

A COMMUNITY PROFILE  
OF  
GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
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I. Introduction

In this community profile of Gilford, New Hampshire, I have attempted to bring together pertinent information relating to both the historical aspects and present day aspects of the town. Gilford is a middle-to-upper class community with many talented people. The median income is estimated to be in the \$10,000 to \$12,000 bracket.

Like many communities Gilford is experiencing myriad changes. Situated adjacent to Laconia which has limited growth potential due to limited land area, Gilford is experiencing a rapid acceleration in its population growth. Gilford's chief resource in the past has been its rural atmosphere. Gilford's major problem in the future will be to preserve this rural atmosphere.

I have chosen to present a sketch of each industry in Gilford. The only exception to this coverage is that I have left out the building contractors, electricians, plumbers, and carpenters common to all communities. Also, I have not mentioned several restaurants. Having a fondness for history, I feel I have related much of historical importance.

My only regret is that I was not able to spend additional time to delve into other topics which piqued my curiosity and to cover all the industries. However, I feel I have presented a variety of topics to convey a composite picture of Gilford. I have spent many hours in this paper and hope it will be of value to the Gilford Library.. Any mistakes or omissions are my own and I will bear the responsibility for them.. I have relied on many private interviews with various citizens of the community.. For this I am grateful.. Special thanks should go to Lorraine Royce, the Gilford Town Clerk and Ruth Pratt, the Town Librarian. Their help and suggestions were greatly appreciated.

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## II. Gilford -- It's Characteristics and People

Gilford lies almost in the geographical center of New Hampshire. Administratively the town belongs to Belknap County. Of the ten towns in Belknap County, Gilford is the second largest. It's 1974 population figure is 4,126.<sup>1</sup>

Gilford was first settled in 1777 and was incorporated as a town in 1812. Gilford borders the City of Laconia to the west and northwest, Lake Winnepesaukee to the north-east, Alton to the east, Gilmanton to the southeast and Belmont to the southwest. The following table represents the population growth of the town:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population</u>
1920	738
1940	996
1950	1,251
1960	2,043
1970	3,844 <sup>2</sup>
1974	4,126

There are two churches, one bank, three shopping centers, an Airport, Country Club, Public Library, summer Theatre, two year-round theatres, two large cemeteries, many summer Motels, Inns, and tourist accommodations, as well as several developments for year-round or vacation homes, boat launching facilities and marinas.

Extensive summer and winter recreation areas in the town of Gilford include Gunstock Area, Mt. Rowe Recreational Area, Inc., Ellacoya State Park, and Belknap State Reservation. The town of Gilford has a full time paid Fire Dept. The Almond "Red" Watson Training Center is a state owned Civil Defense Training Area used by the fire departments of the state for fire control education. This center is located near the Laconia Airport on the Lilly Pond Road. There is an active Police Department, a recreation park (Village Field) with tennis courts, ball diamond, and multi-purpose court and a large beach (Gilford Beach). There are 20 Islands in Lake Winnepesaukee coming within the township with over 332 homes on these Islands.<sup>3</sup>

Gilford is strongly oriented toward the city of Laconia. Laconia is an industrial community with many factories. These factories produce such products as hosiery, knitting machinery, automatic sprinkle systems, shoes, radios, tools and dye equipment, and textiles. Some of Gilford's residents work in these factories. Compared to Laconia Gilford's industries are somewhat insignificant. Gilford does have some industries, however, the town is basically a recreational area and its industries reflect this. The other industries are comparatively small. Gilford does have one industrial park area located on the Lilly Pond Road which at the present is undeveloped.<sup>4</sup>

The people of Gilford are a diverse group. Basically the town is a bedroom community of Laconia. However, Interstate 95, and the Laconia By-Pass, and other modern roads enable the residents to commute to other areas in the state. According to the Town Clerk, Lorraine Royce, many residents of Gilford work in Manchester and Concord with several traveling to Boston. Concord is 38 miles from Gilford while Manchester is 56 miles. Many of the professional people who work in Laconia live in Gilford. It can be said that for the most part the people of Gilford work out of town. In addition to this there are many retired professional people such as former ministers, service-men, doctors, and dentists who make their home in Gilford. According to the town clerk there are 500 people in Gilford who are over 65.<sup>5</sup>

The predominant religion of the people in Gilford is Protestant. The two churches are of Protestant denomination. Those people of the Catholic religion must travel to Laconia or other communities to attend church.<sup>6</sup>

The average educational level of the residents is rather high and is placed at the college level.<sup>7</sup> The residents take a great deal of interest in the present elementary school and there are parent volunteers for just about everything connected with the youth of the community. The new Gilford Middle-High School has been planned carefully and reflects the high educational level of the community, I believe.

## III. History of Gilford

The history of Gilford dates back to the Charter from King James I of England granting to the Virginia Company a parcel of land extending to and including southern New Hampshire. Later this territory was committed to the Council of Plymouth on Nov. 3, 1620. A Captain John Mason of London, England, and a Sir Fernando Gorges of Plymouth, England, jointly made a large purchase of a parcel of this land and termed it Laconia. This was the first conveyance of the territory of Gilford.<sup>8</sup>

The Company of Laconia was formed and endeavored to effect settlement on the tract of land purchased, which they did at Dover in 1623. Gilford was not settled at this time although it was considered the area most desirable and valuable on account of its supposed mineral deposits.<sup>9</sup>

"The first penetration into this region was made in 1652 when a surveying party, composed of Captains Simon Willard, Edward Johnson, John Sherman and Jonathan Ince journeyed into the vast wilderness in order to establish boundaries of the Massachusetts Bay Company Grant, said to be the headquarters of the Merrimack River. These men left the inscriptions on Endicott Rock at the Weirs."<sup>10</sup>

Once considered the "Upper Parish" of Gilmanton, Gilford was not settled as early as Gilmanton because of the fear of the Indians who were known to inhabitate the area known as the Weirs. Bands of savages came from great distances to fish at the Weirs. In 1750 a fort was built at the Weirs on the shore of Lake Winnepesaukee and shortly afterwards the Indians were brought under control and the interest the "Upper Parish" had was revived. This was especially true in light of the fact that Gilmanton lacked the water power so essential to industry in those days whereas the "Upper Parish" had swift-flowing streams that fed the lakes.<sup>11</sup>

The building of the Province Road as directed by the general court from Portsmouth to Canada assured the eventual settlement of the area of Laconia and Gilford. When this road was completed through these communities in 1770, people began to drift into the area.<sup>12</sup>

"While the exact date that the first permanent settlers arrived in what is now Gilford is unknown, the date most historians agree upon is 1777, the year James Ames and Captain Samuel F. Gilman took up land in the 'Upper Parish' of Gilmanton."<sup>13</sup>

Other early settlers were Abraham Folsom, Levi Lovit, Daniel Stevens, Malachi Dover, Samuel Blaisdell, Lowell Sanborn, and Benjamin Weeks.

These early settlers were farmers. The list of tax payers of Gilford in 1813 contained 294 names. The assessment of that year was for \$1207.08. The first Board of Selectmen were John Smith, Thomas Saltmarsh, and John Gilman.<sup>14</sup>

The main pursuit of the inhabitants of Gilford have been agricultural, although wool raising has been carried out in the past as well as stock-raising. Cheese-making was as extensive as butter-making. The better farmer was accustomed to take his ox-load of butter and cheese in the fall season, and draw it to Portsmouth and exchange them for West India goods, - that is, for sugar, salt, and purchase a cask of "the ardent", and fish. The cider-mill was also prevalent.<sup>15</sup>

Poultry-raising has always been engaged into as a considerable extent and is now to a limited degree. Some business was done in raising horses for the market or to sell. Pork-producing was also carried out somewhat and many a dressed porker found its way to the Portsmouth market. Also, in earlier times wheat raising was quite extensive and profitable. The corn crop was abundant and put on the market. The oak crop and potato crops were also in excess of home consumption and became articles of merchandise in the market. The cultivation of flax was formerly extensive, and is now unknown. Among other industries tried and carried out in the town was silk-culture, lumber making, stove-making and cooperage.

Shooks, for casks of one hundred gallons capacity and upward, were extensively made and sent to the West Indies for the molasses manufacturers. Also barrels for fish-packers, beef and pork-packers, and for liquors were made and transported to Portsmouth. The cooper shop was a common annex to the other buildings of many a place. Many mills for grinding have been erected. Wheat, corn, and rye have been ground in Gilford. Also gypsum, or plaster of Paris, a cheap fertilizer was ground as well as salt for dairy uses. Among other industries in the early history of Gilford was the tanning and shoe-making and peg-making industries. The foundry industry was an early and important one. Interestingly enough, a blast furnace was once put into operation for using pigs (sic) in castings. The manufacturer of hats and caps was undertaken by different parties at sundry times and divers places. Brick making, stoneworking, cabinet and furniture making, pottery, basket making, wool carding and cloth dressing have all been carried on in Gilford at various times.<sup>16</sup>

"Once the 'Upper Parish' separated from Gilmanton, its residents were faced with the problem of choosing a name for the community. In accordance with the custom of the time, the honor of selecting a name was bestowed on one of the town's oldest and most famous citizens, Captain Samuel B. Mason. He was an early settler, representative to the State Legislature and a veteran of both the Revolution and War of 1812."<sup>17</sup>



IV. Gilford - Physical Characteristics

The town of Gilford covers a total area of 50.9 square miles; of this area there are 38.3 square miles of land and 12.6 square miles of inland water. There are 18 miles of shore frontage on Lake Winnepesaukee. Including the ponds Gilford has 23½ miles of shore frontage. This does not include the islands.<sup>19</sup>

Gilford is located on a relatively high plateau - 550 ft. above mean sea level. This plateau is interrupted by the upthrust of the Belknap Mts. which extend north and south the full length of the community and tend to divide eastern Gilford from the more populous western area. The slopes on these mountains vary from 25% to 60% giving the area a variety of slopes - appealing to many ski enthusiasts. Belknap Mountain has the highest elevation - 2,384 feet. Belknap Mountain is within the Belknap State Reservation - an area owned by the State of New Hampshire and consisting of 545 acres. Other mountains in the Belknap range are Mt. Gunstock (about 2200 ft.), Mt. Rowe (about 1800 ft.) and Piper Mt. (about 1300 ft.).<sup>21</sup>

Gilford is a rather hilly town - typical of many New Hampshire towns. The village of the town has an elevation of about 741 ft.

Lake Winnepesaukee's elevation is 504 feet. Twenty-one islands are also part of the Town of Gilford, the largest one being Governor's Island.<sup>22</sup>

The total acreage of public and semi-public land in Gilford is 3,462 acres. Ellacoya State Park is another large area of state owned land consisting of 107 acres being located on Lake Winnepesaukee. Interestingly, the Laconia Airport property consists of 446.6 acres and comprises 1.8% of Gilford's total land area. Gunstock Area owned by Belknap County is another large area consisting of 1,300 acres.<sup>23</sup>

There are no real large rivers in Gilford. However, there are several brooks and one river worthy of mention since they provide good fishing spots. Poorfarm Brook begins in Gunstock Area near Round Pond. Poorfarm Brook flows fairly parallel to Route 11A going beneath Route 11A flowing into Lake Winnepesaukee by Ellacoya State Park.

