



**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006
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**County Commissioners and other County Officials
on the annual visit to Gosnold**



**TJ Hegarty and Hillary Rodham Clinton
at the annual West Tisbury Ag Fair**



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Annual Report – FY2006
County Commissioners
County of Dukes County

This was a year of improvement and change for the County of Dukes County. I was very proud to be able to appoint the very first Associate Commissioner for Health Care Access for the County of Dukes County. I appointed Ilene Klein, M.D., a primary care physician at the Martha's Vineyard Hospital for this very important position, creating a necessary link between the Dukes County Health and the County Commissioners. The County Commissioners have always had community health care as a priority for the county.

We are also very proud of our website, which is very popular with the public, with 1,070,721 "hits" last year. This translates into an average of 181 viewing sessions per day. This means that how we run our government is becoming more accessible to all.

This year we expanded our outreach to visit the Board of Selectmen's meeting of each town on the Vineyard to listen to their needs. We also hosted the Annual Massachusetts Association of County Commissioners meeting in Edgartown in June 2006.

The County also seized the lead to instigate a critical self-inspection of how the County operates, and initiated a Charter Study petition that will be voted on in November of 2006. If this passes, County government will be reviewed in an effort to insure that we operating as the citizenry expects.

We look forward to FY2007 for even more changes

Respectfully Submitted,
John S. Alley, Chairman
Dukes County Commissioners



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The fiscal year 2006 was a busy year for the County of Dukes County and for me personally. This is my second full year as County Manager and I continue to see the many challenges that face the County of Dukes County.

The preparation of a budget for fiscal year 2007 was not easy. The County faces more limitations on raising money than do the towns that comprise the County. We are limited to an increase of 2-1/2 percent in our assessments to the towns, thus forcing us to look to increased revenues and better-cost management to offset increases in insurance rates, fuel oil, wages, and utilities. I would ask each member of community to imagine how they could manage those uncontrollable rising costs if their income were limited to 2-1/2% more this year than last year. Nonetheless we were able to balance the budget and get it done on time, with great co-operation from the County Commissioners and the County Advisory Board.

That being said, we have accomplished some things this year that keep me enthused and happy for the County. We remain the first and only county to create an Associate Commissioner for Health Care Access. This position was created by the Commissioners to emphasize their support for community health access for all. Ilene Klein, M.D., was appointed as the first Associate Commissioner for Health Care Access, and has run a very aggressive program to coordinate public health care on Martha's Vineyard. Notable among her achievements was a 2-day symposium on Lyme Disease featuring experts from the state and elsewhere, and the initiation of a local public health survey.

The County entered into a contract with the EAP Network – Employee Assistance Program, for the benefit of all county employees, providing assistance with personal, legal and financial issues – as well as providing great assistance to the structure of the County in handling personnel issues.

While not all of our work rates a “first”, there were major milestones that were passed. One is the final resolution of the unfortunate airport lawsuit. The position of the county was not upheld at trial. If you recall, the County was brought into the lawsuit by the Airport Commission and we became a defendant. Damages were awarded initially, but rescinded upon petition by the County. Now all the respective parties are working together to put this incident behind us, and I am pleased to report that cooperation is the result.

I look forward to 2007 as being another year of challenge and opportunity.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Winn Davis



Annual County Commissioners Meeting on Gosnold



COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY APPOINTMENTS, OFFICERS, & EMPLOYEES



Front Row, from left, County Manager E. Winn Davis, County Commission Chairman John Alley, Commissioner Nelson Smith, Vice Chairman Robert Sawyer. Back row, from left, Commissioner Leslie Leland, Commissioner Leonard Jason Jr., Commissioner Paul Strauss, and Commissioner Roger Wey
(Photo by Lt. Donald Rose)

DUKES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

John S. Alley, Chairman	West Tisbury	Jan. 5, 2009
Robert M. Sawyer, Vice Chairman	Tisbury	Jan. 3, 2007
Leonard Jason Jr.	Chilmark	Jan. 5, 2009
Leslie H. Leland	West Tisbury	Jan. 3, 2007
Nelson W. Smith	Edgartown	Jan. 3, 2007
Paul A. Strauss	Oak Bluffs	Jan. 3, 2007
Roger W. Wey	Oak Bluffs	Jan. 5, 2009

Commissioners serve for four years. Terms expire on the first Wednesday in January following the election.

DUKES COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD FOR EXPENDITURES

John Early, Chairman	West Tisbury
Michael Dutton	Oak Bluffs
Frank Fenner	Chilmark
Tristan Israel	Tisbury
Arthur Smadbeck	Edgartown
Jim Newman	Aquinnah
Kris Lombard	Gosnold

One selectman from each town, appointed annually, comprise the Advisory Board

COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Title	Appointee	Term expires
County Manager	E. Winn Davis	Indefinite
Steamship Authority Governor (3 years)	Marc Hanover	2007
Legal Counsel (3 years)	Marcia Mulford Cini	2008
Associate Commissioner Health Care Access	Dr. Ilene Klein	2006
Assoc. Comm. Concerning the Affairs for Handicapped Persons	Anson Krickl	2006
Assoc. Comm. Concerning the Affairs for Elderly Persons	Hans von Steiger	2006
County Commission's Rep. on the MVC	Paul Strauss	2006
Emergency Management Director	Chuck Cotnoir	2006
Delegate to Pilgrim RC&D Area Council	T.J. Hegarty	2006
County Clerk	Joseph E. Sollitto Jr.	2007
Martha's Vineyard	Norman Perry, Chair	2006
	John Alley, Vice Chair	2007
Airport Commission		
3-year terms	Fred Condon	2008
	John Coskie	2007
	James Craig	2008
	Connie Teixeira	2008
	Frank Gildea	2006
Dukes County Regional Housing Authority		
3-year terms except governor's appointee (5)		
Leo Frame, Chair	Island-wide	2007
Abbe Burt, Vice Chair	Tisbury	2006
Melissa Norton Vincent, Treasurer	Edgartown	2007
Ernie Mendenhall	West Tisbury	2006
Richard Skidmore	Aquinnah	2006
Harvey Beth	Oak Bluffs	2007
Zelda Gamson	Chilmark	2006
Anthony J. Bongiorno	Governor appointee	2011
David Vigneaut	Director	

Dukes County Health Council

One or two year terms

Cindy Mitchell, Chair	Cindy Doyle	Paddy Moore
Terry Appenzellar, Treasurer	Judy Flanders	Jo Ann Murphy
Tom Bennett	Nancy Gilfoy	Ardell Otten
Cathy Brennan, Secretary	Janet Holladay	Matt Poole
Jacque Cage, Coord. Comm.	Ilene Klein, M.D.	Nelson Smith
Valci Carvalho	Chris Knowles	Linda Swanson
Ken Chisholm	Andy Krickl	Antonio Teixeira
Olga Church	Michele Lazerow	Bob Tonti
Jane Cleare, Coord. Comm.	Ron MacLaren	Hans von Steiger
Rhonda Cohen, Vice Chair	Anna Markwica	Tim Walsh
Tad Crawford	Patsy McCornack	Susan Wasserman
S. Pat Donegan, M.D.	Cynthia Mitchell	James Weiss, PHD

COUNTY OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES

Elected officials

Register of Deeds (6-year term)

Sheriff (6-year term)

Treasurer (6-year term)

The terms of the above officials end on the first Wednesday of the January following the election.

Office holder

Dianne E. Powers

Michael A. McCormack

Noreen Mavro

Flanders

Term

expires

Jan. 3, 2007

Jan. 5, 2011

Jan. 7, 2009

COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

E. Winn Davis, County Manager
Deborah Potter, Executive Assistant
Nathan Durawa, Asst. Beach Manager
Kendra Read, Water Lab Assistant
Jo Ann Murphy, Veteran's Agent
T.J. Hegarty, Rodent Control Officer
Steve Berluca, Engineer
Chuck Cotnoir, Emergency Management
Karen Odgen, Search and Rescue
Eric Goldwire, Maintenance

MARTHA'S VINEYARD AIRPORT

Sean C. Flynn, C.M. Airport Manager

Deborah Potter, Assistant Manager

Elaine Graves, Administrative Assistant

Beth Durawa, Operations Clerk

Daren Gilbert, Operations Clerk

Arthur Marx, Operations Clerk

Geoffrey Freeman, Ops. Supervisor/ARFF

Richard Michelson, Ops. Supervisor/ARFF

Gary Coates, Ops. Specialist/ARFF

Ryan Collins, Ops. Specialist/ARFF

Adam Freidman, Ops. Specialist/ARFF

(effective 06/2006)

Ralph Smith, Ops. Specialist/ARFF
Eric Hatt, Ops. Specialist/ARFF
Christopher Oteri, Ops. Specialist/ARFF
Robert Oslyn, Ops. Specialist/ARFF
Marques Rivers, Ops. Specialist/ARFF
Jaime Gaspar, Ops. Specialist/ARFF
Paul Ronhock, Ops. Specialist
John Tate, Grounds and Facilities
David Oliveira, Grounds and Facilities
Bruce Whittles, Grounds and Facilities
Kenan Chaplin, Airport Operations Asst
Christopher Silva, Airport Operations Asst
Jonathan Ingalls, Airport Operations Asst
Adam Queen, Airport Operations Asst
Jeff Smith, Airport Operations Asst
Adam Kellaheer, Airport Operations Asst

