

# ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF

## WASHINGTON, CONNECTICUT



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
**JULY 1, 2006 - JUNE 30, 2007**

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# **TOWN CALENDAR**

## **2007-2008**

<b>July 1</b>	Beginning of fiscal year. First payment of property tax during July.
<b>August 2</b>	Interest begins on unpaid taxes.
<b>September 30</b>	Military discharge to be recorded by new residents for tax exemptions.
<b>Oct. 1 - Nov. 1</b>	All personal property, excluding cars, to be listed with Assessor.
<b>October 1</b>	Annual Town Meeting.
<b>November 6</b>	Election Day.
<b>December 1</b>	Gregory Seeley Bryan Birthday (1868)
<b>January 1</b>	Happy New Year! Second payment of property tax due during January.
<b>Feb. 1 - Oct. 1</b>	Additional Veteran's exemption applications received (income requirements).
<b>February 2</b>	Interest begins on unpaid taxes.
<b>Feb. 1 - May 15</b>	Elderly or disabled homeowners apply for tax credit (income requirements).
<b>May 8</b>	Annual Town Budget Hearing.
<b>May 15 - Sept. 15</b>	Elderly or disabled renters apply for tax credit (income requirements).
<b>May 22</b>	Annual Town Budget Meeting.
<b>June</b>	Dog license fees payable.
<b>June 30</b>	Fiscal year ends.

## MEETINGS OF TOWN BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

<b>Board of Selectmen</b>	Every other Thursday 5:30 p.m.
<b>Board of Finance</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month 5:00 p.m.
<b>Conservation Commission</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month 5:00 p.m.
<b>Historic District Commission</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month 7:30 p.m.
<b>Inland Wetlands Commission</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:00 p.m.
<b>Parks and Rec. Commission</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month 7:00p.m.
<b>Planning Commission</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:30 p.m.
<b>Zoning Commission</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of each month 7:30 p.m.
<b>Zoning Board of Appeals</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month 7:30 p.m.
<b>Building Official</b>	Daily 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
<b>Sanitarian</b>	Monday and Wednesday 10:00-11:30 a.m.
<b>Board of Education</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month 7:30 p.m. and as posted.

- Please check Town Clerk's notice board for changes and special meetings.
- Bryan Memorial Town Hall is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
- The Land Use Office is open from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily.
- The Agent for the Elderly is available Tuesday at the Senior Center (it is suggested specific appointments be made).
- The Probate Office is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., or by appointment.
- The Senior Center is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

# TOWN OFFICERS AND OTHERS SERVING IN A FIDUCIARY CAPACITY

As of July 1, 2007

## **Animal Control Officer**

(appointed)  
Cynthia F. Brissett

## **Board of Assessment Appeals**

(elected-4 year term)  
Ann Fisher Bruzzi, Chairman  
John J. Allen  
Roderick M. Wyant III

## **Assessor**

(appointed-4 year term)  
Barbara S. Johnson

## **Auditor**

Charles P. Heaven & Company

## **Building Official**

William T. P. Jenks

## **Building & Property Commission**

(appointed-3 year term)  
John J. Allen, Chairman  
David Showalter  
Reese Owens

## **Conservation Commission**

(appointed-3 year term)  
Susan F. Payne, Chairman  
Kelly Boling  
Phillip Markert  
Linda Frank  
Joseph Gitterman  
Diane M. Dupuis, alt.  
Elizabeth Corrigan, alt.  
Daniel Sherr, alt.

## **Emergency Management**

(appointed)  
Robert Tomlinson  
Thomas Hearn

## **Board of Finance**

(elected-6 year term)  
Michael C. Jackson, Chairman  
Barbara Brown  
John Boyer  
John H. Field  
Rexford Swain  
Craig G. Schoon  
James L. Brinton, alt.  
Lisabeth D. Adams, alt.  
John J. Allen, alt.

## **Fire Chiefs**

Dick Murchison, Chief  
Duncan Woodruff, 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief

## **Fire Marshall**

(appointed)  
Donald S. Etherington

## **Health Director**

(appointed)  
Michael A. Crespan

**Historic District Commission**

(appointed-5 year term)  
Peter Arturi, Chairman  
William H. Smith  
Peter Talbot  
Alison Gilchrist  
Ronald K. Chute  
Jane Boyer, alt.  
Phyllis J. Mills, alt.  
Elizabeth M. Rives, alt.

**Housing Commission**

(appointed-3 year term)  
Wayne Hileman, Chairman  
Jean Suddaby  
F. Donald Brigham  
Lisabeth D. Adams  
Susan M. Werkhoven

**Inland Wetlands Commission**

(appointed-3 year term)  
Mark E. Picton, Chairman  
Charles LaMuniere  
Anthony J. Bedini  
Dorothy G. Hill  
Davin E. Thomson  
John Potter, alt.  
Kathryn E. Coe, alt.  
Vacancy, alt.  
Michael Ajello, Enforcement Officer

**Judea Cemetery Commission**

(appointed-5 year term)  
Dennis Hussey, Chairman  
Ruth M. Alex  
Phyllis Allen  
Ellen J. Condon  
Georgia P. Whitney

**Justices of the Peace**

(elected)  
Frank Adams  
Randall J. Breeckner  
Ann Fisher Bruzzi  
Matthew W. Cain  
Kenneth Cornet  
Reginald W. Fairbairn  
Edith C. Johnson  
Adam J. Korpalski  
Daniel J. Leab  
John J. Muckstadt  
Joseph A. Mustich  
John Olear  
Davyne E. Verstandig  
Joshua Weiner

**Lake Waramaug Authority**

(appointed-3 year term)  
Sandra Papsin  
Edwin S. Matthews, Jr.  
Dean Sarjeant

**Land Use Coordinator**

(appointed)  
Janet M. Hill

**Municipal Agent for the Elderly**

(appointed)  
Pamela F. Collins

**Open Burning Official**

(appointed)  
Gunnar Neilson

**Parks and Recreation Commission**

(appointed-3 year term)  
Sheila M. Anson, Chairman  
Timothy A. Cook  
Raymond W. Reich  
Joseph B. Fredlund  
Joan M. Gauthey  
Holly Z. Haas  
Christopher J. Kersten  
Louis Magnoli

**Planning Commission**

(appointed-5 year term)  
Adelaide Roberts, Chairman  
Paul Frank  
Christopher Charles  
Dimitri Rimsky  
Sarah E. Gager  
Barbara G. Braverman, alt.  
J. Winston Fowlkes III, alt.  
Richard O. Carey, alt.

**Police**

(appointed)  
Stephen Sordi, Resident State Trooper  
Caleb Shropshire, Full Time Officer  
Patrick J. Kessler, Full Time Officer  
John Wyshynski, Part Time Officer  
Herbert Fuhman, Part Time Officer  
Thomas J. Accousti, Part Time Officer  
Lee Levesque, Part Time Officer

**Probate Court Judge**

(elected-4 year term)  
Judge Victoria M. Cherniske

**Region #12 School Board**

(elected-4 year term)  
Washington Representatives:  
Irene Allan, Chairman  
James Hirschfield  
Valerie J. Andersen  
Matthew Franjola  
Michelle Gorra  
Anthony J. Bedini

**Registrars of Voters**

(elected-4 year term)  
Constance Kaylor  
Mary Ann Rimbocchi

**Board of Selectmen**

(elected-2 year term)  
Richard C. Sears, First Selectman  
Nicholas N. Solley  
Mark E. Lyon

**Senior Center Director**

(appointed)  
Pamela F. Collins

**Tax Collector**

(elected-2 year term)  
Tanya J. Wescott

**Town Clerk**

(elected-4 year term)  
Sheila M. Anson

**Treasurer**

(elected-2 year term)  
Linda M. McGarr

**Tree Warden**

(appointed)  
Owen Moore

**Zoning Commission**

(elected-6 year term)

David L. Owen, Chairman

Gary Fitzherbert

Valerie Friedman

Ralph V. Averill

Luis Abella

Andrew Shapiro, alt.

Harry H. Wyant, alt.

Stephen Wadelton, alt.

Michael Ajello, Enforcement Officer

**Zoning Board of Appeals**

(elected-4 year term)

Bradford Sedito, Chairman

Katherine K. Leab

Randolph W. Snook

Mary J. Roberts

Todd Catlin

Peter Bowman, alt.

Georgia P. Middlebrook, alt.

Roderick M. Wyant III, alt.

# VITAL STATISTICS

## **Births: 21**

## **Marriages: 44**

### **(Partial list)**

William E. Hurley and Heather J. March	Washington	July 1, 2006
Timothy J. Winans and Christine A. Corbani	Washington	July 11, 2006
Benjamin R. Woodruff and Kris S. Parra	Washington	August 26, 2006
Michael O. Foss II and Stephanie P. McDonald	Washington	September 2, 2006
Robert J. Matia and Diane M. Vecchiarelli	Washington	September 9, 2006
Frederick W. Hoffman and Sarah E. Logue	Washington	September 16, 2006
Charles R. Swan and Nicole L. Coupland	Harwinton	September 22, 2006
Bliksem R. Tobey and Sarah S. Payne	Washington	September 30, 2006
Christopher M. Evans and Melissa K. Anson	Washington	October 7, 2006
Brian T. Ohmen and Margaret J. Doyle	Washington	October 14, 2006
Scott A. Lynch and Gillette C. deBary	Washington	October 30, 2006
Lee A. Jupina and Jessica L. Daigle	New Milford	November 16, 2006
Branden C. Bohan and Alecia P. Gamble	Washington	November 25, 2006
Edmond A. Genest and Patricia R. Curtin	Washington	April 13, 2007
Linwood R. Gee and Patricia J. Meyer	Washington	April 14, 2007
Gregory A. Willmott and Melissa J. Morse	Bethel	April 28, 2007
David A. Griesbach and Deborah Ghose	Washington	May 12, 2007
Zen C. Rill and Tammy L. Wyant	Washington	May 19, 2007
David L. Plourde and Kinika Intarat	Washington	May 24, 2007
Clifford K. Jones and Maureen L. Morrill	Brookfield	May 27, 2007
Michael H. Ullram and Claire C. LeBlanc	Washington	June 2, 2007
Richard M. Block and Anne W. Gurnsey	Washington	June 2, 2007
Lucius A. Howell and Sarah S. Stehli	Washington	June 16, 2007
David P. Anderson and Kara W. Cicchetti	Washington	June 23, 2007

## **Civil Unions:**

David A. Behnke and Paul F. Doherty, Jr.      Washington      September 17, 2006

**Deaths:**

David Eugene Bell	July 2, 2006
Emma Elizabeth Bennett	July 20, 2006
Robert R. Anderson	July 26, 2006
Andrew G. Cherniske	August 3, 2006
H. Perry Cavarly	August 21, 2006
Robert H. Larson	August 26, 2006
William H. Darragh	September 29, 2006
Ada May Murphy Delancy	October 10, 2006
Marion Woodruff	October 18, 2006
William W. Worcester	October 26, 2006
June D. Wyant	November 23, 2006
Jerome J. Keip	December 23, 2006
John J. Mathews	December 29, 2006
Lawrence G. Goodman	January 4, 2007
Dr. Jean Holzworth	January 13, 2007
Terrance M. Connor	February 14, 2007
Anna Marie Frulla	January 20, 2007
James R. Bennett	March 8, 2007
Margaret Edmonds	March 21, 2007
Frances A. Bennett	March 22, 2007
Arthur Joseph Bohan	March 23, 2007
Doris E. Fray	March 24, 2007
Earl J. Slack	April 5, 2007
Michael S. Sorell	April 20, 2007
Linda Kay Cohen	April 29, 2007
Douglas A. Stoughton	May 3, 2007
Bette Collins	May 21, 2007

**LAND RECORDS AND  
MAPS, DOGS, SPORTSMEN’S LICENSES**  
July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

Land Records Filed	1389 Documents
Maps Filed	42
Dog/Kennel Licenses	433
Sportsmen’s Licenses	605

# **SHEPAUG VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #12**

## **Introduction**

The 2006-2007 school year was marked by the continued lack of resolution to the elementary facilities question that has been a central challenge to the Region for the last four years. Progress was made by the Board of Education Building Committee toward the identification of a plan for a consolidated elementary school to be located on a site in Roxbury which had been optioned by the Board of Education. The effort to bring a referendum to the voters on this solution was stymied by both litigation pertaining to the original regionalization “plan” of 1967, as well as a technical error which caused cancellation of a planned referendum.