Meadow Brook begins near Lilly Pond and flows into Lake Winnepesaukee near the Gilford Marina. Gunstock River starts near Piper Mountain, flows beneath Drouin Road, and then flows through the center of Gilford Village paralleling Route 11B. Gunstock River flows into Lake Winnepesaukee by way of Sander's Bay. Jewett Brook begins at the top of Liberty Hill Rd. This brook flows across Swain Rd. and parallels Liberty Hill Rd. before running into Laconia and eventually into Lake Winnisquam.<sup>24</sup>

There are three relatively small ponds in Gilford.

Saltmarsh Pond is located between Liberty Hill Road and Saltmarsh Pond Road. It is fished a great deal being stocked by the Fish and Game Department. Round Pond is located in the southeast corner of Gilford in a rather inaccessible region. Round Pond is also fished a great deal. Lily Pond is located near the Laconia Airport and is also fished. There is also a small man-made pond at Gunstock Area used for fishing and ice-skating in the winter.<sup>25</sup>

Gilford's climate is typical of central New Hampshire. Rain is well distributed annually. Gilford's climate conditions combined with Gilford's proximity to Lake Winnepesaukee and an interesting mountain range generally fosters a winter and a summer tourist season.<sup>26</sup>

## V. Recreational Advantages of Gilford

Gilford offers excellent advantages for a variety of year-round pleasure activities. Summer recreation includes boating, sailing, water skiing, swimming and historic lake cruises aboard the 1,500 passenger "Mount Washington", the "Queen of Winnepesaukee's Fleet". Winter activities include snowmobiling, skiing, ice boating, ice skating and ice fishing. Gunstock Area is one of the State's largest and most modern ski facility.

There are two state-owned recreational areas in the town. Belknap State Reservation includes the land encompassing Mt. Belknap, the highest point in the area with an elevation of 2,384 feet. The fire tower on top of the mountain is run by the State Forestry Dept. There are several fine hiking trails to the summit of Mt. Belknap.

Ellacoya State Park is a relatively new area established 15 years ago. The park is located on Lake Winnepesaukee on Route 11B and has a large bathing beach and picnicking area.

Gilford's major asset is beautiful Lake Winnepesaukee. The lake is 28 miles long being comparable in size to the island of Manhattan in New York. With 300 miles of shoreline the lake covers an area of 72 square miles with 365 islands. 27 Gilford has its own 1,500 foot private beach for residents of the town.

The town of Gilford maintains a Town Marina for its residents including the property owners of the islands.

This marina is located in Glendale section of the town and comprises 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres. There are three docks which are 60 feet long and a 30 x 24 foot concrete launching ramp. The docks are able to accommodate 30 boats. There is a fairly large parking area for both residents and the general public. The Marine Division of the New Hampshire Dept. of Safety is located in this same area.<sup>28</sup>

The Winnepesaukee Yacht Club is located near Route 11B and caters basically to the residents of the town including the summer residents. The Winnepesaukee Yacht Club holds sailboat races each Sunday during the summer.

For those who like golf there is the Pheasant View Country Club located on Cotton Hill and commanding a panoramic view of the Lakes Region. The club also has two new tennis courts. Two other tennis courts are found in the village area. There are two other privately owned clay tennis courts in the area. Also there is the recently completed Lake Shore Indoor Tennis Center located on the Old Lake Shore Road. The tennis center features uni-turf courts with sauna and steam baths.

The Gilford Outing Club located at the junction of Routes 11A and 11B provides the townspeople with an available place to ski.

Run exclusively by members of the club, it is used primarily

as a beginners ski area for the families of Gilford. The land is leased and consists of 15 acres. In short it can be

said with some conviction that Gilford is truly a sportsman's paradise. Each season offers beautiful scenery and unique recreational facilities.

The present manager of the Gilford Playhouse is Allison



## VII. The Thompson Ames Historical Society

The Universalists built a church on Main St. in Gilford and occupied it for several years. After a period of disuse, it was purchased by the Methodist Society, completely repaired and utilized as their place of worship until 1933. Finally, in 1941 the building was sold to Mr. Lee of Gilford, who in turn, sold it to Rev. Mazie Sheppard of Meredith. Two years later the land on which the structure stood was purchased by George Ames, formerly of Gilford. Mr. Ames subsequently gave the property to the town for the purpose of incorporating an historical society in the memory of his father Thompson Ames. On November 18, 1943, the land was deeded to the Thompson Ames Historical Society.<sup>30</sup> The society strives to maintain an interest in the historical past of Gilford and the surrounding area. The society meets once a month on the average and usually has a speaker of some renown. Occasionally they will have slides presented.

## VIII. Gilford Elementary School

The Gilford Elementary School is nestled at the foot of the range of the Belknap mountains and has a picturesque setting. Wisely, the town has purchased as much land as possible in the back of the school so that the total acreage at the present is 190 acres. This area does not include the land across the street on which the new Gilford Middle-High School is being built.<sup>31</sup>

Built in 1938, the Gilford Elementary School at present has 475 students in grades K-6. For the last year the students in grades 7-10 are traveling to nearby Laconia to attend the Laconia Memorial Junior High School and the Laconia High School. Next fall grades 5&6 will be leaving the elementary school and going across the street to the new school. Because of this the principal, Bert Trach, anticipates an enrollment of about 350 students. The school will have much more room and the library is scheduled to be enlarged. Also, there will be an art room and a music room.<sup>32</sup>

With twenty-seven professionals on the staff including the principal, teachers, librarian, nurse, and teacher specialists in art, music, physical education, and speech, the school has a teacher-pupil ratio of about one teacher - 27 pupils. Also, the art, music, and speech teachers spend only three-fifths of their time at the school.<sup>33</sup>

Being a teacher myself and having two children of my own presently at the Gilford Elementary School with another in the seventh grade, I can say that the school system is a good one and suits the requirements of the community. With the average educational level in the community at the college level, the school has perhaps a brighter than average type of youngster enrolled. By this I mean simply that the parents have the financial ability to provide more in the way of resources at home to enrich the lives of the children. Gilford has its working mothers, but I would venture to say that the percentage of working mothers in Gilford is much lower than the surrounding towns.



X. First United Methodist Church

The First United Methodist Church was previously located in Laconia on Union Avenue. In 1967 urban renewal took the building from the congregation and as a result the church moved to Gilford, and is now located on Route 11A beyond the Laconia Animal Hospital. Construction on the church began in 1967 and the dedication service was held in October 1969. The church is of modern architecture and the sanctuary roof is particularly eye-catching being of hyperbolic paraboloid construction. According to the minister, Rev. David Bell, the effect of uplift and inspiration in the sanctuary is very real and appealing to most people. The rest of the building contains office space which is presently being shared with the administrative personnel of the new Gilford-Middle-High School while the school is under construction. There are meeting rooms, a social hall, and educational rooms which are shared with the Lakes Region Day Care Center. The church is very proud of the fact that it has promoted and sponsored the Lakes Region Day Care Center as one of its missions in the life of the community.<sup>36</sup>

The church has just now finished the interior of the building and hopes to turn its attention to the outside area. This consists of 43.7 acres. Some landscaping remains to be finished and the church hopes to construct some picnic areas.

A total of 400 families relate to the church and there are 475 members. Having started in Laconia 50% to 60% of the present members come from Laconia, Belmont, and Sanbornton. When the church was located in Laconia only ten Gilford families attended the church. Today this figure has risen to about 40 Gilford families. The present growth of the church is coming from Gilford -- a fast-growing community. In the church Christian Education and small group studies are emphasized.<sup>37</sup>

The church allows its facilities to be utilized by non-profit organizations in the community. The church has its own Boy Scout Troop and Pack. The New Hampshire Music Festival has held concerts here in the past and presently the new Lakes Region Fine Arts Ensemble is holding concerts here. The minister of the church during the transition from Laconia to Gilford was the Rev. Frank Guillinello who left in June of 1972. The present minister is the Rev. David Bell. The parsonage of the church is located at 6 Madison Ave. in Laconia.<sup>38</sup>

## XI. The Gilford Community Church

The Gilford Community Church is located next to the Gilford Town Hall in the center of the village. Rev. Floyd Kinsley is the present minister. Previously this church was known as the Free-Will Baptist Church of Gilford.<sup>39</sup>

The Gilford Community Church was formed out of a merger between the Baptist Church and the Methodist Church (presently the home of the Thompson Ames Historical Society). Apparently during the early 1900's, both churches couldn't support a minister alone and through a meeting of the trustees of both churches an agreement was made to have Union Services first three months in one church and then three months in the other church. This worked very well for some time until in 1922 it was decided it would be much better for the church services to be held in the larger church building.

The church, thus chosen was the Baptist since it had a better heating system and horse sheds near.<sup>40</sup> "A vote was taken one Sunday morning, in 1942, by the congregation and was almost unanimous to hold all Sunday morning services and the Sunday School in the Baptist Church, serving the entire community and became known as the Gilford Community Church."<sup>41</sup>

Several years ago the church was moved back from the road and away from the Town Hall. New rooms were added and landscaping was completed. Also, a new steeple was placed atop the church.<sup>42</sup>

## XII. Trailer Parks in Gilford

Gilford has its share of trailer parks. The largest of these trailer parks are the Lakes Region Mobile Home Village, the Lilly Pond Trailer Park, the Lake Breeze Trailer Park, the Pine Grove Trailer Park, and the Lake Shore Park.<sup>43</sup> The Lakes Region Mobile Home Village presently has 75 trailers and will expand to 100 shortly. On 30 acres of land this park has no room for further expansion. The park is owned by Edward Santucci.<sup>44</sup>

The Lilly Pond Trailer Park has only 15 trailers on 10 acres of land. However, the owner, James Annis, is also in the trailer sales business from this location. Known as the Lilly Pond Mobile Homes and Sales Inc., the firm sells Holiday trailers only.<sup>45</sup>

The Lake Breeze Trailer Park is owned and operated by Fred Goodnight and presently has 50 trailers with room for 50 more.<sup>46</sup>

The Pine Grove Trailer Park is owned by William White of Westchester, Penna. The park is managed by Andrew Purington who sold the business to Mr. White in 1963. The park has 50 trailers with no room for expansion.<sup>47</sup>

Lake Shore Park is a large summer resort area located on Route 11 near Ellacoya State Park. There are about 50 trailers located in this park which are used year-round.

