



*Steven L. Charlip
Chairman, Board of Selectmen*

GENERAL GOVERNMENT



*Michael H. Harrity
Selectman*



*Douglas P. Gillespie
Selectman*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Calendar year 2007 began with Douglas P. Gillespie, Michael H. Harrity and Steven L. Charlip serving as the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Harrity served as Chairman and Mr. Charlip as Clerk until Annual Town Meeting. At Annual Town Election in May, Mr. Gillespie was re-elected to a fourth three-year term. At the organizational meeting, Mr. Charlip was elected Chairman, and Mr. Gillespie as Clerk.

The following report will highlight several areas to which the Board of Selectmen devoted time and resources during the past year. Agendas and minutes of meetings of the Board are available in the Selectmen's office and are posted on the Town's website (www.weston.org). Highlights include:

Fiscal Management

- The Town's most recent bond issue received a AAA bond rating from Standard and Poor's, as have previous bonds issued by the Town, representing the highest rating issued by this organization. This allows the Town to borrow at the most favorable interest rates for its capital projects.
- As a result of significant new growth in the Town, and improved local aid funding from the state, Weston avoided a Proposition 2 ½ override in 2007 while adopting a fiscally responsible operating budget. The FY 2008 budget also continued the process of properly funding numerous reserve accounts, a process that may take up to fifteen years to fully complete.



Town Administration

Weston is completing its sixth year since the change to a Town Manager. Town Manager Donna S. VanderClock has assembled a strong senior management team to effectively manage the Town of Weston. David R. Williams serves as Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director, and Lisa Yanakakis is the Town's Director of Human Resources. These professionals work with a talented and dedicated group of department heads and managers who have truly proven that a team approach serves Weston well.

- The Town Manager and collective bargaining team completed negotiations for new contracts with our Public Works and Police unions. The contract includes provisions for increases in the percentage of health care costs which are paid by employees.
- The Board of Selectmen adopted a comprehensive Debt Policy and Investment Policy recommended and developed by the Finance Committee.
- The Board of Selectmen voted to have Weston join the MetroWest Regional Transit Authority, with the hopes of improving transit services within the town and to and from surrounding communities.
- The Board approved the establishment of a “scattering garden” at Linwood Cemetery, made possible by a generous gift from George and Nancy Bates.
- The combined effect of increased property values and a reasonable and necessary spending level resulted in a property tax rate of \$10.67 per \$1,000 of valuation, up from \$10.26 for fiscal year 2007.

Town Infrastructure

The Town continued to invest in the maintenance of its existing municipal facilities. Significant projects included:

- The Field Study Committee began implementation of its approved 10-year master plan to meet playing field and outdoor recreation facility needs in Weston. Phase 1 called for \$4 million in improvements, of which most was raised from private donors. Field improvements in Phase 1 are located at the high school, College Pond, and Alphabet Lane.
- December’s Special Town Meeting approved funding, and work was completed in December to clean up contaminated soil at the Town’s 40-acre field on Wellesley Street. The former Case Estates land currently being leased to Land’s Sake was found to have elevated levels of lead arsenate during recent testing.
- The Town completed an extensive exterior rehabilitation of the historic Josiah Smith Tavern, and is actively seeking a long-term use of both the Tavern and adjacent former library building that will benefit the Town. Further funding for use of these facilities and rezoning from residential to commercial was approved at 2007 Special Town Meeting.
- The Permanent Building Committee, with the support of the Board of Selectmen has undertaken an evaluation of space needs for the Police Department operations, looking to the future. The Police facility’s proximity to the planned Public Works facility replacement made such a study prudent and helpful in the decision-making process. Town Meeting also approved funds to rehabilitate the dispatch area at the station.
- The Public Works Department included the reconstruction of the sidewalks around the Town Green in their 2007 paving program, and this was completed by the fall.
- Town Meeting approved design funds for improvements to the 40-year old Wellesley Street Pump Station, and work on the Doublet Hill Water Storage tank
- Town Meeting approved preliminary funds for feasibility and design work to replace the deteriorating Public Works facility on the Boston Post Road By-Pass in 2006, but November’s Special Town Meeting declined to approve \$995,000 in funding for completion of the design and bidding. The Board of Selectmen and Permanent Building Committee have begun a thorough reevaluation of the proposed facility and intents to resubmit a revised proposal at 2008 Town Meeting.

