

# JANUARY 2006

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>  New Year's Day	<b>2</b>  SR MFC	<b>3</b>  P&R BOS	<b>4</b>  BOE	<b>5</b>  CC	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
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<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  SR MFC Martin Luther King Jr. Day	<b>17</b>  ZBA BOS	<b>18</b>  BOE	<b>19</b>  CC	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
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## TOWN CLERK

Mandated by the Connecticut General Statutes and the Granby Charter, the Town Clerk is responsible for the following services: Recorder of Deeds, Administrator of Elections, Registrar of Vital Statistics, Custodian of Public Records, Agent for State License, and Clerk-Town Meetings.

Fees collected and paid to Revenue Collector \$441,939.68

Land Records	\$96,036.00	Documents Recorded	3,453
Conveyance Tax	\$274,504.93	Transfers Recorded	447
		Maps Filed (120 sheets)	73
Vital Statistics	\$3,710.00	State Surcharge Collected	\$644.00
Marriage Licenses, Copies, Burial Transfers, Cremation Cert.			
Maps (filing fee)		\$830.00	
Copies (Land Records & maps)		\$11,407.50	
Filing Fees (misc.)		\$757.00	
Hunting & Fishing Licenses			
Town fees collected -	\$1,120.75		
State fees collected -	\$29,533.50		
Licenses issued by Town Clerk -	381		
Licenses issued by agent of Town Clerk -	1,003		
Duplicate licenses issued -	11		
Handicapped License -	4		
Lifetime licenses issued -	29		
Pheasant tags issued -	47		
Connecticut Bird Stamps issued -	37		
HIP Permits Issued -	40		
Dog Licenses - 1,290 issued			
Town fees collected -	\$1,298.00		
State fees collected -	\$11,276.00	109 Surcharges Collected	
Kennel licenses issued -	11		
Fidelco Dogs Licensed -	7		
Transfers - 6 & Replacement tags -	5		
Late Fee's Collected -	\$491.00		
Voters sworn in by Town Clerk -	125		
Absentee Ballots Issued -	493		

### ELECTIONS:

11/2/04 – State/Presidential Election  
 Electors qualified to vote – 7,364  
 Electors checked as voting – 6,281

### SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS:

8/2/04 – Special Town Meeting To Consider A RESOLUTION To Purchase Property at 93 Old Stagecoach Road. RESOLUTION Approved.  
 10/4/04 – Special Town Meeting to Consider A RESOLUTION To Accept The Following Roads: Cone Mountain Road, Strawberry Fields, and Mill Pond Drive. RESOLUTION Approved – Roads Accepted.  
 4/25/05 – Special Town Meeting for Budget Approval. Yes Vote - 279; No Vote - 114. Mimimum 2/3 requirement attained. Budget for the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 APPROVED.  
 5/16/05 – Special Town Meeting to Consider A RESOLUTION To Accept The Following Roads: Tinker Trail and Moosehorn Road. RESOLUTION Approved – Roads Accepted.

### VITAL STATISTICS (as of June 30, 2005)

	Granby	Out-of-Town	Total
Births	0	89	89
Deaths	49	27	76
Marriages	33	30	63

### STAFF DEVELOPMENT:

Fall and Spring Election Conferences were attended to keep updated on new developments in the Election Laws. Subject matter covered included absentee ballot application and procedure along with military and overseas balloting, campaign finance procedure, and procedures to be followed for local referendum. State Statutes and Public Acts are constantly changing and amending the laws; it is absolutely imperative to be kept informed of these changes.

I.M.C.C. and Connecticut State Certification were previously attained by the Town Clerk. An Assistant Town Clerk has also received State Certification and is currently attending classes to attain I.M.C.C. certification. Continuation of courses in governmental relations, government finance, parliamentary procedure, professional development, written communications, personnel management, public speaking, and computer courses is essential to maintaining the professional level of management required by the office.

# FEBRUARY 2006

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<b>12</b> Lincoln's Birthday	<b>13</b> BOF COA GDC GLB	<b>14</b> P&Z St. Valentine's Day	<b>15</b> BOE	<b>16</b> CC	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> SR MFC Presidents' Day	<b>21</b> SR ZBA BOS	<b>22</b> Washington's Birthday	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
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## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Voters in District One have a temporary change of polling place while Kelly Lane School is under construction. District One will vote at the Granby Senior/Youth Center, in the Municipal Complex, until the building project is finished. District Two will continue to vote at the West Granby Firehouse.

Big voting machine changes will be in the news for 2006. We will continue to use our old, but highly reliable lever machines, but each polling place will now have a state of the art handicap accessible machine. Starting with the March 2006 primaries, the Secretary of State's office plans to provide one of these computerized voting machines, per polling site, through previously approved federal funding. Please look to our monthly column in *The Granby Drummer* for regular updates about these new voting machines and opportunities to test them.

The Registrar's office is diligently working to make sure that all eligible residents can register to vote, check their address, party affiliation or voter status quickly and easily. During Fiscal Year 2005, we added a record 896 new voters, changed 1,905 records, and removed 531 voters from our official list. There are currently 7,200 registered voters in Granby: 3,164 Unaffiliated, 2,306 Republican, 1,712 Democrat, 11 Green, and 7 Libertarian. During the past year there was a Presidential election in November and a town meeting in April. No referendums were held.

ID is required on all voter registration forms since 2004. All state offices including all libraries, town halls, DMV, and social services offices, are providing these voter registration forms. Please note that state voter registration forms can be used to report changes in address, name or political party, as well as register as a new voter. If you are going to be away for an election, absentee ballot applications need to be filed with the Town Clerk's office. Please allow time for the ballot to be mailed and returned. Voter registration forms and absentee ballot applications are also available on the web at: [www.sots.state.ct.us](http://www.sots.state.ct.us). If you need to reach the registrar's office for any reason, you can stop by or call on Wednesdays – our office hours at the Town Hall are from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. In addition, you can send an e-mail: [vr.granby@po.state.ct.us](mailto:vr.granby@po.state.ct.us), or leave a phone message using voicemail: 844-5322, or use our mailing address: Town of Granby, Registrar of Voters, 15 North Granby Road, Granby, CT 06035.

After three years of excellent service, Virginia Wennberg retired as Republican Registrar as of June 2005. The current registrars are Peter Goff (Republican) and Laura Wolfe (Democrat). Their duties include registering new voters, overseeing all elections, primaries and referenda, and certifying the official voter list. The registrars are also responsible for hiring and training all election poll workers and they are actively seeking new volunteers.

## PROBATE COURT

During the past year, 49 new estates were opened, 30 of which involved the short form of probate, i.e. either with assets of less than \$20,000.00 or assets declared as jointly owned for tax purposes only. Also, 18 State Aid estates were handled.

Hearings were held on two new Trust Accounts and 13 review hearings on trusts were held. There were seven appointments of Guardians of the Estate of a minor, six miscellaneous hearings for Guardian Accounts, two Compromise of Claims, seven Allowances of Accounting (Guardian) hearings, and three hearings on other Guardianship matters. There were six appointments of Conservators of the person and/or estate, five review hearings, and seven Allowances of Account (Conservator) hearings. There were six appointments of Guardian of a Mentally Retarded Adult, seven review hearings, and five miscellaneous hearings. There were two Terminations of Parental Rights. We also handled three name changes, four adoptions, and processed 108 Passport Applications.

All Probate records are open to the public, with the exception of Adoptions, Termination of Parental Rights, Removal of Guardians, and files for the Mentally Retarded Adults. Fees to the court are set by law and retained by the Judge, who is responsible for paying most of the expenses of the court.

Office hours are 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

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## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

During the past fiscal year, the Zoning Board of Appeals held seven meetings to consider nine appeals for variances to the Zoning Regulations. Eight appeals were granted and one appeal was denied.

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# MARCH 2006

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<p>Calendar of regularly scheduled public meetings. For information on special meetings, contact the Town Clerk's Office.</p>			<p><b>1</b></p> <p>BOE Ash Wednesday</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Early Release K-12 CC</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Early Release K-6</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	
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## DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICES

Fiscal Year 2004-2005 saw the implementation of a fourth Sergeant to the Patrol Division. For many years the department had several shifts that did not have a supervisor assigned to direct the officers working. The absence of a supervisor was a concern due to liability aspects as well as the youthfulness of the department. Approximately sixty-three percent (63%) of personnel had less than five years of experience and could benefit from the guidance provided by a Sergeant. As a result of a minor reorganization and after a rigorous testing process, Kurt LaFlamme was promoted to this new position.