During the summer months an additional 50 trailers are used as well as many summer cottages.<sup>48</sup>

## XIII. Gilford Fire Department

Located on Route 11A near Gilford Village, the Gilford Fire Department has 5 permanent firefighters, including the chief, Sherm Thompson. The department has three fire trucks at the Gilford station and two more fire trucks at the Glendale station. There are 22 volunteer firefighters in Gilford in addition to the permanent personnel.<sup>49</sup> According to the 1973 Gilford Town Report there were 161 emergency calls in 1973. The 1974 Appropriation was \$75,000.<sup>50</sup>

XIV. Gilford Police Department

The Gilford Police Department has 11 full time employees.

This figure includes the chief, Bruce Cheney; one lieutenant, one sergeant, and 5 patrolmen. There are 8 part-time patrolmen.

It was interesting to note while reading the 1973 Gilford Town Report that the Gilford Police Department's rate of returned property due to burglaries and larcenies is far above the national and regional levels. The 1974 appropriation was \$130,000. The Gilford Police Department is housed in the Gilford Town Hall in the center of the village. 51

XV. The New Hampshire Dept. of Public Works and Highways -  
 Division Three Office - Gilford

Located next to Lemay's Recon Center Inc. is the Division  
 Three Headquarters of the N.H. Dept. of Public Works and  
 Highways. Serving 33 towns in the Lakes Region area about  
 118 people work out of this office including eight permanent  
 office employees. All records pertaining to highway  
 maintenance are kept in this office. The present Division  
 Three engineer is Samuel Dearborn.<sup>52</sup>

At the Gilford office there are 77 permanent  
 employees and 1000 hours. This compares with 150 permanent  
 employees and 5000 hours for the entire State. The office has  
 a large building about 1922 having north is down side  
 of road, former owner of the Gilford Dam. Richard  
 Dean is the supervisor of Rehabilitation and Maintenance.<sup>53</sup>

XVI.. The New Hampshire Department of Safety  
Marine Division

To patrol Lake Winnepesaukee and also to provide service and maintenance facilities for the navigational lights and buoys as well as the 25 state owned patrol boats, (nine being kept on Lake Winnepesaukee), the N.H. Dept. of Safety has a large concrete block building in the Glendale section of Gilford. With three full time maintenance personnel as well as 12 boat inspectors during the summer, the marine division is an active segment of the N.H. Dept. of Safety.

On Lake Winnepesaukee alone there are 77 navigational lights and 520 buoys. This compares with 150 navigational lights and 2300 buoys for the entire state. The state has owned this building since 1962 having bought it from John Goodhue, former owner of the Goodhue Boat Yard. Richard Dame is the Supervisor of Maintenance and Navigation. 53

## XVII. Laconia Airport

Located in Gilford on 446.6 acres of land, the Laconia Airport serves the general Lakes Region area. The reason this airport is named the Laconia Airport is because originally the airport was located in Laconia in that section of the city near the present Belknap County Home. Moved to Gilford in 1937 because of lack of space in which to expand, the Laconia Airport kept its name, since it continued to be owned by Laconia. Also, Laconia was the only community in the area that would bond itself for the necessary finances for capitol improvements. Because this is true today, the airport continues to be known as the Laconia Airport.<sup>54</sup>

Several years ago the runway was extended from 3500 feet to 5500 feet. There are also 80 acres of land that could be used for commercial developments.

Today, small privately owned jets are able to land at the airport.<sup>55</sup>

The Laconia Airport is only one of four airports in New Hampshire that have regular commercially scheduled flights to Boston and New York--the others being Lebanon, Keene, and Manchester. Winnipiesaukee Aviation, Inc. makes four round trips from Gilford to Boston during the summer months and three round trips during the winter months.

There are also scores of privately owned planes housed

here.. Without a doubt the tremendous surge of tourists

and visitors to the Gilford area would drop sharply without

this airport. The Laconia airport makes a valuable contribution

to the tourists industry in Gilford and the Lakes Region.

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## XVIII.. Lakes Region Day Care Center

The Lakes Region Day Care Center began about five years ago in the First United Methodist Church when it was located in Laconia. The center moved with the church when it moved to Gilford in 1969. The Lakes Region Day Care Center was a project growing out of an interest of many of the church people together with some people in the community. The church provides the center with space free of charge and also provided the utilities for the first four years free of charge. 57

Sarah Pillofod is the present director of the Lakes Region Day Care Center and there is a Board of Directors consisting of 30 people. Ten of the members of the board are members of the church, ten are from the community at large, and ten are from the parents group. This was considered an ideal division. The center is basically a non-profit service institution designed to help persons who are working. The average attendance at the present is 45 although the center is licensed by the state for 50. There is a total of seven people on the staff.

XIX. Laconia Animal Hospital

Gunnstock Acres is a large fairly exclusive housing development on Route 11A near the Methodist Church in Gilford is the Laconia Animal Hospital which opened in March of 1968. Owned by Dr. Robert Billin, the Laconia

Animal Hospital caters to the entire Lakes Region area. According to Dr. Billin, the practice is limited to small animals with dogs and cats being treated most often.

However, on occasion Dr. Billin and his assistant, Dr. Michael Ware, will treat wild animals, birds, and even snakes. Besides the two doctors, there are three receptionist assistants. Dr. Billin is a graduate of the Ontario Veterinarian Hospital in Canada.

Like Winnepesaukee there is an indoor heated Olympic size swimming pool, as well as sunning beds. The development also has its own private beach on Lake Winnepesaukee and several tennis courts.

There is not really a close association between Gunnstock Acres and rest of the community of Gilford. At the present time there is some feeling of enmity on the part of Gunnstock Acres toward Gilford regarding what Gunnstock Acres feels is an unjustified tax burden on the property owners of Gunnstock Acres.

## XX. Gunstock Acres

However, the land values in the development have soared  
in Gunstock Acres is a large fairly exclusive housing  
development area presently owned by Leisure Living Inc.,  
a subsidiary of New England Properties Inc. of Fitzburgh,  
Mass. Located on Route 11A near the Gunstock Recreational  
Area there are seven hundred and seventy-six house lots  
on a total of 800 acres. At the present time there are  
actually only 202 homes built in the development leaving  
574 undeveloped lots. Advertised as a "Year Round Family  
Vacation Community", Gunstock Acres does have much to offer  
for those willing to pay the price. The prices of the  
undeveloped lots range anywhere between \$10,000 and \$20,000  
depending on the location and whether or not it has a view  
of Lake Winnepesaukee. There is an indoor heated Olympic  
size swimming pool, as well as sauna baths. The develop-  
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However, the land values in the development have soared in recent years although the present energy crisis has slowed the sales of the lots somewhat according to Jerry Gagnon, general manager.

With the advent of new legislature in Concord regarding controls over large developments in the state and the obvious opposition of communities in New Hampshire towards developments similar to Gunstock Acres, I feel that it is unlikely to be other developments started like Gunstock Acres in Gilford.

Originally, plans were simply to build a 60-acre shopping center to replace one that had blown down earlier on Colborn Hill in Norwich. However, when the men who were working on the project as well as some local Bedford County residents became impressed with the initial possibilities the plan was altered for winter and summer recreation. A proposal was made to request the Federal Government for permission to establish a CCC camp at the Gilford location. This proposal was approved by Senator Fred Brown, and some Federal funds were secured under the new Works Progress Administration, and another \$50,000 was provided by the State. The large project transformed Gilford into a ski and summer-camp area virtually overnight.

XXI. Recreational Industries of Gilford, included:  
60 meter ski jump; grading and leveling of the entire area around the jump; draining of the entire central area; <sup>63</sup> ~~sober~~ Formerly known as the Belknap Mt. Recreational Area until 1968 when the name was changed to Gunstock 60 feet Recreational Area, Gunstock Area, (name changed again November 1973) owns its existence to the Emergency Relief Bridges of Administration Work Project (the first national relief projects organization making Federal funds available for public recreation works and creating employment while helping to construct community facilities) which started on April 3, 1935. <sup>63</sup> ~~and~~ Originally, plans were simply to build a 60 meter ski jump to replace one that had blown down earlier on Cotton Hill in Laconia. However, when the men who were working on the project as well as some local Belknap County officials became impressed with the infinite possibilities the Belknap area offered for winter and summer recreation, a proposal was made to request the Federal government in Washington to establish a CCC camp at the Gilford <sup>63</sup> ~~area~~ Recreation Area. Through the efforts of Senator Fred Brown, the huge Federal grant was secured under the new Works Projects Administration, and another \$50,000 was provided by Belknap County. The huge project transformed Gilford into a ski and summer-camping resort area virtually overnight. <sup>60</sup> ~~at~~ chair lifts, there are three T-bars, a rope tow and no less than 24 trails.

"The ambitious proposals made by Coleman included: 60 meter ski jump; grading and leveling of the entire area around the jump; draining of the entire central area; toboggan chute; twelve shelters and fireplaces for summer and winter picnics; slalom course and shelter 2600 feet long, with 600 foot vertical drop; spring house and developments; five miles of improved ski trails; three bridges of rustic design and one bridge of reinforced steel and concrete structure; 20-acre parking lot; and extensive road construction leading to and through the area."<sup>61</sup>

The entire project was the most ambitious of its kind and upon completion of the 60 meter jump the Eastern Amature Ski Association was instrumental in having the annual Eastern Amature Ski Association ski jumping championships held here year after year so that by 1942 the area had become the official championship site.<sup>62</sup>

One of the first and longest rope tows in the United States was started in January, 1935 on the west slope of Mt. Gunstock. In February of 1938 a new single chair lift was dedicated being the second to be constructed anywhere in the world. Never before had a slalom run, downhill trails, a ski jump, and a cross country course ever been built within a self-contained complex.<sup>63</sup>

Today Gunstock Area is flourishing as never before. Besides four chair lifts, there are three T-bars, a rope tow and no less than 24 trails.

The total number of miles in these trails is 35. Today the acreage owned by Gunstock Area is 1300, which includes the land atop Mt. Gunstock. Gunstock has an excellent ski school under the able direction of the former Austrian Olympic star Egon Zimmerman.<sup>64</sup>

Over the years Gunstock has produced some of the world's best skiers. Penny Pitou, winner of two silver medals in the 1960 Olympics at Genoble, France, first skied at the Gilford Outing Club and Gunstock. Kent Yale, aspiring Olympian from Gilford, before his tragic death in a skiing accident in Washington last winter, also was a product of the Gunstock Ski School.

