from all who heard them: the beautiful singing of the three choirs in their winter and spring concerts; and the high level of achievement of both choral and instrumental students who successfully passed auditions for Western District and All-State honors. Enrollments have increased in both the choral and instrumental sections of the Music Department in 1977. Concert Band enrollment necessitated the formation of two separate bands.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Physical Education program offers students a wide variety of activities from team games such as speedball, flag football, floor hockey and field hockey, to the life-time sports of golf, tennis, handball, archery and cycling; developing neuro-muscular skills, leadership and sportsmanship. A completely new co-ed elective program for juniors and seniors has been instituted, allowing those students to choose activities that appeal to their own individual interests. During the sophomore year, "Project Adventure," a unit in outdoor education, is taught in a co-educational setting. A swimming program which emphasizes stroke analysis and lifesaving skills is offered during the first two years.

READING

The Reading Department offers the following three courses: Reading Skills, Development Reading and Efficiency Reading. All students enrolled in low-level freshmen and sophomore English classes are required to take Reading Skills three times per week. Diagnostic, prescriptive teaching is done in these classes. Development and Efficiency courses are offered as semester electives. In addition to these three regularly scheduled courses, the Reading Department also offers Reading in the Content Area programs. Workshops for teachers of English, Science, Mathematics and Social Studies are conducted.

SCIENCE

The Science Department has continued to offer the traditional course of science subjects to students. This year the department introduced a General Geology course for juniors and seniors not bound for college. The staff members involved with Instructional Computing now have more than 20 advanced independent study students. They use the computer for certain areas in their mathematics and science classes.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Several changes have taken place in the Social Studies courses being taught this year. An additional class section was established in the grade 9 program, "Introduction to the Social Sciences," and two senior courses, "New England Life" and "American Life Styles in the 1900's," are being taught both semesters this year. These changes have occurred because of increased student sign-ups.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Headed by a psychologist-director, the Minnechaug special services staff of specialists serve approximately 100 Chapters 766 students. These students have special needs ranging from physical limitations to developmental disabilities and school and community adjustment problems. Services encompass home and hospital tutoring, speech therapy, counseling, remedial instruction in basic skill areas, independent individualized course work, adaptive physical education and family consultation. Expanded programs this year include small
group instruction in Driver Education and small engine repair. Students on behavior shaping contracts may earn access to a reinforcement center through improved classwork and study behaviors. Students receive vocational training through the Lower Pioneer Valley Educational Collaborative programs, Sunshine Village and Goodwill Industries' Occupational Exploration Program. Other 766 students are involved in work settings through the Distributive Education or Work Study programs. Students are also served at the LPVEC's alternative high school location at STCC and in several private day facilities.

In January, the Department of Education's visiting audit team made its scheduled on-site visitation and their evaluations and recommendations will become a public document this spring.

In conclusion, we wish to express our appreciation to the professional and supporting staff for their continued high level of performance over the past year. We continue to solicit the suggestions and comments of the citizens of the district and thank you for your understanding and support.

John C. Howard, Chairman
Sarah R. Berenson, Vice-Chairman
Glen A. Buchholz
Martha W. Cain
Yorke P. Phillips
Carl A. Sabin
Phyllis R. Sullivan
HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL STATISTICS
Enrollment - October 1, 1977

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FINANCIAL REPORT – FISCAL 1979
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$3,571,760.00 $3,570,753.00 $3,788,552.00
# HAMPSDEN-WILBRAHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## FINANCIAL REPORTS

### BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1977

### ASSETS:
- Cash in Bank
  - (Third National Bank)
  - Ludlow Savings Bank) $421,383.16
- Loans Authorized 52,595.00

**TOTAL ASSETS** $473,978.16

### LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:
- Encumbered Funds 1976-77 $240,335.43
- Employee Payroll Deductions 3,292.30
- Federal Grants 20.13
- Revolving Accounts 21,767.47
- Surplus Reserve 68,180.05
- Balance 1974 Summer Salary Fund 1,839.32
- Continuing Education Reserve 1,046.23
- Summer School Reserve 5,202.23
- Reserve for Chapter 74 79,700.00
- Loans Authorized & Unissued 52,595.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES** $473,978.16

### CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977

**EXPENDED FOR DEBT REDUCTION:**
- 1956 Planning Bonding $5,000.00
- 1971 Addition Bonding 250,000.00
- 1958 Major Building Bonding 100,000.00

$355,000.00

**EXPENDED INTEREST ON DEBTS:**
- 1956 (3.9% on 100,000) 97.50
- 1971 (5.0% on 5,000,000) 192,750.00
- 1958 (3.1% on 1,000,000) 6,200.00

199,047.50

**TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES -**

July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977 $554,047.50

### OUTSTANDING CAPITAL INDEBTEDNESS

As of June 30, 1977

- 1958 - (3.1%) Matures 2/1/78 $100,000.00
- 1971 - (3.9%) Matures 12/15/91 3,730,000.00

$3,830,000.00

### FEDERAL GRANTS

**PL 91-230 Title II Library**
- Balance July 1, 1976 $7.81
- Received July 19, 1976 1,489.03
- Expenditures through June 30, 1977 1,496.84
- Balance June 30, 1977 1,487.64