Land Use/Development Projects

- The Town has entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Harvard University to purchase the 62.53-acre Case Estates land. Just prior to the scheduled closing in late 2006, soil contamination was discovered on the property and the Board continues to work with Harvard to resolve these issues prior to the Town's acquisition of the property.
- Regis College has filed suit in Land Court challenging the Zoning Board of Appeals' decisions for variances from requirements of the Town's zoning bylaws, to construct "Regis East," a senior living facility exceeding 700,000 square feet in size, and standing eleven stories tall at some points. The Board of Selectmen is directing a rigorous legal defense of the Town's zoning bylaws and requirements, while remaining open to Regis' submission of a significantly down-sized project that would satisfy Regis College's needs, address any increased demand for Town services, and also maintain the ambience so important to the Town. The Town offered, and Regis and abutters accepted, to enter into mediation in an attempt to find a reasonable compromise for all parties, and both litigation but mediation appeared stalled at year's end.
- Considerable development is in the planning stages on our eastern border in Waltham, with large projects proposed for a Green Street site overlooking the Route 20 rotary, and the Polaroid site just east of Interstate 95. Both projects as proposed would heavily impact the Route 20 rotary. The Board has maintained communications with Mayor McCarthy in Waltham, so as to provide input into mitigation available through the permitting processes. In concert with the Planning Board, the Board has retained traffic consultants and legal assistance to review these projects.

Housing Policies

The Board had made improving diversity of Weston's housing stock a goal in the years ahead. We have contracted with the MetroWest Growth Management Committee to evaluate our current housing processes and make recommendations to further develop a plan for mixed housing opportunities in Weston. That report is expected in early 2008.

Selectmen supported the Town Manager in providing additional staffing assistance to deal with housing issues. In addition, we were pleased to sign Local Initiative Project (LIP) applications that were subsequently approved by the state, for a new home to be built on Church Street as part of the Highland Meadows development agreement, and a rental home on Jones Road currently owned by Weston Affordable Housing Foundation Incorporated.

Personnel

The Town of Weston is fortunate to recruit and retain employees of the highest caliber. The Board wishes to recognize that during 2007:

- Fire Chief Edmund Walker, a Weston native, resigned to become Director of the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. A search is underway to hire his successor. However, during this interim period the Town has been able to benefit from the extremely capable services and insight of retired Newton Fire Chief Joseph Daniele serving as Weston's Interim Fire Administrator.

Retirements

- Connie Davis, Brooks School Apartments
- M. Dianne Dowling, Town Accountant's Office
- John Finnerty, Fire Department
- John Forti, Police Department
- Barbara Hayes, Police Department
- Peter Walsh, Fire Department
- Louis Young, Fire Department
- Paul Young, Fire Department
- And with a special acknowledgement to Lucy Saunders, Board of Selectmen/Human Resources, who spent numerous years coordinating and editing the Weston Annual Report.

Closing Comments

The Board of Selectmen serves all of the citizens of Weston. This puts the Board in the challenging position of maintaining town services at a level Weston citizens expect, while recognizing and attempting to address the hardship created on some citizens (oftentimes seniors and others with limited income) by the highest residential property tax bills in Massachusetts. Responsible and prudent spending continues to be the major priority of the Board, and we believe that this goal was achieved in 2007.

The Town is fortunate to have so many citizens who generously volunteer their time on a host of elected and appointed boards and committees, or related non-profit organizations. Each time the Board has advertised for volunteers to serve the Town on various boards and commissions, we have been gratified by the response from well-qualified and generous residents.. We are sometimes put in the awkward position of having to turn down volunteers and we hope they will maintain their interest in town government because new opportunities for volunteer service arise each year. Without these scores of volunteers and the town's talented and dedicated employees, the Board of Selectmen could not accomplish its goals.

LICENSES ISSUED BY SELECTMEN IN 2007

Common Victuallers' Licenses

Leethe, LLC - <i>dba</i> Bruegger's Bagel Bakery	21 Center Street
P.M. Stasio - <i>dba</i> Theo's Pizzeria & Grill	456 Boston Post Road
Alcot Corp. - <i>dba</i> Ye Olde Cottage Restaurant, Inc.	403 Boston Post Road
David Gray Associates Inc. - <i>dba</i> Cedar Hill Dairy Joy	331 North Avenue
Off Center Eateries Inc.	436 R Boston Post Road

**Licenses to Dispense Food and Beverages
(Chapter 140, Section 21E, M.G.L.)**

Hazel Hotchkiss Wightman Tennis Center	100 Brown Street
Pine Brook Country Club, Inc.	42 Newton Street
Weston Golf Club Inc.	275 Meadowbrook Road

Parades, Bicycle Tours and Road Races, etc.

