "*Chesterfield really knows how to throw a party.*" Everything about the day was wonderful, from the weather to the attendance. It was great to see so many former students, have an opportunity to meet them and their young (and not so young) families, hear of the events that have taken place over the years in their lives and reminisce about the past. It is an event that many of us will cherish in years to come. Once again I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the many people who made this possible, and most especially to Mrs. Warhall and Mrs. Reilly.

The recent installation of the permanent display of framed news articles and pictures on the wall outside the music room truly brings closure to this very special and memorable event. I would encourage you to take time to see it. Special thanks to everyone who contributed their photos, and to both Mrs. Cathy Carter and Mrs. Lynda Kamal for their talent and expertise in creating these fabulous displays.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Roofing

Consistent with the approved school district budget for 2003-2004, this past summer the roof over the main entrance/section of the building was replaced. However, we are still in the process of taking corrective action on certain 'flat' sections that require attention and address issues associated with heat loss/insulation.

2004-2005 Budget

Although the district's Facilities Study Committee continues to meet and make appropriate recommendations with regard to long range plans, due to the anticipated reduction in state revenue, the committee and board felt it prudent to avoid including any major projects in next year's budget.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Consistent with past practice, I would like to take this opportunity to formally recognize some select groups and individuals whose achievements and accomplishments over the past school year have been especially noteworthy.

High Honors- Trimesters I, II and III - Class of 2003

Ross Blair	Toren Hardee	Kellie Olson
Ryan Fuller	Brian Horn	Alexandra Palmisano
	Joshua Slocum	

High Honors - Trimesters I, II and III - Class of 2004

Alyssa Clemente	Allison Konkowski	Andrew Loney
Christina Cushing	Christopher LaRue	Julia VanHoudt

GRADUATION AWARDS - CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL CLASS OF 2003

Overall Academic Excellence

Joshua Slocum

American Legion Post #86 Citizenship Award

Kellie Olson Ryan Fuller

Larry Taylor Citizenship Award

Class of 2003: Brittany Goranson

Class of 2004: Colin Meagher

Presidential Awards for Academic Excellence

Ross Blair	Toren Hardee	Brian Horn	Kellie Olson
Ryan Fuller	Amber Harris	Ashley Marstaller	Alexandra Palmisano
Jeannie Hannigan	Carin Heaney	Patrick McManus	Joshua Slocum

Presidential Awards for Academic Achievement

Daniel Bottomley	Brittany Goranson	Andrea Parker	Kurt Schnackenberg
Morganna Ekkens	Ashley Jenna	Emily Seymour	Alexander Winn
Kelsi Fischer	Jessica Marazoff	Megan Scranton	

Academic Awards - Subject/Program

Toren Hardee- Language Arts	Brian Horn - Mathematics
Morganna Ekkens- Music/Vocal	Toren Hardee - Spanish
Courtney Flagg- Music/Instrumental	Alexandra Palmisano - Science
Daniel Bottomley - Music/Jazz Band	Kurt Schnackenberg - Art
Andrea Parker - Physical Education	Heather Whippee - Health
Ryan Fuller - Social Studies	Jeremy Kelleher - Technician Award

Most Improved Student

Caitlyn Meade

School Spelling Bee Champion 2003

Toren Hardee

Harold T. Martin Athletes-of-the-Year 2003

Sisley Pumilia Danny Bottomley

Doug Sargent Memorial Award 2003

Carin Heany Jacob Miller

National Geographic Society - Geography Bee Champion 2003

Ben Griner

Destination Imagination - Dream Team 2003

State Champions/Fourth Place Finish - World Finals

Danny Bottomley	Chris LaRue	Josh Slocum
Toren Hardee	Michael Mann	Mrs. Jeannette Gardner: Coach
Carin Heaney	Kurt Schnackenburg	

2003 New Hampshire Middle School Music Festival Participants

Vocalists

Morgan Ekkens	Natalie Stayton
Tommi Williams	Jeannie Hannigan
Parry Owens	

Instrumentalists

Toren Hardee (alto saxophone)	Courtney Flagg (tenor saxophone)
Alex Palmisano (trumpet)	Jimmy Caltrider (percussion)
Heather Whippee (flute)	

2003 Chesterfield Library Authors' Contest

I want to take this opportunity to personally congratulate all the students who participated in this past year's program. The annual awards ceremony provides us with an excellent opportunity to recognize and honor the efforts, talents and creativity of many students. Those of you who were able to attend last year's ceremony listened with pride as Mrs. Bernet, Program Coordinator, and Ms. Jablonski, Reading Specialist, shared with us some of the following comments from the judges:

"I think because I'm not a primary teacher, I am somewhat amazed at what these embryonic pen persons can do. They must have some very special teachers who do a very good job of inspiring them to transfer their thoughts to written expression. Again, the better they get, the harder the judge's job."