Fiscal Year 2004-2005 also saw the first Citizen's Police Academy. This nine-week program was developed to give residents a greater insight into the duties and responsibilities of the personnel in the department. Topics covered in the program included: communications, patrol procedures, criminal law, use of force, accident investigation, and an overview of our regional law enforcement activities. Different members of the department shared their knowledge and expertise in these areas with the citizens. The course also proved to be an excellent forum for the exchange of ideas between all participants. Comments from the participants showed the program to be a success and the need for continuation of the program.

The Granby Department of Police Services continues its commitment to participate with the Towns of Avon, Bloomfield, Canton, Farmington, Simsbury, Suffield, Windsor, and Windsor Locks in our North Central Municipal Emergency Regional Services Teams. These teams provide SWAT, Crisis Negotiation, Accident Reconstruction, and Dive Recovery services to the towns. Officers who participate in the various teams learn specialized skills, which can then be shared with their peers within the Department of Police Services.

In response to concerns of Home Land Security, members of the department's Command and Supervisory staff attended Critical Incident Command courses during the past year. Additionally, in liaison with the Capitol Region Emergency Preparedness Committee, a plan was developed to acquire necessary equipment and training for first responders.

<i><b>INCIDENT CLASSIFICATIONS</b></i>	<i><b>2003-04</b></i>	<i><b>2004-05</b></i>	<i><b>% INC/DEC</b></i>
MURDER	0	0	0%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	13	4	-69%
BURGLARY	20	30	50%
ROBBERY	1	0	100%
LARCENIES	149	128	-14%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS	4	5	25%
ARSON	1	0	200%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	3	11	267%
SIMPLE ASSAULT	52	46	-12%
FRAUD/FORGERY	38	42	11%
BAD CHECKS	16	22	38%
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	116	119	3%
DRUG OFFENSES	31	47	52%
FAMILY OFFENSES	20	19	-5%
LIQUOR OFFENSES	7	17	143%
BREACH/DISORDERLY	116	51	-56%
TRESPASSING	9	15	67%
RUNAWAYS	2	3	50%
WEAPONS OFFENSES	6	11	83%
LOITERING	1	2	100%
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	997	1426	43%
<i><b>ACCIDENTS</b></i>			
PROPERTY DAMAGE	255	248	-3%
PERSONAL INJURY	46	60	30%
FATAL	1	1	0%
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	302	309	2%
<i><b>ENFORCEMENT ACTION</b></i>			
D.W.I.	35	41	17%
INFRACTIONS	637	578	-9%
WRITTEN WARNINGS	608	549	-10%
CRIMINAL/SUMMONSES	497	483	-3%
<i><b>DISPATCH CALLS FOR SERVICE</b></i>	12,570	12,626	0.45%

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2  Daylight Saving Time Begins	3  BOS	4  P&R	5  BOE	6  CC	7	8
9  Palm Sunday	10 Budget 7:30 P.M. Public Hearing BOF COA GDC GLB	11  P&Z	12  IWWC Passover begins at sundown	13	14  SR MFC Good Friday	15
16  Easter Sunday	17  SR-1 week BOS	18  ZBA	19	20  CC	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	Budget 7:30 P.M. Town Meeting	P&Z	BOE			

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## INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

The Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission is charged with establishing boundaries of wetlands and watercourses, with reviewing applications from persons wishing to engage in activities that impact these areas, and with granting permits for such activities when they do not have significant adverse impact.

The Commission's responsibility includes buffer areas that extend 100 feet from wetland boundaries and 200 feet from watercourses. Proposed activities in buffer areas are subject to a Request for Review of Activity. These requests are examined and acted on by the Designated Agent. During the past year, the Designated Agent reviewed and approved 28 requests.

The Commission accepted amended wetland boundaries for properties on Hungary Road, West Granby Road, Granville Road, Pheasant Run, and Notch Road.

Permits were granted for six new residences, an access drive, a bridge repair, a line of monitoring wells, and a driveway culvert.

Three cease orders were issued, two of which were resolved and withdrawn.

Discussion was continued with the Building Department regarding wetlands matters and the granting of building permits.

Intervener status was granted to three persons in reference to development on Lost Acres Road.

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is a seven member appointed board that is charged to be an environmental watchdog and conscience for the town. Although the commission has no regulatory powers, it makes recommendations to the Board of Selectmen and the Planning and Zoning Commission, as well as reviewing development plans.

In September of 2004, members volunteered to work at the Household Hazardous Waste Collection for our area. Unfortunately, it was rained out. We also joined with the Salmon Brook Watershed Association for the annual aquatic insect collection for water quality information. Members attended the daylong workshop sessions put on by the Connecticut Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions, which cover a variety of current environmental subjects.

Currently the Commission is working on ridgeline development issues. These new guidelines, after being adopted as regulations, will help insure the visual integrity of our ridgelines, while allowing development consistent with the community of Granby. Other issues we are pursuing include logging regulations, soil-testing regulations, and continuing Granby's cooperation in the Farmington Valley Biodiversity Project. In addition, we have an on-going project for updating open space maps and will continue this work.

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## PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

In fiscal year 2004-2005 the Planning and Zoning Commission held 19 regular meetings where the members considered, deliberated, and acted on special permits, zoning amendments, and zone change applications, requests for site plan approvals and modifications, subdivision, re-subdivision, rear lot applications, and Board of Selectmen referrals. The Commission conducted informal discussions on a variety of issues, recommended the acceptance of roads and established, reduced, and released security agreements and bonds.

In fiscal year 2004-2005 the Commission took in 35 new applications. This is six more applications than the previous year. The revenue generated from these applications increased from less than \$3,500 last year to a little over \$18,000 this year. This is due primarily to the types of applications. This fiscal year, five subdivision applications were filed seeking approval of 48 residential lots. Of these, four lots were approved, two lots were denied, two lots were withdrawn from consideration and 40 lots remained pending final action. As part of a subdivision approval, the Commission agreed to accept a fee in lieu of

open space. This was the first such fee to be required since the Commission adopted the necessary regulations to consider such a fee. The funds will be placed in a special account for the future purchase of open space.

This year the Commission approved two new restaurants and a third restaurant application was pending final action. The Commission approved four new commercial buildings that totaled 25,000 square feet. These include new buildings for Cumberland Farms, Horses and Hounds, Stateline Propane, and Maximum Tree Service. The Commission also approved significant open space and private road amendments to the Subdivision Regulations and important changes to the Rear Lot and FRD Zoning Regulations.

In this fiscal year the Commission adopted the 2005 Plan of Conservation and Development. The plan was prepared over the past three years by a group of dedicated Granby citizens. Their efforts are greatly appreciated and the new plan should serve the town well over the next ten years.

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**LOST ACRES FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**

**Calls**

This is the general breakdown of the 186 calls for Fire Department assistance.

Structures .....	3
Vehicle Fires .....	5
Brush, Leaves, & Grass .....	3
Chimney Fires .....	1
Auto Accidents .....	12
Life Star Landings .....	2
Calls to Other Towns .....	13
False or Malfunctioning Alarms .....	37
Water, Smoke, Wires Down, Misc. ....	90
Hazardous Materials .....	6
Search and Rescue .....	2
Carbon Monoxide Calls .....	12

**Stations**

The West Granby Station, built in 1970 will be renovated to enlarge apparatus doors, install new energy efficient windows, new fire alarm system, and insulation.

**Equipment**

A new utility truck is nearly complete and will be delivered in July to replace a 1974 van.

As always, The Lost Acres Fire Department, Inc. pledges the best fire service possible.

**OFFICE OF ANIMAL CONTROL**

***Reminder: DOG LICENSES ARE DUE IN JUNE***

The Office of Animal Control functions as a part time contract service of the Department of Police Services and is assigned the task of investigating and taking appropriate enforcement action involving animals within the Town of Granby.

The Granby Animal Shelter, located at 166 Salmon Brook Street, functions as a safe haven for dogs that have been found roaming and is also utilized as a holding area for animals while investigations are being conducted. The shelter has received many donations of food, crates, bedding and miscellaneous items that are greatly appreciated and which keeps the cost of running the shelter down. These donations enable the animals kept there to live comfortably and in a more home-like atmosphere, greatly reducing the stress that being impounded can cause. Donations are always welcome and arrangements for drop-offs can be made by contacting Municipal Animal Control Officer Liz Bennett through the Granby Department of Police Services at 844-5335.