Dollars for Darfur	Benefit Concert	April 28, 2007
Little League of Weston	Opening Day	April 29, 2007
Weston High School Class of 2007- Memory of Classmate Harry Burns	Charity Walk	May 6, 2007
Weston High School Student Council 2006-2007	Spring Fling	May 12, 2007
WEEFC with Support of PTO Spring Sprint	5K & 1 Mile Run/Walk	May 20, 2007
Brain Tumor Society	Bicycle Ride	May 20, 2007
Marathon Sports 5-Miler to Benefit the Leukemia Society of MA	Road Race	July 12, 2007
Susan McDaniel 2007 Run for Love Lane Race	Road Race	September 15, 2007
Wayland Weston Rotary Club	Antique Car Show	September 29, 2007
Weston High School Class of 2009	Yard Sale	October 13, 2007
Weston United Methodist Church	Crop Walk	October 14, 2007
Weston Community Children's Association	Halloween Parade	October 28, 2007

Public Entertainment on Sunday

Weston-Wayland Open Spring Horse Show Inc.	Horse Show	April 29, 2007
Weston-Wayland Open Spring Horse Show d/b/a Weston Fall Hunter Pace	Trail Ride	October 14, 2007

Other

E. B. Livery Services, Inc.	Private Livery License
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REPORT OF THE CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

During 2007 the Cable Advisory Committee met on a number of occasions to address the Town's cable license with Comcast. The current license expires in early 2008. In connection with the license renewal process mandated by federal law, the Committee met with Comcast at several of its meetings to negotiate the terms of a new license, and the Committee sponsored an open meeting of residents in October of 2007, following a similar meeting in October of 2006, to focus on Comcast's performance and the cable needs of the Town.

Also during 2007, the Committee raised and addressed with Comcast certain specific questions raised by Town residents and monitored certain activities relating to the Town's access channel.

In addition, the Committee commenced initial discussions with Verizon for another cable television license issued by the Town in order to offer broader choices of cable services to Town residents.

During 2008, the Cable Advisory Committee intends to conclude the license renewal process with Comcast and to negotiate, if not conclude, a cable television license with Verizon.

The members of the Cable Advisory Committee consist of Lee McCanne, Gene Ritvo and Edwin E. Smith (chairman). Cortland Mathers, Interim Director of Technology and Libraries and Town Manager Donna VanderClock serve as *ex officio* members.

REPORT OF THE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS) COMMITTEE

The GIS Coordinator/Engineering Assistant reports to the Town Engineer and is responsible for overseeing and maintaining the integrity of the Town's GIS system. This includes programming, training, administration and ongoing evaluation of program needs, monitoring GIS and associated network performance and providing the Town Engineer with recommendations for necessary system software and hardware updates.

The GIS Committee is comprised of interested individuals from a variety of Town departments, including Police and Fire Chiefs, Assessors, Town Planner, Town Manager, Information Technology Manager, Recreation Director, Health Director, Council on Aging, Town Engineer and GIS Coordinator. The Committee meets regularly to discuss important issues relating to programming, scheduling and budgetary items.

There continue to be updates and new tools added to the online GIS application for the public. Additional web enhancements have been made to allow the public to access maps and request documents with greater ease. A comments section has been added to the web as well for suggestions to improve the program. The online mapping interface can be found at: www.mapsonline.net/westonma. The online mapping application allows the public and Town staff to obtain information via the World Wide Web by using a browser such as Microsoft® Internet Explorer. Additional online mapping tools have been added for staff use as well. There has been a new site developed for the Fire Department that links directly into their secure network allowing them to use the GIS data to its full capability with their data. Other web applications in use include GIS sites for the Council on Aging (COA), Conservation Commission and School Department. We have developed an online customizable form that is incorporated into the GIS. This can be modified for any department as they see fit. It was initially developed with requests from the Fire, Police and Council on Aging departments to track seniors at risk within Weston in a time of crisis, but they have found that they have been able to use this platform daily to maintain their senior database. The GIS Coordinator was also responsible for the rollout of the Permit Tracking system that has been implemented for all departments within the Town. This system allows for more seamless tracking of permits issued by the Building Department, Board of Health, etc. A document management system and incorporation into the Town's GIS system is planned for 2008, as well as the possibility of a flyover in the spring of 2008 to include Color Infrared to update the Town's planimetric mapping. A full version of MapsOnline Mobile is in the testing phase. This will allow users to access MapsOnline via their handheld device smart phones to obtain the same information as on the desktop version.