Also significant during this school year was the transition in Region leadership, with Dr. Richard E. Carmelich retiring at the end of January after four years of outstanding service to the district, and being succeeded by Dr. Bruce E. Storm who took over the position of Superintendent in mid-February. One key project that was continued was carrying through with the final year of the district’s strategic plan, and setting the groundwork for a successor plan. As mentioned in earlier annual reports, the position of Director of Curriculum and Instruction was gradually phased into place over the previous two years as a part of the long range thinking of the plan. In this school year the position was expanded to the target of a full-time position and was filled in anticipation of the work that would be undertaken in the 2007-2008 school year.

It is extremely pleasing to report that Region 12 students once again achieved at high levels in academic and co-curricular areas, with many of their accomplishments highlighted in the following pages of this document. A new K-5 math program was adopted after a full year of research and investigation and a review of the arts curriculum was completed.

A variety of repairs were made to all of Region 12 facilities, with the completion of a new gymnasium wall at Burnham School standing out not only for the size of the undertaking, but also for the essential nature of this effort. It remains for us to find a way to finally decide what approach, if any, will make the most sense for resolving the needed work on the “veteran” facilities at the elementary level. Repairs and replacements will continue as funding allows, but in the final analysis it will be essential to the children of Region 12 that their needs are met in buildings that are sufficient to successful learning experiences for all students.

### **2006-2007 Student Achievement**

86% of the class of 2007 will be continuing their formal education

81% will be attending four year colleges/universities

### **Top "5" Seniors/Class of 2007 and College/University Attending**

Nora Allen - Cornell

Conor Galligan - Dartmouth

Susannah Horton - Vassar

Cristina Fernandes-O'Toole - U. S. Merchant Marine Academy

Caitlin Ronan - McGill University

### **Student of the Year**

David Kincade

### **Teacher of the Year for RSD #12 (2006-2007)**

Virginia Staugaitis – Washington Primary School Spanish Teacher

### **Superintendent's Awards (CAPSS)**

WPS - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Shaelyn Rourk

BES - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Taylor Weston

BFS - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Larissa Walsh

MS - 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Alana Crumrine

HS - 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Wesley Cooke

HS - 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Rebecca Rebillard

### **Western Connecticut Superintendent's Awards (CAPSS)**

MS - 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Jordan Butler

HS - 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Wesley Cooke

HS - 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Christine Beatty

### **CABE (CT Association of Boards of Education) Student Leadership Award (HS)**

12<sup>th</sup> grade, Rebecca Hora

12<sup>th</sup> grade, Michael Nappi

### **CAS (CT Association of Schools) Scholar-Athlete Awards (H.S.)**

Nora Allen

Michael Nappi

### **CAS (CT Association of Schools) Scholar Leader Awards (M.S.)**

Anna Davies

Matthew Griffith

## President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement

Kyla Peters

### High Honors all year for Academic Achievement at High School

**Grade 9** – Alexandria Bierce, Alison Carini, Emma Cava, Nicole Deanne, Christina Dumas, Nicole Hartman, KD MacDonald, Charlotte McConaghy, Megan Piersall, Aimee Reutzel, Marina Scanlon, Kimberly Ann Seeger, Ehris Urban, Amanda Walsh, Catherine Wolk, Megan Woodruff

**Grade 10** – Hannah Andrews, Riley Brigham, Anna Carlson, Carley Davenport, Lauren Dever, Tara Furey, Kerry Gallagher, Sarah Gomez, Gina Graziani, Margaret Hirschfield, Alexa Hopkins, Teige Horrigan, Sarah Kelly, Sara Little, Jay McGorty, Joanna Nappi

**Grade 11** – Julia Benivegna, Jessica Bisignano, Eleanor Curren, Caroline DeLuca, Carolyn Gribble, Zachary Gross, Daniel Harris, Patrick Horrigan, Troy Horrigan, Emilie Kracen, Brittany Myers, Ryan O'Donnell, Melissa Randall, Samantha Steinmetz

**Grade 12** – Nora Allen, Katherine Andre, Christine Beatty, Cristina Fernandez-O'Toole, Conor Galligan, Emily Giess, Laura Hirschfield, Rebecca Hora, Callie Larson, Tara O'Connell-Santos, Cassandra Pinter, Caitlin Ronan, Charles VanKirk, Christina Wells

### National Honor Society Members at High School

#### **Present Members –**

Nora Allen, Katherine Andre, Rachel Barth, Christine Beatty, Chelsea Berg, Eleni Drakatos, Sarah Edwards, Cristina Fernandez-O'Toole, Conor Galligan, Christopher Gomez, Laura Hirschfield, Rebecca Hora, Susannah Horton, David Kinkade, Callie Larson, Sara Osborne, Kyla Peters, Cassandra Pinter, Kristyn Prendergast, Rebecca Rebillard, Caitlin Ronan, Ruth Tompkins, Christina Wells

**Newly Elected Members** – Julia Benivegna, Jessica Bisignano, Benjamin Carlson, Wesley Cooke, Eleanor Curren, Caroline DeLuca, Ryan Firmender, Carolyn Gribble, Zachary Gross, Daniel Harris, Patrick Horrigan, Troy Horrigan, Emilie Kracen, Tegan Laing, Stephanie Moots, Brittany Myers, Melissa Randall, Amy Semenetz, Samantha Steinmetz, George Venturella

## Athletic Achievements/Information

### Total Number of Student Athlete

Roster Spots by Grade

	<b>Males</b>	<b>Females</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>55</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>118</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>60</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>126</b>
<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>78</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>31</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>428</b>

### **Team Records**

Field Hockey	10-6-0-0	Swimming	14-3-0
Boys soccer	11-4-1	Baseball	13-7
Boys Cross Country	6-4-0	Softball	8-12
Girls Cross Country	9-1-0	Boys Tennis	11-5-0
Girls soccer	5-8-3	Girls Tennis	13-3-0
Boys Basketball	15-5	Girls Track & Field	9-1-0
Girls Basketball	17-3	Boys track & Field	6-3-1
Boys Ice Hockey	0-20-0		

### **Athletic Programs Offered**

- Female: Field Hockey, Track, Soccer, Softball, Basketball, Tennis, Cross Country, Cheerleading
- Male: Soccer, Track, Swimming, Basketball, Baseball, Cross Country, Tennis, Ice Hockey, Golf, Wrestling

### **Berkshire League Championships**

Swimming  
Girls Tennis

### **Sportsmanship Award Winners**

#### **From Berkshire League**

Field Hockey  
Baseball  
Golf

### **Michaels Cup Award**

#1 Class 'S' Athletic Program in State of CT - (11<sup>th</sup> time winning the award)  
(7th consecutive year winning Class "S")

### **Charles McGinnus Award (top male athlete)**

Chris Ayer

### **Joseph Babcock Award (top female athlete)**

Christina Wells

### **Northern Regional Music Festival**

Susannah Horton, Lily Horton, Anna Carlson, Mic Urban, Emmeline Pappas

### **Outstanding Academic Achievement (Middle School) (8<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

Excellence in English	Anna Davies
Achievement in English	Alexandra Pepper
Commitment to Reading	Emily Cable
Achievement in Reading	Patrick Firemender
Excellence in Mathematics	Matthew Griffith

Achievement in Mathematics  
Excellence in Science  
Achievement in Science  
Excellence in Social Studies  
Achievement in Social Studies  
Excellence in Spanish  
Achievement in Spanish  
Excellence in French  
Achievement in French  
For Excellence in English as a  
Foreign Language  
Excellence in Art  
Excellence in Chorus

Excellence in Drama  
Excellence in Band  
Excellence in Technology  
Excellence in Computer Technology  
Excellence in Girls' Physical Education  
Excellence in Boys' Physical Education  
Special Award for Excellence in Metrology  
Forecasting  
D.A.R. Award

The Roxbury Good Citizenship Awards

Daniel Bisignano  
Mirriah Rebillard  
Carter Moots  
Eric Hungerford  
Claudia Bierce  
Eric Hungerford  
Linnea Quist  
Alana Crumrine  
Cooper Swenson

Bruna Pires  
Everett O'Reilly-Narciso  
Henry Pendergast &  
Elizabeth Kleisner  
Tyler Stinson & Julie Elwood  
Lillian Bogue  
Ariana Lowe  
Tarryn Bartkus  
Linnea Quist  
Henry Pendergast

Colleen Lavaway  
Lillian Bogue &  
Brendan Mitschow  
Jordan Butler & Patrick Firmender

## **Facilities**

The high school/middle school facility has undergone several upgrades in the past year. A new telephone system was installed; additional security cameras were put in place, new lockers were brought in, the front doors were replaced, and considerable painting was done.

The major area of concern for the school district, however, was the elementary school facilities. Throughout the year, committees of political leaders, townspeople, board of education members, and administrators worked to determine possible solutions to the failing condition of these school buildings. A non-binding referendum in March resulted in a decision to proceed with renovations to each of the three schools. Subsequent referenda, later in the spring, to provide bonding for these projects resulted in defeats. Thus, no real progress was made during the 2006-2007 school year to remedy this situation.

**Mastery Testing Scores**

During the 2005-2006 school year Mastery Tests were moved from the fall to the spring; as a consequence, the results for that school year are not part of this report. These scores are included with those for the most recent 2006-2007 school year results. Another change from 2004-2005; in addition to a shift to spring testing, was the inclusion of grades 3, 5 and 7, as part of the CMT program.

<b><i>Math</i></b>						
Grade	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b><i>2005/06</i></b>						
RSD #12	80.5	72.8	52.0	61.8	74.2	54.5
State Avg.	56	59	61	59	57	58
<b><i>2006/07</i></b>						
RSD #12	86.2	81.8	71.4	73.8	72.7	78.2
State Avg.	59	62	66	64	60	61
<b><i>Reading</i></b>						
Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b><i>2005/06</i></b>						
RSD #12	68.3	64.2	73.2	70.1	75.3	56.8
State Avg.	54	58	61	64	67	67
<b><i>2006/07</i></b>						
RSD #12	75.9	76.6	74.0	78.8	72.7	75.9
State Avg.	52	57	61	64	66	67
<b><i>Writing</i></b>						
Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b><i>2005/06</i></b>						
RSD #12	74.4	74.1	64.6	75.8	71.9	56.8
State Avg.	61	63	65	62	60	62
<b><i>2006/07</i></b>						
RSD #12	79.3	81.6	69.3	67.5	54.5	70.1
State Avg.	61	65	65	63	60	64

**2006 Connecticut Academic Performance Test (CAPT)**

<b><i>Test</i></b>	<b><i>% Mastery</i></b>	<b><i>% Proficient</i></b>
Math	63.0	90.0
Science	73.7	91.9
Reading	64.0	88.0
Writing	65.3	90.8

## SAT Scores

### Critical Reading

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
RSD #12	554	513	532	542	542	545	546	527
State	510	508	509	509	N/A	515	???	502

### Math

RSD #12	527	519	522	538	542	527	515	527
State	1019	1017	1019	1018	N/A	1030	xxx	1006

## 2006-2007 Enrollment Information

### October 2, 2006 Enrollment Information

Burnham School	113
Booth free School	132
Washington Primary School	191
Middle School	234
High School	392
REACH	20
Out-of District	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,110</b>

### Financial Information

- The appropriated 2006-07 budget was \$18,991,502.
- The un-audited/unofficial 2006-07 budget ended with a surplus of \$447,120 made up of the unspent appropriation of \$365,242 and additional revenue over budget of \$81,878.
- The bond rating for the district remained at AA (Fitch rating).
- % distribution between towns for student population and budget payments – (assessment) for 2006-07 based upon Oct. 1, 2005 student population:

<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>Roxbury</b>	<b>Washington</b>
24.55	30.88	44.57
- Recent history of budget increases and enrollment increases over previous years.

