

# FY 2010 ANNUAL REPORT



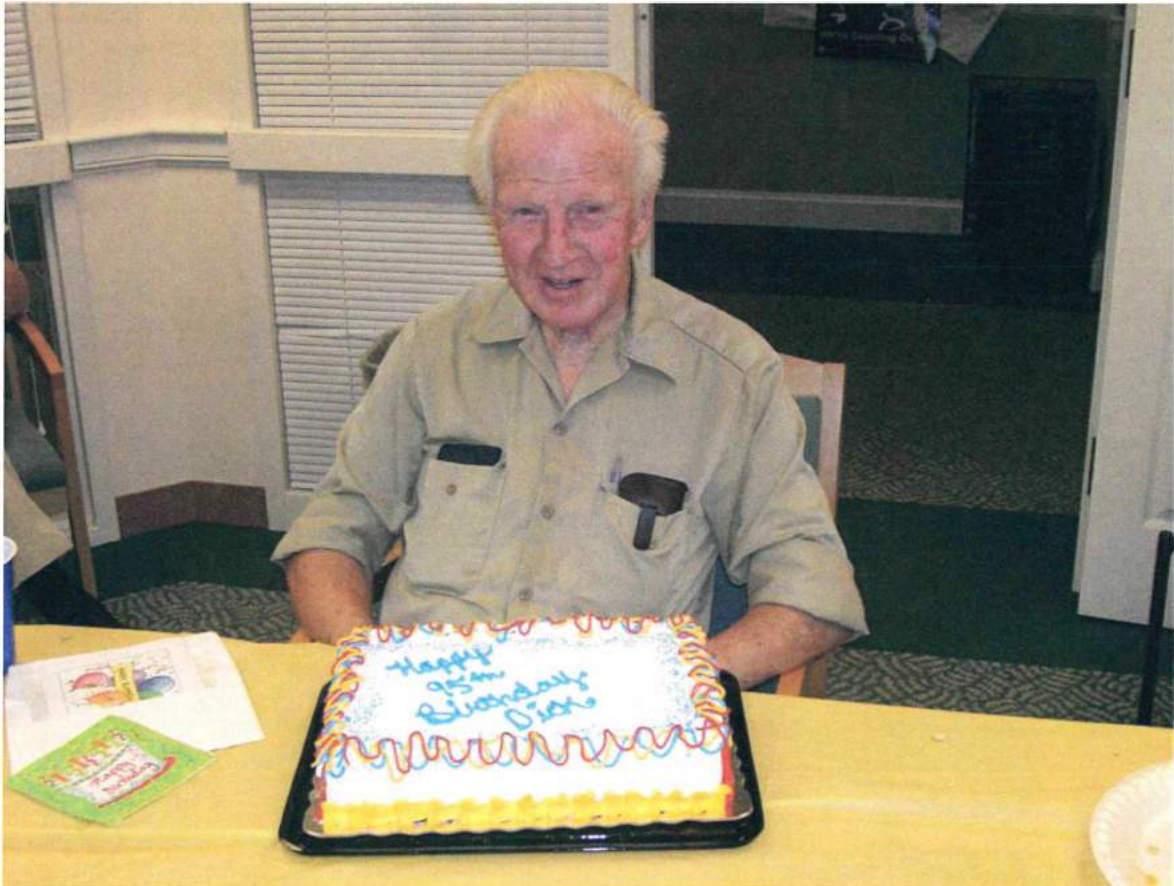
**“In grateful recognition of all Cumberland residents who  
have served our country in times of war and peace”**

**Town of Cumberland  
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010**



## DEDICATION RICHARD PETERSON

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Dick celebrating his 95th birthday with Town Hall Staff in June of 2008— Town Employee for 43 Years

Dick has lived in Falmouth, Yarmouth and, most recently, Cumberland throughout his life and has worked for many years around the Portland area in the plumbing trade.

Since November 1, 1967, Dick has worked for the Town of Cumberland as the primary Plumbing Inspector after spending several years as the Assistant Plumbing Inspector. Considerable time has been donated by Dick over the years as a water collection volunteer and a member of the Shellfish Commission. In 2003 the Plumbing Inspector's records were transferred from Mr. Peterson's home on Middle Road and deposited at Town Hall. Dick and his dog Bo had been holding regular offices until his passing in October 2010.

Dick took great pride in his work on inspections, cared deeply about the public and was great historical resource on all issues related to Town infrastructure. He was a good man and friend and will be missed greatly at Town Hall and throughout the communities he served.

## VETERAN'S MONUMENT COMMITTEE

The Cumberland Town Council appointed a Veteran's Monument Committee to develop plans and ideas for a community supported Veteran's Memorial located at Moss Side Cemetery on Main Street. The Committee has presented and the Town Council has accepted the concept of a monument that would serve as a focal point on Main Street honoring all Past, Present and Future Veterans in ALL branches of service including the Reserves and National Guard.

Phase one of this project is a black polished granite stone resting on a granite base. The size is approximately 8' x 4' and 10" in thickness.



*Phase 1—Moss Side Cemetery Main Street, Cumberland, Maine*

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## VETERAN'S MONUMENT COMMITTEE

The Committee and Town Council visited Moss side in December 2009 to get a feel for the scale and location of the monument. A plywood model was constructed to represent the size of the entire Phase 1 & 2 of the project:



*Brick sidewalks will be extended up to the monument as part of a large circle. Names of Veterans will be placed on the two wing walls and on the back of all the monuments. The plan has capacity for over 1200 names. To date, we have the names of over 600 Veterans. To find out how to have a Cumberland Veteran's name added please visit our website at [www.cumberlandmaine.com](http://www.cumberlandmaine.com) click on **Town Committee's** tab at the top of page then **Veteran's Monument Committee Tab***

Phase Two will incorporate the names of all Veterans from Cumberland from the Revolutionary War to present day. All Veterans with Cumberland roots are eligible to be honored on the wall. Phase One is now complete and paid for at a cost of \$20,000. To date we have raised an additional \$5,000 for Phase Two which will require an additional \$40,000 in funding to complete. We are planning for a Memorial Day 2011 dedication for Phase Two.

I hope you will consider making a tax deductible contribution to the Town of Cumberland's Veteran Monument Fund. You will receive a gift letter for tax purposes upon receipt of your gift. All contributors will be recognized at both dedication ceremonies.

On behalf of the Committee, we hope you will take advantage of this exciting opportunity to participate in recognizing all are Veterans and being a part of a very special project supported entirely by community contributors. Please contact Brenda Moore at 829-2205 if you have any questions related to this request or the project. Thank you for your consideration.

*Sincerely,*

*Veteran's Monument Committee*

*Bill Brown  
Glen Hutchins  
Harland Storey  
Brenda Moore*

*David Joyce  
Bob Storey  
Steve Moriarty  
Bill Shane*

**Please Send Tax Deductible Contributions to:**

**Town of Cumberland – Veteran's Monument  
Town Hall  
290 Tuttle Road  
Cumberland, Maine 04021**

**Payable to: Town of Cumberland**



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## TOWN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



To the Citizens of the Town of Cumberland:

I am pleased to submit the Council Chairman's report for the 2010 Fiscal Year (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010). The Town Council had a productive year and I am proud of our accomplishments especially in the area of simplifying the ordinances to make them more streamlined for small and large businesses alike.

I would like to thank the Police and Public Works unions for agreeing to a wage freeze for this budget year. Their efforts allowed for a third consecutive year without an increase in the Town's operating budget.

Some of the highlights of this year were:

- ♦ Formation of the Cumberland Maine Business Association
- ♦ Hiring of an Economic Development Director
- ♦ Changes to the fairgrounds overlay district to allow for more events
- ♦ Developing new ordinances for residential windmills
- ♦ Completion of Phase 1 of the Veterans Monument at Moss Side Cemetery
- ♦ Award and beginning construction of Foreside Road drainage and safety improvements
- ♦ Completion and adoption of the Comprehensive Plan
- ♦ Appointment of the Town Center Advisory Committee to evaluate new uses consistent with the Comprehensive Plan
- ♦ Opening of a new leaf and yard waste composting facility at Public Works
- ♦ Working with the Planning and Zoning Boards to eliminate duplication of process for new and expanding businesses in town

The year also saw some significant changes in Town staff with the retirement of Bill Landis after 19 years. Bill and his daughter Christine are now living in California where Christine is enrolled in college.

My year as Council Chairman was filled with many exciting events that I hope will have a positive impact on the Town's bright future. I would like to thank all my fellow Councilors and Town staff for their support and assistance throughout my term as Chairman.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Ron Copp Jr.*

Ron Copp Jr.  
Town Council Chairman  
2009-2010



## TOWN COUNCIL JULY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2010



*Seated (l-r) Bill Stiles, Ron Copp, Chair, Shirley Storey King, Vice Chair  
Standing (l-r) Steve Moriarty, Jeff Porter, Mike Perfetti, George Turner*



**Ronald Copp, Jr. ('12)**

**Chairman**

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Cool Cities Committee

Circuit Breaker Committee

Route 88 – Pedestrian Safety Committee



**Shirley Storey-King ('12)**

**Vice Chair**

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Committees:

Recreation/Community Ed. Advisory Board

Circuit Breaker Committee

**TOWN COUNCIL**  
**JULY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2010**



**George Turner ('12)**

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Committees:

Nominating Committee

Board of Appeals

Ordinance Committee

Greater Portland Council of Government

Coastal Waters Commission

Shellfish Conservation Commission

TIF Committee

Cumberland / N. Yarmouth Joint Standing Committee



**William Stiles ('11)**

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Committees:

Finance Committee

Val Halla Board of Trustees

TIF Committee

Circuit Breaker Committee

Housing Authority

Cumberland / N. Yarm Joint Standing Committee



**Stephen Moriarty ('13)**

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Committees:

Nominating Committee

Prince Memorial Library Advisory Board

Conservation Commission

Planning Board

Rines Forest Committee

Twin Brook Advisory Committee

Ordinance Committee

Veteran's Monument Committee

Village Center Committee



TOWN COUNCIL  
JULY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2010



**Michael Perfetti ('13)**

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Recreation/Community Ed. Advisory Board

Finance Committee

Housing Authority

Ordinance Committee

Village Center Committee



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Committees:

Nominating Committee

Finance Committee

Twin Brook Advisory Committee

TIF Committee

Cool Cities Committee

Rines Forest Committee

Economic Development Committee

Village Center Committee

Val Halla Board of Trustees

# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

CONGRESSWOMAN  
CHELLIE PINGREE

1ST DISTRICT  
MAINE



CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER AND  
EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND  
INVESTIGATION

COMMITTEE ON RULES

Dear Friends,

It has been an honor serving you in my first year in Congress and working with you to rise to the many challenges of the last year. Though we have been able to make progress in many areas, there is much to be done in the year ahead.

My focus in Washington and in Maine continues to be creating and preserving jobs, and helping our state recover from the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression. Passing the Recovery Act early in 2009 helped prevent a bad economic situation from getting even worse and has helped us lay the groundwork for long-term, sustainable economic growth.

The Recovery Act is investing in Maine's technology and transportation infrastructure, providing job training to thousands of workers, helping us become a clean energy leader and boosting the real estate market. And according to economists, as of the beginning of this year it has created or saved 10,000 jobs in Maine.

In Greater Portland, the Recovery Act, has helped develop industrial parks in the region, given local businesses access to loans, and is making the urban Bayside Trail a reality. My office also held a workshop to meet with local businesses and organizations from all over the area to look for opportunities to support the great work they're doing for the region.

Despite these successes, we need to do more to get the state back on its feet. Too many Maine families are struggling to make ends meet, too many Mainers are out of work, and too many communities don't have the resources they need.

In Maine, continuing to fight for small businesses will be crucial to creating jobs. Small businesses drive our economy, but the downturn has hit them hard. We have to help them access the capital they need to survive and grow, make sure they have a workforce well-trained for our changing economy, and offer the resources that help good ideas become good businesses.

And work this year will also carry on to give Maine families what they need to prosper: a clean environment, a good education, and access to quality, affordable health care.

I was elected to Congress to serve the people of the First District. If there is ever anything I can do to help you or your community, please feel free to call my office at 774-5019 or visit my website at [www.pingree.house.gov](http://www.pingree.house.gov).

Looking forward to seeing you in Maine soon.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chellie Pingree', enclosed in a rectangular box.

Chellie Pingree  
Member of Congress



# LEGISLATIVE REPORT



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RepMeredith.StrangBurgess@legislature.maine.gov

July 2010

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I wish to thank the residents of Cumberland for allowing me the opportunity to represent you and your interests once again as a member of the 124<sup>th</sup> Legislature. Being your voice at the State House is an honor and a duty I take seriously. My focus has always been to keep you well-informed of legislative matters and making myself available to address your questions and concerns.

Lawmakers enacted a two-year budget in June of 2009 that addressed a shortfall of approximately \$1 billion. Our slow and sluggish economy still affected the state's finances this past year. Revenues came in at a much lower rate than expected and more adjustments needed to be made to close the budget gap for this past fiscal year. Legislators faced the difficult task of filling a shortfall pegged at approximately \$310 million. I am pleased that members of the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee honored the governor's pledge of not raising taxes to help balance the budget. The final amended supplemental budget also contained no new programs, no tax expenditure changes and consolidated some government functions while reducing state positions. Unfortunately, lawmakers know that balancing the next biennial budget cycle will be even more difficult as monies from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act that were used by the state will have dissolved.

During the Second Regular Session, the Health and Human Services Committee of which I am a member considered 36 bills with 22 of those eventually being enacted as either public laws or resolves. It was an extremely busy three months addressing a wide variety of bills including expanded support for home healthcare; increased hospital transparency; various disease control issues; strengthening support for oral health; the need for additional rural healthcare; and developing the rules and regulations to implementing the new law that the citizens of Maine ratified last November for medicinal marijuana. The Committee also worked closely with the Appropriations Committee on the supplemental budget on issues pertaining to the MaineCare system and the best way of preserving certain services with limited financial resources.

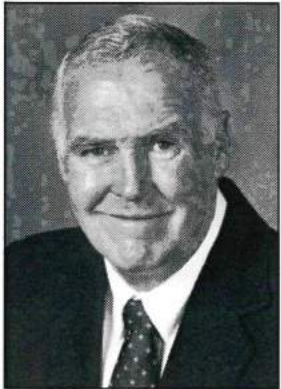
Again, thank you for the opportunity to be your voice in the halls of the State House. Your comments and suggestions are always welcomed as it is through your input that I am better able to represent you. Please feel free to contact me at anytime in Cumberland or in Augusta.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of Meredith Strang Burgess in cursive script, enclosed in a rectangular box.

Meredith Strang Burgess  
State Representative

## LEGISLATIVE REPORT



**Gerald M. Davis**  
**Maine Senate District 11**  
Chebeague Island, Cumberland, Falmouth,  
Gray, Long Island, North Yarmouth, Yarmouth

### ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND

A Message from Senator Jerry Davis

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is my great honor to represent the people of Cumberland in the State Senate. I look forward to working on your behalf and advocating for the needs of the community.

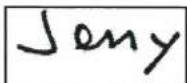
Last session, the Legislature passed a bipartisan budget that was very different from the Governor's initial budget proposal. We were able to pass a budget that contained no tax increases; protected property taxpayers by restoring funds for local education and municipal revenue sharing; placed money in the state's "rainy day" fund; and maintained Maine's safety net for our most vulnerable citizens.

As difficult as this budget process was, next year's budget will be an even greater challenge. Lawmakers will need to balance the budget without benefit of the federal stimulus dollars. While the federal Stimulus package brought some relief to Maine, it is important to remember that those were one time funds; they are not the solution to our problems.

As we face the next Legislative session with an even larger projected shortfall, it is imperative that we establish thoughtful common-sense priorities that will result in a state government that is accountable to its taxpayers as well as the people it serves. We must get serious about fostering an economic climate that encourages private-sector job creation. If we do that, we can position Maine to emerge from this downturn stronger than ever, so that our young people can find opportunity here and our families can prosper in the future.