REPORT OF THE HURRICANE KATRINA COMMITTEE

Thanks to the generosity of so many Weston residents, the Weston Hurricane Katrina Committee has raised in excess of \$100,000 to help fund a new community center in Pearlinton, Mississippi, a small coastal community that was devastated by Hurricane Katrina on August 29, 2005. The Building Goodness Foundation based in Charlottesville, Virginia is overseeing the construction, which started in September 2007. Volunteer crews are going down every other week until completion, which is expected during the summer of 2008.

We need your help! If interested in volunteering, please call Jack Higgins at the Building Goodness Foundation (434) 973-0993 or Lenore Lobel (781) 893-3155. Modest housing and meals are provided. Volunteers can fly into Gulfport, MS or New Orleans, Louisiana. This is an opportunity to meet great friends and share great experiences. Progress is slow in Pearlinton, but it is happening, thanks to the many volunteers from all over the country, including Weston. On a recent trip, it was noted that squirrels and birds had returned in addition to many of the residents.

REPORT OF THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

During 2007, The Weston Metropolitan Area Network has undergone some extensive changes to allow additional site connectivity and better performance for core Town applications. Some of these changes include:

Expansion of the Fiber-Optic loop::

The Fiber Optic network has expanded to include Cat Rock and Doublet Hill sites for Police and Fire Department communications. These sites now tie directly into Town Hall and our current infrastructure, allowing for Police and Fire Headquarters to be connected, as well as any other site on the loop that may be required in the future. In addition to the Cat Rock and Doublet Hill sites, the Town Pool also was connected to the network via fiber this year. This allows for reliable connectivity for Recreation applications. As a result of this connection, there is wireless internet access at the pool for public use during the summer.

Core Applications:

The Town of Weston also upgraded its aging accounting database on both the hardware and software levels. This upgrade allowed for better support and the capability to move projects forward, enabling town departments to efficiently utilize the system. This hardware is also capable of handling additional accounting modules without having to upgrade equipment in the future. The GIS Server was also given an additional role - the Permit Tracking system. This server, originally purchased to run GIS, was designed in the same manner as the new accounting server. It easily allowed for the Permit Tracking software to be added, without the purchase of additional hardware.

I would also like to introduce our new Systems Administrator, Annmarie Mazzocchi, who has done an excellent job in the past year. Her knowledge and professionalism is a welcomed asset to the department.

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The annual ringing of the Paul Revere Bell at First Parish Church by Weston Girl Scouts announced the patriotic assembly of all to gather at the Horace Scudder Sears Auditorium in the Weston Town Hall for our Memorial Day celebration on Monday, May 28, 2007.

We thank the Honor Guard participation by officers of the Weston Police Department, under Chief Steven Shaw and the Weston Fire Department, under Chief Edmund Walker for the Presenting of Colors at the start of the service. Their procession was followed by Boy Scout and Girl Scout color guards.

A medley of 18th century military music was presented by the talented Middlesex County 4-H Fire and Drum Corps, under the direction of Todd Savarese, Kelly Pendergast, Fife Sergeant and Evan Hodges-Le Claire, Drum Sergeant. The Reverend Dr. Thomas D. Wintle, Senior Minister at First Parish Church in Weston and Chaplain of the Weston Fire Department delivered both the Invocation and Benediction, providing special prayers to mark this important occasion. Greetings were then presented by Beverly Dillaway, Chairman of the Memorial Day Committee and George Amadon, retired officer of 20th Air Force and recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross as well as the Purple Heart and four Air Force medals.

We were honored to have, as our guest speakers, Dr. John C. Simons, a WWII veteran, who spoke eloquently on "Responsibility" and Jack Simons, a retired Lieutenant in USNR, who developed innovative vacuum technology as well as low-level aircraft defense systems and was a researcher of space simulation. Patriotic songs were passionately sung by retired Police Sergeant Thomas M. Healey - "America, The Beautiful" and "God Bless America". A lovely musical salute followed with an American military march medley of U.S. Navy, Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard, accompanied by the Weston High School Marching Band. This impressive group of 100 students surrounded the auditorium's perimeter under the direction of Christopher Memoli, Director of Music for Weston Public Schools and Hillary Siber, Drum Major.