$9.20

**PL 89-10 Title III Project ACT**
- Balance July 1, 1976 2,731.07
- Expenditures through June 30, 1977 2,731.07
- Balance June 30, 1977 0

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE
Francis P. Reddington
Superintendent of Schools, 1966
B.A., College of the Holy Cross;
M.Ed., State College at N. Adams
Maurice F. Heffernan
Associate Superintendent, 1968
B.A., M.A., Am. International Col.;
Ph.D., University of Connecticut
Elmer E. Hoefener
Director of Business Services, 1967
B.S., University of Omaha
Jeannette C. Armstrong
Financial Secretary, 1969
Bay Path Institute
Lois C. Barber
Bookkeeper, 1969
Muriel O. Forsman
Bookkeeper, 1971
Sallie W. Moore
Bookkeeper-Secretary, 1973
A.S., Colby Junior College
Joan C. Riel
Secretary to Superintendent, 1974
Salter Secretarial School
Anna B. Tupper
Receptionist, 1958
Computer Services
Beverly Duckworth
Operator, 1977
Jeanne C. Sauve
Assistant, 1975
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE
Jerry A. Badger
Principal, 1963
B.S., Bates College
M.Ed., Springfield College
William H. Schneck
Assistant Principal, 1968
B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College
Helen A. Walinski
Assistant Principal, 1959
A.B., Col. of Our Lady of the Elms;
M.Ed., Springfield College
Carol K. Keller
Secretary to Asst. Principal, 1977
A.A., Potomac State College
Anne M. Kissel
Office Aide, 1971
Helen M. LaBreque
Secretary to Dept. Chairman 1977
Andrea J. Morgan
Secretary, 1973
Mohawk Valley Community College
Nancy S. Porter
Secretary to Asst. Principal, 1970
A.A., Green Mountain College
Luella M. Searles
Bookkeeper, 1967
Shaw's Business College
Shirley A. Strieeter
Secretary to Dept. Chairman, 1974
Celeste B. Sullivan
Office Aide, 1972
Joyce E. Thompson
Secretary to Principal, 1974
Jeanne H. Wolford
Telephone-Receptionist, 1974
R.N., Grace-New Haven Hospital

PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

Guidance

*George C. Proulx
Coordinator, 1968
A.B., St. Anselm's College;
M.A., C.A.G.S., Assumption College
Judith F. Borsari
Counselor, 1977
B.A., University of Massachusetts;
M.Ed., Springfield College
Marios Kacoyannakis
Counselor, 1962
B.A., American International College
M.Ed., Springfield College
Robert C. Kirschling
Counselor, 1976
B.A., University of Detroit;
M.Ed., Westfield State College
Judith M. Smith
Guidance Assistant, 1970
Rita I. Strauss
Counselor, 1969
B.S., State Univ. of N.Y. at Cortland;
M.Ed., Springfield College
Steven B. Weiss
Counselor, 1973
B.A., M.Ed., Springfield College

*Department Chairman
Note: Date indicates year appointed.
Supportive Services

Psychologist
*Peter A. Gartner
Coordinator, 1959
A.B., Bates College;
M.Ed., Springfield College;
C.A.G.S., University of Connecticut

EIIP Program & Special Education
Kristine J. Ahlgquist
Tutor, 1976
B.A., Franklin & Marshall College;
M.Ed., University of Massachusetts

Shirley A. Bates
Special Educator, 1974
B.S., Springfield College;
M.Ed., Westfield State College

Janice W. Cormier
Therapeutic P.E., 1974
B.S., Boston Univ. - Sargent College

Paul A. Deslauriers
Special Educator, 1964
B.S., Springfield College;
M.Ed., Westfield State College

Judith A. Emerson
Tutor, 1973
B.A., Mount Holyoke College

Robert J. Hennessy
Counselor EIIP, 1975
B.A., Belmont Abbey;
M.A., C.A.G.S., Springfield College

David A. Kaynor
Tutor, 1975
B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College

Diane H. Merker
Counselor EIIP, 1973
B.A., Tufts University;
M.Ed., McGill College

Ann Y. Moore
Tutor, 1974
B.S., St. Lawrence University

Helen Ross
Speech Therapist, 1976
B.A., City College of N. Y.;
M.A., Stanford University

Distributive Education & Work Study
*James B. Mitchell
Teacher, 1974
B.A., University of Vermont

Albert E. Newsome
Teacher, 1974
B.S., American International College

*Department Chairman
Note: Date indicates year appointed.

Secretaries
Doris M. Follansbee
Secretary to Coordinator, 1969

Carol R. Shaw
Clerk-Typist, 1975

Paula M. Viveiros
Secretary to Coordinator, 1976

Project Blueberry
Mark R. Caron
Coordinator, 1976

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES
Arthur H. Goodwin
School Physician, 1959
M.D. Tufts's University

Madeleine A. Newsome
School Nurse, 1959
R.N. Springfield Hospital

SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER
*Stephen W. Scharl
AV/Media Specialist, 1973
B.S., Manhattan College;
M.A., Fairfield University

Jacqueline Z. Maskell
Librarian, 1977
B.A., Goucher College

Peggy A. Fegley
Secretary, 1972

TEACHING STAFF
*Warren Amerman
Music, 1973
B.S., Trenton University;
M.A., Columbia University