The numbers and types of complaints received by this office for July 2004 through June 2005 are as follows:

Roaming Dogs .....	179
Barking Dogs .....	40
Nuisance and Other Dog Complaints .....	57
Cat and Dog Bites to Humans .....	15
Dog versus Domestic Animals .....	2
Dogs Hit / Killed by Cars .....	8 / 8
Cat Complaints .....	29
Other Animal Complaints .....	226
Cruelty Complaints .....	22
Rabies Cases (one raccoon, one skunk) .....	2
Impounded Animals .....	74
Redeemed Animals .....	51
Animals Sold as Pets .....	10
Animals Euthanized or Found Dead .....	7
Mileage .....	5,356

# JUNE 2006

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1  CC	2	3
4	5  BOS	6  P&R	7  BOE	8	9	10
11	12  BOF COA GDC GLB	13  P&Z	14  YSBAB IWWC Flag Day	15  CC	16	17
18  Father's Day	19  BOS	20  ZBA	21  BOE	22	23	24
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## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The last 12 months have been very rewarding for the dedicated staff at the Public Works facility. We have tackled several large projects in a variety of locations ranging from park construction to bridge replacements. Last winter was above average in snowfall with a total of almost 80 inches for the year. Town crews also continued the proactive building maintenance program initiated previously. Valuable part time help continues to augment our full time crew in building and park maintenance, and the operations at the Town Transfer Station.

This past year, the town approved Cone Mountain Road, Strawberry Fields Road extension, Mill Pond Road, Tinker Trail, and the last section of Moosehorn Road as town roads, adding approximately 1.1 miles to our inventory. Additional roads will be added soon as Holcomb Hill Road and the lower section of Cider Mill Heights are submitted for approval.

Maintenance of the road network requires an extensive road improvements program. The following streets were paved last year as part of the overlay program:

Dara Lane	Nestor Way	Lindsay Circle
Eric Drive	Hickory Hill Road	Quarry Road
Heather Lane	Highridge Drive	Sunny Heights

Total linear miles paved = 3.42 miles

A ten-year Capital Improvement plan is developed to reconstruct roads that have failed. The following street was reconstructed:

Lost Acres Road

Total linear miles reconstructed = 1.88 miles

Lost Acres Road is one of the oldest roads in Granby. It meanders up the side of a hill following the Belden Brook into Hartland. Because of its bucolic setting and the historic homes situated along its route, the road was designated as scenic by the town. Special care was taken to ensure that the nature of the roadway and the scenic value of the surrounding terrain were preserved during reconstruction. The reconstructed road still maintains its naturally curved character while increasing safety for all users.

Street sweeping mileage remained the same at 89 miles and over 900 catch basins were cleaned. Heather Lane was added to the centerline-stripping schedule. We also continued centerline striping the first 200' of local roads off state routes.

Town crews battled 30 winter storms with a total snow accumulation of 79 inches. The Department utilized 4,088 cubic yards of mixed salt and sand on

town's roads. Town forces screened another 6,000 cubic yards of sand in the fall for winter maintenance operations.

Ahrens Park is ready for organized sports after town crews constructed three multipurpose fields and a new Senior Little League field. A maintenance building was constructed and a barrier fence installed along the roadway. The parking lot is gravel and ready for paving. A gate was hand built by town crews to reflect the nature of the surrounding landscape. We are very excited about the new park and believe it will serve the town's expanding recreation needs. Town personnel also assisted in constructing a new little league field at Salmon Brook Park. The field will be completed in the fall and be ready for play in the spring of 2006. Public Works crews will maintain this new park and ball field, along with the playscape, five baseball diamonds, 5-6 soccer fields, lacrosse fields, field hockey fields, and lawn areas for resident activities. Personnel also clean and repair the 18 public buildings located throughout town. Additionally, town greens, cemeteries, and municipal complex grounds are mowed, weeded, planted, and watered.

One of our mechanics just celebrated his thirtieth year with the town. Roger Thibodeau has dedicated his professional career to servicing vehicles and equipment for the Town of Granby. His expertise has saved the Department and town many thousands of dollars and time. We appreciate his and Mike Leamy's dedication in maintaining over 60 vehicles and many more small pieces of equipment. Over 4,000 hours are dedicated to repair and preventive maintenance. The fleet includes dump trucks, police cruisers, senior vans, administration vehicles, excavators, and other assorted equipment.

Paines Inc. continues to provide reliable garbage and recycling collection services for the town's 4,000 households. Residents disposed of over 4,300 tons of solid waste and 598 tons of bulky waste. The transfer station collected over 250 tons of brush, 207 tons of scrap metal, 1,581 cubic yards of leaves, and 735 tons of mixed paper and cardboard. We collected 3,000 gallons of waste oil and 210 gallons of antifreeze at the DPW garage and transfer site.

Several improvement projects have been undertaken at the Granby Public Library this past year. New, high efficiency oil burners were installed to replace the original equipment. The original buried oil tank was removed and a new, above ground unit will be installed in the fall of 2005. The roof membrane will also be replaced in the fall.

The Department will continue to provide excellent services while keeping costs down, and to complete any task no matter how big or small.

# JULY 2006

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9	10 BOF GLB	11 P&Z	12 IWWC	13	14	15
16	17 BOS	18 ZBA	19	20 CC	21	22
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### BUILDING OFFICIAL

Granby continues to grow at a steady pace with limited available and approved lots impacting the number of new homes. Move up homes continue to be a large segment of new home construction with the total number of permits rising due to home improvements such as roof, siding, heating, a/c, and electric service upgrades. The addition to Wells Road School is substantially complete and the addition to Kelly Lane School is underway. These are large projects that are not represented in the values listed below. As you may know, Granby provides inspection services to Hartland where 119 permits were issued.

In addition to our responsibility of administering and enforcing the building code, our department provides administrative support to the Community Development Office, Town Engineer, Zoning Enforcement, and Fire Marshal Office. The Building Official is also the designated Zoning Enforcement Officer, who is responsible for reviewing applications for zoning compliance and responding to complaints concerning violation of Granby's Zoning Regulations. We also act as a liaison between the utility companies and the contractor/homeowner for service changes and emergency situations.

<i>Building Permits Issued</i>	<i>Number of Permits</i>	<i>Total Construction Cost</i>
1. New Houses	63	\$9,328,082
2. New Commercial/Permits	50	\$415,503
3. Additions	96	\$1,648,205
4. All Others/Garages/Barns	725	\$3,813,246
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>\$15,205,036</b>

#### BUILDING PERMITS

Year	<i>Houses</i>		<i>Residential</i>		<i>Commercial</i>		<i>Total</i>	
	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$
2004	63	9,328,082	821	5,461,451	50	415,503	934	15,205,036
2003	64	10,782,035	526	3,966,996	23	697,235	613	15,446,266
2002	61	9,798,067	753	4,046,033	41	6,684,747	855	20,528,847
2001	65	10,977,652	757	3,374,941	18	6,678,833	840	21,031,426
2000	77	10,610,853	876	2,444,463	10	1,176,575	963	14,231,901
1999	58	7,918,747	749	4,394,096	7	169,765	814	12,482,608
1998	65	7,025,900	773	4,814,532	14	502,278	852	12,345,710
1997	66	7,572,384	572	3,463,005	16	202,710	654	11,238,099
1996	48	5,039,049	532	3,251,806	19	87,344	699	8,378,199
1995	82	9,561,740	962	4,340,865	12	210,500	1,056	14,113,105
1994	50	6,846,271	675	2,753,906	11	275,500	736	9,875,677

### ENGINEERING SERVICES

Operating under the Office of Community Development, Engineering Services are provided by Consulting Engineer, Edward Sweeney, P.E. In Fiscal Year 2004-2005, the Town Engineer worked an average of 49 hours per month in the Town of Granby. The Town Engineer advises the Planning and Zoning Commission and attends their meetings as necessary. He reviews the engineering details of various applications and conducts numerous field inspections, assuring that the construction of new roads comply with engineering standards and road specifications. The Town Engineer also inspects private roads to assure compliance with the specific town approvals. Roads that were approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission as new town roads and were under construction in Fiscal Year 2004-2005 included, Strawberry Fields, Holcomb Hill, Tinker Trail, Massaco Lane, Powder Mill Lane, and the lower portion of Cidermill Heights. Commission approved Private Roads that were under construction included, Holcomb Ridge, Upper Meadow, and Hunt Glen.

In Fiscal Year 2004-2005, the Town Engineer assisted the Department of Public Works with a variety of projects involving roads, sewers, bridges and the former landfill. He also marked out numerous Call-Before-U-Dig locations, inspected construction sites, inspected sewer lateral installations and prepared bond estimates.

In this fiscal year the relocation of Canton Road was completed. While the project was conceptualized, organized, and overseen by Fran Armentano, Director of Community Development, it was Edward Sweeney who engineered the detailed drawings and who worked with the contractor on the daily construction activities. As a result, the engineering costs for the project were far below the cost of securing an outside engineering firm. The project was funded through the State of Connecticut, Small Town Economic Assistance Program.

This is the second year of the town's newly adopted process of charging developers for the actual cost of engineering services. The process continues to work well.

