

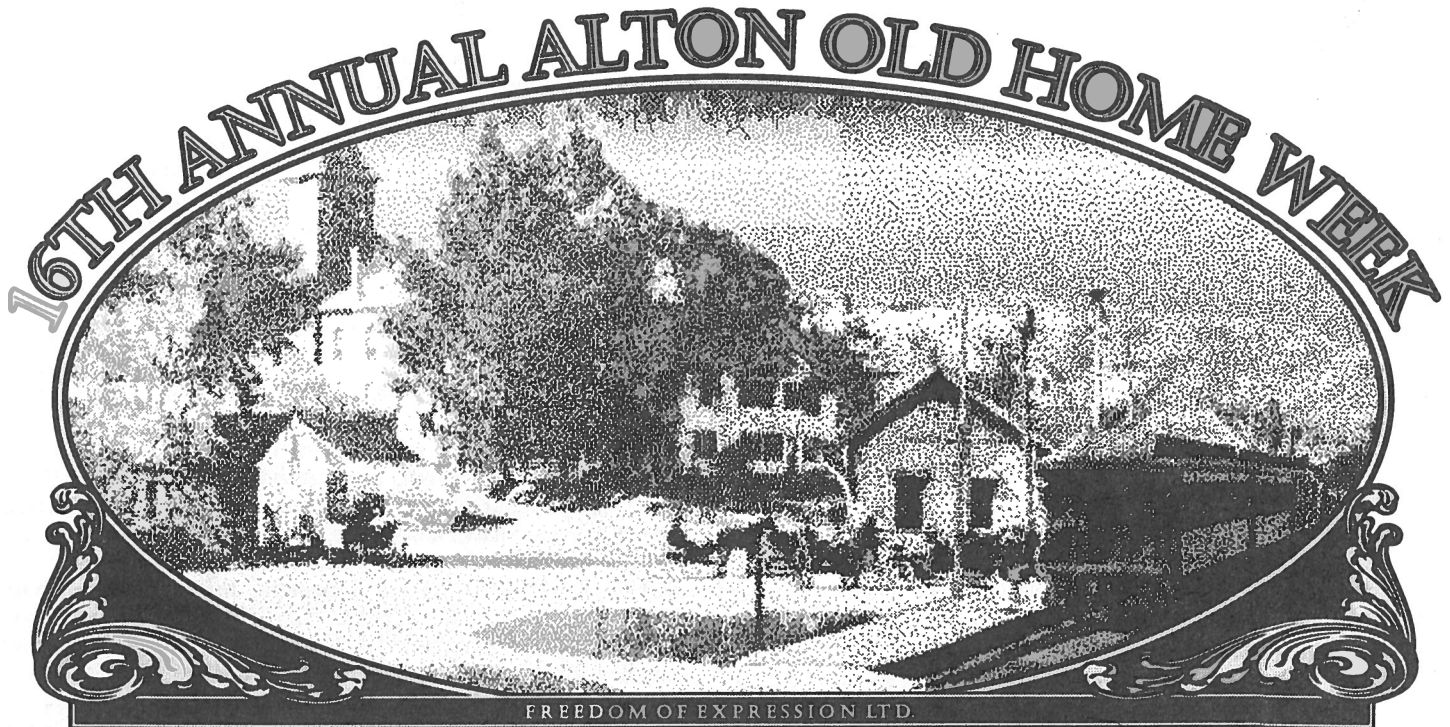


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Alton, New Hampshire



**AUGUST 10TH THROUGH 18TH**  
**REFLECTIONS ON OUR HISTORY**  
**1796 - 1996**

## ALTON IS NOT ALTON WITHOUT OLD HOME WEEK

By Bob Longabaugh

When something occurs every year for 16 years, you have a tradition. In Alton the summertime population and visitors alike have become accustomed to looking forward to August and its big event - Old Home Week. This year the annual event commences on Saturday, August 10, and continues through Sunday, the 18th, with an array of activities that will, indeed, offer something of interest to everybody. From antique boats to the latest in crafts, you'll find it during Old Home Week accompanied by music of all sorts.

### OLD HOME WEEK T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

Old Home Week T-shirts are available at the Alton Village 5 & 10, Alton Bay Market, and East Alton Store. The T-shirts are available in adult sizes only, in large, medium, extra large, and XX large.

The T-shirts have been a fund raiser for the Fireflies, the Alton Fire Department Auxiliary, since 1981. The proceeds provide toys and clothing for the children of Alton at Christmas and equipment for the fire department.

The design is an original and the photo appears in a 1987 photo publication called "Alton - A Town to Remember."

The Alton Old Home Week tradition began in 1981 with then-and-now Fire Chief Russell Jones taking the lead. As the tradition grew over the years it has been pointed out that it has nothing to do with old homes, nor is it limited to a mere seven days. This has not kept the community from getting involved and having a whopping grand time. This year's Old Home Week shows every sign of building on the tradition under the leadership of chairperson Debbie Burton and her dedicated committee of volunteers.

The theme for the 1996 Old Home Week is "Reflections on Our History," which is a continuation of Alton's Bicentennial celebration. The Old Home Week Ornament and the T-shirt both incorporate this theme in their designs.

The week's first official event on Saturday, August 10, is the Antique Boat Show at the Alton Bay public docks which runs from 10a.m. until 1p.m. with a water parade at 12:30. At 7:30p.m. the U.S. Air Force Band of Liberty will make its first Old Home Week appearance with a two-hour performance at the Bay's bandstand.

On Sunday there will be a bicycle stunt demonstration and show by the Northeast Trickstars at a time that will be announced

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**MOCK TOWN MEETING PROVIDED  
INPUT TO TOWN LEADERS**

On June 29 the United Associations of Alton hosted a Mock Summer Town Meeting at Alton Town Hall. The session was designed to update association members on action taken at the March Annual Town Meeting and to identify directions in town affairs.

Stanley Czech represented the Selectmen and was joined by Town Administrator Scott Dunn. UAA President Tom Todd presided, and Bob Calvert moderated the deliberative session.

Five articles were on the "warrant". Four were "approved" and one rejected almost unanimously. Rejected was the proposal for reconsidering adopting RSA 40:13 (popularly known as Senate Bill 2 or the "Ballot Bill"). State Representative Alice Ziegler spoke to this article and cautioned that the well-intentioned bill just doesn't do what it's reported to accomplish in simplifying the current deliberative town meeting process. As presently written, she reported, it really complicates the process. And she suggested waiting to see the bugs removed in the experience of other nearby towns who have adopted it already. T/A Dunn reported that as a result of petition, it will be on the warrant again next March.

By a wide margin voters "approved" an article to provide funds to maintain and expedite the schedule for rebuilding town roads rather than deferring to save on taxes.

A unanimous vote was given to change the fiscal year from the current calendar year to July to June and moving the annual Town Meeting from March to May, a specific state-approved alternate to the traditional plan. 14 of the state's 238 communities use the alternate plan.

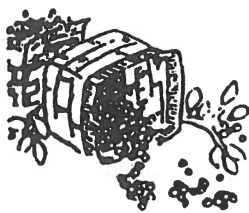
Also approved - an article to continue town appropriations for the Gilman Library expansion until the town's share catches up with and matches the amount raised in the private phase of the campaign. Also approved was an article that asks the Selectmen to hasten the process for making the Extended 9-1-1 plan truly operational with official street names and numbers. Dunn hoped that this would be accomplished by year end.