RETIREMENT OFFICE

Kelly McCracken, Administrator
Barbara Rogers, Senior Financial Clerk

REGISTRY OF DEEDS

Dianne E. Powers, Register
Debra Levesque, Assistant Register
Jessica Burnham, Clerk
Patricia Law, Clerk

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Michael A. McCormack, Sheriff
David J. O'Sullivan, Special Sheriff
Cynthia Higham, Clerk

CIVIL PROCESS

Linda J. Hanover, Lieutenant

DRUG INFORMATION BUREAU

Robert Ogden, Captain

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

Susan Schofield, Supervisor
Linda Cook, Sergeant
J. Robert Brown, Sergeant
Kathryn Mercier, Sergeant
Nicole Gazaille, Sergeant
Sarah Townes, Communications Officer
Rebecca Townes, Communications Officer
Steven Mathias, Communications Officer
Cyndie Jeremiah-Taylor, Communications
Officer
Elizabeth Gilmore, Communications Officer

Susan Cooke, Communications Officer
Suzanne Cioffi, Communications Officer

JAIL/HOUSE OF CORRECTION

Durwood Araujo, Asst. Deputy
Superintendent
Patricia Sheehan, Asst. Deputy
Superintendent
James Neville, Captain
Marinko Vukota, Captain
Donald Rose, Lieutenant
John McCarron, Sergeant
Eric Bettencourt, Sergeant
Steven Pupek, Sergeant
Jared Meader, Sergeant
Nancy Brown, Sergeant
Erika Weron, Sergeant
Daniel Townes, Correctional Officer
Phillip Fuentes, Correctional Officer
Sean Kelleher, Correctional Officer
Michael Buckley, Correctional Officer
Jared Meader, Correctional Officer
Michael Trance, Correctional Officer
Marc Rivers, Correctional Officer
Simone Damaceno, Correctional Officer
Kevin Donovan, Correctional Officer
Travis Bissey, Correctional Officer
Norman Graham, Correctional Officer
Albert Robinson, Correctional Officer
Sarah Saltonstall, Nurse
Christopher Hargy, Food Service Manager
Katherine Upson, Education Facilitator

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

David Murphy, Captain
Eric Perry, Lieutenant
Kelli-Ann Stewart, Sergeant
Carolyn Kildegaard, Treatment Manager

TRANSPORTATION OF PRISONERS

Randolph Ditson

TREASURER'S OFFICE

Noreen Mavro Flanders, Treasurer
Carol Grant, Asst. Treas./Parking Clerk
Tammy Matchem, Senior Financial Clerk

VINEYARD HEALTH CARE ACCESS

Sarah Kuh, Health Access Coordinator

Mary Leddy, Health Access Specialist

Maria Mouzinho, Health Educator

Maria Andrade, Health Educator

Carol Seale, Access Financial Clerk



(Dukes County Sheriff's Dept. Honor Guard)



COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY

Listing of Real Property

Town/Description Assessed Value	Street Address	Map/Lot	Area	
<u>Edgartown</u>				
Courthouse	81 Main Street	20D.121	18135 sf	\$4,042,700
Jail/House Correction	145 Upper Main St	20C.11.02	9020 s.f	\$1,415,800
Jail/House-vacant	12 Pine Street	20C.11.11	10010 s.f	\$316,200
Jail/House-vacant	16 Pine Street	20C.11.12	10010 s.f	\$316,200
Jail/House-vacant	20 Pine Street	20C.11.13	10775 s.f	\$320,400
Entrance to Norton Pt Beach	South Beach Park Norton Point Beach	52.62 51.49	7.0 AC 246.7 AC	\$6,100 \$3,896,100
Vacant Lot	Aero Avenue	45.59	33000s.f	\$439,900
Vacant Lot	Aero Avenue	45.85	22500 s.f	\$419,900
M. V. Airport		24.01.0	385.6 AC	\$10,028,700
M. V. Airport		24.01.4	1050 s.f	\$18,800
M. V. Airport		24.01.5	280 s.f	
M. V. Airport		24.01.7	1360 s.f	\$8,800
Edg-WT Road		28.14	4800 s.f	\$187,500
<u>Oak Bluffs</u>				
Eastville Beach	Beach Road	6.17	5.2 AC	\$1,438,900
Extension Serv/4-H	New York Avenue	4.87	1.3 AC	\$605,800
<u>Tisbury</u>				
Vacant Lot	Owen Little Way	-J-8	5180 sf	\$138,600
Beach jointly owned with Town of Tisbury		32C.1.0	36000 sf	\$221,400
Beach jointly owned with Town of Tisbury		32D.1.0	36400 sf	\$221,300
<u>West Tisbury</u>				
M. V. Airport	Airport Road	28.1	410.34AC	\$34,595,600

Total Assessed Value

\$58,638,700.00

In addition to owning the property listed above, the Joseph S. Sylvia State Beach (104.2 acres), is owned by the Department of Environmental Management, and managed by the County of Dukes County.



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Emergency Management Report Fiscal Year 2006 (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006):

This year, the Dukes County Emergency Management Agency made significant efforts to improve its services to the County Infrastructure and to partner with other Island Government and Non-Government entities.

There was no significant hurricane activity on Martha's Vineyard this year. We did however, have a significant winter storm, which was watched over by the DCEMA in concert with the rest of the Island Emergency Managers.

This year, a new program was started that invited County employees to sign up for emails that relate to emergency management issues. These messages are delivered by email and contain information about impending storm conditions. This method of message delivery is also designed to be an employee coordination system for incidents such as Pandemic Plan implementation and Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) implementation.

The County Emergency Management Agency, this year, partnered with the County Public Health Committee. The County Emergency Management Director sits on this board due to issues relating to Public Health Emergency Disaster Preparedness, primarily Pandemic Flu and bio-terrorism issues (smallpox, anthrax, etc). This group has recently brought about 100 health work-related people together in ten (10) groups to determine the state of the island health efforts. This survey was accomplished using the National Public Health Performance Assessment survey tools.

A new HAM radio station was set up at the County Building. The County is currently partnering with the Vineyard Emergency Radio Response Team for HAM radio service during emergencies.

The Emergency Management Director has been appointed to be the Assistant to the County National Incident Management System (NIMS) Coordinator (Sheriff McCormack) in the County's effort to become NIMS compliant. This is a system

that the Federal Government has mandated to ensure that all public agencies, nationwide which perform a first responder role, are able to work together in a single system that all can understand and utilize.

The Dukes County Commissioners established a position entitled “Steamship Authority Representative’s Assistant for Emergency Affairs”. This position, which is filled by the County EM, has the responsibility to advise the SSA Representative on island-wide emergency needs during disasters and public-health emergencies”.

The County Emergency Management Director was elected as the Chairman of the Martha’s Vineyard Emergency Management Directors’ Association for the 2006 – 2007 period.

This year, the American Red Cross has asked the County EM to be the coordinator for the initial logistics movement of Red Cross emergency supplies to a staging area on the Island, where the local town officials would pick up the supplies to bring back to their town for distribution.

Also this year, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) asked the County EM to distribute pre-positioned Hurricane supplies (1 trailer of Meals Ready To Eat (MRE) and 2 trailers of bottled water) that were brought over to the Island prior to this hurricane season. This project was successfully completed within three weeks.

The Island Boards of Health agents invited the County EM to perform the duties of the Logistics Section Chief, under the Incident Command System (ICS), for the flu clinic at the MVRHS this year. This All-Island flu clinic was designed by the Board of Health agents to be a drill for another project that the Mass Department of Health has mandated. That project is to establish an Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS) that could vaccinate 80% of the Island population within 48 hours. The planning and implementation involved many diverse Island entities and took six months. This project was very successful and proved that this task could successfully be accomplished.

The County EM has been invited by the County Airport Management to perform the duties of scribe during aircraft accidents. The duties of a scribe are to keep a log of actions taken during an aircraft accident response for submission to the Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) and the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB). It has been a very rewarding and successful year.

Respectfully Submitted
Charles (Chuck) Cotnoir



(Volunteer Training with Island Agencies at the Tribe)



Dukes County EMERGENCY GUIDE



What to do and Who to Contact

Dial 9-1-1 For Emergencies

Dial 3-1-1
For non - emergency help

CELL PHONES
Do NOT dial 911
Dial 508-693-1212
to report an emergency



The 3-1-1 system diverts calls from 9-1-1 dispatchers so they can focus on real emergencies. The Dukes County Sheriff's Office and the Martha's Vineyard Chiefs of Police Association are the first in New England to implement 3-1-1

IN THE EVENT OF AN ISLAND EMERGENCY LISTEN TO:

**Radio WMVY
92.7 FM**

**Cable TV
Station 14**

Safety Tips

- Know your location!**
Be sure you know your location so you can direct help to arrive.
- Display your HOUSE Numbers**
To help rescuers find your home quickly, your house number must be displayed in a prominent location. Street numbers should be at least 4 inches high. Turn on a light to guide rescuers.
- Help others Help you!**
Use your Cell Phone to list In Case of Emergency "ICE" phone numbers. They can be easily identified by preceding the name or number with a space and the letters "ICE" - example: _ICE Joyce Wife
The space or underscore will position the ICE phone number first in the phone directory.