Marilyn Ats
History/Latin, 1961
B.A., Oklahoma University

Daniel R. Balser
Industrial Arts, 1974
B.S., University of Maine

Donald G. Bamford
Mathematics, 1959
B.S., M.Ed., University of Mass.;
M.S.E., University of Pennsylvania

Martin P. Barrett
Physical Ed./Driver Ed., 1971
B.S., University of Massachusetts

*David W. Barry
Social Studies, 1964
B.A., St. Michael's College;
M.A., St. John's University
Teresa D. Barton  
Mathematics, 1979  
B.A., Smith College;  
M.A.T., Harvard University

Charles D. Beeler  
Music, 1964  
B.M.Ed., M.M.Ed., Hartt Col. of Music

David R. Bernstein  
English, 1973  
B.A., University of Massachusetts

Elizabeth A. Bichan  
Art, 1971  
B.S., M.S., Wayne State University

Mary Louise Brewer  
Social Studies, 1967  
B.A., North Adams State College;  
M.A., Westfield State College

Rita K. Brodsky  
English, 1975  
B.A., M.A., Cornell University

Richard A. Brown  
Science  
B.A., Bowdoin Col; M.S.T., Colby Col.;  
Ph.D., North Texas State University

Kathleen C. Browne  
Science, 1976  
B.A., University of New Hampshire

Donald L. Campbell  
Science, 1969  
B.S., Grand Canyon College  
M.S., Springfield College

Patricia Cascio  
Physical Education, 1965  
B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College

Stephen R. Castonguay  
Social Studies, 1968  
B.A., Westfield State College  
M.A.T., American International Col.

Julia S. Collins  
Business Education, 1977  
B.S., American International College

JoAnn E. DalMolin  
Mathematics, 1974  
B.S., American International College

Diane Danthony  
English, 1976  
B.A., Glassboro State College

John H. Deely  
Business Education, 1975  
B.S., B.A., Bryant College

James S. DeWolf  
Industrial Arts, 1959  
B.S., Fitchburg State College;  
M.A., University of Connecticut

William J. Eakins  
Science, 1969  
B.S., University of Michigan;  

James A. Etter  
Social Studies, 1967  
B.S., M.Ed., University of Maine

Donald T. Ferris  
Mathematics, 1969  
A.B., Holy Cross College;  
M.S., University of Massachusetts

*Margaret E. Fey  
Foreign Language, 1963  
A.A., Lake Erie College;  
M.Ed., Westfield State College

Sterling Futterleib  
Industrial Arts, 1973  
B.S., Central Conn. State College

Patricia L. Gagnon  
Science, 1973  
B.A., Our Lady of the Elms

Paula K. Gaynor  
Home Economics, 1975  
B.S., Framingham State College

*James E. Girotti  
Physical Education, 1970  
B.S., University of Massachusetts;  
M.A., Michigan State University

*Katherine F. Goulding  
Home Economics, 1961  
B.S., Framingham State University

Victor G. Granado  
Mathematics, 1968  

Joan A. Guziec  
Business Education, 1967  
J.D., Western New England College

Sadie C. Hachadourian  
English, 1970  
B.A., American International College;  
M.A., University of Massachusetts

David J. Hamelin  
Social Studies, 1972  
B.A., American International College;  
M.A., University of Connecticut

Daniel R. Hanscom  
Social Studies, 1972  
B.A., Springfield College

James S. Haynes  
Industrial Arts, 1972  
B.S., Fitchburg State College

*Department Chairman  
Note: Date indicates year appointed.
Diane L. Heiney
English, 1970
A.B., Goucher College;
M.A., University of Connecticut

Ronald E. Hofmann
English, 1964
B.A., University of Massachusetts;
M.Ed., Westfield State College

Russell R. Holt
Mathematics, 1967

Diane D. Jeserski
Business Education, 1976
B.S., American International College

Gordon V. Jones
Art, 1965
B.A., Drew University;
M.F.A., Assumption College

*Susan E. Jones
English, 1972
A.B., Marietta College;
M.A., University of Michigan

Constance E. Kennedy
English, 1961
B.A., American International College;
M.A., University of Connecticut

John F. Kennedy
Spanish, 1973
B.A., Catholic University;
M.A., Middlebury College

Martin A. Kibbe
Industrial Arts, 1972
B.S., Fitchburg State College

Matthew S. Kibbe
Industrial Arts, 1977
B.S., Fitchburg State College

Susan B. Kline
English, 1971
B.A., Radcliffe College;
M.A.T., Harvard University

William M. Koher
Physical Ed./Driver Ed., 1960
B.S., M.S., Springfield College

Gloria A. LaFlamme
French, 1968

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Chemistry, 1967
B.S., Holy Cross College;
M.A.T., University of Mass.