**HOLWAY GALLERY REOPENS**

Florence Holway has reopened her art gallery on Old New Durham Road every day through Labor Day and weekends thereafter.

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**FOURTH QUARTER HONOR ROLL  
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The following students were named to the honor roll for the fourth quarter at Alton Central School. High Honors requires a grade of at least 92 in all subjects and Honors requires a grade of at least 83 in all subjects.

**GRADE 4 - High Honors:** Lyndsey Caron and Daniel Quinn; **Honors:** Nathan Alden, David Currid, Elspeth Dana, Carl Dickson, Falon Lambert, Dylan Laurion, Kyle McAuliffe, Tonya Prescott, Kevin Roy, Meredith Roy, Chris Ryan, Krista Shibley, Matthew Sydow, Isaac Tharpe, C. J. Timmons, Dakotah Walker, and Kelsey Yelle.

**GRADE 5 - High Honors:** Adam Ames, Scott Baumgartner, Katie Brooks, Nicholas Hallin, Amanda Jones, David Snell, and Thomas Malone; **Honors:** Megan Audette, David Bailey, Hilary Ballentine, Heath Berthiaume, Dennis Callahan, Jennifer Carr, Jamie Coigley, Ashley Coughlin, Patty Currid, Tiffeny Desmarais, C. J. Duffy, Stephanie Hillsgrove, Terese Hopper, Daniel Laurion, Tyler Lowthian, John McGlone, Kristin Murray, Patrick Quann, Kimberly Russell, Mathew Scott, Erin Wood, and Jennifer Zirpolo.

**GRADE 6 - High Honors:** Joshua Albair, David Benedetto, Kathleen Bristol, Taylor Gunn, Jillian Moulton, and Marissa Peterson; **Honors:** Kayla Ballentine, Scott Blair, Krystal Cornelissen, Matthew Currid, Randi Desmarais, Courtney Dewey, Morgan Fuller, Serry Hayward, Reed Holway, Joanna Kimionakis, Dana Lang, Christopher Martin, John McAuliffe, Kathryn Moulton, David Shibley, Dennis Sweeney, Jane Varney, and Steven Wood.

**GRADE 7 - High Honors:** William Bristol, Sara Dore, Renee LaFreniere, Katie Morrill, and Emily Sydow; **Honors:** Chris Alting, Amy Beauregard, Nicole Beauregard, Zachary Christy, Allyson Fortier, Shawn Hillsgrove, Jeremy Howe, Kayla O'Brien, Meghan St.Cyr, Ashley Southwell, and Amanda Talmadge.

**GRADE 8 - Honors:** Jessica Benedetto, Joshua Dewey, Elvira Hufschmid, Frederick LaCrosse, Tanya Lewis, Jenny Martin, Danielle Moore, Eric Morrill, Katharine O'Meara, Elizabeth Quindley, Bridgette Temple, and Korin Todd.

**GRADE 9 - High Honors:** Amanda Lambert; **Honors:** Daniel Alting, Rebecca Blair, April Boles, Timothy Croes, Desiree Crossley, Jennifer Emanouil, Andrew Fuller, and Christy Holway.

**GRADE 10 - Honors:** Jonathan Choquette, Jebediah Christy, Blake Kellar, Tarsia Kenny, Jennifer Merfeld, Tammy Murtagh, Amy Teague, and Aaron Terravechia.

**GRADE 11 - High Honors:** Matthew Fenton; **Honors:** Diana Daniels, Jessica Donahue, Melissa Elliot, Rebecca Miller, and Michael Wentworth.

**GRADE 12 - High Honors:** Kristina Gerdt and Hilary Jacques; **Honors:** Diane Carr, Marisa Kelley, and Jessica St. Pierre.

**GARDEN CLUB FLEA MARKET**

The Annual Garden Club Flea Market and Food Sale is scheduled for Saturday, August 10, from 9a.m. to 2p.m. at the Czech residence on Main Street. The rain date is Sunday, August 11.

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**"WE SING THAT THEY SHALL SPEAK"  
47th ANNUAL BARBERSHOP JAMBOREE**

One of the largest and most varied Barbershop Shows in New England as well as one of the areas most popular events of the summer season takes place Saturday, August 10. Celebrating its 47th year at Alton Bay is the annual Barbershop Jamboree. The Nashua Chapter, SPEBSQSA (Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America), the Downing family, and Alton community volunteers have sponsored this event for a number of years.

Historically the event evolved from visits by a friend of the Downings, William Marston of Norwich, CT. After bringing friends with him and entertaining the Downings with an evening of barbershop harmony, it was suggested that they return with other barbershop groups to perform for the public at Land Ho, Downing's Landing, Alton Bay. The Norwich Chapter of Barbershoppers was formed and entertained annually for 25 years. During this time, the event was eventually moved to the Alton Central School. In 1975, the Nashua Chapter of SPEBSQSA took over from the Norwich Chapter and presently use the Alton Bay community center for their registration and afterglow.

All proceeds from the Jamboree are divided between the local committee and the Nashua Chapter that presents a local scholarship. Last year's recipient was Michael Racine. The local committee's remaining profits are returned to the community for various projects and charitable causes. This year's profit will go to the Alton Bicentennial Committee for the bicentennial plaque.

The Nashua Chapter's profits are contributed to Heartspring, a favorite charity of the barbershop Harmony Society. At Heartspring, children with speech disorders and related problems

receive care and therapy. The theme "We Sing That They Shall Speak" emphasizes the Barbershoppers commitment to this cause.

The Jamboree begins at the Alton Bay Community Center Friday Night, August 9, and culminates with the show Saturday, August 10, at the Alton Central School at 7:45p.m. Following the show an afterglow at the Community Center will be held. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. They can be purchased at Downing's Landing, Alton Bay Pavilion, Alton 5 & 10, and the Chamber of Commerce Information Booth.

This year's local committee chairman is Jonathan H. Downing who is assisted by the Nashua Chapter, and community volunteers. For more information contact Jonathan Downing at 875-3033 or the Chamber of Commerce at 875-5777.

**SALES SPACE ON VOTING DAY**

The State Primary Election will take place from 7a.m. to 7p.m. at the Central Fire Station, Route 140, on Tuesday, September 10.

A limited amount of sales space (baked goods, raffle tickets, calendar sales, etc.) for community organizations will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests for space must be submitted to the Town Clerk to insure a reservation.

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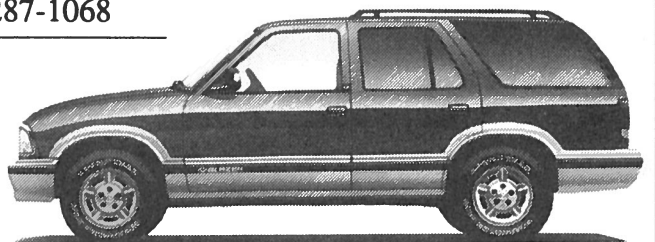
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### MINI-HISTORIES PRESENTED TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND LIBRARY

During a recent ceremony at the Gilman Library, George Stone and Judy Fry presented a set of Bicentennial mini-histories to Jesse Bakeman, president of the Alton Historical Society, and Patricia Merrill, librarian of the Gilman Library.