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The County Engineering Department continues to serve all County Departments, the six Island Towns, and the Town of Gosnold with engineering expertise in building, bridge, highway design, environmental permitting, project development, and construction supervision. The County Engineer also serves, as the County representative, on the Martha's Vineyard Commission – Joint Transportation Committee, the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge Committee, and the State Barrier Beach Task Force.

Under the guidance of the County Engineer, many County and Town projects have been undertaken and several are under construction or are in use today. There are currently many other projects in the permitting and design stage and some should come to fruition within the next year.

Examples of the engineering projects that have been completed or are currently in the design stage for FY' 06 are as follows:

COUNTY:

STATE BEACH

- a.) Designed, permitted, and constructed handicap access ramps to beach.
- b.) Barrier Beach Dune protection survey and recommendations.

JAIL

- a.) Construction Administration for the new Community Corrections Center
- b.) Female Holding Cell Building – Design, permitting, construction supervision.
- c.) Rehabilitation of Administration Trailer – Construction supervision.

COURT HOUSE

- a.) Design, permitting, & construction supervision of parking lot and granite retaining wall construction.
- b.) Courthouse maintenance projects.

AQUINNAH:

CULVERT COLLAPSE

- a.) Review and advise Highway Super. for repairs.

CLIFFS

- a.) Cliff steps reconstruction design and lookout level drainage

EDGARTOWN:

CHAPPY FIRE STATION

Construction supervision and administration.

FIRE STATION ADDITION

Construction supervision and administration

BEACH ROAD BRIDGES

Coordinating proposed bridge design with Mass Highway.

NEW STORAGE FACILITY

Preliminary design, bidding proposal, and contractor selection process for the construction of a building for the Harbormaster, Shellfish, Dredging, and Highway Depts.

LIBRARY

Basement structural support review, repair design, permitting, bid documents, and constr. supervision.

OAK BLUFFS

COUNCIL ON AGING ADDITION

Design plans, permitting, construction supervision.

BEACH ROAD BRIDGES

Coordinating proposed bridge design with Mass Highway.

CIRCUIT AVE. SIDEWALKS

Uncas/Penacook - Design and plans for the construction of sidewalks.

LAGOON POND DRAWBRIDGE

Advising Town Officials on Mass Highway's proposed bridge replacement.

WAMSUTTA AVE

Drainage problem review.

BUILDING INSPECTOR DEPT

Structural review of decrepit houses.

TISBURY:

HISTORICAL DISTRICT SIDEWALKS

Survey, design, and construction plans.

DRAWBRIDGE

Structural review reports to Selectmen.

W. TISBURY:

STATE ROAD PATHWAY

Design, permitting, bidding documents, and construction supervision for "Pathway Beside the Road Project" from Indian Hill to North Road.

STATE ROAD

MILL BROOK CULVERT

Coordination of design with MassHighway for replacement.

The County Engineering Office is located at the Martha's Vineyard Airport County Administration Building, 9 Airport Rd., (across from the Hot Tin Roof) in Edgartown. Office hours are from (8:30 to 4:30) Monday through Friday. We can be reached at 508-696-3843.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stephen Berlucchi, P.E. – County Engineer



(Chappy Fire Station)



**DUKES COUNTY
HEALTH COUNCIL
Youth Task Force
Annual Report FY 06**

HEALTH COUNCIL

THE DUKES COUNTY

COUNCIL

Organization's Mission & Goals:

The Dukes County Health Council (DCHC) formed the Youth Task Force (YTF) in 2004 to address the unmet health needs of youth and families on the Island. The YTF seeks assess the needs of Island's young people and families, define and list available resources, identify gaps in services and unmet needs, and develop community based resources to focus on strengths and address needs. The YTF mission is to reduce substance abuse and other risky behaviors by promoting community-wide health and wellness for youth and families through a cooperative, integrated network of youth, parents, health practitioners, health care and social service organizations, public officials, educators, law enforcement officers, and other community members.

Organization's History and Activities

In 2004 the YTF raised \$8,500 to conduct a Youth Risk Behavior Survey in Island schools. The Summary Report and related data are can be found on the Dukes County web site. The survey documented adolescent substance abuse on the Island at higher levels than state averages. Funding came from the Tower Foundation, the 5 school districts, Martha's Vineyard Community Services and the from Foundation for Island Health.

In 2005 the YTF raised \$30,000 to engage the faculty of Brandeis University Heller School Center for Youth and Communities to facilitate an Island-wide assessment of the unmet health needs of the Island's youth and families. Funding came from the Dukes County Health Council, The Dukes County Sheriff's Department, Farm Neck Foundation, Permanent Endowment Fund for MV, four school districts, Martha's Vineyard Community Services, Edgartown Police Department, MV Cooperative Bank, Bank of MV and two individuals. Two community meetings were held, one in October 2005 and the other in January 2006, to address the opportunities and challenges for young people living, working, playing and studying on the Island. The meetings generated many action items as well as long-term goals for an Island-wide collaborative process to improve conditions for the healthy development of the Island's young people. The meetings resulted in the Blueprint for Community Youth Development, Phase 1 of a five year strategic planning process.

At the first meeting four building blocks were identified as the foundation. To foster the healthy development of the Island's young people the community must:

1. Demonstrate that it **values youth** and sees them as assets rather than liabilities,
2. Create a **system of opportunities** to foster healthy development and youth/adult connections,
3. Strengthen **the network of support services** for youth to provide a continuum of highly effective supports, opportunities and services; and
4. **Involve the whole community** in ensuring Martha's Vineyard is a healthy, positive environment for young people's growth and development.

The second meeting resulted in the identification of five working groups, with established roles and responsibilities:

1. **Resource Mapping** - collect information about existing resources available to youth and parents on the Vineyard with the goal of developing a website with the information.
2. **Mentoring** - acknowledge that the youth/adult relationship is core to the well being of all young people, developing mentoring resources for Island youth, to include the establishment of a Mentoring Center.
3. **Parent Education and Support** - catalogue existing resources and conduct presentations, establish parent support groups, disseminate information and create a support network among therapists and agencies working with youth and families on the Island.
4. **Out-of-School Time Activities**, catalogue existing out-of-school activities and developing additional activities.
5. **Substance Abuse** - catalogue existing support services, disseminate information about commonly used/abused substances and resources for help, promote "positive norms" by highlighting the numbers of youth engaging in healthy behaviors.

Having engaged a broad coalition of community members committed to improving conditions for young people on the Island, the next step was to further develop the strategic plan to address identified unmet needs. In September 2006 the YTF sought and were awarded a grant for one year of strategic planning services from the Southeast Center for Healthy Communities (SCHC) of Brockton, MA. The SCHC is funded by the Department of Public Health and Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (SAMHSA) to provide technical assistance to communities in southeastern Massachusetts to implement environmental strategies for substance abuse prevention. Through trainings and technical support this year-long strategic planning process culminated in our application for a federal Drug Free Communities Grant to implement an Island wide substance abuse prevention plan (Dukes County is the fiscal agent).

One requirement of the grant is that a broad coalition of community members with representatives from 12 sectors of the community work together to address the adolescent substance abuse problem. Current members of the YTF coalition include representatives of the schools (Jim Weiss, superintendent; Bill Jones and Mike Joyce, retired elementary school guidance counselors; Pat Ingalls, grant writer), law enforcement (Beth Toomey, West Tisbury Police Chief), social service organization (Julia Burgess, Executive Director of MV Community Services; Debbie Milne, Director of MVCS Early Childhood Program; Tom

Bennett, Associate Executive Director of MVCS), juvenile justice (Shawn Schofield, juvenile probation officer), Department of Social Services (Jennifer Wey, DSS social worker), media (Doug Cabral, MV Times editor), business (Cory Cabral, Outerland manager), youth serving organization (Tom Hallahan, YMCA Program Director; Judy Crawford, YMCA Board Program Committee chair), Substance Abuse Treatment/Mental Health (Jane Dreeben, Rob Doyle, Amy Lilavois), Wampanoag Tribe (Bonnie Chalifoux, Director of Social Services; Kristina Hook, Youth Education Director; Andrea McGee, Social Services), Brazilian community (Simone Damaceno, Dukes County Sheriffs Department officer), religious organization (Jerry Fritz, Federated Church pastor), 2 high school students (Max Nunes and Anna Markwica), parent (Lori Stone, SafeRides advisor), and volunteers (Paddy Moore and Cindy Doyle). If awarded the grant will bring \$100,000 a year over five years to the Island to hire a coalition coordinator and implement a youth substance abuse prevention plan (we will hear in late August or September).

While waiting to hear about the grant the YTF has developed and is working toward a number of short term goals including designing and launching a website database/help site of the resources available to youth and families on Martha's Vineyard and Cape Cod, There is currently no centralized accessible resource directory focused on topics and offering information and contact numbers of services available to youth and families on the Island. The website will have information (database), be interactive (link to other websites) and be transactional (have an online message board). The YTF has also engaged a research assistant to inventory existing programs/services and input this information into the database. On the website will be information about alcohol and other drugs, arts and culture (music, museums, theaters), death and dying, dental care, discrimination, driving, eating disorders and nutrition, education, emotional and mental health, employment, health, the law, disabled youth services, neglect, pregnancy and parenting, running away, sexual abuse/assault, sexual issues, sexually transmitted diseases, smoking, sports and recreation, suicide, dating violence, transportation, violent behavior, volunteering, and youth groups, and emergency numbers, to name a few.