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Biology, 1977

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English, 1968
B.A., American International College;
M.A., University of Massachusetts

Catherine L. Levesque
Science, 1977
B.S., University of Massachusetts

Carol A. Ligarski
Mathematics, 1976
B.A., Westfield State College

John K. Logan, Jr.
Industrial Arts, 1966
B.S., Fitchburg State College

Patricia Lynne
Physical Education, 1974
B.S., Springfield College

Walter A. Maciaszek
Art, 1970
B.S.Ed., Tufts University

Doreen J. Malek
English/Reading, 1977

MaryBeth Maloney
Reading, 1977
B.A., M.S.Ed., Elmira College

*Henry J. Manegre
Industrial Arts, 1963
B.S., Fitchburg State College;
M.A., University of Connecticut

David G. Martin
Science, 1975
B.A., University of Vermont;
M.Ed., Springfield College

Robert A. McCarthy
Foreign Language, 1964
B.A., University of Massachusetts;
M.A., Harvard University

William J. McLean
Social Studies, 1970
B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College

Lois R. Megliola
English, 1977
B.A., Mount Holyoke College

Harold K. Miller
Science, 1959
B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College

Arthur V. Mina
Science, 1975
B.A., New England College

Byron R. Musselman
English, 1966
B.S., M.A., University of Dayton

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Nancy J. Nesbitt  
Physical Education, 1977  
B.S., Central Michigan University  

Kathryn N. Nickolls  
Home Economics, 1971  
B.S., University of Oklahoma  

Norma A. Noone  
English, 1971  
B.A., Westfield State College  

*Donna A. O’Connor  
Reading, 1971  
B.A., M.Ed., Western N. E. College  

John P. Oppedisano  
Mathematics, 1970  
B.A., Holy Cross College;  
M.Ed., Westfield State College  

Gary B. Petzold  
Science, 1973  
A.B., Colby College;  
M.Ed., Westfield State College  

Patricia D. Polchlopek  
Physical Education, 1969  
B.S., Barry College  
M.Ed., Springfield College  

Barbara A. Prackneck  
English, 1963  
B.A., Regis College;  
M.Ed., Springfield College  

John S. Przybylowicz, Jr.  
French, 1968  

Deborah L. Richter  
Home Economics, 1971  
B.A., Western College  

*George H. Robinson  
Mathematics, 1959  
B.S., University of Massachusetts;  
M.Ed., Springfield College  

Valeta B. Robinson  
Spanish, 1963  
A.B., Middlebury College;  
M.Ed., Springfield College  

Dennis M. Ryan  
English, 1974  
B.A., M.A., Manhattan College  

C. Thomas Sawyer  
Physical Education, 1976  
B.S., M.S., Springfield College  

Kathleen M. Sedlak  
Spanish, 1977  
B.A., University of Massachusetts  

Francis J. Sersanti  
English, 1975  
B.A., University of Massachusetts;  
M.A., College of William and Mary  

Robert A. Silva  
Mathematics, 1969  
B.A., Providence College  

Barbara J. Sirois  
Mathematics, 1973  

Mary-Lou B. Sitnik  
Home Economics, 1976  
B.S., University of Massachusetts  

Paula J. Smet  
Spanish, 1977  
B.A., Westfield State College  

Richard P. Spencer  
English, 1959  
B.A., University of Massachusetts;  
M.Ed., Springfield College  

Elizabeth K. Steele  
Home Economics, 1973  
B.S., University of Massachusetts  

Karl D. Sternberg  
Science, 1960  

Arthur J. Tipaldi  
English, 1973  
B.S., Central Conn. State College  

R. Gregory Trimmer  
English, 1971  
B.A., M.Ed., Springfield College  

*Joseph B. VanWest  
Art, 1959  
B.S.E., Tufts University;  
M.A.Ed., Westfield State College  

*Louis R. Verani  
Business Education, 1963  
B.S., American International College;  
M.Ed., Westfield State College  

Andrew J. Whalen  
Physical Education, 1966  
B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College  

Nancy Winetrouth  
English, 1976  
B.A., University of Massachusetts;  
M.Ed., American International College  

Curtis C. Wing  
Science, 1971  
B.S., Springfield College  

Robert E. Winston  
Social Studies/Driver Ed., 1976  
B.A., Plymouth College;  
M.Ed., Westfield State College  

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John L. Worthley  
Mathematics, 1968  
B.S., M.Ed., Springfield College

Christine M. Wrona  
Social Studies, 1972  
B.A., M.Ed., Westfield State College

I. Lucille Schieding, 1960  
Bernadette L. Szanderowski, 1971  
Margaret A. Webber, 1975  
Kathleen M. Wilk, 1973

CUSTODIAL STAFF

Stanley J. Strycharz, 1960  
Head Custodian

Leon C. Superneau, 1959  
Assistant Head Custodian

Robert A. Frydryk, 1974  
Lawrence L. Goscininski, 1974  
Michael C. Grise, 1972  
John M. Kijak, 1976  
Stanley Klimkiewicz, 1969  
Joseph R. Norman, 1968  
Edward Ordynowicz, 1971  
Richard A. Ross, 1976  
Peter J. Sagan, 1972  
Louis A. Siejna, 1974  
George D. Stocks, 1973  
Theodore J. Szczepanik, 1974  
Thomas E. Trewin, 1971  
Robert M. Wallace, 1976

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

The Animal Inspector wishes to report that he has inspected the barns and animals which are required by State Law.