After the Benediction, everyone joined outdoors for the annual wreath laying at the Town Hall War Memorial by Weston Veterans, Boy Scout and Girl Scout representatives. The traditional military gun salute was presented by the Honor Guard. Our National Anthem was played by the Middlesex County 4-H Fife and Drum Corps. Taps were solemnly played by Mike Helfer and Jacob Klapholz of the Weston High School Marching Band during this wreath laying ceremony as well as at the Fiske Memorial, Old Farmer's Central Cemetery and at Linwood Cemetery.

The Memorial Day parade included Weston Police & Fire Department Honor Guard with Weston Veterans, WHS Marching Band, Middlesex Country 4-H Fire and Drum Corps following enthusiastically with banners and flags held by troop representatives from Weston Girl Scouts (Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes and Seniors) and Weston Cub and Boy Scouts. We are so appreciative of the Weston Veteran transportation provided during the parade, courtesy of Richard A. Devito, Sr.

After the parade, all returned to the Weston Town Green for photos and the annual family picnic with band music provided by the WCCA-Weston Community Children's Association. Many thanks to Lisbeth C. Zeytoonjian for all of her program assistance and David Mosman for his terrific custodial preparations and cleanup.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

On December 31, 2007 there were 6,806 *Active* registered voters in the Town of Weston, while 577 voters were listed as *Inactive*.

Many newcomers used the Department of Motor Vehicles to register to vote electronically. This system automatically certifies each voter's data in the Statewide Voter Registration database. This system has been in effect since 1995 following the state's adoption of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993.

Any citizen age 18 or over may register to vote in the Town Clerk's office during regular office hours (M-- F: 8:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m.). In addition, the Clerk's office is open until 8 p.m. for a special registration session three weeks before each election and town meeting. Mail-in registration forms are also available in a variety of public places around the town and the state. Only registered voters may vote in state and town elections and at Town Meeting.

Every year a Census of all residents is taken by the town. If the Town does not receive census information for a voter, that individual's name is placed on an *Inactive* voters' list. If the individual does not vote in two consecutive biennial state elections, he/she is then notified by mail that his or her name will be removed from the *Inactive* voters' list.

Following is a summary of all voters by Party and by Precinct:

PARTY	PRECINCT				
	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	TOTAL
Republican	372	348	353	354	1,427
Democrats	529	413	374	376	1,692
American Independent Party	1	2	1	0	4
Libertarian	3	2	1	0	6
Green Rainbow	2	2	2	1	7
Unenrolled	998	873	835	964	3,670
TOTAL ACTIVE VOTERS	1,905	1,640	1,566	1,695	6,806
<i>Inactive Voters</i>	137	131	185	124	577

REPORT OF THE TREE ADVISORY GROUP

Weston's Tree Advisory Group (TAG) was appointed by the Selectmen to oversee the planting and maintenance of new trees on streets and public spaces. Awareness about the importance of trees is increasingly a part of our activities, as we work with the Tree Warden, individual homeowners, teachers and town boards to fulfill our goals. We continue to meet the standards of the National Arbor Day Foundation to receive the Tree City USA designation for the Town of Weston.

In 2007, we planned and carried out two major tree planting projects in April, one of which included our special Arbor Day planting with first graders at the Country School:

Country School- front and sides

2 Red Maple 'October Glory'	2.5" caliper-replacing two that had died after construction of the new school.
3 Sugar Maple 'Green Mountain'	2.5" caliper
1 Flowering Sargent Cherry	2" caliper
1 Sweet Gum	2" caliper

Glen Road at Norumbega Reservoir entrance:

3 Red oaks	2.5" caliper
2 White oaks	2" caliper

TAG lost a beloved member when Elmer Jones, a noted naturalist and author, passed away in 2006. We had hoped to carry out a tree planting at the Weston Library in his memory, but the logistics proved complex at this site, so it has been postponed to spring of 2008. The Library Trustees voted their initial approval to our proposal for planting a Golden Larch, a favorite of Elmer and his family.

Severe drought set in between August and November of 2007, leaving our recent public plantings in jeopardy. Since the Town did not own a watering truck, and our members could no longer lug 5-gallon jugs to the more than 50 trees needing water, we agreed to purchase a 250-gallon tank and hose rig that fits on the back of a pickup truck. We also purchased 30 "Gator Bags" which we attached to the bases of the most vulnerable trees and when filled, release the water slowly to the roots where it is most needed.

