

**TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY  
VERMONT**

**2004  
ANNUAL REPORT**



**TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY  
CALENDAR YEAR 2004  
&  
CRAFTSBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FISCAL YEAR 2004  
(July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004)**

## **Auditor's Report for 2004**

**We have examined the accounts and records of the town officers of Craftsbury, VT for the period from January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004. We have also examined the accounts and records for the Craftsbury School District for the period from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2004. To the best of our knowledge all are correct as reported herein.**

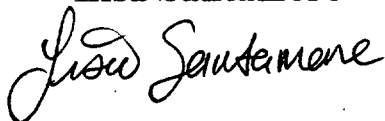
**I am sure you have noticed the changes we are making to the town report. We hope everyone is still finding everything o.k. The reason we are making changes is the State of Vermont grades every town report every year on the contents of the information presented so we are going by their guidelines to get the most information that we can in our report and get a good grade. Everyone please bear with us while we are trying new things. We would also like to hear from anyone who might have ideas for the town report. We also welcome old pictures or interesting facts about the town. You can contact any of us with your ideas. Also, we will need a new auditor this year as Phyllis Harrington has chosen not to re-run for her position. We would like to thank her for all her services and wish her well.**

**We would also like to thank Effie for all her help with us new auditors. She has plenty of her own work to do but does not hesitate to stop what she is doing to help us.**

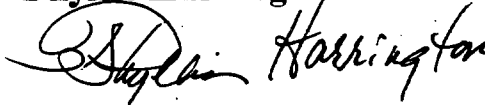
**We have also decided that it has been a while since listers and auditors have had a raise. So their pay will go from \$10.00 an hour to \$11.00.**

**Craftsbury Town Auditors:**

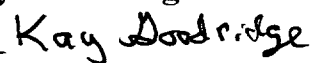
**Lisa Santamore**



**Phyllis Harrington**



**Kay Goodridge**




# 2004 Craftsbury Town Report Dedication

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the filming of the movie "THE TROUBLE WITH HARRY" made here in Craftsbury in 1955.

Directed by the late Alfred J. Hitchcock.

August 13, 1899 – April 29, 1980





STARRING EDMUND GWENN  
JOHN FORSYTHE AND  
INTRODUCING SHIRLEY MACLAINE  
ALFRED HITCHCOCK'S

## THE TROUBLE WITH HARRY

Master of Suspense Alfred Hitchcock directs a delightful comedy-mystery set in New England. It stars John Forsythe, Academy Award®-winner Edmund Gwenn, Mildred Natwick, and little Erry Mathers. In addition it marks the noteworthy screen debut of Academy Award®-winner Shirley MacLaine. What is *THE TROUBLE WITH HARRY*? Well, it's the fact that he's dead, and while no one really minds, everybody thinks they are responsible.

After several unearthings of the corpse, plenty of humor a la Hitchcock, and love affairs between the major characters, the real cause of death is revealed, and Harry troubles no one again. It's a delightful romp and a decidedly different movie from the Master of Suspense.

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### SPECIAL FEATURES

**Behind the Scenes**

The Trouble With Harry is an original documentary on the making of the movie. It features interviews with cast member John Forsythe, associate producer Herbert Coleman, screenwriter John Michael Hayes and Pat Hitchcock O'Connell, daughter of Alfred Hitchcock. Production photographs, photo and poster gallery from the film.

**Production Notes**

Cast and Filmmakers

**Theatrical Trailer and more!**

Special Features Not Rated

**The Trouble with Harry features** twenty-year-old Shirley MacLaine in her first film role. Upon learning that MacLaine had never acted in a movie before, Hitchcock reportedly told the young actress, "I shall have fewer knots to untie. You are hired."


**Hitchcock passes outdoor exhibit**

WIDESCREEN

## THE ALFRED HITCHCOCK COLLECTION

STARRING EDMUND GWENN, JOHN FORSYTHE  
AND INTRODUCING SHIRLEY MACLAINE  
ALFRED HITCHCOCK'S

# THE TROUBLE WITH HARRY



20670

DVD VIDEO

Presented by ALFRED HITCHCOCK. Screenplay by JOHN MICHAEL HAYES. Based on the Novel by ALICE TILTON STORY. A UNIVERSAL PICTURE.

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There will be a showing of this movie at our very own Craftsbury Public Library.  
Monday, March 21, 2005 at 7:00pm. Hope to see you there.

TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY  
Box 55  
Craftsbury, VT 05826

This is from The 1955 Craftsbury Town Report.



PARAMOUNT PICTURES ON LOCATION  
CRAFTSBURY COMMON

#### PARAMOUNT PICTURES ON LOCATION CRAFTSBURY COMMON

The picture on the cover was snapped last October when Paramount Pictures was filming "Trouble With Harry" under the direction of Mr. Alfred Hitchcock. Mr. Hitchcock can be seen in the center facing the camera.

As a result of the filming our townspeople and visitors from surrounding towns were offered an excellent opportunity to observe just how movies are made, financial benefits were realized, and Craftsbury was given much publicity.

We are deeply indebted to the Vermont Development Commission, for it was through the efforts of that organization that "Hollywood" decided to move into Craftsbury.

## ANNUAL REPORT

# Town of Craftsbury

For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1955

TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY  
Box 55  
Craftsbury, VT 05826

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**ABSTRACT OF MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 2, 2004**

**ARTICLE 1. MODERATOR – Ann Wilson**

**ARTICLE 2. Report accepted with the amendments as mentioned.**

**ARTICLE 3. TOWN CLERK (3 year term) – Yvette Brown**

**TREASURER (3 year term) – Yvette Brown**

**SELECT BOARD MEMBER (1 year term) – James Jones**

**SELECT BOARD MEMBER (3 year term) – Bruce Urie**

**COLLECTOR OF TAXES (1 year term) – Yvette Brown**

**LISTER (3 year term) – William Ryan**

**AUDITOR (1 year term) – Phyllis Harrington**

**AUDITOR (2 year term) – Kay Goodridge**

**AUDITOR (3 year term) – Lisa Santamore**

**PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEE (4 year term) – Phil Lovely**

**TOWN AGENT (1 year term) – Tom Wells**

**TOWN GRAND JUROR (1 year term) – Tom Hadden**

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (5 year term) – James Jones**

**TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS (3 year term) – Rita Davis**

**WORLD WAR II MEM. FUND TRUSTEE (3 year term) – Clyde Simmons**

**ARTICLE 4. Operations of town fire department - \$30,800.00 (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 5. Money the town will vote to build bridges and defray all other expenses of town \$511,181.00, of which \$334,994.00 be raised in taxes. (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 6. Town Wide Reappraisal- \$5,000.00 (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 7. Town to purchase 38+/- acres of land located on Black River Road. (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 8. Allow Select Board to expand \$30,000.00 from the town Logging Acct. and finance the remaining \$45,000.00 over a period of five years plus interest. (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 9. Purchase of a Fire Department rescue truck \$1000,000.00. (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 10. Appropriations \$24,550.12 (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 11. Newly requested appropriations \$1,927.40(Article Passed Over)**

**ARTICLE 12. Exempt the Mason Hall from Taxes for five years. (Voice Vote Carried)**

**ARTICLE 13. Authorize the Select Board to draw temporary loan orders for expenditures. (Voice Vote Carried)**

**ARTICLE 14. Taxes collected by the Town Treasurer (Voice Vote Carried)**

**ARTICLE 15. Taxes collected in installments (Passed)**

**ARTICLE 16. Collect interest on all Delinquent Taxes (Passed)**

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

**\*Lois Charron moved that Old Home Day be on the second Saturday of August as in the past and be sponsored by the Recreation Committee. (Carried)**

**\*Warren Williams moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded, Voted, and Carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.**

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES OF TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MARCH 2, 2004

ARTICLE 1. What sum the Town School District will vote for school purposes.

\*Budget Amount \$2,465,276.00 (Passed)

ARTICLE 2. Authorize the School Directors to draw temporary loan orders for expenditure.  
(Voice Vote Carried)

ARTICLE 3. SCHOOL DIRECTOR (3 year term) – John Zaber

ARTICLE 4. SCHOOL DIRECTOR (2 year term) – John Madigan

ARTICLE 5. Authorize the School Directors to transfer any unobligated yearend fund balance to the reserve fund. (Voice Vote Carried)

ARTICLE 6. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

\*Warren Williams made the motion to adjourn the meeting and reconvene into the Town Meeting. (Voice Vote Carried)

A COMPLETE RECORD OF THE TOWN AND SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES  
CAN BE FOUND AT THE TOWN CLERKS OFFICE.

TOWN CLERK AND TOWN TREASURER REPORT  
2004

This has been a very exciting year. The Reappraisal has been going on all thru the year. Terry Gray is the assessor for the reappraisal firm. If she has not all ready been to your house and left a card, please feel free to call and set up an appointment for inside inspection. They will be completed by April 2005. They intend on holding a pre-grievances meeting for people to come and get copies of their cards and they will explain the process of how the values are determined. The program that the Town uses is CAMA 2000, which is much upgraded from the old system of 1980 Data. These dates will be announced within the booklet that will go out to everyone with the changes of values. If any one has any questions regarding the reappraisal please call the Office.

This past year has been the year of Elections, both Primary and General plus a special election on the School Bond vote took place which required a lot of team work to have everything work so smoothly. I need to Thank all the special people that make this happen: the Ballot Clerk's: Cherie Williams, Cheryl Bailey, Lucille Sanville, Ellen Dignon, Sandy Gutzmann, and Joan Simmons for the long hours of checking people in and out and making sure that ballots are where they should be, in the ballot box. Then it's the Counting. They stay and help count which is a very intense and important job to do. I wish to thank all the people that helped make this process go so smoothly. Cheryl and Richard Bailey, Sandy and Walter Gutzmann, Cherie and Eddie Williams, Lucille Sanville, Bruce and Betty Urie, Jimmy and Annette Jones, Robert and Joan Twiss, David and Leslie Rowell, David and Jean Stoner, Bob and Susan Goodby, Rita Davis, Willie Ryan and Carolyn, Ann Wilson and Warren Williams, Susan Waterhouse, Joann Waterhouse, and Kristy Waterhouse, John and Melinda Patterson, Paulette LaMare, and I know that there are a few names that I did not write down that day so please feel my Thank You to you all. I could not have made the Elections go so smooth without you. It has been a learning process for many and in for future Elections or Australian ballot votes please feel free to offer to be a ballot clerk or counter on that day. As long as your name is on the checklist your help would be appreciative. After a 12-hour day the more we have then the sooner we can get home.

Also, Thanks so much for Sandy Gutzmann and Anne and Eric Hanson for the food they make and bring to us, so we would not be come weak and feeble minded. It was wonderful and tasted so good, just what we needed.

We have been trying this year to have our general index books for the land records are on a computer indexing system. Ellen Dignon has volunteered all summer to making this happen. She has completed index book 4 and plans to come back in the summer and volunteer again. Cheryl has been keeping it up to date as new recording come in. The attorneys that have used the system love it for it saves much time looking thru the index for the book and pages. A special Thank you to Ellen for the long hours and great work she has done. Can't wait for her to return.

The parcel id mapping system that we have done by Wayne Mutrux is the talk of all the area Town's. It is so easy to use and with it on the computer so that I can print out a map of just a certain property makes it even more useable. Come in and check it out. It makes everyone's job much easier.

I am here to help so if at any times you have questions I will be glad to assist you. The laws seem to be changing on a regular basis and can be had to keep up with but I will try to find the answers.

Have a wonderful spring and hope to see you throughout the year. Stop in anytime. Enjoy Town Meeting.  
Thank You for a wonderful year.

Sincerely, Yvette Brown, Town Clerk & Treasurer



TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY  
Box 55  
Craftsbury, VT 05826



## Craftsbury Town Officers 2004

Moderator	Anne Wilson
Town clerk (term expires 2007)	Yvette Brown
Town Treasurer (term expires 2007)	Yvette Brown
Selectmen:	
Term expires 2005	Jim Jones
Term expires 2006	Walt Gutzmann
Term expires 2007	Bruce Urie
Collector of Taxes	Yvette Brown
Listers:	
Term expires 2005	David Rowell
Term expires 2006	Laura Brown
Term expires 2007	William Ryan
School Directors:	
Term expires 2005	Randy Martin
Term expires 2006	Julie Marckres
Term expires 2007	John Zador
2 Year term expires 2005	Harry Miller
2 Year term expires 2006	John Madigan
Auditors:	
Term expires 2005	Phyllis Harrington
Term expires 2006	Kay Goodridge
Term expires 2007	Lisa Santamore
Town Agent	Tom Wells
Town Grand Juror	Thomas Hadden
Cemetery Commissioners:	
Term expires 2005	Bruce Urie
Term expires 2006	Mike Martin
Term expires 2007	Faye Waterhouse
Term expires 2008	David Reed
Term expires 2009	Jim Jones
Trustee of Public Funds:	
Term expires 2005	Morris Rowell
Term expires 2006	Yvette Brown
Term expires 2007	Rita Davis
World War II Memorial Fund Trustees:	
Term expires 2005	Bruce Urie
Term expires 2006	A. Robert Twiss
Term expires 2007	Clyde Simmons Jr
Supervisor Lamoille Solid Waste District (2 yr- 2005)	Adrian Owens
Craftsbury Public Library Trustee (4 yr - 2008)	Phil Lovely

## Officers Appointed By Selectmen 2004

Chairman, Board of Selectmen		Bruce Urie
Clerk for Selectmen		Nancy Rooney
Road Commissioner		Steve Marckres
Asst Town Clerk & Asst Treasurer		Cheryl Bailey
911 Coordinator		Walt Gutzmann
Pound Keepers:		
Robert Anderson	Chris Masse	Roger Martin
Inspector of Lumber & Wood		James Moffatt
Tree Warden		James Moffatt
Ass. Tree Warden		Stuart LaPoint
Fire Warden		Eugene Marckres
Fire Chief		Walter Gutzmann
Asst Fire Chief		Eugene Marckres
1 <sup>st</sup> Asst Chief		William Strong
Health Officer		Annette Jones
Fence Viewers		
Robert Anderson	William Ryan	Edmund Williams
Committee on Municipal Forests		
2005 Charles Waterhouse	Rob Libby	Gilbert Goodridge
2006 Burton Strong	Ann Ingerson	Barbara Alexander
2007 Farley Brown	James Moffat	James Jones
Town Service Officer		Nancy Rooney
Vt. Emergency Management Representative		David Brown
Constable		Eric Britton
Dog Warden		Roger Martin
Green Up Chairman		Farley Brown
NVDA		James Jones

### Town Recreation Committee

John Zabor	Farley Brown	Barbara Strong
Ben Field	Rick Thomas	Allison Van Akkeren
		Michelle Warren

### Village Improvement Society

Penny Schmitt	Rachel Farrar	Phyllis Harrington
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### War Memorial Committee

Everette Demeritt	Bruce Martin	Harry Sweatt
Clyde Simmons Jr.	Warren Williams	

### Justices of the Peace

A. Robert Twiss	David Rowell	Robert Goodby
Thomas Hadden	David Stoner	Bryce Wilson

### Town Planning Committee

2005 Philip Edgerton	Tony Jones	Gordon Waterhouse
2006 Linda Wells	David Stoner	Farley Brown
2007 David Rowell	Louise Davis	William Ryan

### Board of Civil Authority

3 Selectmen	5 Justices of the Peace	Yvette Brown, Clerk of the Board
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**GENERAL AND HIGHWAY FUNDS**  
**Statement of Receipts & Disbursements**  
**Year ended December 31, 2004**

Beginning Cash Balance, January 1, 2004	\$ 20,575.23
Cash – Dog Licenses	<u>38.00</u>
Total	20,613.23
Add Receipts:	
Prepaid Taxes (2005)	640.41
Transfer from Building Acct.	16,512.33
Transfer from Act. 200	738.75
Transfer from Reappraisal Acct. (CD Transfer)	20,762.98
State Funds Reappraisal	5,068.00
School Treasurer's Salary	5,451.00
Hold Harmless (State Current Use)	40,232.00
Milfoil	2,784.00
Current Taxes	363,760.86
Fire Dept. Taxes	30,800.00
Delinquent Taxes	101,594.24
Interest on Taxes	10,664.72
Tax Collector's fee	6,632.27
State of Vermont-Highway Aid	133,374.34
Loans	170,000.00
Emergency Management (Generator)	251.00
Dog Licenses	1,446.00
Beverage Licenses	350.00
Copy Machine (@ 20 cents a copy)	1,377.06
Interest on Super-Now Account	74.23
Reimbursements (misc.)	2,469.35
Recording Fees	9,460.00
Fire Dept. Grant / Misc.	37,151.94
Weight Permit Fees	125.00
Logging Acct.	190.00
Solid Waste	189.00
Road Department misc.	3,366.83
Donation – Use of Common	100.00
Dog fines	500.00
Judicial	<u>77.50</u>
Total Receipts	\$966,143.81
Total Funds Available	\$986,757.04
Less Selectmen's Orders	(936,506.13)
Cash & Funds Balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 50,250.91
Fund Balance Consists of:	
General	36,426.25
Bond	50.00
FD Rescue	12,700.00
2005 Prepaid Taxes	640.41
2004 (payments to be made)	<u>434.25</u>
Total	50,250.91

**TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY  
BALANCE SHEET  
As of December 31, 2004**

<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
	<u>Dec 31, 04</u>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Checking/Savings		School D-Tax balance	\$ 47,369.00
Operating-Merchants-Town General	\$ 50,162.91	Other Current Liabilities	
Appraisal Account	\$ 13,233.86	Craftsbury C Churches	\$ 45.70
Beach-Merchants	\$ 2,119.36	Craftsbury School District	\$ 97.80
Emergency Management	\$ 12,955.36	Craftsbury Band	\$ 290.75
Hatch-Webster Logging Acct	\$ 61,482.17	Total Other Current Liabilities	\$ 434.25
Act 200-Merchants	\$ 628.80	Total Current Liabilities	\$ 47,803.25
Solid Waste Management	\$ 3,371.79	Long Term Liabilities	
Trustee of Public Funds	\$ 3,815.88	FD Rescue Truck	\$ 80,000.00
Total Checking/Savings	\$ 147,770.13	2003 Truck	\$ 52,208.96
Accounts Receivable		Loader 2002	\$ 24,796.54
Accounts Receivable	\$ 119,417.16	Town Garage New	\$ 18,633.24
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	\$ 1,732.00	Total Long Term Liabilities	\$ 175,638.74
Milfoil Grant Reimb			
F.D. Grant Reimb.to Gen.	\$ 3,829.75		\$ 223,441.99
Total Accounts Receivable	\$ 124,978.91		
Total Accounts Receivable	\$ 124,978.91	<b>Equity</b>	
Other Current Assets			
Community Bond	\$ 50.00		
Total Other Current Assets	\$ 50.00		
Total Current Assets	\$ 272,799.04	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 272,799.04</u>		<u>\$ 272,799.04</u>

**STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004**

**TAX MONEY VOTED:**

GENERAL FUND	\$	334,994.00
APPROPRIATIONS	\$	24,259.37
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$	30,800.00
FD TANKER	\$	8,024.50
LOADER	\$	13,055.68
02 TOWN TRUCK	\$	4,408.65
03 TOWN TRUCK	\$	18,072.20
TOWN GARAGE	\$	9,806.84
TOWN LAND	\$	-
REAPPRAISAL	\$	5,000.00
FD RESCUE TRUCK	\$	22,205.00
TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$	1,112,259.92

**TAX MONEY VOTED** **\$ 1,582,886.16**

**TAXES ASSESSED & BILLED** **\$ 1,547,701.52**

**PLUS TAX ON STATE LAND** **\$ 409.00**

**TOTAL BILLED** **\$ 1,548,110.52**

GENERAL FUND	\$	435,050.60
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$	30,800.00
SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$	1,112,259.92

**TOTAL ASSESSED & BILLED** **\$ 1,578,110.52**

**COLLECTIONS:**

GENERAL FUND	\$	363,760.21
CURRENT USE REC'D	\$	40,232.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$	30,800.00
DELINQUENT TAXES	\$	88,291.59
LESS: 04 ABATED TAXES	\$	367.80
TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$	1,064,890.92

**TOTAL COLLECTIONS:** **\$ 1,588,342.52**

**AMOUNT ABOVE CURRENT USE** **\$ 5,464.00**

2004 As Billed Grand list Grand List  
Tax Book Report  
\*\*\* GRAND TOTALS \*\*\*

	MUNICIPAL	HOMESTEAD	NON-RESI
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TAXABLE PARCELS	726		
ACRES	23,783.97		
REAL	63,068,500	34,779,000	28,289,500
Add			
(+) NON-APPROVED CONTRACTS		0	59,000
(+) NON-APPROVED FARM CONTRACTS		0	0
(+) INVENTORY	0		
(+) EQUIPMENT	0		0
Subtract			
(-) VETERAN	80,000	80,000	0
(-) FARM STAB	0	0	0
(-) LAND USE	6,735,000	2,061,300	4,673,700
(-) CONTRACTS	59,000	0	59,000
(-) SPECIAL EXEMP.		0	0
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GRAND LIST	561,945.00	326,377.00	236,158.00
HOMESTEAD	60,060,300		
HOUSESITE	32,207,000		
LEASE	0.00		
NON-TAX COUNT	42		
NON-TAX VAL.	660,400		
LATE HS-131 PENALTY:			102.81
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RATE NAME	TAX RATE	X GRAND LIST	= TOTAL RAISED
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NON-RESIDENTIAL ED.	2.0123	235,568.00	474,033.49
HOMESTEAD ED.	1.9517	326,377.00	636,990.04
VOTED EXEMPTION	0.0022	561,945.00	1,236.39
MUNICIPAL	0.7747	561,945.00	435,338.79
TOTAL TAX			1,547,701.52

## Craftsbury Education Tax Rates

NonRes: \$2.0123 Homestead: \$1.9517

Beginning this year all properties on the education grand list have been classified as either homestead or nonresidential. A statewide education tax, imposed at different rates, is applied to those two classes of property. Questions on these calculations can be addressed to the Dept. of Taxes at 802-828-5860.