Other activities the YTF plans to undertake are developing a parent survey, publishing regulations for school chaperones, and disseminating the results of the Youth Risk Behavior Survey when the final report becomes available.

Respectfully Submitted
Cindy Doyle



**DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL
HOUSING AUTHORITY (DCRHA)
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The Dukes County Regional Housing Authority (DCRHA) serves the citizens of Martha's Vineyard through provision of rental situations, facilitation of homebuyer opportunities, advocacy in Town, regional and state processes and collaboration with the Town committees and Island housing organizations that foster the housing supports necessary to the maintenance of our Island community.

This past year the Regional Housing Authority added a nine-apartment complex in Vineyard Haven to the **48 rental units** it owns and manages on 9 properties in four towns. Administration of West Tisbury's **Accessory Apartment** program began and **Rental Conversion Program** subsidy of up to 50% of the rent for 57 Island families in affordable year-round rentals continued through the support of the Island Affordable Housing Fund and the Town of Chilmark's Community Preservation Committee. The Regional Housing Authority also maintains a **Rental Housing Waitlist** and actively partners with other organizations that offer assistance with rent, utility and apartment rehabilitation.

Island-wide **Affordable Homebuyer** opportunities in the past year included the lottery of 3 homes in Tisbury, 4 home sites in West Tisbury and 2 homes and 6 resident home sites in Oak Bluffs. The Regional Housing Authority certified lottery participants and supported the Towns and the Island Housing Trust (IHT) in the preparation and execution of their lotteries. We also offered two **Homebuyer Education** trainings with presentations by Marcia Cini, Esq., Jeanne Ogden of Sovereign Bank of MV, Philippe Jordi of the IHT and Alan Swiekert of Ocean Park Realty to 90 individuals interested in better understanding the home buying process. The Regional Housing Authority maintains the **Island Affordable Homebuyer Clearinghouse Database** in order to publicize lotteries and the **Martha's Vineyard Subsidized Housing Inventory** to assist in assuring future protection of affordability.

The Regional Housing Authority also manages the **Vineyard Housing Office** on State Road in Vineyard Haven as a clearinghouse for rental and homeownership opportunities that provides a collaborative focus for Islanders working together on housing issues. The VHO currently is home to the Regional Housing Authority, the Island Housing Trust, the Island Affordable Housing Fund, Habitat for Humanity of Martha's Vineyard, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Martha's Vineyard and offers a website, **www.vineyardhousing.org**, as a comprehensive resource for affordable housing efforts on Martha's Vineyard.

The DCRHA Board of Directors:

LEO FRAME, Chair, *Island-wide*
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Respectfully Submitted,
David Vigneault



**COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
REGISTRY OF DEEDS
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We experienced another decline in Registry business during FY 2006. Although the number of documents processed by the Dukes County Registry of Deeds continued to decrease, the increase in property sales and therefore Excise revenues held us at a 2% overall decrease from FY 2005. The 3-year comparison included below illustrates the shift in revenues.

	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Copies and Postage	68,749	72,261	62,179
Plans	4,875	4,075	1,850
Recorded Land Recording	241,687	190,399	169,996
Land Court Recording	76,167	62,859	63,497
Excise to County	146,610	172,272	194,297
Registry Interest	1,240	574	402
Excise Interest	<u>1,646</u>	<u>1,219</u>	<u>906</u>
	540,974	503,659	493,127

At the Registry we continue to work within the constraints of the new recording system. The Secretary of State's Office has assured us that the ongoing issues will be resolved in the near future. The availability of Dukes County records on line continues to be an asset to the services we provide. The website address is www.masslandrecords.com. Currently we have the Grantor/Grantee indexes available on line back to 1984 and document images are available from 2001 forward. With the availability of technology fund monies we are actively scanning older documents and continue to increase the available inventory. Connie Murphy left us for the sunny climate of Florida. While we do miss her, Patricia Law is filling the void quite well. Assistant Register Debra Levesque, Jessica Burnham and Patricia Law remain available to provide expert assistance to our customers and myself.

The Registry of Deeds is located on the first floor of the Courthouse in Edgartown. The hours of operation are 8:30AM to 4:30PM, Monday through Friday. Documents are accepted for recording from 8:30AM – 12:30PM and 1:30PM - 4:00PM, Monday through Friday. We can be reached during those hours at 508-627-4025. Our FAX number is 508-627-7821 and our email address is registry@dukescounty.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne E. Powers
Register of Deeds



**COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
RODENT CONTROL OFFICE
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As I write this report it will be a matter of days before the fifth anniversary of the new revised County of Dukes County Rodent Control Program.

This past year saw record revenues and for the first time in the history of the County Rodent Control program the County hosted a pesticide Continuing Education training seminar for ant, mole and rodent control.

Sheila Haddad from Bell Laboratories and Kevin Moran from Residex were the featured speakers.

This free educational program was open to the public and the licensees that attended were awarded 3 contact hours from the Department of Agricultural Resources for their license category.

As we start our 6th year I want to again thank all of the Commissioners and town officials who have supported the Rodent Control Program.

I would like to remind all that the County Rodent Control program is available to all no matter what your income. This program is funded / subsidized with your tax dollars. The price you pay or don't pay reflects this.

Consumer Education and an Integrated Pest Management Program are the foundation of the County of Dukes County Rodent Control Program.

Respectfully submitted;

T.J. Hegarty
County of Dukes County
Rodent Control Officer

(4th of July Parade)





**COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
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As per Massachusetts General Law Chapter 115, Section 3, The Director of Veterans Services is the person charged with taking applications for veterans' benefits and for providing financial and medical assistance to qualified needy veterans and their dependents. She is responsible for assisting veterans in obtaining federal benefits, and acts as the veterans' burial agent for her district and arranges for proper internment of deceased veterans in accordance with state regulations (108 CMR). Her job is to serve local veterans in whatever way she can.

In FY06, the Veterans' Services Department assisted 106 cases, including financial and medical assistance. The total amount expended was \$66,974.15. We can expect 75% of this money to be reimbursed next year by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This year \$23,755.17 was reimbursed for last years services to veterans and their dependents under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 115, as amended.

The federal Veterans' Administration provided an additional \$1,117,146.00 through pensions and compensation.

We lost 25 veterans this past fiscal year. All were buried with Military honors and with a representative from The Veterans' Services Office and the Veterans' of Martha's Vineyard present.

Veterans' participated in 4 parades this year: Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Holy Ghost Society Parade and Veterans' Day. Although I missed the ceremony here on Veterans' Day, I was honored and proud to be the guest speaker at the Town of Falmouth's services honoring women veterans. A total of thirty-five women veterans were presented with certificates of honor and flowers. Otis Air National Guard also honored these women with a flyover with a woman pilot.

**(Jo Ann Murphy, Veterans Agent & Sheriff
Michael McCormack)**



I continue to write an article every month on veterans benefits for the MV 55 Times, be involved with the Dukes County Health Council, go to all veterans organizational meetings, go to training with Department of Veterans Services and MAC meetings at the Bedford VA. I am still sending care packages to the troops. As of this date we have two island men serving: 1 in Iraq and 1 in Kuwait. If you know of someone serving please give me a call.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women also selected me as my community's Unsung Heroine of 2006. I went to Boston for the ceremonies in the State House where all the women were presented with certificates, had our picture taken and enjoyed refreshments after the ceremony. It was a great honor to be nominated by a fellow veteran.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Murphy
Director of Veterans Services



(Welcome Home from Iraq for Sgt. Jared Meader, of the Dukes County Sheriff's Dept)



**COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
MARTHA'S VINEYARD AIRPORT
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Vineyard Haven, MA 02568
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The Airport Structure and History

The Martha's Vineyard Airport Commission is responsible for the care and operation of the Airport, and the one square mile of land upon which the airport is located. The seven member volunteer commission is appointed to three-year terms by the County Commission, representing a cross section of experience and backgrounds. The Martha's Vineyard has approximately fifteen full-time and up to eight part-time employees who operate the airport and its service components, implement policy, and ensure compliance with state and federal guidelines for public airports.

Originally constructed by the Navy as a training field for pilots during World War II, the airport was transferred to Dukes County for the purposes of operating a civilian airport. Since 1947, the property has served this role, and hosted many other tenants and activities. The property had remained largely unchanged until the late 1990's, when the construction of a new passenger terminal building and airport business park was completed. The airport now hosts more than 75 private businesses with a combined peak employment of nearly 750 people. Annually the airport services over 250,000 passengers and approximately 60,000 aircraft operations.

The Martha's Vineyard Airport continues to update and modernize airport facilities, equipment and processes to increase safety, improve customer service, and administrative efficiency. The Airport Commission, Management and Staff are dedicated to providing a safe, reliable and efficient travel option to the public, while remaining a self-sufficient asset for the island. The Airport is financially self-supporting, with revenues offsetting annual expenses. Private construction and development on Airport property also generates tax revenues directly for Edgartown and West Tisbury and provides direct and indirect benefits for all island towns.