Gunstock Area is a year round recreational area. There are 500 camping sites in the complex and a huge Olympic size swimming pool has been built. There are miles of trails to hike on including one to the summit of Mt. Belnap, the highest mountain in the Belnap Mt. Range with an altitude of 2,384 feet. There is a fire tower at the top of the Mt. Belnap operated by the Forestry Dept. The double chair lift to the top of Mt. Gunstock - a distance of 6500 feet affords a most spectacular view of Lake Winnepesaukee and numerous mountain ranges in the distance. Gunstock Area is truly a recreational paradise and an intregal part of the tourist industry of Gilford.<sup>65</sup>

B. Mt. Rowe Recreational Area Inc.

The Mt. Rowe Recreational Area Inc. is owned and operated by Rene Avignor. The area consists of 100 acres and caters to skiers from all over New England as well as the Lakes Region. With 10 miles of trails and snow-making equipment, the area is expanding since its recent beginning in 1965, as a skiing area. Besides a two-mile long chair lift, the area also has a T-bar, and a pony lift.<sup>66</sup>

The Mt. Rowe Recreational Area Inc. is located in the same general area as the Gunstock Recreational Area and was built because the Gunstock Area was not able to handle all the skiers who would come on weekends. Since skiing has continued to grow, the area now has its own clientele and as added feature has now added night skiing. Today two of the steepest slopes in New England are located at Mt. Rowe. They are Mission Impossible and Harry Scary.<sup>67</sup>



## D. Pheasant Ridge Country Club

The Pheasant Ridge Country Club came into being on Jan. 1, 1973 when Keewaydin Shores Inc. and Pike Realty Inc. jointly purchased the Gilford Country Club in a foreclosure sale. Officially known as Pheasant Ridge Enterprises, the Pheasant Ridge Country Club is situated on 305 acres in the southwestern portion of Gilford and commands a panoramic view of the Lakes Region. There is a 9-hole golf course as well as two new tennis courts on the premises. According to Mrs. June Lavalle, secretary for Keewaydin Shores Inc., there is also a 1,000 person capacity ballroom--convention hall--the largest in the Lake Winnepesaukee area. All facilities are open to the general public including the snack bar and lounge. At the present time future expansion of the concern is pending. 69

XXII. Marinas of Gilford

A. Gilford Marina

1972 was 215,000. An ice house was once located on this  
Situating on 32 acres of land and Route 11B on  
beautiful Lake Winnepesaukee, Gilford Marina is the

largest marina on the lake and caters to the wealthy  
clientele judging from the number of large cruisers.

With 250 wet slips for boats and 125 dry storage slips  
as well as three major storage and service buildings  
including one large rack storage building, Gilford Marina  
is well equipped to handle the large number of boats that  
it does. Presently owned by Gerald Fagan, the net worth  
of this concern is put at \$1,000,000, with total gross  
sales estimated at \$350,000 annually. The firm employs  
eight people during the winter and increases this number  
to 25 during the busy summer tourist season. 70 employees

B. Fay's Boat Yard

Located on Smith's Cove near Varney Pt. is Fay's  
Boat Yard. Started by Wilbur Fay in 1944, this concern  
is presently owned by Wilbur's son, Merrill Fay. In  
1946 there were 10 boating slips available. This has  
grown today to 300 boating slips. Situated on eight  
acres and valued at \$200,000, Fay's Boat Yard employs  
only three people during the winter months and nine  
during the busy summer season.

According to the owner, Merrill Fay, the gross sales during 1973 were \$150,000. An ice house was once located on this spot from which Gilford and the neighboring city of Laconia received ice from Lake Winnepesaukee. 71

C. Taber's Marina

Formed in 1962 in Smith's Cove on Lake Winnepesaukee by Aymer Taber, Taber's Marina is strictly a boat slip renting facility. With 60 slips, Taber's Marina has practically the same customers year after year. The average rental fee for the season per slip is about \$200.00. 72

D. Goodhue Boat Yard Inc.

Started in 1947 by John Goodhue, Goodhue Boatyard Inc. is presently owned by Manny Makris who bought the business in 1972. The business is presently located in the Glendale section of Gilford next to the Town Marina. On Oct. 31, 1960, the boatyard was struck by a disastrous fire - loss estimated at \$150,000. Undaunted, Mr. Goodhue replaced what had been destroyed with commodious buildings and modern equipment, improving the general appearance at Glendale harbor. 73 Today this building houses the Marine Division of the New Hampshire Dept. of Safety - the headquarters for all the boating and maintenance equipment for the entire state.

Capt. John Goodhue was a far sighted man. "On visits to Florida he observed what had been done there to extend shore line inland by canals. His porposal that simlar methods be adopted, reaching into back land around Glendale quickly caught on."<sup>74</sup>

Presently the business employs two full-time employees in addition to the owner. During the summer two additional employees will be hired. The firm sells Starcraft Cruisers only. The business is presently located to the rear of the large building built by John Goodhue and presently owned by the state.<sup>75</sup>

E.. Silver Sands Motel and Marina Inc.

Smaller than Gilford Marina, Silver Sands also is an important marina in Gilford, situated on eight acres on Lake Winnepesaukee. With 80 boat slips and a 29 unit motel and cottage complex as well as storage facillities and boat sales buildings, Silver Sands does a thriving business during the summer months. The present owner is Mr. Robert Gagnon. Silver Sands has been in the Gagnon family for the past 17 years, according to Mr. Gagnon. This concern is located next to Gilford Marina.<sup>76</sup>

## XIII. General Industries in Gilford

## A. Northern Tooling Inc.

Northern Tooling Inc. is a tool and precision machine shop with a total of four employees including the president, Armin Langsten. Located on Route 11, Northern Tooling Inc. are manufacturers of highly mechanized production machinery primarily built on customer requests. According to the owner, Armin Langsten, Northern Tooling Inc. will usually make proposals and recommendations and then build to customer's specifications. In the past Northern Tooling Inc. has made crutch assembly machines for surgical needles. Northern Tooling Inc. does most of its work for out-of-state concerns and does a great deal of work for firms in South America and Puerto Rico. 77

## B. Win-Door of New England, Inc..

Win-Door of New England, Inc. is located on Route 11 near the Gilford Shopping Center. Located in Gilford for the past thirteen years, this concern sells many products made out of aluminum, such as aluminum siding, aluminum windows, aluminum doors, aluminum screens, installed aluminum panels, and the like. According to the president-treasurer, Richard Talbert, Win-Door manufactures about 25% of what it sells in its present building.

The other 75% is bought directly from larger aluminum dealers. Grossing \$150,000.00 per year, this company has five full time employees. During the summer usually three additional employees are hired. The president-treasurer of Win-Door of New England, Inc. is Richard Talbert. 78

#### C. Nalew's Inc.

Only fourteen years old Nalews is perhaps the industry in Gilford most likely to make the most growth strides in the future. Housed in a modern two-and-one-half story building near the airport, this industry moved to Gilford from Meredith five years ago. Started in Meredith in 1960 by Phillip Swett, Nalews now employs 38 people in Gilford. Nalews are construction engineers specializing in water treatment facilities and sewage treatment plants on the eastern seaboard. Currently Nalews is supervising and engineering the building of sewage treatment plants in Middletown, Conn., Springfield, Mass., Trondequoit, New York, and Fort Lauderdale, Florida. 79

#### D. Gilford Industries

Located adjacent to Gilford Marina, Gilford Industries is engaged in the land and real estate field principally. They also sell Lindal-Cedar Homes and their present office is located in one of these homes..

Gilford Industries is developing Lake Forest Estates on Little Squam Lake in Holderness, N.H. This development is situated on 140 acres and consists of 65 house lots.

Recently Gilford Industries bought Steam Village in Gilford but has no immediate plans as to how they will operate or develop it. The president of Gilford Industries is Mr.

Robert Valpey. Gilford Industries formerly owned the Gilford Marina. 80

#### E. Sturrock Construction Corp.

Owned and operated by Robert Jones of Governor's Island, Sturrock Construction Corp. is engaged principally in the construction and restoration of fine homes. Many of the palatial homes located on Governor's Island were built by the Sturrock Construction Corp. The Corp. also does some maintenance work for clients such as plowing in the winter and mowing and mancurring of lawns in the summer time. Originally started by David Sturrock, now a retired real estate dealer, the Sturrock Construction Corp. has seven year-round employees and hires six additional employees during the summer. Several of the finest finish carpenters in the Lakes Region area are said to be in the employ of the Sturrock Construction Corp. 81

#### F. Gouin Plumbing and Heating Inc.

Owned by Maurice Gouin, the plumbing and heating business started in 1958. 82

Presently there are 12 employees working for Mr. Gouin. Several years ago, Mr. Gouin started the Gilford Construction Co. in conjunction with his other business. He is involved in the general construction of new homes and renovations. Mr. Gouin also owns Maurice's Bath and Kitchen Center in Laconia.<sup>82</sup>

G. Two-Way Communication Service Inc.

Two-Way Communication Service Inc. is involved in servicing two-way F.M. Motorola radios especially for the fire and police departments of the Lakes Region area. Located on Lilly Pond Road near the airport, only two employees work out of this small building. Ernest Cote is the local manager. The owner, Hank Bartlett, also has two other service buildings in New Hampshire -- one in Portsmouth and another in Manchester.<sup>83</sup>

H. Lemay's Recon Center Inc.

Situated on five acres on Route 11A, Lemay's Recon Center Inc. is a re-conditioning center for the Chrysler Corp. of Detroit, Michigan. Employing 60 people this concern simply reconditions cars which have been leased for six months by the Chrysler and various leasing companies as the Avis Rent A Car Co.

These cars have relatively low mileage and once they have been thoroughly cleaned and re-conditioned are auctioned off to dealers who come from the New England states as well as New Jersey and New York. According to Barbara Bertholet, the office manager, Lemay's is apt to have anywhere from 1,000 to 1400 cars on the lot awaiting being reconditioned or being auctioned. These auctions are held every other Tuesday having been started in 1965 by the president, Maurice Lemay. This is a rather unique business for Gilford since they are one of only fourteen centers throughout the United States which auction cars for the Chrysler Corp.<sup>84</sup>

I. Public Service Co. of New Hampshire

The Public Service Co. of New Hampshire has a fairly large sales and operations building in Gilford. All line construction and maintenance for the general area of Laconia, Gilford, Sanbornton, Belmont, Alton, and Gilmanton is handled from this building.<sup>85</sup> There are 40 employees and the total land area owned by the Public Service Co. in this location is five acres. The division manager for the areas of Conway, Ossipee, Laconia, Franklin, and Bristol has his headquarters in this building as does the general electrical superintendent for these areas.<sup>86</sup>

While talking with John Brinks, the manager of the sales department office operations, meter and service departments, I was curious as to where the electrical power for the Gilford area is generated. According to Mr. Brinks, the power comes mostly from a generating plant in Bow and another from the Schiller Station in Portsmouth.. Also, as I learned, the New England power companies have pooled their power-generating resources into what is known as NEPOOL. The obvious reason for this is to safeguard against power shortages in particular areas at certain times. Because of this Gilford at times is apt to be receiving electrical power generated by nuclear reactors from Maine Yankee and Vermont Yankee.<sup>87</sup> According to Mr. Brinks, reliable forecasts indicate that the demand for electricity by Public Service Co. of New Hampshire's customers will double by the early 1980's.. Because of this New Hampshire will hopefully have its own nuclear power plant at Seabrook by the early 1980's.<sup>88</sup>

J. Kip and Joe's Inc.

Kip and Joe's Inc. is the Volkswagen dealership for the Lakes Region area and is located in Gilford, having moved here in 1961, from Holderness, N.H. The business was started in Holderness by Rowland Keith, Joseph Long, and Clifton Hawkins..