During the past five years, 21 historic essays were researched and written by 20 townspeople covering a wide range of topics. A complete set will be in safe keeping at the Alton Historical Society Museum and the Gilman Library for townspeople and visitors, be they students or history buffs, to enjoy at their leisure. To be sure the mini-histories aren't lost, they will not be checked out of the Library or museum, but, kept on file for readers to use during the week when each facility is open. There is a plan to have all the mini-histories on computer disks and on file at the Library and Alton Central School for research purposes plus a printed set of the essays. This project will be completed by late fall.

The authors of the research papers are: Daryl Czech, Julie Downing, Raymond Duncan, Judy Fry, John Herman, Florence Holway, Gwendolyn Jones, Kellie McGrath, Nancy Merrill, Patricia Merrill, David Northup, Henry Nowe, Dana Philbrook, Beverly Phillips, Jean Roberts, Patricia Rockwood, Ponce Sherburne, George Stone, Al Wilder and Alice Ziegler.

The 21 history titles are: Alton's Garden Club, Alton's Fire Department, Alton's Indian Heritage, Alton's Police Department, Alton's Special Landmarks, Alton's Town Government, Boating on Winnepesaukee, A Century of Youth Camps, Education in



### MINI-HISTORIES

Alton, Electricity Comes to Alton, Families of Early Settlers, Farming in Alton, Alton's Public libraries, Alton's Hotels, Stage Coach Stops and Taverns, Housing for Alton's Elderly, The Railroad Comes to Alton, Recreation and Entertainment, The Rise and Decline of Industry, Religious Congregations, The Rise and Growth of Business and The United Associations of Alton.

Undertaking this project was part of the Town's 200th birthday celebration as reflected by the theme "Reflections on Our History 1796-1996."

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## HOBY -- WHAT'S A HOBY

By Tammy Murtagh

What is HOBY? Is it a new kind of doll? A toy perhaps?.... Actually HOBY stands for Hugh O'Brian Youth -- a foundation they say. And, I have been selected to be Alton Central School's ambassador to a weekend seminar at Rivier College in Nashua. What will I do there? What will they have us do? All I know is that I'll be doing it alone. I won't know anyone else.

With a lot of encouragement from my friends and parents, I agreed to go. Hope they are nice and don't expect too much of us high school sophomores. Yes, why selected sophomores anyway? Did the papers that we signed say what we would actually be doing? I read something about a talent show. Oh, I don't want to perform on stage! Should I take my clarinet? No, then I know I'll have to do a song. Guess I'll have to wait and see. Maybe some of us can just watch.

Oh, yes, they mentioned something about a banquet Sunday afternoon that parents could come to also. I'll order turkey. No red meat for me! They can't mess up a turkey dinner or can they?

What will I wear? I need something new, fashionable, but not too dressy for the banquet. They also said they would be giving us a tee shirt to wear. I hope it's the right size and I hope they don't expect us to wear it ALL the time. I bet the shirt will say something dumb on the front of it.

The day arrived and we have to get up early. Dad drove me down and we got there exactly at 8:30, the time of registration. Dad helped me find my name tag and they gave me a room key. Then Dad had to leave ---. Within minutes someone came over to me with a smile and guided me to the "Icebreaker group". There, we learned a little bit about the others who were attending and I met my roommate, Krissy. I became a little less anxious, and I started my "journey" in learning about HOBY.

We were assigned to groups, with the junior counselor (a HOBY ambassador of last year), and an adult senior counselor. We gathered in a large hall called Dion, where we watched a video about HOBY. Finally, I was going to know what HOBY was about. Hugh O'Brian's voice said that HOBY had been around since 1958, assisting high school sophomores in selecting leadership roles for their future. The video went on to say that so much of the publicity of our age group is centered around crime and drugs. He said that HOBY was here to advocate the leaders of the near future - US! Hugh went on to say we should consider ourselves SPECIAL and we could do ANYTHING we set as our goals. Yes, ANYTHING AT ALL.

The seminar had volunteer speakers who had special talents to share with us. We heard from Superior Court judges, police officers, business owners, and entrepreneurs who taught us things that would be useful in surviving in the big corporate world. This whole thing was getting more exciting by the minute.

One of the first exercises we were asked to do was to write down on a piece of lined paper all the things we personally felt we "can't do." All our papers were collected and put in a shoe box. We were then asked to go outside on the lawn, where one of the volunteers had a shovel and we took turns digging a hole large enough to bury the shoe box. We buried our "I can't", our past limitations. All the negatives were gone. We were left with the "positives".

Mealtime was great. Everything was buffet style and they had all our favorites - pizza, tacos, Chinese, burgers. Oh, I forgot to mention that this all was FREE. Business corporations had made donations sufficient to pay ALL our expenses. Wow! Could this really be true?

We were asked to write thank you letters to the business executives to thank them for their "caring" donations to HOBY and were also able to explain how helpful and fun these seminars were to us.

On our last day, a call was placed to us by Hugh O'Brian,

himself. We were able to speak directly to him via a speaker phone. He said if we were ever in his neighborhood to stop by and say "Hi". He also asked that we never forget our HOBY weekend and the HOBY motto of - motivating tomorrow's leaders. We all thanked him for our outstanding HOBY experience.

We did so much great stuff in one weekend. But the greatest part of all was the bonding we could do with each other as HOBY ambassadors. We learned that sharing and hugging were "cool", and we were encouraged to do both.

The time came too soon that parents would be arriving, the banquet would be starting, and we would have to say so/long to our HOBY friends. We had learned our HOBY cheers, and a special chain of hugs that we would show our parents. We knew we had an opportunity to change from the inside out and it would be difficult to explain to our parents this "internal" change. The "HOBY GLOW".

We had a wonderful banquet and outstanding keynote speaker that I had seen in the ladies room getting ready. She had on a pale green satin gown, beautiful blonde hair, arm protective pads, a helmet and roller blades. Yes, she was gliding on roller blades that she had just learned how to maneuver for this event. She looked as nervous as I had felt when I first came on Friday.

We came in the hall in our Olympic named groups (I was in the volleyball group) and found our assigned tables. It did not take me long to spot my mom and dad at a table across the room. I hoped I could explain HOBY to them and what this weekend meant to me.

We ate, we laughed, and we listened to the thank-you's for the HOBY volunteers, college staff, kitchen staff, and yes, even our parents for getting us to this point in our lives.

The keynote speaker was introduced as a HOBY mom who had a daughter selected to go to HOBY last year and her younger daughter who attended this year. Then out she "glided", nervous but smiling. She made it without falling and told us of her efforts and fears of learning to roller blade. She somehow made life sound like fun with challenges; and brought her own tissues for her tears of joy.

We closed with the selection of our state's national boy and girl candidates with their alternates, and a video of Hugh O'Brian who hoped we would always keep this experience close to our hearts and always feel the "change" by this opportunity. I truly felt changed. I am special and a leader of our future - not because I say so, or you say so, but because of what I feel inside, and that cannot be taken away.

I hope to see my HOBY friends at our first HOBY reunion in August. What is HOBY? OUTSTANDING!

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**AUGUST CONCERT SCHEDULE**

All concerts are free and are held at the Alton Bay Bandstand from 7:30p.m. to 9:30p.m., unless otherwise noted.

AUGUST 3 - YANKEE STRUMMERS - Banjo Band.

AUGUST 10 - THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BAND OF LIBERTY, NEW HORIZON SHOW BAND - Their fast-paced variety show highlights the best of American popular music, from the age of swing to country and western, rock, Broadway and Top 40.