Our work would not happen without the steadfast support of the tree warden (formerly Paul Brackett and now Bob Hoffman, Director of Public Works) with hands-on help from the grounds crew of the Weston School Department and Parks & Recreation. All Country School plantings were paid for by NSTAR, in partial remediation for the (200-plus) street tree removals carried out in 2007 in order to clear the utility pole pathways.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Births, marriages and deaths recorded in the Town Clerk's Office of the Town of Weston for the year 2007:

Number of births in 2007:	86
Number of marriages in 2007:	35
Number of deaths in 2007:	140
Weston Residents	94
Non-Residents	46

Population of the Town of Weston (2007 census): 10, 875

The following detailed report of marriages and deaths recorded during 2007 is printed for the purpose of bringing to the attention of interested persons the facts which appear on the official records of the Town Clerk. Please check the names and other data for errors, and notify the Town Clerk's Office.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN WESTON IN 2007

January

- 5 Yizaida Ivette Flores and Gerald Ruben Aponte both of Weston
14 Dima Shocair Reda of Weston and Ahmad Atif Ahmad of St. Paul, MN

February

- 10 Louis Paul Gigliotti of Wellesley and Lisa Jeanne Federico of Boston

March

- 31 Kristin DeAngelis Michl and David Alexander Mattingly both of Weston

April

May

- 4 Charles Winston Keough and Nancy Hsiung both of Weston
19 Jenna Girompini and Stephen T. Catalanotto both of Wayland
19 Peter James Martino of Weston and Uliana M. Gomes of Auburn
27 Jessica Elizabeth Kushner of Cambridge and Kenneth Evan Deckinger of New York

June

- 16 Catherine Zuromskis and Daniel Wesley Worden both of Berkeley, CA
17 Leigh Meredith Creighton and Christopher Louis Kelter both of Jamaica Plain
24 Walter W. Dixon III and Eileen Yoshiko Imada both of Watertown

July

- 7 Mary Godwyn and Philip Dormitzer both of Weston
14 Naomi Geraldine Hunt and Bernard W. Powell both of Chuluota, FL
14 Matthew Paul Carter of Arlington and Taylor Caroline Watts of New York
19 Stephen Vincent McLaughlin and Maria Agnes Decena Nellas both of Weston

August

- 4 Jessica Powers Lawrence and Ragan Naresh both of Washington, DC
18 Caroline Fuller Kellogg and Timothy Patrick Finnegan both of New Hampshire

September

- 1 Seth Joel Bishop and Kelly Marie Ladd both of Framingham
23 Jana Kubalova and Brian Jay Lesser both of Weston
29 Nuno Jesus Costa Da Silva of Cambridge and Meghan Elizabeth MacDonnell of Weston

October

- 6 James Andrew McAllister and Nicole Stephanie Lapenta both of Lexington
6 Sarah Newman Perkins and Donald Wyman Thomas both of Brookline
7 Elaine M. Burns of Wellesley and John Memishian of Weston
13 Timothy Russell Piersons and Tara Ryan Gavin both of Charlestown
20 Laxinarsimha Daram Reddy and Kathryn Michelle both of St. Louis
28 Andrew John Boles of North Reading and Beth Ann Koch of Northborough

November

- 3 Stephen Jamie Rudavsky of Waltham and Lily Ng of South Boston
24 Martha Franklin Coburn and Robert Walter Carlson both of Weston
25 Frances Medaglia Dwyer and James Peter Cleary both of Burlington
30 Eric Friedrich Althoff and Peter Thomas Luciano both of Weston
30 Mija Eom Kim and Yong Sik Kim both of Weston

December

- 8 Anatoly A. Gorbachev and Leonora Lorentsov both of Brookline
27 Paul William MacDonald and Lorna Morrow Stringham both of Waltham
29 Kerry Blair Allen and Paul Kingston Connolly III both of New York
31 Kjell Saether and Tananya Siripattanakulchai both of Weston

DEATHS RECORDED IN WESTON IN 2007

Date	Name	January	Place of Birth	Age
3	Saunders, Norman B.		Ohio	90
9	St. Germain, Geneva M.		Maine	89
10	Sylligardos, James J.		Greece	81
10	Lombardo, Dorothy		Massachusetts	96
12	Vaynepel, Rakhil		Russia	89
12	Boutiette, Jeanne B.		Rhode Island	91
12	Power, William J.		Massachusetts	95
19	Sokoloff, Jeannette		New York	94
23	Freedberg, Harriet B.		Massachusetts	86
24	Bogosian, Paul J.		Massachusetts	83
27	Wise, Elizabeth Perry		Massachusetts	61
31	Ain, Pearl		New York	91
31	Starr, Jill Forman		Rhode Island	67