# AUGUST 2006

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## OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

During fiscal year 2004-2005, the Director of Community Development reviewed, analyzed, and reported on 35 Planning and Zoning Commission applications. These applications proposed new residential lots, commercial developments, accessory buildings, regulation changes, and more. During this fiscal year the Director worked with applicants on a variety of commercial development projects and continued to promote the preservation of open space. A number of new commercial buildings were approved and are under construction and an additional 150 acres were set aside as permanently preserved open space. The Director of Community Development oversees the town's Flood Insurance Program, the bonding process and establishment of new town roads, and operates and coordinates the town's GIS System.

This fiscal year a Plan of Conservation and Development was completed and adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Director of Community Development worked with a group of dedicated volunteers in preparing the plan over the past three years. At the request of the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Director prepared comprehensive amendments to the Open Space and Private Street sections of the Subdivision Regulations and outlined significant changes to the Rear Lot section of the Zoning Regulations. The Commission subsequently adopted all of these changes.

The Office of Community Development continues to administer the Small Cities Program. The most recent grant of \$300,000 for the town's Housing Rehabilitation Program has been fully expended and the program now operates with repayment funds. These revolving funds, generated by past activity, are currently adequate to maintain the program over the next few years. Should additional state funding become necessary, the office is prepared to submit a new application for funding.

In this fiscal year the Director prepared a new application under the Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP funding). The application included a request for \$60,000 for the placement of traditional street lighting along Bank Street. The state has agreed to fund this request and the placement of the lights should occur in 2006. The new lights will result in the further beautification of the area, encourage greater nighttime business and use of this area, encourage pedestrian traffic, and add public safety.

## DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Development Commission is a six-member board of Granby citizens, appointed by the Board of Selectmen to assist in the direction of the town's economic growth. In Fiscal Year 2004-2005 the town enjoyed a significant amount of new commercial construction. Grass Helper Lawn Care and Rhino Linings USA, began occupying the new 6,000 square foot commercial building at 557 Salmon Brook Street. The renovation of the Cambridge House, Brew Pub at 357 Salmon Brook Street was completed, as was the 5,500 square foot retail building at 9 Mill Pond Drive. There are now seven new commercial tenants located in the two new Mill Pond Drive retail buildings. In May of 2005 the 11,000 square foot retail building at 7 Mill Pond Drive sold for \$1,875,000. There are four tenant spaces in the building, occupied by Movie Gallery, Dunkin Donuts, I'l Boscoc and the Neo Day Spa. The sale reflects the significant growth in the value of Granby's commercial property.

In this fiscal year a number of new commercial development projects were approved. These include a 4,000 square foot building and storage facility for Stateline Propane, a 3,200 square foot building for Maximum Tree Service, a 12,000 square foot retail feed and supply center (known as Horses and Hounds), for property on Mill Pond Drive, and a new Cumberland Farms for property at 19 Hartford Avenue.

In this fiscal year, Tim Lescalleet of Griffin Land provided the Commission with a detailed discussion of the company's development practices and goals. Griffin Land owns over 300 acres in the southern area of Salmon Brook Street, north and south of Floydville Road.

Chairman Robert Daglio who served on the Development Commission for 20 years resigned this fiscal year as he was moving out of Granby. Bob is a commercial real estate professional who provided the town with opinions, information, materials, and insight on a wide variety of commercial development topics. During Bob's tenure as Chairman, the town's total commercial development has more than tripled, adding many new banking facilities, major medical office facilities, quality retail services, national retailers and restaurants, and a state of the art industrial facility. At a meeting of the Board of Selectmen, the board formally thanked Mr. Daglio for his efforts and provided him with a plaque commemorating his many years of service.



# SEPTEMBER 2006

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	3	4 MFC Labor Day*	5 P&R BOS	6 BOE	7 CC	8
10	11 BOF COA GDC GLB	12 P&Z	13 YSBAB IWWC	14	15	16
17	18 BOS	19 ZBA	20 BOE	21 CC	22 Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown	23
24	25	26 P&Z	27	28	29	30

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## PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

The Director of Recreation and Leisure Services has the responsibility of implementing a comprehensive and variety of recreation and leisure programs for Granby residents of all ages. A seven-member board appointed by the Board of Selectmen may advise the Director on matters of policy and planning in the area of leisure services and facilities. The Board sponsored its first annual volunteer reception this winter.

Our youth sports programs emphasize positive fun experiences for ages 5-18 in a non-competitive atmosphere. We continue to provide regular programming for soccer, basketball, and skiing, as well as many sport specific clinics throughout the year. This year we've added Mini Hawks, flag football, and cheerleading to the old favorites.

New youth activities have been added such as Mad Science, cartooning, art, jewelry making, ARC baby-sitting, and junior chefs. We also presented our first annual Nutcracker Tea.

For adults, we offer ballroom dancing, boating certification, and drop-in basketball throughout the year. We offer a variety of bus trips throughout the year such as NYC, Boston, Red Sox game, UCONN games, Bronx Zoo, and more.

Salmon Brook Park provides a focal point for the town with picnic areas for family outings. The Park also provides tennis courts, a Children's Memorial Garden, hiking and horse trails, areas for basketball, baseball, volleyball, horse-shoes, bocce, and two playscapes. We also present a "*Sounds of Summer*" concert series sponsored entirely by our local business community.

Summer programming at Salmon Brook Park includes a public swim area for families, as well as American Red Cross swimming lessons. We also offer a quality day camp experience for children in kindergarten through 9th grade. This includes a two-year training program for counselors-in-training and Jr. Lifeguards; both continue to provide our teens with the opportunity to learn valuable skills and provide us with a list of well-qualified lifeguards and counselors.

Ahrens Park on Hungary Road is our newest facility. This area consists of the community gardens, lacrosse and soccer fields, and the senior baseball field.

We continue to coordinate program planning with neighboring communities to provide more of a variety of leisure activities that the Recreation Department could not provide on its own.

## SOCIAL SERVICES

The focus of the Social Services Department is to coordinate existing federal, state, regional, and local services, to increase community awareness of these services, and to develop new programs to meet the needs of Granby residents. Services offered directly through this office include:

**INFORMATION AND REFERRAL** - Over 1,000 personal and telephone inquiries were responded to with referrals being made to agencies for a wide range of services including mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, day care, home health and nursing services, medical care, housing, and entitlement programs.

**ENERGY ASSISTANCE** - Applications were accepted for the State Fuel Assistance Program and the Granby Emergency Fuel Bank. These programs provided financial assistance to 66 households to assist with heating and utility bills. The Granby Emergency Fuel Bank received over \$5,000 in donations from individual donors, civic groups, and churches.

**ELDERLY AND DISABLED RENTERS' TAX RELIEF** - Thirty-four applications were processed for this state administered tax relief program resulting in rebates of \$13,642 to qualified applicants.

**FARMERS' PRODUCE/GRANBY COUPON PROJECT** - Administered in conjunction with the Granby Conservation Commission, this project is funded by a Conservation Commission sponsored fund-raiser and donations from churches, businesses, civic groups, and individuals. The program continues to be a popular one, serving 65 people who redeemed over \$500 worth of coupons with five participating farmers.

**EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE** - Through the generosity of many individuals and families, churches, businesses, civic organizations, and youth groups, the Local Assistance Fund received over \$6,200 of donations for specific uses including: Holiday Sponsorships, Camperships, Rental Assistance, Child Care Subsidies, Prescription and Medical Care, and Crisis Assistance. Sixty-eight households were provided with emergency, holiday, or crisis assistance. The Holiday Sponsorship Program, a town-wide effort of concern and generosity, provided food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas to 50 households and gifts to 60 children.

# OCTOBER 2006

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>  Yom Kippur begins at sundown	<b>2</b>  BOS	<b>3</b>  P&R	<b>4</b>  BOE	<b>5</b>  CC	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  SR Columbus Day (observed)	<b>10</b>  BOF COA GDC GLB P&Z	<b>11</b>  YSBAB IWWC	<b>12</b>  Columbus Day	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
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## SENIOR SERVICES

The Granby Senior Center is a focal point of services and activities for the seniors in the community. The center is used throughout the day and evening for a variety of programs including: exercise classes, computer classes, billiards league, camera, art and needle working groups, educational and health programs, Men's Breakfast, Women's Breakfast, and the Senior Club. Other special programs include AARP Drivers' Course, Medicare counseling, and tax preparation assistance.

Senior Services provides assistance in the areas of transportation, programming, a Congregate Meal Program, benefit counseling, and referrals. There are six (6) staff members in this department including the Transportation Coordinator, Senior Center Program Coordinator, Administrative Assistant, two Senior Van Drivers, and the Congregate Meal Preparer.