AUGUST 14 - GET BACK - Beatles music 7p.m. to 10p.m. Sponsored by Old Home Week.

AUGUST 15 - SANDY AND THE CLASSICS - Country and Western. Sponsored by Old Home Week.

AUGUST 17 - BITTERSWEET - Variety of music for all ages. Sponsored by Old Home Week.

AUGUST 21- ISLAND BUOYS- Calypso, Hawaiian, Reggae, Salsa.

AUGUST 24 - ZINGO ZANGO THE GENERIC JUG BAND. A refreshing blend of old, new and original songs are accented with cans, pans, whistles, whizzers and bells to punctuate the more traditional acoustic jug sounds of bass, guitar, mandolin, squeeze box, percussion and jugs. 7p.m. to 9p.m.

AUGUST 31 - Pony Express. Country and Western.

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank all of the Concert Series Supporters especially Farmington National Bank, Sandy Point Restaurant, Sandy Point Beach Resort and Marina and Alton 5 & 10.

**WHALES TALE WATER PARK TRIP**

A trip to Whale's Tale Water Park is planned for Monday, August 19, (rain date August 20) leaving Town Hall at 9a.m. and returning to Town Hall at 5p.m. \$20 per person includes park admission, all water activities, water slides and transportation. Bring a lunch, towel, bathing suit and spending money. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Parks and Recreation Staff will chaperone participants under 16. Registration ends August 9. Sign up early, space is limited.

**SUMMER CAMP**

Participants entering grades 2-6 will enjoy a great summer camp experience. Activities include swimming, cooperative games, arts and crafts, 2 field trips and more. Camp will be held at the Alton Bay Community Center, 9a.m. to 4p.m. \$40/session plus the cost of Tuesday and Thursday trips, includes camp t-shirt. Session 2: "Fantasy Island Week" August 12 to 16. Tuesday trip to Rye Beach \$5; Thursday trip to Story Land \$15. Registration ends August 5.

**5K ROAD RACE**

A 5K Road Race is scheduled for Sunday, August 18, at 9a.m. at Jones Field on the Letter S Road. The \$10 entry fee includes a road race t-shirt. Prizes will be awarded to category winners. Categories include: Male 13-18, Female 13-18; Male 19-29, Female 19-29; Male 30-39, Female 30-39; Male 40-49, Female 40-49; Male over 50, Female over 50. Registration ends 4:30p.m., August 16.

**MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER CAMP**

Planned for youngsters 6-13, participants will learn soccer techniques from Europe's finest instructors from July 29 to August 2 at Alton Central School soccer field, 9a.m. to noon. \$81 includes Reeboks t-shirt and ticket to Major League soccer game. Participants are reminded to wear shin guards and bring a water bottle and a soccer ball.

**HARD BODIES WITH JULIE LIBBY**

Hard Bodies is a "no frills" class designed to build strong, lean muscle while reducing body fat through strength training. Monday, Wednesday and Friday 5:30 to 6:30p.m., Tuesday and Thursday 7 to 8a.m., Saturday 8:30 to 9:30a.m. at the Alton Bay Community Center, \$3/class.

**OUTDOOR TEEN DANCE PARTY**

An Outdoor Teen Dance Party for grades 6 - 9 will be held Friday, August 23, at the Alton Bay Bandstand from 7:30 to 9p.m.

**SUN AND FUN DAY!**

Children in grades 2-6 should come and see what we are all about. Enjoy a fun-filled mini-camp day with the Parks and Recreation Department on Thursday, August 8, at the Alton Bay Community Center from 9a.m. to 4p.m. \$6 fee. Registration ends August 2.

**ALTON YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE**

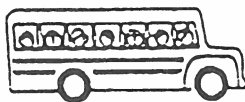
Participants entering grades 1-6 will learn traditional soccer skills from Alton's finest coaches. Teams will play Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. The season runs August 21 to October 26 at Jones Field. \$10 fee. Registration ends August 5.

**CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB  
WILL MEET AUGUST 21**

The August Luncheon of the Lakes Region Christian Women's Club will be held from 11:30a.m. to 1:30p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center.

The guests include Chris Callaghan, who makes paper from egg cartons, Alton singer Jaime Sample and speaker Betsy Paulding of Cumberland Center, Maine.

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**AL SPOTLIGHT ON  
JEFFREY FONTAINE  
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

By Muriel Walker

Jeffrey Fontaine became a truck driver for the Alton Highway Department on May 1 of 1995.

Jeff was born in Keene, New Hampshire. He attended school there and graduated from Keene High School. His mother still lives in Keene and has a background in nursing, both at Keene Hospital and at Keene State College. Jeff's father is deceased. Jeff has three brothers and two sisters. One sister lives in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, and the remainder of the family lives in Keene. Jeff has two sons, ages 8 and 11, who also live in Keene.

Prior to working for the Highway Department, Jeff worked as a production supervisor for a company that built pre-cast marinas. He also worked as a truck driver for a Wolfeboro-based company delivering produce. He transported potatoes from Maine to Florida, then brought produce back to New England for Shaw's supermarket chain.

Jeff is also an EMT for Lord's Ambulance Service in Wolfeboro and hopes someday to volunteer with the Alton Ambulance Service. He is actually a certified WEMT (Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician). To become certified in the wilderness area, Jeff trained full-time for three months in 1993 in North Conway. His training included working with mountain rescue personnel. Jeff explained what technicians refer to as the "golden hour." In most cases, the ambulance service personnel can get the patient to a hospital within an hour and the patient's chances are good. However, in the wilderness it often takes longer than an hour to get the patient to a medical facility and that's a challenge. "You also don't have the medical equipment handy and have to practice the emergency medical procedures using what is around you or in your knapsack," he said. "For example, you can use a cup and some sticks for splints," he added.

When not working, Jeff likes to hunt, fish and boat. He also likes to spend time remodeling his house.

I asked Jeff what he liked best about working for the Highway Department. He noted the excellent working rapport. "Everyone gets along even when we have to work long hours, like with all the snow removal this past winter," he said. He added, "Ken Roberts does a really good job with the Department. We got compliments on how the roads were kept up this winter. The bus companies were happy with our work too and that was good



because getting the buses through is our main concern."

Speaking of his future, Jeff says "I'm hoping to stay in Alton. I'm happy here."

We're glad Jeff has joined our excellent Highway Department and we wish him well.



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**10 YEARS AGO.....**

..... the Oak Birch Inn sponsored its 4th Annual Water Festival..... Russell Jones was appointed Selectmen following the resignation of Donald Irvin.....Cathy Mars was elected president of the Ladies Guild of St. Joan of Arc and St. Paul Churches.....the Gilman Library's Children's Country Fair raised \$130 for new children's books..... John Conboy chaired the Old Home Week Committee.....the 37th Annual Barbershoppers Jamboree was held at Alton Central School.

**5 YEARS AGO.....**

.....George Rogers was named principal of Alton Central School..... Old Home Week chaired by George Smith, celebrated "Step Back in Time".....Barbershoppers gathered in Alton for their 42nd Annual Jamboree.....a new 1000-gallon pumper fire truck was assigned to the East Alton Station.....Air Force Sergeant Mickey Rogers became the first veteran of Operation Desert Storm to join the Alton post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.....Business After Hours was held at Homestead Place.....Francis Metcalfe was appointed selectman..... Robert DeRoche was appointed water commissioner.....former selectman Bob Calvert was grand marshal of the Old Home Week Parade.....former road agent and volunteer firefighter Edward G. Gustafson died.