	<b>2001-02</b>	<b>2002/03</b>	<b>2003-04</b>	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
Enrollment	1,149	1,147	1,166	1,157	1,151	1,110
Budget Increase	7.31%	8.97%	4.84%	4.84%	3.89%	5.8%

Note: The budget increase for 2007-2008 is 3.97%.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12  
2006-2007**

		<b>Term Expires</b>
Irene Allan (Chair)	Washington	2009
Valerie Andersen (Treasurer)	Washington	2009
David Baron	Roxbury	2009
Mardie Ford (Secretary)	Bridgewater	2007
Sheila Gross	Roxbury	2007
James Hirschfield	Washington	2009
Matthew Franjola	Washington	2009
Michelle Gorra	Washington	2007
Lawrence O'Toole	Washington	2007
Laszlo Pinter	Bridgewater	2007
Gary Steinman (Vice-Chair)	Roxbury	2007
Edgar Wainwright	Bridgewater	2009

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce E. Storm, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

# SHEPAUG VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

## CLASS OF 2007

Nora Lewis Allen  
Ryan Lee Alves  
Nicole Lynn Anderson  
Katherine Elizabeth Andre  
Daniel Z. Aston  
Christopher Ashton Ayer  
Christine Lee Baillargeon  
Woodrow M. Banko  
Rachel A. Barth  
Christine Anne Beatty  
Rebecca Ann Bedini  
Chelsea Ann Berg  
Jeffrey Edwin Berry  
Dan J. Bierce  
Brittany Lynn Bohan  
Jenna Maurine Bollard  
Randy Lynn Breeckner  
Chase Aaron Chemero  
Taylor August Cipully  
Brianna Miller Cleary  
Stephen Michael Clinton  
Briana Rene Cloutier  
Samantha Grace Collins  
Taylor Channing Darling  
Emily Rose DeGrazia  
Cassie Louise DePecol  
Eleni Maria Drakatos  
David J. Easter  
Sarah Jane Edwards  
Steven Michael Espitee  
Christina Amalia Fernandez-O'Toole  
Victor Anthony Fiorito  
Nicholas Tucker Fredlund  
Sarah Quist Fredlund  
Janelle Leigh Gallant  
Conor Clark Galligan  
Nicholas Edward Garbien  
Emily Laws Giess  
Christopher A. Gomez  
Amanda Rose Grenier  
Vanessa Gail Henderson  
Laura A. Hirschfield  
Rebecca Ann Hora  
Susannah Faith Horton  
Joseph Rhodes Johanson  
Thomas F. Kean  
David Joseph Kinkade  
Carson George Kjep  
Zak Aldrich Klvana  
Addison Elizabeth Kurz  
Callie Brooks Larson  
Brian James Lewis  
Gwynne Marie Little  
Lawrence LiVolsi  
Ashleigh Elizabeth Lowe  
Dillon Jon Luongo  
Benjamin Mercer Mayer  
Eugene James McAward  
Joshua Douglas McHan  
Guiseppe Rocco McNamara  
Kaylee Christina Merrithew  
Lauren Mills  
Rae Louise Moore  
Joseph Robert Moravsky  
Meghan Alexandra Morse  
Michael Thomas Nappi  
Tara O'Connell-Santos  
Sara Ann Osborne  
Ryan Michael Parker  
Drew Alexandra Peschel  
Kyla Elizabeth Peters  
Allison Kristen Piersall  
Cassandra Carol Pinter  
Kristyn Marie Prendergast  
Sara Cynthia Taylor Ranson  
Tucker James Rast  
Rebecca Anna Rebillard  
Derek Joseph Rendina  
Nicholas Paul Retalis  
Edward Foster Rogers  
Caitlin R. Ronan  
Ryan Paul Russo  
Brianna Jewel Sancious  
Lauren Marie Schwartz  
Shane Silvermail  
Cassandra Anne Smith  
Ruth Elizabeth Tompkins  
Ryan Paul Underwood  
Charles Tyler Van Kirk  
Joseph Edward Voelpel  
Drew vonReyn  
Christina Ashley Wells  
Nathan C. Wheeler

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

The Board of Selectmen provided oversight for many important projects and discussed critical issues during the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year. Here are some highlights:

Capital Projects begun, completed or put out to bid:

- Roof Replacement New Preston Firehouse
- Fire Truck and Highway truck purchased
- Pedestrian Bridge & Riverbank Stabilization at Legion Hall
- Public Works Garage Expansion, storage building erected
- Reclaiming & Repaving Nichols Hill Road, Potash Hill & Popple Swamp
- New playground equipment, Washington Primary School
- Town Hall Master Plan put out to bid
- New telephone system, Town Hall
- 16 Titus Road restoration and walking path project begun
- Lake Waramaug Boat Ramp & Parking put out to bid

Discussions about significant issues:

- Impeachment of President Bush
- Cell Tower in Marbledale
- Potter Farm Proposition—conservation and housing development
- Discontinue portion of Frisbie Road
- Lake Waramaug Agreement and Boat Ramp
- Region 12 primary schools, Washington Primary School

Special Committees appointed:

- 16 Titus Road Committee
- Beach Facilities Committee
- River Front Loop Walking Path Committee

Hired Kevin Smith, Highway Director

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard C. Sears, First Selectman

# ANIMAL CONTROL

This department received over 1500 calls for the fiscal year of 2006-2007. We started this fiscal year the same way we ended last years - on TV - because of another rabid animal attack - this time a coyote bit several people. (Last year it was a fox.) All persons involved required the series of rabies shots. All the more reason to make sure your pets are up to date with their vaccines. As dogs get lost they are prone to contact with not only domestic animals but the wildlife as well.

Over 200 animals were turned in to this department while only 12 actually had to go to the pound. Five of those 12 were claimed by their owners, five were placed into new homes while the remaining two unfortunately died at the scene of an accident. The others -approximately 190- were returned to their owners due to wearing their dog license and or some form of ID.

A total of 432 dogs were licensed in the 06-07 year. If your dog is spayed or neutered you will receive a \$10.00 discount on your license which may be purchased in the Town Clerks office each June.

Four people had to receive ER treatment for dog bites. Eleven written warnings were given while only two infractions (ticket) had to be issued.

The majority of calls were for roaming dogs. Wandering and problematic wildlife came in next along with nuisance calls concerning domestic animals and livestock. Lost and found animals, reports of cruelty and neglect mixed in with the rest of the calls made for a busy year.

\*\*\*A note of interest: Several years ago my daughter Brett, now 25, was sworn in as my assistant. She is highly qualified as she was 'assisting' me in my duties as Dog Warden while I was pregnant with her. Now, my granddaughter, age 18, was sworn in as my second assistant in June. She also is highly qualified as she has been by my side helping in every capacity since she was able to. Now that's on the job training. With that, I believe we put Washington on the map as being the first with three generations, and all women, serving together in one department, all ACO's at the same time.

Any animal concerns or questions please call 868-2870.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cynthia Brissett  
Animal Control Officer/Dog Warden

## ASSESSOR

It has been business as usual in the Assessor's office with land transfers continuing at the usual Washington speed (moderate) and building also at the same rate. There are more tear-downs for rebuilding in the past few years than in the prior thirty-five years I have worked in this office. In those years the only reason a house came down was because of fire and, thankfully, very few of those.

The Grand List for October 1, 2006 increased by 1.7% to a total taxable figure of \$966,443,240. and again the increase is mainly in the real estate section.

A reminder, as the inspections for the October 1, 2008 revaluation begin, that everyone's cooperation as to interior inspections will result in a more precise assessment of the property. Our aim is to be fair and equitable and to do that, the information must be accurate. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara S. Johnson, CCMA II

# BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The long anticipated drop in construction activity has finally arrived in Washington. Fiscal year 06/07 dropped almost 50% from the unusual high of over \$50 million last fiscal year! The total number of permits issued increased. However, the average value per permit dropped over 50%. The largest percentage drop in construction came in the number of new dwelling units. Only six new unit permits were issued last year, about one-third of what would be expected.

The following is a four year comparison:

<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>	<b>03/04</b>	<b>04/05</b>	<b>05/06</b>	<b>06/07</b>
# PERMITS:	623	712	636	703
# NEW HOUSES:	29	15	20	6
PERMIT FEE:	\$253,426	\$238,426	\$311,510	\$255,337
TOTAL VALUE:	\$40,170,567	\$39,097,597	\$50,296,105	\$26,615,612
AVG. VALUE:	\$64,479	\$54,814	\$79,081	\$37,860

We are starting to see a lot of existing dwellings undergoing large scale additions and renovations. We are also seeing some existing dwellings being demolished to make way for a totally new dwelling. The demolition of one dwelling to construct another would not be counted in the new dwelling unit count. We anticipate a little increase next fiscal year from the 06/07 figures with total construction in the mid \$30 million range.

Respectfully submitted,  
William T. P. Jenks, Building Official

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission was created by Town Ordinance #7096, effective January 1, 2000. Its powers and duties are those set forth in Section 7-131a of the CT General Statutes. Per the statute: “Any town...may establish a conservation commission for the development, conservation, supervision and regulation of natural resources, including water resources, within its territorial limits.”

## Activities during fiscal year 2006-2007

The role of the Conservation Commission is advisory. Referrals from other land use commissions are appreciated.

In response to referrals from the Planning and Inland Wetlands Commission, our recommendations included: consideration of roadside buffers to protect rural character, protection of wetlands in addition to the regulatory guidelines, the use of herbicides to control invasives, caution on the clear cutting of trees and shrubs to protect the natural landscape and help prevent storm water runoff, the planting of native plants, caution on the removal of existing historic stone walls, and the use of certified forest management plans.

The **Cell Tower Committee** kept townspeople informed of the proposed cell tower for the Underwood site on Mountain Road, enlisted the town as an intervenor, convinced the Zoning Commission to retain its regulations, Section, Telecommunications, and conducted a town-wide cell tower survey.

## Cell Tower Survey

More than 300 residents responded in June:

- 47% of cell phone users had coverage on Route 202
- 26.5% do not get coverage
- 26.5% do not know or do not care about coverage
- 45% are concerned about health issues
- 73% favor protecting the Town's aesthetics and scenic view sheds
- 65% in favor of retaining the Zoning Telecommunications Regulations (Section 13.19)
- 60% do not want blanket coverage in Washington; 40% do

The **Ridgeline Protection Committee** recommendation in 2006 to the Zoning Commission resulted in one new regulation that limits the visual prominence of structures: the finished height of a building must be measured from the pre-existing grade and must be measured on site prior to any site disturbance. With

ridgeline protection key to our rural character, other regulatory recommendations are being researched.

The **Town Greenway's** area of greatest use is in the Depot in the Primary Schoolyard to the Firehouse. The Town Greenway is now connected to the Macricostas Preserve. Signs have been posted along Route 47 to Route 202 to Christian Street.