Located in a modern building on five acres of land on Route 11, the firm employs a total of 25 people and last year's sales were about 2.5 million. Valued at \$300,000 the firm sells new and used Volkswagen cars and buses as well as Indian Motorcycles.<sup>89</sup>

K. Glendale Imported Cars Inc.

Started in Holderness, N.H. in 1967 by Rowland Keith and Joseph Long, the present owners of Kip and Joess Inc., (the Volkswagen garage in Gilford) Glendale Imported Cars Inc. moved to Gilford in 1970. Formerly known as the Lakes Region Toyota, the dealership includes the sale of Indian motorcycles, as well as Saab cars. Located on Route 111 in a fabricated metal building, the dealership changed hands and name in 1972 when it was bought by Bruce Massie and Ronald Twillett. There are a total of 16 employees at Glendale Imported Cars Inc. and the net worth of the building, land, and dealership is placed at \$200,000.<sup>90</sup>

L. Gilford Well Co., Inc.

Located at the junction of Routes 11 and 11B, the Gilford Well Co., Inc. is owned by Norman Harris and his wife Joyce, who have owned the business since 1961.

The business was bought from Andrew Purington who started it in 1948. There are eight full-time employees and the firm covers all of New Hampshire, parts of Vermont, and southern Maine. There is a total of 16 vehicles, including two rotary, pneumatic air-drills, the latest in high pressure drills.<sup>91</sup>

M. Lakes Region Disposal Co., Inc.  
and the

Lakes Region Transit Co., Inc.

The Lakes Region Disposal Co., Inc. has been owned by Fred Shurbert and his wife, Elizabeth since 1946.

Located on Route 11A next to Mr. Shurbert's home, this concern handles the disposal of rubbish for the City of Laconia as well as the towns of Gilford, Belmont, Filton, and Waterville Valley. The business also provides container service for many other communities in the Lakes Region.<sup>92</sup>

The Lakes Region Transit Co., Inc. was formed by Mr. Shurbert in 1958 to provide school bus services to the town of Gilford and Belmont. Presently Mr. Shurbert has a total of 19 buses. Mr. Shurbert has a total of 28 full-time employees and employs six part-time in both of his businesses.<sup>93</sup>

XXIV. Recreational Resort Areas of Gilford and Restaurants

A. White Owl Motor Court and Motel

Located on Route 3 on the Laconia line, the White Owl Motor Court has 45 cabins which are rented only during the summer months. Mr. Anthony Wyszacki has been the owner for the past five years. There is a swimming pool available for the guests and there is a total of seven acres of land.<sup>94</sup>

B. Margate Motel Inc.

Margate Motel Inc. is located in both Gilford and Laconia, since it has motel units on both sides of Route 3. In Gilford it has a 54 motel unit of modern construction along with two recently built tennis courts and a large outdoor pool. In Laconia there is a 34 unit motel as well as a large dining room and a beautiful indoor pool. The motel unit in Gilford was completed in 1969. Margate Motel Inc. is owned by the Antico family. The general manager is Fred Audet.<sup>95</sup>

C. King's Grant Inn

Featured as a Resort Motor Lodge, King's Grant Inn is a large resort area with 35 cottages, several chalets, and rooms to rent.

Located at the junction of Route 11B and 11C, the inn has complete facilities for its guests including 180 acres of land, bowling alleys, and a large swimming pool. Opened year-round, the inn has been owned and managed by Ralph Krauss for the past 23 years. The inn also features its own ski tow. 96

D. Saunders Bay Motel and Cottages

Located on Route 11B on Lake Winnepesaukee, this resort complex has 23 cabins and 22 motel units and is open year-round. There is an outdoor swimming pool as well as a recreational lounge area. Edward Richards has been the owner of this business for the past five years. 97

E. Bluebird Motel Court

Located on Route 3, the Bluebird Motel Court has 23 cabins and four motel units. Mr. Arthur Drouin has been the owner of this business since 1952. 98

F. Ames Farm and Chanticleer on Winnepesaukee

Two well known resort areas in Gilford which are located on Lake Winnepesaukee are Ames Farm and Chanticleer on Lake Winnepesaukee.

Ames Farm is situated on ten acres and has 16 houses keeping cabins directly on the lake on Route 11B near the Alton town line.

Owned by James Ames - namesake of one of the original founders of Gilford in 1777 - Ames Farm has been in the Ames family for many years and has a most picturesque setting on the lake.. Besides the cottages there are also several apartment facilities and a dining room.<sup>99</sup>

Chanticleer on Lake Winnepesaukee is also located on Route 11B near the Glendale section of Gilford. Also known as the Chanticleer Motor Inn, this resort has 35 cottages located near the lake on 17 acres of land.. James Ryan is the present manager.<sup>100</sup>

#### G.. The Arlberg

Located on Route 11A (Cherry Valley Rd.) near Gunstock Area, the Arlberg features an above average restaurant as well as a cocktail lounge, ski shop, and gift shop. According to the present owner, John Rock, the Arlberg does rent rooms to guests - there are 12 in all - but does not have other facilities for accomodating people over-night. The Arlberg was started by Fred Nachbaur in 1937. Mr. Nachbaur sold his business to John Rock in November of 1973.<sup>101</sup>

According to Mr. Nachbaur, the Arlberg was named after a world famous ski area in Austria. The Arlberg is located between the states of Voralberg and The Tyrol in the Arlberg Pass area..

Berg is the German word for mountain and Arl refers to a low-growing carnivorous bush with cones which apparently is prevalent in this part of Austria. It was interesting to note that Hannes Schneider, the founder of the famous ski-school at Cranmore Mt.. in North Conway, N.H., came from this same ski area in Austria.<sup>102</sup> The cuisine of The Arlberg is well known throughout the Lakes Region area and the decor of the premises is strictly Austrian.

XXV. Stores in Gilford

A. Lakes Region Plaza

The Lakes Region Plaza opened in 1966 in Gilford after being under construction for two years. Located on the Laconia line on Route 11, the shopping center is used by Laconia residents as well as the other communities in the Lakes Region.. Started by Capitol Realty Trust Co. of Boston, Mass., the shopping plaza is apparently owned by a Mr.. Hoye who leases the stores to the various merchants..

The following stores are located in the Lakes Region Plaza:

- 1.. Star Market
- 2.. Deering Ice Cream Inc.
- 3.. Bradford Room (restaurant)
- 4.. Grant's Department Store
- 5.. Peek and Buy
- 6.. Elliott's Furniture
- 7.. State Liquor Store
- 8.. Radio Shack
- 9.. Osco Drug
- 10.. Laundromat
- 11.. Twin-Cinema (Theater) 103

The Lakes Region Plaza is a welcome addition to Gilford and fulfills a need of providing the local people and the tourists with a convenient shopping center without having to go into Laconia..

B. The Mart

The Mart is located on Route 11A across the street from Dean's Carpets. This large department store employs 53 people and is one of 70 Mart stores in New England.. Jude Rutten is the manager..

C. Globe Discount

The Globe Discount Store is located on Route 3 near the Laconia line and employs 20 people.. The manager is John Mercer. 104

D. Holbrook's Furniture World

Located on Route 3 in Gilford, Holbrook's Furniture World sells everything in furniture. William Holbrook is the owner and manager. There are four employees besides Mr. Holbrook. Holbrook's Furniture World has been in business for four years. 105

E. Dean's Floor Covering Center Inc.

Located at the junction of Route 11A and the Lily Pond Road is Dean's Floor Covering Center Inc. or Dean's Carpets as it is known. Owned by Howard Brodsky, Dean's Carpets is managed by Walter Simmons. Featuring everything in the way of carpeting and vinyl coverings, Dean's Carpets employs eight men and has been at this location since June of 1973, having previously been located near the Globe Store on Route 3 in Gilford.<sup>106</sup>

F. Boot Barn

Located at McIntyre Circle opposite from Matheson's Inc. is the Boot Barn which is owned by the Burgess Shoe Store of Wilton, Maine. The number of employees varies from four to seven depending on the season. This store sells shoes and general foot wear and has been at this location for the past five years.<sup>107</sup>

G. Matheson's Inc.

Located at McIntyre Circle near Route 3, Matheson's Inc. deals in rugs, upholstery, draperies, boat covers, and canvas work. This business has been at this location for eight years and employs seven full time people. The owners are Kenneth and Rachel Matheson. The manager is Robert Soucy.<sup>108</sup>

H. Kentucky Fried Chicken

Located on Route 3 in McIntyre Circle is Kentucky Fried Chicken. This business started in 1966 being a franchise in the Kentucky Fried Chicken Center chain. The local franchise owner is George Jones, who lives in Candia, N.H. The local manager is Walter Perry and there are six employees. This business will be moving to a new location in a building now under construction. This location will be in Gilford on Route 3 near the Globe Store. 109

I. Piche Ski Shop

Located on Route 11A near the Laconia line, Piche Ski Shop employs six full time employees and has been in business for 13 years. This firm sells ski equipment as well as hiking equipment, bicycles, and tennis equipment. The manager is Robert Bolduc and the owner is Francis J. Piche. 110

## XXVI. The History of the Gilford Public Library

The present librarian at the Gilford Public Library is Mrs. Ruth S. Pratt. She has been the librarian since 1963 having been an assistant librarian for two years prior to her present appointment. Mrs. Pratt has written a colorful history of the Gilford Public Library. Rather than paraphrasing what she has written I have chosen to quote directly from her paper. It is interesting to note that Gilford Library was not a Carnegie Library.

"In 1845, there were attempts to start a village library. There is very little known about this. There was apparently a Gilford Library Association. In 1892, this association turned it's collection of books over to the town which assumed control over the library.. But because of another act of the State Legislature, in 1893, which set off that section of Gilford, now known as Ward 6, Laconia, Gilford was again without a library. At the first town meeting after this occurred, the townspeople again petitioned for a free public library.

Under the provisions of Chapter 8 of the Public Statutes, the town appropriated the sum of \$25 to establish a free public library.

Nothing was done at that time; however, at the next annual meeting, in 1894, \$25 more was appropriated. With this \$50 and 100 books donated by the State of New Hampshire, the library was opened to the public in November of that year.

The first library was located in the home of Deacon Heamon Hunter. The first librarian was his daughter, Mrs. Carrie Gill. In 1897, the library was moved to the town hall. In 1902, it was again moved to larger quarters in that same building. That year, the collection was 1214 volumes. In 1907, it became evident that larger rooms were needed. The Library Board of Trustees began to look into the possibility of Carnegie Funds for aid in new building. From 1907 to 1920, the library reports to the town all begged for a new building. Because the collection had grown and the patronage along with it, the people pressed for something to be done. At the town meetings of 1922, 1923, 1924, the sums of \$1,000, \$2,000 and \$500, respectively, were appropriated for a library building. On October 14, 1924, the construction of the present library was begun on land donated for this purpose by the Rev. and Mrs. W.F. Harding. Many changes have taken place since then. Instead of 4,076 volumes, we have more than 9,000 books plus 32 periodicals and a collection of recordings. Instead of one floor, we now have two levels.