### Senior Services Statistics

Outreach and Benefit Counseling .....	88
Congregate Meal Program Participants .....	72
Congregate Meals Served .....	3,945
Computer Class Participants .....	96
Exercise Class Participants .....	166
Tax Preparation Assistance .....	97

Senior Services operates two senior vans to transport riders for activities at the center including the Congregate Meal Program, grocery shopping, health clinics, educational and social programs, as well as for special trips and exhibits. Additionally, the vans are used to transport wheelchair bound riders to medical appointments. The volunteer van drivers donated 597 hours of driving time to the program this year. Donations from riders, the Granby Community Fund and the North Central Area Agency on Aging assist with funding the van service.

### Senior Van Statistics

Number of Registered Riders .....	152
Number of Drivers .....	12
Hours of Operation .....	1,372
Miles Traveled .....	11,055
Number of Passenger Trips .....	4,765

In February 2005, The Granby Senior Center achieved National Accreditation from the National Institute of Senior Centers, a unit of the National Council on Aging. The Granby Senior Center is the fourth center in Connecticut and the 113th in the nation to achieve this official status. The process served as a catalyst for initiating change and has led to a better appreciation of the significant role the center plays as a focal point for aging members in the community.

## YOUTH SERVICES

The Director of Social Services administers the Granby Youth Service Bureau (YSB) with support from the Youth Service Bureau Advisory Board. The Bureau receives income from many sources including municipal funding, grants from the State of Connecticut Department of Education, and the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, user fees, and donations.

The Youth Service Bureau employs a Youth Counselor and a Youth Program Coordinator. The Youth Program Coordinator develops and coordinates prevention and resiliency programs for youth. This position complements the Youth Counselor who provides clinical services and conducts psycho-educational groups for youth and their families. The Youth Service Bureau provides a variety of individual, family, and group services, which enhance communication, self-esteem, and positive decision making skills.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

- Two Master's level interns joined the counseling staff, allowing for more complete counseling services.
- W.O.W.! (Women on the Way!), an experiential group for high school age girls was created to address the growing concerns of parents and educators to create positive, supported, interactive social experiences for young women.
- Youth Action Council (Y.A.C.) formed to bring together a diverse core group of 8-12th graders to discuss the needs and concerns of Granby teens.
- Eighth grade girls participated in an in-school support group, Y.W.O.W.! (Young Women on the Way) implemented by YSB interns. This group provided psycho-educational counseling via group-chosen topics.
- YSB sponsored the 2nd Networking Luncheon for local service providers. Local providers were able to learn about the YSB and share their business information.
- "Be There," an after-school program for 6th grade students, was planned and led by the Youth Program Coordinator.

Program .....	Number Served
Clinical Services .....	79 cases, 140 persons
Total Granby children served .....	56
Total East Granby Children .....	29
Total clinical hours .....	828 (566 Granby, 262 East Granby)
Adventure Club .....	25
Be There .....	13 youth, 2 adults
W.O.W.! .....	34
Y.W.O.W.! .....	12
Youth Action Council .....	12
Parenting Workshops .....	27
Youth Employment Service .....	41 adults, 23 youth

# NOVEMBER 2006

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<p>Calendar of regularly scheduled public meetings. For information on special meetings, contact the Town Clerk's Office.</p>			<p><b>1</b></p> <p>BOE</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>CC</p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p>
	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>BOS</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>P&amp;R Election Day</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>YSBAB IWWC</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>SR MFC</p>
<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>BOF COA GDC GLB</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>P&amp;Z</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>BOE</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>CC</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>BOS</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>ZBA</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>SR MFC Thanksgiving Day*</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>SR MFC</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>
<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>P&amp;Z</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>		

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## THE GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### Enrollment

In 2004-05, K-12 enrollment grew to 2,222 students. Significant growth was experienced at the High School (+65) and the intermediate schools (+14). This growth was balanced by decreased enrollment at Kearns (-29) and the Middle School (-26).

### Student Achievement

Student achievement continues to be strong. On the Connecticut Mastery Tests, between 87% and 94% of students in grades four, six, and eight met the adequate yearly progress target in math and reading set by the "No Child Left Behind" law. Students also scored well on state writing assessments with 77% to 80% meeting or exceeding the state goal.

The percentage of tenth graders who met or exceeded goal on the Connecticut Academic Performance Tests reached an all-time high in relation to past Granby students and in comparison to districts in our Educational Reference Group: math (72.4%), science (80.6%), reading (79.7%), and writing across the disciplines (80.3%). Students enrolling in Advanced Placement courses increased while achievement rates remained above 80%.

### Recognition

1) CT Governor's Summer Reading Challenge, 2) Connecticut State University System Literary Award, 3) Readers Digest Word Power Challenge, 4) Middle School Geography Bee, 5) Michael's Athletic Achievement Cup, 6) Debate team and individual competitions, 7) Connecticut Student Writers' Magazine, 8) St. Jude Trivia Challenge, 9) VFW Patriot Pen Essay Contest, 10) Music competitions, 11) Poetry Awards, 12) National Merit Scholarship Program, 13) USA Bio Olympiad, 14) Athletic teams.

### Facilities

Construction of a major addition/renovation of the Wells Road Intermediate School progressed through the school year. A similar project at the Kelly Lane Intermediate School began in July 2005. Many changes were instituted as a result: redistricting, moving sixth grade students to the intermediate schools, and changes in transportation.

### Board of Education

The Board again received a Board of Education Leadership Award from the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education.

### Community Involvement

Thank you to the Granby community for your strong support of our schools.

## HOLCOMB FARM LEARNING CENTERS, INC.

Holcomb Farm Learning Centers, Inc. is a registered nonprofit organization, responsible for operating a 320-acre site located on Simsbury Road in West Granby. Tudor and Laura Holcomb willed the Farm to UConn to use for agricultural, educational purposes. When such usage did not come to fruition, the Town of Granby reclaimed the farm and undertook an exploration of possible uses of the farm. In 1993 the Granby Board of Selectmen approved a plan presented by The Friends of the Holcomb Farm to utilize the facility in a manner that would take advantage of the farm's many resources. The land and facilities are owned by the Town of Granby and are leased to Holcomb Farm Learning Centers, Inc.

The primary programs of the Holcomb Farm are arts, environment, agriculture, and passive recreation. The arts and environmental science programs offer a wide variety of classes year round for children and adults throughout Granby and the Greater Hartford Area. School groups, scout groups, homeschool groups, and the general public come to the farm for programs ranging from watercolors to bird watching hikes and from Meet the Big Dipper to Colonial Crafts. In the summertime the farm offers a six-week camp for preschoolers through fifth graders, focusing on arts, nature, multiculturalism, and fun. The programs and camps are funded in part by gifts from individuals and foundations. This past year approximately 11,000 children and 4,000 adults from Granby, Hartford, and surrounding towns participated in programs and events at the farm.

Passive recreation available at the farm includes a variety of hiking, cross country skiing, and horse trails throughout the 320 acres, open to the public dawn to dusk 365 days of the year. The Granby Horse Council and Scout organizations also utilize the trails and come to the farm for various events. The farm has sheep, rabbits, chickens, and reptiles and amphibians that are a source of enjoyment and education for visitors to the farm.

In 1994 Holcomb Farm formed a partnership with the Hartford Food System, a private nonprofit organization, to establish the Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program. The CSA grows over 130,000 lbs. of produce each year, using organic practices, on 19 acres of the farm. Individuals, families, and organizations purchase shares and come each week to the farm to pick up their fresh produce. A significant portion of the fresh produce is distributed to low-income individuals and families in the Greater Hartford area, including Granby.

For further information, visit the website at: [www.holcombfarm.com](http://www.holcombfarm.com) or phone the farm at: Learning Centers: 860-844-8616  
Agriculture/CSA: 860-653-5554

# DECEMBER 2006

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3	4 BOS	5 P&R	6 BOE	7 CC	8	9
10	11 BOF COA GDC GLB	12 P&Z	13 IWWC	14	15 Hanukkah begins at sundown	16
17	18 BOS	19 ZBA	20 BOE	21 CC	22 Early Release K-12	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 New Year's Eve	SR - 1 week MFC Christmas Day*	P&Z				

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## DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY SERVICES

In Fiscal Year 2004-2005, \$373,959 was appropriated for library services provided by Granby Public Library and the Frederick H. Cossitt Library branch in North Granby. The nine-member Granby Library Board, led by Chair Lynn Lochhead, meets the second Monday of each month and welcomes public attendance. Circulation of library materials at Granby Public Library increased slightly over the previous fiscal year for a total of 145,617 items. Patrons borrowed 14,745 items from Cossitt Library. The number of interlibrary loans increased to 43%. The one-day record for items borrowed reached a new high of 1,059 items in June and was repeated in July.

