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nity. Thank you for your consideration and your vote. It will be with pride that I serve as a Library Trustee.

Brandy Collette

I would like to announce my write-in candidacy for Library Trustee. Having grown up in Andover and seen the many changes our libraries have gone through over the years, I have a sincere interest in their important service to our community.

During my 15 years at Andover Elementary/Middle School I spent a lot of time with students, at the Andover Library and at the school, reading the books they borrowed. Although I am no longer with the students, I am in the Town Clerk's Office every Thursday afternoon and love to hear their happy voices as they check out the wonderful children's section.

As a library patron I have long enjoyed the selections at both the Andover and Bachelder Libraries. I have always been fortunate to live within walking distance of the Andover Library and before I could drive would spend afternoons at the Bachelder Library with my aunt, Pauline Richards, who was the librarian there for many years.

Libraries are a vital part of any community and I would appreciate your write-in vote for Library Trustee. Thank you.

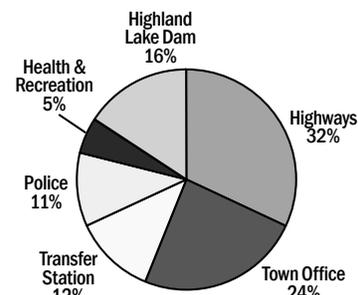
Marjorie M. Roy

Budgets from page 1

PM in the Andover Elementary/Middle School gym to be a part of the decision process regarding our school funding.

Andover Town Budget

The proposed 2007 Town budget is for a total funding of \$1.41 million. War service credits of \$68,000 and contingency funding of \$17,000 (the so-called "overlay" recommended by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration) increase the total amount



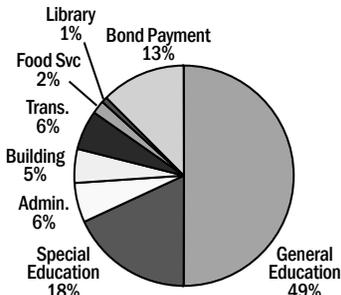
Proposed \$1.4M Town Budget

to be raised to \$1.50 million.

Revenues in 2007 to offset taxes are presently estimated at \$620,000. Unexpended funds from 2006 of about \$454,000 will also be available to reduce the tax burden.

The resulting tax bill for 2007 is estimated to be approximately \$424,000, compared to \$379,957 in 2006. The resulting tax rate for the Town portion of the tax bill will go up from \$1.44 in 2006 to \$1.61 in 2007.

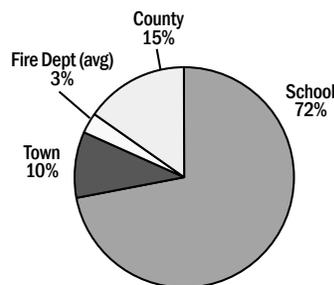
The major new expenses included



Proposed \$4.2M School Budget

in this proposed 2007 budget total approximately \$377,600. This includes repair of the Highland Lake dam, Maple Street right-of-way drainage improvements, and repair of Elbow Pond Road and Sam Hill Road culverts. Improvements to modernize the Tax Collector/Town Clerk facilities in the Town Office are also proposed.

The annual Town Meeting is Tuesday, March 13, at 7 PM in the Andover Elementary/Middle School gym. Again, all voters are urged to attend this meeting to participate in the discussions and to vote on the appropriations.



Proposed \$3,346 Tax Bill on a \$200,000 Property

CORRECTIONS

Blackwater Ski Team

Last month an editing error made the Blackwater Ski Team appear to be a part of the Andover Recreation Committee. That is not the case, and we apologize for the confusion this error caused.

Engaged: Heather Shumway

Another editing error last month, this time in a headline, made it appear that Heather's mother, Evelyn Baker, was the person engaged. Fortunately, the article was correct – it's Heather who is engaged. We apologize for the error.

Fundraising from page 1

If you've got ideas about the problem, I need to hear them right away. And if you've got any kind of fundraising experience, please talk to me about what kinds of help you might enjoy giving the Beacon.

In the meantime, we're not giving up...far from it! We're going to keep fundraising until we reach our goal.

If you've already sent your donation, thank you! Please urge your friends and neighbors to do the same. Nothing we can do will have near as much impact as you bringing up the subject face-to-face during a chance encounter. Don't be shy!

If you haven't sent your donation yet, please do so today! It's vitally important – the whole community is counting on you. Please clip the coupon below and send your donation today!

THE BEACON NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT IN 2007!

Every month the *Beacon* arrives FREE in each of Andover's 1,150 households.

Last year, only 244 of those households supported the *Beacon* with a donation.

Our goal this year is to have 275 Andover households make a voluntary donation of any amount they choose.

Please! Show your support for the Beacon with a donation!

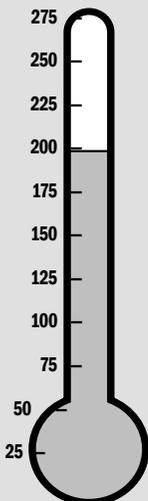
Are there **275** households in Andover that value the *Beacon*?

Please help us reach our goal!

Households donating so far* to help support the *Beacon* in 2007:

199

*since September 2006



HELP THE BEACON IN 2007

Here's my donation of \$ _____ for (check one):
 Local Seasonal (\$25 min) Out of Town (\$25 min) Gift Subscr. (\$25 min)

Your Name _____
 Address _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Phone or E-mail _____

Other Name _____
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 City, State, Zip _____
 Phone or E-mail _____

Seasonal: which months are you at the "other" address?

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