Nonresidential Property. The effective rate for nonresidential property in Vermont is \$1.54. It is adjusted to reflect the common level of appraisal (CLA) in your town. In towns that were recently reappraised, the CLA will be about 100%. In towns that haven't been reappraised in a while, the CLA will be less than 100%. The Vt. Department of Taxes annually determines that common level of appraisal (CLA) for each town. The CLA for Craftsbury is 76.53%. That means that property in Craftsbury was shown to be appraised at 76.53% of fair market value. The nonresidential rate in Craftsbury becomes **\$2.0123**. ( $\$1.54 \div \text{CLA}$ )

Homestead Property. The base rate for homestead property in Vermont is \$1.05. It is increased by your district spending adjustment of 1.42252 and adjusted by the common level of appraisal of 76.53%. The Craftsbury homestead rate becomes \$1.9517. The district spending adjustment was established as follows:

A. Statewide base education payment per equalized student:	\$6,800.00
B. The statewide average per pupil spending:	\$8,066.00
C. Threshold (135% of the statewide average per pupil spending):	\$10,889.00
D. Craftsbury per pupil education spending for FY05:	\$9,673.16
E. Craftsbury capital costs per equalized pupil:	\$254.06
F. Craftsbury educ spending less capital costs per equal pupil (D - E):	\$9,419.10
G. "Excess spending" (spending over threshold in C above):	\$-
H. Adjusted per pupil spending (D + G):	\$9,673.16

I. District spending adjustment is  $H \div A$ : **1.42252**

The district spending adjustment of 1.42252 is multiplied by the base rate to determine the homestead education tax rate ( $\$1.05 \times 1.42252$ ). It is then adjusted by the common level of appraisal to determine the homestead rate that will be levied on homestead properties in Craftsbury. That's called the actual tax rate.

J. Actual Homestead Education Tax Rate ( $1.05 \times 1.42252 \div 76.53\%$ ) **\$1.9517**

Education Taxes Based on Income. If a resident provides the State with household income and house and 2-acre value (called homestead on your 2003 property tax bill) for the previous year by filing HI-144 and HS-138 (can be filed up to December 1, 2004) the State calculates the school tax on the housesite using the 2003 income and housesite information. If your school tax on income is less than on property the State will issue you a check.

The school income sensitivity (prebate) payment for eligible taxpayers is also affected by the per pupil spending. A higher spending level results in a higher threshold. For school income sensitivity payments in fiscal year 2005, the threshold level of household income is 1.9% multiplied by the district spending adjustment for Craftsbury resulting in an income threshold of 2.70%.

6/24/2004



**STATEMENT OF TOWN INDEBTEDNESS  
COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANK**

Notes Payable & Maturity	Balance 1/1/04	New Notes	Interest Rates	Interest Paid	Repayment 2004	Balance 12/31/03
2000 Truck 12/5/04	4,187.94		5.27%	222.65	4,187.94	0.00
FD Tanker 12/15/04	7,643.54		4.87%	366.45	7,643.54	0.00
Loader 12/5/06	36,583.24		3.48%	1,268.98	11,786.70	24,796.54
Line of Credit 06/01/05		70,000.00	2.12%	817.21	70,000.00	0.00
2003 Truck 11/15/07	68,469.32		2.59%	1,811.76	16,260.36	52,208.96
2004 Rescue 06/09/09		100,000.00	3.41%	2,092.88	20,000.00	80,000.00
Town Garage 11/30/06	27,483.68		3.48%	956.43	8,850.44	18,633.24
<b>Totals</b>	<b>144,367.72</b>	<b>170,000.00</b>		<b>7,536.36</b>	<b>138,728.98</b>	<b>175,638.74</b>

**STATEMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES  
Year Ended December 31, 2004**

Tax Year	Balance 1/1/04	To Collector	Abated	Collections 2004	Balance 12/31/04
2000	7,606.22		00.00	1,909.77	5,696.45
2001	12,445.13		00.00	5,977.70	6,467.43
2002	30,088.41		00.00	9,753.82	20,334.59
2003	82,580.05		00.00	60,078.23	22,501.82
2004		88,291.59	00.00	23,874.72	64,416.87
<b>Total</b>	<b>132,719.81</b>	<b>88,291.59</b>	<b>00.00</b>	<b>101,594.24</b>	<b>119,417.16</b>



# SUMMARY OF SELECTMEN'S ORDERS PAID

OFFICIAL & ROAD SALARIES:	\$	149,254.82
RETIREMENT, SOC.SEC., W. COMP:	\$	25,973.23
HEALTH INS- OFF. & RD	\$	29,925.84
ROAD, BRIDGES, & EQUIP. MAINT.:	\$	263,181.45
INSURANCE	\$	10,971.00
TOWN GARAGE UTILITIES	\$	7,066.56
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$	-
911 EXPENSES	\$	848.10
OFFICE - GENERAL	\$	10,004.03
OFFICE UTILITIES	\$	7,071.57
ASSESSMENTS & APPROPRIATIONS	\$	37,505.98
LEGAL	\$	6,328.00
LOAN REPAYMENTS	\$	138,728.98
INTEREST ON LOANS	\$	7,536.36
REAPPRAISAL	\$	25,650.00
FIRE DEPART & GRANTS	\$	40,410.13
PORTION OF SCHOOL D-TAXES	\$	61,909.00
DOG EXPENSE (INCL. \$1.00 RABIES FEES-ST)	\$	1,027.84
2004 RESCUE TRUCK	\$	87,300.00
MILFOIL GRANT EXP.	\$	3,465.00
TOWN HALL REPAIR	\$	20,979.49
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$	251.00
FORREST COMM	\$	190.00
SOLID WASTE	\$	189.00
PLANNING COMM	\$	738.75
TOTAL SELECTMEN'S ORDERS	\$	936,506.13

## OFFICIAL & ROAD SALARIES DETAILED

YVETTE BROWN, TOWN CLERK & TREASURER	\$	22,617.80
YVETTE BROWN, SCHOOL CLERK & TREASURER	\$	5,451.00
CHERYL BAILERY, ASST. CLERK	\$	5,121.03
NANCY ROONEY, BOARD CLERK	\$	362.22
YVETTE BROWN, DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR	\$	6,632.27
DAVID ROWELL, LISTER	\$	1,060.00
WILLIAM RYAN, LISTER	\$	4,500.00
LAURA BROWN, LISTER	\$	2,580.00
PHYLLIS HARRINGTON, AUDITOR	\$	170.00
LISA SANTAMORE, AUDITOR	\$	1,498.33
JANET REED, AUDITOR	\$	770.00
BRUCE MARCKRES, RD DEPART.	\$	29,619.21
CARROLL SWEENEY, RD DEPART.	\$	29,581.15
STEVEN MARCKRES, RD FOREMAN	\$	35,216.31
BRUCE URIE, SELECTMEN	\$	1,000.00
WALTER GUTZMANN, SELECTMEN	\$	1,000.00
JAMES JONES, SELECTMEN	\$	1,000.00
BALLOT CLERKS	\$	1,075.50
TOTAL	\$	149,254.82

## **Appropriations, Lease Lands and Assessments**

<b>Article</b>	
<b>Craftsbury Public Library</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>
<b>Craftsbury Recreation</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
<b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>209.25</b>
<b>Village Improvement</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>AWARE</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>Green-Up Day</b>	<b>00.00</b>
<b>Hardwick Rescue Squad</b>	<b>1,921.00</b>
<b>Lake Eligo Association</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
<b>Lamoille Family Center</b>	<b>250.00</b>
<b>Lamoille Valley Even Start</b>	<b>200.00</b>
<b>N.E. Vt Area Agency of Aging</b>	<b>469.00</b>
<b>N.E. Vt Devel. Assoc.</b>	<b>477.12</b>
<b>N.E. Kingdom Adult Basic Education</b>	<b>200.00</b>
<b>N.E. Human Services</b>	<b>1,193.00</b>
<b>Old Stone House/Orleans Cty Historical Soc.</b>	<b>250.00</b>
<b>Orleans County Citizens Advocacy</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>Orleans County Court Diversion</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>Orleans Home Health/VNA &amp; Hospice</b>	<b>2800.00</b>
<b>Vermont Children's Aid</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>Vt Center for Independent Living</b>	<b>140.00</b>
<b>Vt Assoc. for the Blind &amp; Visually Impaired</b>	<b><u>300.00</u></b>
	<b>\$24,259.37</b>

### **Lease Lands:**

**(will be paid January 2005)**

**Craftsbury School District**  
**Craftsbury Churches**

### **Assessments:**

<b>County Clerk, County Tax</b>	<b>\$11,707.61</b>
<b>Vt League of Cities &amp; Towns</b>	<b>1,071.00</b>
<b>V.L.C.T. Insurance (2003 &amp; 2004)</b>	<b><u>468.00</u></b>
	<b><u>\$ 13,246.61</u></b>

**Total Appropriations, Lease Lands & Assessments**

**\$ 37,505.98**

**WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL FUND**

BALANCE 1/1/04	\$48,253.19
+ Interest on Bonds	<u>2,671.00</u>

BALANCE 12/31/04 - Bonds (cost value) **	\$50,924.19
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** Estimated market value on 12/31/04	\$51,032.38
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Bruce Urie, Treasurer

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS**

**Cemetery Trust Funds**

BALANCE 1/1/04 - Principal	\$ 3,770.24
Interest Earned	<u>45.64</u>

TOTAL BALANCE 12/31/04	\$ 3,815.88
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**Contact for each Cemetery:**

Branch	Betty Merrill	586-2807
East Craftsbury	Barb Paterson	586-2863
Village	Louise Davis	586-2818
Craftsbury Common	Phyllis Harrington	586-2532

**VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY 2004**

BALANCE 1/1/04	\$ 3,025.43
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**RECEIPT:**

Concerts	428.38
Luncheon	826.95
Contributions	3,522.00
Town Appropriation	<u>500.00</u>

Total Receipt	\$ 5,277.33
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Total Available	\$ 8,302.76
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**EXPENSES**

Mowing	1,000.00
Electricity	1,100.48
Postage	39.96
Luncheon Supplies	74.35
Concert	250.00
Use of Church	75.00
Hardwick Electric	352.00
Atwood Electric	<u>2,945.00</u>

Total Expenses	\$ 5,836.76
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BALANCE 1/1/05	\$ 2,465.97
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Rachel Farrar, Treasurer

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS-ACT 200 ACCOUNT**

Balance, 1/1/04	\$1,363.04
Plus: Interest	4.51
Less: Transfer to General Account	<u>(738.75)</u>
Balance, 12/31/04	\$ 628.80

**BEACH ACCOUNT**

Balance, 1/1/04	\$2,110.27
Plus: Interest	9.09
Balance, 12/31/04	<u>\$2,119.36</u>

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND**

Balance, 1/1/04	\$13,137.95
Plus: Interest	68.41
Less: Transfer to General Fund	<u>(251.00)</u>
Balance, 12/31/04	<u>\$12,955.36</u>

**REAPPRAISAL INVESTMENT & CD ACCOUNT**

Balance, 1/1/04(includes CD balance of \$5,099.04)	\$33,754.26
Plus: Interest	160.64
Plus: Interest on CD	81.94
Less: CD Transferred to General Fund	<u>(5,180.98)</u>
Transfer to General account	<u>(15,582.00)</u>
Balance, 12/31/04	<u>\$13,233.86</u>

**SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND**

Balance, 1/1/04	\$3,531.34
Plus: Interest	29.45
Less: Transfer to General Account	<u>(189.00)</u>
Balance, 12/31/04	<u>\$3,371.79</u>

**TOWN LOGGING ACCOUNT**

Balance, 1/1/04	\$61,215.18
Plus: Interest	456.99
Transfer to General Account	<u>(190.00)</u>
Balance, 12/31/04	<u>\$61,482.17</u>

**TOWN HALL BUILDING ACCOUNT**

Balance, 1/1/04	\$16,405.30
Plus: Interest	107.03
Transfer to General Account	<u>(16,512.33)</u>
Balance, 12/31/04	<u>\$00.00</u>

## 2004 DOG LICENSE REPORT



### Regular Licenses:

Females	4 @ 9.00 =	36.00
Spayed Female	87 @ 5.00 =	435.00
Males	23 @ 9.00 =	207.00
Neutered Males	84 @ 5.00 =	420.00
Kennel License (5-male/4 female)	9 @ =	40.00
Replacement of Lost Tags	1 @ 0.00 =	0.00
		<b>\$1138.00</b>

### Late Fee Licenses

Females	7 @ \$13.00 =	\$ 91.00
Spayed Females	15 @ 7.00 =	105.00
Males	4 @ 13.00 =	52.00
Neutered Males	16 @ 7.00 =	112.00
	<u>250</u>	<b>\$ 360.00</b>

Total Collected by Town	\$1498.00
Less \$1.00 Rabies Fee paid to State	- <u>250.00</u>
Total Income to Town	<b>\$1248.00</b>

All dogs/wolf hybrids 6 months or older shall be licensed on or before April 1<sup>st</sup>  
 And must have a valid rabies vaccination certificate.  
 A 50% penalty will be charged for dogs licensed after April 1<sup>st</sup>.

<b>Females</b>	<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>Males</b>	<b>\$11.00</b>
<b>Spayed Females</b>	<b>\$ 7.00</b>	<b>Spayed males</b>	<b>\$ 7.00</b>

**\*\*The above figures include a \$1 fee per dog charged by the state for the purpose of a rabies control program. Also a \$2 spaying & neutering fee surcharge that goes to the state.**

Town Clerk's hours: Tuesday through Friday  
 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Note: The Rabies Clinic will be Saturday, March 26th from 12:30-1:30p.m.  
 at the Town Hall. The clerk's office will be open so that licenses may  
 be purchased at that time.

The State of Vermont continues to recommend that all dogs and cats be vaccinated  
 again this year due to the increased number of confirmed cases of rabies.

Constable:	Eric Britton	586-9934
Dog Warden:	Roger Martin	586-2252

**CRAFTSBURY TOWN CLERK  
P.O. BOX 55  
CRAFTSBURY, VERMONT 05826  
www.fevt@kingcon.com  
(802) 586-2823 ALSO FAX #**

**OFFICE HOURS:  
Tuesday through Friday  
8:30 am to 4:00 pm**

**TOWN CLERK & TREASURER: Yvette Brown  
ASS. TOWN CLERK & TREASURER: Cheryl Bailey**



**October 16, 2004  
Some of our hard working Town Officers**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Town Meeting is on Tuesday March 1, 2005.  
The meeting will again be held in the Craftsbury Academy Gymnasium.**

**LUNCH AVAILABLE:**

**To benefit the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades Trip to Boston in June 2006.**

**Baked Ham  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Vegetable  
Assorted Deserts**

**Also Available:  
Donuts  
Ass. Sandwiches  
Coffee, Tea**



*Best Wishes !!!*

MARRIAGES REGISTERED 2004

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE
06/13/04	Ganter Todd Ludwig Megan Lynn Rehn	Brooklyn, NY Brooklyn, NY
06/22/04	Everett Harry Demeritt Jennifer Ann Wade	Craftsbury, VT Cambridge, VT
06/29/04	Jamie Paul Griggs Heather Marie Rice	Craftsbury, VT Morrisville, VT
07/02/04	Jacob Robert Godfrey Natalie Noel Alexander	Irvine, CA Irvine, CA
07/16/04	George Michael Fletcher Lana Elissa Bortolot	New York, NY New York, NY
08/13/04	Patrick Graham Lonsdale Megan Beth Puffen Barger	Felton, CA Felton, CA



## ***Congratulations !!!***

BIRTHS RECORDED IN CRAFTSBURY IN 2004

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	FATHER MOTHER	PLACE OF BIRTH
01/05/04	Tegan William Demeritt	Charles William Demeritt Michelle Mayford Demeritt	Morristown, VT
01/24/04	Blair John Locke	Daniel Paul Locke Donna Alden Locke	Morristown, VT
02/20/04	Willow Marie Snow	Richard Fenwick Snow III Melisa Rose Sikura	Craftsbury, VT
03/06/04	Riley Joseph Richards	Phillip Brandon Richards Rachael Lynn Richards	Berlin, VT
04/26/04	Olivia Ellen Demag	Albert Phillip Demag JR Valerie Y. Mason	Morristown, VT
06/05/04	Lillian Morgan Ecklund-Gustavson	Morgan Chandler Ecklund Elena Sun Gustavson	Morristown, VT
07/28/04	Kassandra Lynn Fontaine	Daniel Mark Fontaine Stephanie Lynn Foster	Newport, VT
09/25/04	Esther Sabine Pilar Mado Kucij Goettlich	Walter Charles Goettlich Stephanie Lynn Foster	Craftsbury, VT
1/22/04	Natalie Mae Allen	Jason Gordon Allen Nicole Lee Allen	Morristown, VT
12/22/04	Veric Rex Santamore	Jason Allen Santamore Lisa Sue Santamore	Morristown, VT