### Connections

Residents can now access the Internet at our town libraries using their own wireless-enabled laptop computers. Hotspots are located in the Adult Area and Reading Room at Granby Public Library and in the Adult Room at Cossitt Library. Patrons can search the computer catalog at Granby Public Library or access Granby's collection and initiate interlibrary loan requests at [www.iconn.org](http://www.iconn.org). Bar coding and data entry for the Cossitt collection has been started. Information about library services and programs can be found online at [www.granby-ct.gov](http://www.granby-ct.gov). The library also cooperates with other Connecticut libraries. A valid Granby library card may be used in any other public library in the state, and Granby welcomes borrowers from other towns. The largest numbers of non-resident users in Granby are visitors from Hartland, Simsbury, East Granby, and Winsted.

### Services for Children, Teens and Adults

More than 500 readers signed up for the summer-long program "Take Flight - Read." Events included Origami Crafts, Bugs! Nature Program, Make Paper Airplanes, and Book Time with Ronald McDonald. Cossitt Library ended the summer with its traditional Curious George Picnic and Make-A-Sundae Party. The staff of the Children's Room offered a variety of programs for all ages throughout the year, including Kindermusik, Make-It-Mondays Drop-In Crafts, Something-On-Saturday, Storytimes in the Park, Family Storytimes, Nature Programs, Kids Tag and Craft Sale, cooperative programming with the Senior Center, Storytime with guest Captain Bennett, Storytimes for Kindergarteners, Connecticut Book Voyagers, and supported the Acorn and Nutmeg Book Awards programs. Important additions were made in support of early literacy. An Early Literacy Parent Resource Collection of books and phonics materials was funded with Title I money. Thanks to the Graustein Discovery Grant, the libraries received books and tapes for beginning readers. The Children's Librarian visited all first and second grade classes and encouraged children (and their parents) to apply for library cards.

Once again, there was an increase in the number of items borrowed from the Teen Zone collection. Programs for teens included Drop-In Snacks on Wednesdays and a Teen SF/Fantasy book group, which met every month. The library and Granby Youth Services co-sponsored a program about the influence of the media on young girls. There is always a challenge on the "Puzzles in Progress" table in the Teen Zone.

Active book discussion groups for adults are "Something About The Author" and the "Tuesday Morning Book Group." The Stillwell Discussion Series, sponsored by the Granby Library Association with funds donated in memory of Lonny Stillwell, offered scholar-led programs following a "Once Banned, Now Classic" theme. Other programs for adults included "Forget This...Program - Common Problems With Memory," and "Find Your Hidden Energy With Feng Shui." Both libraries offer free or reduced-admission passes to area attractions. The Senior Outreach Program delivers books to the Granby Senior Center and three other locations. Income tax forms, photocopiers, and fax services are available at both libraries.

### Staff

In addition to providing direct service to residents, the library staff accomplished a great deal behind the scenes. During the past year, staff added more than 1,000 new patrons/cardholders to the automated system. The library subscribes to more than 140 magazines; more than 2,500 individual issues were bar-coded and entered for loan. More than 4,000 new books, recorded books, videos, and DVDs were added; many were purchased with gift funds from the Friends groups, individual donors, Lions Club, Galasso, or memorial donations. More than 2,000 overdue notices are mailed annually to remind patrons to return library materials. Staff members were offered training sessions on a variety of topics, including literacy, Excel, reference, leadership, book selection, and children's programming. On June 30th, the libraries closed to allow the entire library staff to attend a staff-training day featuring speakers from Town Hall, Granby Senior Center, and Public Works.

### Friends, Volunteers and the Library Community

The Granby Library Board hosted a Volunteer Appreciation Tea at Cossitt Library in October and promoted library services at Granby's Spring Celebration. Friends of Cossitt Library, Friends of Granby Public Library, Granby Library Association, Granby Pharmacy, Lions Club, and Small World supported programs, purchased museum passes, magazines and materials, and funded special projects to benefit our libraries and patrons. A loyal volunteer group

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**LIBRARY SERVICES** (continued from page 24)**STATISTICS 2004-2005**

	<b>Granby Public</b>	<b>Cossitt</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Circulation</b>			
Adult Books	40,655	2,939	43,594
Teen Books	4,260	173	4,433
Children's Books	38,170	4,607	42,777
Adult Magazines	9,406	1,873	11,279
Teen Magazines	780	17	797
Children's Magazines	1,063	114	1,177
Adult CDs/CD Books/Tapes	8,419	203	8,622
Teen CDs/CD Books/Tapes	649	6	655
Children's CDs/CD Books/Tapes	1,846	203	2,049
Adult CD-ROM and Software	27	0	27
Teen CD-ROM and Software	60	0	60
Children's CD-ROM and Software	723	47	770
Adult Video and DVDs	14,332	2,508	16,840
Teen Video and DVDs	5,288	0	5,288
Children's Video and DVDs	13,476	1,610	15,086
Realia, Puppets, Toys	482	58	540
Museum Passes	242	30	272
Adult Computers	3,455	357	3,812
Teen Computers	1,286	0	1,286
Children's Computers	998	0	998
<b>Total Circulation</b>	<b>145,617</b>	<b>14,745</b>	<b>160,362</b>
<b>Collection</b>			
Adult Books	31,942	5,064	37,006
Teen Books	2,300	384	2,684
Children's Books	15,878	9,113	24,991
Adult CDs/CD Books/Tapes	1,840	376	2,216
Teen CDs/CD Books/Tapes	193	19	212
Children's CDs/CD Books/Tapes	472	184	656
Adult CD-ROM and Software	9	0	9
Teen CD-ROM and Software	19	0	19
Children's CD-ROM and Software	132	31	163
Adult Video and DVDs	1,600	605	2,205
Teen Video and DVDs	418	0	418
Children's Video and DVDs	1,016	414	1,430
Realia, Puppets, Toys	94	87	181
Museum Passes	24	6	30
Adult Computers	5	2	7
Teen Computers	3	1	4
Children's Computers	6	1	7
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>55,951</b>	<b>16,287</b>	<b>72,238</b>

	<b>Granby Public</b>	<b>Cossitt</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Subscriptions</b>			
Adult Magazines	144	47	191
Teen Magazines	18	3	21
Children's Magazines	28	4	32
Newspapers	10	4	14
<b>Connecticard Loans</b>			
Loans to Out-of-Town Patrons	25,400	1,949	27,349
<b>Interlibrary Loans</b>			
Loans to Other Libraries	1,128	0	1,128
Loans from Other Libraries	1,830	0	1,830
<b>Programs</b>			
# Adult Programs	21	0	21
# Teen Programs	46	0	46
# Children's Programs	189	31	220
# Family Programs	57	5	62
<b>Total Programs Offered</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>349</b>
<b>Attendance at Programs</b>			
Adult Programs	280	0	280
Teen Programs	462	0	462
Children's Programs	3,483	217	3,700
Family Programs	1,516	201	1,717
<b>Total Programs Attendance</b>	<b>5,741</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>6,159</b>

contributed 900 hours assisting with special projects, book deliveries, programs, and processing of materials.

One of the "laws of librarianship" written by S.R. Ranganathan in 1963 is "for every reader a book, for every book a reader." The types of materials libraries offer have changed dramatically in the last 40 years, but Ranganathan's law still holds true. We invite you to visit Granby Public Library and Cossitt Library in the coming year to see what we have to offer; there is a book, or perhaps a magazine, or a recorded book, a CD or a movie waiting to be borrowed and enjoyed.

## FARMINGTON VALLEY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Farmington Valley Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) has continued to have a strong presence within the Granby community by providing a comprehensive variety of home health care, hospice services, and illness prevention programs to residents of all ages, without regard for ability to pay or insurance limitations. Since 1908, the VNA's culture and operating philosophy have reflected a genuine commitment to providing local, community based service without prejudice, and a broad based service mission which encompasses newborn assessment to end of life care. Despite continuing financial and other challenges associated with the delivery of health care, the Farmington Valley VNA is proud to still be one of the few remaining traditional and non-profit visiting nurse associations, which is not owned or operated by a hospital or larger health care system. This important distinction assures Granby residents that community needs remain a true priority and that funding is utilized locally for delivery of essential services and programs.