**Scenic Road Designation**, ordinance adopted at the fall 2003 town meeting, is an easy and important tool to protect the Town's rural character. Information packets to propose a scenic road designation are available in the Land Use office, on the town web site, or by contacting Conservation Commission member, Joe Gitterman, 868-1090. (See box for list of Scenic Roads.)

**A list of invasive plants is now available on the town web site.**

**Standing Subcommittees:**

- Cell Tower- Diane Dupuis, chair
- Data Management for land use needs-Kelly Boling, chair;
- Flora & Fauna/Invasives, Endangered Species & Bird Identification – Betsy Corrigan, chair.
- Greenway (see Town Web Site) – Susan Payne, chair. Meets the first Monday of the month at 4 PM.
- Monitoring of Town properties -Linda Frank, chair
- Open Space Committee –Susan Payne, chair. Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 4 PM.
- Water Resources – Phil Markert, chair

Representatives from other town commissions are invited to participate. Volunteers are always needed.

The commission is most grateful for the expert services of Pam Osborne as our secretary.

We urge you all to be stewards of this beautiful, rural community we live in: conserve water, eradicate invasives, protect our New England stonewalls, minimize outdoor lighting, care for our woodlands, do not clear cut, drive slowly and participate in the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Payne, chair; Kelly Boling, vice-chair; Linda Frank, Joe Gitterman and Phil Markert; alternates: Betsy Corrigan, Diane Dupuis and Dan Sherr.

**The Conservation Commission meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 5PM in the Land Use Room. Minutes are available on Town Web Site: [www.washingtonct.org](http://www.washingtonct.org)**

### **Conservation Commission Publications**

Natural Resource Inventory Report and Recommendation (2000), available at Town Hall and the Hickory Stick Bookshop. (\$25 per copy)

Land Use in Washington, CT: Regulations, Agencies and Commissions (2003), available from the Land Use office, Town Hall.

Greenway Historic Points-of-Interest Trail Guide (2005), available at Town Hall

### **Town of Washington - Scenic Roads**

12/2/03	Turner Road
3/2/04	Buffum Road
4/6/04	Gunn Hill Road (.9 mile)
8/3/04	Shinar Mountain Road
10/5/04	Senff Road
11/3/04	Walker Brook Road
2/1/05	West Morris Road
4/5/05	Sunny Ridge Road (Rt. 109 south)
5/3/06	Nettleton Hollow Road
8/2/05	Hinkle Road
10/4/05	Wheaton Road
9/6/06	Rabbit Hill Road
12/2/06	Couch Road

## **ELECTIONS**

We attended a training and introduction session with the new voting machine in September 2006.

Two mandated voter registrations sessions were held for the November 2006 elections in October 2006.

Only new residents, new citizens and residents who turned 28 after October 30<sup>th</sup> were able to register on November 6, 2006. On November 7, 2006, Election Day, the polls were open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

In February 2007, we sent out a State required canvass and your prompt reply was greatly appreciated. In June 2007, the Registrars and their Deputies attended a two day State ROVAC Convention.

Respectfully submitted,  
Constance Kaylor  
Mary Ann Rimocchi  
Registrars of Voters

## BOARD OF FINANCE

Our budget for the 2006-2007 fiscal year was based on our Grand List of \$950 million, which was 2% higher than the preceding year. Region 12's budget for the past year increased \$1,041,122 or just under 6% over the prior year. Our Town's share of the Region's expenditure, before grants, increased \$473,003 or 4.5% to \$8,464,512. Our student population in the Region increased slightly over the prior year. After Education grant credits from the State and reimbursements from the Region are factored, our actual educational expense increased 6.2% to \$8,024,797.

Actual Town Operating Expenditures increased by \$133,026 or 3% to \$3,764,614, including ex-budget appropriations and before debt service, while the Town's net capital budget was \$1,102,050 including anticipated grants of \$369,006 for projects which would not be undertaken without the grants. The Board increased the mill rate to 12.

The coming year's budget (2007-2008) is based upon a Grand List which increased approximately \$16.3 million or 1.72% to \$966,998,440. The Region's budget, not including debt service, increased \$775,008 or 4%. Our Town's share will increase \$483,957 or 4% to \$8,942,718 before grants and reimbursements. After anticipated credits, our net expense would increase by 5.5%. The Town's operating expense budget is \$3,716,797 before debt service, which is an increase of \$114,713 or 3% over last year's budget. The Town's capital budget decreased to \$1,069,603 (U37). Given the increase in the Grand List for the year, your Board felt it should increase the current mill rate one mill to 12. The Board is hopeful that future increases in the Region's budget will be limited to the increase in the Grand List. However, the building program currently being considered can only increase our mill rate.

Again, this year I would like to thank the members of the Board of Finance for their dedication and participation: Jack Boyer, Rex Swain, Jack Field, Craig Schoon, Barbara Brown, Liddy Adams, John Allen and Jim Brinton. I would particularly like to thank our vice-chairman, Jack Field, for all his effort on the school construction program. His help is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael C. Jackson, Chairman

## **FIRE MARSHAL**

Three structure fires accounted for the majority of the yearly fire loss which amounted to \$399,000.

The Fire Department continues to pursue the installation of fire hydrants where a viable water supply can be found. Any resident who has a pond or free flowing stream and wishes to assist in this program is urged to call the Firehouse at 860-868-7403 and leave a message with a return telephone number.

The new tank truck is nearing completion and will be stationed in New Preston when completed. It will feature a front mounted pump and a 2500 gallon water tank.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald S. Hetherington  
Fire Marshal

# THE GUNN MEMORIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

The Library and Museum remain dedicated to providing free public library services to Washington, Connecticut, and the surrounding communities and to promoting literacy, education, and preservation of the Town's history and culture. We are pleased to report another successful year, as noted by the statistics below.

We are so pleased to have seen so many residents - young and old, groups and individuals, through organized programs or simply people choosing to meet for daily interaction - coming through our door during the past fiscal year. If you are not a regular user of our many resources, we welcome you to join your friends and neighbors. We look forward to seeing you!

## **Items of note during the past year include:**

- 44,560 people came into the library.
- We circulated 61,828 items.
- 3,602 titles were requested and held for patrons.
- 1,613 interlibrary loans were borrowed from other libraries for our patrons.
- The GML loaned 2,239 volumes to other libraries on interlibrary loan.
- 50 signed in to work in the Connecticut Room researching topics of local interest.
- Registered borrowers, all residents of Washington, total 3,910.
- Our collection rose to 53,972 items in print and non-print format.
- Electronic resources remained in high demand & were accessed 28,925 times.
- 1,836 adults attended 54 diverse programs in the form of lectures, book discussions, talks and workshops offered, or hosted, by GML.
- Our programs and lectures featured: Debby Applegate, Ted Morse, Ambassador William Luers, Tim Palmer, Starling Lawrence and Kay Abella, among many other distinguished authors, talented individuals and people of note.
- Our enthusiastic and loyal corps of volunteers totals 77 people!
- In the Junior Library, 181 programs were held for 5 age ranges (2's, 3 - 4's, K - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grades) with a total attendance of 1,947 children / 869 adults.
- The Summer Reading Program entitled "Paws, Claws, Scales & Tails" drew 289 readers who completed 4,907 hours of reading!
- 1,448 visitors were counted at the Museum.

- Shepaug Middle School eighth graders guest curated a transcribed letter and history project:  
Abner Mitchell: The Letters of a Civil War Soldier
- Museum exhibits included:  
Country Chairs: From Children to Garden & Everyday Use, Three Decades of Care for our Town; The Washington Environmental Council, Tractor Mac and his Farm Friends, Connecticut's First Heritage Lake: Lake Waramaug, and Steam Toys: a Collectors Passion.
- Rossiter: Country Houses of Washington, Connecticut, written by Stephen Ketterer and designed by Wendell Minor, won a 2007 Ct Book Award in the Design category!

A multitude of thanks to the trustees, volunteers (including a boatload of students), staff, donors, and supporters whose contributions on so many levels make all the above noted achievements possible.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Chapin  
Executive Director

# HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The public health service agreement between the Town of Washington and the Town of New Milford continued during this fiscal year. The services provided cover all basic services related to environmental and public health. These include permitting and approval of subsurface sewage disposal systems and private wells for any building activity, inspections of food service establishments, investigation of complaints, water testing at the Town Beach and follow-up on cases of reportable disease.

Service hours in the Town of Washington are held on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Office hours are from 9:30 to 10:30 AM and field inspections are conducted after office hours and at other times. Business may also be conducted during the regular hours of the New Milford Health Department, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. A part-time sanitarian also provides additional environmental health services during the summer, fall and spring as needed.

The activities performed by the Department for the current fiscal year were as follows:

<b>Septic Permits Issued</b>	New	10
	Repair	25
<b>Private Well Permits Issued</b>		29
<b>Food Service Inspections</b>		29

The total amount of permit fees collected for all Health Department activities was **\$6,355.00**.

Several bathing water samples were collected at the Washington Town Beach during the year. Results showed that the water quality continues to be excellent for bathing.

In regard to reportable diseases, there were forty (40) reports received from area physicians and medical laboratories. The diseases that were reported most frequently were ehrlichiosis (15 reports) and hepatitis C (9 reports).

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael A. Crespan  
Director of Health

## **HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

The Historic District Commission conducted ten regular meetings, ten public hearings concerning applications for Certificates of Appropriateness, and no special meetings. Eight Certificates of Appropriateness were issued.

The Commission continued the procedure of sending a memo to all residents in a district notifying them when a public hearing is scheduled, which has increased the attendance of district residents at hearings. The Commission implemented a process by which new purchasers of properties in districts are sent a letter introducing them to the Commission, its jurisdiction and procedures. The Commission also started recording notices of violations in the land records for work done on properties in districts without a Certificate of Appropriateness, or not in compliance with the requirements of a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Several members of the Commission attended a seminar in Redding in September presented by the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation on managing historic districts.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Arturi, Chairman

## **INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**

The Inland Wetlands Commission is mandated by State Statute to protect the Town's wetlands and watercourses from degradation and pollution. Except for June, July, August, and December when it meets only once a month and November when the second meeting date may be changed to accommodate Thanksgiving, the Commission meets twice a month on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Land Use Meeting Room, Bryan Memorial Town Hall.

Its members give many hours of their time. In addition to attending the 18 regularly scheduled meetings, they also attend educational seminars and inspect the site conditions on properties where regulated activities are proposed. During the fiscal year 2006-2007 the Commission conducted 45 site inspections and held 5 Special Meetings. It considered 60 applications, approving 51, and denying 4. One application was withdrawn and 4 were pending at the end of the year. Eight public hearings were held to consider applications for significant activities, citations, and enforcement matters. Eleven requests for revisions to previously issued permits were considered and approved. There were fifteen enforcement matters that required either a notice of violation or an enforcement order and many other less serious unauthorized activities that were handled by either the Commission or the Enforcement Officer.

Michael Ajello, Wetlands Enforcement Officer, and Janet Hill, Commission Clerk and Land Use Coordinator, manned the Land Use Office, serving both the public and the Commission.

The Commission members as of June 2007 were Mark Picton, Chairman, Tony Bedini, Vice Chairman, Dorothy Hill, Charles LaMuniere, and Marguerite Purnell. Alternates were Katherine Coe and David Thomson and newly appointed commissioner, John Potter.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Picton, Chairman

## **JUDEA CEMETERY COMMISSION**

The Judea Cemetery is the oldest known cemetery in the Town of Washington. Documentation of people being buried dates back to 1743. The Cemetery is located one mile from the First Congregational Church on the Green on Judea Cemetery Road. It is situated at the top of the hill in a very rural and picturesque part of Town.