Non-fiction and reference materials are housed in the lower level. A children's room, young adult's room and adult fiction area are on the street floor level. The single librarian now has a staff of three able assistants. Our facilities are further extended by cooperation with other libraries in the area, as well as the State Library in Concord. The bookmobile service from Concord was first started in 1921 when we borrowed 3,029 books.

Through the years, our town has grown from a handful of settlers to more than 4,000 residents. The library has grown along with it because the people support the library in every way possible." 111

Since Mrs. Pratt wrote this paper the number of volumes has increased to 10,000. The circulation has also showed an increase. In 1971 the circulation was 13,716, in 1972 it was 19,460, and in 1973 it grew to 21,325. 112

The Gilford Public Library is located in the center of the town near Route 11A. It is a single story wooden building. The building has to all intents and purposes reached the limit to which it can be utilized in its present state. As the Town of Gilford grows in the future the library will need to be expanded.

## XXVII. Recommended Wholesaler

Based on the replies I have received from my inquiries into some of the wholesalers in the U.S., I have selected the Baker and Taylor Co. to be my wholesaler. The reasons I have selected Baker and Taylor to be my wholesaler are listed below:

1. The first shipment of an order is normally made within 3 to 5 working days of order's receipts.
2. The company maintains that 80% of an average school order is filled from stock in the first shipment.. (Baker and Taylor has the largest book inventory in this country -- over 200,000 titles stocked in four regional library service centers)..
3. Non-stock or temporarily out-of-stock titles are ordered from publishers and accumulated for a second and final shipment made within 65 to 75 days (the only exception to this is that 2 to 3 weeks of additional time are needed for shipment of processed books and 4 to 6 weeks additional time are required for prebound book shipments)..
4. Titles not available at the time of the second shipment are automatically cancelled.
5. The company will notify me of titles reported by publishers to be out-of-print or not yet published with my first order.
6. Other reports of unavailable items will be made known to me with the second shipment..
7. Invoices are mailed first class within a few days following book shipments.
8. Invoices will be supplied in almost any sequence that I prefer:: alphabetically by author, title or publisher, numerically by item number, or the same sequence as on my purchase order.

9. The company will supply its own order forms free although any order forms may be used.
10. Orders may be submitted in any sequence.
11. Billing, shipping and reporting procedures will be tailored to meet my specific requirements.
12. The company supplies processing for virtually all new titles, K-12.
13. The company offers forty cataloging options and the cost is only 60¢ additional per book.
14. Processing kits are available with book orders at 29¢ per kit.
15. The company will provide Book Selection guides with annotated listings for elementary and secondary school titles free of charge.
16. The company carries a complete stock of books in trade bindings and in publishers library bindings.
17. Prebindings of trade editions, paperbacks, etc. are available upon request.
18. The company has a return privilege for credit or replacement. However stamped or processed books cannot be returned unless they are defective.
19. The company has an expanded book service with pre-binding to ALA specifications available.
20. All A/V material ordered is shipped free.
21. A/V material may be ordered "on-approval".
22. Catalog cards for A/V materials are supplied if they are furnished by the A/V producer.
23. The company supplies a standing-order service.
24. The company extols itself as giving most competitive discounts in the industry.

Although many of the questions I asked the various wholesalers I wrote to were not answered, I feel fairly sure that Baker and Taylor would be a good wholesaler to begin with. Undoubtedly, there would be some things about the concern that I would not be happy about but this is to be expected. I would have to learn by experience..

## XXVIII. List of Books Needed by the Gilford Public Library

While writing this paper and having several talks with the librarian of the Gilford Public Library, Ruth Pratt, I have had an opportunity to learn of several weaknesses in the present collection. The new Gilford Middle-High School intends to offer German and French as its basic foreign languages. The library's present collection in these languages is woefully weak. I was able to locate one instructional book in German and only one in French. I feel the library should make several acquisitions in both of these languages if it is to meet the demands of the students who will inevitably need help in these languages. I want to emphasize the fact that although I have selected these books to be included in the library's collection based on their annotations, I would first want to examine them myself. Having studied German for a year, I think I would have some grounds upon which to make a decision on the books in German. Also, before making a purchase I would want to perhaps consult the teachers of these languages at the new high school to ascertain their view points.

Another weakness I have noticed in the library is in the field of Earth Sciences, particularly Oceanography, the Ice Age, and rivers on the middle-grades level.

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GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
APRIL 1964

Another area of weakness is in Chemistry. The following list of books represents my recommendation of books the Gilford Public Library should purchase to fill these deficiencies:

1. "Kany, Charles Emil, 1985 -  
Spoken German for travelers and tourists,  
 by Charles E. Kany and Christian F. Melz. Little 1954 (c1946) 229p \$2.95  
 438.24

- 1 German language - Conversation and phrase books 54-2392

First published by Health 1946 with title: spoken German for students and travelers

The purpose of this book is to offer easy but adequate conversational German to travelers and tourists in Germany and Austria. It may be used not only by beginners with no knowledge of German, but also as a 'vade mecum' in traveling. A skeleton grammar is appended for the benefit of those who may wish to consult it. Preface "13

2. "Pei, Mario Andrew, 1901 -  
Getting along in German; a Holiday magazine language book, by Mario Pei and Robert Politzer, with the editorial collaboration of Gustave Mathieu. Harper 1957 226p map (Holiday magazine language ser) \$2.50 438.24

- 1 German language - Conversation and phrase books 57-8192

The authors begin with a lively brief analysis of German language. Then follows a fairly rich collection of phrases, arranged by topic; English text is given with German translation (and pronunciation). Concise grammatical outline may aid beginners, and so will English-German and German-English vocabularies. This attractive volume will greatly help individuals traveling to Central Europe. Library J. "14

3. "Betteridge, Harold T.  
(ed.) New Cassell's German dictionary;  
German-English, English-German. Based on  
the editions by Karl Breul. Completely  
rev. and re-edited, by Harold T. Betteridge;  
with a foreword by Gerhard Cordes. Funk  
1958 619p \$7, thumb indexed \$7.75  
433
- 1 German language - Dictionaries 58-7924  
First edition 1888 compiled by Miss  
Elizabeth Weir
- 1 A completely new book which maintains  
the standard of scholarship set by its  
presursor, the 'Breul'. Every entry  
has been carefully revised. Hundreds of  
new entries have been added to cover  
contemporary, literary, practical, and  
colloquial German, and the scientific,  
technical, political, and economic  
developments of the past twenty years.  
Publisher's note" 115
4. "Breul, Karl Hermann, 1860-1932  
Heath's New German and English  
dictionary; with a phonetic key  
to pronunciation.. Rev.. and enl..  
by J. Heron Lepper and Rudolph  
Kottenhahn.. Heath 1939 2v 1n 1 \$5.50
- 1 German language - Dictionaries  
(47-39293)
- First published 1909  
Pt. 1 German-English; pt. 2 English-  
German.. The phonetics used in this  
dictionary are according to the system  
of the International phonetic association.  
Contains an index of German geographical  
and proper names, abbreviations, tables of  
weights and measures, and coinage" 116
5. "Curtis, Paul Holroyd, 1884-  
Basic German; a brief introduction to the  
German language. 3d ed. Prentice-Hall  
1952 129p \$2.75  
435
- 1 German language - Grammar 52-9523  
First published 1938  
The essential elements of German  
grammar have been clearly and briefly  
illustrated by examples. Preface to  
revised edition" 117

6. "Berlitz Schools of Languages of America, Inc.

The Berlitz self-teacher; French; ed. by the staff of the Berlitz Schools of Languages. Grossett 1949 286p illus \$2.95  
448.24

1 French language - Conversation and phrase books 49-7856

A home-study method of acquiring a foreign language with emphasis on learning by speaking the language; the grammar is only given incidentally. "118

7. "Madrigal, Margarita

Invitation to French, by Margarita Madrigal and Pierre Launay. Simon and Schuster 1945 207p illus \$2.95 448.24

1 French language - Conversation and phrase book 2 French language - Grammar 45-9399

'The acquisition of a working knowledge of French through immediate conversation, clarified with a pictured vocabulary and the elements of grammatical structure.' Pub W" 119

8. "Pei, Mario Andrew, 1901 -

Getting along in French; a Holiday magazine language book, by Mario Pei and John Fisher with the editorial collaboration of Paul Langelier. Harper 1957 211p map (Holiday magazine language ser) \$2.50  
448.24

1 French language - Conversation and phrase books 57-6140

'Primarily a word and phrase book for the use of American tourists in French-speaking countries, this also contains a concise introduction to the characteristics of the French language and to French Grammar.' "Booklist" 120

9. "Fraser, William Henry, 1853-1916

Standard French Grammar, by W. H.

Fraser and J. Squair and David Hobart

Carnahan. Heath 1931 621p illus map

(Heath's Modern Language ser) \$4.25

445

1 French language - Grammar 31-23785

'Presents to the students of French an opportunity for the complete study of French grammar, elementary and advanced. Preface" 121

10. "Chevalley, Abel, 1868-1934

(comp.) Concise Oxford French dictionary;

ary;; French-English, compiled by A.

Chevalley and M. Chevalley;; English-

French, comp. by G. W. F. R. Goodridge.

Oxford 1940 2v In 1 illus map \$3.75

443

1. French language - Dictionaries

(W) 42-24458

The separate volumes available as: The French-English section, revised 1950, \$#.75: The practical English-French dictionary for English-s peaking countries, 1940, \$1.40

First published 1934

Contains nearly 40,000 words (proper names included). Pronunciation is indicated according to the Passy-Michaells system adopted by the 'Association Internationale de Phonétique.' " 122

11. "Rawlins, George Mimms, 1902-

Chemistry in action, by George M.

Rawlins and Alden H. Struble.. 3d ed.

Heath 1956 591p illus \$4.88 540

1 Chemistry 56-13800

First published 1948. In the 1956 edition an outstanding feature 'is the liberal use of color. This makes the book more attractive and also gives added meaning and clarity to many of the figures. Many small changes have been made throughout the book for purposes of clarification and to bring the content up to date.