Thank you for the privilege of serving you in the Maine Senate. One of the most rewarding aspects of my job as your State Senator is the ability to help constituents. If you are having an issue with a state agency, or a member of your family needs assistance with a state issue, please feel free to contact me. I will be happy to help in any way I can. You may reach me at my home phone 797-5309, at my Senate office in Augusta 287-1505, or by email at [gmdavis@maine.rr.com](mailto:gmdavis@maine.rr.com).

Sincerely,



Jerry Davis  
State Senator, District 11



## BOARDS & COMMITTEES

### *Town Council*

Ronald Copp, Jr.  
Stephen Moriarty  
Michael Perfetti  
Jeff Porter  
William Stiles  
Shirley Storey-King  
George Turner

### *SAD # 51 Board of Directors*

Jim Bailinson  
Karen Campbell  
Bill Dunnett  
Virginia Dwyer— N. Yar  
Todd Nicholson- N. Yar  
David Perkins—N. Yar.  
Bill Richards  
Robert Vail  
*Peter Bailinson—GHS Rep.*  
*Helena McMonagle— GHS*

### *Board of Adjustment & Appeals*

Andrew Black  
Ronald Copp  
David Joyce  
Adrian Kendall  
Christian Lewis  
Matthew Manahan  
Michael Martin  
Scott R. Wyman  
George Turner

### *Board of Assessment Review*

Robert Crawford  
Jeff Daigle  
Jerome Gamache  
Mark Stevens  
James Thomas

### *Board of Sewer Appeals*

Paul Chesley  
Donald Fischer  
Edward Kirstein  
Donald McKenna, Jr.  
Ralph Oulton  
Steve Sloan

### *Coastal Waters Commission*

Peter Dion  
Tom Gruber  
Lewis Incze  
Craig Kinney  
Jock McDonald  
John Williams  
George Turner

### *Cool Cities Committee*

Brita Bonechi  
Wendy Hayes  
Matt Mecray  
Bob Vail  
Adam Pitcher  
Paul Weiss  
Ron Copp, Jr.  
Jeff Porter

### *Cumberland Housing Authority*

Connie Bingham  
Jim Clifford  
Joyce Frost  
Bill Hansen  
Norman Maze, Jr.  
John Raeke  
Eileen Wyatt  
William Stiles  
Michael Perfetti

### *Greely Scholarship Committee*

Karen Finnegan  
Terry Snow  
Sandra Wood

### *Lands & Conservation Commission*

Penny Asherman  
Donald Borchert  
Ted Chadbourne  
Tom Gruber  
Ellen Hoffman  
Chip LeBlanc  
Paul Weiss  
Sam York  
Dave Young  
Steve Moriarty

### *Planning Board*

April Caron  
Bob Couillard  
John Ferland  
Chris Neagle  
William Richards  
Robert Vail  
William Ward  
Stephen Moriarty

### *Personnel Appeals Board*

Katherine Brooks  
James Clifford  
Michael Edes  
David Fenderson  
Randy Harriman  
William Ward

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## *Prince Memorial Library Board*

Barbara Chandler  
David Fenderson  
Susan Howard  
Adam Moody  
Marla LeBlanc  
Stephen Moriarty

## *Recreation /Community Education Advisory Board*

Dick Campbell  
Callie Chase  
Heather Giandrea  
Tara Hill  
Pam Russell  
Bob Vail  
Dirk Van Curan  
Richard Wolfe  
Mike Perfetti  
Shirley Storey King

## *Rines Property Advisory Committee*

Mitch Eliot  
Warren Graumann  
Bob Heyner  
Bruce Wildes  
Lisa Judd  
Henry Milburn  
Sally Stockwell  
Richard Sweetser  
Robert Waterhouse  
Jennifer West  
Jeff Porter  
Steve Moriarty

## *Route 88 Bike/Ped. Committee*

John Ferland     George Turner  
Tom Gruber     Ron Copp, Jr.  
Mike Lebel     Steve Moriarty  
Donna Levi  
Carolyn Muarry  
Lisa Nolan  
Julie Restuccia  
John Tarling

## *Shellfish Conservation Commission*

Charles Adams  
Michael Brown  
Tom Gruber  
Dan Holt  
Jessica Joyce  
Bob Maloney  
Harland Storey  
George Turner

## *Town Center Advisory Committee*

Carrie Burnsteel  
Ron Dillon  
Tom Foley  
Bill Follett  
Michael Levert  
Jim Orser  
Frank Pitassi  
Steve Sloan  
Charles Staples  
Greg Sweetser  
Steve Moriarty  
Mike Perfetti  
Jeff Porter

## *Twin Brook Advisory Committee*

John Eldredge  
Kay Fowler  
Bill Green  
Thomas Haight  
John Leavitt  
Joe Loring  
Joe Reynolds  
Anne Witte  
Steve Moriarty  
Jeff Porter

## *Val Halla Golf & Recreation Center Board of Trustees*

Judy Ingraham  
Tim Moody  
William Putnam  
Rick Scott  
Steve Sloan  
Norene Ward  
John Zappia  
Jeff Porter  
William Stiles

## *Veteran's Monument Committee*

Bill Brown  
Linda Collins  
David Joyce  
Glen Hutchins  
Harland Storey  
Robert Storey, Sr.  
Steve Moriarty

The Town of Cumberland would like to thank the many Board and Committee members who so generously give their time and effort to assist in maintaining the character and beauty of our great community.

**THANK YOU!!**



# Town of Cumberland 2010 Annual Report

## T O W N O F C U M B E R L A N D

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO A TOWN BOARD OR COMMITTEE

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE FOLLOWING BOARD(S) OR COMMITTEE(S):

<input type="checkbox"/> BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS	<input type="checkbox"/> PRINCE MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD
<input type="checkbox"/> BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDS & CONSERVATION
<input type="checkbox"/> BOARD OF SEWER APPEALS	<input type="checkbox"/> PLANNING BOARD
<input type="checkbox"/> PERSONNEL APPEALS	<input type="checkbox"/> COASTAL WATERS COMMISSION
<input type="checkbox"/> RECREATION/ COMMUNITY ED	<input type="checkbox"/> CUMBERLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY
<input type="checkbox"/> RINES FOREST ADVISORY COMM	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN BROOK ADVISORY COMM
<input type="checkbox"/> GREELY SCHOLARSHIP COMM	<input type="checkbox"/> VAL HALLA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
<input type="checkbox"/> SHELLFISH CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
<input type="checkbox"/> COOL CITIES COMMITTEE	

PLEASE PRINT or TYPE

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE TELL US WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE BOARD (S) OR COMMITTEE(S) YOU HAVE SELECTED? DO YOU HAVE ANY SPECIAL TRAINING OR SKILLS IN THIS AREA?

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ARE YOU AVAILABLE FOR EVENING MEETINGS? \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Thank you for your interest in serving the Town of Cumberland. This application will be kept on file for one year. You may be asked to attend a brief interview meeting with a subcommittee of the Town Council prior to your appointment when committee vacancies occur. Please return this form to the

**Town of Cumberland Administration Office**  
**290 Tuttle Road, Cumberland, ME 04021.**

## TOWN MANAGER'S LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

### **To The Honorable Town Council & Citizens of the Town of Cumberland:**

Town Reports are a “look back” over the past year’s events. The events of the past year were significant and will affect our community for the short term future at the very least. As difficult as the past year has been, the hard work will pave the way for a much better 2010/2011 year.

### **Continue to Shrink Government**

The days of lots of people specializing in a single task ended many years ago. When I started, seven years ago, the Town employed 65 fulltime municipal employees. Today we are hovering around 48, a 25% reduction. The hiring of new employees will be difficult because of our shrinking revenue base and the slow economic recovery we are all plodding through. Bill Landis, Recreation Director, retired after 19 years of service. He was replaced by Brian Bickford, our golf course manager, who now will be responsible for both departments. Nadeen Daniels, our Town Clerk and Human Resources Director, retired after 8 years in Cumberland and 30 years in town & city government. Tammy O'Donnell will take on the responsibilities of Town Clerk along with her other duties as Deputy Tax Collector and Front Office Manager. Chris Bolduc, our former Rescue Director, now is responsible for all Capital projects (Range Road & Rt 88), manages the Public Works Department, oversees Parks & Val Halla grounds, plus all Town building maintenance and repairs. All of our department heads, administrative staff and employees carry multiple responsibilities and continue to serve the public with a positive attitude and a high level of professionalism.

Our Police Department has 2 less officers than in 2003. We continue to have the lowest crime rate in the state and are one of the most desirable communities to live and raise a family. Our Fire and Rescue Departments merged last year saving the residents over \$80,000 annually. Our Fire Chief, Dan Small, has successfully obtained over \$1,000,000 in grants over the past 10 years.

Payroll was reduced by permanently closing Town Hall on Fridays in January of 2009, saving \$50,000 annually in reduced building costs and salary costs.

I am looking toward technology as a way to lessen the cost of delivery of future services and I hope you will use our online services for a variety of Town Services such as building permit applications, car registrations and look for the online Recreation Programs by Spring 2011.

### **Continue to Streamline Government**

Though there were only a handful of small projects that were approved by the Planning Board this past year, the Board continued to work diligently on streamlining the process of approvals. Many past approvals required a two-step process. The first visit was to the Zoning Board and then a nearly identical review was held by the Planning Board. That process has now been improved to require only a Planning Board review. The Board also approved a Staff Review process for smaller projects to encourage our small growing businesses to work directly with staff and become permitted without expensive technical reviews. We are just beginning to see the benefits of these new rules and I hope our 140 small business owners in town will continue to grow within our community.

### **Infrastructure**

We have expanded our fire protection abilities through the addition of new water mains and fire hydrants; rebuilt Range Road and have begun the work on Foreside Road (Rt 88), the majority of road network is in need of repair. The average road in Town has not received any paving in over 30 years. We are developing a sustainable paving program built on annual funding versus bonding.



## TOWN MANAGER'S LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

The new paving program will result in roads being paved no less than every 20 years and the more heavily traveled roads every 12-15 years. This will require an annual commitment to fund road repairs and can only happen successfully if we stick to the plan. The plan will be completed and ready for presentation with the FY 2012 Budget (July 1, 2011). I hope that we will be able to have all roads listed in the program and be able to post the program on the website.

### **The Comprehensive Plan**

After three years of deliberation and a plethora of meetings, the Comprehensive Plan Committee completed its work and the Town Council unanimously adopted the plan. This plan will serve as our road map on how we grow over the next ten years. It reflects the mountains of research, survey information and lively public debates.

#### ***What We learned:***

- We love and wish to protect agriculture – boutique farming was added to our terminology as more and more farms are being created on less than 5 acres of land throughout the state as more people are becoming increasingly dependent on growing their own foods.
- We are an aging population with an average age of 39.4 years old compared to the state average age of 33.8 years.
- We love our homes- or can't afford to move! Nearly every large subdivision in Cumberland has 50% fewer children living in homes today as compared to the year 2000. A serious concern for our schools as we operate most efficiently around 2,100 children and we are heading toward 1,700 over the next 5-7 years.
- 81% of us agree that we need more commercial tax growth.
- A great majority of residents are happy with the level of Town Services and how they are provided.
- Most people like the Open Space we have, but feel we have enough land and don't support using taxpayer dollars to acquire additional lands.
- Most wanted to see Cumberland remain rural, but strive to become a sustainable community with smaller shops to support the residential community.

#### ***What We Have Done Post Comp Plan***

We have and continue to work on changes to policies, procedures and ordinances to allow for a less bureaucratic and more streamlined process for all development. Those changes include a new staff review procedure, elimination of the special exception process for most uses and the ability for staff to work closely with business to grow without expensive and often time unnecessary technical reviews.

We have implemented new zones for multiple uses where residential uses and commercial uses can co-exist. We are working to attract businesses and families into our existing neighborhoods.

## TOWN MANAGER'S LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

### What's Next?

The year ahead will present new challenges. We are hopeful that CMP will begin building a 25 million dollar substation on Greely Road near Middle Road. This will bring an estimated \$200,000 to \$300,000 annually in new revenue. I don't expect much work will be completed on the substation prior to next year's budget (July 1, 2011), but it should be completed by the following year. Route One and Route 100 development is high priority and each \$1,000,000 in new business property values generate \$15,000 in tax revenues that helps lessen the burden of the individual residential taxpayer.

We have hired an Economic Development Director to help our existing businesses grow and attract new businesses to town. You can help by using our local Farmer's Market and our local Businesses. See both listed at the Cumberland Maine Business Association (CMBA) [www.thecmba.com](http://www.thecmba.com).

We will continue to cooperate and collaborate fully with our School System in attracting new students and families to our community and recruit tuition students. Our schools in Cumberland are some of the finest in the state, but with shrinking enrollments and large reductions in State funding, we are at a crossroad. Good schools attract families and stabilize property values. The Town and the MSAD are separate entities. The school system is governed by a Board of Directors who set the school budget. A majority of our tax dollars support our schools and without all our help, support, ideas, and involvement the results will be obvious and long term. Differing opinions and strategies are encouraged. It is amazing how many times differing opinions and ideas end up molding a better outcome. "We don't know..... what we don't know" so, get involved and learn more about your school and town government!

The Town Council is looking at redevelopment of the former Doane property at the end of Drowne Road. We hope to have a vision and a plan completed by the end of 2010. I believe it will take 4-8 years to develop the project. The Council is also looking at many parcels of vacant land that have been either tax acquired or gifted to the Town over many years and determining their value as open space or should they be sold and placed back on the taxable property roles? This process should be under way in early 2011.

As we approach the close of another difficult year, my staff remains committed to providing the best services for the Town and work diligently to respect the values of our community. We will continue to do our best and give our best efforts to this great community. If you have any questions or wish to speak with me regarding any item in the Town please contact me at 829-2205 or my email listed below.

Sincerely,

*William R. Shane*

William R. Shane P.E.  
Town Manager  
[wshane@cumberlandmaine.com](mailto:wshane@cumberlandmaine.com)



## TOWN CLERK

Tammy O'Donnell, Town Clerk  
829-5559  
todonnell@cumberlandmaine.com

Anne Brushwein, Clerk  
Debbie Flannigan, Clerk

### 3-Nov-09 STATE REFERENDUM & BOND ELECTION

Number of Voters 3,958 votes cast out of 5,836 registered voters (68% turnout)

#### Question 1 - People's Veto-

Do you want to reject the new law that lets same-sex couples marry and allows individuals and religious

Yes- 1,531  
No- 2,409

#### Question 2 - Citizen Initiative-

Do you want to cut the rate of the municipal excise tax by an average of 55% on motor vehicles less than six years old and exempt hybrid and other alternative-energy and highly fuel-efficient motor vehicles from sales tax and years of excise tax?

Yes- 1,051  
No- 2,857

#### Question 3 - Citizen Initiative-

Do you want to repeal the 2007 law on school district consolidation and restore the laws previously in effect?

Yes- 1,098  
No- 2,739

#### Question 4 - Citizen Initiative-

Do you want to change the existing formulas that limit state and local government spending and require voter approval by referendum for spending over those limits and for increases in state taxes?

Yes- 1,523  
No- 2,366

#### Question 5 - Citizen Initiative-

Do you want to change the medical marijuana laws to allow treatment of more medical conditions and to create a regulated system of distribution?

Yes- 2,467  
No- 1,443

#### Question 6 - Bond Issue-

Do you want to favor a \$71,250,000 bond issue for improvements to highways and bridges, airports, public transit facilities, ferry and port facilities, including port and harbor structures, as well as funds for the transit facilities, ferry and port facilities, including port and harbor structures, Life Flight Foundation that will make the State eligible for over \$148,000,000.00 in federal and other matching funds?

Yes- 2,772  
No- 1,085

## TOWN CLERK CONTINUED

### Question 7 - Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to increase the amount of time that local officials have to certify the signatures on direct initiative petitions?