DEATHS RECORDED IN CRAFTSBURY 2004

	Date	Name	Age	Residence	Place of Death	Burial Site
1	1/19/04	Catherine O. Young	85	Craftsbury, VT	Craftsbury, VT	E. Craftsbury Cemetery
2	1/20/04	Mary Roberts	81	Montpelier, VT	Montpelier, VT	E. Craftsbury Cemetery
3	1/25/04	Raymond E. Ashby	60	Craftsbury, VT	Newport, VT	St. Brigid's Cemetery
4	2/3/04	Caroline C. Wells	88	Craftsbury, VT	Craftsbury, VT	Village Cemetery
5	2/6/04	Rodney C. Smith	74	Craftsbury, VT	Craftsbury, VT	Branch Cemetery
6	2/7/04	Charles Olin Brown	70	Eden Mills, VT	Craftsbury, VT	Branch Cemetery
7	2/11/04	Richard Lee Farrar	84	Morristown, VT	Morristown, VT	Craftsbury Comm. Cem.
8	3/2/04	Grant M. Lang	60	Craftsbury, VT	Morristown, VT	Crematory
9	3/15/04	Michael A. Schmitt III	68	Craftsbury, VT	Craftsbury, VT	Craftsbury Comm. Cem.
10	4/11/04	Lawrence R. Moffatt	69	Lyndonville, VT	Lyndonville, VT	Branch Cemetery
11	5/5/04	Geraldine F. Tucker	82	Craftsbury, VT	Burlington, VT	Craftsbury Comm. Cem.
12	5/7/04	Patrick T. Reil	49	Craftsbury, VT	Burlington, VT	Branch Cemetery
13	5/11/04	Marleanthe Bohleiser	58	Craftsbury, VT	Craftsbury, VT	E. Craftsbury Cemetery
14	5/23/04	Joyce A. Young	77	Greensboro, VT	Greensboro, VT	Village Cemetery
15	6/2/04	Lynette Muller Denney	58	Burlington, VT	Burlington, VT	Craftsbury Comm. Cem.
16	7/23/04	Diana E. Menard	99	Craftsbury, VT	St. Johnsbury, VT	Fairview Cemetery
17	7/30/04	Mark A. Washburn	46	Swanton, VT	Swanton, VT	Branch Cemetery
18	9/1/04	Janice W. Means	91	Craftsbury, VT	Morristown, VT	Boston Medical Center
19	9/22/04	Rupert Lee Isham Sr.	95	Greensboro, VT	Greensboro, VT	Village Cemetery
20	10/6/04	Rebecca Skillin	93	Craftsbury, VT	Morristown, VT	Crematory
21	10/24/04	Hugh R. Houston	93	Craftsbury, VT	Glover, VT	Crematory
22	11/1/04	Virginia L. Hunt	83	E. Hardwick, VT	Craftsbury, VT	E. Haven Cemetery
23	11/16/04	Judith M. Brown	77	Craftsbury, VT	Morristown, VT	Crematory

**Resolution of the Town of Craftsbury**  
**Concerning the Vermont National Guard and the War in Iraq**

*Whereas*, the Town and its citizens strongly support the men and women serving in the United States Armed Forces in Iraq and recognize the sacrifices that each of them is making, the Town and its citizens stand ready to help these Vermonters in any way they can,

*Whereas*, the United States Constitution provides that Congress shall have the power to "provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, to suppress insurrections and repel Invasions," and the Vermont Constitution provides for the General Assembly to direct the training and arming of members of the Vermont National Guard for defense of the State;

*Whereas*, at least since 1986 the President and the Congress have had nearly total control over state militias, including the Vermont National Guard;

*Whereas*, the costs of the call-up of Vermont National Guard members for deployment in Iraq has been the most significant per capita of any state in the continental United States, considering also lost lives, combat injuries, psychic trauma, disruption of family life, financial hardship for individuals, families, and businesses, interruption of careers, and damage to the fabric of civic life in many Vermont communities;

*Whereas*, Vermonters have joined the Guard understanding that they would be serving their neighbors by helping with Vermont-based emergencies.

*Whereas*, stop-loss\* orders violate the mutual understanding between Vermonters in the Guard and the state and nation they agreed to serve;

*Whereas*, there is reason to believe that the federalization and deployment of Vermont National Guard members has rendered the remaining Guard force unable to carry out its state activities effectively; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY:

*Resolved*, that the Town requests the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, exercising its powers under Ch. II, Sec. 59 of the Vermont Constitution to

- investigate and discuss whether members of the Vermont National Guard have been called to active service and assigned to duties relating to the war in Iraq in conformity with the U.S. Constitution and federal laws, including the 2002 Congressional Resolution on Iraq; and
- create a commission or other body to collect statutory, historical and statistical information about the role of the National Guard in serving the State of Vermont and to study the impact of the federalization and deployment of its members on the ability of the Guard to perform its mission in Vermont; and

*Resolved*, that the Town Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to each member of the Vermont Congressional Delegation, the Vermont Governor, the Speaker of the Vermont House, the President Pro Tempore of the Vermont Senate, the Adjutant General of Vermont.

\*"stop-loss" refers to the cancellation of one's scheduled date of discharge from the National Guard.

## SELECT BOARD REPORT 2004

The Select board met several times during January to work on the year's budget. We spent a good number of hours looking at the numbers and trying to make sure that the budget covered the anticipated expenses. Anybody from town would be most welcome to participate in this annual exercise. In February we accepted Janet Reed's resignation as an auditor. Since she had moved out of town she was no longer eligible to serve. We appreciate all of her work while she was auditor.

With town meeting, we saw Randi Calderwood leave the board and Jim Jones join the board. We thank Randi for the time he served and look forward to having Jim on the board. March was spent meeting with the forest committee, doing appointments for appointed offices and meeting with the district highway office about state funds for the year. In April we met with Bob Twiss from the Village Improvement Society. He reviewed plans to place welcome signs and flower boxes at various spots in town. The flowers were a welcome sight as you entered town. We also met with local contractors, Steve Sweet, John Smith and Chris Sanville to get started on much needed repairs for the town hall. We now have new lighting, new windows in the office and storm windows for the big windows in the town hall as well as a nice paint job for the outside of the building.

In early summer we met with a group of concerned residents about speeding cars in the villages. Much discussion was had and the board is looking at ways to help the problem. In the mean time every person that drives in the villages can help us out by slowing down and keeping an eye out for all the children and adults that are using the streets as well.

The planning committee submitted a grant application and received a grant to help write a town plan. Please see the report for the planning committee in the town report. A town plan is now required to apply for many grants that may be needed in the future. This plan will give the people and elected officials a chance to look into the future and decide how we need to plan for our roads, our schools, our town buildings, natural resources and what we want the town to look like in the future.

The town voted to purchase land on the Black River Road at the last town meeting. After a discussion with the Masse family it was mutually decided not to purchase the land but that the Masse family would give the town a right of first refusal if the land were listed again.

We did receive the judges ruling regarding the bridge on Young Road this year. The judge ordered that the town should restore the road to a class 3 status and replace the bridge but to not impose a hardship on the town by allowing the town five years to complete the work. The town has appealed the decision and in the meantime is looking into cost and safety issues if the appeal is lost.

Our budget is up this year due to costs that are out of our control. Fuel bids were up almost fifty cents a gallon this year, health insurance is up again, liability and workers compensation insurance is up as well as increased costs for other utilities. The bridge line item is up to cover our portion of cost for the construction of the bridge near the Atwood Farm. We are working with an engineer to determine the replacement cost and if the abutments will need replacement as well. This job will be done in either 2005 or 2006 depending on the extent of the work required. We do appreciate your support in the past and ask that you contact any board member if you have questions about this years

budget. We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday s of the month and invite anybody to join us for our meetings.

As usual Effie and Cheryl make our job so much easier in the office. Their work never ends but they will still greet you with a smile. Thanks to Nancy Rooney, who keeps our board minutes. The road crew, Steve, Carroll and Bruce, who work at all hours of the day and night and in weather that nobody should be out in, always have the road ready for travel when it is time to run the bus route or leave for work. Many thanks for a job well done.

And last but not least to Walt and Jim for all their hours of meeting time and advice and for making my job so much easier.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce Urie, Chair  
Walt Gutzmann  
Jim Jones

# SELECTMEN'S BUDGETS (PROPOSED & ACTUAL)

ROAD ACCOUNT EXPENSES	BUDGET 2004	ACTUAL 2004	PROPOSED 2005
Salaries	\$95,074.00	\$94,416.67	\$97,338.00
Retirement	\$5,454.00	\$4,722.65	\$4,839.00
Soc.Sec., Unemployment	\$7,274.00	\$7,211.39	\$7,450.00
Workman's Comp.	\$7,000.00	\$8,132.49	\$8,957.00
Health Insurance	\$20,961.00	\$20,649.12	\$23,303.00
Uniforms	\$2,250.00	\$2,211.13	\$2,875.00
Salt	\$27,500.00	\$27,452.85	\$27,000.00
Chloride	\$25,000.00	\$22,903.93	\$27,500.00
Fuel	\$17,000.00	\$18,667.32	\$24,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance	\$38,500.00	\$43,135.07	\$45,000.00
Blacktop	\$60,000.00	\$66,519.72	\$60,000.00
Guardrails	\$5,000.00	\$4,855.00	\$5,000.00
Insurance (Equip. & Maint.)	\$9,600.00	\$10,971.00	\$10,993.00
Town Garage Utilities	\$6,500.00	\$7,066.56	\$6,600.00
Bridges	\$12,000.00	\$7,377.78	\$27,000.00
Sand	\$16,000.00	\$18,357.93	\$18,000.00
Gravel	\$25,000.00	\$25,336.00	\$27,500.00
Contracted Service & Equip. Rent	\$7,500.00	\$7,525.00	\$8,500.00
Culverts	\$5,500.00	\$5,083.40	\$5,500.00
Road Fabric	\$3,000.00	\$2,950.00	\$3,000.00
Mileage	\$1,000.00	\$1,167.22	\$1,200.00
Building Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
911 Expense	\$1,000.00	\$848.10	\$1,000.00
Roadside Mowing & Brush	\$7,000.00	\$5,440.00	\$6,500.00
Signs & Posts	\$2,500.00	\$2,199.10	\$2,000.00
Class IV Roads	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
New Construction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
<b>ROAD TOTALS</b>	<b>\$411,113.00</b>	<b>\$417,199.43</b>	<b>\$455,055.00</b>

GENERAL ACCOUNT EXPENSES	BUDGET 2004	ACTUAL 2004	PROPOSED 2005
<b>Official Salaries</b>			
Clerk & Treasurer	\$22,090.00	\$22,617.80	\$23,000.00
Clerk & Treasurer School	\$5,191.00	\$5,451.00	\$5,451.00
Retirement	\$1,405.00	\$1,770.57	\$1,423.00
Asst. Clerk & Treasurer	\$6,200.00	\$5,121.03	\$5,825.00
Board Clerk	\$0.00	\$362.22	\$500.00
Auditors	\$1,700.00	\$2,438.33	\$2,750.00
Listers	\$9,000.00	\$8,140.00	\$9,350.00
Selectman	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Health Officer	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Ballot Clerks	\$1,000.00	\$1,075.50	\$500.00
Health Insurance	\$10,782.00	\$9,276.72	\$9,916.00
Social Security	\$3,900.00	\$3,878.00	\$3,700.00
Parcel Map Update	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Mileage	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$350.00
Office Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$6,658.62	\$6,500.00
Utilities - Hall & Office	\$6,200.00	\$7,071.57	\$7,000.00
Workman's Comp.	\$300.00	\$258.13	\$305.00
Assessments	\$13,000.00	\$13,246.61	\$14,200.00
Interest (Line of Credit - 04)	\$1,000.00	\$817.21	\$1,000.00
Misc. Land Use Adjustments	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$500.00

# **SELECTMEN'S BUDGETS (PROPOSED & ACTUAL)**

<b>GENERAL ACCOUNT EXPENSES</b>	<b>BUDGET 2004</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2004</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2005</b>
General Misc.	\$1,200.00	\$1,140.93	\$1,400.00
New Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$1,404.48	\$2,000.00
Legal Serv.	\$5,000.00	\$6,328.00	\$5,100
<b>GENERAL TOTALS</b>	<b><u>\$100,068.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$100,856.72</u></b>	<b><u>\$105,070.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL SELECTMEN'S BUDGET</b>	<b><u>\$511,181.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$518,056.15</u></b>	<b><u>\$560,125.00</u></b>

<b>EXPENSES PAID NOT IN BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2004</b>
Appropriations	\$24,259.37
Delinquent Taxes ( to school)	\$61,909.00
Yvette Brown (Tax Collectors Fees)	\$6,632.27
Loan Repayments (Loader)	\$11,786.70
(2000 Truck)	\$4,187.94
(Line of Credit)	\$70,000.00
(2003 Truck)	\$16,260.36
(Fire Department Truck)	\$7,643.54
(2004 Rescue)	\$20,000.00
(Town Garage)	\$8,850.44
Loan Interest	\$6,719.15
Town Hall Expenses	\$20,979.49
Milfoil Grant	\$3,465.00
Forrest Comm.	\$190.00
Solid Waste	\$189.00
Dog Expense	\$1,027.84
Emergency Generator	\$251.00
Reappraisal	\$25,650.00
New Fire Truck	\$87,300.00
Fire Department Grant	\$10,599.17
Fire Department expenses	\$29,810.96
Planning Comm.	\$738.75
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$418,449.98</u></b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES 2004</b>	<b><u>\$936,506.13</u></b>

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>BUDGET 2004</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2005</b>
Balance Carried Forward	\$20,525.00	\$36,426.00
State Aid (Highway)	\$130,000.00	\$136,381.00
Miscellaneous	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Milfoil/Fire Dept. Grant Reimburse	\$5,471.00	\$1,732.00
Treasurers Salary Reimburse	\$5,191.00	\$5,451.00
Town Tax	\$334,994.00	\$365,135.00
<b>INCOME TOTALS</b>	<b><u>\$511,181.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$560,125.00</u></b>

## Fire Department Report

2004 will go down as one of the most successful and busiest years in our Department's history. It started last Town Meeting Day with overwhelming voter support to purchase a used rescue truck. After much consideration and inspection a 1996 Freightliner with eighteen thousand miles on it was purchased from a Florida dealer. This truck came equipped with a brand new air cascade system for supplying breathing air at emergency calls. This truck is currently undergoing minor alterations to the compartments to hold our rescue equipment. It is our sincere hope to have this truck on display at this year's Town Meeting for your inspection.

Another highlight of the year was our selection to receive two major grants. The first grant is a \$64,800.00 Homeland Security Grant from the State of Vermont. This grant will be used to purchase a breathing air compressor to fill self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and The Cascade System in the new rescue truck. The remaining monies will be used to purchase twelve new SCBA with the most up to date safety and communication equipment built in. We will have twelve spare bottles and each firefighter will have their own properly fitted masks.

The second grant was a FEMA grant in the amount of \$54,492.00. Ninety percent of this grant is funded by the Federal Government and we must pay the remaining ten percent locally. Firefighter fund raising monies will pay for the local share. This grant will be used to purchase twenty four complete sets of personal protective gear (coats, pants, helmets, hoods, gloves) plus four thousand feet of fire hose and new ladders. We are currently pursuing these same two grants for 2005. The grant funds can't be used to supplant your regular budget funds. The continuation of these grants is subject to yearly appropriations from the U.S. Congress.

Our emergency call volume was the highest in recent history. We had 46 emergency calls in 2004. These were broken down into 26 fire calls and 20 medical assist calls. Firefighters donated more than 900 hours of training in addition to the emergency calls. Several hundred hours were devoted to our fund raising activities. **ONE OF OUR FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES WE WOULD LIKE TO CALL TO YOUR ATTENTION TO IS OUR TENT RENTALS. WE HAVE TWO 20'X40' AND ONE 30'X60' AVAILABLE TO RENT.**

The dedication of our volunteer firefighters and the support of their families is greatly appreciated.

Officers elected for 2004 were Chief: Walter Gutzmann, 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief: Eugene Marckres, 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief: William Strong, Captains: Randi Calderwood and Mark Dunbar, Lieutenant and Training officer Eric Britton, Lieutenant: Wayne Mutrux, President: Dave Brown (retired), Secretary: Greg Locke, Treasurer: Shawn Ecklund.

We are currently looking for a few new recruits. Any firefighter would be glad to talk with you about this rewarding opportunity.

In conclusion as I write this report I would ask that your thoughts and prayers go with two of our fighters and their families. Firefighter Greg Locke and Damon Rooney left in mid January for an eighteen month assignment with the Vermont National Guard. We look forward to their safe return.

We sincerely appreciate your support of our budget and fund raising activities.

Walter Gutzmann  
Fire Chief

**CRAFTSBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT BALANCE SHEET  
(TOWN FUNDS ONLY)**

<b>BALANCE 1/1/04</b>	(\$4,419.62)
TAX MONEY VOTED	\$30,800.00
GRANTS	<u>\$10,200.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$36,580.38</b>
LESS FIRE DEPT. EXPENSES PAID	\$29,810.96
LESS GRANTS EXPENDED	<u>\$10,599.17</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$40,410.13</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>(\$3,829.75)</b>

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS & BUDGET**

<b>FUNDS DISBURSED</b>	<b>BUDGET 2004</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2004</b>	<b>BUDGET 2005</b>
INSURANCE & DUES	\$11,500.00	\$12,531.38	\$12,000.00
TELEPHONE & DISPATCH	\$1,000.00	\$804.66	\$1,000.00
EQUIPMENT MAINT.	\$8,000.00	\$2,855.87	\$8,000.00
BUILDING MAINT.	\$500.00	\$417.58	\$1,500.00
NEW EQUIPMENT	\$7,500.00	\$12,080.27	\$7,500.00
FIRE PREVENTION/TRAINING	\$1,200.00	\$709.20	\$1,500.00
DRY HYDRANTS	\$500.00	\$325.00	\$500.00
HEPATITIS SHOTS	\$600.00	\$87.00	\$600.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$30,800.00</b>	<b>\$29,810.96</b>	<b>\$32,600.00</b>
 <b>BALANCE 12/31/04</b>			 <b>\$0.00</b>
 <b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>			 <b>\$28,770.25</b>



## **CRAFTSBURY TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION**

The Craftsbury Town Planning Commission, at the request of the Selectboard, is undertaking a study to develop a Town Plan. The Commission met monthly from May through December. The background reports from the 1988 study have been updated and are available at both the Town Hall and the Craftsbury Public Library. A survey of the town will inform the Commission of the interests of the residents and property owners. The State has provided funding to finance the development of the plan, and the Northeast Vermont Development Authority is providing consulting advice. It is the intention of the Commission to hold public meetings to discuss the plan as it is designed. The current schedule calls for completion of the plan by the fall of 2005.

The telecommunications proposal developed in 2003 has not been completed, awaiting direction from the Selectboard.

## **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

The Planning Commission also sits as the Board of Adjustment for review of applications for building within the flood plain.. No applications for such building came to attention of the Board of Adjustment during 2004 and the Board of Adjustment did not meet.

## **FLOOD PLAIN ORDINANCE ADMINISTRATOR**

Phil Edgerton, Craftsbury's Flood Plain Ordinance Administrator, processed 4 inquiries during 2004, none of which were determined to be within the flood plain.

Respectfully Submitted,

Craftsbury Town Planning Commission

Farley Brown  
Tony Jones  
Dave Stoner, Secretary

Louise Davis  
David Rowell  
Linda Wells, Vice Chair

Phil Edgerton  
Willie Ryan, Chair  
Gordon Waterhouse

January 2005

### "Small Town Town Clerks"

The following poem was written and delivered by Ida Dennis, Groton's town clerk, at a Vermont Town Clerks and Treasurers meeting in Killington in the fall of 1985. We thought it was delightful.