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in the Old Week Program which will be available in most local businesses in early August. That night the Rainbow Man, Tim Laurion, will perform his tricks of magic starting at 7:30 and later, starting at 9p.m. there will be an open air movie. All events during the week will be held at Alton Bay and moviegoers should bring their own chairs.

Monday will see the Wolfeboro Wranglers Square Dancers at 7:30p.m. and on Tuesday at 6p.m. the Abenaki Water Ski Show goes on followed by Mark McKinley's Country Line Dancing at 7:30p.m. Wednesday at 6:30p.m. Beatles music will be presented by the band "Get Back." Thursday at the same time it will be Country Western music by Sandy and the Classics. The Alton Police Association holds its Annual Penny Sale on Friday, starting at 7:00p.m.

Saturday, August 17, sees a full day beginning with the Alton-New Durham Lions Club Pancake Breakfast from 6:30 to 10:30a.m. and the Craft Fair running from 9a.m. until 6p.m. while other events are happening nearby. At 10:30a.m. the Alton Garden Club holds a "Decorate Your Wheels" contest for bicycles. The Old Home Week parade steps off toward Alton Bay from the school at 2p.m.

The parade promises to be bigger than ever incorporating the Bicentennial theme with the customary award categories. Three new categories have been added for 1996: Animal, Antique Vehicle, and Fire Trucks join the usual categories of Commercial, Non-commercial, and Organizations. Parade slots are still open, so contact Debbie Burton if you would like to step-up from being a parade watcher to being a marcher. The Grand Marshal of this year's parade is Al Wilder who has been a very active member of the Alton community since 1957.

The parade awards will be part of Saturday evening's ceremonies commencing at 6:30p.m., followed by the Bittersweet band at 7p.m. and fireworks at 10:30p.m. (If weather forces a postponement of the fireworks, they will be set off 24 hours later.)

The 16th Old Home Week concludes with the Craft Fair running on Sunday from 9a.m. to 3p.m.

Old Home Week is "self-financed," so the fund raising efforts conducted by the committee throughout the year are crucial to its success. One of these is the sale of an Alton Old Home Week ornament, which this year features the Old Meeting House and may be purchased for \$7.75 at the Town Clerk's Office, Alton 5 & 10, Farmington National Bank and the First NH Bank in Alton.

The committee who gets the credit for the 16th Old Home Week, in addition to Deborah Burton, chair, is composed of Peter Pijoan, secretary; Kristin Stearns, treasurer; Gini and Fred Boelzner, Craft Fair; Gordon Stearns; Kellie McGrath; and Ginger Chicoine, public relations.

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**RESIDENT PRAISES POLICE DEPARTMENT**

(Editor's note: The following was received from Alton residents

John Pershing Latchaw and Mrs. Nancy B. Latchaw.)

I would like to express gratitude on behalf of my mother and my family to the Alton Police Department for their extraordinary assistance June 22, 1996. My father died December 21, 1995 but his internment was delayed by a long frozen winter. The U.S. Navy wished to participate in view of his war record but due to scheduling difficulties, his Memorial Service was deferred until the aforementioned date. As a result, a number of lifelong out-of-state friends, former shipmates, and active duty naval officers were able to plan to attend.

We were initially concerned that many would get lost-leaving the church in Wolfeboro en route to the new Riverside Cemetery in Alton. Our fear was unfounded due to the courtesy and dedication of the Alton Police. Traffic control was very efficiently performed, minimizing inconvenience to other motoring citizens and tourists.

During the reception, following my father's grave side military ceremony, many invited guests specifically commented on the professionalism of the participating Alton police officers. I thought that was a wonderful reflection upon our rural town established in 1796. Alton has much to be proud of in general, but all too often our safety forces do not receive due recognition and support.

Thank you very much.

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**BICENTENNIAL ITEMS MAKE GREAT GIFTS**

Bicentennial memorabilia will be available at the Bay throughout Old Home Week. Committee members will have a table set-up near the Bandstand each evening starting Saturday, August 10, through Friday, August 16. On Parade Day, August 17, the medallions, T-shirts, sweatshirts and decals will be available that day too, except during parade time and again that evening during the Block Party.

Prior to Old Home Week and continuing through 1996 the Alton Village 5 & 10 will have a supply of Bicentennial memorabilia, too. Also, Town Clerk Penny Jones will have the Town Hall medallion on sale in her office. The First NH Bank and the Farmington National Bank will have the Town Hall and the Railroad medallions available for purchase until the end of the year.

The lovely detailed pewter medallions certainly make lovely gifts for birthdays and anniversaries. And why wait until December 25? The decals, T-shirts and sweatshirts displaying the colorful Bicentennial logo make lovely gifts, too. So treat yourself, family members, friends or neighbors to a memento of our Town's 200th birthday celebration.

**COMMITTEE SOUGHT TO PLAN FOR NEW SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT**

The Alton School Board is seeking volunteers to serve on a committee to discuss, plan and organize the operation of the new School Administrative Unit(SAU). Residents should submit their names to Superintendent of Schools Paul C. Moccia, Post Office Box 220, Center Barnstead 03225, by Monday, August 5.

The Alton School District was recently given approval to leave SAU #51 and establish its own SAU.

**STATE PRIMARY ELECTION IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

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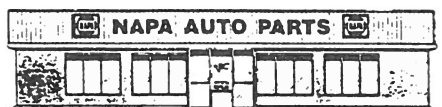
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The Alton Parks and Recreation Department sponsored its annual Canoe Race on Sunday, June 30. The 5 mile race started at the Merrymeeting River and ended in Alton Bay. Twenty-four canoes participated in the race.

The winners were: 1st Place Overall - Steve Nyman and Dave Lamoureux; Recreational Men - 1st- Scott Ricker and Andy Oulellet, 2nd - Eric Smith and Dale Keirstead, 3rd Craig Goodwin and partner; Recreational Women - 1st - Donna San Antonio and Holly Manoogian; Recreational Co-Ed - 1st - Freda Randall and Paul Ross; Recreational Adult and Child - 1st - Al Giles and Wendy Giles, 2nd - Mary Marren and Diane Jordan, 3rd - Steve Temple and Danny and Jason Pitman; Recreational Single - 1st - Chuck Sell; Racing Men - 1st - Steve Nyman and Dave Lamoureux, 2nd - Mark Peters and Dan O'Rielly, 3rd - Michael and Steven Dylingowski; Racing Women - 1st - Lorrie Drake and Jennifer Caldwell; Racing Co-Ed - 1st - Matt and Lisa Sargent; Racing Adult and Child - 1st - Howie and Anya Bean, 2nd - Al and Thaurin Paradise, 3rd - Ronald Kessler and Kimberly Russell; Racing Single - 1st - Bill Bakes, 2nd - Jim Rankin.

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank the volunteers, participants and spectators who made the event a success and Wayside Grocery for donating beverages for all canoe race participants.