Yes-	1,972
No-	1,814

### **2010 ELECTIONS**      March 2, 2010

#### **Municipal Override Special Election (Rt. 88)**

1,856 votes cast out of 5,795 registered voters (32%)

#### Override Referendum Question:

"Do you support the Town Council's decision of December 14, 2009 to issue bonds and expend    "Do you support the Town Council's decision of December 14, 2009 to issue bonds and expend up to \$4,500,000 for major road reconstruction, shoulder, drainage, and bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements on portions of Wildwood Boulevard, Tuttle road, Kings Highway, Sea Cove Road, Carriage Road, Hallmark Road, Town Landing Road, and along Route 88 from 800 feet north of Teal Road the Falmouth town line?"

Yes-	941	50.70%
No-	915	49.30%

### 8-Jun-10 **State Bond, Municipal, and MSAD 51 Budget Validation Referendum Election-**

2,948 votes cast out of 5,860 registered voters    (50.3%)

#### Town Councilor-At Large- (Vote for Two)

Leavitt, Sally A.	1316
Moriarty, Stephen W.	1996
Perfetti, Michael	1378

#### MSAD 51 Board of Directors-(Vote for Two)

Bailinson, James	2069
Dunnett, William Jr	2035

#### **MSAD 51 Budget Validation Referendum-**

##### Question 1-

Do you favor approving the Maine School Administrative District No. 51 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest District budget meeting?

Yes-	1759
No-	1046



## TOWN CLERK CONTINUED

### MSAD 51 Cont.

#### Question 2

Shall the Board of Directors be authorized to establish a fuel cost stabilization fund under the authority of 20-A MRSA section 15008, and to transfer up to \$150,000 to that fund from year end available fund balances?

Fiscal year 2007-2008: Zero (no fund available)

Fiscal year 2008-2009: Zero (no fund available)

Fiscal year 2009-2010: Zero (no fund available)

Yes- 1629

No- 1035

#### Question 3-

Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in Maine School Administrative District No. 51 for an additional three years? A "Yes" vote will require Maine School Administrative District No.51 to continue to conduct a referendum to validate its annual school budget for the next three years. A "No" vote will discontinue the budget validation referendum for at least three years and provide instead that the annual school budget shall be finally adopted at a meeting of the voters.

Yes- 1919

No- 846

### State of Maine Primary Green Party-

#### State Senator District 11-

Miller, Christopher- 23

#### Representative to the Legislature District 108

Cianchette, Erin- 25

## TOWN CLERK CONTINUED

### State of Maine Primary Democratic Party

#### Governor

McGowan, Patrick-	175
Mitchell, Elizabeth-	278
Richardson, John-	10
Rowe, Steven-	339
Scarcelli, Rosa-	216
Write-In Dion, Donna J.	0

#### Representative to Congress District 1-

Pingree, Chellie-	910
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#### State Senator District 11-

Bullens, Cynthia-	884
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#### Representative to the Legislature Dist. 108-

Gruber, Thomas-	865
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#### Judge of Probate-

Mazziotti, Joseph-	817
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#### County Treasurer

Gurney, Diane Lee-	807
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#### Register of Deeds-

Lovley, Pamela-	816
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#### Sheriff

Joyce, Kevin	811
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## TOWN CLERK CONTINUED

### State of Maine Primary Republican Party

#### Governor-

Abbott, Steven-	239
Beardsley, William-	28
Jacobson, Matthew-	131
LePage, Paul-	382
Mills, Peter-	211
Otten, Leslie-	195
Poliquin, Bruce-	197

#### Representative to Congress District 1

Scontras, Dean-	960
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#### State Senator District 11-

Davis, Gerald-	1089
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#### Representative to the Legislature Dist. 108-

Strang-Burgess, Meredith-	1195
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#### District Attorney District 2-

Anderson, Stephanie-	1080
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### State of Maine Referendum Bond Questions:

#### Question 1: People's Veto

Do you want to reject the new law that lowers Maine's income tax and replaces that revenue by making changes to the sales tax?

Yes-	1521
No-	1351
Blank-	74

## TOWN CLERK

### State of Maine Referendum Bond Questions Cont:

#### Question 2: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$26,500,000 bond issue that will create jobs through investment in an off-shore wind energy demonstration site and related manufacturing to advance Maine's energy independence from energy demonstration site and related manufacturing to advance Maine's energy independence from imported foreign oil, that will leverage \$24,500,000 in federal and other funds and for energy improvements at campuses of the University of Maine System, Maine Community College System and Maine Maritime Academy in order to make facilities more efficient and less costly to operate?

Yes- 1919  
No- 967  
Blank- 60

#### Question 3: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$47,800,000 bond issue to create jobs in Maine through improvements to highways, railroads and marine facilities, including port and harbor structures, and specifying the allocation of \$4,000,000 of the transportation bond approved by voters in November 2009 to be used for capital rail purposes?

Yes- 1732  
No- 1124  
Blank- 90

#### Question 4: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$23,750,000 bond issue to provide capital investment to stimulate economic development and job creation by making investments under the Communities for Maine's Future Program and in historic properties; providing funding for research and development investments awarded through a competitive process; providing funds for disbursements to qualifying small businesses; and providing grants for food processing; providing funds for disbursements to qualifying small businesses; and providing grants for food processing for fishing, agricultural, dairy and lumbering businesses within the State and redevelopment projects at the Brunswick Naval Air Station that will make the State eligible for over \$39,000,000 in federal and other matching funds?

Yes- 1536  
No- 1317  
Blank- 93

#### Question 5: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$10,250,000 bond issue to improve water quality, support drinking water programs and the construction of wastewater treatment facilities and to assist farmers in the development of environmentally sound water sources that will leverage \$33,250,000 in federal and other funds?

Yes- 1741  
No- 1122  
Blank- 83



## TOWN CLERK

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todonnell@cumberlandmaine.com

Anne Brushwein, Clerk  
Debbie Flannigan, Clerk

### Licenses Issued July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

Births	51
Marriages	33
Deaths	40
Dogs	1455
Hunting/fishing	428
Boats	695
ATVs	167
Snowmobiles	191

# FINANCE

**Alex Kimball- Finance Director**  
**Nancy Murray- Accounting Assistant**

The Finance Department is responsible for the collection of revenues and accounting for all financial transactions for the Town of Cumberland. At the end of each fiscal year, the town prepares a set of audited financial statements to be submitted to the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for review. If the statements meet certain standards set forth by the GFOA, then the town is awarded a Certificate of Achievement for excellence in Financial Reporting. The Town of Cumberland received this award for the 2008-09 fiscal year. Because this process takes nearly six months from start to finish, only the 2008-09 financials are available for review and discussion in this annual report.

FY 2008-09 was a difficult year for the Town of Cumberland financially. The drastic downturn in the nation's economy was felt within the town in the form of decreased revenues from a wide variety of sources. Revenues ranging from obvious sources such as Excise Taxes and State Revenue Sharing to less obvious ones like trash bag sales and recreation programs all showed a decrease, although these losses were not nearly as severe as in other areas of the state or country. This drop in revenues, added to looming overages in expenses, forced the town to make the decision to close the Town Hall on Fridays. The resulting decrease in wages, combined with austerity measures taken on by the Public Works union enabled the town to come much closer to its initial budget projections than if no changes had been made.

Going into the year, the Town of Cumberland's budget (including MSAD #51) for 08-09 showed a decrease of 3.3% from 2007-08. 2008-09 was a revaluation year, so the overall mil rate decreased from \$19.80 to \$14.00. In spite of the mid-year cost-cutting measures, actual General Fund expenditures were still above budget by \$177,326, although this was partially offset by revenues that exceeded budget by \$70,908. Total Governmental Revenues for 2008-09 were \$20,728,853. Expenses related to bond issuances totaled \$2,409,323 and revenues from a new issuance were \$4,000,000. Excluding bond expenses and capital improvements for Business-type Activities, total governmental expenses for the year were \$19,960,931.

2008-09 was a busy year for improvements to existing infrastructure and buildings, although most of the infrastructure improvements were still in progress as of June 30, 2009. Projects to add drainage and turning lanes along route 100, to provide infrastructure to Castlerock Business Park, and to repave Grove, Karole and Bea Lanes were all mostly complete by the end of the year. But the largest ongoing project by far was the reconstruction of Range Road. This project began in the spring of 2009, and as of August 2010 is now nearing completion.

Other major projects included a new irrigation system and pump house at Val Halla, new roofs for both the Public Works garage and the Val Halla clubhouse, replacing a box culvert running underneath the Corey Road bridge. This last project was mostly funded the Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, and will go a long way towards reducing flooding along Route 9.

The Finance staff consists of Alex Kimball and Nancy Murray. If you have any questions at all regarding town finances please feel free to call us at 829-2205 x303, or send an e-mail to [akimball@cumberlandmaine.com](mailto:akimball@cumberlandmaine.com). We would be happy to field any questions you might have!



# FINANCE

Statement 3

TOWN OF CUMBERLAND, MAINE  
Balance Sheet  
Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2009

	General	Bond Fund	Twin Brook Fund	Range Road	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,184,770	-	-	-	-	4,184,770
Investments	-	-	-	-	251,456	251,456
Receivables:						
Accounts	113,120	-	-	-	20	113,140
Intergovernmental	47,809	-	-	-	12,351	60,160
Taxes receivable - prior years	31,041	-	-	-	-	31,041
Taxes receivable - current year	312,294	-	-	-	-	312,294
Tax liens	111,551	-	-	-	-	111,551
Prepaid items	19,228	-	-	-	-	19,228
Interfund loans receivable	-	1,183,235	-	3,806,178	451,762	5,441,175
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 4,819,813</b>	<b>1,183,235</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,806,178</b>	<b>715,589</b>	<b>10,524,815</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	45,810	554,049	-	137,481	182,006	919,346
Accrued payroll	95,744	-	-	-	586	96,330
Interfund loans payable	2,483,574	-	606,236	-	435,967	3,525,777
Deferred revenue	199,909	-	-	-	-	199,909
Security deposit	-	-	-	-	725	725
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>2,825,037</b>	<b>554,049</b>	<b>606,236</b>	<b>137,481</b>	<b>619,284</b>	<b>4,742,087</b>
Fund balances (deficits):						
Reserved for:						
Long-term interfund advance	1,280,000	-	-	-	-	1,280,000
Permanent funds:						
Expendable trust	-	-	-	-	152,226	152,226
Principal	-	-	-	-	99,241	99,241
Unreserved, reported in:						
General fund	714,776	-	-	-	-	714,776
Special revenue funds	-	-	-	-	70,887	70,887
Capital projects funds	-	629,186	(606,236)	3,668,697	(226,049)	3,465,598
<b>Total fund balances (deficits)</b>	<b>1,994,776</b>	<b>629,186</b>	<b>(606,236)</b>	<b>3,668,697</b>	<b>96,305</b>	<b>5,782,728</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balance</b>	<b>\$ 4,819,813</b>	<b>1,183,235</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,806,178</b>	<b>715,589</b>	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	21,184,817
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	174,328
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Bonds and notes payable	(14,532,264)
Capital leases	(63,785)
Accrued interest	(122,216)
Accrued compensated absences	(160,171)
Landfill liability	(485,700)
	(15,364,136)

**Net assets of governmental activities**

**\$ 11,777,737**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# FINANCE

Statement 4

**TOWN OF CUMBERLAND, MAINE**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For the year ended June 30, 2009**

	General	Bond Fund	Twin Brook Fund	Range Road	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Taxes	\$ 16,541,295	-	-	-	798,778	17,340,073
Licenses and permits	88,091	-	-	-	-	88,091
Intergovernmental	1,114,062	-	-	-	112,399	1,226,461
Charges for services	728,644	-	-	-	90,436	819,080
Rental income	-	-	-	-	182,241	182,241
Other	633,076	-	5,016	-	434,815	1,072,907
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>19,105,168</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,016</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,618,669</b>	<b>20,728,853</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
<b>Current:</b>						
General government	1,076,082	-	-	-	-	1,076,082
Public safety	1,992,024	-	-	-	-	1,992,024
Public works	895,922	-	-	-	-	895,922
Health, sanitation and welfare	833,056	-	-	-	-	833,056
Recreation	482,173	-	-	-	-	482,173
Education and libraries	10,725,405	-	-	-	-	10,725,405
County tax	588,870	-	-	-	-	588,870
Unclassified	852,043	-	-	-	254,262	1,106,305
Capital outlay	-	1,469,814	117,453	306,474	1,261,359	3,155,100
<b>Debt service:</b>						
Principal	365,933	-	-	-	431,901	797,834
Interest	294,658	-	-	-	251,050	545,708
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>18,106,166</b>	<b>1,469,814</b>	<b>117,453</b>	<b>306,474</b>	<b>2,198,572</b>	<b>22,198,479</b>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures</b>	<b>999,002</b>	<b>(1,469,814)</b>	<b>(112,437)</b>	<b>(306,474)</b>	<b>(579,903)</b>	<b>(1,469,626)</b>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>						
Bond issuance	-	-	-	4,000,000	-	4,000,000
Transfers in	70,714	-	200,000	-	980,462	1,251,176
Transfers out	(751,908)	(633,034)	-	-	(801,225)	(2,186,167)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(681,194)</b>	<b>(633,034)</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>4,000,000</b>	<b>179,237</b>	<b>3,065,009</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances</b>	<b>317,808</b>	<b>(2,102,848)</b>	<b>87,563</b>	<b>3,693,526</b>	<b>(400,666)</b>	<b>1,595,383</b>
<b>Fund balances (deficits), beginning of year</b>	<b>1,676,968</b>	<b>2,732,034</b>	<b>(693,799)</b>	<b>(24,829)</b>	<b>496,971</b>	<b>4,187,345</b>
<b>Fund balances (deficits), end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,994,776</b>	<b>629,186</b>	<b>(606,236)</b>	<b>3,668,697</b>	<b>96,305</b>	<b>5,782,728</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*



# FINANCE

Statement 6

**TOWN OF CUMBERLAND, MAINE**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Budget and Actual**  
**General Fund**  
**For the year ended June 30, 2009**

	For the year ended June 30, 2022			Variance with final budget positive (negative)
	Budgeted amounts		Actual	
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 16,547,545	16,547,545	16,541,295	(6,250)
Licenses and permits	113,562	113,562	88,091	(25,471)
Intergovernmental	1,098,705	1,098,705	1,114,062	15,357
Charges for services	694,101	694,101	728,644	34,543
Other	580,347	580,347	633,076	52,729
Total revenues	19,034,260	19,034,260	19,105,168	70,908
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government	1,067,604	1,067,604	1,076,082	(8,478)
Public safety	1,953,025	1,953,025	1,992,024	(38,999)
Public works	844,381	844,381	895,922	(51,541)
Health, sanitation and welfare	779,515	779,515	833,056	(53,541)
Recreation programs	497,353	497,353	482,173	15,180
Education and libraries	10,738,225	10,738,225	10,725,405	12,820
County tax	588,870	588,870	588,870	-
Unclassified	1,533,868	1,533,868	852,043	681,825
Debt service	681,419	681,419	660,591	20,828
Total expenditures	18,684,260	18,684,260	18,106,166	578,094
Excess of revenues over expenditures	350,000	350,000	999,002	649,002
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers in	70,000	70,000	70,714	714
Transfers out	(420,000)	(420,000)	(751,908)	(331,908)
Total other financing uses	(350,000)	(350,000)	(681,194)	(331,194)
Net change in fund balance	-	-	317,808	317,808
Fund balance, beginning of year			1,676,968	
Fund balance, end of year	\$		1,994,776	