"This group shows an awareness of the value and meaning of relationships. They express their subjective feelings very well. Their ideas were good. They convey their feelings with good wordsmanship."

"The improvement I have seen in their writing makes the judge's job harder and harder each year."

"These three writers are exceptionally talented. They are all attentive to detail and show great imagination. Subjects range from a grandmother and goblins, to best friends, magic, beasties and inventions to save all of mankind. Styles range from fast-paced adventure and well-scripted dialogue, to carefully woven fable. These authors have created special and strong characters to take the readers to new times, places and understandings. Bravo!!"

"Judging art, writing in this case, is subjective. It depends on the person doing the judging. It depends on that person's beliefs, preferences, and even whims. There is no one way to write - no right, no wrong. The best writing probably comes from both hard work and the heart. The value in being creative is not in winning someone's approval, but in connecting with the reading and being understood."

Congratulations to the following first place winners in each of the respective categories:

<u>Fiction:</u>	Josh Ramsey, Lynn Ekkens, Jessica Smith, and Josh Slocum
<u>Non-Fiction:</u>	Jennifer Wiemers, Lauren Sutherland and Alex Palmisano
<u>Poetry:</u>	Kendall Sebastian, Jessie Norton, Chelsea Foerster, and Josh Slocum

2003 Lions International Peace Poster Contest Winners

1st Place: Nikki Vanderpoel
2nd Place: Daniel Pfistner
3rd Place: Sarah Hardy

2003 National Honor Society Inductees - Chesterfield

Kristin Coffin	Caragh McManus	Tara Rydant
Jacob Harvey	David Mousette	Shawn Wamser
Corey Hebert	Julie Olson	Ashley Wolf

To be considered for membership in the society, a student must maintain a B+ cumulative average. A faculty committee also judges the candidates on leadership, service and character. Given that criteria, their selection didn't come as a surprise, as those qualities were very evident during their years with us. It was gratifying to see that approximately 20% of the inductees were from Chesterfield.

In closing, I want to thank all of the students in our school who, on a daily basis, in their own special and personal way, make a positive and lasting contribution to the excellent image of our school. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Martin F. Mahoney

STAFF

Martin Mahoney	Principal
Sharyn D'Eon	Assistant Principal
Rosemary Ciffrino	Administrative Assistant
Carla Belyea	Grade 7
Elsa Borrero	Spanish
Lynn Carey	Guidance
Tina Denis	Grade 6
Joanne Dexter	Special Education
Darlene Dunn	Grade 3/4
Marcia Esche	Music
Jeannette Gardner	Grade 5
Heather Girroir	Grade 3
Virginia Gitchell	Grade 7
Marilyn Goulas	Kindergarten-PM
Gail Grainger	Media Generalist
Gregory Hammett	Grades 7-8/Health/P.E.
Nancy Hardy	Grade 2
Patricia Harris	Grade 1
Earl Horn	Grades 7-8
Rosemary Jablonski	Reading Specialist
Helen Ann Kelly	Grade 5
Jean Kennedy	Grades 7-8
Bonnieta Kraft	Psychologist
Karen LeDuc	Grade 1
Luba Lischynsky	Music
Abigail Mather	Title I
Patricia McPike	Speech Pathologist
Emily Mills	Special Education
Mary Morrisette	Grade 1/2
David Potter	Grade 3
Laurel Powell	Grade 4
Karen Rydant	Kindergarten-AM
Mark Sonntag	Grades 7-8
Barbara Stack	Art
Teresa Starkey	Grade 4
Lawrence Ullrich	Special Education
Jay VanStechelman	Grades 7-8
Cynthia Walsh	Art
Kacie Welch	Special Education
Patrick Whalen	Physical Education
Priscilla Whitford	Grade 2
Susan Wiles	Grade 6
Elizabeth Yacubian	Grades 7-8
Marylou Alther	Inclusion Aide
Elizabeth Benjamin	Inclusion Aide
Stephanie Bergeron	Inclusion Aide
Chad Boswell	Inclusion Aide
Cathy Carter	Inclusion Aide
Kathy Casson	Inclusion Aide
George Ciampolillo	Inclusion Aide
Lisa Cook	Library Aide
Kathleen Cotton	Inclusion Aide
Jennifer D'Alessio	Inclusion Aide
Robyn Dunphy	Inclusion Aide
Suzanne Heinkel	Inclusion Aide
Darlene Klaski	Inclusion Aide
Denise Kowalski	Inclusion Aide
Stanley Marino	Inclusion Aide