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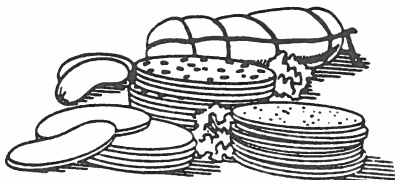
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Pawpaw Patch by Janice Daugharty  
Morse's Greatest Mystery by Colin Dexter  
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A Dangerous Happiness by Hazel Hucker  
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The Green Mile, Book 2: The Mouse on the Mile by Stephen King  
The Green Mile, Book 3: Coffey's Hands by Stephen King  
The Green Mile, Book 4: The Bad Death of Eduard Delacroix by Stephen King  
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Shadow Ranch by Jo-Ann Matson  
The Last Family by John Miller  
A Little Yellow Dog by Walter Mosley  
Killing Critics by Carol O'Connell  
The Body in the Bag by Katherine Hall Page  
Star Wars: Shadow of the Empire by Steve Perry  
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The Golden Rope by Susan F. Schaeffer  
Gods & Generals by Jeff Shaara  
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Mountain Biking in New Hampshire by Stewart Johnstone

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Send any material to P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810, or fax to 569-4441 by the 15th of each month for the following month's issue. Material may also be left in the Main Street box at the Farmington National Bank.

Main Street reserves the right to limit or edit all material. For additional information call 569-4441.

### PROGRAM ON SATs OFFERED BY SAU 51

On Wednesday, August 14, at the Barnstead Elementary School in Center Barnstead at 6:30p.m., there will be a presentation by Jim Montague, associate director of admissions and guidance services from the New England Regional Office of the College Board.

Montague will discuss the SATs with the SAU 51 Board, interested citizens, students who will be juniors and seniors this fall and parents. The SATs have gone through some changes known as "recentering." There will be an opportunity to hear why the test has been changed, preparations for taking the test and an opportunity to ask questions of Montague.

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- Alton Bay Christian Conference Center - Sunday, 10:30a.m. and 6p.m., Monday through Friday, 9 & 10:30a.m. and 7:30p.m., Saturday Prayer Breakfast, 8a.m.
- Baha'i Fireside - Thursday, 7:30p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
- Bay Church - Sunday Open Air Worship, 9:30a.m., Alton Bay Bandstand, Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 6:30p.m., Rand Hill Road, Pastor Roy Ames
- Community Church - Congregational Meeting House, October-April, 11a.m., Baptist Meeting House, May and September, 11a.m., June-August, 10a.m., Dr. Peter E. Roussaki, Pastor
- First Free Will Baptist Church - Sunday School, 9:45a.m., Church, 11a.m., Evening Service, 6p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7p.m., Depot St., New Durham, James Nason, Pastor
- St. Joan of Arc - Saturday, 5p.m., Sunday, 8 & 11a.m. & 7p.m., Monday thru Saturday except Wednesday, 8:30a.m., Confessions Saturday, 4p.m. or by appointment, Fr. Richard Wegman, Pastor
- Wolfeboro Bible Fellowship, Sunday School, 9:30a.m., Worship Service, 10:30a.m. (Summer 10a.m.), Evening Service, 6p.m., Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7p.m., Route 28, Lee Button, Pastor

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**ORGANIZATIONS:**

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Tuesday, 8p.m., Alton Bay Community Center
- AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday, 7p.m., Legion Hall
- AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - 2nd Monday 7p.m., Legion Hall
- COUNTRY DRIFTERS DANCE CLUB - Wednesday, 7:30p.m., Alton Bay Community Center
- CUB SCOUT PACK 53 - Last Tuesday, 6:30p.m., Legion Hall
- EASTERN STAR - 2nd Tuesday
- GARDEN CLUB - 4th Tuesday
- FLYING CLUB - 2nd Wednesday
- HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB - 4th Friday, 7p.m., Alton Bay Community Center
- HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday, April - October
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 1st Wednesday, 7:30p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall
- LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30p.m., Mama Rina's Restaurant
- MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Tuesday
- PARENT TEACHER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
- ST. JOAN OF ARC LADIES GUILD - Last Thursday, 7:30p.m., Church Hall
- SENIOR CITIZENS - 2nd Wednesday, 2p.m., Pearson Road Community Center
- VFW - 3rd Monday 7:30p.m., Pearson Road Community Center  
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**LIONS PANCAKE BREAKFAST  
PLANNED FOR AUGUST 17**

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club will sponsor its Annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, August 17, from 6:30 to 10:30a.m. as a kickoff for Old Home Week's Parade and Block Party day.

The breakfast will be held at the Alton Bay Pavilion, donated to the Club for this occasion. All proceeds support eye care for needy residents and special community projects.

**Boards and Committees**

- ADDRESS COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Russ Jones, 875-7510
- AD HOC COMMITTEE - Meets on Call.
- BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE - 4th Wednesday, 4p.m., Gilman Library, Chairman Nancy Merrill, 875-2626.
- BOARD OF SELECTMEN - 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesday, 7 - 9:30p.m., Chairman Reuben Wentworth. Call 875-2161 for Appointment.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE - 3rd Thursday, 7p.m. Chairman Gregory Fuller, 875-5546
- CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. 875-2161.
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- CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7p.m. Chairman Lisa Erickson Harris.
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- LAND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM - Meets on Call, Chairman Juliet Peverley, 875-7232.
- LEVY PARK TRUSTEES - Meet on Call. Chairman Jonathan Downing, 875-7243.
- OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Debbie Burton, 875-5188
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION - 1st Thursday, 6:30p.m., Chairman Debbie Burton, 875-0109
- PLANNING BOARD - 1st Monday, 7p.m., Chairman James Washburn. Call 875-5095 for Appointment.
- SCHOOL BOARD - 2nd & 4th Monday, 6p.m., Chairman Arnold P. Shibley, 875-2849.
- SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST - Meet on Call. Chairman Alice Ziegra, 875-2151.
- TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY - 3rd Monday, 3:30p.m. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.
- TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - Meet on Call. Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321.
- WATER COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 8a.m. Chairman John Streeter, 875-2490. Office, 875-4200.
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - 2nd Thursday, 7p.m. Chairman Donn Brock, 875-4343.