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# FINANCE

Statement 7

## TOWN OF CUMBERLAND, MAINE

### Statement of Net Assets

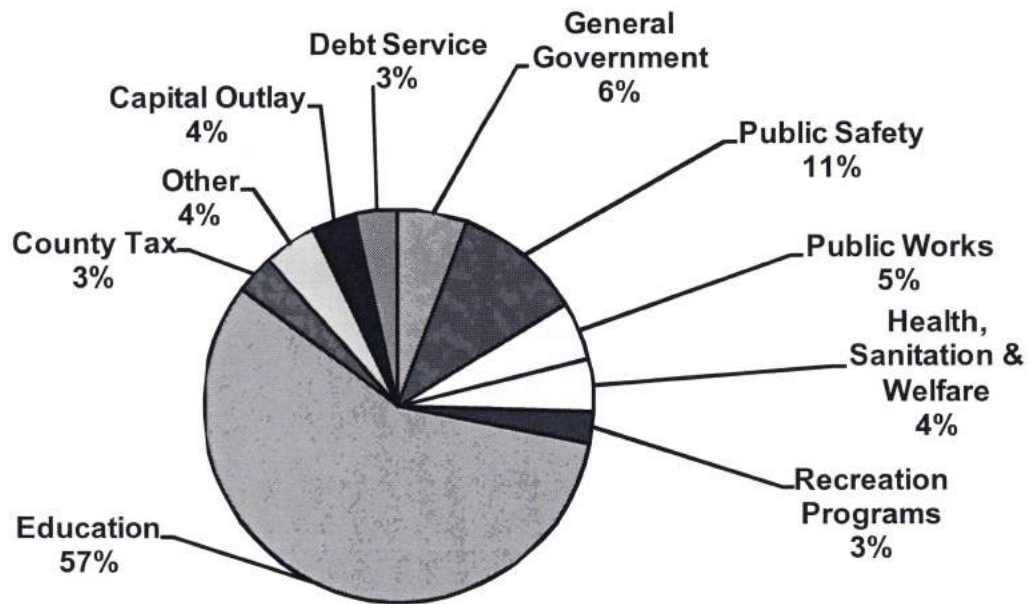
#### Proprietary Funds

June 30, 2009

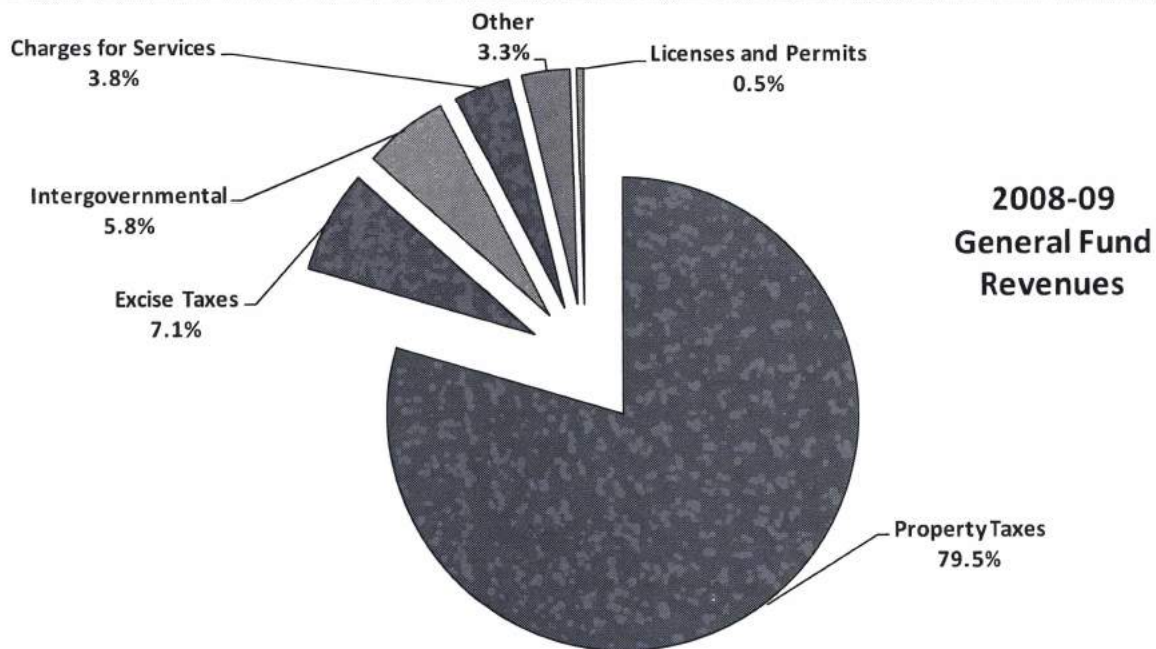
Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds				
	Senior Housing Fund	Sewer System	Val Halla Golf and Recreation Center	Totals
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 201,117	-	14,030	215,147
Investments	258,019	-	-	258,019
Accounts receivable	-	145,699	5,339	151,038
Prepaid expenses	10,112	-	-	10,112
Total current assets	469,248	145,699	19,369	634,316
Noncurrent assets:				
Property, plant, and equipment	1,626,600	3,937,449	3,996,336	9,560,385
Less accumulated depreciation	(812,789)	(1,406,440)	(1,420,183)	(3,639,412)
Total noncurrent assets	813,811	2,531,009	2,576,153	5,920,973
Total assets	1,283,059	2,676,708	2,595,522	6,555,289
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	7,524	-	37,339	44,863
Accrued payroll	-	-	11,931	11,931
Accrued compensated absences	-	-	8,963	8,963
Interfund loans payable	82,879	296,686	1,537,833	1,917,398
Security deposit	21,540	-	-	21,540
Lease payable, current	-	-	28,974	28,974
Bonds payable, current	65,809	-	15,000	80,809
Total current liabilities	177,752	296,686	1,640,040	2,114,478



## FINANCE

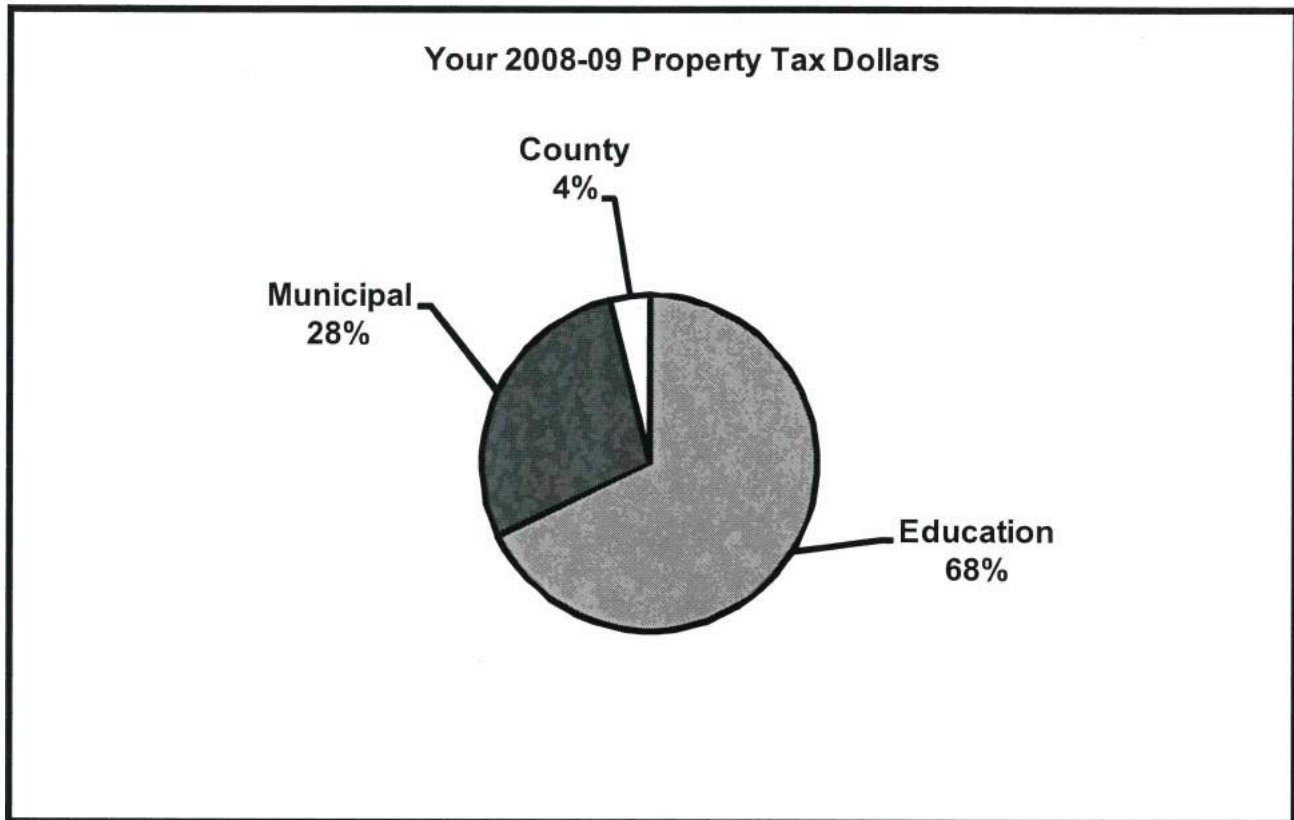


**2008-09 General Fund Expenditures**



**2008-09  
General Fund  
Revenues**

# FINANCE





## TECHNOLOGY

In 2009, we replaced the 5 year old computer terminals and printers at the front counter of the Town Hall. The new equipment has performed exceptionally well since the installation.

Due to the perpetual increase of data, we were compelled to increase the storage capacity on our primary server.

Public Safety mobile computing underwent a major transition in 2009, from communicating with digital radio modems that perform at dial-up speeds, to broadband air-card connectivity which operate at exponentially higher speeds.

The Fire Department secured a federal grant and was able to outfit 5 fire engines with laptops and the IMC software suite which allows for engine-to-engine and engine-to-dispatch communications via the broadband, air-card, internet connection.

Cumberland Channel 2 aired over 60 live Town Council meetings, School Board meetings, Planning Board meetings, Board of Adjustments & Appeals meetings and countless replays during the year. For our neighbors in North Yarmouth, we replayed 24 of their semi-monthly, North Yarmouth Board of Selectmen meetings during the period.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT ZONING BOARD

Board of Adjustment & Appeals  
R. Scott Wyman, Chair

The Board held 5 regular meetings and took action on the following:

Variance	0
Special Exceptions	4
Special Permits	0
Expansion of non-conforming use	0
Interpretation Appeal	1
Reconsideration of Interpretation Appeal	1

The Board held a workshop with the Town Council to review Permitted and Special Exception Uses of the Zoning Ordinance.

**Permits:** The owner or agent must complete and submit an application for a building permit to the Building Inspector. If plumbing is required, you must obtain appropriate permits from the licensed Plumbing Inspector. A separate electrical permit must be obtained by a licensed electrician or by the owner if work is done by the owner. Applications for building permits are available at the Building Inspector's office and on-line. For building permits, a full set of construction plans showing elevations, section drawings, and / or floor plans may be required. A site plan must be submitted. All construction must meet the 2003 International Residential Code and the 2003 International Building Code. A site Plan Review by the Planning Board may be required prior to the issuance of a non-residential building permit. A special exception may be required by the Board of Adjustment and Appeals prior to the issuance of a building permit. A shoreland zoning permit is required if construction takes place within the shoreland area.



# BUILDING RELATED PERMITS

<i>Type of Construction</i>	<b>Number of Permits</b>	<b>Construction Costs</b>	<b>Permit Costs</b>
<i>Accessory Structure</i>	12	\$744,256.00	\$1,288.80
<i>Addition</i>	25	\$1,257,257.00	\$7,117.74
<i>Barn</i>	3	\$239,910.00	\$646.70
<i>Commercial</i>	7	\$1,000,343.00	\$3,153.90
<i>Condo</i>	5	\$760,000.00	\$3,910.50
<i>Deck</i>	24	\$79,647.00	\$977.80
<i>Demolition</i>	4	\$8,600.00	\$100.00
<i>Foundation</i>	3	\$26,500.00	\$300.00
<i>Garage</i>	6	\$255,000.00	\$1,398.20
<i>House</i>	12	\$4,338,745.00	\$10,602.68
<i>Mobile Home</i>	1	\$24,900.00	\$238.00
<i>House- Modular</i>	1	\$119,118.00	\$520.80
<i>Pool</i>	3	\$89,000.00	\$300.00
<i>Porches</i>	5	\$65,700.00	\$250.00
<i>Ramp</i>	1	\$3,100.00	\$50.00
<i>Renovation</i>	49	\$641,050.00	\$5,916.30
<i>Shed</i>	12	\$19,900.00	\$275.00
<i>Shoreland</i>	6	\$51,500.00	\$900.00
<i>Small Wind Tur- bine</i>	1	\$30,000.00	\$150.00
<i>Storage Barn</i>	1	\$5,000.00	\$86.40
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>\$9,759,526.00</b>	<b>\$38,182.82</b>

# TAX ASSESSOR

**William H. Healey, CMA, Assessor**

The Town Assessors Office is responsible for discovering, listing, equalizing and valuing all taxable property, real and personal, within the Town of Cumberland for the purpose of taxation. These duties and responsibilities are completed annually and must comply with Maine Taxation Statues. Discovery is accomplished by reviewing deeds, surveys, subdivision plans, mailing of taxpayer list declaration forms, building permits, etc. Site inspections for new permits and verification of current data are important to the determination of value. Data entry of all property changes of ownership and/or value is required for the preparation of the tax roll. The tax roll is then committed to the Tax Collector for collection of taxes to raise funds for the budgets approved by the School Board and Town Council. As a result of these responsibilities, the Assessors Office is a clearinghouse of information for property owners, title companies, real estate brokers, attorneys and appraisers, as well as other Town departments. It maintains historical and current data on each property, such as ownership, parcel boundaries, land and structure inventories, property characteristics and exemptions for institutions and individuals such as veterans, blind and homestead.

## STATISTICS FROM APRIL 2008 TO APRIL 2009

Total Land Valuation	\$ 527,704,800
Total Building Value	603,371,100
Total Real Estate Valuation (3,144 parcels)	1,131,075,900
Total Personal Property Valuation (136 accounts)	10,660,900
Veteran Exemptions (184)	1,104,000
Blind Exemptions (7)	28,000
Parsonage Exemptions (2)	40,000
Homestead Exemptions (1,676)	21,788,000
Business Equipment Tax Exemptions (12)	279,500
Property Exemptions (115)	73,342,100
Tree Growth Classification (50 parcels-1,493 acres)	461,600
Farmland Classification (29 parcels-789 acres)	258,700
Open Space Classification (4 parcels-62 acres)	175,500

	2008	2009	% INCREASE
<b>TAX LEVY</b>	\$ 15,901,519	\$ 16,612,270	1.045%
<b>ASSESSMENT</b>	\$ 1,135,822,800	\$1,141,736,800	1.005%
<b>TAX RATE</b>	\$14.00/\$1,000	\$14.55/\$1,000	1.039%



# TAX ASSESSOR

William H. Healey, CMA, Assessor

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*009 TAX YEAR (TOWN FISCAL YEAR 7/09 TO 6/10)*

April 1, 2009

Ownership & Assessment of Property Fixed (State  
Taxation Law Title 36 Sec. 502)

August 12, 2009

Tax Roll "committed" to Tax Collector (determined  
by Assessor)

September 15, 2009

Payment Due Dates (determined by Council)

March 15, 2010

September 16, 2009

Interest begins 9.00% annually

March 16, 2010

February 13, 2010

Deadline for filing assessment appeals  
(185 days after commitment Title 36 Sec. 841)

## Update on Real Estate Values

The real estate market remained soft in 2009. On average, property values decreased in Cumberland by approximately 2%. However, the Town's certified assessment ratio as determined by Maine Revenue Services was still 100%.

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Cumberland Housing Authority is governed by a seven member Board of Directors, appointed by the Town Council. The responsibility of the Board of Directors is to oversee the management of the 30 age-restricted (55+) rental units at Cumberland Meadows Senior Housing which are located adjacent to the MSAD #51 Middle School.

The units are a mix of one and two bedrooms, and they feature an attractive, one-story floor plan with attached garages. The Housing Authority offers 8 subsidized units to those who meet eligibility requirements. Since their development in 1992, the units have been at full occupancy with lengthy waiting lists. If you would like more information on Cumberland Meadows, call 829-2206.