Brian Miller Inclusion Aide
 Robyn Miller Inclusion Aide
 Christine Montgomery Inclusion Aide
 Sacha Norris Inclusion Aide
 Georgia O'Connor Inclusion Aide
 Carol Pfistner Title I Aide
 Patricia Porter Inclusion Aide
 Angele Romano Inclusion Aide
 Noreen Rushlow Inclusion Aide
 Kimberly Shonbeck Inclusion Aide
 Cynthia Sylvia Inclusion Aide
 Corinne Tetreault Inclusion Aide
 Jane Vincello School Nurse
 Rose Ashworth Food Service Aide
 Carol Riendeau Food Service Manager
 Linda Wystup Food Service Aide
 Jill Wdowiak Receptionist
 Robert Howard Custodian
 Edward Peaks Custodian
 Eric Richardson Custodian

**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL
HEALTH SERVICES REPORT
August, 2002 - December, 2003**

Annual Health Services Performed

Height and weight -- all students

Student visits to the health office: first aid, illness, medications, in need of community resources, patient education

Vision/Hearing screening -- grades 1, 3, 5 & 7; Pure Tone (Acuity); new student and special education referrals

Daily medications -- average 8 per day for chronic conditions (decrease due to increasing use of time-release medications that eliminates need for lunchtime dose); plus short-term prescription and nonprescription medications

Scoliosis screening -- grades 5 through 8 is no longer mandated; screen is done as needed for assessment.

Flu Clinic -- coordinated by JVRN & administered by HCS (Home Health Care, Hospice & Community Services); voluntary, for staff to receive influenza vaccine

School Health Policies & Procedures -- reviewed, revised & recommended to administration: job description and fee for consulting school physician

Accident reports requiring medical referral

Referrals for community resources to assist students and families: Lions Club, vision, nutritional, counseling, Medicaid/health insurance, Christmas gifts, winter clothing, medical

Participation in special education (IEP) meetings as needed for medically fragile students

State mandated reports of suspected child abuse/neglect as needed

Cheshire Smiles Mobile Dental Health Clinic. They annually screen children in Grades K-3 for dental decay. December, 2003, 15 of the approximately 150 screened students were selected for teeth cleaning, fluoride treatment and referral to a local dentist. Although a \$10.00 donation is requested, their services are given for free. This nurse deemed it appropriate to donate \$100.00 from donated Nurse's Fund - which includes the town's Hamilton Fund for Needy Children (\$80.00 + \$20.00 from other donation source) to support this cause, to promote the health of our children.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Vincello, RN, BSN/BA, M.Ed.
School Nurse

SCHOOL LUNCH REPORT

January, 2004

Over the past decade, the reality of the lunch program being self sustaining has become a myth. This is due to the cost of health insurance, the rising cost of things in general, and my longevity with the program. I have continued to be just as careful as ever, using my co-workers and myself to the best of our abilities, to be creative with government foods and to take advice from School Food Associations. All to no avail.

Due to the deficit of the lunch program last year, a committee was formed to exchange ideas. This committee consisted of Barbara Girs, a school board member; Sharyn D'Eon, assistant principal; myself; and parents of our school children. These parents included Muffy White, Darlene Klaski, Sandy Cormier, Kristen McKeon, Lisa Weidenheimer and Windi Fourdraine. We had several lengthy meetings and many ideas were exchanged. I wish to thank these parents for their time and support.

I have implemented some of the ideas. Some were easy and fun. Rose Ashworth has taken on the responsibility of the menu board and it has been a big hit with the students. Another suggestion was that, perhaps, I have been too frugal. So this year, I have been buying more little goodies and more baked goods have been added to our menu. I must say that, even though the children like this being offered, these things do not conform to the government guidelines in our total analysis of fat and calorie intake.

Even though the school population has decreased this year, hot lunch figures have remained at about the same percentage. I find this very reassuring. I know that many families purchase lunch out of necessity -- due to working parents and their limited time. I will continue to do my best to encourage the children to eat healthy for their future. I am hoping in the near future to have the Brattleboro Co-op Healthy Snack Program visit our school with the support of the classroom teachers.