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### August Events

- Thu. 1 - BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community Center, 10:30a.m. to noon
- Fri. 2 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10a.m.  
CONCERT: The Merrills, Christian Conference Center, 8p.m.
- Sat. 3 - CONCERT: Yankee Strummers, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.  
CONCERT: The Envoys, Christian Conference Center, 8p.m.
- Mon. 5 - BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 6p.m.
- Wed. 7 - CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, Gilman Library, 2p.m.
- Thu. 8 - SUN & FUN DAY, Alton Bay Community Center, 9a.m.
- Fri. 9 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10a.m.  
CONCERT: The African Children's Choir, Christian Conference Center, 8p.m.
- Sat. 10 - FLEA MARKET, Czech Residence, 9a.m. to 2p.m.  
ANTIQUE BOAT SHOW & PARADE, Alton Bay, 9a.m.  
CHICKEN BBQ, Central Fire Station, 4p.m.  
CONCERT: U.S. Air Force Band of Liberty, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.  
CONCERT: The Kefferes, Christian Conference Center, 7:30p.m.  
BARBERSHOPPERS JAMBOREE, Alton Central School, 7:45p.m.
- Sun. 11 - MAGIC SHOW, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.  
OPEN AIR MOVIE, Bandstand, 9p.m.
- Mon. 12 - BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 6p.m.  
SQUARE DANCING, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.
- Tue. 13 - WATER SKI SHOW, Alton Bay, 6p.m.  
COUNTRY LINE DANCING, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.
- Wed. 14 - CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, Gilman Library, 2p.m.  
CONCERT: Get Back, Bandstand, 7p.m.  
LECTURE: "Spies in Time", Gilman Library, 7:30p.m.
- Thu. 15 - CONCERT: Sandy and the Classics, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.
- Fri. 16 - DOLL CLUB TEA PARTY, Alton Bay Community House, 2 to 4p.m.  
PENNY SALE, Bandstand, 7p.m.  
CONCERT: The Adams Family, Christian Conference Center, 8p.m.
- Sat. 17 - LIONS PANCAKE BREAKFAST, Alton Bay Pavilion, 6:30 to 10:30a.m.  
CRAFT FAIR, Alton Bay Community Center, 9a.m.-6p.m.  
DECORATE YOUR WHEELS, Bandstand 10:30a.m.  
OLD HOME WEEK PARADE, Alton to Alton Bay, 2p.m.  
CONCERT: Bittersweet, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.  
CONCERT: Ken Fernald, Christian Conference Center, 7:30p.m.  
FIREWORKS, Alton Bay, 10:30p.m.
- Sun. 18 - 5K ROAD RACE, Jones Field, 9a.m.  
CRAFT FAIR, Alton Bay Community Center, 9a.m.-3p.m.
- Mon. 19 - TRIP: Whale's Tale, Town Hall 9a.m.  
BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 6p.m.
- Tue. 20 - LECTURE: "Stark Prisoners of War", Christian Conference Center, 7:30p.m.
- Wed. 21 - LUNCHEON, Christian Women's Club, Christian Conference Center, 11:30a.m.  
LECTURE: "Walking Across America", Gilman Library, 7:30p.m.  
CONCERT: Island Buoys, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.
- Fri. 23 - TEEN DANCE, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.  
CONCERT: Donna Paull & Gospel Guitar, Christian Conference Center, 8p.m.
- Sat. 24 - ANNUAL MEETING, United Associations of Alton, Alton Bay Community House, 9a.m.  
POT LUCK SUPPER, East Alton Fire Station, 6p.m.  
CONCERT: Zingo Zango, The Generic Jug Band, Bandstand, 7p.m.  
CONCERT: Sammy Poole, Christian Conference Center, 7:30p.m.
- Sun. 25 - REENACTMENT, East Alton Meeting House, 4p.m.
- Mon. 26 - BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 6p.m.
- Tue. 27 - SPEAKER: "200 Years of Farming in Alton",

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### DOLL CLUB PLANS TEA PARTY

There's going to be a Doll and Teddy Bear Tea Party Friday, August 16, at the Alton Bay Community Center from 2 to 4p.m. sponsored by Happy Hobby Doll Club (HHDC).

Everyone of any age is invited and asked to bring their favorite doll and/or teddy bear as their guest. Ribbons will be awarded to dolls and teddy bears that are the biggest, smallest, skinniest, fattest, furriest, prettiest, scariest. best dressed, biggest feet, most loved and numerous other categories. Refreshments, of course, will be served.

Guest of honor will be Sarah Elizabeth Hannah, "Betsy" for short. Betsy is the Happy Hobby Doll Club bicentennial doll for which tickets are available at 140 Doll Works, Parker Marine, Cottontail Collectibles, Alton's Hidden Treasures and Ginny's a Beauty Nook. Betsy and her wardrobe are on display at Parker Marine. Raffle drawing will take place at the tea party to determine where Betsy will make her home.

Betsy, who came to us from Richmond, Virginia asks that "Ya'll come, now, ya'hear.

Congregational Meeting House, 1:30p.m.

Wed. 28 - LECTURE: "The Hart-Break Kid", Gilman Library, 7:30p.m.

Sat. 31 - SPAGHETTI SUPPER, Pearson Road Community Center, 5p.m.

CONCERT: Pony Express, Bandstand, 7:30p.m.

CONCERT: Susan Gift Porter, Ventriloquist, Christian Conference Center, 7:30p.m.



### GILMAN LIBRARY CAMPAIGN RECEIVES \$22,500 GRANT

The Gilman Library Expansion Campaign is inching toward the \$500,000 mark in its \$600,000 goal effort. A sizeable boost recently came from the NH State Library Advisory Council in the form of a \$22,500 matching grant. With only a little over \$100,000 to award in grants over the entire state of New Hampshire, the Advisory Council's grant to Alton's Gilman Library assumed gigantic proportions. The grant was designed to help ensure the required handicapped accessible facilities. The grant has been successfully "matched" locally.

Public reception of the new Alton Bicentennial Posters has been very enthusiastic. Several have been sold in the opening days, and many gifts are being purchased early for Christmas giving. There are still some of the 50 numbered and signed collector items available at \$50 and a supply of the regular posters at \$25 each. Check in at the Gilman Library and see for yourself what a "winner" artist Peter Ferber has created.

As the campaign moves into the last \$100,000 segment, now is the time for decisions by the many who tell us they are planning to contribute but aren't sure of the amount. These next few months will make or break the campaign goal. All such friends are urged to "come aboard" now at any amount, large or small, and help ensure the final victory that everyone wants. It's so appropriate to "go over the top" in our very own Bicentennial Year!

### LADIES' GUILD TO MEET JULY 25

St. Joan of Arc Ladies' Guild will meet Thursday, July 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory meeting hall. All members are urged to attend and to bring a friend who would be interested in joining. The purpose of the Guild is to help support the parish with a variety of activities as well as donations of time and money. Come to the meeting whether you are a young lady or an older lady and help make a difference!

Submitted by Nancy Mooney Secretary, St. Joan of Arc Ladies' Guild

### ALTON OFFICE SERVICES NO LONGER A MAIN STREET DROP OFF LOCATION

Those used to dropping off articles for publication in Main Street at Alton Office Services in the Williams Building are now asked to deliver materials to a special Main Street mail box at Farmington National Bank. Articles also may be faxed in Alton to 569-4441 or mailed to Post Office Box 210, Alton Bay 03810.

Advertisers may drop off payments to the Bank mail box or mail them to the post office box. Advertising copy and changes should be delivered to Alton Printing on Church Street.

Call 569-4441 for additional information.

### ALTON TEACHERS AND SCHOOL BOARD AGREE TO THREE-YEAR CONTRACT

The Alton School Board and the Alton Teachers' Association (ATA) have ratified a new negotiated agreement scheduled to expire on August 31, 1999. The joint announcement was made by ATA President Susan Blair and School Board Chairman Pete Shibley. A Special School District Meeting is planned in early September for voter approval.



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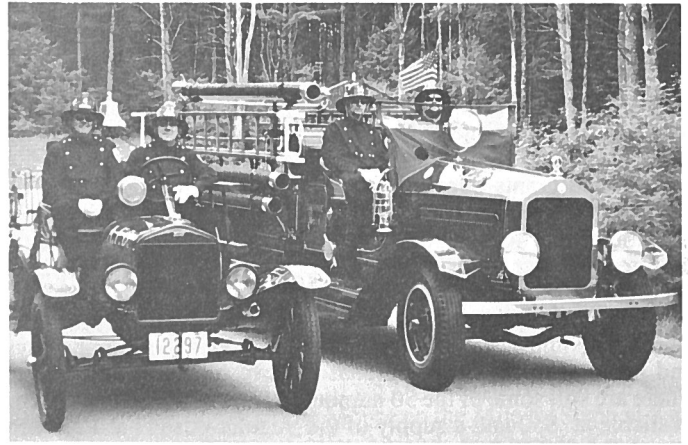
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**MAY VARNEY COMPETES IN  
NH GYMNASTICS EVENT**

May Varney, seventh-grader at Alton Central School, recently competed at the USA Gymnastics, NH State Championships, and returned with a gold and a bronze medal.