The Housing Authority meets on an annual basis and as-needed. Current Housing Authority members are: Joyce Frost, Bill Hansen, Robert Clifford, Norman Maze, Eileen Wyatt, Connie Bingham and John Raeke.

Don Bolduc is responsible for maintenance of Cumberland Meadows, and Pam Bosarge, Administrative Assistant, assists tenants on a day to day basis with questions or concerns. The Housing Authority is fortunate to have such dedicated employees in these positions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carla A. Nixon  
Executive Director



## PLANNING DEPARTMENT

The Planning Department in Cumberland consists of a part time planner and a part time administrative assistant.

The role of the planner is to:

- ◇ Provide comprehensive reviews of development proposals requiring Planning Board approval, including subdivisions and site plans;
- ◇ Assist the Planning Board in its review of residential and commercial development proposals;
- ◇ Provide staff support to various appointed committees such as the Main Street Advisory Committee, the Doane Development Advisory Committee, and the Route 100 Advisory Committee.
- ◇ Provide research and technical assistance to the Planning Board, Town Manager, Town Council, Comprehensive Plan Committee, and other town committees, departments, and residents;
- ◇ Draft ordinance changes and develop policies for planning board and council consideration;
- ◇ Serve as a liaison for developers, the planning board, residents and regulatory agencies;
- ◇ Assist residents and developers with questions about land use and the various review processes.

If you have any questions regarding your property or land use issues in the community, please contact the Planning Director at 829-2206.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carla A. Nixon  
Town Planner

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

In February 2010, the Town Council and Town Manager established an Economic Development Department. As the Director of this new department, I have spent a great deal of time acquainting myself with business owners in the community and professionals involved in the development industry throughout Greater Portland. My first priority in this new role was to create a network of existing businesses within the community, and so the Cumberland Maine Business Association (CMBA) was formed, complete with its own web presence at [www.thecmba.com](http://www.thecmba.com)!

The CMBA held its inaugural meeting at Val Halla on February 2, 2010 with just shy of 100 attendees. Business owners and residents alike responded to this new initiative with great interest and enthusiasm. The meeting offered attendees the opportunity to share their experiences with others as well as voice their concerns and desires for future business development in Cumberland. From that exchange, I developed a comprehensive list of objectives and action steps that have helped to shape my role as Economic Development Director. Among that list were plans to conduct a business visitation program and implement a “Buy Local” campaign. I’m extremely pleased with the progress that we have made on both tasks and look forward to presenting the results of these efforts to the CMBA at the next quarterly meeting in October.

In addition to working with our existing business community, I have been making as many connections as possible to encourage business owners, commercial brokers and developers to consider the development opportunities that Cumberland has to offer, specifically on the Route One and Route 100 corridors. The Town Council, Planning Board and staff at Town Hall have been dedicated to updating ordinances and streamlining the development process to minimize the expense, time and frustration that may have once accompanied the operation, expansion or relocation of a business in Cumberland. I am thankful for the support that the Town Council and Planning Board have shown to the staff throughout this process and I look forward to the progress we will make in the upcoming year.

Alyssa Daniels

Economic Development Director / Human Resources Director



# POLICE DEPARTMENT

On behalf of the officers and staff of the Cumberland Police Department, it is my pleasure to present the 2009/2010 Annual Cumberland Police Department Report. Whether you are a resident of Cumberland, student, business owner or visitor, I trust that you will find something of interest within the report. It is my hope that this report will provide you with an understanding of the quality and level of service you expect and we strive to provide from a professional Police Department.

I and the staff of the department continue to be honored to serve the residents of Cumberland. Our mission continues to be to provide the community with the highest degree of professional law enforcement services found anywhere in the State of Maine.

I hope that you will find the data graphs contained within this report to be useful in your review. If you request any additional information regarding the content of the report I can be contacted by phone 829-2210 or e-mail [jchar-ron@cumberlandmaine.com](mailto:jchar-ron@cumberlandmaine.com)

## **Value Added Update;**

In past reports I highlighted the value added skill levels several officers of the agency were pursuing. One of those skills involves **Emergency Medical Technician** certification. Officers Martin, Ridge, Brewer, Woodcock and Sgt. Mazzone completed the **EMT** training and have been providing a higher level of medical assistance than the level required by law enforcement agencies. The training and their availability to respond at the EMT level, has been a huge resource to the Fire Department and those in need of medical assistance as police officers are usually the first on scene of a medical emergency.

This year, two officers Ryan Martin and Antonio Ridge have advanced their training and skills to an even higher level by completing the **Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate** program. Both officers are certified as **EMT-I** and are able to provide an even higher level of medical assistance to the community. Over the past several years all of the departments EMT's have provided life saving emergency medical care to Cumberland residents in medical crisis.

## **SAFETY INFORMATION TOPICS**

This year I would like to begin providing important and timely safety information on various topics. In the future these topics will be made available to include links to web-sites for additional information on the Department web-page.

As we all know the computer is an amazing tool for many different things. Unfortunately it is becoming more and more common as a tool to commit crimes such as fraud. Also even more disturbing it has become the primary resource for inappropriate contact by adults with children and an ever increasing medium for bullying. Help us help you make the Internet a safer experience for your family members.

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- Place your computer in an open room with the monitor facing out. This allows you to see and control what is occurring on the Internet.
- Educate your children about the Internet, both the positives and the potential dangers.
- Bookmark child-friendly web sites. This allows your children to easily get to safe sites that they have used before.
- Teach your children that Internet safety means never giving out personal information over the Internet.
- Share your Internet child safety experiences, both good and bad, with others.
- Teach your children to refrain from chat rooms.
- Don't install Peer-to-peer applications. A high percentage of what occurs with children and peer-to-peer applications is related to either illegal or immoral activities.
- Teach children to crash and tell. If they encounter a bad experience, they should feel comfortable in immediately turning off the computer and talking with a parent about the experience.
- Never allow your children to meet with someone from an online session unless the parent approves.
- Know the parents of your children's friends.
- Teach children to never open email from someone they don't know.

Never respond to an "unsubscribe" on a pornographic email. If you or your child receives a message that is harassing, of a sexual nature, or threatening, forward a copy of the message to your ISP, and ask for assistance.

### 10 Driving Distractions and How To Deal With Them

- **Chatting with friends:** Turns out, young drivers with young passengers tend to get in more accidents than those driving alone, inspiring many states to include passenger restrictions in graduated driver licensing. Makes sense, since there's nothing like a friend to tease you or say something compelling to get you to take your eyes off the road. And, sure, no one wants to be the mom in the car, but when you're behind the wheel, it's OK to tell your friends, "Shut it, I'm driving."
- **Cell phone use:** Regardless of whether you have a headset, save that phone conversation about where tonight's hot party is for later, preferably when you're stopped or, even better, out of the car. Turns out, conversing is a bigger distraction than fidgeting with a phone or headset. But if you just have to take the call, tell the person on the other end that you're on the road and will call them back later.
- **Text and go:** Texting is probably one of the best ways to communicate: instant gratification without disturbing the receiving party and you don't have to talk to them if you don't want to. But typing *while* you're driving? Not a good idea you only have two hands, and they're better off on the steering wheel. Best save this task for when you can safely compose a note. If you can say it in a text, the message can wait until you're parked.
- **Playing DJ:** There's nothing like cruising to your favorite songs. But that split-second you lean over to change that CD or switch to a different radio station is just enough time for an accident to happen. To prevent this, invest in a CD changer with your albums of choice at the ready. And program your favorite radio stations into the presets so you don't have to use the "Seek" or "Tune" buttons to scroll through them. If you have an iPod and your car is equipped with an auxiliary input or you have another way to hook up your iPod, create a playlist of favorite tunes to cruise to so you're not scrolling through the menus as you drive.



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- **Taking it to go:** Sometimes you only have so much time to enjoy a meal so it's yet another visit to the drive-thru for you. But instead of juggling your soda with your fries with your burger, wait until you're parked before you chow down. If not, you might find yourself in a situation in which the only recipe you're enjoying is one for disaster. It's hard to give the road the attention it needs when you're focused on getting your grub on and not spilling on yourself.
- **Feeling the music:** Sure, everyone's guilty of blasting on their tunes in the car to accompany their singing and smoking-hot chair-dancing moves. Unfortunately, car karaoke can put you in danger since you won't be able to hear the horns of other motorists or emergency vehicle sirens above your falsetto high note. Instead, save that earth-thumping boom for your home. Enjoy your in-car tunes at a reasonable level since you need to hear as well as see when you're on the road.
- **Fidgeting with the controls:** It's only natural to want to fine-tune your situation while you're on the road, but spend too much time messing with the controls and you could be messing with danger. Want to turn down the thermostat, flick on cruise control or hit the recirculating button while behind the wheel? Then memorize the layout of your mobile mission control center beforehand so that you can program, turn things on and off, and switch functions without even looking at the dash.
- **Preening on the road:** You may think you're saving time by multitasking as you're putting on makeup or brushing your hair while you drive. But what you're really doing is setting yourself up for a costly lesson in driving while distracted. All it takes is that couple of seconds you look in the mirror for a collision to happen. Besides, what's it going to hurt to just pretty yourself up when you get to your destination, before you get out of the car?
- **Mad as hell and taking it on the road:** Sometimes a long drive seems like just the thing to calm you down. In reality, it could be the worst thing to do when you're angry or upset. Driving angry is like driving drunk. Your judgment is off, you're probably amped up and you don't realize that you're flooring the gas pedal. To prevent an ugly situation from getting uglier, just stay away from anything with wheels until your heart rate has returned to normal.
- **Lost in directions:** Reading maps or directions with one hand on the wheel can be dangerous. Instead, map out your location and get a good idea of where you're heading before you get in your car, or pull over if you need to take a closer look at your flight plan while en route. Map sites like [Google Maps](#) and [MapQuest](#) make getting lost a thing of the past by giving you turn-by-turn directions to your destination. (Source: Edmunds.com) <http://www.edmunds.com/advice/youngdrivers/articles/120513/article.html>

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### **Lieutenant Milton Calder**

As the Lieutenant for the Cumberland Police Department, my main focus is on assisting the Chief with the day to day management of the department.

During the year 2009, we were again able to secure grant monies from the Bureau of Highway Safety for traffic enforcement. These monies were secured for use by the department to target specific intersections and roadways to combat not only the many speeding complaints we receive from our citizens but to also enable us to reduce our traffic accident rate.

I am proud to say that our officers worked a total of 210 hours on various grant programs during 2009. We stopped a total of 375 vehicles throughout Cumberland. We continue to utilize the speed display board that was bought several years ago with drug related seizure funds. If you would like to see this board in your area please send me an e-mail at [mcalder@cumberlandmaine.com](mailto:mcalder@cumberlandmaine.com) and I will schedule it.

Our officers participate in the underage drinking task force program that meets monthly here at our town hall. I would encourage any citizen of Cumberland that would like to become involved in this program to contact me.

The Cumberland police department continues to be very proactive in traffic enforcement as well as community involvement. My officers provided drug education at Greely middle school as well as visiting and talking to the children at the area day care.

The Cumberland police department is seeing an increase in the number of alcohol related activities throughout the area. Our officers are trained in the detection apprehension and prosecution of alcohol related offenses. I would urge the citizens of Cumberland to become more aware that these type of activities and report them even if anonymously.

In closing I would like to thank my officers for their continued dedication and hard work ethic that they bring each and every day.

### **Officer John Dalbec School Resource Officer**

As June of 2010 came to a close, so did the 2009-2010 school year. It was a challenging year with the school reductions. We as a staff experienced many tough days. The school community managed through the absence of the Principal and Dean of students which placed additional responsibilities on the administrative team. The students continued to function independently however we faced our biggest challenge of doing more with less. While managing crisis situations at school we saw a major increase and growing need in the area of social services.

The need of social services is due to a high volume of students struggling with emotional crisis as well as drug and alcohol related issues. On the school computer front, we experienced minor problems involving cyber bullying however far less than the national average. This decrease I believe is due to the direct result of parents taking a proactive approach and policing home computers.

The partnership between the school district and police department is now entering its eleventh year and is as strong as ever. I would like to take this opportunity to thank SAD 51 parents and school administration for their ongoing support for the SRO position. As we move into a new school year the SRO program will continue to grow and balance out the needs of the school district and community.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Sgt. Angelo Mazzone

As the liaison officer for the Police and Fire Departments with the Dispatch Center located in Windham, my responsibilities are to ensure that all communications for the public safety agencies within the Town of Cumberland and the citizens who request assistance through the communications facility are professional, timely and responsive to the various agencies and citizens they support.

One of my responsibilities is to ensure that the equipment the agencies use to communicate is adequate and compliant with the Federal Communications Commission. With that in mind our goal within the next year is to ensure that all communications equipment used by police and fire are narrow band compliant. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the service you received from the communications center please contact me by phone 829-2210 ext. 209, or e-mail [amazzone@cumberlandmaine.com](mailto:amazzone@cumberlandmaine.com).

In addition to communications, I have also taken an active role in the **Fire Police Unit** within the Fire Department. The Fire Police Unit is called to respond to fire scenes and Police Scenes when traffic direction and road closures are needed. Recently I provided training to a large number of Fire Police units from across Cumberland County. The purpose of the training was to provide practical training in the correct way in which to direct traffic at emergency scenes and to ensure that the reflective clothing used is ANSI compliant reflective equipment.

### Sgt. Thomas Burgess

I would like to update the community on the efforts the department has been making in reacquiring the possibility of again harvesting shellfish from the Cumberland shoreline. I and several other members of the department are certified through the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) to conduct water sampling for laboratory analysis. Our goal is to have the shellfish beds reopened in the near future.

Recently, a shoreline survey was conducted. This required the department's certified officers and DMR to walk the entire shoreline and the residential properties that are within 500 feet for the purpose of determining if there are any septic system failures that may contribute to the fecal chloroform found in the water samples. Fecal Chloroform is the primary reason for the shellfish closure.

The producers of this contaminant are from warm blooded animals such as water fowl, farm animals and yes humans. However another source is the presence of pet waste either discarded in drains that lead to the shoreline or discarded waste on properties that border the shore and is eventually washed into the shellfish beds during heavy rains and snow melt. You can help us by calling the department to report what you may suspect is a source of this contaminant. A check of that area will be performed by one of the certified officers. If you have any questions or would like to be involved in restoring Cumberland's shellfish resource please call me at 829-2210 ext. 206 or e-mail me at [tburgess@cumberlandmaine.com](mailto:tburgess@cumberlandmaine.com).



## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### **ANNUAL REPORT SPOTLIGHT**

**Officer Richard Brewer**

#### **Local Cumberland Teen Attends Maine Youth Law Enforcement Academy**

On June 21<sup>st</sup>, as many teenagers were just settling into the rhythm of summer vacation, Carolyn Obery of Cumberland, and former student of Officer Brewer was gearing up for her first day as a cadet at the week long Maine Youth Law Enforcement Academy held at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro.

The Academy is designed to introduce teenagers to some of the basic training a prospective police officer can expect. The days started at 6:15 a.m. and were filled with a wide range of classes, basic patrol procedures, use of force, OUI investigation, motor-vehicle stops, forensic evidence, and they even viewed a tape of an actual autopsy. Most classes were broken into classroom instruction, and a hands on component to allow the students to practice what they had been taught.

In addition to classroom lessons, the cadets were marched as a group everywhere they went, and physical training was conducted every afternoon. The cadets had an opportunity to go on a ride-along during an actual patrol shift. Carolyn was able to ride with a State Trooper while they ran traffic stops. Though nothing "major" happened during her five hour patrol, she stated that it was great to get out and see what the daily duties of a Trooper can include.

The best thing she took from the program was a better understanding and deeper connection to the police officers she encounters out in the communities, "I more appreciate what they do for our communities on a daily basis, and I absolutely better appreciate the principles and morals they learn and qualities they gain during the academy process, and their application of them in the field."