The exercises at the ends of chapters and units have been revised and many new problems added. Preface

A high school text designed (1) to help the student appreciate the role of chemistry in his life, and (2) to help him to reason scientifically  
Includes bibliographies #123

12. "Sanderson, Robert Thomas, 1912 -  
Introduction to chemistry. Wiley 1954  
542p illus \$5.50 540

1 Chemistry

54-5518

'In this new text, chemistry has been made palatable to the beginning student by the use of simple language and by explaining difficult concepts, such as ionization potentials, at some length. The author has not resorted to the usual device of including considerable descriptive material on the applications of chemistry. The book reads so easily that bright young people, even those who are still in high school, will be able to get a good deal out of it without the benefit of an instructor.' N Y New Tech Bks #124

13. "Taylor, Frank Sherwood, 1897 -  
The alchemists, founders of modern chemistry. Schuman 1949 246p  
illus. map (Life of science lib.) \$4

1 Alchemy

49-9930

'History of the science of wizards from earliest times to the beginning of the nineteenth century, which includes a discussion of the Hermetic philosophy and the relation of alchemy to modern chemistry. Will appeal to the merely curious as well as to scientists of all ages. Entertaining and unusual illustrations.'

Booklist

Recommendations for further reading;  
p238-42 #125

## 14.. "Brindze, Ruth

All about undersea exploration. Random  
House 1960 145p illus map (Allabout  
bks) boards \$1.95 (5-7) 551.4

1 Oceanography - Research 2 Skin and  
scuba diving 3 Bathyscaph

This book, illustrated with photographs,  
tells of the exploration of the ocean by  
helmet and Scuba divers, by bathyscaph  
and submarine. It describes the scientific  
research of seagoing oceanographers and  
discusses the equipment and discoveries of  
undersea archeologists, photographers, oil  
geologists, and cable experts. (Publisher)  
Suggestions for further reading: p142"126

## 15..

"The Gulf Stream"; illus. by Helene Carter.  
Vanguard 1945 62p illus maps  
boards \$3.95 (4-7) 551.4

1 Gulf Stream

'Beginning with Columbus and the first  
speculations about the mysterious objects  
which came afloat from the West, the  
author tells how the Gulf Stream affected  
the discovery and exploration of the New  
World, how man later studied it, and how  
it affects American and European weather,  
climate, and navigation.' The AAAS Science  
Book List for Children.

'Dramatic true stories of what men  
have learned about this ocean-river from  
Columbus' day to the present when the  
Gulf Stream influences aviation plans.  
Authenticated by the Museum of Natural  
History. Sweeping pictures in three  
colors.' Junior Literary Guild"127

## 16..

"The rise and fall of the seas; the story of  
the tides; illus. with photographs and  
with diagrams by Felix Cooper. Harcourt  
1964 96p illus maps \$3.50 (5-7) 551.4

1 Tides

The author tells 'how the sun and moon  
draw up the oceans to produce the tides  
and their amazing variations in height and  
depth, how men have made use of them  
in the past and may in the future, and  
... how earth and air, too, are subject  
to tidal motion.' Publisher's note." 128

17. "Buehr, Walter  
World beneath the waves; written and  
 illus. by Walter Buehr. Norton 1964.  
 112p illus map. \$3.25 (4-6) 551.4
- 1 Ocean 2 Oceanography 3 Marine  
 biology  
 'In a stimulating introductory book on  
 oceanography Mr. Buehr explains the char-  
 acteristics of the earth's oceans and their  
 relationship to all life on earth. He de-  
 scribes the vast ocean bottoms and marine,  
 vegetable, and animal life from the micro-  
 scope to the largest specimens.' Library J<sup>1129</sup>
18. "Darling, Lois  
Coral reefs; written and illus. by Lois  
 and Louis Darling. World Pub. 1963  
 86p illus maps \$2.95 (5-7) 551.4
- 1 Coral reefs and islands 2 Marine  
 biology  
 An 'account of the kaleidoscopic com-  
 munity of plants and animals that forms  
 the living reef. Explaining briefly the  
 main types of reefs -- fringing and barrier  
 reefs and atolls -- their distribution, ap-  
 pearance, and the theory of their origin the  
 authors then describe as one unit the en-  
 tire reef world. . . . A final section dis-  
 cusses the customs of the Pacific island  
 peoples, the Polynesians and Micronesians  
 and their changing culture.' Publisher's  
 note  
 A 'lucid account greatly enhanced by  
 many clear drawings and diagrams.'  
 Bookidst<sup>130</sup>
19. "Arnov, Boris, Jr.  
Oceans of the World. Bobbs, 1962. 190pp.  
 illus. \$3.50 62-1003H.
- Explains for the young reader the theories  
 of the formation of the sea, its coral and  
 volcanic islands, the tides, waves and ocean  
 currents, plant and animal life, the science  
 of oceanography, and the resources which the  
 ocean may hold for future generations." 131
20. "Wyller, Rose, and Gerald Ames  
The Story of the Ice Age. Harper, 1956  
 81pp. illus. LB \$2.73, net. 56-6816

Discusses glaciers in the past, present, and future. Prehistoric animals and present inhabitants of the tundra are described and the causes of glaciation are examined. "132.

21.. "White, Anne Terry

All about Mountains and Mountaineering.  
Random, 1962 143pp illus IB \$2.37

net. 62-15651

The origin, features, and conquerors-- from Hannibal to Hillary--of famous mountains. The Alps, Rockies, Andes and Himalayas are treated in separate chapters. "133

22.. "Poole, Lynn and Gray

Danger! Icebergs Ahead! Random, 1961  
79pp. illus. IB \$2.19 61-7768

Describes the formation, growth, and death of icebergs and glaciers, and the work of the International Ice Patrol. Lauber's Junior Science Book of Icebergs and with more emphasis on glaciers and ice caps. "134

23.. "Clarke, Arthur

The Challenge of the Sea. Holt, 1960  
167 pp. illus. IB \$3.95, net.  
60-11244

Mixes fact with science fiction in a very entertaining yet instructive style. Examines the many possibilities of the future for ocean farms, ranches, mines, and even towns, as well as the work which has been done in exploring the deep and learning more about its treasures. "135

24.. "Naden, Corinne J.

The first book of rivers: illus with maps by Dick Urso. Watts, F. c1967  
73p illus maps Ph-1 1-A \$1.99, 551.4

Facts about some principal rivers: p68-70

Explains why rivers are important as sources of drinking water, food, electric power, transportation. Includes articles on pollution, our future water supply and the seven most famous rivers in the world: the Amazon, the Congo, the Ganges, the Mississippi, the Nile, the Volga and the Yangtze. In addition, there is a chart on facts about some principal rivers.  
SUBJ: Water resources development. Rivers "136

25. "Popescu, Julian  
Rivers of the world, by Julian Popescu  
 and others. Walck, H.Z. c1962 2v  
 illus maps Ph-1 1-A \$2.25 551.4

Separate chapters on the great rivers of the world, giving history, course, and effect on the region through each flows. No index.  
 Contents: v1 The Danube, by Julian Popesco; The Amazon, by Victor Coverley-Price; The Niger, by A.H.M. Kirk-Greene; The Ganges, by Taya Zinkin and G.A. Gangal; v2 The Rhine, by Geoffrey Whittam; The Murray, by C.V. Craddock and Barbara Albiston; The Nile, by David Petrie; The St Lawrence, by Selwyn Dewdney.  
 SUBJ: Rivers #37

XXIX. Recommended List of Periodicals  
for the Gilford Public Library

The Gilford Public Library presently is receiving 32 periodicals which is above average for a library of this size, according to the Librarian, Mrs. Ruth Pratt, 138 The following list is my recommendation of periodicals to be added to the present periodical collection:

1. Science Digest, \$5.00/Yr., monthly, 10019. Science Digest, Box 654, New York, 10019.
2. The New York Times Magazine \$39. weekly (complete Sunday ed; not sold separately) New York Times, Times Bldg. 229, W. 43d St. New York, 10036
3. High Fidelity and Musical America, \$14. monthly, High Fidelity, 2160 Patterson St., Cincinnati, Ohio 45214
4. Changing Times, \$7., monthly, Changing Times, The Kiplinger Mag. Editor, Park, Md. 20782
5. Field and Stream, \$5.95, monthly, Field and Stream 75 Huntington Ave., Marion, Ohio 43302
6. Today's Health, \$5., monthly, Today's Health, 535 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 60610
7. Library Journal, \$16.20 semi-monthly, (m J1, Ag.) R.R. Bowker Co., Box 1807 Ann Arbor, Michigan
8. American Heritage \$20. bi-monthly, American Heritage, 383 W Center St., Madison, Ohio 43302

XXX. Book Selection Policy of Gilford Public Library

The library subscribes to the Library Bill of Rights of the American Library Association which affirms its' belief in the following basic policies:

1. As a responsibility of library service, books and other reading matter selected should be chosen for values of interest, information and enlightenment of all the people of the community. In no case should any book be excluded because of the race or nationality, or the political or religious views of the writer.
2. There should be the fullest practicable provisions of material presenting all points of view concerning the problems and issues of our times, inter-national, national and local; and books or other reading matter of sound factual authority should not be prescribed or removed from library shelves because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
3. Censorship of books, urged or practiced by volunteer arbiters of morals or political opinion or by organizations which would establish a coercive concept of Americanism, must be challenged by libraries in maintenance of their responsibility to provide public information and enlightenment through the recorded word.
4. The library also subscribes to the Freedom to Read statement prepared by the American Library Association and the American Book Publisher's Council.

5. Books and other materials presented as gifts will be accepted on the condition that the librarian has the authority to make whatever disposition he or she deems advisable.

6. Finally, it shall be the responsibility of the librarian to select books and other materials for the library. The librarian may receive help from anyone having an interest in the library but the librarian shall be responsible for the final selection.

7. 25% of the collection should be for juveniles and elementary, 60% of the adult collection should be non-fiction, and 15% of the total collection should be of interest to high school youth and up.

XXXI. Recommended Audio-Visual Policy  
for the Gilford Public Library

The library subscribes to the Library Bill of Rights of the American Library Association which affirms its belief in the following basic policies:

1. As a responsibility of library service, A/V material should be chosen for values of interest, information, and enjoyment of all the people of the community.
2. There should be the fullest practicable provisions of material presenting all points of view concerning the problems and issues of our times, international, national and local; and audio-visual material should reflect this tenet.
3. Censorship of audio-visual material, urged or practiced by volunteer arbiters of morals or political opinion or by organizations which would establish a coercive concept of Americanism, must be challenged by libraries in maintenance of their responsibility to provide public information and enjoyment through the spoken word.
4. A/V material presented as gifts will be accepted on the condition that the librarian has the authority to make whatever disposition he or she deems advisable.
5. It shall be the responsibility of the librarian to select materials for the library. The librarian may receive help from anyone having an interest in the library but the librarian shall be responsible for the final selection.