The annual meeting was held on July 20, 2006 in Bryan Memorial Town Hall. Judea Cemetery is maintained by the Town and a Commission of five volunteers, appointed by the Board of Selectmen. At present, Dennis Hussey acts as Chairman, Nelly Condon, Ruth Alex, Dolly Whitney, and Phyllis Allen serve as members of the Judea Cemetery Commission. Sexton, David Swanson, maintains the grounds and does the burials. Lots may be purchased by residents and any non-residents who have a community interest in the Town. Most of the financial activity this fiscal year was in the purchase of plots. More landscaping and tree removal was completed.

Judea Cemetery is honored ground and the Town takes great pride in having this site to bury our loved ones.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dennis Hussey, Chairman

# LAKE WARAMAUG AUTHORITY

The main responsibility of The Lake Waramaug Authority is to ensure that the lake is a safe and healthy environment for recreational activities. The Lake Waramaug Authority is comprised of both elected and appointed members from the bordering towns of Kent, Warren and Washington.

During the summer of 2007, the Marine Patrol logged 28 scheduled and 7 random patrol shifts, totaling 147 Officer hours. The random patrols have proven effective and will be continued in future seasons. During these shifts, the Patrol conducted 47 checks that resulted in 5 violations, 1 infraction, and 11 written and verbal warnings. The Patrol also carried out one water rescue, and one medical assist. Three disabled vessels were towed to shore. There were no incidents during any of the crew races held on the lake.

The Lake Authority in conjunction with the Washington Volunteer Fire Department, continues to focus on cold water and under ice rescue, utilizing the new Search and Rescue Airboat purchased last year through private donations. During the winter the team conducted rescue-training sessions, is actively training this fall and will continue to do so throughout the winter months. Prior to the acquisition of the search and rescue boat, there was no safe, dependable way for the rescue team to provide cold water and under ice rescue.

The Lake Authority considers the risks of swimming too far away from shore or outside designated swim areas without the protection of a spotter boat to be of significant concern. This summer we worked together with the Lake Waramaug Association to notify their members of this risk. We will continue to educate swimmers of the dangers of this type of activity.

The Lake Authority will be notifying the three bordering towns of the need for a new patrol boat, which is expected to cost approximately \$42,000.00.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sandy Papsin, Secretary

## **MUNICIPAL AGENT**

The office of the Municipal Agent is responsible for assisting elders by providing information and referrals to services and benefit programs. In the calendar year 2006, this office received approximately 229 inquiries from seniors and the disabled. The services of this office are available to all residents of the Town of Washington over the age of 60 and their families, as well as the disabled. There are no fees or income limitations. My office is open on Tuesdays or by appointment. The phone number is 860-868-0735.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pamela Collins  
Municipal Agent for the Elderly

## NEW MILFORD VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

*The New Milford Visiting Nurse Association* has once again seen a large increase in activities during the past fiscal year in the Town of Washington. We are pleased to be able to care for clients in Washington and very grateful for the continued support of the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Finance and the people of the Washington community.

During this year a full-time R.N. served the patient population in Washington. In total, 1,896 *visits* were made to Washington residents. These visits were made by RNs, physical, occupational and speech therapists, medical social workers, and home health aides. Through our *Medicare Certified Hospice Program*, we provided care for terminally ill patients and their families who are residents of the Town of Washington. We continue to visit the elderly in our *Health Promotion Program*, an essential community preventive program in which the visiting nurse checks in on a healthy person every month or two to help clients prevent serious health problems. We also continue to offer *Well Child Clinic* to Washington residents. This well-respected program of the New Milford VNA provides uninsured and underinsured children with examinations and immunizations from birth through 18 years of age. We have also been very busy with our *Lyme Disease Education Program*, which is available to all within our service area. Our "*Flex Appeal*" a program of exercises for senior citizens was a very big success and a favorite at the senior center. We have been requested to make this a regular program.

*Volunteers* are an important component of our agency's outreach, and many hours of volunteer work were given to Washington residents both in our Care of the Sick and Hospice Programs. Six Hospice volunteers are residents of the Town of Washington and they provide support in many ways for the terminally ill and their families.

We continue to be part of the *Greater New Milford Breast Care Coalition* along with New Milford Hospital and its Regional Cancer Center, the New Milford Health Dept., and the American Cancer Society to form the Greater New Milford Breast Care Coalition. Utilizing a grant from the Susan Koman Breast Cancer Foundation, this group is expanding breast care education and the importance of mammography. This service is available to anyone in our service area. NMVNA provided *cholesterol screening* and *stroke risk assessments* at the *Senior Center*. We have also provided *flu vaccinations* at the Washington Senior Center and to staff at Washington Primary and Shepaug High School.

On November 10, 2007, from 9 a.m. to Noon, a drill to test our emergency procedures will be conducted at Sarah Noble School in New Milford. Flu vaccinations will be offered at that time. We are also offering a travel vaccine program in conjunctions with New Milford Hospital.

Because many of the services and programs provided by NMVNA are non-reimbursable through insurance or are programs offered free of charge to the community, fundraising is an important component of our non-profit agency. This past year Washington residents enthusiastically supported both our New Milford VNA Foundation fundraising drive and our annual “*Tree of Life*” campaign. We are very grateful for the support of Washington citizens, and look forward to this ceremony which takes place every Second Sunday in December at 4:30 p.m. Many thanks to the many committee members in Washington who worked so hard putting their committee together every year.

We also receive great support in Washington from the ladies of the *Women’s Guild of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church* who finance the lunches and snacks for *Camp Jonathan*, our summer day camp for bereaved children. They have done this for the past four years. It is a considerable expense and a labor of love for these ladies who fundraise to provide food for an entire week for 24 children and a staff of ten. We very much appreciate their help.

New Milford VNA continues to be a state of the art provider of home health care and community health programs. We are newly accredited by the Community Health Accreditation Program and licensed by the State of Connecticut for all of our homecare programs. We have two new programs available to residents of Washington. One is *HOPE (Home Care Offering a Palliative Care Experience)*, a pre-Hospice program for patients who may still be actively treating their disease, and the other is called “*Well@Home*,” a telemonitoring system where patients’ vital signs are sent through a secure phone line right into our office for monitoring by our professional staff.

**2006 – 2007 Washington Annual Statistics:**

The following information details all home care services provided by the New Milford Visiting Nurse Association to the Town of Washington during the period covering July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007:

<b>Home Care</b>	<b># Visits YE 6/30/07</b>
Total:	1,896
Skilled Nursing	783
Occupational Therapy	77
Home Health Aides	535
Physical Therapy	383
MSW	49
Speech Therapy	69

## **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

The Washington Parks & Recreation begins every fiscal year with the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks extravaganza and road race. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday picnic was again a spectacular summer day topped off by the wonderful fireworks show to celebrate our great nation's birth. Please remember that our freedom has been won and is still maintained by the true sacrifice of our brave military men & women both past and present.

The "Stephen Reich Freedom Run" 5K Road Race first male and female finishers were Washington residents Mike Hall with a time of 16:24 and Christina Wells with a time of 21:14.

Lake Waramaug Town Beach was again under the direction of Jeff Cox and Matt Hall who reported another great beach season with few rainy days to close the beach. We are looking forward to the construction of a new boat launch facility on Lake Waramaug beginning in the fall of 2007.

In October, Washington Parks & Recreation hosted a bus trip to Fenway Park in Boston to see the Boston Red Sox win their last home game of the season under rainy skies. Due to the multiple rain delays, attendance was low and the Red Sox organization invited fans in attendance to sit wherever they wished inside the park. Many of our group got to enjoy a few innings from various choice seats in Fenway Park such as behind home plate or on top of the "Green Monster".

The annual Holiday in The Depot celebration was held on December 8th, co-sponsored by the Washington Business Association. Children were delighted to see Santa and have their photo taken with him. The Gunn Memorial Library, again, generously provided crafts for the children to create while they waited for their turn to see Santa.

In April, a team of volunteers worked alongside the Washington Town Crew to install new playground equipment at River Walk Park. This was accomplished over one long, hard weekend, with a beautiful result. In June a brand new playground at the Nick Platt Field in New Preston was built by UltiPlay.

The Commission began hosting "Classic Movie Night at River Walk Pavilion" in May and planned to schedule more over the upcoming summer. The first feature was "The Quiet Man", starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara, and was attended by approximately twelve people. Although it was a chilly and

rainy evening, those in attendance enjoyed a potluck supper first, and then wrapped in fleece blankets, settled back for the movie.

Friday evening, June 1<sup>st</sup>, River Walk Park hosted the annual Shepaug Valley “Relay for Life”, with one hundred sixty-three people registered to walk on a modified track at the park. We hope they will choose our park again to host this moving event.

Looking forward, we hope to see the completion of the kitchen addition (including enlarging the septic) to River Walk Pavilion, and a storage shed built onto the pavilion to house the grill, table and chairs that are available for rent when using the pavilion.

Thanks to all the volunteers, too numerous to name individually, that make our programs the success they are, and to all who keep our parks looking their best for town wide enjoyment!

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheila M. Anson, Chairman

# PLANNING COMMISSION

The Washington Planning Commission meets on the first Tuesday of each month, except in November when it meets on the first Wednesday and in July if the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday falls on the first Tuesday. Regular meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in the Land Use Meeting Room, Bryan Memorial Town Hall, Washington Depot, Connecticut.

During the past fiscal year the Planning Commission conducted the following business:

- Twelve regular meetings were held.
- Twelve special meetings, including six site inspections and six to work on the Washington Depot Business district study were held.
- Five public hearings were conducted.
- Nine referrals from the Zoning Commission, Board of Selectmen, and Conservation Commission were considered.
- Four subdivision applications were considered.
- Three new lots were approved.

Continuing with the trend in recent years, the Commission received few subdivision and re-subdivision applications. This enabled it to spend more time evaluating applications for scenic road designations, preparing for and conducting the Depot study, and beginning work on an overall update of the Subdivision Regulations.

The Planning Commission received and approved two applications for scenic road designation. A site inspection was conducted and a public hearing was required for each of these applications. Washington's two new scenic roads are Rabbit Hill Road and Couch Road. This brings the total to 13 scenic roads designated since November 2003 when the Scenic Road Ordinance was adopted.

The Planning Commission continued the process of examining the issues raised by the Depot study and the response of the community. In 2006 it began preparation for two public informational meetings to further discuss traffic, parking, pedestrian access, and the River Loop property. After public input was received at the two weekend meetings held in August, the Commission met several times to establish priorities for the implementation of the Depot study. These priorities were to establish a walking trail on the River Loop property, to conduct an engineering study of a plan for Bryan Plaza and surrounding area, to implement traffic calming measures for Routes 109 and 47, and to install a pedestrian bridge across the Shepaug River to River Road. Although it has additional goals, the Commission decided not to prioritize them at this point because it wanted a manageable list to begin the implementation process.

There were no changes in the membership of the Planning Commission during 2006-2007. The current Commissioners are Addie Roberts, Chairman; Chris Charles, Vice Chairman; Paul Frank, Sarah Gager, and Dimitri Rimsky. The Alternates are Barbara Braverman, Dick Carey, and Winston Fowlkes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Adelaide Roberts, Chairman

# POLICE

The Washington Resident Trooper Office recently moved to a new location located in the old firehouse building at Bryan Plaza in the Washington Depot.

The extensively renovated first floor of the old firehouse building was recently restored to as-new condition. The office area was equipped with state-of-the-art technological and communications equipment, insuring the facility will serve the public for many years to come. The new location is fully accessible to people with disabilities. It also has increased its visibility with the general public, thus increasing positive interaction with the community.

The R/T office is staffed by Resident State Trooper, Stephen Sordi, as well as, part and full time Town Constables.

The Washington Resident Trooper Office devotes full attention to the town's special policing and public safety needs. The following community service programs have been designed and implemented to improve the quality of life of the towns' people.