#### Small Town Town Clerks

Town Clerks may be kinda strange people, but we're people just the same,  
And like all other human creatures we're likely to complain.  
Our trials and tribulations could almost fill a book,  
But let's forget about our troubles and take another look.  
Let's look at the bright side, the good part of our work--  
The pleasures and satisfaction of service as Town Clerk.  
One of the good things about this job is seeing nice people every day,  
Oh, we meet the other kind, too, but we don't let them get in the way.  
The joy of helping others, we know that's the way to live.  
It's a "people helping people" job and it is a way of sharing.  
It's not impersonal and cold, our people know we're caring.  
Some share their innermost secrets and the problems that they face.  
They confide in a Town Clerk, maybe we have a special place  
In people's lives from day to day as they come for one thing or another,  
We try to help as best we can, it's our job to help each other.  
We issue a marriage license, we record the birth of a baby,  
We record a deed to a home, and the mortgage discharge maybe.  
And sadly sometimes a divorce decree, a foreclosure, or a writ.  
It's often our duty to record a death, or perhaps issue a burial permit.  
Our duties seem to touch our people's lives in a personal sort of way,  
We share their pleasures and sorrows as we see them from day to day.  
We learn how to make up for that extra time when someone wanted to chat,  
Even tho' we may be so busy we don't know where we're at.  
Maybe we'll work late to finish at the day's end,  
But we know it's really worth it if we can help a friend.  
Now this may sound sentimental and could be it's "gushy" stuff,  
But this has been my experience, and I guess I've said enough.  
Let's think of something lighter, lots of funny things happen to us,  
Should have kept a book, but 'twas too much bother and fuss.  
Some of the funniest things are the requests we get for crazy information.  
If we could answer all the questions, we'd deserve congratulations.  
Remember the lady with the neutered dog who brings it in at license time?  
No certificate to show, but showing the dog should be just fine.  
She lifts up the dog's leg and wants the clerk to take a look.  
There's so many funny things, one could really write a book.  
We clerks may gripe and carry on, and fume, and fret and fuss,  
But deep down inside, we like our jobs, at least the most of us.  
If by chance, we do feel so overburdened, so overworked, and beat,  
Then maybe we should "get out of the kitchen if we cannot stand the heat."  
But I'll bet when Town Meeting Day rolls around and the votes say that  
we've won,  
We feel kinda proud and honored, even tho' maybe nobody else would run.

## **Craftsbury Municipal Forest Committee Annual Report 2004**

The Craftsbury Municipal Forest Committee met several times during 2004 and discussed a wide variety of issues. We met with the Select Board in April to ask for a clarification of our role as a town committee and to review some of the plans and ideas we have for the future. We were informed at that time that our role is strictly advisory. The Select Board asked the committee to develop a new management plan for our town forest that would be based on multiple use: Timber, recreation and wildlife management. We are currently researching past management plans and may enlist a forestry class from Sterling College to assist us in the initial development of the new plan. Completion of the plan may take up to five years.

This past spring, Rob Libby and forestry student, Clinton McKinley, treated the committee to a tour of the Academy's School Forest Project. We learned about the project's goals for a nature trail and saw firsthand what the students and their instructors, Rob Libby and Walt Gutzmann, had accomplished in trail construction and project design. Members of the committee will be a part of the community effort to help the project reach completion. The new nature trail through the school forest will allow folks of all ages, including the handicapped, to enjoy this special Craftsbury land and to learn more about the ecological and economic value of forests.

One of the highlights of 2004 for our committee was the assessment of the trees on the Common. This led to the creation of a detailed map and a plan for the improvement of existing trees and the replacement of trees that were dead or previously removed. Rachel Farrar, from the Village Improvement Society, joined us one evening in September to offer her knowledge and wisdom regarding the history of the Common trees. What an enjoyable and enlightening evening! It was wonderful to learn from someone like Rachel, who, along with her late husband, Bill, has played such an important role in protecting and preserving the integrity and tradition of town trees and forests.

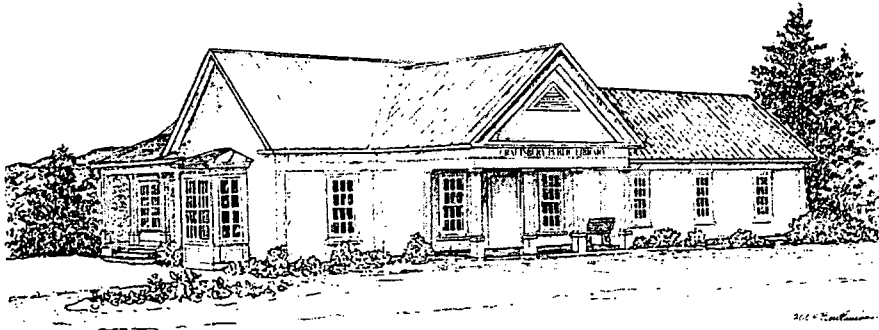
In early November, Stuart LaPoint planted an 8 foot red oak as a replacement tree on the back side of the Common and a 6 foot Princeton elm near the monument facing the school. He also pruned two elms and a maple that needed special attention. Academy students will be helping with tree work on the Common this spring. Jim Moffatt made a request to the Select Board for an allocation of between \$500.00 and \$1,000.00 from the municipal forest account to cover the purchase of trees the committee plans to plant in 2005, both on the Common and in town forest land.

Another project with which the committee is currently involved is recording the history of Craftsbury's Municipal Forest. Jim Moffatt has begun the process of documenting details of land purchases and transfers, land use, and the chronicles and anecdotes of past forest committee members, and others, whose footprints have passed through our wooded, public land.

Over the past year, the committee has been grappling with the question of how to encourage Craftsbury's townspeople to become better acquainted with the town forest lands. The committee acknowledges that most Craftsbury citizens probably do not know the size or location of the town lots, nor the opportunities, both recreational and educational, these forests have to offer. We have given tours in the past that have been publicized in the local paper, but few people responded to the invitation. If you have any ideas as to how Craftsbury citizens can become more involved with municipal forest activities, please contact a committee member with your suggestions.

The current balance in the municipal forest account is \$61,482.17, with \$456.99 in earned interest. A total of \$190.00 was withdrawn from the account to cover the cost of the red oak planted on the common.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Moffatt, Chair  
Gilbert Goodridge, Vice-Chair  
Barbara Alexander, Secretary/Clerk  
Rob Libby  
Ann Ingerson  
Farley Brown  
Jim Jones  
Burt Strong  
Stuart LaPoint



## Craftsbury Public Library

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### Report to the Town 2004

We are pleased to report that the library continues to grow in circulation and services, patrons, friends, volunteers and ways to connect with its community. We circulated 15,857 books, audios, videos and magazines over the past year. We signed up 175 new patrons in 2004 bringing the number of library users to 1,632. We hosted over 104 programs including story hours, slide shows, book discussions, movies, workshops, computer classes and literacy training.

We are working to develop partnerships within our community. Presently, we show a movie each month at the Craftsbury Community Care Center. All community members are welcome to attend these films along with the residents of the center. Our afterschool book discussion program for elementary school children is doing well under the leadership of the school librarian, Marilyn Field.

Our children's librarian, Barb Strong, has planned a special afterschool enrichment program for elementary school children beginning in January. She has also developed a new evening story time for children of all ages. Bring your favorite teddy bear, come dressed in your PJ's and settle down to hear some great stories. Barb continues to bring library services to the community through regular story hours, outreach to daycares and the preschool. The library sponsors a summer reading program each year.

Computer classes this past year taught adult and young students new ways to access information on the Internet. They were introduced to many helpful databases and simple ways of refining the data to speed up their searches. There was an average of 42 people each week using the public access computers. Some of the many uses of the computers were to access health information, find job listings, do school research and e-mail.

Keeping up with all the work at the library takes plenty of human power. We are blessed with 28 volunteers, and three staff members who work long hard hours to bring good library service to the entire community. Our increases in budget this year are due to much needed staff salaries and benefits. We did receive several grants this past year, which helped with programming and book buying, but we are unable to apply that to salaries.

We appreciate the wonderful support the town has given to its library and we will continue to strive to give good library service to our community.

Sincerely,  
Linda Wells, Library Director

# Craftsbury Public Library Financial Report

Year Ended December 31,	2003	2004
Opening Balance	\$1,984.31	\$3,098.17
<b>Receipts</b>		
Fund Raisers		
Plant Sale	\$1,099.25	\$1,016.00
Book Sale (annual)	\$1,501.00	\$1,610.20
Book Sales (Misc.)	\$350.25	\$593.50
Silver Tea	\$764.00	\$699.00
Elegant Picnic	\$6,065.70	\$5,414.00
Indoor Yard Sale	\$0.00	\$1,003.00
Interest (Merchants Bank)	\$2.73	\$2.86
Transfer Investment Acct.	\$14,000.00	\$20,000.00
Donations	\$3,885.00	\$6,082.00
Grants	\$14,267.36	\$14,109.00
Town Of Craftsbury	\$6,000.00	\$12,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$1,882.36	\$353.11
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$49,817.65</b>	<b>\$62,882.67</b>
<b>Opening Balance + Receipts</b>	<b>\$51,801.96</b>	<b>\$65,980.84</b>
<b>Disbursements</b>		
Books & Videos	\$8,390.16	\$9,665.98
Magazines	\$261.94	\$341.71
Gas	\$1,960.13	\$992.40
Electric	\$1,103.15	\$1,175.86
Telephone	\$568.75	\$584.75
Insurance	\$1,128.00	\$2,171.00
Programs	\$1,911.37	\$1,270.00
Postage	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00
Gross Salaries	\$16,325.28	\$24,639.33
Payroll Taxes & FICA	\$2,748.60	\$5,332.65
Conferences & Travel	\$334.00	\$335.80
Satellite & Computer	\$2,366.30	\$1,423.37
Equipment	\$1,159.03	\$3,089.57
Supplies	\$1,859.97	\$1,924.69
Furniture & Fixtures	\$4,780.26	\$1,736.38
Accountant	\$350.00	\$350.00
Maintenance	\$1,899.50	\$3,089.18
Elegant Picnic Expenses	\$557.35	\$601.82
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$48,703.79</b>	<b>\$59,924.49</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>\$3,098.17</b>	<b>\$6,056.35</b>

Barbara Paterson, Treasurer

Craftsbury Recreation Committee  
2004 Annual Report

2004 was an extremely successful and active year for the Craftsbury Recreation Committee and the citizens of Craftsbury. As always we are thankful for your ongoing support.

Accomplishments of the past year:

- Held three Summer Street Parties (Rollerblades donated by PowerPlay Sports)
- Halloween Lit-Pumpkin Walk
- Fishing Derby
- Swim Lessons
- Old Home Day
- Family New Year's Eve Celebration in collaboration with Craftsbury Public Library.

Other items of interest:

- The Craftsbury Recreation Committee helped fund the Craftsbury Schools Town Dance
- Helped to fund the purchase of science kits for the REACH Program.

Important collaborations:

- Town Select Board and Road Crew
- Craftsbury Academy
- Sterling College
- PowerPlay Sports in Morrisville
- Craftsbury Public Library

Important Thanks:

- Stardust Books made a generous contribution from their used-book sales.

Items to consider:

- The success in this year's swim lessons is due in part to the efforts of Jim Carrien and REACH Program. This was an important collaboration and helped to expand the numbers of children participating in swim lessons.

As always there are many volunteers that go unrecognized, particularly for Old Home Day, Roller Blade Parties, Fishing Derby, and the Pumpkin Walk. For those of you who volunteer we are extremely grateful and appreciative of your time. The success of the Craftsbury Recreational Committee events would not be possible without your support.

Keeping with tradition I close this report reminding the citizens of Craftsbury that your time and input is always welcome. If you have ideas to share or would like to join the Recreation Committee please speak to one of the following members.

John Zaber, Chair  
Farley Brown, Treasurer  
Barb Strong  
Allison Van Akkeren  
Jim Carrien  
Hannah Madigan  
Sarah Miller

Craftsbury Recreation Committee Treasurer's Report - 2004		
<u>Dean Johnson Memorial Trust - CD</u>	Maturity Date = July '04	
Balance Dec. 2003		1210.26
Balance Dec. 2004		1262.31
<u>Dean Johnson Memorial Fund - Money Market Account</u>		
Balance Dec. 2003		728.65
Interest earned 2004		2.4
Balance Dec. 2004		731.05
<u>Craftsbury Recreation Committee - Timelink CD</u>	Maturity Date = Feb. '05	
Balance Dec. 2003		1214.65
Interest earned 2004		12.03
Balance Sept. 2004		1226.68
<u>Craftsbury Recreation Committee - Money Market Account</u>		
Balance 2003		3526.15
<u>Expenses</u>		
Town Beach Toilet Rental		325.9
Old Home Day Supplies		474.97
American Red Cross - Swimming Lesson Instruction		1500
Community Halloween Pumpkin Walk		79
Skate Party		7
Misc: Family Contra Dance		100
Misc: Craftsbury School Town Dance		100
Fishing Derby		22
REACH Educational Materials		200
Bank Fees		36
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>2565.87</b>
<u>Income</u>		
Old Home Day - money from games/crafts		565
Swimming Lessons fee		610
Town Appropriation	deposited in 2005	
Concept II Grant (03)		250
Bank Interest earned in 2003		14.39
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>1439.39</b>
<b>Balance December 04</b>		<b>2399.67</b>



APPROPRIATIONS  
ACTUAL & REQUESTED

ARTICLE 11	VOTED 04	REQUESTED 05
Craftsbury Public Library	\$ 12,000.00	(Article 10)
Craftsbury Recreation	1,000.00	1,000.00
Memorial Day	209.25	500.00
Village Improvement Society	500.00	500.00
AWARE	500.00	500.00
Green-Up Day	0.00	100.00
Hardwick Rescue Squad	1,921.00	1,785.00
Lake Eligo Association	1,000.00	1,000.00
Lamoille Family Center	250.00	250.00
Lamoille Valley Even Start (was S.W.)	200.00	200.00
N.E. VT Area Agency on Aging	469.00	469.00
N.E. VT Development Association	477.12	477.12
N.E. Kingdom Adult Basic Educ.	200.00	200.00
N.E. Human Services	1,193.00	1,193.00
Old Stone House Museum/O.C. Hist. Soc.	250.00	325.00
Orleans Co. Citizens Advocacy	300.00	300.00
Orleans Co. Court Diversion	50.00	50.00
Orleans Home Health/VNA & Hospice, Inc.	2,800.00	2,800.00
Vermont Children's Aid Society	500.00	500.00
VT Center for Independent Living	140.00	140.00
VT Assoc. for the Blind & Visually Impaired	300.00	300.00
	<u>\$24,259.37</u>	<u>\$12,589.12</u>
Frontier Animal Society of VT		\$ 500.00
Greensboro Nursing Home		1,000.00
Rural Comm. Transportation		130.50
Northern VT Resource Cons. & Development Council Inc.		75.00
Coutts-Moriarty 4-H Camp, Inc.		50.00
N.C. Animal League		500.00
Craftsbury Historical Society		1,000.00
		<u>3255.50</u>
Total Appropriations & Requests		<u>\$15,844.62</u>

# **HARDWICK EMERGENCY RESCUE SQUAD, INC.**

**P. O. BOX 837 HARDWICK, VT 05843 (802-472-6343)**

**November 2004**

**Town of Craftsbury  
Craftsbury  
VT 05826**

**Select Board**

**We are coming to the end of another year with over 370 calls to date. This past year we conducted a First Responder course, which brought three new members into our group, First Aid classes and CPR classes throughout our communities.**

**Enclosed you will find our 2005 budget with the town appropriations requested. You will see that we have not increased our request to the towns. Please note that while the total appropriations requested did not increase, the individual appropriations changed according to the number of calls per town averaged over the last five years.**

**This year we hired an Emergency Medical Technician-Basic to cover three weekday twelve-hour shifts per week, providing some much needed relief to our volunteer members. When not responding to calls, this person assumes responsibility for some of the collateral duties, including CPR and First Aid classes, previously handled by our members. We continue recruitment of new members and our current members are continuing their educations. Several volunteer members have increased their certification level to allow them to better serve their communities.**

**We remind everyone to please post his or her house number on the house in view of the road or at the end of the driveway if the house number would not be visible from the road. This will shorten our response time.**

**If anyone has any questions, please feel free to call us at our non-emergency number, 472-6343.**

**Thank you for your continued support.**

**Sincerely,**

**Deborah LaRose  
President**

**TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY  
Box 55  
Craftsbury, VT 05826**

(ARTICLE 11)

AGENCIES REQUESTING TOWN FUNDS

In requesting 2005 appropriations from the Town of Craftsbury, the following organizations and agencies have provided information about their services to the Town in 2004. Other organizations requesting town funds sent general descriptions of their activities. All reports are available at the Town Clerk's office.

**AWARE:** (Aid To Women, Men & Children in Abuse & Rape Emergencies) This is a 24 hour service that helps victims of sexual & domestic violence. AWARE served 140 victims in the area with support, information, referral, social & medical services, parenting advice & emotional support, which included a total of over 550 visits to our agency. (472-6463)

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$500.00.

**LAKE ELIGO ASSOCIATION:** Are working on the Eurasian Milfoil Project, to maintain a healthy lake for all to enjoy.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$1,000.00.

**LAMOILLE VALLEY EVEN START:** Assists families as they work to reach their own literary, employment, parenting and educational goals and which includes attainment of a high school diploma, meaningful employment & increased participation in their children's education.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$200.00.

**N.E. KINGDOM AREA AGENCY ON AGING:** Works closely with seniors over 60 to help them maintain a healthy active life and remain independent in their own homes and communities. They assist seniors with Social Security, Medicare, food stamps, fuel assistance, in-home services, meals to homebound, transportation, legal services and companionship.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$469.00

**N.E. KINGDOM ADULT BASIC EDUCATION:** Provides on demand home & learning center educational services to Craftsbury residents and surrounding areas. In 2004, they provided 16,952 hours of direct instruction to 768 students in their district. We are currently serving 388 adults who are working on a GED or high school diploma.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$200.00.

**ORLEANS CO. CITIZEN ADVOCACY:** Assists people with disabilities to be protected, heard, empowered, accepted & valued in their community and initiates and supports relationships between people with disabilities & people from all walks of life.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$300.00.

**ORLEANS CO. COURT DIVERSION:** A community service program, which assists in maintaining existing service to the increased first time juvenile & adult offenders & victims of the crime.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$50.00.

## AGENCIES REQUESTING TOWN FUNDS CONT. (Art. 11)

**ORLEANS HOME HEALTH/VNA & Hospice, Inc.:** (Home Health) Provides services to the sick and disabled in their homes, regardless of their ability to pay. They made 1,792 trips to Craftsbury equaling 3,482 hours of service.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$2,800.00.

**VERMONT CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY:** Provides professional social work services by licensed social workers. These services are offered in office or in home, as needed. All services provided are on a sliding fee scale or no fee to accommodate families of all income levels.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$500.00.

**VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING:** Teaches people with significant disabilities how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$140.00.

**FRONTIER ANIMAL SOCIETY OF VT:** Finds homes and provides care to unwanted animals.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$500.00.

**GREENSBORO NURSING HOME:** A non-profit facility, offering high quality care & services.

\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$1,000.00.

**RURAL COMM. TRANSPORTATION:** A non-profit corporation that provides transportation to the elderly, handicapped and disabled through volunteer service. Provided 47 residents with 348 trips accumulating approximately 10,489 miles over the past year.