Carolyn does not know what aspect of law enforcement she may enter, but she does know that the academy experience has ignited a flame within her to explore the wide variety of opportunities available on a local, state, or federal level of law enforcement.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

Call Type	09-10 YR	Notes	08-09 YR	Notes	07-08 YR	Notes
Abandoned Motor Vehicles	93		113		3	
Accidents	143		190		250	
Alarms	179		272		258	
Animal Complaints	612		561		516	
Armed Robbery	0		0		0	
Assaults	9		18		5	
Assists to Citizens	174		531		240	
Assists to Other Departments	454		261		508	
Attended Deaths	1		2		1	
Attempt to Locate	204		216		247	
Burglary	29		18		37	
Civil Complaints	7		2		36	
Concealed Weapon Permits Issued	57		51		28	
Criminal Mischief	35		46		42	
Criminal Threatening	11		11		16	
Criminal Trespass	0		14		15	
Disorderly Conduct	1		2		6	
Disturbances	33		53		88	
Domestic Disturbances	25		12		54	
Erratic Operation / DTE	4		13		145	
Found Items	34		31		46	
Fraud/Forgery	24		16		14	
Gross Sexual Misconduct	0		7		9	
Harassment (person/phone)	39		28		38	
Hunting Complaints	1		0		9	
Juvenile Petitions	49		20		22	
Loud Party Complaints	0		N/A		n/a	
Miscellaneous	2484		4069			
Missing Items	17		13		19	
Missing Persons	18		20		34	
Motor Vehicle Stops	3722		3485		4085	
Paper Services	225		129		105	
Parking Complaints	52		77	Pkg Tkts: 27	58	
Property Checks	2596		1485			
Prowler Complaints	2		3		12	
Rape	1		3		3	
Shellfish Checks	42		32		99	
Speed of Motor Vehicles (recreational)	5		8		2	
Speed of Motor Vehicles Complaints	0		N/A		437	
Stolen Motor Vehicles	5		6		7	
Suicides (suicidal/mental health*)	11		9	*	0	
Suspicious Activity	304		201		406	
Thefts	29		53		26	
Traffic Complaints	101		132		437	
Unattended Deaths	0		2		0	
<b>Total Calls for Services</b>	<b>11832</b>		<b>12223</b>		<b>10926</b>	



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Call Type	09-10 YR	Notes	08-09 YR	Notes	07-08 YR	Notes
Arrests	148		137		158	
Alcohol/Drug (arrests/summons)	122	Adult/97, Juv/25	115	A/92, J/23	82	A=67 J=15
Defects						
Warnings Issued	1831		1328		2494	
Citations Issued	802		770		799	



*Officer Rich Brewer & friends*

As always the Cumberland Police Department wishes to thank the entire community, the town administration the Town Council and SAD 51 for their support throughout the year. We always remain ready to respond to the needs of all Cumberland residents whether in an emergency response, a call for service or simply to listen. Please do not hesitate to call at any time 829-6391.

Respectfully,

Joseph J. Charron  
Chief of Police

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## **Fire Department and Emergency Management Daniel R. Small, Chief of Department**

I am pleased to submit the annual report for the Cumberland Fire Department for the fiscal period of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. The members of the department have once again shown their level of professionalism to our community. Their sustained commitment to training and responding to emergencies at all hours of the day offers our town a tremendous level of comfort and protection. It is with great pride that I have the opportunity to serve in my eleventh year as the Chief of such a fine organization.

For the period included in this report the fire department responded to 1,182 medical and fire emergencies with 63% of those occurring during the daytime hours. Every year we continue to experience an increase in our emergency responses. Two major contributing factors for the increased incident volume can be attributed to the increased mutual aid responses and continued community growth. In addition to our emergency responses, the department also provides fire and medical safety coverage at several events over the course of the year. These activities include football games, running events, bicycle races, and several events at the Cumberland Fairgrounds, just to name a few.

On July 1, 2009, the Cumberland Fire and Rescue Departments were remerged after being separated for 19 years. There were several reasons the town manager and town council chose to make this decision and I believe we have met their expectations by providing a high quality product at an overall reduced impact to our operating budget. Our staff has devoted considerable time this past year to make improvements to an already reputable emergency medical services (EMS) program and have continued to raise the bar that Chief Chris Bolduc and other staff members worked so hard on for two decades.

The summer of 2009 saw the completion of an emergency medical technician (EMT) program that was hosted here in Cumberland. Eighteen participants from not only our department but also from the Yarmouth and Falmouth departments, as well as our own police department participated in this program. Each student from our community, between class time and field time, individually donated over 200 hours of time to complete this class. The students ended the program by completing class written and practical examinations as well as a State of Maine written and practical exam. We are proud of the efforts committed by the students and are pleased to have several more EMT's responding to both fire and medical emergencies.

In December of 2009, our department hosted another regional medical class, this time at the EMT Intermediate level. This advanced life support program spanned over six months and required a tremendous level of dedication from not only our fire department staff, but from other area departments and also from two of our town's police officers. At the end of the program each student spent well over 400 hours of donated time in the classroom, conducting ride time on ambulances and conducting time in area hospitals. This class was just one additional forward step in improving the level of service to our community.

In August of 2009, one of our department members completed training at the EMT Paramedic level. This advanced life support program is the highest level of certification that a department can obtain and required a year-long commitment from this individual. Over 1000 hours of time was donated by this individual in this arduous course, attending class time, conducting practical ride time on ambulances and conducting clinical time in area hospitals.



## FIRE DEPARTMENT

The completion of the three above mentioned EMT programs ensures that the Cumberland Fire Department delivers a very high quality level of care to our citizens. The fire department did not compensate any of the individuals for their personal time devoted to any portion of these classes. This saved the town literally tens of thousands of dollars and exemplifies the commitment that this department has for our tax payers.

In 2010 the State of Maine performed an evaluation of the Cumberland Fire Department's ability to provide emergency medical care. Due to our ability to improve a patient's chance of survival from sudden cardiac arrest as well as other vital care our department was one of only four departments in Cumberland County to be recognized by Maine Emergency Medical Services and the State of Maine Center for Disease Control as a "Heart Safe Community". Our department was presented the award recognition by Governor John Baldacci at a formal ceremony at the State House in Augusta.

In an effort to be able to respond to the many emergencies we face, our members train not only on the basics of firefighting and emergency medical services but also on specialized technical rescue operations. We are prepared to face the emergency situations that we may encounter in this community. Although these trainings can be very demanding, we find that most members enjoy the challenges of learning and maintaining our required skills.

The Town of Cumberland is growing at a tremendous rate, and with this growth comes the obligation to ensure that new and renovated buildings are constructed to the applicable codes and town ordinances. Many projects require several reviews prior to acceptance as well as subsequent follow-up field inspections. We enjoy an outstanding relationship with our code enforcement department, and we back each other up on inspections to ensure a responsive quality product for developers, contractors and citizens who are performing work in our community.

Over the past few years our town has wisely used Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) to expand our water main system in our community. Most recently we have seen expansion of the water main system, and subsequent fire hydrants, along a portion of the Route 100 corridor and a majority of Range Road. The town has seen a vast improvement in fire protection, with the approximate installation of 85 additional fire hydrants, over the past ten years. This improvement may also improve fire insurance premiums for both residences and businesses in areas now protected by fire hydrants that are located within 1000 feet of the building.

The department expanded our existing student live-in program from two students to five students. This program offers housing to students enrolled at Southern Maine Community College by living at one of our two fire stations. These students live at our stations free of charge while providing the community with emergency responses while they are at the station. The students must fulfill pre-determined minimum shift coverage at both stations, with no compensation, in return for the housing agreement. This program provides the students with real life emergency fire and medical experiences by assisting our on duty firefighter/paramedic, as well as our other on-call members, during emergency responses.



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The department received a federal government grant for approximately \$40,000 and was used to upgrade our existing radio system by improving our communications in the Foreside area of town. Additionally the grant funded mobile data terminal computers for all of our emergency response vehicles. These computers provide immediate information to our emergency responders such as street and house locations, hydrant locations, specific facility hazards and other pertinent information. In this fiscal period our department was also involved in a regional sprinkler and alarm trailer grant through the Metro Fire Chiefs Association. This trailer provides a mobile classroom for our staff that covers state of the art equipment that we encounter regularly on our responses in town. An additional grant we received was from the State of Maine's Emergency Management Agency for a two year Emergency Management Planning Grant (EMPG) which funds a staff position up to 25 hour per week to review and update our community's hazard mitigation plan, track our emergency responses and update the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) database and assist with other administrative duties.

Over the past ten years our department has received over 1.5 million dollars in competitive federal government grants. The grants have provided facility improvements to both of our stations, replaced worn out firefighting apparel and other safety equipment, provided funding towards a full-time firefighter/EMT-I position, provided funding for technology equipment and through regional efforts have provided us two mobile classrooms that greatly enhance the safety training of our personnel.

Several department members donated countless hours preparing for and submitting a grant application request to the federal government to replace Central Fire Station, which is located on Tuttle Road. The existing station has been outgrown, is not handicap accessible (barrier free), and does not offer sleeping accommodations for our 24-hour staff and students. Although this was an extremely limited grant opportunity, the staff submitted a very competitive grant proposal. Unfortunately, only one department in the State of Maine received a station grant and it was not us. The station construction need has been proposed in the town's capital improvements planning process for the past five years. In 1992 the town council recognized the limitations of Central Fire Station and purchased the residence that abuts the station property for future expansion. This residence is where three of our students and our firefighter/paramedic reside. Whether we are successful with future grant requests or not, the station replacement or renovation will need to be considered in the very near future for the safety of the public and our staff.

Due to the very tough economic times our department has endured several budget reductions in an effort to minimize our fiscal impact to the Town's operating budget. These reductions, including the elimination of a fire engine, have saved money and we have developed additional agreements with our mutual aid communities to minimize the effect on our ability to safely serve our citizens. Another cost saving measure that we recently established was moving our dispatch services for both the police and fire departments to the Cumberland County Regional Communications Center. This move has reduced our dispatching costs by approximately \$100,000 annually.

Our Emergency Management Agency (EMA) responsibilities proved invaluable during large scale events that we responded to over the course of the year, and provided the necessary planning to ensure that these events were well managed before, during and after the events occurred. Our EMA planning also directly benefited the town financially as our adequate documentation allowed for considerable county and state reimbursement of public safety and public services activities during the large scale storms.



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Although the Town of Cumberland is a relatively small community we are vulnerable to both natural and man-made disasters. Transportation accidents and severe weather related events are our most likely candidates for these disasters. We have two highways in our town, we are in the flight path to the Portland International Jetport and we will soon be seeing Amtrak passenger trains traveling through our town at speeds in excess of 70 miles per hour. Our department remains prepared to effectively respond to events that could impact the safety of our citizens and those traveling through our community.

Every year, due to our commitment to emergency event planning and preparation, our department participates in a simulated large scale training exercise. This past year we participated in an event that was coordinated by the Cumberland Police Department. The event simulated a man-made disaster at one of our schools, and in addition to the participation of our town's emergency response resources, we worked with several of our area towns during the exercise. The fire department performed very well during the simulated mass casualty disaster and through after-action reviews we identified opportunities for improvement so we can continue to raise the bar on response procedures.

An additional EMA role that our department took a proactive approach on was ensuring that our schools and community were prepared for protection against the worldwide pandemic of H1N1, or more commonly referred to as the swine flu. We worked very closely with the nursing staff from our schools to set up multiple vaccination clinics. Our first priority was our community's children, seniors and those with medical deficiencies. The second wave of our approach included all others that either live or are employed in our community. We are very pleased with the delivery of this important program and the improved relationship with our school district's staff.

The Cumberland Fire Department is proud to be involved with the United States of America flag project along Main Street. Each Patriotic Holiday the fire department posts the flags along Main Street between Tuttle Road and Greely Road. These flags show support of our American men and women who have and are serving our country to protect our privileged freedom. Many community members generously donated money to fund this very important project and their names can be found on the fire department's web site. Anyone with any questions on this project should contact either the fire department or Brenda Moore at the town office.

The department had the honor of organizing the town's Memorial Day parade in 2010. This is a tremendous opportunity to recognize our military veterans and we ask that if you know of any citizen who has served our country in the military that you encourage them to march in this community-spirited event. The town's Veterans Monument Committee has devoted considerable time to erecting the monument on Main Street to recognize our Veterans and we encourage any groups or individuals to make donations to complete this project. I'd also like to personally thank Mr. Glenn Hutchins for his years of dedication coordinating the parade and for his no non-sense advice on how to manage the parade effectively. Hutch has done a considerable amount of positive things for this town and I am privileged to follow in his footsteps as the coordinator of the parade.



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Our staff wants to prevent accidents before they happen. In Maine, 90% of all car seats are improperly installed. That is why the department offers free car seat safety checks at our Central Station. Call 829-5421 to schedule an appointment to meet with one of our certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians who will check the safety of your child or infant's car seat and teach you how to properly install it. We will also explain the proper transition process for your child from infant car seats right up through when they can safely ride solely with the protection of a seatbelt without a car seat.

The department is an American Heart Association-affiliated Training Center. We offer CPR, AED and First Aid training every month as well as regular training for EMS professionals. This low cost training is offered to any citizens or businesses and we truly hope you will take advantage of this service---it could save a loved one's life.

After an arduous four year commitment Deputy Chief Nathan Schools received his Executive Fire Officer (EFO) certification from the federal government's Department of Homeland Security. Deputy Chief Schools is one of only fourteen fire officers in the State of Maine to receive this prestigious certification. The process included taking four years of leadership courses at the United States Fire Administration's National Fire Academy campus that is located in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Additionally, the program requires four applied research papers to be written by the course participant on how the enhanced executive-level knowledge, skills and abilities obtained from the course can be utilized to improve fire, medical and EMA preparedness for the student's community. The town council presented Nate with his EFO certificate that was also accompanied by letters of commendation from our national level legislators.

This organization has made tremendous strides in improving our ability to serve our customers. We have several documented cases where people's lives and property would not be here today if it were not for the expeditious, efficient and effective response of the Cumberland Fire Department. This happens because the staff of the department continually strives to give the best possible delivery of our product to the citizens and visitors of our community.

Once again Town Manager William Shane and the town council have shown a true commitment to the fire department. They have devoted many hours working with the public safety departments to ensure that the town's protection is always a priority. They have an excellent understanding of our department's needs, and have been instrumental in working with us to achieve our necessary goals.

In closing, I would like to remind the citizens of the Town of Cumberland that we are always looking for people to join our organization. From assisting with traffic control, to driving fire trucks or ambulances, to wearing air packs, to becoming an EMT, it is likely that we have a job for you. To learn more about the rewarding skills and benefits of firefighting and emergency medical services please contact anyone of our staff members. The more people involved with our team, the better we are able to perform our job of helping those in need. If you are looking for a way to give something back to your community, please give us a call at 829-5421 or email me at [dsmall@cumberlandmaine.com](mailto:dsmall@cumberlandmaine.com).



## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Friendly Reminders to our Citizens

- ◆ Be sure that your street address number on your residence or business is clearly visible with large reflective numbers for emergency responders
- ◆ With the exception of cooking fires on your own property the State of Maine requires a burning permit for all outside burns. Permits can either be obtained at Central Fire Station or for a fee on the state's web site.
- ◆ The department offers a reassurance program for any Town of Cumberland resident who lives alone. Please contact us if you would like to learn more about this beneficial program targeted towards the safety of our seniors and those with medical issues.
- ◆ CPR saves lives---please contact us if you are interested in taking a class.
- ◆ If you or your business is interested in providing an AED in your facility please contact us for more information.
- ◆ Our annual fire prevention open house is always the second Saturday in October.
- ◆ The department hosts birthday parties at the stations for a small fee.
- ◆ All businesses are inspected twice annually to ensure the safety of all occupants.