Carol Riendeau
Lunchroom Manager

2004 CHESTERFIELD GRADUATES

GRADE 8

James Allen
Alisha Barber
Rebecca Belrose
Nickolas Burt
Brandon Capron
Timothy Cargill
Bradley Clark
Alyssa Clemente
Jason Cooper
Christina Cushing
Emily Davis
Britton Doig
Zachary Faulkner
Megan Finn
Sean Fitzharris-Onyon
Courtney Flanders
Marlon Frazier
Christina Goodnow
Paige Hudon
Spenser Johnson
Sarah Kiser
Allison Konkowski
Joey Kowalski
Timothy LaBounty
Christopher LaRue
Andrew Loney
Michael Mann
Kaitlyn McCormick
Yari McKeon
Colin Meagher
Graham Miller
Amanda Morse
Brittany Morse
Kyle Murphy
Luke Nelson
Cameron O'Brien
Parry Owens
Nicholas Palmisano
Brian Pelczarski
Jesse Powers
Spencer Russell
Jesse Smith
Courtney Stanclift
Luke Stauder
Natalia Stayton
Kira Taft
Alicia Thomas
Julia VanHoudt
Fileshea White
Tommijo Williams

GRADE 12

Devin Anderson
Nicholas Bergmann
Lauren Bergstrom
Dustin Borgeson
Scott Bottomley
Tara Canaday
Hilary Chickering
Nicholas Cloutier
Kristin Coffin
Alan Dauphin
Joseph Flammia
Al Furlone
Christa Gideos
Ryann Grant
Eric Greenwood
Stephanie Hardy
Jacob Harvey
Corey Hebert
Kelsey Johnson
Stephen Johnson
Kyle Kamal
Brian Kraus
Keith Kraus
Jessica LeClair
Shannon Limberger
Rachel Martin
Heather Maynard
Lindsey McCormick
Caragh McManus
Catherine Meagher
Sally Mitchell
Danielle Morse
Hanna Nallett
Tara North
Kelly Nowill
Kevin O'Brien
Eddie O'Connor
Julie Olson
Luke Parenteau
Dustin Plante
Brendan Powers
Alison Ransom
Katelyn Ransom
Andrew Robel
Tara Rydant
Erik Schnackenberg
Kevin Shaw
Tyson St. John
Jessica Towle
Carter Vanderhoof
Nicole Van Houdt
Robert von der Esch
Shawn Wamser
Jesse Warren
Rachael Wech
Tarah Wilkinson
Ashley Wolf
William Wyman

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD, NH
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

DATE OF MARRIAGE	GROOM'S NAME	RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	RESIDENCE
01/04/03	MILLER, JONATHAN DAVID	DURHAM	SHIVELY, KATHRYN	DURHAM
02/14/03	FOURNIER, JEFFREY A	SPOFFORD	LUCIUS, AMANDA L.	SPOFFORD
04/05/03	CHEEVER, RONALD F	CHESTERFIELD	FONTAINE, ALICE M.	CHESTERFIELD
05/24/03	HAYES, SCOTT M	SPOFFORD	MARTIN, ALISHA K	SPOFFORD
06/08/03	BRADBURY, KRISTOPHER E	TROY	START, HEATHER B	SPOFFORD
06/15/03	GRIFFIN, ROBERT C	SPOFFORD	MOLLOMO, ROSEMARY J	SPOFFORD
08/01/03	BELSKY, NICK ELI	SPOFFORD	COSTELLO, KIMBERLY A	SPOFFORD
08/16/03	MOREAU, GARY D	CHESTERFIELD	DIX, JUDITH A	CHESTERFIELD
08/24/03	BRITT, THOMAS	SPOFFORD	BINGHAM, EMILY	SPOFFORD
09/20/03	METVIER, MICHAEL J	SPOFFORD	DONOVAN, MELISSA S	SPOFFORD
09/21/03	MORGAN, KIRK L	BOLTON MA	PAULAT, ELIZABETH	SPOFFORD
09/27/03	RAMSAY, BRETT R	WEST CHESTERFIELD	HUDSON, STEFANIE M	WEST CHESTERFIELD
11/14/03	COBB, CALVIN O	WEST CHESTERFIELD	MARSHALL, JANET L	WEST CHESTERFIELD
12/06/03	BYRNES, JOHN L	CHESTERFIELD	BANKS, CATHERINE E	CHESTERFIELD

BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTHPLACE	NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
01/13/03	KEENE NH	CLARKE, AVA OLIVEIRA	CLARKE, JAY	CLARKE, MICHELLE
01/15/03	KEENE NH	GODERRE, JOSEPH ROBERT	GODERRE, ROBERT	GODERRE, CHRISTINE
02/03/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	KING, MADISON LYNN	KING, EDWARD	KING, ANN
02/25/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	HEALEY, HANNAH RAECHEL	HEALEY, MARK	HEALEY, ANGELA
03/18/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	MILANI, LAUREN CORA	MILANI, DANIEL	MILANI, ELLEN
06/20/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	FALES, CAROLINE MARION	FALES, NEIL	FALES, MARJORIE
07/21/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	SMITH, TAYLOR ROSE	SMITH, ADAM	SMITH, DARLENE
07/26/03	KEENE NH	RICHARDSON, CARMELLA FRANCES	RICHARDSON, WILFRED	RICHARDSON, WENDY
07/27/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	SHIPPEE, JACK HENRY	SHIPPEE, JEFFREY	SHIPPEE, FRANCES
08/12/03	KEENE NH	HEWEY, ALEXANDRA MARIE	HEWEY, EDWARD	HEWEY, HEATHER
09/15/03	KEENE NH	TREAT, ADDISON EMILY	TREAT, JAMES	TREAT, AMY
09/18/03	KEENE NH	CARD, ETHAN JOHN	CARD, FRANCIS	CARD, JAMILETH
10/17/03	KEENE NH	HALL, TIA MARIE	HALL, GABRIEL	HALL, MARINA
10/29/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	LANOUE, ELEANA ATHANASIA	LANOUE, MARK	LANOUE, APOSTOLIA
11/04/03	KEENE NH	LUCIER, BRIANNA ELIZABETH	LUCIER, DOUGLAS	LUCIER, LISA

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD
DEATHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31 2003

DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME AND SURNAME OF THE DECEASED	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
12/04/02	KEENE NH	COBB, GAIL B	BRUSIE, GEORGE	LOCH, GLADYS
01/09/03	WEST CHESTERFIELD NH	RAWSON, DOROTHY	GROVER, ERNEST	CRAM, ALICE
01/21/03	KEENE NH	GALLUP, GWEN G	GALLUP, RUSSELL	BERARD, CLAIRE
03/10/03	KEENE NH	SCHLICHTING, OTTO W	SCHLIGHTING, JOHN	MERCER, JESSIE
03/31/03	SPOFFORD NH	THOMAS, JEFFREY A	THOMAS, BRAINARD	BUROWSKI, BETTY
04/22/03	WESTMORELAND NH	HOUGHTON, CYNTHIA B	HOUGHTON, IRWIN	CUTLER, INEZ
04/28/03	KEENE NH	CRAY, WINSTON H		
04/29/03	KEENE NH	BLANCHARD, JULIA A	COBB, PAUL	DAVIS, BERNICE
05/19/03	CHESTERFIELD NH	MITCHELL, PRUDENCE	SKERRY, C EDMOND	COOK, MARION
07/31/03	W CHESTERFIELD NH	BEMIS, LYLE W	BEMIS, ELMER	TAYLOR, LEILA HANNAH
09/07/03	KEENE NH	LAU, EDMUND E H		
09/09/03	W CHESTERFIELD NH	BRONSON, WALLACE	BRONSON, EDWARD	BERGSTRAND, SILVIA
09/18/03	W CHESTERFIELD NH	ROUNDS, DIANA J	KENNETT, FRANCIS	LAVENDER, LOUISE
10/17/03	W CHESTERFIELD NH	PALMER, PHILIP P	PALMER, MAXWELL	PROUDFOOT, PRISCILLA
10/24/03	BRATTLEBORO, VT	RICHMOND, MARJORIE D		
10/25/03	NAPLES, FL	SHIELD, JOHN J.		
10/29/03	SPOFFORD NH	GAUDRY, BERNARD C	GAUDRY, BERNARD O	AKER, M LORRAINE
11/30/03	WESTMORELAND NH	JENISCH, ROBERT G	JENISCH, CARL	BRECHT, EMELIA
12/25/03	KEENE NH	LEWIS, LOIS J	FOLSOM, MILO	BURBANK, JOSEPHINE