The following number of animals were found:

- Dairy Cattle .................................................. 98
- Beef Cattle .................................................. 132
- Horses ......................................................... 122
- Pencils ......................................................... 43
- Sheep ......................................................... 14
- Donkeys ....................................................... 1
- Oxen ........................................................... 2

Respectfully submitted,
Homer L. Fuller  
Animal Inspector

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Dogs licensed in 1977

555 @ ................................................................. $1,952.00

Clerk fees paid to Treasurer:

- Sporting licenses (551 @ $4599.10) fees .................................. 122.10
- Dog and kennel licenses fees ......................................... 197.05

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Recordings .......................................................... 333.00
Certified copies ...................................................... 297.00
Marriages ............................................................. 180.00
Trade in name ......................................................... 10.00
Total Fees ............................................................ 1,139.15

VITAL STATISTICS

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Respectfully submitted:
Marie V. Krook, Town Clerk

REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL
(1977)

The legal involvements of the Town touched upon many areas of the law and the volume of the work has steadily increased.

We were involved with hearings and the court case on the Mall liquor licenses; and several District Court cases involving the Town (wage attachments, etc.,) and currently the White Birch Apartments case on sewage disposal problems.

In the School Department, there were legal questions relating both to teachers and pupils; the controversy over the Regional School property; and much further time on the so-called Chapter 766 cases.

With the Planning Board, we gave attention to three subdivisions, the new Zoning Enabling Act, zoning violations, approval of the so-called Reardon Parcel, acquisition by Laughing Brook of the Neff property, and very considerable problems in the Glendale Road subdivision, especially on one lot now the subject of court action.

In the area of municipal finance, there were opinions regarding Revolving Funds, handling of the Centennial Committee’s finances, and Federal Revenue Sharing.

Among the matters involving the Selectmen were the Taking of the street called Cedar Lane for the Housing for the Elderly and other opinions connected with that establishment; open meetings; the town auditing contract; the still pending land damage case connected with the Takings to widen Allen Street and East Longmeadow Road at the Mall; confirmation of the Oak Knoll decision establishing the Wetlands violations that had occurred there; a new sanitary landfill contract and various law enforcement problems related to the Police Department.

The Town Counsel also rendered opinions in many matters involving the Town Treasurer, the Board of Appeals, the Assessors, and the Conservation Commission.

Respectfully submitted:
Joseph R. Jennings
Town Counsel

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COUNCIL ON AGING: (Standing) Ethel Evans, Robert Bohlke, Ralph Forsstrom, Virginia Schneider, Nancy Zebert, (Seated) Kathryn Conway, Gertrude Lyons, Rosalind Reardon, Catherine Moriarty

REPORT OF COUNCIL ON AGING

With the authorization by the Town Meeting of 1977, the Hampden Council on Aging formally came into being on July 1, 1977. By state mandate the newest Hampden agency is authorized to identify the needs of the elderly population, to disseminate information concerning these needs, and to implement action to meet the needs identified.

However, even before the Council became an official body, the Interim Study Committee for a Hampden Council on Aging, with the cooperation of the Selectmen, the Home Care Corporation, a non-profit agency created to serve the needs of the elderly in the Springfield area, and the Visiting Nurse Association of Springfield, managed to initiate two services for townspeople 60 and over: (1) a nutrition program that provided a hot noon meal three days a week for a voluntary donation of $.50 a meal; and (2) a monthly health clinic that enabled the elderly to have blood pressure, iron deficiency, urinalysis, cancer and auditory tests conducted without charge.

For the period April 18, 1977, through January, 1978, the former program served 3,156 meals - 2,717 at the meal site in the Town Hall and 419 that were delivered to persons homebound. A total of 135 different persons took advantage of this program. Janis DeGrandpre of Hampden was selected by the Home Care Corporation to serve as the Site Manager.

The health clinic began in February, 1977, and by the end of the year 77 different senior residents had made 331 visits to the clinic. In addition, as a result of the tests made, the V.N.A. conducted 47 follow-up home visits.

Following the official appointment of nine members of the Council by the Board of Selectmen and the appropriation of a budget of $625, authorized by the Town Meeting of 1977, the Hampden Council on Aging began to function.
The Selectmen provided the Council with an office - one that is shared with several other town bodies - and volunteers began to man a telephone from the hours of 9 A.M. to 12 noon on weekdays to answer inquiries by elderly persons regarding such matters as social security benefits, the hot meals program, the health clinic, emergency transportation needs, recreational activities and educational classes. At the same time the Council was proceeding to update the list of names and addresses of persons 60 and over who were then sent a newsletter informing all of the existence of the Council and containing information about the Council's activities and plans.

At the request of the Scantic Senior Citizens Club - an independent social organization that evolved during the Spring of 1977- the Council assumed the task of making arrangements for bus trips by senior citizens to visit museums, public gardens, theatrical productions and other places of interest. This action insured that any senior citizen could participate in such trips without having to be a member of the club.

The Council also sponsored and organized several recreational and educational classes provided at no charge except for materials necessary for conducting same - an art class taught by Helen Tower and a course in CPR, as well as one on first aid, both of which were instructed by Dalton Philpott. As a public service the Council opened enrollment in the latter two courses to any interested person in the town. In the CPR course, perhaps because of its rigorous nature, 13 of the 15 persons enrolled were under 60 years of age. The Council also organized a swimming class at the Mercury Studio on Allen Street after twelve elderly persons indicated an interest in this activity.

Additional recreational and educational activities will be organized as elderly members of the town make their wishes known.