- Child Safety Seat Inspections
- D.A.R.E.
- The Shepaug Youth Patrol
- Connecticut Safety Boating Certification Classes
- Residence Vacation Checks
- Lake Patrol (Lake Waramaug Authority)
- Speed Reduction Programs

Detailed Statistics for the 2006-2007 Fiscal year are as follows:

Residential Alarms (Unfounded):	425
Medical Assists	34
Burglaries	5
Assaults	3
Criminal Mischief	8
Narcotics	6
DUI's	9
Larcenies	13
Motor Vehicle Accidents	82
Missing Persons	2
Traffic Stops	689

During the 2006-2007 fiscal year, speed on the neighborhood roadway continued to be the number one concern amongst the towns' people. An aggressive speed reduction program has aided in reducing the speed of vehicles on the roads, as well as, the number of motor vehicle collisions which occurred over the past two fiscal years. The speed reduction program will continue

throughout the upcoming year. If there is a specific area in town, where speed on the roadway is an issue, feel free to call or come into the office and discuss the locale of the problem.

I would request all homeowners, whom make use of residential burglar alarms, have their alarms serviced on an annual basis and the people authorized to use them appropriately trained. Last year there were 425 unfounded alarms, a good percentage of these false alarms were due to poor maintenance or user error.

I would also request that all homeowners clearly mark their residence with their assigned street number. The numbers should be visible from the road, both during the day and at night. Your assistance with this matter will allow emergency personnel to offer the quickest possible response time.

Thank you to the citizens of Washington, for their continued support of the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Trooper Stephen Sordi  
Resident Trooper

## PROBATE COURT

On April 26, 2007 members of the State's Probate Assembly and staff gathered in the stately chambers of the Connecticut Supreme Court in Hartford for their annual meeting. The aura was of pride and satisfaction as speaker after speaker extolled the spirit of cooperation that led to accomplishments of the past year.

The meeting was opened by the President-Judge Diane Yamin with a moment of silence in memory of the students killed at Virginia Tech University.

Opening speaker Senior Associate Supreme Court Justice David M. Borden addressed the Assembly members and court staff and congratulated all for their successful year's labors. Special praise was extended for the improvements in the probate court's system's operation and the New Haven Regional Children's Probate Court was applauded for winning the Council of State Governments national 2006 Innovation Award for the Eastern Region.

In his remarks, Probate Court Administrator James J. Lawlor declared that probate courts had made remarkable strides in the past year, noting that individual judges provide the strength that sustains the probate court system. Highlighted were the New London Probate District which is joining the school system to create a truancy program and the New Haven Probate District in securing legislation to increase financial aid for grandparents who serve as guardians.

The Assembly elected the Hon. Dianne E. Yamin of the Danbury Probate District to her second term as president-judge. Judge Yamin addressed those gathered and thanked the members for their support as she noted the progress the probate court system had made in the past year. She applauded the Probate Court Administrator and his office for their impressive educational seminars for probate judges and staff.

In closing, Judge Yamin honored the retired probate judges in attendance, including Hon. Helen B. Bennet of Saybrook, Hon. Sheila M. Hennessey of Newington, Hon. Carol B. Lougee of Madison, Hon. Barbara M. Miller of Kent and Hon. Paul A. Ridgeway of East Granby.

The Probate System, led by the Connecticut Probate Assembly of probate judges, continues to improve services. Several positive reforms include intensive, specialized training and education for probate judges; an informational website established at [www.ctprobatejudges.org](http://www.ctprobatejudges.org) ; increased accessibility and consistency of court operation and judicial and clerical salary reform. The Connecticut Probate Assembly is taking the lead to ensure the system responsible and sensitive to individuals' needs during critical times in their lives.

The Connecticut probate court system had exciting and demanding experiences in the year. The probate courts are statutory courts having only the jurisdiction and authority granted by the state legislature. Over the years, the probate courts jurisdiction has had a gradual expansion to such matters as emancipation of minors, commitments for drug and/or alcohol abuse treatment, the power to determine title to property and to construe wills and trust instruments.

The Washington Probate Court continues to handle complex issues with professionalism and optimism. Office hours are from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For convenience, an appointment can be arranged outside of normal operating hours by telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hon. Victoria M. Cherniske  
Judge of Probate  
District of Washington

## SENIOR CENTER

Washington Senior Center was established to provide services and activities to senior citizens of the town. The Senior Center serves as a resource for the community, providing information on aging for family caregivers and for assistance in addressing aging issues.

During the past year the following programs and activities were provided:

- **Regularly Scheduled Activities** offer fun and socialization. Bridge and Scrabble games, knitting and quilting are among the regular activities. Luncheons are held, often with speakers or entertainment. This year's topics included Memory Loss, What's Normal / What's Not, Osteoporosis Repair/Kyphoplasty, Cardiac Catheterization & Angioplasty and Flu, Pneumonia & Spreading Infection. We also enjoyed an Irish Dance performance.
- **Fitness:** The Senior Center exercise program has been and is ongoing with regular 40-minute low impact aerobics video workout at 9:00 daily. The exercise programs are free of charge.
- **Computer Technology:** Individual computer instruction continues to be available at no charge on the computers at the Senior Center. Additional support is offered through the Center's Computer Club that meets monthly.
- **Health:** Blood pressure screenings continue to be held at the Senior Center on the third Thursday of each month by Visiting Nurse and Homecare Northwest. The New Milford VNA conducted the annual flu clinic in the fall. "Flexappeal" (New Milford VNA) and "Bend and Stretch" (VNA Northwest) exercise programs designed to improve strength, balance and flexibility were conducted at the Center. In addition, New Milford Hospital and the New Milford VNA conducted cholesterol, skin cancer and stroke risk assessment clinics. The Western CT Area Agency on Aging and the Dept. of Social Services conducted a Free Health Screening program, including bone density, podiatry, breathing/lung capacity and heart/breast health. Veralyn Davis, audiologist with Hearing Aid Specialist of CT, conducted a free hearing screening and Carol O'Toole conducts a bi-monthly acupressure clinic. The Senior Center also sponsored a Hearing Health Care Seminar.
- **Trips** continue to be very popular. This past year saw trips to the Aqua Turf Club and the Spinning Wheel Inn. Other trips offered included the Italian Feast at Mt. Haven, Harness Racing at the Mighty M, the Rockefeller Estate/Kykuit, the Sharon Playhouse and Warner Theater.
- **Senior Van Transportation:** The town van provides free transportation for seniors and disabled persons on Wednesdays and Thursdays. In addition, shopping trips to the Danbury Fair Mall take place monthly.

Reservations for the van can be made by calling the Senior Center at least one day ahead.

- **Litchfield Hills Chore Service:** This program is available to help elderly and handicapped residents to stay safely independent and at home in the community. The service is available to anyone. Chore Service workers provide light and heavy housekeeping, shopping, laundry, cooking, yard maintenance and minor home repairs. Suggested client contribution is based on a sliding scale of monthly income.
- **Additional Programs:** Other speakers and topics included the Consumer Law Project for Elders, Medicare Part D Enrollment, Troubleshooting and Roundtable Discussion, Free Income Tax Advice, AARP Mature Driving Course, A Wine Appreciation Seminar and “Life Behind the Berlin Wall”.
- **Volunteers:** Volunteers play a vital role in the workings of the Senior Center. Our dedicated volunteer staff offers their time and expertise in newsletter preparation, web site development, computer instruction, office tasks and assisting with programs.

We invite those who may not currently participate to stop in or call for information.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pamela Collins  
Senior Center Director

# VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION NORTHWEST

VNA Northwest, Inc. provided a variety of health care services to Washington residents during the past year, including:

- 268 **skilled nursing** visits
- 100 **physical therapy** calls
- 31 **home health aide** service hours
- 87 adult **health guidance** visits
- 24 hours of **bath aide** service

Six sessions of the **bend and stretch** program were offered, with funding provided by proceeds from VNA Northwest Thrift Shop. These programs are known to build muscle strength, improve balance and prevent falls. All those participating responded positively on questionnaires.

**Blood pressure clinics** were held monthly at the Washington Senior Center. These sessions have been found to be invaluable in early detection of a wide range of health problems.

## Full Report of Services:

Service Paid

Service	Town Paid Service	By Other Payor
Community Liaison	2.50 Hours	
Flu Clinic		2
Nutrition Counseling		2
Nursing:		
Adult Health Guidance	87 visits	
Skilled Nursing		268 visits
Physical Therapy		100 visits
Medical Social Worker		10 visits
Occupational Therapy		1 visits
Home Health Aide		31 hours
Bath Aide		24 hours
Bend and Stretch Clinic		\$750

## **WASHINGTON AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.**

The Washington Ambulance Association responded to 207 requests for emergency medical services during the year 2006-2007. These ranged from stand-bys at fire calls and minor incidents to major trauma and serious illness. Our Regional Paramedic was automatically dispatched or requested by us 67 times. Life Star Aero-Medical helicopter was used 8 times for transport of a patient to a trauma center. Most of our patients went to New Milford Hospital, unless we were in a part of town where Charlotte Hungerford Hospital was closer. We also transported patients to Waterbury and St. Mary's Hospitals, as well as Danbury Hospital.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the Washington Lions Club for their support and to the Washington Fire and Police Departments, particularly Trooper Sordi and Constable Patrick Kessler for their assistance when responding to calls. While many services around the state have begun billing for services and using paid personnel during the day, we have not. We are able to operate through funding provided by your donations and the support of the Lions Club. We are also very fortunate to have personnel available during the day by conducting EMT courses throughout the year. Our personnel are highly trained and dedicated (over 2,000 hours) in order to serve the Town of Washington. We have four state certified EMS instructors on our roster.

In October we took delivery of our new ambulance, made possible by your contributions and the support of the Lions Club. Our new ambulance is a state of the art vehicle equipped with all the modern medical tools we need to treat our patients. We would like to thank Captain Jeff Gueniat and crewmember Butch Wyant for their steadfast work and diligence in researching and selecting the ambulance.

We are always looking for more help, especially during the day. If you are interested in joining us, please call 860-868-7913 or come to one of our meetings which are held at the Depot Firehouse every second Tuesday at 7:30 p m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Wallace-Wyant  
Chief of Operations

# **WASHINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Enclosed herein is the annual report for the Washington Volunteer Fire Department reflecting fiscal year 2006-2007.

The Washington Volunteer Fire Department, made up of professional volunteer men and women, are dedicated to the preservation of life and property to the citizens who live in our community, and guests who visit. The Washington Volunteer Fire department responds to a wide range of calls for emergency and public service assistance. Besides responding to fire related emergencies, the fire department responds to various types of hazardous material incidences, varying types of rescue incidents, carbon monoxide incidents, and emergency medical assistance in conjunction with Washington Ambulance. The fire department also provides cellar pump-outs (water evacuation) and searches for lost persons.

With the scope of service broadened to include more than fire extinguishment, a significant amount of training enables us to meet the demands set forth on a modern day fire department. Members of the fire department train to meet the many standards required. These standards incorporate Federal, State of Connecticut, as well as Washington Fire Department requirements. Individual members of the fire department, who are certified instructors by the Connecticut Fire Academy, accomplish firefighter training on a routine basis. When there is a need for specialized training, instructors who specialize in specific disciplines of training maintain the training mandates of the department.

The fire department obtained several new pieces of equipment to enhance our overall efficiency and safety. Working with the Emergency Management Director, an accountability system to track all personnel working on an emergency incident will enhance firefighter safety. This program is in the development stage, and will be put into place when research is completed, and all personnel are trained accordingly.

The Washington Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, through their generous fundraising efforts, purchased specialized rescue jacks, for which the department will use for motor vehicle accidents. These specialized rescue tools will enhance firefighter safety, as well as increase the operational efficiency in removing trapped occupants within a motor vehicle.