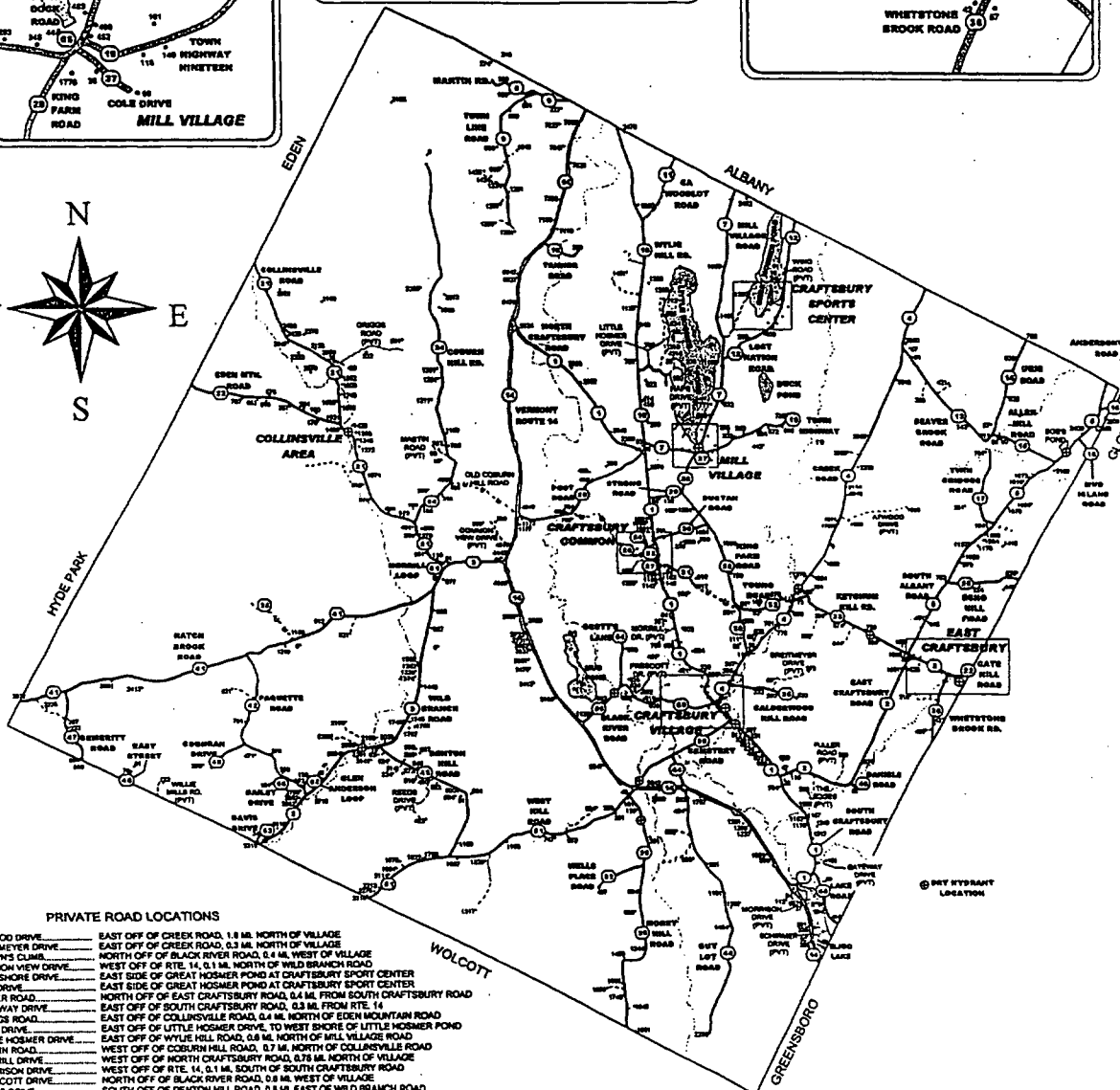
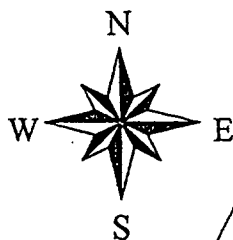
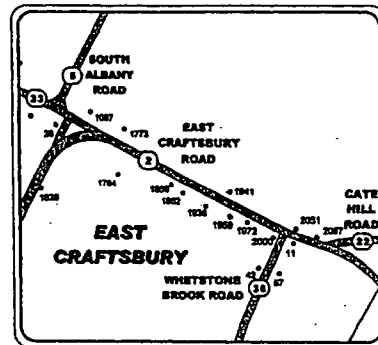
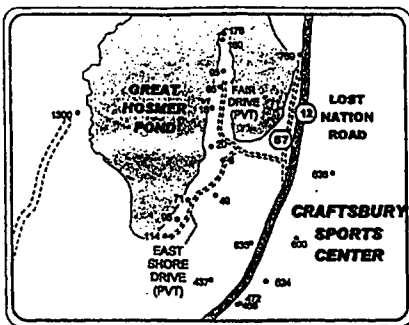
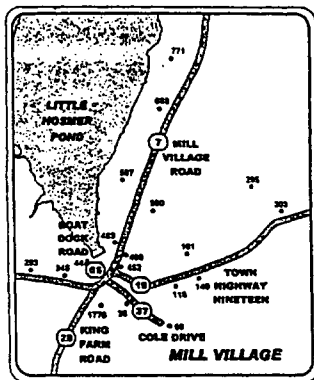
\*They are requesting an appropriation of \$130.50.

**COUTTS-MORIATY 4-H INC. DERBY:** Requesting an appropriation of \$50.00 to be used for a scholarship for youth from Craftsbury who wish to attend summer camp in 2005.

## Craftsbury Town Roads

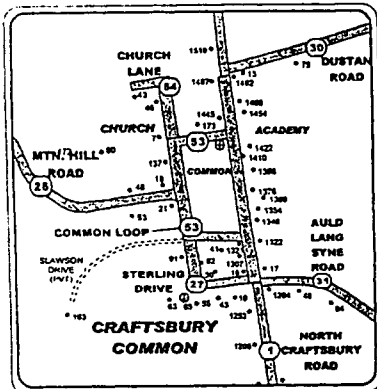
<u>TH#</u>	<u>Road Name</u>	<u>TH#</u>	<u>Road Name</u>
1	N. & S. Craftsbury Rd	42	Paquette Rd
2	East Craftsbury Rd	43	Denton Hill Rd
3	Wild Branch Road	44	Guy Lot Road
4	Creek Road	46	Lake Road
7	Mill Village Rd	47	Demeritt Rd
8	Martin Road	48	Easy Street
9	Town Line Road	49	Cochran Drive
10	Wylie Hill Rd	50	Bailey Drive
11	CA Woodlot Rd	51	West Hill Road
12	Lost Nation Rd	52	Wells Place
13	Twin Bridges & Seaver Brook	53	Common Loop
14	Urie Road	54	Church Lane
15	Allen Hill Rd	55	Town Garage Rd
16	Andersonville Rd	57	Fair Drive
17	South Albany Rd	59	Black River Road
18	Tanner Rd	61	Merrill Loop
19	Town Highway Nineteen	62	Glen Anderson Loop
20	Echo Hill Road	63	Davis Drive
21	Collinsville Road	64	Scott's Lane
22	Eden Mountain Rd	65	Boat Dock Road
24	Coburn Hill Rd	Private	Atwood Drive
25	Post Road	Private	Breitmeyer Drive
26	Mountain Hill Rd	Private	Browns Climb
27	Sterling Drive	Private	Common View Dr
28	King Farm Rd	Private	East Shore Dr
29	Strong Road	Private	Durkee Drive
30	Dustan Road	Private	Fuller Road
31	Auld Lang Syne Rd	Private	Gateway Drive
32	Young Road	Private	Griggs Road
33	Ketchum Hill Rd	Private	Haps Drive
34	Cate Hill Rd	Private	Little Hosmer Dr
35	Calderwood Hill Rd	Private	Mastin Road
36	Whetstone Brook Rd	Private	Morrison Drive
37	Cole Drive	Private	Prescott Drive
39	Cemetery & Morey Hill Rd	Private	Reeds Drive
40	Daniels Road	Private	Schirmer Drive
41	Hatch Brook	Private	Slawson Drive
St Rt 14	Vt Route 14	Private	The Ledges
		Private	Willie Mills Rd
		Private	Glass Road
		Private	Far Off Road
		Private	Bifrost Way

**The list of roads and the map are from  
2003 we will do a new map every three years.**



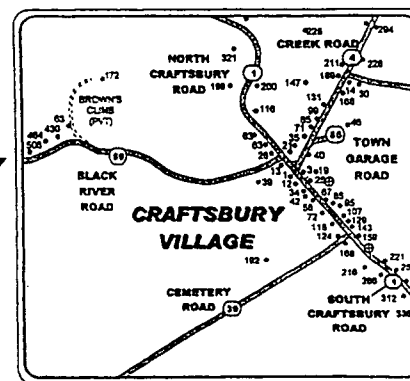
#### PRIVATE ROAD LOCATIONS

ALWOOD DRIVE	EAST OFF OF CREEK ROAD, 1.8 MI. NORTH OF VILLAGE
BREITHYER DRIVE	EAST OFF OF CREEK ROAD, 0.3 MI. NORTH OF VILLAGE
BROWNS CUM	NORTH OFF OF BLACK RIVER ROAD, 0.4 MI. WEST OF VILLAGE
COMMON VIEW DRIVE	WEST OFF OF RTE. 14, 0.1 MI. NORTH OF WILD BRANCH ROAD
EAST SHORE DRIVE	EAST SIDE OF GREAT HOSMER POND AT CRAFTSBURY SPORT CENTER
FAIR DRIVE	EAST SIDE OF GREAT HOSMER POND AT CRAFTSBURY SPORT CENTER
FULLER ROAD	NORTH OFF OF EAST CRAFTSBURY ROAD, 0.4 MI. FROM SOUTH CRAFTSBURY ROAD
GATEWAY DRIVE	EAST OFF OF SOUTH CRAFTSBURY ROAD, 0.3 MI. FROM RTE. 14
GROGS ROAD	EAST OFF OF COLLINSVILLE ROAD, 0.4 MI. NORTH OF EDEN MOUNTAIN ROAD
HAPS DRIVE	EAST OFF OF LITTLE HOSMER DRIVE, TO WEST SHORE OF LITTLE HOSMER POND
LITTLE HOSMER DRIVE	EAST OFF OF WYLLIE HILL ROAD, 0.8 MI. NORTH OF MILL VILLAGE ROAD
MASHIN ROAD	WEST OFF OF COBURN HILL ROAD, 0.7 MI. NORTH OF COLLINSVILLE ROAD
MORRILL DRIVE	WEST OFF OF NORTH CRAFTSBURY ROAD, 0.7 MI. NORTH OF VILLAGE
MORRISON DRIVE	WEST OFF OF RTE. 14, 0.1 MI. SOUTH OF SOUTH CRAFTSBURY ROAD
PRESCOTT DRIVE	NORTH OFF OF BLACK RIVER ROAD, 0.8 MI. WEST OF VILLAGE
REDS DRIVE	SOUTH OFF OF DENTON HILL ROAD, 0.3 MI. EAST OF WILD BRANCH ROAD
SCARVER DRIVE	WEST OFF OF RTE. 14, 0.4 MI. SOUTH OF SOUTH CRAFTSBURY ROAD
SLAWSON DRIVE	SOUTHWEST CORNER OF COMMON LOOP
THE LEDGES	SOUTH OFF OF EAST CRAFTSBURY ROAD, 0.3 MI. EAST OF SOUTH CRAFTSBURY ROAD
WILLIE HILLS ROAD	NORTH OFF OF DEWEY ROAD IN WOLCOTT
WING ROAD	WEST OFF OF LOST NATION ROAD, 0.2 MI. NORTH OF CRAFTSBURY SPORT CENTER



## TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY 2003

**MUTRUX SURVEYS**  
INCORPORATED  
CRAFTSBURY COMMON, VT. -- (802)586-7521



**Vermont Department of Health  
Morrisville District Office  
Annual Report – Town of Craftsbury**

The Vermont Department of Health works to protect, improve and promote the health of all Vermonters. The following are some of the Department's services that are available to residents of Craftsbury.

**Food & Lodging Inspections:** National surveys show that more people are eating out more often. Public health sanitarians inspect eating establishments (restaurants, schools, fairs) to decrease the risk of food borne disease outbreaks. The five greatest risks for food borne outbreaks are: keeping food too long at improper temperatures, inadequate cooking, contaminated equipment, food from an unsafe source, and poor personal hygiene among food handlers. Inspections include review of a 44-item check list to evaluate food storage, preparation and handling as well as to identify where there is a high likelihood of practices contributing to illness if left uncorrected. Of the 11 establishments in Craftsbury, 21 inspections were completed by a sanitarian during 2003. For the most recent inspection scores and results in your area, please go to [www.healthyvermonters.info](http://www.healthyvermonters.info) and select "Program List" then scroll down to "Division of Health Protection" and select "Restaurant Inspection Scores."

**Special Supplemental Nutrition Education Program for Women, Infants and Children ('WIC'):** One of the most effective ways to improve the health of the overall population is to improve nutrition and physical activity. WIC improves the health of pregnant and postpartum women, infants and young children by assuring access to health care, teaching families about good nutritional practices, and providing an individually designed package of nutritious food to eligible individuals. During 2003, 38 women, infants and children living in Craftsbury received foods as well as health screening and individualized nutrition education through this program. The average value of foods provided is \$40.00 per person per month.

Recent challenges addressed by the Health Department include public health emergency preparedness, development of additional substance abuse treatment opportunities, and the reorganization of the Agency of Human Services, which shifted Vermont's mental health efforts to the Department of Health. This past year, the Department also increased its services to women age 40 and older to help them access screening for conditions like diabetes and cardiovascular disease in addition to screening for breast and cervical cancer.

If you would like more information about these and other Health Department activities or if you have a public health concern, please call the Morrisville District Office at (802) 888-7447. For information about public health, Department initiatives, publications, and news releases go to the Department's website at [www.HealthyVermonters.info](http://www.HealthyVermonters.info)

**Lamoille Family Center  
Report to the Town of Craftsbury**

The Lamoille Family Center celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary at our annual meeting in October 2004. For three decades we have been serving the needs of children and families in Craftsbury and throughout the Lamoille Valley with a variety of support and educational resources. During that time we have grown from a couple of staff persons to over thirty, and from one program to almost twenty serving hundreds of families throughout this region. Out of more than 1200 people served during 2004, 13 were residents of Craftsbury. In addition, we served another 238 Lamoille Valley residents including those in Craftsbury with emergency resources, 329 families with child care subsidy services, 381 child care providers, 414 children enrolled in the subsidized child care food program, 288 families seeking child care referral services and 363 children in our Holiday Project.


The adage, "it takes a village to raise a child" refers to the need for the many resources and supports that families need and deserve to help them raise wise, strong and healthy children. We believe that the Lamoille Family Center is one of the "touch points" where the resources of the whole community are concentrated and made readily available for Craftsbury and Lamoille area families.

Our caring and deeply committed staff are here year-round – visiting homes, conducting trainings, providing shelter, settling disputes, calming crises, offering assistance, nurturing toddlers, providing an educational setting for teen parents, supervising visits with non-residential parents, working to reunite parents and children – whatever is needed to give parents the support and encouragement they need to raise their children.

The work of the staff and the deeply felt efforts of parents are assisted through the ongoing and generous support of our friends and neighbors in Craftsbury and throughout the Lamoille Valley. Contributions of many kinds along with hundreds of volunteer hours help to create a community of caring that extends to the children, youth and their families who truly need the connection and hope that only a sense of community can provide.

Our door at 480 Cady's Falls Road is always open, so feel free to drop by for a visit any time.

  
Ann Martin, Co-Director

  
David Connor, Co-Director



# Craftsbury Community Care Center, Inc.

*Patricia C. Forest, Executive Director*



We marked our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on January 15, 2005. Through many challenges the Craftsbury Community Care Center, Inc. continues to offer exceptional services for senior citizen's in Craftsbury and surrounding towns.

The Craftsbury Community Care Center's Meals on Wheels program served 1699 nutritionally balanced meals to homebound seniors during 2004, a 30% increase over 2003. Another milestone was reached in 2004 with the launching of our own web page. You can visit us on the web at [www.craftsburycarecenter.org](http://www.craftsburycarecenter.org), the photographs are beautiful and there is a wealth of information for you.

The Craftsbury Community Care Center continued to seek out grants for special projects. These projects included grants from The Vermont Humanities Council for a Craftsbury History Project, the Northeast Kingdom Area Agency on Aging for a caregivers support group, and a successful aging grant for a community dance class.

We currently have openings at the Care Center for all income levels, and are eager to show you the Care Center. We would love to welcome you as a new resident in 2005. We would like to thank the community for support in 2004. We look to 2005 with anticipation of the development of an endowment fund so the Care Center will be here for as long as we are needed.

The Care Center employs 19 people, both full-time and part-time. Seven employees are from Craftsbury; other employees are from surrounding towns. We are grateful for the dedicated staff who support our residents. Our reputation for quality service and care is unmatched by this dedicated staff.

We continue to fund the Community Arts Program through fundraising efforts including a flower bulb sale this fall and the making of another quilt by residents, friends, and community members to be auctioned off this coming April. We held our 4th Annual Community Pig Roast and Auction, another successful year, and invite you to mark your calendar for July 23, 2005 for our 5<sup>th</sup> annual event. In addition, the Care Center will host a community sugar on snow party this year, April 2, 2005, and hand painted items by local artists will be auctioned at this event. Please mark your calendars for both events.

Please accept our deepest gratitude for your continued support in 2005. We welcome you to stop by the Care Center to visit your friends and neighbors.

Sincerely,

Patricia C. Forest, M.S.  
Executive Director

Randi Calderwood  
President, Board of Directors  
Equal Housing Opportunity

# THE OLD STONE HOUSE MUSEUM

## Museum Hours

11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Open Wednesday through Sunday

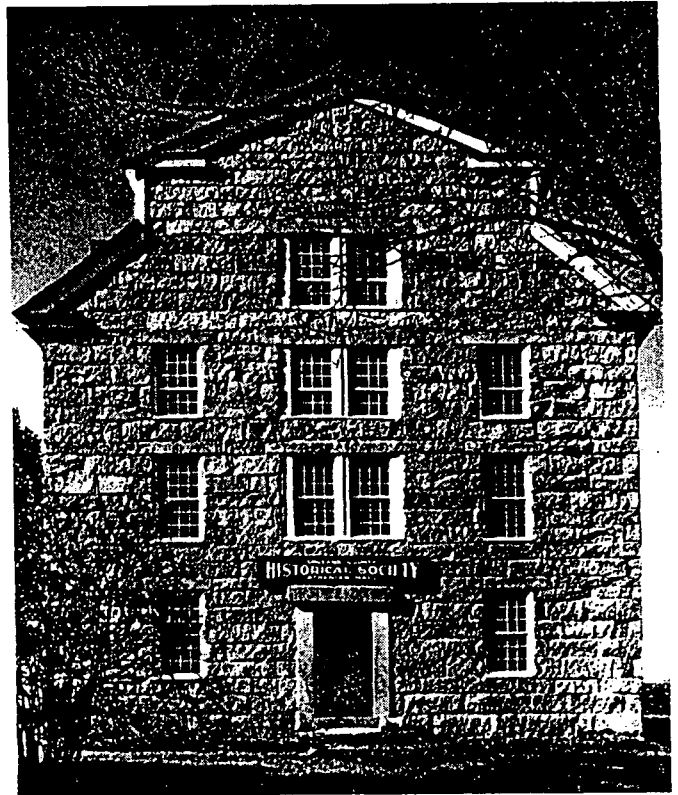
May 15 - October 15

Closed Mondays and Tuesdays

The Museum Shop is open during regular museum hours and features historical publications, traditional crafts and old-time toys.

## Admission

General Admission .....	\$5.00
County Residents .....	\$4.00
Students .....	\$2.00



The Orleans County Historical Society owns and operates the Old Stone House Museum, a regional history museum located in the Brownington Village Historic District. The Stone House and the Lawrence Barn are open for guided tours from May 15 through October 15. Orleans County residents receive a discount on Museum admissions. The Museum Visitors' Center, located in the historic home of Alexander Twilight, our nation's first African-American college graduate, is open year-round. The Prospect Hill Observatory, offering a spectacular view of the surrounding countryside, is open from May 1 to November 1. The Historical Society's research library and archives are available for use by appointment on a year-round basis.

This year, the Historical Society is pleased to announce a new "Town Days" program. Residents from every town in Orleans County will receive free admission to the Old Stone House Museum on their town's special days. Craftsbury's "Town Days" will be Saturday and Sunday, June 4 and 5.

Museum events and activities for 2005 include: the Annual Collectors' Fair, the Antique Gas and Steam Engine Show, Heritage Craft Classes, concerts and traditional craft circles. In addition, more than 1200 schoolchildren will participate in educational programs offered by the Museum, such as: the Northeast Kingdom History Fair; planting, cultivation and seed saving in an heirloom vegetable garden; a history-based day camp; and two field days.