Services available to Granby residents through the VNA's home care program include:

- Skilled Nursing
- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Medical Social Services
- Homemaker/Home Health Aide Services
- Private Duty Aide Services
- Intravenous Therapy
- Nutritional Counseling

A variety of specialized services are also provided including complex wound care management and digital photography for more accurate and timely treatment, prothrombin time testing, pulse oximetry, cardiac nursing, early rehabilitation programs after total joint replacements, diabetes education and management, and early maternity discharge services. The VNA's Private Duty Aide service which was added last year has been very well received and is growing rapidly in response to the rising need for in home support and custodial care for longer blocks of time. This service offers personal care, homemaking, companionship and respite services in instances where non-medically necessary services are indicated, rather than skilled care, to keep individuals living independently in their homes. The VNA's highly regarded Hospice Program has continued to make a positive difference in the lives of many local families through the services provided by outstanding and compassionate Hospice staff. Many of the home health care services offered are reimbursed by Medicare, Medicaid, managed care plans, and other private insurances. A sliding fee scale is available for individuals and families who may have health care needs, but are experiencing a financial hardship. No one is turned away from services due to a lack of resources.

The Farmington Valley VNA is also unique in that it operates a distinct and separate Community Programs Department with the goals of illness prevention, health promotion and education. Many home health care providers have eliminated virtually all illness prevention services due to cost and realignment of service priorities. Community Programs remain a cornerstone of the VNA, particularly due to its historic roots as a public health nursing organization. Over 3,050 residents attended

one or more community wellness programs last year, not including health fairs. Many programs are offered at little or no cost thanks to funding from the Town of Granby which include:

- Blood Pressure Screenings
- Foot Care Clinics
- Wellness Walking Programs
- Health Screenings for Businesses and Groups
- Ear Assessment/Irrigation Programs
- Vision and Hearing Testing
- Welcome Home Program for newborns
- Tuberculosis Screenings
- Flu/Pneumonia Clinics
- Health Care Education Programs
- CPR and First Aid Courses for groups
- Granby Food Bank Program

The VNA is very pleased to continue a strong collaborative relationship with the Farmington Valley Health District. Together, a variety of programs and services are planned and implemented for the enhancement of public health and wellness, including influenza vaccine clinics, tuberculosis screening and control programs, emergency preparedness initiatives, and health education programs. One such example of this was the Healthy Heart educational series which was offered free of charge to Granby residents this year through Health Education/Illness Prevention Block Grant funding from the Connecticut Department of Public Health. Participants benefited from a four part, interactive educational series which focused on maintaining cardiovascular health, limiting dietary fats, improving nutrition, and incorporating fun, healthy exercise into daily living. With the rising incidence of obesity and related illnesses, especially with our youth, this program addressed contemporary health education topics, which are essential to our community's health and well-being. Efforts have also continued to maintain an adequate level of emergency preparedness, particularly in case of a smallpox outbreak due to terrorism, through planning and offering smallpox vaccination administration training to local medical professionals.

The Farmington Valley VNA has continued its leadership role in the provision of health care services to residents of Granby and other neighboring communities, and has done so never wavering from its charitable mission. As a small, freestanding, non-profit organization, continued financial support from community residents, local businesses, and service organizations is absolutely essential for the VNA's future survival. Reimbursement from state, federal, and private insurance payers falls short of covering operating expenses, particularly with steadily rising operating expenses and the effects of the worsening nursing shortage. In order for the Farmington Valley VNA to reach its centennial and further, corporation sponsorships and the generosity of local residents through longer term gifts and future legacies are needed now more than ever before. The VNA is very pleased to be a vital and essential health care organization, and we look forward to our continued service to the residents of Granby.

For additional information about the Farmington Valley Visiting Nurse Association, Inc. and its programs, or if we can assist you or someone you know, please call 651-3539, or visit us on the web at: <http://www.vnavalleycare.org>.

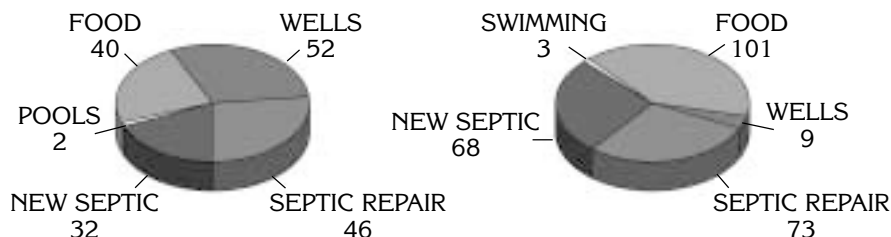
## FARMINGTON VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT

During Fiscal Year 2004-2005, one Inspector became a licensed Registered Sanitarian and one Registered Sanitarian left the district for another employment opportunity. The district, like all other full-time local health departments in Connecticut, received a federal bioterrorism grant in order to begin planning for a terrorist event with our member towns. Audrey Dolman, RN, APRN, our Coordinator of Emergency Preparedness and Disease Surveillance, spent the year working with the Directors of Emergency Management of our member towns to update emergency plans.

We started to expand our planning efforts to include pandemic influenza clinics, as well as smallpox clinics. Plans have been developed to establish two mass vaccination clinics in the district within twenty-four hours notice from the State Commissioner of Public Health. The district also continued its regional planning with the Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee (CREPC) in development of inventories of possible shared resources, with particular emphasis on the establishment of regional Points of Dispensing (POD's) for the distribution of antiviral and antibiotic medications in the event of an emergency.

The district continued our work with various members of the local public health system to promote vaccinations against preventable illnesses such as influenza, pneumonia, hepatitis, and childhood diseases, such as, measles, mumps, polio, etc. In particular, the district took the lead in assuring that our annual order of influenza vaccine (the largest in the state), was distributed in a timely manner to the people in the district who were deemed to be at highest risk for influenza. The district distributed 1,190 doses of flu vaccine to our eight long term care facilities (nursing homes); 2,331 doses to three VNA's for their "at risk" patients; and 1,190 to private doctors who couldn't get vaccine from their normal sources. The following graph summarizes much of the environmental health activity in Granby during Fiscal Year 2004-2005:

**Environmental Health Activities (FY 04-05)**



**PERMITS**

**SITE VISITS/INSPECTIONS**

Food Permits = Annual + Temporary

## COLLECTOR OF REVENUE

The Collector of Revenue is responsible for the billing and collection of property taxes, sewer use charges, and sewer assessments. The office also processes most deposits to the General Fund from other town departments.

Tax collections for July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005 were as follows:

- Total number of tax bills issued was 18,145. At the end of the fiscal year, 450 bills were not paid in full.
- The 2003 Grand List adjusted levy was \$24,947,020 and the net collections on the levy were \$24,714,282.
- During the 2004-2005 fiscal year, 99.06% of the adjusted grand levy was collected.
- Total uncollected taxes as of June 30, 2005 (including back taxes) were \$321,520.

## BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

The Board of Assessment Appeals in each Connecticut municipality is charged with the duty of hearing appeals on the assessments from aggrieved taxpayers and reviewing valuations set by the Assessor. This Board provides an opportunity for review and adjustment, before appeal is made to the courts. In exercising its functions as an appeal agency, the Board may reduce or increase a taxpayer's assessment through valuation change. The Board may also add to the Assessor's list the names of any property owners omitted and make supplemental lists of any taxable property omitted by the Assessor.

The Board reviewed nine appeals during their meetings held in March of 2004. Of the properties reviewed, five received an adjustment and four were not changed.

Section 12-111 of the Connecticut General Statutes requires taxpayers who wish to contest the assessment of their properties to file written appeal notices with the Board of Assessment Appeals by February 20th. The Board will notify appellants of their hearing dates at least seven days before they are held.

## ASSESSOR

It is the responsibility of the Assessor to discover, list, and value all taxable real estate, motor vehicles, and personal property in the Town of Granby. It is important that no property is omitted, that each property is assessed to the correct person or persons, and that each property is assessed uniformly and according to law. These values, subject to a 70% ratio, result in the Gross Grand List. The Assessor then applies various exemptions as mandated by the Connecticut State Statutes and local ordinances, including veterans, elderly, disabled, blind, farm, forest, open space, etc. The final total, after exemptions are deducted, is the Net Grand List. It is this figure, coupled with local, state, and federal revenue, which is used to compute the local tax rate.

The increase in the net taxable assessment, after changes, from the 2002 Grand List to the 2003 Grand List was 16,897,350, a 2.22% increase. This increase was predominately due to additions, along with new dwellings at Hunt Glen and some other areas in town.

Subsequent to producing the Grand List in February, a supplemental list of motor vehicles purchased between October 1, 2003 and September 30, 2004 was established. This supplemental Grand List totaled 9,241,511, generating \$295,450 in revenue.

Until 2002, towns were required to implement quadrennial revaluations. The Connecticut State Law has changed, requiring all real property to be revalued every five years. Granby implemented a revaluation in 2002. Its next scheduled revaluation will be effective October 1, 2007. Public access to assessment data may be obtained at [www.visionappraisal.com](http://www.visionappraisal.com).