In order to identify these and other needs, the Chairman of the Council, who is also acting as Director by a vote of the Council, is engaged in an Outreach Program which will insure that each person 60 and over will be personally contacted at home. Thus, as the needs of the town's elderly become known through the Outreach Program and by other means, the Council will seek to take action, within the limitations of its budget, to meet those needs.

The Council has already applied for a grant of $903.75 for the coming fiscal year from the Massachusetts Department of Elder Affairs in order to improve its information, referral and counselling services, to cover mileage allowances for volunteers who provide transportation for medical appointments, shopping, to assist the Council in performing its outreach work, friendly visiting and telephone assurance, and to aid the extension of recreational and educational programs such as arts and crafts, swimming, physical fitness, and bus trips. In regard to the first three a committee of the Council has already held an initial discussion with Superintendent of Schools, Maurice Heffernan, who indicated much interest in cooperating with the Council as regards courses that could be held in the schools.

Although some money is likely to be forthcoming from the grant application, it is doubtful if the full amount will be approved inasmuch as the Department of Elder Affairs has a limited budget of $100,000 for this purpose which must be distributed among more than 250 local Councils on Aging. It is also important to note that the Council applied for the maximum grant allowable which is dependent upon funds appropriated by the Town, as well as in-kind contributions from any source and cash donations.

The Council has already initiated a daily contact telephone service whereby elderly persons who are recovering from illness or are homebound and who live alone with no relatives in the area may call the Council each morning to notify the telephone monitor of their condition.

Priorities for action in the coming year have been discussed, and the Council will continue its efforts to establish a transportation service, at least two days a week, at minimal cost to elderly persons, which would supplement the Council's present program which is completely dependent upon volunteers.
Another program that will be given attention in the coming year is the establishment of a foot clinic, which has already been set up in Longmeadow and which we believe represents an area of real need among the elderly.

Contact with other Councils on Aging is, of course, one means by which a town's Council hears of innovations adopted by other Councils and learns of newly established state and federal programs. For these reasons - as well as to have a voice at the state level - the Hampden Council on Aging has joined the Western Massachusetts Association of Councils on Aging which holds four meetings a year. Members of the Hampden Council have rotated attendance at the three meetings held thus far in order that all members may gain experience in learning the functions of this coordinating body which seeks to represent the interests of the elderly in Western Massachusetts.

In conclusion, the Council wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen for their support, the members of the town who voted to establish and fund the Hampden Council on Aging, a number of residents who gave voluntary donations of money to be used for a Senior Center, and other persons who donated equipment or supplies. Finally, we wish to express our appreciation to the many merchants of Hampden who have agreed to offer discounts to Hampden persons 60 and over, all of whom have received identification cards issued by the Council.

The establishment of a multi-purpose senior center - a facility basic to the objective of meeting the needs of the elderly and found in all other town of the Springfield area - represents a long term goal of the Hampden Council on Aging. Thus, the donations of money noted above have been placed in a separate account to be used only for such a facility when it becomes a reality.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert H. Bohlke

_for the Hampden Council on Aging_

G. Ralph Forsstrom .................. Chairman & Director
Ethel Evans .......................... Vice Chairman
Kathryn Conway ...................... Treasurer
Catherine Moriarty .................. Secretary
Virginia Schneider .................. Corresponding Secretary
Gertrude Lyons
Rosalind Reardon
Nancy Zebert

Senior Citizens enjoying lunch – at Hampden Town House
During the past several years the Town has set aside approximately $13,000.00 to help defray the cost of a Centennial celebration to mark the 100 years since Hampden broke away from the Town of Wilbraham.

A committee of townspeople was appointed by the Board of Selectmen in 1974 to start the necessary long-term planning for the celebration which will start on March 28, 1978.

Many organizations have been represented through this committee. During the past year a gazebo was built by the Lions Club and dedicated as a lasting memorial for the Town. Band concerts are being planned at the gazebo during Centennial Week and it is hoped that in the future the school children will make use of it for concerts and plays.

The Centennial Chorus was formed under the direction of Mrs. Alexander Bandoski with a special “Hampden” song, composed by Gertrude Bump, to be one of the many tunes to be performed at various functions.

A contest was run to develop a design for a Centennial seal. The winning design was prepared by Peggy Anne Haraty. Medallions engraved with this seal and the gazebo memorial on the other side have been offered for sale in pewter, silver, and gold. Ted Crowley, Souvenir Chairman, is in charge of selling these along with a 10 inch ceramic plate.

Another item created to help defray expenses, is the historical booklet, “A Century Walk Along the Scantic,” by Miriam Bryans. This booklet has been developed around the industries that flourished along the river.

A booklet compiled by Frances S. Jones will be given out to each Hampden family in May as a souvenir of our Centennial. It contains the Centennial program and the history of organizations in Town. The printing of this was made possible by private donations.

There are so many things planned, we hope all will try to join in. Invite your friends and let’s make this a birthday party that will be remembered for years to come!