The Museum's largest annual event, Old Stone House Day, is scheduled this year for August 14. Among the day's highlights will be demonstrations of old-time skills, a farmers' market, live music, children's activities and the Museum's open house. As always, the event will be free and open to the public. For more information, please call 754-2022, visit our website at [www.oldstonehousemuseum.org](http://www.oldstonehousemuseum.org), or write: Old Stone House Museum, 109 Old Stone House Road, Brownington, VT 05860.

### **Report to the Voters of Craftsbury:**

In 2004 Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) continued to serve as both the regional planning commission *and* the economic development corporation of the Northeast Kingdom. For 54 years, we've been carrying out our mission of putting planning into practice, while creating economic opportunities that complement the quality of life in Caledonia, Essex and Orleans counties.

NVDA provides planning assistance to each of our member communities. Assistance often takes the form of transportation planning, traffic counts, GIS mapping, bridge and culvert inventories, confirmation of town plans, and interpretation of planning and zoning issues and state laws. NVDA also has highly capable grant writers and administrators on staff, giving each community greater access to funds. In fact, NVDA staff recently helped Craftsbury obtain a Municipal Planning Grant to develop a new town plan.

FEMA recently announced that all communities would have to have a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan in place in order to remain eligible for funding. In response, NVDA sent representatives to all 55 Northeast Kingdom towns to work with local first responders to ensure that each community would remain eligible for FEMA relief funds in the face of a natural or man-made disaster. This work included producing data collection maps for the Town of Craftsbury.

In 2004, NVDA saw several significant economic developments. The first was the opening of Dirigo Paper Company, which opened in Gilman – the location of the now-defunct American Paper Mills of Vermont. NVDA helped put together a multi-million-dollar financing package that would allow the specialty paper producer to open and put more than 90 individuals back to work.

Another highlight was the completion of the Charles E. Carter Business Resource Center in the St. Johnsbury-Lyndon Industrial Park. This facility now has a number of tenants, pushing the employee count in the industrial park to nearly 600.

There are several pieces of land pending sale in the St. Johnsbury-Lyndon Industrial Park. These sales will mean the establishment of new businesses in the area, with employees coming from throughout the Northeast Kingdom. There is also activity in the Hardwick Industrial Park, with one business planning an expansion and a new business that is scheduled to start up next spring.

NVDA has become more aggressive in recruiting Canadian companies to the area. Ongoing negotiations have yielded some very strong prospects from some Quebec-based companies. Our staff has also worked with a number of local businesses, either by providing capital from our revolving loan fund or coordinating specialized, confidential technical assistance. Our dynamic partnership with the Small Business Development Center allows us to provide continuous service to entrepreneurs. We've made more than 150 referrals to the SBDC in 2004.

We look forward to working with your community in 2005 and appreciate your much-needed support.

Sincerely,

Steve Patterson, Executive Director



## VERMONT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

### Town Report Narrative

The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) greatly appreciates the Town of Craftsbury for including a contribution to VABVI in their budget.

Founded in 1926, VABVI pursues a mission to enable Vermonters with vision problems, whether blindness or impairment, to achieve and maintain independence. All of our services are provided without charge to the client, to ensure that no one is excluded due to financial concerns. During the 2004 fiscal year, we served nearly 1,400 clients from all fourteen counties in Vermont, including 2 children and 3 adults from the Town of Craftsbury.

The 2 children that we serve in your community receive a variety of support and services from VABVI. We provide the support, tools and materials necessary for students to succeed in school, at home, and in the community. Our itinerant Teachers of the Visually Impaired (TVI) begin work with infants, children and their families as soon as visual impairment is discovered. Some skills and services that TVIs teach include:

- Instruction in Braille, as well as obtaining textbooks in Braille, large print, and on audiotape so visually impaired children have the same materials as their sighted peers;
- Orientation and mobility training;
- A Transition Program to help teens successfully move from high school to college or the workplace;
- An Intense Residential Life Experiences (IRLE) education program, which provides opportunities for our youngest clients to learn independence, and self-esteem, and meet others coping with vision loss.

The 3 visually impaired adults from the Town of Craftsbury also receive a variety of support and services from VABVI. From reading, writing and cooking, to hobbies, recreation and travel, we help visually impaired adults maintain their independence and dignity. Services for adults include:

- Orientation and mobility training, including white cane instruction;
- We offer home adaptation and recommendations, training and procurement of aids and appliances;
- Adult Service Providers (ASP's) help our clients to continue performing daily tasks and activities that may have become difficult;
- The Central Vermont Mini Center, a training facility for consumers coping with vision loss;
- Peer Assisted Learning and Support (PALS) groups that meet monthly in eleven locations around the state for peer education, group support, coping skills, ways to modify and handle everyday tasks, group interaction skills, and an opportunity for involvement in the community.

Volunteers are an important part of our organization. Last year 253 volunteers drove 199,672 miles and donated 14,036 hours of service – the equivalent of seven and a half full time employees – either by driving, reading, walking, shopping, brailleing, providing companionship, working in our offices or other capacities. It is in large part because of these volunteers that we spent 88 cents out of every dollar on direct services in your community last year.

Children and adults alike need to realize that there is no reason they cannot succeed in life provided they have the right tools and positive motivation they need to help make that success a reality. In 1930 Helen Keller said it best, "What really counts in life is the quiet meeting of every difficulty with the determination to get out of it all the good there is." As direct service providers, VABVI believes that independence should never be compromised. To become a volunteer or to learn more about our services, contact us at (800) 639-5861, [general@vabvi.org](mailto:general@vabvi.org) or visit our website at [www.vabvi.org](http://www.vabvi.org).

37 Elmwood Avenue  
Burlington, VT 05401  
(802)863-1358  
(FAX)863-1481  
[general@vabvi.org](mailto:general@vabvi.org)  
[www.vabvi.org](http://www.vabvi.org)

10 Main St.  
Montpelier, VT 05602  
(802)828-5997  
(FAX)828-5999

10 Burnham Avenue  
Rutland, VT 05701  
(802)775-6452  
(FAX)775-4669

38 Park Place, Suite 2  
Brattleboro, VT 05301  
(802)254-8761  
(FAX)254-4802

Toll free numbers  
Burl (800)639-5861  
Mont (877)350-8838  
Rutland (877)350-8839  
Bratt (877)350-8840

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PROPERTY TRANSFERS IN CRAFTSBURY FOR 2004						
SELLER	BUYER	DATE	SIZE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	LOCATION
2						
3	Parker	1/21/2004	1/2Int	Land/Camp	0	Little Hosmer Pd
4	Burns	1/29/2004	4.81	Land/Dwelling	30,000.00	418 Lake Road
5	Osmond	2/2/2004		Land/Dwelling	167,500.00	312 S Craftsbury Rd
6	Friehling	2/6/2004		Land/Dwelling	105,000.00	4443 Vt Rt 14
7	Niklaus	2/10/2004		Land/Camp	0	805 Denton Hill Rd
8	Riendeau	2/12/2004	11.19	Land	0	Vt Rt 14
9	Moffatt	2/26/2004	1.75	Land	0	1336 Wild Branch Rd
10	Melleit	2/27/2004	4.73	Land	20,000.00	Lake Road
11	Strong	3/11/2004	1	Land	0	th-29
12	Strong	3/11/2004	2.04	Land	0	Th-29
13	Paterson estate	3/16/2004	12/87.81/10.81	Land Decree	0	Ketchum Hill Rd
14	Melleit	3/17/2004	0.19	Land	0.00	TH46
15	Sweterlitsch	3/19/2004		Boundary Adj.	0	
16	Dunbar/Fogg	3/23/2004	1.75	Land	0	Ketchum Hill Rd
17	Paterson	3/24/2004	10.81	Land/Dwelling	0	191 Ketchum Hill Rd
18	Smith	3/24/2004	0	Mobile Home	9,000.00	1745 Wild Branch Rd
19	Calderwood	3/25/2004		Land/Dwelling	0	972 S Albany Rd
20	Citizens	4/1/2004	0	Business	0.00	
21	McQuillen	4/6/2004	4.4	Commercial	0.00	116 N Craftsbury Rd
22	Willey	4/13/2004	11.7	Land	0	RT 14
23	Ecklund/Gustavson	4/16/2004	1.2	Land/Dwelling	125,000.00	1628 E Craftsbury Rd
24	Reed	5/24/2004	13.9	Land/Dwelling	\$180,000.00	256 Common View Rd
25	Pyttel/Desjardins	5/24/2004	12	Open Land	\$16,000.00	Cemetery Rd
26	Meek	5/14/2004	33	Land/Dwelling	\$225,000.00	2500 S Albany Rd
27	Johnson	4/30/2004	145.8	Open Land	\$153,000.00	Vt Rt 14
28	Scott	5/21/2004		Land/Dwelling	\$102,000.00	1468 N Craftsbury Rd
29	Harke/Pope	6/4/2004	3	Open Land	\$0.00	Morey Hill Road
30	Lingelbach	6/4/2004	6	Land/Dwelling	\$194,200.00	1769 Creek Road
31	Craftsbury Center	6/2/2004		Easement	\$0.00	
32	Day	6/1/2004	40.93	Land/Dwelling	\$150,000.00	Lake Rd
33	Carpenter	6/9/2004	0.47	Land/Dwelling	\$200,000.00	556 S Craftsbury Rd
34	Spear	6/15/2004	2.7	Land	\$14,500.00	Collinsville Rd
35	Smith	6/15/2004	less 1	Land/Dwelling	\$125,000.00	2051 E Craftsbury Rd
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40	SELLER	BUYER	DATE	SIZE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	LOCATION
41	Waterhouse Sr	Sweeney	6/16/2004	0.25	Land/Dwelling	\$60,000.00	1531 Collinsville Rd
42	Brault MH	Linck	6/22/2004		MH	\$828.80	Collinsville Rd
43	Martell	Trayer	6/29/2004	67	Land/Dwelling	\$36,900.00	7333 Vt Rte 14
44	Doty	Doty/barbour	7/9/2004	17	Land/Dwelling	\$79,800.00	1991 Morey Hill Rd
45	Mellet	Baker	7/14/2004	15+	Land	\$25,000.00	Greens/Crafts line
46	Heyl	Adams	8/3/2004	6.55	Land	\$27,500.00	Vt Rt 14
47	Turner/Cherney	Turner/Cherney	8/5/2004		Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	228 Creek Rd
48	Oatman/Wood	Sarris	8/4/2004	10.54	Land/Dwelling	\$500,000.00	574 Ketchum Hill Rd
49	Dunbar	Dunbar	8/10/2004		Open Land	\$0.00	Ketchum Hill Rd
50	Reil	MacNeal	8/10/2004	0	MH	\$750.00	Collinsville Rd
51	Smith	Smith	8/12/2004	1	Land	\$0.00	Vt Rt 14
52	Fishell/Daniels	Ecklund	8/17/2004	1	Land/Dwelling	\$160,000.00	67 S Craftsbury Rd
53	Anderson	Martin	8/25/2004	2.18	Land	\$7,000.00	1034 Post Road
54	Mellet	Morgan	8/30/2004	4.87	Land	\$55,000.00	Lake Road
55	Plante	Servidas	8/30/2004	10.33	Land/Dwelling	\$94,760.00	2212 West Hill Rd
56	Tallman	Tallman	9/3/2004	29.6	Land/Dwelling		967 Wild Branch RD
57	Denton	Denton	9/14/2004	7.16	Land	\$14,000.00	Denton Hill Rd
58	Niklaus Trust	Niklaus	9/14/2004		Land/Dwelling		805 Denton Hill Rd
59	Baker/McCuen	Bear Busk & Bull	9/14/2004	300	Land	\$125,000.00	Hatch Brook Rd
60	Smith	Alinovi	9/24/2004	0.51	Land	\$45,000.00	Vt Rt 14
61	Baier	Calderwood	9/28/2004	2	Land/Dwelling	\$129,000.00	224 Echo Hill Rd
62	DeGoosh	Thomas	10/5/2004	4	Land/Dwelling	\$155,000.00	1088 Ketchum Hill Rd
63	Wells	Echeverria	9/30/2004	21	Land	\$40,000.00	Town Line Road
64	Matyas	Greenberg	10/15/2004	1.12	Land	\$60,000.00	Little Hosmer Rd
65	Smith	Trombley Ent.	10/22/2004	21.5	Land/Camp	\$65,000.00	2099 Coburn Hill Rd
66	Reed Estate	Wells/Wereley	10/26/2004	10	Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	TH 9
67	Cochran	Blanchard	11/8/2004	13.5	Land/Camp	\$80,000.00	1887 West Hill Rd
68	James	Jones	11/9/2004	7	Land/Dwelling	\$285,000.00	1938 E Craftsbury Rd
69	Burnham	Perkins	11/15/2004	2	Land/Dwelling	\$145,000.00	321 S Craftsbury Rd
70	Strong	Rowell	11/17/2004	3.7	Land	\$61,000.00	TH 26 Mountain Hill
71	Sweatt	Warren	11/17/2004	1.5	Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	Mill Village
72	Mastin	Mastin trust	11/24/2004	69	Land/Dwelling		Mastin Lane
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76	<u>SELLER</u>	<u>BUYER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
77	Tanner	Vt Land Trust	11/24/2004	147	Land/Farm	\$212,000.00	Vt Rt 14
78	Waterhouse Sr	Phelps	11/24/2004	6	Land	\$12,000.00	Collinsville Rd
79	Phelps	Sayers	11/30/2004	10	Land/Dwelling	\$105,000.00	318 Denton Hill Rd
80	Wells	Hodgdon	12/7/2004	1.25	Land/Dwelling	\$67,100.00	S Craftsbury Rd
81	Sogno/lambertl	Hammer	12/14/2004	1	Land/Dwelling	\$383,150.00	18 Mountain Hill Rd
82	Borod	Morrissey/Chardy	12/16/2004	6.7	Land/Camp	\$170,000.00	400 Lost Nation Rd
83	Cahoon	Cahoon/Courage	12/17/2004	33	Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	2500 S Albany Rd
84	Bellavance	Griggs	12/17/2004	15	Land/MH	\$119,900.00	2160 West Hill Rd
85	Brown	Brm/Brm/Boudreau	12/28/2004	38.97	Land/Dwelling	\$0.00	493 Coburn Hill Rd
86	Yoder	Wyse	12/29/2004	10.4	Land	\$0.00	Coburn Hill Rd

# CRAFTSBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## **What is the purpose of the Craftsbury Historical Society (CHS)?**

The purpose is to bring together people interested in the history of Craftsbury and the surrounding area. Understanding our history promotes an appreciation of our rich heritage.

## **What does the CHS do?**

The Society's major functions are to locate, collect and preserve local and regional artifacts. The Society shares historical information, as well as materials, with the public in various ways. Accessibility has become a reality with the opening of the Babcock House Museum. We now have a fine meeting room, exhibit rooms, office/kitchenette, rest room and spacious storage in the basement, and the building is ADA accessible.

During 2004 we held four regular meetings with programs of historical interest (to lighten the business aspects!), and an annual business meeting in October. Throughout the summer and early autumn of 2004, the Babcock House Museum was open every Wednesday from 10 - 12 a.m. and Saturday from 1 - 3 p.m. as well as all day on Old Home Day and for a Gala Opening celebration in August. We were very pleased to welcome our neighbors from Craftsbury and surrounding towns, as well as visitors from all over North America and abroad. We hope to see even more of you in 2005.

## **Who are the officers?**

Officers for the year 2005 at the Annual Meeting in October 2004 are: Anne Wilson - President; Joan Simmons - Vice President; Secretary - Bob Twiss; Treasurer - Bob Goodby; Trustees - Roberta Alexander, Judith Brown, Everett Demeritt, Sarah Dopp, Bruce Shields.

## **How can I become a member?**

We welcome everyone. Contact one of the officers above or anyone you know who is already a member. Dues are: Individual membership - \$10; Family membership - \$15; Life membership - \$150.

**JOIN US!**



## **Craftsbury School Directors' Report**

*As I reflect on this past year, let me begin by thanking all of our community members, faculty members, administrators, and volunteers for the time and effort that they have given to our students. I would especially like to thank the members of the building committee who have spent countless hours preparing a building plan for the future of Craftsbury Schools; our work is not done yet. For those of you who have not had the opportunity to be a larger part of our school community, I challenge you to make a difference in Craftsbury by volunteering your expertise and your time.*

*Craftsbury Schools are dedicated to the students that we serve. Enrollment for this fiscal year is approximately 218 students. In the proposed budget, you will see an increase in expenditures of approximately 5.1%. The majority of this increase is related to contractual increases in salaries and benefits. Additionally, the school board supports the addition of 1 full time equivalent position to enhance and enrich the educational offerings of our high school and middle school students. The proposed budget will increase the foreign language offerings and strengthen the history/social studies classes for our students in grades 7-12.*

*The residential tax rate is projected to be \$1.5925 per hundred dollars of assessed property value. The non-residential rate will be set by legislature and is currently expected to be \$1.51 per hundred. The proposed residential rate is \$0.35 less than last year's tax rate due to the reappraisal expected to be complete by April 1, 2005. However, due to a decrease in the projected tuition students for fiscal year 2006, and the lack of the \$70,000 carryover that was available for the last fiscal year, our cost per pupil will rise to approximately \$10,890. As we have seen in the past a small shift of just 10 students can make a large difference in the per pupil spending figure. This will continue to affect small schools much more significantly than larger schools.*

*Our facility needs have been a large part of our time commitment in these last few years, and will continue to be until we have an approved plan by the voters of Craftsbury. As you are all aware, the bond vote to renovate and add onto the Academy failed by just 30 votes with approximately 43% of the registered voters voting. I am encouraged by the amount of community involvement in the process and the openness and honest exchange which surrounded the informational meetings. The goal of this project from the start has been to address the very significant needs of our facilities and provide for a safe and healthy environment that supports our educational system. These needs remain a pressing concern. I encourage you to be involved with this process if you have an interest in preserving the Craftsbury Schools for our future generations.*

*Thank you for your support of the Craftsbury Schools and the students that they serve.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Julie Marckres*

Principal's Report  
2004-2005 School Year

The Craftsbury Schools have enjoyed an exciting and productive year thus far. We have identified four areas in our action plan that have guided our efforts through the year: Reading & Language Arts, Mathematics, Interdisciplinary Opportunities, and Student Engagement. Each teacher has identified goals within these areas and has worked within teams, with expert consultants, and individually to improve student learning.

At the elementary level, our focus has been to develop and refine innovative reading instruction and assessment strategies, and use the information to support individual students. In mathematics, we are continually assessing and revising our mathematics curriculum to ensure that our students attain the state standards. In addition, our elementary students continue to learn through experience with the ELF program, Seed Project, field trips, and our outdoor physical education enrichment program.

Our middle level program continues to grow and create exciting learning opportunities for our students. We have created a differentiated learning block within the regular schedule that supports the instruction in the core classes and provides individually challenging material for every student. We have also piloted a program that brings 5-7<sup>th</sup> grade students together to provide a more cohesive physical education enrichment program in the middle grades. The middle school team continues to develop curriculum that is aligned with state standards and provides opportunities for students to demonstrate their knowledge in a variety of ways.

At the secondary level, our students pursue programs that are more specific to their interests and personal goals. Students may choose courses such as American Literature, Spanish, Physics, Chemistry, Calculus, British Literature, Industrial Arts, Digital Arts, and Expository Writing. Secondary students may also pursue international courses of study, pre-college courses, and work experiences to prepare them for their lives after high school. In addition, the high school team works together to plan for annual events that provide an environment in which all students participate to work and learn together, most notably in the Thematics project that is taught late in the spring.

With the high level of support from parents, area businesses, and community volunteers, the Craftsbury Schools continue to provide rich experiences for the students and strive to continually improve student learning.