	<b>2002 Grand List Fiscal Year 2003-2004</b>	<b>2003 Grand List Fiscal Year 2004-2005</b>
REAL ESTATE	678,637,810	696,301,200
MOTOR VEHICLES	70,033,360	68,051,530
PERSONAL PROPERTY	12,896,540	14,112,160
<b>Net Grand List</b>	<b>761,567,540</b>	<b>778,464,890</b>
<i>MV Supple. Grand List</i>	9,342,807	9,241,511
<i>Tax Exempt Real Estate</i>	47,383,010	48,570,640

## FIRE MARSHAL OFFICE

The Fire Marshal Office is a four-member department consisting of one Fire Marshal and three Deputy Fire Marshals that have the responsibility of inspecting all buildings with the exception of one and two family homes. Also, the department conducts yearly inspections of all group homes, daycares, nursing homes, and restaurants that serve liquor. The department is responsible for investigating all fires and explosions to determine the origin and cause. In addition to investigations, the department is responsible for filing National Fire Reports to the State of Connecticut for alarms that the Lost Acres Fire Department responds to.

The Fire Marshal's Office is involved with the Building and Community Development Departments to conduct plan reviews for all new construction and renovations. In addition to plan reviews, field inspections are conducted during all major construction projects. The department often fields questions on fire related topics such as code compliance, open burning, and fireworks. Finally, the office hours are varied but appointments can be arranged for meetings and inspections. Please contact Joseph Killen, Fire Marshal, at (860) 844-5318 for assistance.

# TOWN OF GRANBY



**2006 CALENDAR**  
**2004-2005 ANNUAL REPORT**

Town Manager Letter

C / R    67%

First Selectmen Letter

C / R    67%

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## **APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

Administration Finance Officer  
Barbarajean C. Scibelli

Animal Control Officer  
Lizanne M. Bennett

Assessor  
Susan Altieri

Building Official/Zoning  
Enforcement Officer  
Henry M. Miga

Chief of Police  
David L. Watkins

Collector of Revenue  
Lauren C. Stuck

Director of Community  
Development  
Francis G. Armentano

Director of Health  
Richard H. Matheny, Jr.

Director of Human Services  
KerryAnn O. Kielbasa

Director of Library Services  
Joan M. Fox

Director of Recreation and Leisure  
Services  
Kay A. Woodford

Fire Chief  
Allen S. Christensen

Public Works Superintendent  
James R. Klase

Town Clerk  
Carol J. Smith

Town Engineer  
Edward J. Sweeney

Town Manager  
William F. Smith, Jr.

Treasurer  
Roger A. Hernsdorf

## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

### **Board of Selectmen**

John E. Adams, Chairman  
Ronald F. Desrosiers  
Frank D. Judice, Jr.  
Sally S. King  
Mark Neumann

### **Board of Finance**

Michael B. Guarco, Jr., Chairman  
Gordon C. Bischoff  
Francis J. Brady  
Christopher D. Comer  
Frederick A. Moffa, OD  
Alfred G. Wilke

### **Board of Education**

James C. Heminway, Jr., Chairman  
Marie A. Nicholls  
John P. O'Connor  
Edward E. Ohannessian  
Deborah Torgersen  
Ronald S. Walther  
Matthew T. Wutka

### **Planning & Zoning Commission**

Paula H. Johnson, Chairman  
Jonathan T. Boardman  
Daniel P. Brown, Jr.  
Margaret A. Chapple  
Charles O. Kraiza  
James R. Sansone  
Linda C. Spevacek

### **Town Moderator**

Donald P. Wilmot

### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

Wayne E. Chapple, Chairman  
Walter J. Burke  
Robert M. Lindeyer  
William L. Percival  
Kelly O. Rome

### **Zoning Board of Appeals Alternates**

Judy A. Goff  
Paul R. Lambert  
James F. Olsen

### **Board of Assessment Appeals**

Lowell C. Johnson, Chairman  
B. Scott Kuhnly  
James R. Sansone

### **Registrar of Voters**

Peter S. Goff  
Laura A. Wolfe

### **Judge of Probate**

Philip D. Main

### **State Representative**

Richard F. Ferrari, 62nd District

### **State Senator**

John A. Kissel, 7th District  
Thomas J. Herlihy, 8th District

### **United States Representative**

John B. Larson, 1st District

### **United States Senators**

Christopher J. Dodd  
Joseph Lieberman

## **APPOINTED BOARDS**

### **Conservation Commission**

Cris Anderson, Chairman  
Susan F. Dwyer  
Carolyn R. Flint  
Jane I. Johnson  
Charles J. Katan  
Michael L. Lengvarsky  
Victoria Mazzei-Stepanov

### **Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission**

Charles J. Katan, Chairman  
Barry K. Avery  
Neil W. Kraner  
Eric Lukingbeal  
Richard H. Martindale  
David W. Tolli  
Richard Van Nostrand

### **Library Board**

Lynn G. Lochhead, Chairman  
Shawn E. Ball  
Carol Y. Bressor  
Robert P. Donna  
Mary Hunt  
Elaine B. Jones  
Richard J. Lydon  
Paul R. Willis  
Laura A. Wolfe

### **Development Commission**

Bruce E. Murtha, Chairman  
Edward Guarco  
Kenneth O. Kuhl  
Robert J. Rome  
Martin F. Schwager

### **Park & Recreation Board**

Robert E. Smith, Chairman  
L. Squire Bressor  
Wayne E. Chapple  
Deborah A. Kulwich  
Kathy D. Ungerleider  
Bengt O. Wennberg

### **Commission on Aging**

George L. Bronsord, Jr., Chairman  
June E. Ashworth  
Irene B. Courser  
Paula H. Johnson  
Grace P. Kane  
Elaine C. Lynch  
Incy Severance Muir  
Bruce W. Sullivan

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## MEETING TIMES

Board of Education	
First and Third Wednesday .....	7:00 p.m. Board of Education Central Office*
Board of Finance	
Second Monday .....	7:30 p.m. Police Dept. Community Room
Board of Selectmen	
First and Third Monday .....	7:30 p.m. Town Hall
Board of Assessment Appeals	
During the Month of March	
Call Assessor for Dates and Times	
Commission on Aging	
Second Monday .....	1:30 p.m. Senior Center & Youth Services Building
Conservation Commission	
First and Third Thursday .....	7:30 p.m. Police Dept. Community Room
Granby Development Commission	
Second Monday .....	7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission	
Second Wednesday .....	7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Granby Library Board	
Second Monday .....	7:30 p.m. Granby Public Library
Park & Recreation Board	
First Tuesday .....	7:30 p.m. Senior Center & Youth Services Building
Planning & Zoning Commission	
Second and Fourth Tuesday .....	7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Youth Service Bureau Advisory Board	
Second Wednesday..	4:00 p.m. Senior Center & Youth Services Building
Zoning Board of Appeals	
Third Tuesday .....	7:30 p.m. Town Hall

\* Call BOE for possible changes

## TOWN SERVICES

Animal Control Officer	844-5335	
Assessor*	844-5311	
Building Official*	844-5318	
Community Development*	844-5318	
Cossitt Library Branch	653-8958	Mon.,Wed. 12:00 noon-5:00 pm
		Tues. 9:00 am-12:00 noon;
		7:00 pm-9:00 pm
		Thurs. 9:00 am-12:00 noon
		Sat. 10:00 am-3:00 pm
Farmington Valley Visiting Nurse Association – Granby Office	653-5514	Weekdays 8:00 am-4:00 pm
Granby Public Library	844-5275	Mon.-Thurs. 10:00 am-8:30 pm
Children’s Room	844-5284	Fri. 12 Noon-4:00 pm
		Sat. 10:00 am-4:00 pm
		Sun. 1:00 pm-4:00 pm (Jan.-March)
Granby Senior Center	844-5352	
Landfill Hours		Saturday 8:00 am-4:00 pm
Police Department	844-5335	
POLICE EMERGENCY	911	
Probate Court	844-5314	Mon., Tues., Wed. 9:00 am-12:30 pm
Public Works Facility	653-8960	Weekdays 7:30 am-3:30 pm
Recreation Office	844-5356	
Park Bathhouse	653-0173	Summer
Registrar of Voters	844-5300	Wed. 9:00 am-4:00 pm
Social Services	844-5351	
Superintendent of Schools	844-5250	Weekdays 8:00 am-4:00 pm
Kearns School	844-3044	
Kelly Lane	844-3041	
Wells Road	844-3048	
Middle School	844-3029	
High School	844-3014	
Tax Collector*	844-5315	
Town Clerk*	844-5308	
Town Engineer	844-5318	
Town Manager*	844-5300	

\* TOWN HALL OFFICES  
ARE OPEN WEEKDAYS  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
OR BY APPOINTMENT