The fire department's web site offers a tremendous amount of information. Please visit it regularly for updates on programs or during large-scale weather events to improve your safety.

**[http://www.cumberlandmaine.com/Fire\\_Dept.cfm](http://www.cumberlandmaine.com/Fire_Dept.cfm)**

## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

**Christopher Bolduc**  
**Director of Operations / Public Services**

**Karen Cyr**  
**Administrative Assistant**

**Steve Googins**  
**Public Works Foreman**

**Toby Young**  
**Val Halla Golf Superintendent**

**Chris Logan**  
**Parks Superintendent**

I am pleased and honored to submit my first annual report on behalf of the Public Services Department. I became the Director of Operations for the Town in 2009 after twenty years of service as the Town's Chief of Rescue. As Director of Operations, I am responsible for the Town's infrastructure as well as large capital projects. After the departure of Bill Landis, the former Public Services Director, it seemed like a good fit for me to assume his role as well.

The Public Services Department now encompasses the Public Works Department, Parks Department, and Val Halla under one umbrella. The Public Services Department is responsible for the maintenance of all Town owned buildings, Rines Forest, Town Forest, Veterans Monument, and all large capital projects.

It has been a privilege to work with all of the Public Services employees over the past 20 years, and I am looking forward to working alongside them in the future as their Director.

### **Public Works Department**

The Public Works Division of the Cumberland Public Services oversees and maintains the roadways of the Town of Cumberland. The scope of this responsibility ranges from plowing and treating all public ways and public easements, to the maintenance of culverts and drainage along its roadways.

Public Works provides support to all other departments within the Town including Fire/Rescue, Parks and Recreation, and Val Halla Golf facilities. The department also provides support to MSAD 51 with plowing and sweeping operations at their district-wide facilities.

Public Works personnel provide emergency response services during inclement weather events; this service includes road flooding detours, debris and tree removal, and maintaining entry points of private drives and road entrances for emergency access to residences. Public Works crews always work alongside and in support of the Police and Fire/Rescue to assure the Town's safety in times of dangerous events.

Projects for the year have included the rebuilding of the pedestrian walkway connecting the Town's Senior Housing facility to the Tuttle Road sidewalk system. The new walkway was excavated, a new base put in, and paved. This project included sidewalk connectors to the Middle School, and both Linden and Winterberry Court areas. The crew conducted many drainage easement repairs and reclamation, along with numerous roadside ditching projects.

The Public Works crew was honored to have been able to provide the site-work for the new Veterans Monument at Moss Side Cemetery.



## PUBLIC SERVICES

The Public Work Department produces its own aggregates in the West Cumberland Pit. All of the Town's winter sand, 1 ½" and 3" gravel, and loam are produced for road maintenance and special projects. Since we are able to produce these aggregates on our own, rather than purchasing them from a contractor, we save the Town thousands of tax payers' dollars. The Drowne Road facility is now the site of composting operations, turning yard and tree waste into useable organic product. The back and side yards of the facility were excavated and upgraded to provide much needed off-street parking and storage of MSAD 51 buses. Our garage at 23 Drowne Road is a full service equipment maintenance facility, working on all Town owned vehicles.

When the call goes out to the Public Works Department from the Town's residents, the department responds with professional and timely service. We are a Team that possesses countless skills and are dedicated to the Town we serve, in an effort to insure the safety of our residents and visitors.

**Steve Googins**  
**Public Works Foreman**

### Parks Department

The Parks Department is responsible for maintaining over 500 acres of Town owned property that include 22 acres of mixed athletic fields, 3 little league fields, a baseball and a softball field. The department maintains the grounds at the Library, Monuments, Cumberland Commons, Twin Brook, Rines Forest, Town Hall, Drowne Road and the Fire Stations. The staff consists of a foreman, one full time seasonal employee, and a full time shared position between the Parks and Public Works Department.

A majority of our time is focused on the Twin Brook Recreation Facility. This facility has grown in use and amenities over the years to cover 250 acres with bathrooms and a maintenance facility completed in 2008. There are over 4 miles of wooded walking trails throughout Twin Brook that are utilized from sun up to sun down by a wide age range of people doing anything from walking their dog, flying airplanes, playing soccer, or simply enjoying the beautiful scenery while eating lunch. During the fall, numerous cross country running events are held at the facility including the 2009 USATF Maine Open Championship/Craig Cup 5K and the 2009 Southern Maine High School State Championships. It would not be fall without the annual Labor Day Soccer tournament bringing thousands of people to the watch and play soccer. Twin Brook is a year round facility offering groomed cross country skiing/snow shoeing during the winter months. All the athletic fields at Twin Brook and the West Cumberland facility are mowed 3 times a week during the growing season. This combined with the over 60 acres of park area means our large 12-foot mowers can be seen operating almost daily around Town.

We maintain the trails through the Rines Forest, which contains 4 miles of scenic walking trails throughout the over 200 acres off Range Road. The Town Forest adds another 1.5 miles of available trails through the 75 acres of land behind Town Hall. Many other trails are available in the Town and can be found in the Cumberland Scenic Trail map on the Town's website.

Each year brings new challenges with new rewards and we look forward to seeing you enjoy what we work so hard to maintain.

**Chris Logan**  
**Parks Foreman**

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### Val Halla Grounds and Maintenance

This year we had 14 staff members at Val Halla; 11 part-time and 3 full-time. Our day begins well before the sun rises, usually around 4:30-5:00 a.m. until early afternoon. We worked an average of 560 hours a week maintaining the golf course. The entire staff worked incredibly hard this summer through all of the heat and humidity to provide excellent course conditions and to make Val Halla one of the best courses to play. We were again ranked as one of the top public courses by the Portland Press Herald, as a "best value" and had some of the nicest greens in the state. As we approach winter, our staff begins to dwindle down to just the full time employees; who work throughout the winter getting the equipment ready for next spring. The projects this year included completion of the tee to green cart paths on the front 9 and construction of numerous rock walls throughout the golf course to add aesthetics. Golf rounds played, cart rentals and driving range usage were all up compared to last year. With the favorable weather all year long, we had a very good season.

**Toby Young**  
**Val Halla Grounds Superintendent**

### Route 88 Update

It is with great pleasure that I reflect and comment upon the progress achieved with our Route 88 project.

This actually began in 1988 with the efforts of current committee member Julie Restuccia to address safety issues along Route 88. Julie's idea was to incorporate paved shoulders along with the planned repaving that was to take place during 1989. That was the last time any attention has been given to this major roadway. Finally, here we are twenty one years later with the necessary improvements underway and an estimated completion date of June 2011 for final overlay.

The engineering firm of Gorrill Palmer has been selected to handle the field engineering of the project and Storey Brothers, Inc. was awarded the construction contract after a very aggressive bidding process.

The project scope encompasses 2.5 miles of road repair and resurfacing with the addition of four foot paved shoulders on both sides. In addition, major drainage issues are being addressed to redirect both surface and subsurface runoff. The terrible drainage conditions have created many problems for abutting land owners and have contributed to significant environmental concerns on our shorefront.

The Committee has had a tremendous amount of community involvement without which this project would never have come to fruition. Thanks to a tremendous amount of work by a group of dedicated residents the necessary work is finally being addressed to protect our community assets.

**Chris Bolduc**  
**Director of Public Services**



# VAL HALLA GOLF & RECREATION CENTER

Val Halla enjoyed one of its best years in quite some time in 2009-10, and the next fiscal year is looking even better. 2009-10 was the first full year that Val Halla focused solely on golf, with all banquet center and grill operations sourced to outside vendors. Thus, while overall revenues and expenses dropped, the net profit improved significantly.

While the course saw some increases in usage in the second half of the summer of 2009, golf operations benefited greatly from near perfect weather and excellent course conditions in 2010. As a result, volume in all categories including memberships, daily green fees and golf carts all increased significantly in 2009-10 over 2008-09 levels.

Major improvements to golf operations included the move to on-line registration for several of our programs; the addition of an e-newsletter for quicker communication with our customers; and a designated space for Val Halla junior golfers through the fundraising efforts of one of our members Morris Fisher. We also added a Meghan's Golf Camp for girls only 7-12 years in age. This program received national accreditation and grants through the LPGA and USGA.

As for the course itself, Val Halla continues to retain its position as the best municipal golf course in Maine. While 2010 was a great summer for golfers, the heat, humidity and lack of rain made for a challenging growing season. The irrigation system proved its true value this year; the benefits were seen by all. Val Halla had a great staff that worked hard all year long to provide some of the best playing conditions around. In recent years numerous large scale projects were completed. This year much of the focus was on getting past project lists completed. Other smaller projects included installing or updating drainage on numerous holes to enhance playability, clearing and thinning the woods on some holes, and building several spectacular rock walls constructed by our own Kenny Normand. All the improvements continue to improve the playing experience for all our members.

If you haven't been to Val Halla recently, swing by to take a look. You will like what you see!

Brian Bickford  
Director of Golf Operations

Toby Young  
Golf Superintendent

# PRINCE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Prince Memorial Library ended FY2010 with 8,982 patrons, an increase of 423 patrons, or 4.94 percent, from FY2009. Cumberland residents, town employees and individuals employed in Cumberland comprise 69.24 percent of cardholders, while North Yarmouth residents make up 29.65 percent of the total. MSAD51 employees, non-residents and institutional borrowers account for the remaining patrons.

The library registered 49,888 visits during the year, an average of 195 for each day it was open to the public. Total circulation of catalogued library materials, including books, audios and videos, was 81,480, up 4.47 percent over the previous year's circulation total of 77,997. In addition to catalogued materials, the library loans magazines, paperback books and school summer reading list material, but does not maintain statistics on their usage.

Cumberland residents borrowed 58,753 catalogued materials, or 72.11 percent of catalogued materials circulated, while North Yarmouth residents circulated 19,904 materials, or 24.43 percent of the total. July was the month with the highest total circulation, followed by June and August. November and May had the lowest circulation totals for the year. The highest circulating material categories were books for children, adult fiction, and videos (both videocassettes and DVDs). The library's collection of books, videos and audio-tapes now totals 52,194. In addition, the library subscribes to five newspapers and approximately 105 magazines.

## Adult Services

Reference Librarian Elizabeth Tarasevich offers reference and reader services, facilitates the Book Group, provides Internet training and schedules adult programming. The Book Group met ten times during the year, and had a total attendance of 180. Three local authors, Kitty Chadbourne, Debra Spark and Melissa Senate, spoke at the library, and a total of 27 people attended. A concert by Two Old Friends, featuring Mac McHale and Emery Hutchins, drew 30 people for some good time music. Elizabeth and staff members Pam Copenhagen and Arabella Eldredge coordinate the library's Passport Application Acceptance program, which processes passport applications for the U.S. Department of State. The library processed a total of 318 passport applications during FY2009, resulting in approximately \$6,360 in revenue. In April, a U.S. State Department Acceptance Facility Review determined that the library's Passport Program is "exceptionally well run."

## Youth Services

Youth Services Librarian Jan Hamilton had a number of successful programs throughout the year. A total of 361 children and young adults participated in *Be Creative @ Your Library*, the 2009 Summer Reading program. Thirty-five young adults took part in the program by acting as volunteer Drama Coaches, with each Drama Coach contributing two or more hours per week during the six-week program. More than 700 people visited the library on the day of the program kick-off event, and numerous special programs took place. Thanks go out to graphic artist Jay Piscopo, author and illustrator Sandy Seeley Walling, Jen Gifford, Maria Crouch, Kathleen Follett, Patti Temple, Jennifer Armstrong, Missy Lyon's Cadette Girl Scout troop, the Shipyard Beverage Van, and Baxter the Library Cat and his handler for their contributions to a very successful Summer Reading Program Kick-Off event.



# PRINCE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## Youth Services

Events during the six-week Summer Reading program included a curtain workshop, a tie dye session, a creative movement workshop, a Michael Parent Reader's Theater workshop followed by a presentation, a quilt activity, a journal making activity, a papermaking session and a basic camera program. More than 340 Sea Dogs tickets were distributed during the kick-off celebration. Many thanks to all the volunteers, both young and old, who presented workshops or otherwise contributed to Summer Reading program events. The Friends of Prince Memorial Library provided the financial assistance allowing the library to offer many of the Summer Reading program's special events. Their generosity and support are gratefully appreciated. Program is "exceptionally well run."





# PRINCE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## Maine Community Heritage Project

At the beginning of the year, the Maine Historical Society (MHS) announced that Cumberland and North Yarmouth had been chosen to participate in the Maine Community Heritage Project, a two-year partnership between MHS and the Maine State Library that promotes collaboration between local schools, historical societies, and public libraries through the exploration and celebration of local history. Prince Memorial Library acted as the team leader for the Cumberland-North Yarmouth Team, consisting of the Cumberland and North Yarmouth historical societies, Skyline Farm, Greely Middle School and the towns of Cumberland and North Yarmouth. The project is supported by a National Leadership Grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

In July, team members attended a two-day orientation at MHS in Portland. During the project year, team members met monthly for planning and other activities. In September, the Cumberland-North Yarmouth MCHP Team hosted a community forum at Cumberland Town Hall to solicit ideas and comments from residents about historical topics to explore. In January, the team attended a one-day mid-year training session at MHS. In February, the team joined Greely Middle School social studies teacher Steve Hill and his students over a three-week period to scan images and photograph objects. In June, Mr. Hill's students took a field trip to Cumberland Historical Society, North Yarmouth Historical Society and Skyline Farm. During the year-long project, members of the Cumberland-North Yarmouth Team uploaded approximately 200 images to the Maine Memory Network, the Maine Historical Society's nationally recognized statewide digital museum. In addition, the team created a web site ([cny.mainememory.net](http://cny.mainememory.net)) that tells the shared history of the two communities and documents the work on the project. In addition to the narrative history, the web site displays a number of online exhibits created by team members that highlights aspects of North Yarmouth and Cumberland history. The yearlong Maine Community Heritage Project culminated with a community event at Skyline Farm in North Yarmouth during which community members feasted on a sumptuous meal and the new Cumberland-North Yarmouth MCHP web site was unveiled. In all, 97 people attended the two MCHP community events. The project is designed to be ongoing, and community members with historic photographs are encouraged to bring them to a team member to be uploaded to the Maine Memory Network.

Prince Memorial Library would like to thank Steve Hill and all the wonderful and enthusiastic students in his Greely Middle School social studies classes, Carolyn Small of the Cumberland Historical Society, Katie Murphy of the North Yarmouth Historical Society, and Pam Ames and John Sowles of Skyline Farm for their contributions to the Cumberland-North Yarmouth MCHP Team. Thanks also go out to the North Yarmouth Board of Selectmen, the Cumberland Town Council, Cumberland Town Manager Bill Shane and North Yarmouth Administrative Assistant Marnie Diffin for their support of the project. Marie Peck of North Yarmouth spent numerous hours scanning and cataloging photographs and documents, and deserves much praise. Reference Librarian Elizabeth Tarasevich did a fantastic job on all aspects of the project, but most notably the extremely difficult chore of performing multiple edits on the historical narrative. Finally, Larissa Vigue Pickard and Steve Bromage of the Maine Historical Society were instrumental in Cumberland and North Yarmouth being selected as two of the 17 Maine communities chosen to participate in the Maine Community Heritage Project over the past two years and ensured that the project was a beneficial experience for all involved, and for that must be thanked freely.



## PRINCE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

### Friends of Prince Memorial Library

The Friends of Prince Memorial Library provide an important service to the library and the community. On December 15, Lynne Champoux, FPML president for ten years, was honored for her many years of service. The library was presented with a special mirror in Lynne's honor, and was pleased to learn that Lynne would continue her service as an FPML board member. Longtime FPML board members Sue Hemond, Diane Aromando, Kelly Manahan and Betty Olivier ended their involvement with the board. Sue Thaxter has taken over as president, and is joined in governing the organization by Kathleen Follett, Theresa Higgins, Kathie Bradeen, and Rob and Polly Wright. The Friends supply the library with memberships to the Portland Museum of Art, the Children's Museum of Maine, the University of Southern Maine Southworth Planetarium and the Maine Wildlife Park, making discounted passes available to families and individuals. The Friends also manage the annual book sale in October, support the children's book sale and craft session in February, and contribute financially to children's programs and other library needs. The Friends continue to fund the Library's subscription to the Maine InfoNet Download Library ([download.maineinfonet.org](http://download.maineinfonet.org)), which allows users to download audiobooks to iPods, MP3 players and other devices.