2004 Craftsbury Schools  
Compensation by Employee

Teaching personnel	ED+Credits	Years	Step Pd	Salary	%Full
Laurel Barbieri	MA+34	25	18	44,924.64	
John Belt Jr				10,559.88	
Andrea Brightenbach	MA+92	29	18	46,081.88	
Julie Devlin Brochu		1		4,602.88	
Susan Brown	BS+15	15	16	29,493.52	.80
Judith Carpenter	MED+30	25	18	36,431.98	.80
Alfred Cushing		2		2,142.00	
Janice Dandanell		4		12,557.82	
Thomasina Darling				7,435.88	
Maria Dezotell	BA	3	4	18,379.20	
Matthew Dickstein	BA+64	5	6	32,384.04	
Sylvia Dodge	MA	2	3	14,117.98	
Julie Donaghy	BS+41	9	9	21,400.08	.60
Jean Dutton	BA+42	23	17	43,615.94	
Debra Fairbanks	MED+63.5	26	18	31,877.82	
Lisa Ferland		2		10,947.82	
Marilyn Field		10		8,172.10	
Susan Field	BA+59	24	17	43,515.94	
Margaret Fogg	BS+33	17	16	25,502.11	.60
Christopher Gnaedinger	BA+33	1	2	28,336.00	
Walter Gutzmann	MS+24	28	18	45,640.04	
Michelle Knauer		1		9,965.69	
Robert Libby	MS+36	25	18	46,206.70	
Judith Locke	BS+46	18	17	43,615.94	
Pamela Luther	MA+21	30	18	45,540.04	
Amy Masse		9		19,488.30	
Heather Masse		4		10,849.08	
Paula Masse				3,510.00	
Barbara Massucci	BA+32	25	17	44,582.60	
Valerie Mesa	BA+6	4	5	29,864.39	
Eveangelina Moffat		5		11,913.98	
Donald Pierce	BS+6	19	15	38,687.98	
Alison Pike	MED+15	30	18	45,540.04	
James Raas	BS+46	15	15	17,841.46	.43
Anthony Schneider	MBA	5	6	11,028.00	.60
Lisa Sedore		2		10,770.24	
Joan Simmons				3,212.50	
John Strong Sr.	BS+45	34	17	6,092.24	.14
Rickey Thomas	BS+35	4	5	31,406.80	
Beverly Thurber	BA+31	17	17	43,515.94	
Amy Jo Williams	BS+33	2	3	30,014.68	

Cheryl Williams	BA+34	11	9	35,420.06
Christopher Young	MED+30	8		61,350.00
<u>Total Teaching Personnel</u>				<u>1,118,536.21</u>

#### Non-Teaching Personnel

Wesley Alexander	1,620.00
John Belt Jr.	960.00
Harley Farrar	2,944.00
Jane Linck	19,116.76
Mary-Ellen Lovinsky	1,250.00
Eugene Marckres	29,153.26
Bruce Prescott	18,720.00
Scott Reed	21,857.34
Keith Stone	1,787.52
Nancy Richardson	22,076.86
Christy Taylor	13,819.88
<u>Total</u>	<u>133,305.62</u>

#### Extra-Curricular

Student Council	Laurel Barbieri	1,012.00
Yearbook	Bev Thurber	1,012.00
Nat. Honor Society	Bev Thurber	506.00
Varsity Girls Soccer	Claire Denton	1,518.00
Varsity Boys Soccer	Donald Pierce	1,518.00
Varsity Girls Basketball	Scott Verzelli	2,024.00
Varsity Boys Basketball	Bruce Martin	Volunteer
Varsity Boys Baseball	Rickey Thomas	1,518.00
Varsity Girls Softball	Crystal Sanville	<u>1,518.00</u>
<u>Total</u>		<u>10,626.00</u>

Summary: Teachers	1,115,026.21
Non-Teaching	133,305.62
Extra-Curricular	10,626.00
Substitute	<u>20,118.28</u>
 Total	 <u>1,282,586.11</u>

Craftsbury Schools Enrollment  
As of February 1, 2005

GRADE	Craftsbury	Tuition	Choice	Total
Kindergarten	14	0		14
Grade 1	20	0		20
Grade 2	11	2		13
Grade 3	11	0		11
Grade 4	14	0		14
Grade 5	19	0		19
Grade 6	16	0		16
sub total	105	2		107
Grade 7	15	7		22
Grade 8	13	10		23
sub total	28	17		35
Grade 9	10	7		17
Grade 10	8	5	1	14
Grade 11	13	4		17
Grade 12	11	2	1	14
sub total	42	18		60
Totals	175	37	2	214

**STATEMENT OF SCHOOL INDEBTEDNESS**

Howard Bank (Minden Hall)

Balance 7/1/03	Interest Rate	Interest Paid	Repayment	Balance 6/30/04
\$80,000.00	6.611	4,020.00	40,000.00	\$40,000.00

**APPENDIX A - SALARY SCHEDULE**  
**2003 - 2004**

<b>CRAFTSBURY FY 2003/2004 SALARY SCHEDULE</b>									
<b>Base Wage =</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,300</b>							
<b>Experience Level</b>		<b>BA</b>		<b>BA+15</b>		<b>BA+30/MA</b>		<b>MA+15</b>	
<b>Init. % Over Base</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>4</b>		<b>8</b>		<b>12</b>	
<b>% Increase/yr</b>		<b>4</b>		<b>4</b>		<b>4</b>		<b>4</b>	
<b>Step</b>	<b>Index</b>	<b>Wage</b>	<b>Index</b>	<b>Wage</b>	<b>Index</b>	<b>Wage</b>	<b>Index</b>	<b>Wage</b>	
1	1.00	\$25,300	1.04	\$26,312	1.08	\$27,324	1.12	\$28,336	
2	1.04	\$26,312	1.08	\$27,324	1.12	\$28,336	1.16	\$29,348	
3	1.08	\$27,324	1.12	\$28,336	1.16	\$29,348	1.20	\$30,360	
4	1.12	\$28,336	1.16	\$29,348	1.20	\$30,360	1.24	\$31,372	
5	1.16	\$29,348	1.20	\$30,360	1.24	\$31,372	1.28	\$32,384	
6	1.20	\$30,360	1.24	\$31,372	1.28	\$32,384	1.32	\$33,396	
7	1.24	\$31,372	1.28	\$32,384	1.32	\$33,396	1.36	\$34,408	
8	1.28	\$32,384	1.32	\$33,396	1.36	\$34,408	1.40	\$35,420	
9	1.32	\$33,396	1.36	\$34,408	1.40	\$35,420	1.44	\$36,432	
10	1.36	\$34,408	1.40	\$35,420	1.44	\$36,432	1.48	\$37,444	
11	1.40	\$35,420	1.44	\$36,432	1.48	\$37,444	1.52	\$38,456	
12	1.44	\$36,432	1.48	\$37,444	1.52	\$38,456	1.56	\$39,468	
13	1.48	\$37,444	1.52	\$38,456	1.56	\$39,468	1.60	\$40,480	
14	1.52	\$38,456	1.56	\$39,468	1.60	\$40,480	1.64	\$41,492	
15	1.56	\$39,468	1.60	\$40,480	1.64	\$41,492	1.68	\$42,504	
16			1.64	\$41,492	1.68	\$42,504	1.72	\$43,516	
17					1.72	\$43,516	1.76	\$44,528	
18							1.80	\$45,540	

**CRAFTSBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BALANCE SHEET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE, 2004**

	Governmental			Account Group	
	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Escrow Funds	Long Term Debt	Fixed Assets
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash	137,216.00				
Home Ec House Account			60,183.00		
Escrow Account-Building Maintenance			61,492.00		
Accounts Receivable					
State/Spec.Ed Expense Reimb.	2,457.00				
Federal Food Service Revenues	1,182.00				
VSAC	156.00				
Local Food Service Revenues	1,011.00				
Food Service Inventory	606.00				
Due from Other Funds	0.00	17,606.00			
Amount to be Provided for Long-Term Debt				40,000.00	
Property & Equipment					3,500,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 142,628.00</b>	<b>\$ 17,606.00</b>	<b>\$ 121,675.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,500,000.00</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>					
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Health Ins.Summer Prem.Deductions	7,423.00				
Accounts Payable	14,188.00				
Due to Other Funds	17,606.00				
Bond Payable				40,000.00	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 39,217.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>					
Deferred Food Service Revenues	399.00				
Designated Funds	103,012.00	17,606.00			
Designated Funds-Escrow Account			121,675.00		
Designated Funds-Food Service					
Invested in Fixed Assets					3,500,000.00
<b>TOTAL LIAB. &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 142,628.00</b>	<b>\$ 17,606.00</b>	<b>\$ 121,675.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,500,000.00</b>

# INCOME

## FY 2005-2006 BUDGET

<b>CRAFTSBURY SCHOOLS</b>	<b>FY2003-2004</b>	<b>FY2003-2004</b>	<b>FY2004-2005</b>	<b>FY2005-2006</b>
<b>General Budget</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
<b>Local Revenue</b>				
Beginning Balance	0.00	790.00	70,000.00	0.00
Prior Year Adjustment	0.00	2,413.00	0.00	0.00
Tuitions	258,500.00	340,986.00	414,230.00	336,800.00
Special Ed Excess Costs	28,350.00	23,001.00	17,520.00	9,340.00
Sped Contracted Service Reimb.	0.00	16,305.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	6,500.00	1,815.00	3,000.00	2,000.00
Lease Land	98.00	98.00	98.00	98.00
Athletic Receipts	1,200.00	1,349.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	485.00	500.00	500.00
Food Service	24,000.00	26,416.00	25,000.00	30,500.00
CA Trustees-Operating	19,135.00	12,995.00	19,135.00	850.00
J.Byington Library Fund	2,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
World War II Trustees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Foundation for Excellent Schools	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
E-Rate Funds	4,032.00	5,920.00	3,150.00	3,150.00
NEKLS-Donation	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Blockgrants</b>				
Special Ed Mainstream Grant	45,835.00	45,835.00	45,500.00	52,174.00
Early Education	7,429.00	8,607.00	8,607.00	7,300.00
<b>Categorical Aid</b>				
Capital Debt	7,252.00	7,252.00	0.00	0.00
Transportation Reimb	35,570.00	35,158.00	35,570.00	42,354.00
Driver Education	800.00	1,195.00	200.00	200.00
Special Ed Expenditure Reimb.	108,880.00	96,589.00	119,165.00	125,760.00
Food Service-State	800.00	1,026.00	800.00	800.00
Food Service-Federal	17,700.00	21,111.00	23,000.00	26,000.00
-After School Snacks	0.00	474.00	0.00	0.00
-Commodities	0.00	3,206.00	0.00	0.00
Small Schools Grant	91,504.00	94,078.00	77,478.00	72,922.00
<b>District Grants</b>				
Medicaid/EPsDT	15,137.00	17,139.00	19,760.00	11,000.00
Consolidated Grant	0.00	26,509.00	0.00	0.00
<b>General State Support Grant</b>				
Property Tax Liability	746,350.00	742,939.00	0.00	0.00
Education Fund	125,882.00	153,834.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Local Education Spending</b>				
Property Tax Liability	742,484.00	690,505.00	0.00	0.00
Education Fund	(27,438.00)	23,214.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Education Spending</b>				
To School District from Ed Fund	0.00	0.00	1,557,059.00	1,844,104.00
To Technical Center from Ed Fund	0.00	0.00	22,304.00	23,262.00
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ 2,263,000.00</b>	<b>\$2,405,244.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,395,276.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,592,314.00</b>



# EXPENDITURES

## FY2005-2006 BUDGET

<b>CRAFTSBURY SCHOOLS</b>	<b>FY2003-2004 BUDGET</b>	<b>FY2003-2004 ACTUAL</b>	<b>FY2004-2005 BUDGET</b>	<b>FY2005-2006 PROPOSED</b>
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL EDUCATION</b>				
Teaching Salaries	784,164.00	734,093.06	830,036.00	864,373.00
Other Staff	41,458.00	70,942.81	56,385.00	44,819.00
Fringe Benefits	199,655.00	194,376.95	223,342.00	266,724.00
Professional Services	3,050.00	1,451.95	4,400.00	4,550.00
<b>Program Accounts</b>				
K-6	25,821.00	22,712.73	30,644.00	23,011.00
Art	2,660.00	2,554.85	2,760.00	3,160.00
English	7,896.00	6,353.14	8,200.00	8,200.00
Foreign Language	2,820.00	558.54	2,970.00	1,905.00
Physical Education	5,000.00	5,416.91	6,030.00	5,822.00
Family Consumer Science	1,000.00	21.75	750.00	0.00
Math	2,432.00	5,446.54	2,305.00	6,870.00
Music	4,898.00	3,595.65	3,693.00	4,042.00
Science	6,200.00	8,489.68	7,450.00	7,600.00
Social Studies	4,490.00	4,810.83	4,530.00	5,200.00
Technical Education	4,519.00	4,871.21	4,515.00	4,955.00
Driver Ed	1,702.00	725.30	1,702.00	1,225.00
Misc/General	15,205.00	28,040.00	19,303.00	22,938.00
<b>Total Instructional Ed</b>	<b>1,112,970.00</b>	<b>1,094,461.90</b>	<b>1,209,015.00</b>	<b>1,275,394.00</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>				
Salaries	136,767.00	133,556.56	127,338.00	148,151.00
Fringe Benefits	51,350.00	40,338.55	44,827.00	66,454.00
Contracted Services	23,580.00	17,595.00	43,000.00	12,700.00
Program Expenses	32,968.00	47,283.62	46,170.00	61,395.00
<b>Total Special Ed</b>	<b>244,665.00</b>	<b>238,773.73</b>	<b>261,335.00</b>	<b>288,700.00</b>
<b>VOCATIONAL EDUCATION</b>	<b>15,187.00</b>	<b>15,493.26</b>	<b>36,644.00</b>	<b>33,723.00</b>
<b>CO-CURRICULAR</b>	<b>3,467.00</b>	<b>2,802.54</b>	<b>3,402.00</b>	<b>3,887.00</b>
<b>ATHLETICS</b>	<b>22,950.00</b>	<b>22,249.10</b>	<b>25,404.00</b>	<b>38,208.00</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>				
Salary	0.00	0.00	19,430.00	23,805.00
Fringe Benefits	0.00	0.00	1,854.00	2,299.00
Repairs & Maintenance	2,250.00	872.25	2,250.00	1,750.00
Tech Support	0.00	17,071.74	11,073.00	11,717.00
Internet Access	7,800.00	6,880.09	4,900.00	4,900.00
Supplies & Periodicals	2,500.00	2,655.29	3,000.00	2,400.00
Hardware/Equipment/Software	7,650.00	19,476.64	16,290.00	8,500.00
Conferences & Workshops	1,250.00	335.03	500.00	500.00
<b>Total Technology</b>	<b>21,450.00</b>	<b>47,291.04</b>	<b>59,297.00</b>	<b>55,871.00</b>

<b>CRAFTSBURY SCHOOLS</b>	<b>FY2003-2004 BUDGET</b>	<b>FY2003-2004 ACTUAL</b>	<b>FY2004-2005 BUDGET</b>	<b>FY2005-2006 PROPOSED</b>
<b>GUIDANCE</b>				
Salaries	49,487.00	50,705.88	61,327.00	65,276.00
Benefits	7,912.00	8,272.27	9,589.00	10,269.00
Program Expenses	1,939.00	1,430.54	1,993.00	5,943.00
<b>Total Guidance</b>	<b>59,338.00</b>	<b>60,408.69</b>	<b>72,909.00</b>	<b>81,488.00</b>
<b>HEALTH SERVICES</b>				
Salaries	24,896.00	24,783.44	24,894.00	15,414.00
Fringe Benefits	2,396.00	2,982.93	2,586.00	1,869.00
Program Expenses	18,247.00	6,136.36	9,220.00	4,580.00
<b>Total Health Services</b>	<b>45,539.00</b>	<b>33,902.73</b>	<b>36,700.00</b>	<b>21,863.00</b>
<b>PSYCHOLOGICAL</b>	<b>9,650.00</b>	<b>13,257.23</b>	<b>9,216.00</b>	<b>8,694.00</b>
<b>SPEECH LANGUAGE</b>				
Salaries/Benefits	12,437.00	12,594.55	6,404.00	6,755.00
Contracted Services	10,193.00	3,742.50	4,350.00	0.00
Program Expenses	2,500.00	2,245.94	250.00	500.00
<b>Total Speech Language</b>	<b>25,130.00</b>	<b>18,582.99</b>	<b>11,004.00</b>	<b>7,255.00</b>
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICE</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>349.13</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>2,750.00</b>
<b>EDUCATIONAL MEDIA</b>				
Salaries	53,497.00	53,597.14	53,497.00	56,305.00
Fringe Benefits	9,334.00	12,676.72	14,905.00	17,032.00
Program Expenses	10,489.00	9,605.04	11,095.00	11,535.00
<b>Total Educational Media</b>	<b>73,320.00</b>	<b>75,878.90</b>	<b>79,497.00</b>	<b>84,872.00</b>
<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION</b>				
Treasurer-Contracted Service	5,191.00	5,191.00	5,451.00	5,615.00
Treasurer-Supplies & Mileage	575.00	343.13	400.00	400.00
Liability Insurances	6,090.00	5,411.35	6,090.00	7,945.00
Advertising	2,100.00	1,840.80	1,800.00	1,800.00
Legal Services	700.00	3,071.45	700.00	2,700.00
Supplies/Misc/Postage	3,446.00	3,614.76	3,181.00	3,451.00
<b>Total Board of Education</b>	<b>18,102.00</b>	<b>19,472.49</b>	<b>17,622.00</b>	<b>21,911.00</b>
<b>SUPERVISORY UNION</b>				
Administrative Services	70,926.00	74,257.12	84,929.00	97,455.00
Director of Student Services	5,585.00	5,607.24	5,947.00	6,246.00
Early Essential Education	7,429.00	8,607.00	8,607.00	7,300.00
Early Childhood Assessment	0.00	0.00	2,712.00	5,563.00
<b>Total Supervisory Union</b>	<b>83,940.00</b>	<b>88,471.36</b>	<b>102,195.00</b>	<b>116,564.00</b>

<b>CRAFTSBURY SCHOOLS</b>	<b>FY2003-2004</b>	<b>FY2003-2004</b>	<b>FY2004-2005</b>	<b>FY2005-2006</b>
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>

**PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE**

Salaries	100,767.00	99,448.10	99,808.00	110,110.00
Fringe Benefits	37,624.00	37,140.41	42,721.00	50,402.00
Program Expenses	12,935.00	13,369.67	12,159.00	13,524.00
<b>Total Principal's Office</b>	<b>151,326.00</b>	<b>149,958.18</b>	<b>154,688.00</b>	<b>174,036.00</b>

**FISCAL SERVICES**

Professional Audit	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00
Line of Credit Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Fiscal Services</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**MAINTENANCE**

Salaries	71,461.00	72,657.26	71,540.00	77,452.00
Fringe benefits	35,785.00	33,668.65	35,415.00	39,675.00
Contracted Services	6,600.00	3,055.00	9,800.00	2,955.00
Property Insurance	8,300.00	9,465.00	9,475.00	6,600.00
Repairs/Maint	25,250.00	32,491.77	22,675.00	29,675.00
New/Replacement Equipment	1,000.00	253.10	1,000.00	2,250.00
Electricity/Fuel Oil/Water	33,400.00	35,124.85	36,875.00	42,775.00
<b>Total Maintenance</b>	<b>181,796.00</b>	<b>186,715.63</b>	<b>186,780.00</b>	<b>201,382.00</b>

**TRANSPORTATION SERV.**

Pupil Transportation	88,700.00	88,700.00	88,700.00	88,700.00
Athletic Transportation	8,600.00	10,096.08	9,200.00	10,000.00
Special Ed Transportation	7,000.00	9,169.09	10,500.00	15,613.00
<b>Total Transportation</b>	<b>104,300.00</b>	<b>107,965.17</b>	<b>108,400.00</b>	<b>114,313.00</b>