Grant Funded Capital Improvements

The Martha's Vineyard Airport has several on-going grants including a short term Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the seven year period ending in 2010 developed specifically to address Airport issues with the first several CIP projects being related to environmental permitting as described below.

The Martha's Vineyard Airport was required through this ENF process to develop an in depth study referred to as an "Environmental Impact Report (EIR)" which will concentrate on several major areas of identified concern including; groundwater quality, protected and rare species, archeological and historical concerns, and vehicle traffic impacts. The Airport received a second Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grant from the FAA and MAC to complete this study.

To date, the Martha's Vineyard Airport has received more than \$28.5 million dollars in grant funds from FAA and MAC programs since 1991, with a similar investment scheduled in the future.

The new SE Parking ramp, which included the relocation of Taxiway A to meet wing tip clearance safety requirements and the expansion of the run-up area of Runway 24 to accommodate airport users, was completed and has proven to be helpful in reducing congestion in the terminal area. The additional ramp space will potentially be used for the development of a cargo area for business use and additional hangars as needed.

Aviation Activity and Airline Service

Fuel sales at the Airport remain fairly steady for now but are subject to change with the rapidly increasing price of aviation fuel. Figures for General Aviation, such as private aircraft, and Air Taxi, which include scheduled service providers and fractional share aircraft, remain fairly equivalent to prior years. Airline service is still provided by Cape Air Airlines, the predominant carrier serving Boston, Providence (seasonally), New Bedford, Hyannis, and Nantucket and attributing for approximately 80% of all the airport's scheduled airline passengers, as well as US Airways Express carriers Colgan Air and Piedmont Airlines who returned with seasonal service to the Vineyard from Washington DC (DCA), and LaGuardia (LGA). These routes were served with higher capacity turbo-prop and jet aircraft in the 40-50-seat range, which are extremely popular with travelers because of reduced travel time and increased comfort and cabin space.

Car Rental Services

Budget and Hertz Car Rental continued to provide rental car services at the airport. The lack of a rental car service facility has been identified as a major hindrance to customer service, and has been identified as a priority within the Airport's Capital Improvement Program. The ability of the agencies to quickly return a car to service upon return is integral to providing service while reducing the total number of vehicles required meeting demand.

Aircraft and Flight Services

The Airport continues to host several aviation service businesses at the Airport, including Direct Flight, Flywright Aviation, and J&B Corporate Jet Services. These aviation partners provide air charter transportation, flight instruction, and aircraft catering services to island visitors and residents year round.

Customer Service, Sales and Processing

In response to customer comments, a new focus on attending to our customer's needs is clearly paying off. Additional staffing and equipment continues to have a positive impact on customer satisfaction. Aviation fuel sales, a primary source of the revenue used to offset airport operation expenses remained stable as a result of staff's customer focused efforts. Jet fuel now accounts for approximately 75% of the total aviation fuel sales and the net revenue from fuel sales accounts for approximately 30% of Airport operating revenues.

Airport Business Park and Non-Aviation Development

The Airport Business Park activity remained steady during the past year with the awarding of another lot for business use. The four remaining non-aviation parcels within the Airport Business Park are scheduled to be released for bids in the near future completing the current phase of development at 100% occupancy.

The Martha's Vineyard Airport Business Park also noted the successful completion of its first 20 years of operation with one of the original tenants exercising their right to renew their lease for a second term.

Martha's Vineyard Airport Water and Wastewater Services

The Martha's Vineyard Airport, in response to environmental permitting associated with Airport developments planned in the late 1980's, identified two improvements required prior to development of the Airport Business Park or construction of a new terminal facility. These two improvements were the establishment of a municipal water supply and the construction of a wastewater treatment facility, to serve the entire airport property, which were ultimately required by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. The current Waste Water Treatment Facility was permitted for operation in 1992 and constructed with grant funds from the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission (MAC). The plant is required to undergo a permit review every five years, which last occurred in December of 2002 and the new permit started February of 2003. The plant's original design was to be constructed in two phases, allowing for future expansion to meet increasing demand as occupancy on the Airport increases. Through the same MAC grant, the Airport's independent water supply well was decommissioned, and a new water supply was installed along Barnes Road to provide water to the Airport through an agreement with the Town of Oak Bluffs.

Wastewater Treatment Facility

The plant treats millions of gallons of wastewater, currently up to 37,000 gallons per day, and as well as processing some 8,000 pounds of biological solids which eventually are disposed of as solid waste off island. The facility also maintains a network of monitoring wells around the periphery of the facility to monitor potential groundwater quality impacts. These wells are tested regularly and continue to remain significantly below all regulatory and compliance thresholds including nitrogen discharge, total dissolved solids, and numerous other concerns.

Water Services

As a result of the previous amendment to the agreement between the Airport and The Town of Oak Bluffs, the Airport is now a licensed "reseller" of water to customers located on Airport Property. The Airport is responsible for the maintenance and testing of the water distribution system for all of the airport's users and tenants. Meters are installed on all service connections and are read on a monthly basis. The Airport and its tenants normally consume nearly 6 million gallons of water for a variety of purposes including construction testing, fire protection, training, irrigation, and commercial uses.

Periodic testing of the water distribution system has consistently demonstrated regulatory compliance including specific tests for coliform, lead and copper, all of which remain well below the threshold for safe drinking water standards.

Martha's Vineyard Airport Water and Wastewater Services Staff
Michael Eldridge, Chief Operator
Massachusetts Wastewater Treatment – MA License #4870
Waste Collection Systems Operator – MA Certification # C-3322
Drinking Water System Operator - MA License #8745



**COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD
PARKING CLERK
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The office of the Martha's Vineyard Parking Clerk handles parking violations for all six Towns on Martha's Vineyard. Fiscal year 2006 ran extremely smooth.

Plymouth County Parking Department continues to do a superb job in processing our tickets. Access via computer modem to our data at Plymouth County enables us to assist those with parking ticket problems and/or questions immediately.

Our online access to the Registry of Motor Vehicles enables us to clear and mark tickets electronically. This continues to be a very important tool in helping those in non-renewal status.

The Parking Clerk portion of the County web site was viewed 506 times during this fiscal year. This, I'm sure, helped answer many "frequently asked questions".

Income to the Parking Clerk is derived from a 15% share in fines collected. Fiscal year 2006 collected \$247,317.00. During that period we processed 15,122 tickets totaling \$247,317.00.

Joseph Sollitto, Hearings Officer, is available at the Dukes County Courthouse, Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 10:30 for those wishing to protest tickets within 21 days. Written protests are accepted if procedures detailed on the front of tickets are followed.

I wish to thank Noreen Mavro Flanders, Joe Sollitto, Tammy Matchem and all the Island Police Departments for their continued help.

Respectively submitted,
Carol M. Grant
Martha's Vineyard Parking Clerk



**COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
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Sheriff Michael A. McCormack is the county's chief law enforcement officer. The Office of Sheriff is one of the oldest known to law, and from its earliest times, the Sheriff has been the chief officer for the preservation of peace within his or her county. It is an Office of high trust, and has continued from times of antiquity, predating all other forms of policing.

Deputy Sheriffs, sworn officers under the Office of the Sheriff, perform a variety of functions to assist the Sheriff in the daily performance of his duties. These functions include service at the Dukes County Jail & House of Correction, the Communication Center, the Drug Information Bureau, Community Corrections, the Beach and Boat Patrol, the Intermittent Police Officer Academy, Transportation of Prisoners, and Civil Process.

The Sheriff's Deputies are also members of the Sheriff's Honor Guard, the Drug Task Force; and participate in the Anti - Litter Program, the D.A.R.E. Program, the TRIAD program, and Project Lifesaver. Numerous community service details, for such organizations as the American Red Cross, Hospice, the Agricultural Society, and the Visiting Nurses Association, are performed annually by Deputy Sheriffs.

Deputy Sheriffs have formed the Dukes County Deputy Sheriffs' Association, an organization, which raises considerable monies to support various island programs, and youth organizations. In addition, this association awards a college scholarship each year to three graduating seniors.

The Sheriff's Deputies are asked to serve the community with Integrity, Professionalism, and Respect.



TRIAD, Community Corrections, 3-1-1 Non-Emergency Telephone System and Project Lifesaver continue to thrive.

Triad is a partnership with senior citizens, the Sheriff, law enforcement agencies, and community service providers that meets to discuss and address public safety concerns of senior citizens. These meetings are held weekly on Thursday at the Tisbury Senior Center.

Community Corrections is a partnership between the Sheriff's Office and the Trial Court of the Commonwealth that establishes an alternative to incarceration for offenders while on Probation.

This program offers GED education, life skills education, substance abuse counseling, and provides accountability, by utilizing four levels of supervision; from administrative supervision to home confinement.

The 3-1-1 Non-Emergency Telephone System reduces the workload at the 9-1-1 dispatch center while providing a more efficient method with which the public can access Police resources in cases where there is "urgency, but not emergency."