Library staff would like to thank the Friends of Prince Memorial Library for their generous assistance in offering services to the residents of Cumberland and North Yarmouth, and to the Prince Memorial Library Advisory Board for their guidance. Thanks also go out to the Anne H. Russell Charitable Lead Annuity Trust, the Spicewood Fund of the Maine Community Foundation, the Cumberland-North Yarmouth Lions Club and the St. Mary's Garden Club for providing financial support, and to all the individuals who donated money and books.

Prince Memorial Library was awarded two significant grants during the year. The library received the second installment of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Opportunity Online hardware grant, which provided \$3,250 over two years for the purchase and maintenance of two computers. In December, the Davis Family Foundation of Falmouth approved a grant request of \$4,700 for the Cumberland Overseers of the Poor Archives Project, which will preserve, process and catalog documents relating to the work of the Cumberland Overseers of the Poor during the nineteenth century.

The Prince Room, the library's original facility, provides valuable community meeting space, and is used by Cumberland Recreation and Community Education and area groups in addition to hosting library programs. Community Education classes held in the Prince Room on an ongoing basis include Music and Me Movement Classes for toddlers, Tai Chi, and yoga for kids. In addition, the Prince Room has for many years been the location for a Friday morning senior citizen dominoes group. The Prince Room's use by the community is increasing as more and more individuals and groups become aware of its availability.

Prince Memorial Library serves as the community library for the residents of Cumberland and North Yarmouth. Services include the lending of library materials, programming for both children and adults, use of computers and access to the Internet, and community meeting space. The staff of Prince Memorial Library, including Youth Services Librarian Jan Hamilton, Reference Librarian Elizabeth Tarasevich, Circulation Librarian Sandy McGowan, circulation aides Ann Edwards, Arabella Eldredge and Pam Copenhagen, and pages Betsy Perry, Stephen Hayes and Etta Copenhagen, looks forward to serving the library's patrons and the communities of Cumberland and North Yarmouth during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas C. Bennett, Library Director

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & RECREATION

### **Adult programming**

Our priority at Cumberland\*North Yarmouth Community Education is to offer a mix of classes to match the variety of interests and learning needs in the community, including College Transitions, vocational skills, arts and crafts, cooking, languages, fitness, personal growth, and financial matters. Some of the popular classes this year included a variety of knitting classes taught by Pam Harwood, Sew Creative, Beginning Drawing, Conversational Italian, Chinese Cooking, Sea glass Jewelry and Holiday Card Workshop. We had over 1500 registrations in this fiscal year in our adult classes and programs. We welcome your ideas for new classes as well as course proposals.

Our Fitness classes offer adults the opportunity to get active right here in our community. The Thursday Zumba class continues to be popular, along with Yoga, Cardio Workout, Tai Chi, Masters swimming, lap swimming, aquatic fitness, and ballroom dance. Adult pick-up sports such as field hockey and basketball round out the program.

Our Ed2go online classes serve adult learners who are not able to attend a regularly scheduled class. Ed2go offers a variety of online classes which can be downloaded at any convenient time during the week; classes start each month and last for six weeks. The numbers of Ed2go registrations continue to increase with most online students seeking to enhance their career and vocational skills.

The adult education and program directors meet each season to share program ideas and collaborate on regional trips for adults. Some of the more popular trips this year were Portland Stage Company matinees, Fall Foliage trip on the Hobo railroad, SMCC luncheons, the Portland Flower Show and Vermont trip!

In the coming year, we look forward to our new SMCC partnership as GHS will become a satellite site for SMCC classes. Adults and high school students in their junior and senior years can take college credit classes right at GHS! This information is available on the SMCC website or in the fall 2010 community education brochure. High School students should contact GHS Guidance Department.

Sarah Davis  
Adult Education Director





## PROPERTY TAX RELIEF SENIOR CIRCUIT BREAKER PROGRAM

### Who Can Participate?

- a. The applicant shall be 67 years of age or more.
- b. The applicant shall have a homestead in the Town of Cumberland at the time of the application and for the entire year prior to the date of application.
- c. The applicant has received a refund under the provisions of Chapter 907 of 36 M.R.S.A. (State Circuit Breaker)
- d. The applicant has been a resident of the Town of Cumberland for at least ten years.

### How do I participate

- Persons seeking to participate in the Property Tax Assistance Program shall submit a written application to the Town Assessor no later than January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The Town Manager shall provide an application form for the program, which shall include, the applicant's name, homestead address, contact information and proof and amount of refund under Chapter 907 of Title 36 (State Circuit Breaker Program).
- The Town Manger shall review and determine if the application is complete. The Town Manager's decision on eligibility to participate in the Program shall be final.

### How much of a Refund is Available From the Town?

- Eligibility shall be the lesser of the following amounts:
  - a. The amount of the refund awarded by the State under Chapter 907, Title 36 M.R.S.A. (State Program) or
  - b. Available monies in the Town Circuit Breaker fund
  - c. \$750.00
- The Town Manager shall report to the Town Council at their first meeting in December each year the projected payments and number of eligible applicants requesting assistance for the program fund.

### Limitations

- Only one qualifying applicant per household shall be entitled to payment under this Program each year.
- In the event that a lack of funding, the request will not carry over to the next year or create any right to additional payments on account of the application which resulted in no payment or less than full payment.

**You must Apply each year to get a Refund!**



## TOWN OF CUMBERLAND PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE

### Senior Circuit Breaker Program

Application Deadline- January 15, 2011

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Map and Lot Number (on Property Tax Bill): \_\_\_\_\_

If different than property address please provide mailing address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Please Check and Attach a Copy of Proof of Age:

Driver's License: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Certificate: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Describe

Proof of Residency:      Ownership \_\_\_\_\_ (Assessor to Verify)  
                                 Rental \_\_\_\_\_ (Please provide copy of lease)

Please attach a copy of your State Circuit Breaker Refund Check or confirmation.

If you need any assistance with the completion of this form or the State form, please call Town Assessor, Bill Healey, at 829-2204 to schedule an appointment to review either or both forms. Remember only one of the property owners must be 67 years of age or older to qualify for this program.

Please Return Form to:      Mr. William Healey, Town Assessor  
                                 Cumberland Senior Property Tax Relief  
                                 290 Tuttle Road  
                                 Cumberland, Maine 04021



# FYI...

## NEW RESIDENTS:

Out of state individuals must, within 30 days of residency in Cumberland, register their vehicles in the Town Office with the previous out of state registration, title, and proof of insurance; and apply for a State of Maine driver's license at the DMV in Portland. Individuals moving to Cumberland from within the state are given 10 days to complete a change of address on their vehicle registration at Town Hall, and a change of address on their driver's license at the DMV. Vehicle registration requires: the serial, weight, window sticker (if purchased from a dealer), and proof of insurance. The window sticker must be presented at time of registration for new vehicles. The State of Maine does not send notification for re-registration, so mark the month on your calendar!

## VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS:

The Town Office is authorized to issue renewal registrations for automobiles, combination vehicles, handicapped, firefighter, Veteran, motorcycles, mopeds, motor driven cycles, trailers, tractors, special equipment, stock cars, antique autos, horseless carriages, street rods, ATV's, snowmobiles, boats, motor homes, trailers, mobile homes, farm tractors, and commercial trucks not more than 9,000 pounds gross vehicle weight. In processing new registrations, the town is authorized to collect sales tax and Maine Title Application fees for vehicles that were manufactured after 1992. Temporary registrations will only be issued for snowmobiles, ATV's and boats.

## SOLID WASTE COLLECTION:

The new system, Pay As You Throw (PAYT), allows residents to pay for their own waste disposal by purchasing special town trash bags for collection. The Program began on September 12, 2005, and ONLY trash in Town of Cumberland PAYT trash bags will be collected. ANY other trash bags will NOT be collected. The special trash bags can be purchased at local retailers including, but not limited to, Hannaford West Falmouth, Falmouth Shaw's, Yarmouth Hannaford, Town Landing Market, Big Apple, Food Stop, and J. Brother's Variety. The bags are sold in two sizes, 33 gallon and 20 gallon. Retailers will sell these bags in packages of ten at \$2.50 to \$1.50 per bag or \$25.00 and \$15.00 respectively. The best way to reduce waste management costs is to recycle. Pine Tree Waste will be collecting recyclables on the same day as your trash, so be sure to recycle any and all materials that you can. Your solid waste and recycling should be curbside by 7:00 a.m. on the day of your collection, but not earlier than 6:00 p.m. on the day before. You should protect your trash from animals and inclement weather by using covered containers or sealed plastic bags. When placing materials curbside, please separate your trash and recyclables by approximately 3 feet. The curbside collection is currently provided by Pine Tree Waste and any collection problems may be reported to them by calling 773-1122.

## GENERAL ASSISTANCE:

The Town of Cumberland administers a Welfare/General Assistance program that provides confidential financial assistance to residents who are having difficulty meeting basic needs for housing, utilities and food. The program is funded by local property taxes with a 50% reimbursement from the state. HOURS: Every Wednesday, 9:00—Noon a.m. For more information, contact Debbie Flanigan @ Cumberland Town Hall 829-2200 x322. Emergency after hour's phone numbers: dial 211 or non-emergency public safety dispatch @ 829-6391.

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**HOLIDAY TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE**

Please be sure to have your trash curbside no later than 7:00 a.m. on your trash pick-up day! We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause.

This same schedule will apply for the following holidays:

Thanksgiving Day 2010 – Thursday – the new day will be Friday.

**If you have any questions, please contact the Cumberland Public Services Department for more information at 829-2220.**

**CURBSIDE RECYCLING:**

Single Sort Recycling Curbside – **One Container for ALL Your Recycling.** The following items are collected curbside:

**PAPER PRODUCTS** – newspapers, magazines/catalogs, junk mail/window envelopes, paperback books, file folders, dry food boxes, toiletry/medicine boxes, egg cartons, paper towel rolls, shoeboxes, cereal boxes, cardboard (all boxes), phone books, gift boxes/wrapping paper. Corrugated cardboard boxes will NOT be collected as recyclables; however, they may be collected if broken down and flattened in 3'x3' sections. Please place these items curbside, only on nice days in your trash receptacles or make sure that they are bundled securely. Please secure all loose paper.

**PLASTIC, METAL GLASS & CANS** – rinsed clear or colored glass, steel or aluminum cans, aluminum cans, aluminum foil/plates, empty aerosol cans (caps removed), metal jar lids, all plastic labeled #'s 1-7, cans, pots & pans, empty bottles (any color glass), jars.

**PROHIBITED ITEMS** – Petroleum containers, light bulbs, hypodermic needles or sharp objects, vinyl siding, bubble wrap, plastic trash bags or shopping bags, food, toys, food bags, potato chip bags, diapers, plastic rings on juice/milk containers, Styrofoam packaging, peanuts or trash.



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### ANNUAL SPRING & FALL BULKY WASTE PICK-UP Dates are set annually in May & October

Items will be collected on your regular pick-up day.

#### Items accepted at curbside:

- Bathroom Fixtures
- Box Springs
- Cabinets
- Carpets
- Chairs
- Dressers
- Hot Water Tanks
- Large Metal Items
- Large Toys
- Mattresses
- Recliners
- Sofas
- Stoves
- Tables
- Washers & Dryers

#### Items NOT Accepted

- No wood products, including picnic tables or fencing
- No appliances containing Freon (e.g., refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers or air conditioners)
- No brush, construction/demolition/remodeling debris (C/D) including lumber, shingles, brick or cement
- No Hazardous Waste including oil, automotive or household batteries or mercury products.
- No propane tanks
- No cardboard
- No windows or glass items
- No yard or tree waste
- No liquid waste
- No plastic bags
- No clothing or textiles
- No tires (with rims)
- No computers or monitors
- No fluorescent light bulbs
- No TV's

Items not accepted curbside may be taken to Riverside Recycling in Portland for a fee. They are located at 910 Riverside Street and their number is 797-6200.

**Riverside Recycling:**  
**Monday – Saturday**  
**7:00 – 4:00**

If you have any other questions, please contact the:

**Cumberland Public Services Department**  
**for more information at 829-2220**

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### **Merrill Monument Dedication**

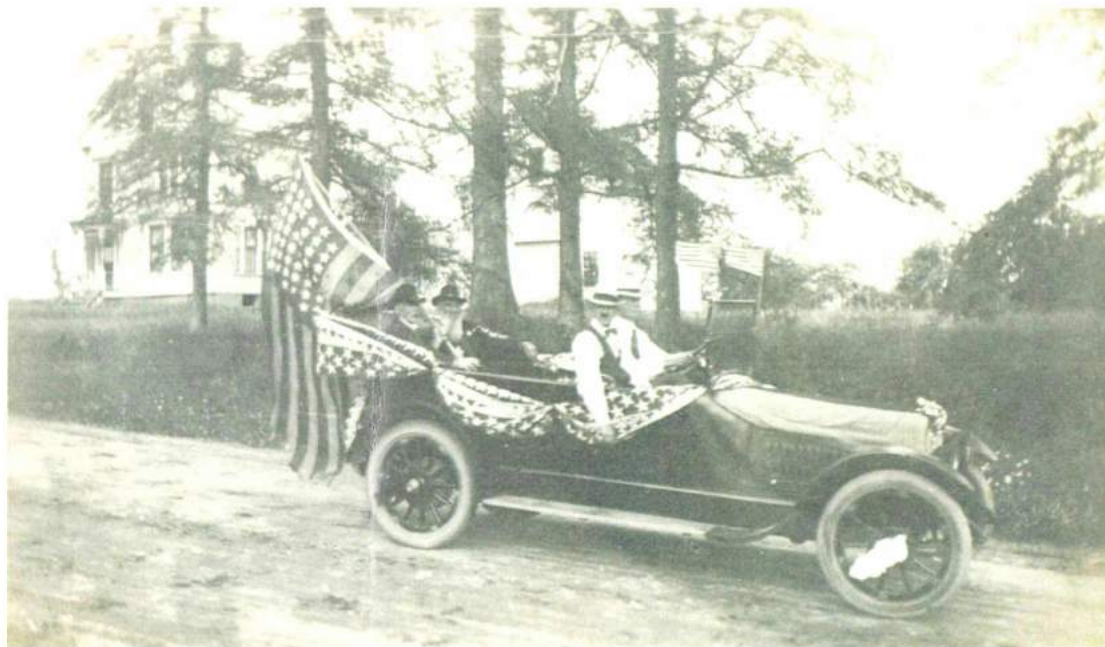
May 30, 1928 dedication of the William Merrill Monument on Main St. The monument has three commemorative panels. This memorial was erected in 1928 by William Merrill's only son, Edwin R. a year after his father's death.

William Merrill served in the Civil War as a member of Co. B of the 25th Infantry Regiment, which mustered into U.S. service at Portland on Sept. 29, 1862, and mustered out on July 10, 1863.

The **FRONT PANEL:** In commemoration of the men of Cumberland, Maine, who served their country on land and sea in all wars of the nation.

The **RIGHT PANEL:** The demands for loyalty to a country is as great upon the sons as they are upon the sires. The safety of the country lies in the intelligence, the moral character, the patriotism of its citizens.

The **LEFT PANEL:** Cumberland honors her sons and daughters who have shown their loyalty, self-sacrifice, and devotion to preserve and cement the Union in the days of the Civil War, 1861-1865.



### **Armistice Day Parade**

November 11, 1918 commemoration of the end of the Great War (later known as World War I). Photo taken from 258 Main Street, shows vehicle with two Civil War veterans in the back. 259 Main Street is in the background.