Under a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the fire department was awarded a grant to replace our outdated self-contained breathing apparatus. Self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) provide firefighters a

means to breath clean air in a smoke filled and/or a hazardous environment. The new self-contained breathing apparatus also contains a specialized computer system to enable the incident commander to monitor each user. This is just another step in firefighter safety enhancement, which is critical to the well-being of emergency responders. This grant saved the taxpayers \$147,000.00. The fire department was also awarded a private grant for \$7,000 to assist in replacing outdated hydraulic extrication tools. The new tools provide a means to increase our operational effectiveness during extrication.

The fire department will continue to establish new locations for dry hydrants. Every year the water resource committee takes on the task of securing permission from landowners, obtaining the proper permits, and securing equipment to install these dry hydrants. Some of these dry hydrants are financed in part through the Connecticut DEP Division of Forestry through grants. If any property owner with a pond or some type of waterway is interested in becoming involved in this program, contact the Depot Fire Station.

The fire prevention committee provides public fire education to schoolchildren. This program is critical to educating children of the dangers of fire. This type of public fire education not only takes a proactive approach to fire safety, but also teaches the schoolchildren about the responsibilities of being a firefighter.

The department responded to 190 calls for the fiscal year. This is a reduction of the previous year by 49 calls. The main factor in the reduction of calls was a significant decrease for motor vehicle accidents.

The included total consists of 1,943 individual firefighter responses, with a total of 1,983 man-hours dedicated to emergency calls. Each call averaged 10 emergency responders, with an average call length of 1 hour. Listed herein is the breakdown of calls responded to, as well as the total count for each type of call.

- Automatic Fire Alarm-78
- Brush Fire - 5
- Chimney Fire - 6
- Carbon Monoxide Alarm - 7
- Dumpster Fire/ Trash - 2
- EMS Assist - 6
- Explosive Devise - 1
- Hazardous Materials - 2
- Lifestar Helicopter Landing Assist - 2
- Lightning Strike - 1
- Mutual Aid (Misc.) - 8
- Motor Vehicle Accident - 27

- Public Assistance (Misc.) - 9
- Rescues (Misc.) - 5
- Smoke Scare - 8
- Structure Fire - 4
- Tree Fire - 3
- Vehicle Fire - 2
- Wires Down - 14

The Washington Volunteer Fire Department has positions available for any individual wishing to volunteer their time. Besides firefighting and emergency work, administrative positions are available to assist in daily operations of the department. Any individual who wishes to join and assist us in serving the community, please call the Depot Fire Station for information.

On behalf of all the members of the fire department, I would like to thank the citizens of our community for their support, businesses who let the individual volunteer firefighters leave work to serve our citizens in a time of need, as well as the Washington Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, who are always there to support the firefighters.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dick Murchison, Fire Chief

## ZONING COMMISSION

The Washington Zoning Commission conducts its regular meetings on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Land Use Meeting Room, Bryan Memorial Town Hall. Exceptions are May and November when the meetings are held on the third Monday due to holidays the following week. These meetings are open to the public.

During the 2006-2007 fiscal year, the Commission held 12 Regular Meetings, one Special Meeting, and 19 Public Hearings to consider Special Permit applications and revisions to the Washington Zoning Regulations. The Zoning Department processed 174 applications. Of these, 157 were acted on by the Zoning Enforcement Officer and 17 were considered by the Commission. The Commission approved 10 Special Permits, three Special Permit renewals, and four First Cut applications.

### APPLICATIONS APPROVED

<b>Type</b>	<b>03-04</b>	<b>04-05</b>	<b>05-06</b>	<b>06-07</b>
New House	12	12	9	5
Attached Acc. Apart.	2	0	0	0
Detached Acc. Apart.	3	5	5	3
Additions/Alterations to Existing Dwellings	53	47	46	42
Accessory Structures New/Repair	39	25	22	42
Swimming Pools	12	10	13	18
Gravel Miner or Excavate	0	0	0	0
Commercial	8	4	10	8
Tennis and Sports Courts	0	1	3	1
Change of Use	6	1	4	1
Demolition	7	1	2	5
Signs, Fences, etc.	15	12	8	11
Bed and Breakfast	0 2 renewals	0 2 renewals	0	0 1 renewal
Creation of Building Lot	1	2	2	5
Home Occupation	1	0 2 renewals	0	0 2 renewals
Temporary: Tents, Events*	0	0	0	2

Affordable Housing	0	0	1	0
Other	19	15	26	21
Lot Line Revisions	7	5	8	7

\* Does not include Tag Sale permits

During this fiscal year the Zoning Commission worked to revise and update several sections of the Washington Zoning Regulations. These included:

**Washington Depot and New Preston Business District Regulations.** Both of these business districts consist mainly of structures that predate zoning in Washington and would not have been allowed because they are too close together, too close to various setback lines, and cover too much of their lots. These non-conforming features of the existing structures are not undesirable; indeed, they are largely responsible for what we think of as the unique “village character” of both districts. The approved modifications to the Regulations made it possible for applicants in both districts to build similar structures, as recommended in the 2003 Plan of Conservation and Development. These revisions were effective on August 16, 2006.

**Parking.** Under the old parking requirements most commercial applicants either couldn’t meet the strict standards or ended up being required to build parking lots that were larger than they needed to be, sometimes far larger. The revised regulations include realistic maximum and minimum requirements for providing parking spaces, and give the Zoning Commission flexibility to make adjustments. Because the new regulations will usually result in fewer parking spaces being required, they are a more environmentally sensitive approach to parking. The revisions to Section 15: Parking were effective on August 16, 2006.

**Docks and Rowing Shells.** Specific criteria for the installation and maintenance of docks and rowing shells were added in Section 6.6 of the Regulations. The adopted standards include size limitations, construction specifications, materials to be used, methods for anchoring docks, and a new application procedure. The main goal of these regulations is to help to preserve the water quality of Lake Waramaug.

**Outdoor Wood Burning Furnaces.** These furnaces were added as a use permitted by Special Permit in all districts, and Section 13.20 was included to set standards for their use. Outdoor wood burning furnaces may not operate between May 1 and September 30 and must comply with all state requirements.

**Outdoor Lighting in Residential Districts.** Nighttime darkness is a vanishing natural resource. Excessive or poorly designed outdoor lighting unnecessarily brightens the nighttime sky, emits objectionable illumination visible on other properties, poses a safety risk to pedestrians and drivers, disturbs natural

habitats, and is not in keeping with the rural character of Washington. The purposed of these newly adopted regulations in Section 12.15 is to permit reasonable illumination of outdoor areas during their active use, while reducing negative impacts. A chart showing acceptable types of lighting fixtures and non binding guidelines and recommendations are included.

Several other revisions were under discussion at the end of the fiscal year. They included a revision of Section 13.11 regarding accessory apartments, standards for existing non-conforming docks, and revision and clarification of the regulations governing stone walls and fences. Public hearings to consider these revisions were expected in the autumn of 2007.

Longtime Commissioner Hank Martin, who served as chairman from November 1999 through 2005, decided not to run for another term on the Commission. Luis Abella was moved up from Alternate to full Commissioner to take his place.

Up-to-date Zoning Regulations, as well as recent meeting minutes, agendas, legal notices, and other public documents of current interest, are posted on the Town's website, [www.washingtonct.org](http://www.washingtonct.org).

Respectfully submitted,  
David Owen, Chairman

## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007 the Zoning Board of Appeals received 23 applications of which nine were for Variances, 13 were for Special Exception from the Zoning Regulations and one was an appeal. In total, three applications were withdrawn, one was denied, and 19 were approved.

While a number of the applications were approved at their initial presentation, many were continued to allow the applicant time to incorporate suggestions and conditions imposed by the Board to limit the impact of the requested changes.

Most of the applications for a Special Exception (8 of the 13) involved a standby power generator to be located more than 25-feet from the structure principally served. After some research, last year the Board adopted a philosophy of requiring that the sound level at the nearest property line be limited to a maximum of 50 decibels. (50 decibels is equivalent to the hum of a refrigerator or the sound of rainfall.) In most cases the Board required as part of its approval that the equipment be enclosed within a properly ventilated shed or barn or completely surrounded by a 6-foot tall stockade type fence. This reduces the noise and the resulting impact on neighboring properties which is the intent of the Special Exception Regulation.

There were several personnel changes in this period. The Board welcomed new member Peter Bowman, who joined the Board in October. Todd Catlin who served for many years as an alternate member was made a regular member. Ed White, who served on the Board for 18 years, the latter six as chairman, resigned this year, and Ed's experience, humor, and hard work will certainly be missed as will his calm, steady, and gentlemanly chair.

All new applicants to the ZBA are encouraged to read the guidelines for applications, especially as related to survey requirements, notifications, proof of hardship and overall considerations as this will expedite the process. Incomplete or hard to understand applications are generally continued and sometimes denied.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brad Sedito, Chairman

**Government Wide Financial Statements**

This statement presents information on all of the Town's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as an indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating. It speaks to the question of whether or not the Town as a whole is better or worse off as a result of this year's activities. Other non-financial factors will need to be considered, however, such as changes in the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's infrastructure, to assess the overall health of the Town.

**Town of Washington  
Statement of Net Assets  
June 30, 2007**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Current assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 553,666
Investments	3,929,782
Prepaid expenses	24,000
Property Taxes Receivable - net	187,965
Government grant receivable	16,507
Pledge receivable - contributions in lieu of taxes	6,520
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>4,718,440</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets</b>	
Net pension asset	473
Capital assets, net of depreciation of \$13,946,627	10,430,879
<b>Total noncurrent assets</b>	<b>10,431,352</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>15,149,792</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable	95,410
Performance bonds held	155,390
Due to State of Connecticut	1,891
Prepaid property taxes	76,417
Accrued interest	17,298
Long-term liabilities due within one year	58,000
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>404,406</b>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	
Due in more than one year	452,791
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>857,197</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	10,045,879
Restricted for :	
Non-Recurring Capital Expenditure	1,426,066
Other purposes	1,044,825
Unrestricted	1,775,825
<b>Total Net assets</b>	<b>\$ 14,292,595</b>

**Government Wide Financial Statements**

This statement presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flow in some future fiscal period. Uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave are examples of these types of items.

Governmental activities of the Town encompass most of the Town's basic services and include general government, public safety, public works, health and welfare, parks and recreation, education, library and other activities. Property taxes, charges for services and state grants finance most of these activities.