Project Lifesaver is an electronic tracking system for patients with Alzheimer's disease, dementia, autism or individuals with a history of wandering away from home. The program consists of a bracelet worn by the patient and is used to track individuals in order to search and rescue them when they become missing. Through the assistance of the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety the Sheriff has received a grant from the Federal Government's Homeland Security Agency to replace the current Communication Center with a new center located next to the existing center at the Martha's Vineyard Airport. The project is currently in the design & build phase.

With a site chosen at the Martha's Vineyard Airport the Sheriff continues to pursue the goal set forth by the Dukes County Jail Task Force, to seek funds for the construction of a much needed replacement facility.

Sheriff McCormack serves as President of the Martha's Vineyard Chiefs of Police Association, and the immediate Past President of the Massachusetts Sheriff's Association.

The following is a detailed report from the various divisions of the Office of the Sheriff:

CIVIL PROCESS DEPARTMENT:

FY 2006 saw the successful completion of the service of Civil Process.

The supervisor of Civil Process executes personally or through deputies assigned to the department all orders from the courts including seizures, attachments, arrests, warrants, searches, forfeitures, keepers, escorts and evictions. Monies collected from these services are entered into a special

County Treasurer account. Twenty Five percent of every type of service under Chapter 262. Section 8 with the exception of mileage is sent to the Office of the State Treasurer.

The following is a summary of some services for FY 2006:

Attachments	18
Capias	100
Writ of Execution	16
Demand on Execution	7
Evictions	2
Letters	20
Notice to Quit	32
Notice to Show Cause	10
Motions	2
Notices	2
Order of Notice	27
Diligent Searches	75
Orders	9
Postings	7
Out of State service	20
Trustee summons	11
Subpoenas	175
Summons	429
Small Claim notices	4

The Civil Process Office is now located at 84 Main Street in the Courthouse, 2nd floor, Room 201 in the Sheriff's Office.

All Civil Process will be handled at this new location. To contact this office, call 627-3511.

**(Sheriff's Dept. Ropes
Training Course)**



COMMUNICATIONS CENTER DIVISION:

Statistics	<i>Fiscal Year 2006</i>
<i>Log entries, calls received & dispatched:</i>	<i>21,572</i>
<i>Alarms:</i>	<i>2,341</i>
<i>Teletype Items:</i>	<i>56,175</i>
<i>Totals:</i>	<i>80,088</i>

Under the direction of Sheriff Michael A. McCormack, the communications center is a regional central dispatch for all the towns located within the County of Dukes County. These include Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Gosnold, Naushon, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, and West Tisbury. The departments include Local and State Police, Fire, Harbormasters, Shellfish, Ambulances, Emergency Medical Technicians, Trustees of Reservations, Animal Control, Search and Rescue, Menemsha Coast Guard, Emergency Management,, Environmental Police, Local & State Highway, Town Water and Parks Departments (lifeguards).

We currently dispatch in excess of 2,341 alarms for private residences, businesses and municipal buildings. Alarms are dispatched to us from central monitoring stations. Some of the signals that are monitored include burglary, fire, CO, freeze, line trouble, medical emergency, panic, pump failure and many more.

We continuously make many corrections on E-9-1-1 street address discrepancies on residences and businesses alike. With the assistance of the individual towns assessors offices, these have been corrected through the Verizon database. We encourage all citizens to verify their E-9-1-1 address with us by calling our non-emergency number 693-1212. Making sure that your residence or business is listed with the correct E-9-1-1 address will ensure and expedite the proper agencies response to your location.

We analyze all our 911 calls at the end of each fiscal year. The calls are broken down into 4 categories: emergency, non-emergency, misdial/errors test/hit calls. Of the 3,893 calls we received 1,770 were actual emergencies, 982 were non-emergencies, 731 were misdial/errors and 410 were test/hit calls.

All of our personnel are required to be trained, tested and certified in Emergency Medical Dispatch, CPR, and the Law Enforcement Agencies Processing Systems computer. All employees are required to be re-tested and certified biennially.

Personnel employed at the communications center during fiscal year 2006 were Supervisor Major Susan Schofield, Sergeant Linda Cook, Sergeant Robert Brown, Sergeant Kathryn Mercier, Sergeant Nicole Gazaille, Deputy Sarah Townes, Deputy Rebecca Townes, Deputy Elizabeth Gilmore. Other personnel employed during the fiscal year were Steve Mathias, Cyndie Jeremiah-Taylor, Susan Cooke, Suzanne Cioffi, Estelle Thompson and Susan Bennett.

Remember, if you have an emergency while you are on Martha's Vineyard, dial 9-1-1. It is important to speak clearly and provide the dispatcher with your name, the telephone number you're calling from, the nature of the emergency, an exact location with directions including cross streets. Please, DO NOT hang up the phone until the dispatcher acknowledges that she/he has all the information needed. We wish to reiterate the importance for all real estate agents to provide all rental properties with the telephone number, E-9-1-1 street address for the property and specific directions on how to get emergency personnel to the location. Health care workers should also know this information for any clients that they may be responsible for. This information should be placed near the telephone. In the event that an emergency should arise, this will ensure an expedited response.

FOR EMERGENCIES, TO HELP STOP A CRIME, REPORT A FIRE, OR SAVE A LIFE, DIAL 9-1-1. CELL PHONE CALLS TO 9-1-1 THAT ARE MADE FROM MARTHA'S VINEYARD WILL FIRST GO TO STATE POLICE IN FRAMINGHAM WHO WILL TRANSFER THE CALL BACK TO US. FOR ALL OTHER NON-EMERGENCY OR CELL PHONE EMERGENCY CALLS DIAL (508) 693-1212.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS CENTER:

INTRODUCTION

The Dukes County Community Corrections Center is an Intermediate Sanctions Program sponsored by Sheriff Michael A. McCormack and the Dukes County Sheriff's Office in collaboration with the Office of Community Corrections in the Trial Court of Massachusetts.

The mission of the Dukes County Community Corrections Center is the establishment of intermediate sanctions programs which offer a continuum of services for Probation, Parole, the Department of Corrections and Sheriff's Inmates.

The Center offers the following services:

- Substance Abuse Counseling and Education
- Adult Basic Education and GED services
- Life Skills and Job Readiness Training
- Random Drug/Alcohol testing
- Electronic Monitoring
- Community Service

The Center provides probationers with educational programming, life skills and vocational instruction, and substance abuse treatment programming. Each participant is provided the opportunity to help him or herself without having to be incarcerated. This type of programming allows the participant to serve their sentence as mandated by the presiding justice. It also gives the center the opportunity to prepare the participant for integration back into the community.

PROGRAMS

The center currently offers classes in addiction education, relapse prevention, stress management, communicable disease prevention, GED/Adult Education classes, Life skills, counseling as well as A.A. and N.A. meetings.

Programming at the Center consists of:

Level IV-24 hour restriction

- Electronic Monitoring
- Random drug and alcohol testing
- Community Service (Community Corrections Center)
- Structured program services

Level III- Daily Accountability

- Electronic Monitoring (optional)
- Random drug and alcohol testing
- Community Service (Community Corrections Center)
- Structured program services

Level II-Standard Supervision

- Random drug/alcohol testing
- Community Service (Community Service Program)

Level I-Financial Accountability

- Community Service (Community Service Program)

From July 2005 to June 2006, the Center received a total of Thirty-nine **(39)** referrals. Of those referrals, Two **(2)** were Level III Probation referrals with Electronic Monitoring, Nineteen **(19)** were Level III Male Probation referrals, Two **(2)** were Level III Female Probation referrals, and Sixteen **(16)** were Level III

Male Sheriff referrals. Twenty-four **(24)** participants successfully transitioned to a lower sanction level.

Program Manager, Captain David A. Murphy, leads the Community Corrections Center team with the aid of Assistant Manager Lt. Eric Perry, Administrative Assistant Sgt. Kelli Ann Stewart as well as the treatment staff which consists of Carolyn Kildegaard the Treatment Manager, Monte Pearse the Substance Abuse Counselor, and Carol Petkus the GED/Adult Basic Education facilitator.

Massachusetts Trial Court employee Brian Kennedy is in charge of Community Services.

CENTER MILESTONES

On March 6, 2006, the Dukes County Community Corrections Center finally moved into its new building. An official opening will be scheduled for sometime during the fall of 2006.

The center successfully transitioned Twenty-four **(24)** males from IS Level III to Level II. Eleven **(11)** of those males were referred from Probation, One **(1)** was from Parole, and Twelve **(12)** were from the Sheriff's Office.

The center assisted Two **(2)** participants in acquiring their GED.

The center has assisted Twenty-three **(23)** participants in taking parts of their GED tests.

DRUG TESTING

Level II, Level III and Level IV participants receive mandatory random drug testing for both drugs of abuse and alcohol. In FY 06, Eight Hundred and Ninety Two **(892)** samples were tested for drugs of abuse.

The center uses Syva/Dade Behring's ETS Plus batch analyzer to test for drugs of abuse and the Intoximeter 5000 to test breath for alcohol.

ELECTRONIC MONITORING

Electronic monitoring continues to be a useful tool for promoting public safety. During FY 06, Two **(2)** male participants were placed on electronic monitoring. The center continues to assist the Office of the Commissioner of Probation in its implementation of Electronic Monitoring Island wide.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

During FY 06, Level III and Level IV participants participated in several community service projects island wide. Four Thousand Nine Hundred and One (**4901**) hours of community service were completed. Community service crews completed projects for various local non-profit organizations under the direct supervision of Brian Kennedy.