THE CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR HAMPDEN'S
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Tuesday, March 28, 1978
Opening Ceremonies
Unveil Centennial Seal
Anniversary Addresses "HAMPDEN, THIS IS YOUR LIFE"

Tuesday, April 4, 1978
Continuing "HAMPDEN, THIS IS YOUR LIFE"

Saturday, June 24, 1978
Centennial Ball - Hampden Country Club
Academy Hall Open - Afternoon

Sunday, June 25, 1978 - Religious Heritage Day
Afternoon Activities - 2 P.M. to 6 P.M. - Park Department
Bus Tour - Hampden Historical Society
Academy Hall Open

Monday, June 26, 1978
Flower Show
Horse Show
Wagon Rides
Bus Tour
Academy Hall Open

Tuesday, June 27, 1978
Bus Tour - Historical Society
Academy Hall Open
Flower Show - Hampden Garden Club

Wednesday, June 28, 1978
Town Fair - Green Meadows
Agricultural Exhibit
Tennis Tournament
Academy Hall Open
Square Dance
Bus Tour

Thursday, June 29, 1978
Tennis Tournament
Academy Hall Open
Town Fair - 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.
Agricultural Exhibit
Bus Tour
Friday, June 30, 1978 - Youth Day
   Foot Races
   Bicycle Race
   Track & Field Events
   Tube Races
   Skate Board Derby
   Scout Troop Exhibit
   Academy Hall Open
   Bus Tour

Saturday, July 1, 1978
   Antique Engine Show
   Bus Tour
   Academy Hall Open
   Barbecue & Dance - Hampden Fire Department
   Fireworks
   Band Concert
   Art Show
   Crafts Show

Sunday, July 2, 1978
   Grand Finale Parade
   Firemen’s Muster
HAMPDEN CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Gerald Hinch....................................... Chairman
Mr. John Bethel....................................... Vice Chairman
Mrs. Robert Bryans
Mrs. Frances Jones
Mrs. Beryle Doten................................. Rec. Secretary
Mrs. Alice Fuller.................................... Treasurer
Miss Gertrude Lyons
Mrs. Alexander Bandoski
Mrs. Judith Witkop
Mrs. Helene Hesser
Mrs. Evelyn Schoolcraft......................... Cor. Secretary
Mr. Edward Crowley
Mr. David Cesan
Mrs. Karl Sternberg
Mrs. Donald Ryan
Mrs. John Siano
Mr. & Mrs. James D. Carey
Mrs. Virginia Midyette
Mrs. Stanley Herring
Mrs. Judith Jackson
Mr. William Olmstead
Mr. Dalton Philpott
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Schneeloch
TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Hampden Town of Hampden
To: Either of the Constables of the said Town of Hampden in said County:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hampden qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at Thornton Burgess School, Wilbraham Road, Hampden, on Monday, April 24, 1978 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

REPORTS

ARTICLE 1. To hear the Annual Reports of all the officers of the Town and any committee whose duty it may be to report at said meeting, and act thereon.

BUDGET

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided for by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, and to raise and appropriate the necessary sums to cover same; and to raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the Town for the period of July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979.

PREVIOUS BILLS

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the payment of any departmental bills of the year 1976-77 or previous years, and will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefore.

HAMPDEN COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Section 42, or take any other action relative thereto.

MAIN STREET

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to borrow a sum of money to be used in conjunction with money already raised, transferred or authorized to be borrowed in previous years, for reconstruction of a portion of Main Street, beginning at Station 61 + 00 and proceeding to Station 76 + 50, or as far as available money will permit, and/or Glendale Road; any reimbursement of such expenses to be paid into the Town Treasury, or take any other action relative thereto.

MAIN STREET

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to acquire, for highway protection, construction and slope purposes, by a Taking under General Laws, Chapter 79 and/or by deed, the following parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, on the north side of Main Street, Hampden, owned by Carol A. Bressette, bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by Main Street about 171 feet; Westerly by land of owner unknown 75 feet; Northerly by land of Carol A. Bressette and by a line parallel with Main Street about 171 feet; and Easterly by land of owner unknown 75 feet. Subject to a right of way to Bressette land lying Northerly thereof,

and will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Stabilization Fund a sum of money therefore, or take any other action relative thereto.
SOUTH ROAD
ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the reconstruction of a portion of South Road, beginning at Pole No. 39 and proceeding approximately 1500 feet, to Pole No. 45, or take any other action relative thereto.

STATE MONEY
ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept any money received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of Local Aid Fund Distribution, General Laws, Chapter 29, Section 2D, Highway Fund Distribution, Chapter 81 and Chapter 492/Acts of 1974; or Highway and Transit Development, Chapter 825, Section 3/Acts of 1974; or take any other action relative thereto.

LOWER PIONEER VALLEY
ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to increase the limit on the proportion of the costs and expenses of the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning District set by the Town under Article 7 of the Town Meeting held on March 4, 1968 from twelve ($12) cents per capita based on the 1970 Federal Census to fifteen ($15) cents per capita based on the most recent Federal Census, all under the provisions of Section 7, Chapter 40B of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

PONDVIEW DRIVE, MAPLE GROVE ROAD, SPRING HOUSE ROAD, FOREST HILLS ROAD, CHESTNUT HILL ROAD
ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, by virtue of Chapter 79 of the General Laws, to take, in fee simple for highway purposes, the following streets as recommended by the Planning Board, including easements relating thereto:

Pondview Drive, running from its intersection with Wilbraham Road easterly, then curving northwesterly, and then curving northeasterly a total distance of 2026.16 feet, more or less, to Spring House Road, as shown on a plan of lots as recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 112, Pages 50 and 51.