**FOOD SERVICE**

Salary	17,610.00	18,245.38	17,773.00	23,107.00
Fringe Benefits	2,170.00	2,368.39	2,530.00	4,021.00
Meal Transportation	245.00	254.20	200.00	200.00
Software/Repairs/Propane	850.00	1,444.85	1,250.00	1,450.00
Supplies	21,000.00	31,221.19	26,600.00	32,000.00
New Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Commodities Freight/Storage	500.00	444.55	500.00	500.00
Federal Commodities	0.00	3,206.00	0.00	0.00
Workshops & Conferences	125.00	53.00	125.00	125.00
<b>Total Food Service</b>	<b>42,500.00</b>	<b>57,237.56</b>	<b>48,978.00</b>	<b>61,403.00</b>

**DEBT SERVICE**

Principal/Minden Hall	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00
Interest/Minden Hall	4,020.00	4,020.00	1,340.00	0.00
<b>Total Debt Expenses</b>	<b>44,020.00</b>	<b>44,020.00</b>	<b>41,340.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

<b>PAYMENT TO EDUCATION FUI</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>23,214.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 2,263,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,303,005.63</b>	<b>\$ 2,465,276.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,592,314.00</b>
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**CRAFTSBURY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OTHER FUNDS**

	<u>Home Ec Account</u>	<u>Bldg/Maint. Account</u>
<u>FY2003-2004</u>		
Beginning Balance	\$ 59,501.83	\$ 91,374.36
Receipts	0.00	0.00
Interest	681.40	428.99
Expenditures	0.00	(30,311.71)
<u>Fund Balance a/o 6/30/04</u>	<u>\$ 60,183.23</u>	<u>\$ 61,491.64</u>

	<u>Dustan Sciene Funds</u>	<u>E Rate Funds</u>
<u>FY2003-2004</u>		
Beginning Balance	\$ 18,958.37	\$ 641.26
Receipts	5,000.00	0.00
Expenditures	(7,447.56)	(641.26)
<u>Fund Balance a/o 6/30/04</u>	<u>\$ 16,510.81</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

	<u>Other Misc. Funds</u>
<u>FY2003-2004</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$ 3,094.72
Receipts	0.00
Expenditures	(2,000.00)
<u>Fund Balance a/o 6/30/04</u>	<u>\$ 1,094.72</u>

**ORLEANS SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION**  
**THREE YEAR SUMMARY**

In accordance with Title 16, Section 261a(10), the following represents a summary of the budget for the Supervisory Union

FY2004	General Budget	EEE Budget	Federal Grants	Medicaid & EPSDT Funds
Beginning Balance	\$ (4,762.00)	\$ (1,601.00)	\$ 64,931.00	\$ 256,542.00
Adjustment			6,333.00	
Receipts	607,385.00	59,106.00	1,125,534.00	204,201.00
Expenditures	(601,348.00)	(57,237.00)	(1,196,708.00)	(216,961.00)
FY2004 Fund Balance	\$ 1,275.00	\$ 268.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 243,782.00

FY2005				
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,275.00	\$ 268.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 243,782.00
Projected/Available Revenues	648,000.00	56,312.00	1,299,715.00	195,000.00
Projected Expenditures	(655,000.00)	(56,312.00)	(1,299,805.00)	(227,665.00)
Projected Fund Balance	\$ (5,725.00)	\$ 268.00	\$ 0.00	* \$ 211,117.00

\*Medicaid/EPSDT Funds are based on Claims Submitted. The funds are expended in the following Fiscal Year.

FY2006 Funds/Expenditures have not been determined to date.

The following represents the total of the Special Education Budgets for which Federal revenues were awarded to the Supervisory Union

FY2004	
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,128.00
Adjustment	0.00
Receipts	270,379.00
Expenditures	(251,698.00)
Fund Balance	\$ 19,809.00

The amount generated by and allocated to	Craftsbury	\$ 29,141.64
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FY2005	
Beginning Balance	\$ 19,809.00
Projected Receipts	305,895.00
Projected Expend.	(325,055.00)
Proj. Fund Balance	\$649.00

The amount generated by and allocated to	Craftsbury	\$ 39,006.72
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FY2006 Funds have not been determined to date.

# Three Prior Years Comparisons - Format as Provided by DOE

PRELIMINARY

District: **Craftsbury**  
County: **Orleans**

LEA: **055**  
S.U.: **Orleans Southwest**

		Act 60		Act 68	
		FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006
<b>Expenditures</b>					
1.	Budget (local budget, excluding special programs reported in line 3, full tech expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$2,200,839	\$2,263,000	\$2,465,276	\$2,592,314
2.	Block grant paid by State to tech center in prior years under Act 60	+	+	not applicable	not applicable
3.	Special revenue program expenditures (federal dollars, restricted grants, etc.)	+	+	\$27,133	
4.				\$2,465,276	\$2,592,314
5.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$2,227,723	\$2,290,133		
6.	1. Separately warned article passed at town meeting	+	+		
7.	2. Separately warned article passed at town meeting	+	+		
8.	3. Separately warned article passed at town meeting	+	+		
9.				\$2,465,276	\$2,592,314
10.	Act 68 locally adopted or warned budget	\$2,227,723	\$2,290,133		
11.					
12.	Gross Act 68 Budget	\$2,227,723	\$2,290,133	\$2,465,276	\$2,592,314
13.		\$83,131	\$83,940	\$102,195	\$116,564
14.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data Prior deficit reduction (if included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
<b>Revenues</b>					
15.	Local revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$687,172	\$688,470	\$891,259	\$724,948
16.	Capital debt aid	+	+	-	-
17.	Special program revenues (if not included in local budget; included in FY2006)	+	+	-	-
18.	Prior deficit reduction if included in revenues	+	+	-	-
19.				-	-
20.	Total revenues	\$700,249	\$696,931	\$891,259	\$724,948
21.					
22.	Fund raising, if any (included in line 15)	-	-	\$891,259	\$724,948
23.	Adjusted local revenues	\$700,249	\$696,931		
24.	Education Spending (Act 68 definition)	\$1,527,474	\$1,593,202	\$1,574,017	\$1,867,366
25.	Equalized Pupils	156.74	159.02	162.72	171.52
25a.					
26.	Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$9,745	\$10,019	\$9,673	\$10,887
27.	Less eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	not applicable	not applicable	254.06	threshold = \$11,347
28.	Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	+	+	not applicable	not applicable
29.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	not applicable	not applicable	\$9,673	\$10,887
30.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	not applicable	not applicable	142,252%	156.086%
31.	Anticipated homestead tax rate, equalized	\$2,196	\$2,157	based on \$6,600	based on \$6,975
32.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	91.95%	82.75%	\$1,494	\$1,592
33.	Estimated homestead tax rate, actual	\$2,360	\$2,555	based on \$1.02	based on \$1.02
34.	Household Income Percentage for Income sensitivity	3.99%	3.92%	2.70%	2.89%
35.				based on 1.85%	based on 1.85%

The projected base education spending amount of \$6,975 is subject to Legislative approval.

The base education homestead tax rate of \$1.02 and the income percentage cap of 1.85% are based on the recommendation of the Governor's Office and are subject to Legislative approval.

2004-2005  
Guidance Report

The Craftsbury guidance program provides services for K-12 students and their families. Services include short-term individual sessions, small group work and classroom or large group experiences. Regular consultations with teachers, parents, outside agencies, and care providers along with coordination and administration of guidance related services, testing programs (SAT, PSAT, Terra Nova, NCAP and New Standards State Testing), orientation of new students, and scheduling are also included.

K-6 services include weekly classroom sessions that address social skills and empathy training, cooperation and trust building, problem solving, decision-making, conflict management, friendship and other areas related to specific issues.

Principles from the Responsive Classroom and adventure based programming are important features of the K-6 program activities, which challenge students to solve problems, work cooperatively, resolve conflicts, address gender issues and build trust, are incorporated into weekly sessions. Insights from these experiences are then applied to classroom settings.

Guidance services in grades 7-12 include individual, small group and classroom experiences. Individual meetings are also held with each student to explore goals, plan remaining years in high school and investigate options for post secondary education or work. Parent contact and meetings with teachers are an important aspect of a student's school experience and are encouraged for all students. These conferences are a regular feature of the guidance program.

College and career planning is a primary component of the high school guidance program. A Vermont Student Assistance Program (VSAC) counselor works closely with students processing values and interest inventories and assisting students with college and career preparedness. Currently, the VSAC Gear Up program works with 18 students helping them plan their educational future. VSAC annually provides a financial aid workshop for students and their parents. College bound seniors work on college application and financial aid forms during "Senior Lab". 55% of Craftsbury's 2004 graduates are attending a four year post-secondary school and 10% are enrolled in a two-year college program.

Craftsbury students have been offered a complete range of tests and assessments used by colleges and universities admissions departments. PSAT is a preparatory test for the SAT. Nine juniors and 11 sophomores took the PSAT and nine seniors took the SAT. Six seniors took the ACT assessment. The guidance department and teaching staff have been working to incorporate SAT and ACT preparation into the curriculum.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debra Fairbanks, K-8 Guidance  
Susan Brown, 9-12 Guidance

"Green Up Day" began April 18, 1970, and continues today as a unique 34-year-tradition. Held on the first Saturday of May, "Green Up Day," brings out thousands of volunteers statewide for a massive clean up of litter and trash from our roadways, waterways and public places. At least 30,000 bags of trash get cleaned up annually statewide.

In Craftsbury, our Green Up Day tradition begins on the Friday. Students and faculty from the Craftsbury Schools spend the afternoon picking up litter along most of our roads. Walt Gutzman has organized this effort for many years. It is always a pleasure to receive the town highway map from Walt on Green Up Day and to see that the majority of the roads have been taken care of by our students. A tremendous thank you goes out to the Craftsbury Schools participants.

This year we handed out 50 bags to Craftsbury residents at the recycling center in town. Between the hours of 9 am and 12 pm, there were individuals and families helping to pick up the areas in need of clean up. By the end of the day, the town truck was full of green up bags. We thank Steve and the road crew for their work in making the clean up a success.

Many thanks to the residents of Craftsbury for cleaning up the roads throughout town. This effort would not be possible without the great volunteers who have come out on Green Up Day over the years.

It is never too early to ask for your Green Up bags – just contact me at 586-9973. These bags will also be available on Green Up Day 2005, Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. If you have any specific ideas for Green Up Day, please contact me.

Farley Brown  
Craftsbury Green Up Day coordinator



**WARNING**

**FOR ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN FIRE DISTRICT MEETING:**  
**THE LEGAL VOTERS IN TOWN MEETING AND TOWN FIRE DISTRICT**  
**MEETING ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED AND WARNED TO MEET AT THE**  
**CRAFTSBURY ACADEMY GYMNASIUM ON TUESDAY THE FIRST**  
**DAY OF MARCH A.D., 2005 AT 10:00 A.M. TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING**  
**ARTICLE, TO WIT:**

**ARTICLE 1. TO ELECT A MODERATOR FOR TOWN, TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AND TOWN FIRE DISTRICT.**

**ARTICLE 2. TO HEAR AND ACT UPON THE AUDITOR'S REPORT.**

**ARTICLE 3. TO ELECT ALL OTHER OFFICERS OF THE TOWN AND FIRE  
DISTRICT:**  
**SELECTBOARD MEMBER (3 YEAR TERM)**  
**COLLECTOR OF TAXES (1 YEAR TERM)**  
**LISTER (3 YEAR TERM)**  
**AUDITOR (3 YEAR TERM)**  
**TOWN AGENT (1 YEAR TERM)**  
**TOWN GRAND JUROR (1YEAR TERM)**  
**CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (5 YEAR TERM)**  
**TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS (3 YEAR TERM)**  
**WORLD WAR II MEM. FUND TRUSTEE (3 YEAR TERM)**

**ARTICLE 4. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO  
APPROVE ADDITIONS TO THE CHECKLIST.**

**ARTICLE 5. TO SEE HOW MUCH MONEY THE TOWN WILL VOTE FOR  
OPERATIONS OF THE TOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

**ARTICLE 6. TO SEE HOW MUCH MONEY THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO BUILD  
BRIDGES AND DEFRAY ALL OTHER EXPENSES OF THE TOWN,  
AND DIRECT THE SELECT BOARD TO ASSESS A TAX SUFFICIENT  
TO MEET THE SAME.**

**ARTICLE 7. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE A SUM OF \$ 5,000.00 FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF THE TOWN WIDE REAPPRAISAL.**

**ARTICLE 8. WILL THE TOWN VOTE A SUM OF MONEY NOT TO EXCEED \$  
40,000. PLUS INTEREST, TO BE BORROWED OVER A PERIOD OF  
FIVE YEARS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A USED  
EXCAVATOR.**

**ARTICLE 9. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO CHANGE THE LIMIT WHICH  
REQUIRES A PAPER BALLOT FROM \$2500.00 TO \$10,000.**

**ARTICLE 10. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE AN APPROPRIATION OF \$17,000.  
FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THE CRAFTSBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.**

**ARTICLE 11. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE THE SUM OF \$ 15,844.62 FOR  
APPROPRIATIONS AS REQUESTED. (SEE PAGE IN TOWN REPORT)**

ARTICLE 12. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECT BOARD TO DRAW TEMPORARY LOAN ORDERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES.

ARTICLE 13. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO HAVE THE TAXES COLLECTED BY THE TOWN TREASURER.

ARTICLE 14. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO COLLECT TAXES ON REAL PROPERTY IN THREE INSTALLMENTS, WITH THE DUE DATES BEING JULY 10<sup>TH</sup>, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, AND NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> (32 VSA 4871) AND TO COLLECT INTEREST ON LATE AND DELINQUENT PAYMENTS OF ONE (1%) PERCENT PER MONTH FOR THE FIRST THREE MONTHS STARTING AFTER DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> AND ONE AND ONE-HALF PERCENT (1 ½%) THEREAFTER (32 VSA 4873) WITH NO DISCOUNTS?

ARTICLE 15. SHALL THE VOTERS AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLANNING GRANT IN CONJUNCTION WITH AREA TOWNS TO DO A FEASIBILITY STUDY OF REGIONAL POLICING?

ARTICLE 16. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN CRAFTSBURY VOTE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WAR IN IRAQ AND THE DEPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD IN THAT WAR, AS ATTACHED TO THE PETITION AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE, AND THEN SEND A COPY OF THE RESOLUTION TO VERMONT'S STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICE-HOLDERS? (THE FULL RESOLUTION CAN BE SEEN IN TOWN REPORT.

ARTICLE 17. TO TRANSACT ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THIS MEETING.

DATED AT CRAFTSBURY, VERMONT JANUARY 26 A.D., 2005.

SELECTBOARD:

Bruce Urie BRUCE URIE

James Jones JAMES JONES

Walter Gutzmann WALTER GUTZMANN

CRAFTSBURY TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE RECEIVED THE FOREGOING WARNING FOR RECORD JANUARY 26 A.D., 2005 AT 8 O'CLOCK 20 MINUTES P.M. AND DULY RECORDED THE SAME BEFORE POSTING.

ATTEST:

Yvette Brown YVETTE BROWN  
TOWN CLERK

**CRAFTSBURY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**WARNING**

The legal voters of the Craftsbury Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the CRAFTSBURY ACADEMY GYMNASIUM on Tuesday, the 1st day of March A.D., 2005 at 1:00 P.M. to act on the following Articles:

Article 1: To see what sum the Town School District will vote for School purposes for the ensuing year and vote how and when necessary tax liability shall be paid.

Article 2: To see if the Town School District will authorize and empower the School Directors to draw temporary loan orders for the purpose of borrowing money on the credit of the Town School District to meet expenditures of its departments in anticipation of State-Aid and taxes.

Article 3: To elect a School Director for a term of three years.

Article 4: To elect a School Director for a term of two years.

Article 5: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Craftsbury, Vermont this 18th day of January A.D., 2005.

Nancy Martin  
John Mackie  
John P. Maly  
John Z

School Directors  
Craftsbury Town School District

Craftsbury Town Clerk's Office Received the Foregoing Warning  
for Record January 27A.D., 2005 at 8o'clock 30 minutes P.M.  
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# NOTES

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CRAFTSBURY PLANNING COMMISSION 2005 SURVEY  
OPINION HIGHLIGHTS  
409 COMPLETED SURVEYS RETURNED

Overall Comments:

- Approximately 1/3 of the surveys were returned—a remarkable %—showing great interest in the town's future.
- Complete survey results, including the written comments of respondents, will be available at the Annual Town Meeting and, as soon as they are prepared, at the Town Hall and the Craftsbury Public Library.
- The highlights of the survey are listed below.

Demographics:

- 73.2% were residents
- 61.0% were over age 51
- 52.2% have family income in excess of \$40,000 annually
- 54.5% have earned a college degree

Residence:

- 87.5% own their residence
- 63.9% get water from a drilled well
- 65.4 have either an engineer or contractor designed septic system

Community:

- 91.8% find Craftsbury as a good or excellent place to live
- 56.7% think Craftsbury schools are good or excellent
- Hardwick and Morrisville are the primary health care destinations
- 76% do primary grocery shopping in Morrisville

Work:

- 40.1% are retired
- 33.1% are self employed
- 57.2% are employed in education or business
- 55.5% work at home or in the Craftsbury area
- 67% feel there are not adequate job opportunities in the area
- 61.7% have computer internet dial up access
- 56.8% are interested in broadband internet access

Future Town Planning:

- 54.1% prefer a small residential community with limited business and industry while 23.5% prefer small residential with more business and industry
- 68.4% prefer a residential community with most of land in forest and agriculture
- 63.9% prefer only small and clean development
- Special restriction preferences:
  - 59.7% prefer restrictions to heavy industry
  - 29% prefer restrictions to gas stations
  - 22.2% prefer restrictions to car repairs
  - 15.1% prefer restrictions to restaurants
- 83.8% think the Volunteer Fire Department does an excellent job
- 65.2% think no regular police protection is desired

#### Regulation:

- 56.5% think no zoning is desirable for Craftsbury
- 55.9% think it is reasonable to specify minimum acreage on which to build homes in different parts of Craftsbury
- 59.8% think it is reasonable to prohibit certain types of land uses in some parts of town while allowing them in other areas
- 66.2% think there should not be restrictions in the # of homes built in a given year
- There is no clear preference for home lot size
- 82.4% think agriculture land should be protected
- 83.6% think forest land should be protected
- Both large lots for houses and concentrated housing (cluster housing, town centers, apartments) should be encouraged
- There is no clear preference for the location of multiple family housing

#### Recreation:

- 74.3% find Craftsbury has adequate facilities for recreation
- The most popular additional public facilities desired are biking, hiking, playgrounds and swimming (each more than 1/3 of respondents)
- 61.7% are willing to use own land for recreation
- 55.6% are willing to have the public cross their land to access public areas

#### Environment:

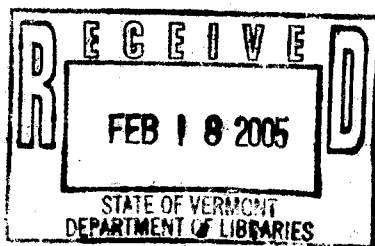
- 81.6% are concerned about the effect on the environment of further development
- Areas of concern:
  - 83.5% Disappearance of Natural and Open areas
  - 79.2% Disappearance of Agricultural areas
  - 78.6% Pollution of water sources
  - 77.4% Wildlife habitat protection
  - 72.5% Water quality and supply
  - 60.6% Air quality
- 59.4% favor construction of town sewage systems in areas of population concentration
- 55.1% favor improved safety regulation and enforcement in town
  - 88.2% checked speeding
- 63.8% are concerned enough about current issues to have town ordinances
  - 61.2% checked cell towers
  - 41.5% checked windmills
  - 37.1% checked septic systems
  - 28.6% checked dogs
  - 28.1% checked noise
  - 18.3% checked sidewalks

#### Local Involvement:

- 71.7% feel informed about local issues
- 62% are not involved in local issues
- 92.2% feel local issues are handled well by town officers

**CRAFTSBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CRAFTSBURY ACADEMY  
CRAFTSBURY COMMON  
VERMONT 05827**

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