CONCLUSION

The Center's goal is to enhance public safety and maximize opportunities for substance abuse treatment, provide education and life skills for participants, address specific gender and cultural issues, provide opportunities for aftercare and provide links to further services in the community.

The Dukes County Community Corrections Center will service its participants under the direct supervision of John Monahan, the Regional Program Manager from the Office of Community Corrections.

DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION UNIT:

The Dukes County Sheriff's Office Drug Abuse Prevention Unit completes its seventeenth year of operation. It is responsible for the administration of the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program, D.A.R.E. Operation Ropes Challenge Course, statistical data management, inter-department and community relations in drug and alcohol educational development and implementation, grant generation and management, and other duties as assigned by Sheriff Michael A. McCormack.

The D.A.R.E. program continues in the island school system, enjoying support from all agencies involved and has now graduated over 3,500 students. The unit continues to provide the core 5th-6th-grade program in four elementary schools. The Sheriff's Office also provides adventure base counseling to selected 5th, 6th and 8th grade students throughout the Island, culminating in participation at the D.A.R.E. Operations Ropes Challenge Course. The ropes course adventure based counseling program has provided services to High School students by incorporating selected skills and initiatives into the physical education and health curriculum, as well as, providing a team building and organizational skills unit to the student counsel. It also entered into a relationship with the YMCA teen center and has collaborated in a teen options program in the spring of 2006. For the sixth year in a row, The D.A.R.E. Operations Ropes Challenge Course offered a day event for the Dukes County Sheriff's Office Community Corrections division, providing services to adjudicated youth from off-island. The program provides a forum for these troubled youth to learn life skills in conflict resolution, communication skills, problem solving and appropriate response to stressful situations during social interaction with peers and adults. The D.A.R.E. Operations Challenge Ropes Course has continued to provide instructional pieces to Island teachers, offering education in adventure based counseling course operation and utilization of adventure learning in the classroom.

Due to the elimination of grant funding in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Drug Abuse Prevention Unit has sought and been provided funding by private entities and local businesses on the Island of Martha's Vineyard. Through these charitable donations and the support of the Sheriff's Office, the D.A.R.E. Program continues to grow and develop as a valuable tool in the prevention of drug abuse and violence on Martha's Vineyard. Our programming has been so successful, the Sheriff's Office has been recognized by the Massachusetts and National D.A.R.E. community with rare sponsorship in the amount of \$3,000.00, with a commitment in the coming year for more funding.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND JAIL:

In fiscal year 2006 the Dukes County Jail and House of Correction admitted 1098 inmates who resided for 10364 days. These figures reflect an average daily population of 28.39 They also reflect an average daily admission of 3.01 persons.

The following table illustrates the number of admissions, inmate days and average daily population for the last five years.

Inmates admitted	Inmate days.	Average daily population
FY 05 1098	10305	28.39
FY 04 1245	12155	33.30
FY 03 1351	10237	28.05
FY 02 1273	9987	27.36
FY 01 1261	13055	35.77

This next chart illustrates the category and the number of charges of the 1098 admissions.

Category	Number of charges
Alcohol	450
Property	74
Violent	169
Drug	142
Other	263

The inmate Labor Program in conjunction with the State Department of Public Works continues into its thirteenth year. This program provides inmates with the opportunity to utilize their time and help reintegrate into the community. In the last twelve years this program has provided over 30088, man hours to help keep the roadways of Dukes County free of litter.

Several religious groups, Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous and Anger Management are amongst the volunteer groups associated with the inmates of the Dukes County House of Correction and Jail, in addition to staff facilitated programs Parents Read Aloud (taping stories for their children), Life skills and the Culinary Arts program. In the past Fiscal year the Sheriff has started many new programs, C.P.R. classes, Writing Classes, Career Counseling

with SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) with eight inmates participating and a Fathers' Group with MV Family Network with ten inmates. Ten island community partnerships have been established in the development of the Reentry Initiative.

These volunteers play an important role in reintegrating the inmates back into the community. The Sheriff recognizes and applauds the commitment of these volunteers.

The inmate Education Program continues to develop with eighteen inmates being administered the TABE (Test Adult Basic Education), six inmates receiving their GED and nine other inmates participating in an online and distance learning program with Cape Cod Community College.

Sheriff McCormack continues to pursue the construction of a new facility to replace the current building that was built in 1873.

TRAINING DIVISION:

The current status of the Dukes County Sheriff's Office Training Division continues to utilize resources made available to us including our own training division and staff, consisting of several instructors, training staff from other Massachusetts County Sheriff's Offices, and the Massachusetts Department of Corrections training personnel. The MSAETC has recently coordinated regional training throughout the state to better serve all counties with continued available training programs.

The Dukes County Sheriff's Office continues to maintain its level of efficiency by having our full-time training officer attend the monthly Massachusetts Sheriff's Association Education & Training Committee (MSAETC) meetings where valuable information is shared. These monthly meetings are scheduled throughout the Commonwealth in various counties. All necessary changes in law, or new and innovative training methods are discussed and implemented into Massachusetts Sheriff's lesson plans. All lesson plans are recognized and accepted by the County elected Sheriff's and the Massachusetts Department of Correction.

The training goals of the Dukes County Sheriff's Office continue to be, not only to meet, but to exceed the minimum standards set forth by the Massachusetts Department of Corrections, as well as staying current with any changes in the law.

In FY 2006, the Dukes County Sheriff's Office graduated two officers, (Officer Kevin Donovan & Officer Chris Graham) who successfully completed the Bristol County Correctional Officer's Academy six week program from February to March, 2006.

The Dukes County Sheriff's Office maintains its integrity by following the recommendations and direction set by the American Correctional Association, American Jail Association, Municipal Police Training Committee, Massachusetts Standards Committee, the National Institute of Corrections, and the National Sheriff's Association.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Lt. Donald Rose
Training Coordinator



TRANSPORTATION DIVISION:

Operating under Massachusetts General laws Chapter 37 Sections 24 and 25 the Sheriff of Dukes County is responsible for the timely movement of arrestees and inmates to health care facilities on and off the island, to courts, and other correctional facilities and the court orders. Lt. Randolph M. Ditson has headed the Transportation Section for the past six years.

	To	From	Total
Courts			
On island	279	171	450
Off island	20	12	32
Correctional Facilities			
Off island	30	25	55
Health Care Facilities			
On island	176	174	350
Off island	6	6	12
Escorted Furloughs	3	N/A	3
Totals:			
Adult males	845		
Adult females	47		
Juvenile males	8		
Juvenile females	0		



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In 2006, the Vineyard Health Care Access Program (the Access Program) was active in the development of several new initiatives to meet the unmet health needs of low- to moderate-income Islanders. These include Vineyard Smiles, an oral health assessment and plan for services for at-risk children; the Diabetes Disparities Collaborative, to provide outreach, assessment, treatment and education to people of color; Island Medical Interpreter Service, the Island's first medical interpreter service for non-English-speaking patients and their health care providers; the Senior Assistance Plan, which includes enrollment in Medicare Part D and Prescription Advantage; and a fundraising initiative to create a sustainable Prescription Assistance Fund.

This was a historical year for health care access in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which passed a sweeping health care reform bill in April 2006. The goal of health care reform is health insurance coverage for nearly every resident of the state. Changes to existing programs were effective July 1, and new programs, including an ambitious and unprecedented affordable insurance program, will be implemented throughout the coming year.

Client Services

In FY 2006, we had 4,683 total client contacts; we enrolled 751 people in Mass Health and related programs and 872 people in the Free Care program; provided prescription assistance to over 300 people and provided information, referral, advocacy and assistance services 2,363 times.

The Access Program's core service continues to be connecting the Island's uninsured residents with health care. Activities include public benefit health care program enrollment assistance, information and referral and advocacy; referrals to primary care, specialty care and complementary care; managing the Reduced Fee Plan; and creating access to services like specialty care, vision care and prescription medication assistance. In FY 2006, Mass Health and Free Care enrollment increased more than 40% over FY2005.

The Access Program's Reduced Fee Plan operates through the voluntary participation of primary care physicians, specialists and additional practitioners such as podiatrists, counselors, and massage therapists, who discount their rates to a sliding fee scale based on members' income. The Martha's Vineyard Dental

Access Program is a sliding fee scale program that relies on the generosity of local dentists who discount their rates for low income Islanders.

Outreach continued via public service announcements; distributing fliers, brochures and cards throughout the community; school mailings; presenting to English as a Second Language classes; and networking with health and human service agencies. Access Program staff regularly conducts outreach to clients of the Dukes County House of Corrections and the Community Corrections Program.

Our Prescription Medication Assistance Fund has helped over 300 people in past year. This is an emergency service for uninsured adults who cannot afford prescribed medications; all of the local pharmacies discount their prices for this program. The Rotary Club is a strong supporter and partner in this program. Additional local donors for prescription assistance include the Permanent Endowment Fund of Martha's Vineyard, the Farm Neck Foundation, Our Island Club and Chilmark Chocolates. This year, with funding from United Way of Cape Cod and the Islands, we expanded this program by adding a development professional who will help us create a sustainable Fund.