## XXXII. Resource File for Gilford

History of Gilford

Lorraine Royce 524-1508  
 John Weeks 524-4384  
 Hector Bolduc 524-1499  
 Raymond Watson 524-1807  
 Erastus Osgood (Holder of  
 the Boston Post Cane of  
 Gilford) 293-2251

History of Gilford Town Hall

Lorraine Royce

293-4900

History of Governor's Island

David Sturrock  
 Helen Park

366-4456  
 366-4679

Old Home Day History

John Weeks

524-4384

History of Gilford Grange

Marion Elliott

524-3796

History of Liberty Hill

Thomas Weekes

524-1499

History of Gilford Library

Ruth Pratt

524-6042

Growth of Gilford

Wilfred St. Laurent

293-7914

The Gilford Middle-High School

Dr. Leo Sanfacon

524-1441

Fire Safety and Prevention

Sherman Thompson  
 Alan Whitney

524-7500  
 524-7500

Traffic Safety

Bruce Cheney

524-5841

Antiques

William Hopkinson 524-3206  
 Esther Weeks 524-4384

Farming

Royal Smith 524-4884  
 John Weeks 524-4384  
 Arthur Labonte 524-1589

Poultry Farming

Clifford Eastman 524-3576

Lumbering

Walter Gardner 293-7822

Maple Sugaring

Royal Smith 524-4884  
 Edna Berquest 524-3552

Industries of Gilford

Ray Watson 524-1807

Photography

Loran Percy 524-4855

Conservation

Lucille Allen 524-3328  
 Ginny Tripp 524-6551  
 Rick Muehlike 524-9507

Gilford Village Historic District

Wayne Snow 524-1648  
 Peter Sawyer 524-4224  
 Peggy Slater 524-3848

Public Welfare in Gilford

William Connelly 293-4990

Planning Board

Robert Lemire 524-6257  
 Robert Machaffie 524-2928

Gillford Library

Ruth Pratt

524-6042

Gillford Playhouse

Allison Burchell

366-2261

Gunstock Ski Area

David Buckman

293-4341

Sporting Wear

Penny Pitou Zimmerman

524-4222

India

Dr. Donald Carey

524-7698

Japan and Australia

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Guild

524-1705

Burma

Ralph Prescott

366-4647

Art - Painting

Loran Percy

524-4855

Aileen Jensen

524-4454

Cynthia Kling

293-7740

Stewart Ivester (age 12)

524-9659

Commercial Art

Edward Ray

293-7700

Europe

Frederick Winterbottom

293-7126

Skiing

Egon Zimmerman

293-4978

Boating Safety

Richard Dame  
Tom McCabe  
David Ivester

293-7783  
293-7783  
524-9659

History of Lake Winnepesaukee

Richard Dame  
Edward Lavallee

293-7783  
524-3307

Books on Lake Winnepesaukee  
and the M.V. Mount Washington

Blackstone, Edward, Farewell Old Mt. Washington,  
1st ed., Staten Island, New York, Steamship  
Historical Society of America, 1969.

Blaisdell, Paul, Three Centuries on Lake  
Winnepesaukee, 1st ed., Concord, New Hampshire  
Rumford Press, 1936..

Clarke, E. Palmer, Winnepesaukee,  
1st ed., Rochester, New Hampshire,  
Record Press, 1935.

Gallup, Ronald, Lake Winnepesaukee,  
1st ed., Laconia, New Hampshire,  
By the Author, 1969

Hald, Bruce, Follow the Mount,  
1st ed., Meredith, New Hampshire  
By the Author, 1969

Hald, Bruce, Postmaster of the Lake,  
1st ed., Meredith, New Hampshire  
By the Author, 1971

Wilcomb, Edgar H., The Lakeport Cleft,  
1st ed., Worcester, Mass.  
By the Author, 1923  
(geology of Lake Winnepesaukee)

Wilcomb, Edgar H., Winnepesaukee Lake County  
Cleanings, 1st ed., Worcester, Mass.  
By the Author, 1923  
(historical sketches and stories of early days)

## XXXIII. Conclusion

As I stated in my introduction, Gilford is experiencing many changes. Interstate 93 and the Laconia by-Pass have significantly decreased travel time to Gilford from the South making the town easily accessible to residents of the large metropolitan areas. As a consequence the Gilford landscape has undergone significant changes because of new home building and growing recreational activity. Gilford appears to be transforming to a suburban community with increasingly urban characteristics.

The residents of Gilford are concerned about their town's future. At the recent town meeting many residents voiced their concern through a questionnaire over preserving Gilford's rural atmosphere, scenic vistas, open spaces, lakes and mountains. Almost all feared the rapid growth and losing the life style distinctive to Gilford. Since most projections put Gilford's year round population at 10,000 by the year 2,000 compared to 4, 126 now, their concerns are legitimate.

Gilford is attempting to have some control over its destiny. The Gilford Planning Board has formed a Land Use Committee to study ways and means of regulating the Town's growth.

on invoice

with order

At the Gilford Town Meeting in 1973, the Town established the Gilford Village Historic District in the heart of the village. The purpose of this was to preserve and safe-guard the heritage of the municipality. These are steps in the right direction and I believe Gilford will be able to control its growth and development.

Following this conclusion I have compiled a chart which assisted me in selecting Baker and Taylor as my wholesaler. A chart of this type is very helpful in that it enables one to quickly ascertain pertinent information regarding advantages and disadvantages of particular wholesalers. In the future I believe I will extend and broaden the scope of this chart to include additional wholesalers and headings.

BOOK

Baker & Taylor

Alasco

Braun-Dart

Hunting

Charles Clark

3	not	no	no
203	all	no	no
204	no	no	no
205	not	no	no
206	not	no	no
207	not	no	no
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249	not	no	no
250	not	no	no

add in with list of merchandise

204

yes

no

# BOOK JOBBERS

Discount Trade (Library)    Discount PLB    Cancel Time    % Completion 1st Shipment    Return Privilege    Processing Charge    Time to 1st Shipment <sup>(fully processed)</sup>    Trans- portation Charge    Reports

Baker Taylor	33 1/3	Net	80 Days		Yes	60¢	3-4 Weeks	pre-paid	
Alesco	33 1/3	8%	120 Days		Yes	49¢	4 Weeks	pre-paid	on invoice
Bro-Dart	33 1/3	3%	105 Days	65%	Yes	60¢	4 1/2 - 5 Weeks		With Order
Huntting	33 1/3	Net	Ship-Bill-Cancel or 120 Days		Yes	75¢	4-8 Weeks	pre-paid	on invoice 87
Charles Clark	33 1/3	Net	NO SET CANCEL DATE	60%	Yes	60¢	3-5 Weeks	Add on 1/2% of total	With invoice but separate

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Laconia, N.H. 03246  
March 15, 1974

NAME OF WHOLESALER

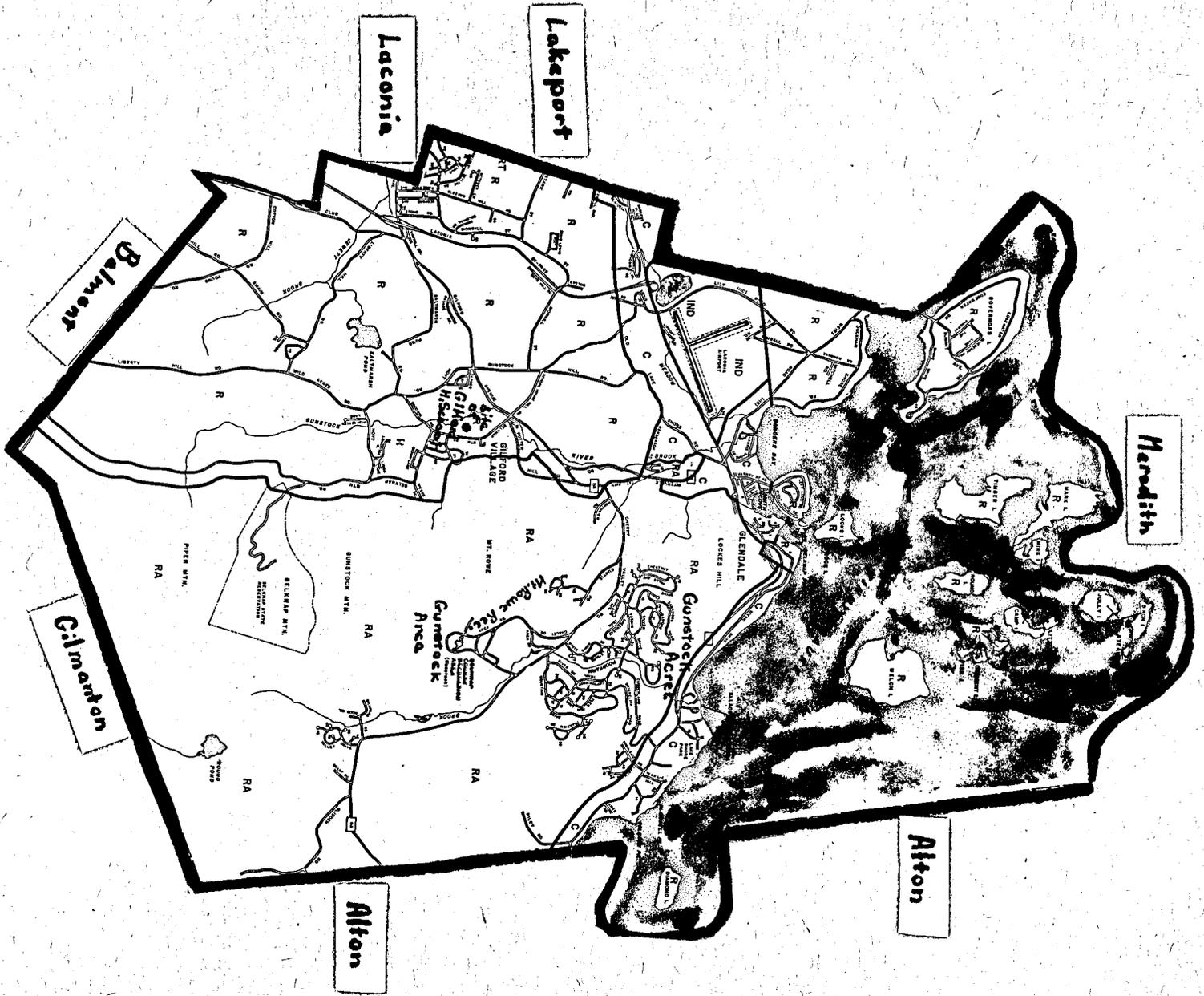
Dear Sir:

As I am presently taking a Library Science course on Book Selection at the University of Rhode Island, I need to acquire some information regarding your services. As a future school librarian I will want to have some basis upon which to select a wholesaler. Any information you can supply me about any or all of the following questions would be appreciated:

1. Do you have a return privilege?
2. What about defective copies?
3. Are there reporting services?
4. Would I be able to cancel out by a certain date?
5. Is there a standing order plan?
6. Do you ship an annual once a year?
7. Can you supply processing cards?
8. Do you have multi-billing options?
9. Are there shipping costs?
10. When can I expect the 1st shipment.
11. What is your policy regarding backorders?
12. What is your discount on trade books?
13. What percentage of the order can you usually fill?
14. Do you supply Book Selection guides?

15. Do you supply processing kits?
16. Can A/V material be ordered "on-approval"?
17. Do you have a graduated schedule on package deals?





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