		February	
1	Schwartz, Anne	Texas	90
2	Grad, Julius	Ohio	95
3	Scannell, Joseph Stephen	Massachusetts	89
4	Kelly, Frances A.	New Jersey	90
14	Powell, Juliette L.	Vermont	101
14	Cook, Donald W.	Massachusetts	55
15	Kennedy, Grace E.	Massachusetts	93
16	Yu, Hung Koon	China	100
17	Perkins, Frederick J.	Massachusetts	77
19	Smith, Jessie Patricia	New York	86
20	Landry, Madeline M.	Rhode Island	83
21	Fitzgerald, Margaret D.	New York	90
21	McMath, Ruby	Massachusetts	83
22	White, Grace E.	New Hampshire	95
22	Werner, Grace E.	Illinois	96
27	Giardina, Angela M.	Italy	92
27	Littlefield, Thomas Kemp	Georgia	84
		March	
2	Vaughan, Jane Gleason	Ohio	88
7	McCaffrey, James P.	Massachusetts	84
8	Waldron, Carol T.	Massachusetts	81
8	Staman, Harry H.	Pennsylvania	96
10	Rogers, Eugene R.	Massachusetts	83
11	Reath, Anna Mae	Pennsylvania	94
11	Berkman, Oscar	Massachusetts	93
11	Schofield, Douglas A.	Massachusetts	54
13	Cohn, Alex Jacob	Massachusetts	18
16	DeFilippo, Marie	Massachusetts	86
17	Lupo, Mary Adeline	Massachusetts	92
17	Whittenberger, James L.	Illinois	93
18	Sullivan, Patrick A.	Massachusetts	91
20	Perruzzi, Louise Luisa	Massachusetts	91
21	Cusick, Scott M.	Massachusetts	40
28	Dowd, Frances Mary	Massachusetts	54
		April	
2	Lyden, Clara C.	Rhode Island	87
2	McHugh, James E.	Massachusetts	84
4	Sullivan, Edward J.	Massachusetts	93
6	Botts, Betty	Massachusetts	84
12	Scalcione, Dominic J.	Massachusetts	88
15	Campbell, Alain L.	New Jersey	68
16	Miller, Emma May	Massachusetts	92
17	Hindman, Evelyn C.	Massachusetts	87
17	Giesta, Urania Conceicao	Portugal	81
20	Richland, Irwin	New York	96
20	Wightman, Thomas Donald	Canada	91
21	Rabinowitz, Samuel	Massachusetts	88

24	Nahigian, Louise	Massachusetts	77
26	Wajsfelner, Susanne B.	Germany	79
28	Davidson, Alice	Massachusetts	88

May

2	Boulton, David G.	Massachusetts	79
5	Panasevich, Leo Nicholas	New York	85
9	Hirsch, Carl	Brazil	72
13	Christo, Loretta F.	Massachusetts	69
14	Hanrahan, Margaret M.	Illinois	88
18	Tagliente, Joseph Patrick	Massachusetts	83
18	Doyle, William F.	Massachusetts	85
22	Mullin, John Francis	Massachusetts	72
22	Martin, Mary Elaine Sybil	Massachusetts	70
24	Ellsworth, Gunvor	Sweden	93
24	Sargent, Melvin Don	Idaho	89
27	Wasserman, Martin Manuel	Massachusetts	92

June

1	Caskin, John J.	Massachusetts	79
5	Duffy, Robert Michael	Pennsylvania	86
5	Palmgren, Chester R. Jr.	Massachusetts	68
7	Foley, John Fenton	Massachusetts	79
7	Houlihan, Henry Francis	Massachusetts	80
7	Carmichael, Elaine	Massachusetts	87
9	Magri, Josephine Ann	Massachusetts	93
11	Elinoff, Dawn C.	Australia	83
15	Wallen, Michael	Massachusetts	92
16	Jenkins, Donald	New York	80
20	O'Leary, Maureen Ellen	Massachusetts	80
27	O'Duggan, Maureen M.	Massachusetts	74
28	Raptis, Aglaia	Greece	83
30	Florio, Emil A.	Massachusetts	81

July

3	Leibowitz, Charlotte	Poland	92
7	Davidson, May	Massachusetts	96
10	Chang, Ho Keun	Korea	100
12	Hayes, Marie Louise	Pennsylvania	81
12	Grant, Elizabeth C.	Massachusetts	80
14	Larkin, William J.	Massachusetts	88
26	Natsis, Lulu Stavroula	Massachusetts	90