We helped nearly 100 elderly and disabled Islanders to enroll in the first open enrollment for Medicare Part D, the new prescription drug benefit. Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands and United Way of Cape Cod and the Islands supported these efforts.

Vision care is made possible by an arrangement with the Lions Club. Low-cost exams and free glasses are provided to RFP members and the Lions Club underwrites the cost of this service. Dr. Finkelstein also provides reduced-fee services to RFP members.

Health Access Initiatives

Vineyard Smiles: The Dukes County Health Council's Oral Health Working Group provided oversight for an oral health assessment of lower income Islanders in FY 2006. The Oral Health Foundation of Dental Services of Massachusetts provided funding for the assessment to Island Health Inc. A dentist screened children and adults, and parents and adults completed questionnaires about oral health. A new program, called Vineyard Smiles, was created as result. Vineyard Smiles includes a mobile school-based dental service; care facilitation for adults with unmet oral health problems; and a community awareness campaign about the importance of oral health. Now a part of Vineyard Smiles, our established **Tooth Tutoring** program reached 181 children. Tooth Tutoring is an oral health and hygiene program for preschool - 2nd grade that covers topics including how to brush and floss; fluoride use; what happens at the dentist's office and healthy eating and snacks.

Cape and Island Diabetes Disparities Collaborative: This regional program was in the planning phase in FY 2006. The goal is to provide outreach, assessment, treatment and education for low income to people of color in the region.

Island Medical Interpreter Service: The Island's first medical interpreter service for non-English-speaking patients and their health care providers were developed and implemented this year. Based at Island Health Inc., the program has contracts with large and small health care providers. The current level of service is 68 calls and 119 patients/month.

Local and Regional Initiatives

Access Program employees have been involved in a number of additional health care initiatives including:

- The Dukes County Health Council's Primary Care Working Group
- The Oral Health Working Group, for which we are the coordinators,
- The Mass Health Training Forum
- The Specialty Network for the Uninsured, a regional program operated under the Cape and Vineyard Community Health Center Network.

Planning for Sustainability

This year, the Access Program Board and staff engaged in a structured sustainability planning process. We were fortunate to work with Pat Fairchild, Vice President for John Snow Inc, which is a top U.S. and international healthcare consulting firm. The Board and staff met with Ms. Fairchild several times in the winter of 2005-2006. The process concluded with a report. The key recommendations are:

- *Tighter tracking within VHCAP of how staff spends their time and who benefits from the time (both clients and providers).*
- *Establish a dollar value of services provided on behalf of any agency that refers patients to VHCAP for enrollment or care management services (e.g. MV Hospital, MV Community Services, Island Health) both in terms of VHCAP staff time and increased dollars brought into the system.*
- *Explore options for reimbursement for services of direct value to agencies. Options could include "community benefit" grants and/or including VHCAP services within reimbursement rates for the agency.*
- *Frequent and routine reporting to agencies that use VHCAP services regarding the benefits they are receiving.*

Funding

FY2006 funding sources included the County of Dukes County, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources Services Administration via Island Health's Rural Health Outreach Grant, the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation, Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands, United Way of Cape Cod and the Islands and local funders including the Rotary Club and the Permanent Endowment Fund of Martha's Vineyard.

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Annual statement of the Dukes County Contributory Retirement System For the year ended December 31, 2005

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Cash	\$1,977,802.16
Fixed Income Securities	\$42,607.10
Equities	\$10,732,091.88
Pooled International Equity Funds	\$4,342,579.40
Pooled Real Estate Funds	\$3,393,564.12
PRIT Funds	\$26,951,646.99
Interest Due and Accrued	\$4,765.62
Accounts Receivable	\$844,104.75
Total	\$48,289,162.02

FUNDS

Annuity Savings Fund	\$16,497,507.63
Annuity Reserve Fund	\$4,339,743.74
Pension Fund	\$88,156.94
Pension Reserve Fund	\$27,363,753.71
Total Assets At Market Value	\$48,289,162.02

RECEIPTS

Annuity Savings Fund:	
Member Deductions	\$2,189,118.64
Transfers from Other Systems	\$156,265.60
Member Make-Up Payments	\$73,734.06
Investment Income Credited to Member Accounts	\$86,879.46
Subtotal	\$2,505,997.76
Annuity Reserve Fund:	
Investment Income Credited to Annuity Reserve Fund	\$129,889.90
Subtotal	\$129,889.90
Pension Fund:	
Reimbursements from Other Systems	\$54,122.63
Received From Commonwealth for COLA	\$82,923.68
Pension Fund Appropriation	\$2,014,271.88

Subtotal	\$2,151,318.19
Expense Fund:	
Investment Income Credited to Expense Fund	\$347,199.19
Subtotal	\$347,199.19
Pension Reserve Fund:	
Federal Grant Reimbursement	
Pension Reserve Appropriation	\$1,598,540.12
Interest Not Refunded	\$1,602.65
Misc. Income	\$3.97
Excess Investment Income	\$2,634,115.42
Subtotal	\$4,234,262.16
Total Receipts	\$9,368,667.20

DISBURSEMENTS

Annuity Savings Fund	
Refunds to Members	\$312,861.68
Transfers to Other Systems	\$130,208.87
Subtotal	\$443,070.55
Annuity Reserve Fund	
Annuities Paid	\$459,451.72
Subtotal	\$459,541.72
Pension Fund	
COLA's Paid	\$51,402.70
Regular Pension Payments	\$2,079,343.94
Survivorship Payments	\$84,395.24
Ordinary Disability Payments	\$68,942.02
Accidental Disability Payments	\$372,060.12
Accidental Death Payments	\$123,920.94
Section 101 Benefits	\$22,062.36
Reimbursements to Other Systems	\$108,264.86
Subtotal	\$2,910,392.18
Expense Fund	
Board Stipend	\$15,000.00
Salaries	\$120,918.05
Management Fees	\$151,536.99
Custodial Fees	\$10,630.00
Investment Consultant Fees	\$20,000.00
Legal Expenses	\$4,222.62
Fiduciary Insurance	\$4,004.32
Administrative Expenses	\$14,872.75
Service Contracts	0
Furniture and Equipment	0
Travel	\$6,014.66
Subtotal	\$347,199.19
Total Disbursements	\$4,160,203.64

INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment Income Received From	
Cash	\$71,569.98
Fixed Income Securities	\$7,437.50
Equities	\$108,548.27
Pooled Funds	\$632,347.81
Total Investment Income	\$819,903.56
Plus	
Realized Gain (Profits)	\$1,226,458.23
Unrealized gains (Income in Market Value)	\$3,180,231.24
Income Due and Accrued on Fixed Income Securities – Current Year	\$4,765.62
Less	
Loss on Sale of Investments	\$96,146.16
Decrease in Market Value of Equities	\$1,933,261.34
Interest Due and Accrued on Fixed Income Securities – Prior Year	\$3,867.18
Net Investment Income	\$3,198,083.97
Income Required	
Annuity Savings Fund	\$86,879.46
Annuity Reserve Fund	\$129,889.90
Expense Fund	\$347,199.19
Total Income Required	\$563,968.55
Net Investment Income	\$3,198,083.97
Less Income Required	\$563,968.55
Excess Income to Pension Reserve Fund	\$2,634,115.42

MEMBERSHIP

Active Members	1002
Retired members, Beneficiaries & Survivors	225

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Noreen Mavro Flanders	Chairman
Jeffrey “Skipper” Manter	Elected Member
Cynthia L. Schilling	Elected Member
Sharon Willoughby	Member Appointed by Other Members
Roger Wey	Appointed Member



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To the Citizens of Dukes County:

Fiscal year 2006 (July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006) proved to be hectic for the County Treasurer's office. Aside from being both the treasurer and accounting offices, we are the benefit administrators for all county departments. Assistant Treasurer/Parking Clerk, Carol M. Grant, and Senior Financial Clerk, Tammy Matchem are kept busy selling beach and deer permits as well as collecting parking ticket fees for all towns on the island.

This year we also replaced our 10-year old fileserver (main computer) that has all of the County's financial data on it. The very tight budget of the county had not allowed for a replacement since its purchase in 1995, but at the recommendation of our auditors, we are no longer living on borrowed time and are finally Y2K compatible!

The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issues "statements" which set standards for governmental financial reporting. In 2004 our financial statements included fixed assets for the first time. Now we have GASB Statement 45, which requires that we recognize the liability of the benefits we have promised to employees, such as health and life insurance. These Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) other than pensions, currently do not show up on the financial statements and are paid for each year. We are working with the other municipal entities in the county to have all the data collected and calculated by Fiscal Year 2010, when the county will first be required to identify this liability.

Although the county saw a decrease in courthouse rent, beach permits, and water testing laboratory fees, the total Registry of Deeds fees held steady. Therefore, at the end of the fiscal year the General Fund had a positive of \$147,535.00, which represents 9% of total General Fund expenditures.

Each year the county has independent auditors, Powers & Sullivan, review the financial records of the county in accordance with the government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Once again, they were found to be without material errors. On the following pages, are relevant parts of their final report. A full copy is available online at www.dukescounty.org or at the Treasurer's office, which is located at 9 Airport Road in the County Administration Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Mavro Flanders
County Treasurer