Maple Grove Road, running from its intersection with Pondview Drive, northeasterly and easterly, a total distance of 967.79 feet, more or less, to Spring House Road, as shown on a plan of lots as recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 112, Pages 50 and 51.

Spring House Road, running from its intersection with Maple Grove Road, southerly a total distance of 924 feet, more or less, including the turnaround at the end, as shown on a plan of lots as recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 99, Pages 49 and 50.

Forest Hills Road, running from its intersection with Valley View Drive, southerly and southwesterly a total distance of 1525 feet, more or less, including the turnaround at the end, as shown on a plan of lots as recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 99, Pages 49 and 50,
or take any other action in relation thereto.

DRINKING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY
ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaw of Hampden, Mass. by adding to Section VII—Protection of Persons or Property—the following:

"Section 2. No person shall consume any alcoholic beverages, as defined by the General Laws, Chapter 138, Section 1, in any public way, Town Park,
Town Cemetery, public school building or land or any recreation area under public control, except during such times as a special license may be issued for such places. Any person violating this Bylaw shall be subject to a fine of not more than twenty-five ($25) dollars and may be arrested without a warrant by a police officer”, or take any other action relative thereto.

LOITERING

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of Hampden, Mass, by adding to Section VII - Protection of Persons or Property - the following:

"Section 3. No person on any street in the Town, or in any parking lot used for off-street parking in connection with any retail business, shall loiter after being directed to move by any police officer or person in charge of such private parking lot, and no person shall, in such places, take part in any game, exercise, amusement or gathering, where the same interferes with the safe and convenient use of such street or place, or where such action disturbs the peace or quiet of the public, or of any person. Any person violating this Bylaw shall be subject to a fine of not more than twenty-five ($25) dollars and may be arrested without a warrant by a police officer,” or take any other action relative thereto.

REPORT OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATOR

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to instruct their State Representative and State Senator in the General Court to report in writing to the next annual Town Meeting how he or she voted on the annual State budget, how and why each amendment was voted for, and how and why any new tax programs were voted on, or take any other action relative thereto.

REVENUE SHARING

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer any balance unused on June 30, 1978 in the Landfill Maintenance, Library, Road Maintenance and/or Snow & Ice Removal accounts, back into General Revenue Sharing account, these sums having been allocated from General Revenue Sharing monies at Annual Town Meeting of 1977, or take any other action relative thereto.

REVENUE SHARING

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to designate funds from General Revenue Sharing to the 1978-79 appropriations for:

- Landfill Maintenance
- Library
- Road Maintenance
- Snow & Ice Removal

or take any other action relative thereto.

SANITARY LANDFILL

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to acquire, for sanitary landfill purposes, by a Taking under General Laws, Chapter 79 and/or by deed, the following parcel of land, now or formerly of Elizabeth M. Sessions, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southwest corner of said lot by a small brook Thence North 88 deg. East seventy-three and half rods to Edward W. Chaffee land; Thence North 4 deg. East on said Chaffee and David Burt land fifty-two and half rod to a maple tree marked; Thence South 88¼ deg. West seventy-four and half rods in Samuel B. Stebbins south line to a stake & stones; thence South 3¼ deg. West fifty-three rods to the first bound, containing about twenty-four acres called the Stebbins lot, and lying East of the present landfill on Cross Road; and will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Stabilization Fund, a sum of money therefore, or take any other action relative thereto.
CEMETERY CARE
ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept $150, for perpetual care of the lot of Alexander and Carl P. Larson, in Prospect Hill Cemetery, or take any other action relative thereto.

DOG FUND
ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote that the Dog Fund, in the amount of $119.40, now in the Town Treasury, shall be expended by the Library Trustees at their discretion.

LIBRARY STATE AID
ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Library Fund the amount of $1781.63 (State Aid) to be used by the Library Trustees at their discretion.

LIBRARY STATE AID
ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept and transfer from the Library Fund the amount of $1714.50 (State Aid) received during the transitional year 1973-74, to be used by the Library Trustees at their discretion.

TRANSIT AUTHORITY
ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to join the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Transit Authority, and raise and appropriate any sum of money needed as a consequence of such a joining, or take any other action relative thereto.

MINI BUS
ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize Selectmen to enter into an Agreement with the Lower Pioneer Valley Transit Authority for the operation of a mini bus program for Senior Citizens and handicapped Town residents of any age, on a schedule of two 6-hour days per week, or take any other action relative thereto.

TOWN SEAL
ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the winning Centennial seal design using the scene depicting Hampden, for the official seal of the Town of Hampden, or take any other action relative thereto.

MEMORIAL FIELD PARKING LOT
ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of resurfacing the driveway, parking lot and access drive from parking lot to RAH building at Hampden Memorial Park, or take any other action relative thereto.

CONSERVATION FUND
ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Conservation Fund, said Fund to be used for the purpose of acquiring available land for the Town, said purchases (s) to be voted on at Annual or Special Town Meeting prior to such purchase, or take any other action relative thereto.

ZONING
ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning by-law of the Town of Hampden, Mass. to include a NON-PROFIT EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL DISTRICT as follows:

6.10 NON-PROFIT EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL DISTRICT
There may be in the Town of Hampden a NON-PROFIT EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT intended to permit the study of natural history