**Town of Washington  
Statement of Activities  
Year Ended June 30, 2007**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Total Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
General government	\$ 1,364,152	\$ 588,487	\$ 7,000	\$ ---	\$ (768,665)
Public safety	699,257	160,422	---	---	(538,835)
Highways (public works)	1,469,898	---	162,115	352,570	(955,213)
Sanitation	455,090	53,411	---	---	(401,679)
Social services	3,418	---	---	---	(3,418)
Health	83,958	7,945	---	---	(76,013)
Parks and recreation	248,967	117,216	---	---	(131,751)
Education	8,120,135	---	183,981	---	(7,936,154)
Other	408,073	11,678	---	---	(396,395)
Interest on long-term debt	17,298	---	---	---	(17,298)
<b>Total governmental activities</b>	<b>\$ 12,870,246</b>	<b>\$ 939,159</b>	<b>\$ 353,096</b>	<b>\$ 352,570</b>	<b>(11,225,421)</b>

General revenues:

Property taxes	11,511,617
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	204,529
Investment earnings	298,961
Lease income and other miscellaneous	22,946
<b>Total general revenues</b>	<b>12,038,053</b>

Change in net assets 812,632

Net assets - July 1, 2006	13,479,963
Net assets - June 30, 2007	\$ 14,292,595

Fund Financial Statement Balance Sheet

This statement focus' on near-term inflows and outflows or spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Both the Governmental fund balance sheet and the Government fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate a comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

**Town of Washington  
Balance Sheet  
Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2007**

	<b>Major Funds</b>			
	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Non-Recurring Capital Expenditure Fund</b>	<b>Other Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 410,085	\$ 13,800	\$ 129,781	\$ 553,666
Investments - at fair value	1,679,804	1,362,523	887,455	3,929,782
Property tax receivable, net	187,965	-	-	187,965
Grant and pledge receivable	6,520	-	16,507	23,027
Due from other funds	169,468	-	-	169,468
Prepaid expenditures	-	-	24,000	24,000
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,453,842</b>	<b>\$ 1,376,323</b>	<b>\$ 1,057,743</b>	<b>\$ 4,887,908</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 79,720	\$ 2,772	\$ 12,918	\$ 95,410
Performance bonds payable	155,390	-	-	155,390
Due to State of Connecticut	1,891	-	-	1,891
Due to other funds	-	169,468	-	169,468
Prepaid property taxes	76,417	-	-	76,417
Deferred property tax revenue	151,362	-	-	151,362
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>464,780</b>	<b>172,240</b>	<b>12,918</b>	<b>649,938</b>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
<b>Unreserved:</b>				
Designated for subsequent years expenditures	375,865	1,426,066	-	1,801,931
Undesignated				
General fund	1,613,197	-	-	1,613,197
Special revenue funds	-	(221,983)	1,044,825	822,842
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>1,989,062</b>	<b>1,204,083</b>	<b>1,044,825</b>	<b>4,237,970</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 2,453,842</b>	<b>\$ 1,376,323</b>	<b>\$ 1,057,743</b>	<b>\$ 4,887,908</b>

Town of Washington  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
Governmental Funds  
Year Ended June 30, 2007

	Major Funds			Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	Non-Recurring Capital Expenditure Fund	Other Governmental Funds	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 11,427,944	\$ -	\$ -	11,427,944
Interest and lien fees on property taxes	80,402	-	-	80,402
Intergovernmental	251,444	192,552	327,950	771,946
Contribution in lieu of taxes	73,786	-	-	73,786
Investment income	176,215	82,924	39,822	298,961
Lease income - Town building	13,751	-	-	13,751
Licenses and permits	852,819	-	-	852,819
Fines and penalties	13,876	-	-	13,876
Program fees and other receipts	3,117	-	143,005	146,122
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>12,893,354</b>	<b>275,476</b>	<b>510,777</b>	<b>13,679,607</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
General government	1,344,336	-	-	1,344,336
Public safety	535,449	-	-	535,449
Highways	783,682	-	-	783,682
Sanitation	458,090	-	-	458,090
Social services	3,418	-	-	3,418
Health	76,783	-	-	76,783
Recreation	131,588	-	118,633	250,221
Education	8,120,135	-	-	8,120,135
Other	378,253	-	27,988	406,241
Capital outlay	-	1,013,722	286,226	1,299,948
Debt service	74,841	-	-	74,841
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>11,906,575</b>	<b>1,013,722</b>	<b>432,847</b>	<b>13,353,144</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	<b>986,779</b>	<b>(738,246)</b>	<b>77,930</b>	<b>326,463</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Operating transfers	(1,139,950)	827,692	312,258	-
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues And Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and other Financing uses</b>	<b>(153,171)</b>	<b>89,446</b>	<b>390,188</b>	<b>326,463</b>
<b>Fund Balance - beginning of year</b>	<b>2,142,233</b>	<b>1,114,637</b>	<b>654,637</b>	<b>3,911,507</b>
<b>Fund Balance - end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,989,062</b>	<b>\$ 1,204,083</b>	<b>\$ 1,044,825</b>	<b>\$ 4,237,970</b>

Data from these ten nonmajor governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation on the Town's Audited Financial Statements

**Town of Washington  
 Nonmajor Governmental Funds (Special Revenue Funds)  
 Combining Balance Sheet  
 June 30, 2007**

	Judea Cemetery	Town Aid Road Fund	Park and Recreation Fund	Senior Center Fund	Greenway Committee Fund	Land		Affordable Housing Fund	Dodge Farm Fund	Boat Launch Project Fund	Health Benefit Fund	Total
						Acquisition Open Space Fund	Open Space Fund					
<b>Assets:</b>												
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 34,226	\$ 190	\$ 53,075	\$ 9,212	\$ 4,430	\$ 1,072	\$ ---	\$ 1,410	\$ 24,328	\$ 1,838	\$ 129,781	
Investment - at market	26,914	346,883	19,312	5,286	---	338,824	125,944	---	---	24,292	887,655	
Prepaid expenditures	---	---	24,000	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	24,000	
Grant receivable	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16,507	---	---	16,507	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 61,140</b>	<b>\$ 347,073</b>	<b>\$ 96,387</b>	<b>\$ 14,498</b>	<b>\$ 4,430</b>	<b>\$ 339,896</b>	<b>\$ 125,944</b>	<b>\$ 17,917</b>	<b>\$ 24,328</b>	<b>\$ 26,130</b>	<b>\$ 1,057,743</b>	
<b>Liabilities:</b>												
Accounts payable	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ 12,918	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ 12,918	
Fund balances:												
Undesignated	61,140	347,073	96,387	14,498	4,430	339,896	125,944	4,999	24,328	26,130	1,044,825	
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>61,140</b>	<b>347,073</b>	<b>96,387</b>	<b>14,498</b>	<b>4,430</b>	<b>339,896</b>	<b>125,944</b>	<b>4,999</b>	<b>24,328</b>	<b>26,130</b>	<b>1,044,825</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 61,140</b>	<b>\$ 347,073</b>	<b>\$ 96,387</b>	<b>\$ 14,498</b>	<b>\$ 4,430</b>	<b>\$ 339,896</b>	<b>\$ 125,944</b>	<b>\$ 17,917</b>	<b>\$ 24,328</b>	<b>\$ 26,130</b>	<b>\$ 1,057,743</b>	

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Town of Washington  
 Nonmajor Governmental Funds - Special Revenue Funds  
 Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
 Year Ended June 30, 2006

	Judea Cemetery Fund		Park and Recreation Fund		Senior Center Fund		Greenway Committee Fund		Land Acquisition Open Space Fund		Affordable Housing Fund		Dodge Farm Fund		Boat Launch Project Fund		Health Benefit Fund		Totals	
<b>Revenues:</b>																				
Governmental grants	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	165,835	\$	-	\$	-	\$	327,950
Investment income		2,237		2,249		263		5		171,100		1,586				137		328		39,822
Program fees and other receipts		7,900		100,579		9,526		-		-		-		-	-	25,000		-		143,905
<b>Total Revenues</b>		10,137		178,032		102,828		5		17,100		1,586		165,835		25,137		328		510,777
<b>Expenditures:</b>																				
Highways		-		120,391		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		120,391
Cemetery expenditures		5,075		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		5,075
Programs and Activities		-		118,633		9,654		952		1,400		-		165,835		809		10,098		307,381
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		5,075		120,391		118,633		952		1,400		-		165,835		809		10,098		432,847
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>		5,062		57,641		(15,805)		135		15,700		1,586		-		24,328		(9,770)		77,930
<b>Other Financing Sources:</b>																				
Operating transfers in		2,000		-		-		-		150,000		124,358		-		-		35,900		312,258
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses</b>		7,062		57,641		(15,805)		135		165,700		125,944		-		24,328		26,130		390,188
<b>Fund Balance - beginning of year</b>		54,078		289,432		112,192		14,363		174,196		-		4,999		-		-		654,637
<b>Fund Balance - end of year</b>		\$ 61,140		\$ 347,073		\$ 96,387		\$ 14,498		\$ 339,896		\$ 125,944		\$ 4,999		\$ 24,328		\$ 26,130		\$ 1,044,825

The Town adopts an Annual Appropriated Budget for its general fund. A detailed, year-end budgetary comparison statement to demonstrate compliance with the authorized budget is included in the Town of Washington Audited Financial Statements available from the Selectman's office or on the Town's Website: [www.washingtonct.org](http://www.washingtonct.org). A condensed schedule, which shows the approved final budget and actual results follow

**Town of Washington**  
**Condensed Schedule of Revenue and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP, Budgetary Basis)**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2007**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Property taxes	\$ 11,238,055	\$ 11,393,547	\$ 155,492
Interest and lien fees on property taxes	57,425	80,402	22,977
Intergovernmental	301,154	285,841	(15,313)
Contribution in lieu of taxes	64,630	73,786	9,156
Investment income	50,000	176,215	126,215
Lease income - Town building	15,371	13,751	(1,620)
Licenses, permits and other receipts	570,000	721,115	151,115
Fines and penalties	-	13,876	13,876
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>12,296,635</u>	<u>12,758,533</u>	461,898
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
<b>Current:</b>			
General government	1,250,069	1,236,083	13,986
Public safety	425,846	421,174	4,672
Highways	860,130	783,682	76,448
Sanitation	468,753	458,090	10,663
Social services	3,775	3,418	357
Health	90,566	76,782	13,784
Recreation	141,473	136,588	4,885
Education	8,205,951	8,205,951	-
Other	380,806	375,145	5,661
Debt service	74,841	74,841	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>11,902,210</u>	<u>11,771,754</u>	130,456
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	394,425	986,779	592,354
<b>Other Financing (Sources) Uses :</b>			
<b>Operating transfers:</b>			
Judea Cemetery	2,000	2,000	-
Non-recurring capital expenditures fund	952,050	952,050	-
Health insurance fund	35,900	35,900	-
Open space fund	150,000	150,000	-
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues And Other Sources Over Expenditures and other Financing uses</b>	(745,525)	(153,171)	592,354
<b>Fund Balance - beginning of year</b>	745,525	2,142,233	1,396,708
<b>Fund Balance - end of year</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,989,062</u>	<u>\$ 1,989,062</u>

## TOWN ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion Gage Zumpf Post #87  
Daughters of the American Revolution  
Devereux-Glenholme School  
Dramalites  
First Congregational Church of Washington  
First Ecclesiastical Society of New Preston  
Gunn Memorial Library & Museum  
The Gunnery School  
Judea Cemetery Commission  
Lake Waramaug Authority  
Lion's Club of Washington  
New Milford Visiting Nurse Association  
New Preston Boys and Girls Club  
New Preston Cemetery Association  
New Preston Congregational Church  
New Preston Rod & Gun Club  
New Preston Women's Club  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Parent-Teacher Organizations  
Rotary Club of Washington  
Rumsey Hall School  
Salem Covenant Church  
Scouts-Boy & Girl  
Shepaug Valley Middle-High School  
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
St. John's Episcopal Church  
Steep Rock Association  
Village Improvement Society  
Visiting Nurse & Home Care NW  
VNA Thrift Shop  
Washington Ambulance Association  
Washington Art Association  
Washington Board of Education  
Washington Board of Finance  
Washington Board of Selectmen  
Washington Business Association  
Washington Cemetery Association  
Washington Citizen's Scholarship  
Washington Community Fund  
Washington Community Housing Trust  
Washington Conservation Commission  
Washington Democratic Town Committee  
Washington Environmental Council  
Washington Garden Club  
Washington Grange #11  
Washington-Gunnery Hockey Association  
Washington Historic District Commission  
Washington Housing Commission  
Washington Inland Wetlands Commission  
Washington Montessori School  
Washington Parks and Recreation Commission  
Washington Rod and Gun Club  
Washington Planning Commission  
Washington Primary School  
Washington Republican Town Committee  
Washington Senior Center  
Washington Volunteer Fire Department  
Washington Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary  
Washington-Warren Food Bank  
Washington Zoning Commission  
Washington Zoning Board of Appeals