August

11	Ribeiro, Barbara E.	Massachusetts	85
18	Murray, Marlene M.	Massachusetts	68
20	Hay, Elizabeth Dexter	Florida	80

25	Sulamith, Austen	Germany	94
26	Lorusso, Loretta Ann	Massachusetts	51
28	Julian, Lillian Marie	Massachusetts	87
31	Tomkins, R. Joseph	New York	63
September			
1	Gezurian, Agnes B.	Rhode Island	82
3	Taylor, Dorothy	Maine	91
7	Farnese, Richard G.	Massachusetts	74
7	Ferguson, Hazelle Lomax	Massachusetts	93
9	Ashley, George H.	New Jersey	75
11	Argyris, Bertie F.	Holland	77
21	Mullen, Joseph E.	Massachusetts	87
21	Vynorius, Lucy M.	Italy	84
24	Sangeleer, Eileen R.	Massachusetts	96
24	Mulholland, Anne M.	Pennsylvania	98
29	Aronson, Goldie	Massachusetts	84
October			
2	Adamson, Keith A.	Massachusetts	54
7	Pawlick, John Edward	New York City	80
10	O'Neill, Joseph Patrick	Massachusetts	84
16	Harry, Alwyn C.	West Indies	92
November			
1	O'Mara, Alvira L.	Colorado	89
2	Nam, Yung Jin	Korea	68
2	LePage, Ralph T.	Maine	75
3	Miles, Edgerton Alden	Maine	92
4	Brodkey, Harold B.	Nebraska	95
4	Browne, Franz J. Sr.	South Carolina	84
11	Mercer, Pauline Loring Tobey	Massachusetts	89
13	Boyle, Edward Fenton	Massachusetts	76
15	Merullo, Esther A.	Massachusetts	94
25	Kirkpatrick, Edward T.	Canada	82
26	Antonellis, Antonia	Italy	92
28	Arlin, Fannie	Massachusetts	95
29	Testa, Linda	Massachusetts	95
December			
3	Derryberry, Doris M.	California	86
4	Pellegrino, Kathryn	Canada	96
17	Christopher, Eleanor	Massachusetts	89
20	Casella, Pauline M.	Massachusetts	77
29	Ogens, Kay	Romania	89

LICENSE REPORT - FISH AND GAME

39	Resident Fishing	@	28.50	1,111.50
	Resident Fishing - Minor	@	6.50	
2	Resident Fishing - 65-69	@	11.25	22.50
9	Resident Fishing - 70 & over		FREE	
	Resident 3 day Fishing	@	7.50	
	Non Res. 3 day Fishing	@	18.50	
6	Resident Citizen Hunting	@	27.50	165.00
	Resident Hunting 65-69	@	11.25	
9	Resident Sporting	@	45.00	405.00
	Resident Sporting - 65-69	@	20.00	
9	Resident Sporting over 70		FREE	
1	Archery Stamps	@	5.10	5.10
9	MA Waterfowl Stamps	@	5.00	45.00
4	Primitive Firearms Stamps	@	5.10	20.40
	Resident Conservation Stamps	@	5.00	
	Non Resident " "	@	5.00	
				\$1,774.50
<i>Less: Fees Deducted</i>				
56	Licenses	@	0.50	(28.00)
1	Archery Stamp Fees	@	0.10	(.10)
9	Duck Stamp Fees	@	0.25	(2.25)
4	Primitive Firearms Stamp	@	0.10	<u>(.40)</u>
Paid to the Division of Fisheries & Game				<u>\$1,743.75</u>

REPORT OF THE VETERANS' AGENT

The Veterans' Services program is mandated according to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 115 and is administered under State guidelines to provide information, advice and assistance regarding benefits to veterans and their families. Every city and town in the Commonwealth is required to have a benefits program for its resident veterans and their dependents, as well as a full-time Veterans' Services Officer. The Veterans' Services Officer must be a war-era veteran and be available full time to provide assistance. The Town is reimbursed by the State for 75% of benefits paid under this mandated program.

Many diverse requests include burial markers, lost documents, replacement medals and information regarding what benefits veterans may be entitled to. Currently, there are three ongoing cases in which veterans are awarded benefits.

The "Greatest Generation Program" was a huge success on Veterans' Day, with special thanks to Rich Wohlers and Weston High School. This was a great tribute to veterans and World War II families, marking an unforgettable celebration for elders and youths alike.

Donald Bumpus, Weston's Veterans' Agent is available for walk-ins or by appointment on Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30 at the Council on Aging. By telephone, he can be reached at (781) 893-0154 ext. 306 or by email at bumpus.d@westonmass.org.