Competing as a Level 5 gymnast in the 13 year plus category, she received the gold medal in the balance beam event with a score of 8.4. She finished sixth on the bars, seventh on the vault, and eleventh on the floor exercise. Varney received the bronze medal for finishing third in the all around with a score of 33.675.

Yawning is usually the act of a person inadvertently opening his mouth when he wishes others would close theirs.



**EAST ALTON JULY FOURTH PARADE**

By Judy Fry

Neighbors and friends gathered along Roberts Cove Road in East Alton to see the Third Annual Unofficial Fourth of July Parade. Irving Roberts, the Unofficial Parade Organizer, led the parade accompanied by George Stone, the Unofficial Grand Marshal.

Irving's bright red calliope provided the music and set the pace for the parade. The procession included Scott Williams and Richard Brown in the 1930 Maxim fire truck, Jack Woodland and Mike Caverly in the 1917 Model T fire truck, Steve Dana and Mary Lou Brown were next in the International fire truck. Tom Fry drove his 1930 Ford Cabriolet followed by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Grant in their 1932 antique car with Thomas Deane Fry and Chelle Webb rounding out the procession in a 1931 Model A Dump Truck.

The parade route included Lakeside, then a short tour of Cedar Cove led by Nancy Nelson wearing a colorful clown costume and riding her trusty bicycle. From there the parade traveled to Route 28 and then south to the East Alton Store. The group then reversed their direction and wound their way to Gilman's Corner before returning to the East Alton Store. Rumor has it, unofficially of course, that this event is getting close to becoming "Alton's Official Fourth of July Parade."

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**SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER**

By Nancy Mooney

**SENIORS ON THE MOVE IN AUGUST**

We seniors will not let the "dog days" of summer find us lounging around, as August looks as though it will be another busy month for us. Our numbers keep increasing at the Senior Center, too, and we warmly welcome new members to join us for a noon meal and participate in the activities.

The July 10 Senior Citizens Association meeting had a large turn out for the annual election of officers. The results are as follows: president - Nancy Mooney, vice president - Tony Mariano, secretary - Gwen Cochrane, assistant secretary - Mona Glover, treasurer - Warren Nott, assistant treasurer - Betty Roberts, auditor - Aubert Giles.

Outgoing president, Chris Russell, will turn over the reins of office after the annual meeting Wednesday, August 14, and we urge all members to attend.

Other dates in August should be kept in mind. On Thursday, August 8, Marge Mead will be at the center before lunch to talk about Medicare - Part B and to answer any questions about it. On Thursday, August 15, Jack Mangold will speak to us about home safety. Another spaghetti supper will be sponsored by the seniors on Saturday, August 31, at 5p.m. at the Senior Center on Pearson Road.

A reminder that all activity and trip notices are posted on the bulletin board at the Center. Sign-up sheets for trips are posted right after a trip is announced, so you should check frequently to find out what's going on!

Our new 1/10 club is underway. We are grateful to those who purchase cards, but we need to sell even more this time to make it worthwhile. Remember, your chances of winning each week are much greater than winning the NH lottery! See Tony Mariano to buy your cards if you are not approached by members of the Senior Citizens. We appreciate very much the support given to us through this fund-raiser.

The Saga of the Old Barn on the Hill continues with Art Saulnier's contribution for this month's column:

Once the Selectman gave the Alton Seniors permission to see what they could accomplish with the old barn, they waited until the Parks Department removed their truck and belongings so they could get started. The Seniors' first priority was the septic system.

Without it, it would be useless to proceed. A contract was made with Tom Varney, who obliged the committee to design and test a system for our project. A big thank you to Tom from the Seniors! Once that was in place, we started mailing out requests for small donations. We figured if a lot of people donated a little, we could soon get started. However, our first attempt at raising money did not pan out. It was suggested that we put in a warrant article for \$20,000. To our surprise, after a lot of debate, it was decided to grant the Seniors \$20,000 for a septic system and exterior paint job. Bids went out for the septic system, and Ford Brothers of Ossipee was given the contract. Their bid of \$5900 meant a big savings to us. In the meantime, John Irving, who went by the project every day, approached us and said the Lions Club would paint the exterior for their yearly project. One Saturday, 13 Lions showed up at the site with their ladders and paint brushes and painted the whole exterior. We were very grateful to the Lions, indeed. We had a surplus, so we asked the Town Manager, Pam Andrade, if we could use the remainder for other things, and we did not need permission, so we hired a contractor to install all the partitions and redo the stairs going to the second floor.(to be continued next month)

Finally, I leave you with a bit of doggerel that popped into my mind the other day:

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By Judy Fry

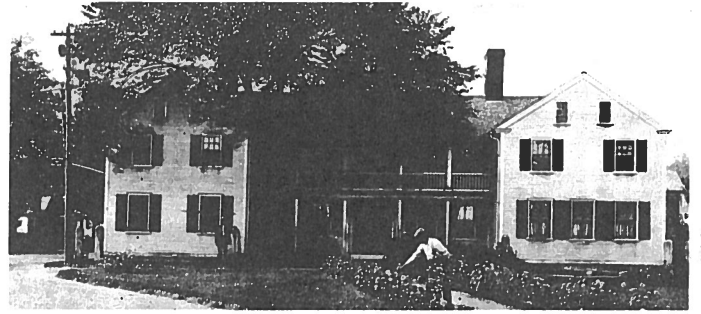
**NEW DURHAM GORE AND ALTON  
TAVERNS AND INNS  
Part IV**

As mentioned earlier, John Rawlings owned and operated a tavern and inn on what is now Main Street. The structure was a wooden shingle, two section building lying adjacent to the road lengthwise. Attached to the back of the house was a larger two story building which served as the inn and tavern. Behind these buildings was a large barn with stables and other outbuildings. These stables met the needs of the weary traveler's horse as did the tavern and inn for the weary traveler.

**Joseph Mooney Tavern**

Another name, Mooney, would dominate the history of the town for four generations. Information about this family came from the diaries of Joseph Mooney and his son, Charles. Major Joseph Mooney was born in Durham, New Hampshire, but as a young man moved to Dover, New Hampshire. A son, Jeremiah, named after his grandfather, was born in Durham. About 1790 Major Mooney moved to New Durham with his wife, Betsy Hayes Mooney, and son Jeremiah. In 1792, he opened a tavern and received the first tavern license issued by New Durham.

Just after the turn of the century, Joseph and his family moved to Alton. Business was diminishing as the traffic past his tavern located at the junction of the Bay Road and the Middleton Road to



Wolfeboro was less and less as the traveled route to the north shifted to Alton. In 1803 he purchased the tavern of Stephen Mooney, his brother, and moved to Alton. This tavern was located on the east side of what is now the Alton traffic circle. The Mooney family left their mark on the steamboat business, the railroad, the water works, the sawmills, the factories, the modern methods of horticulture, and the tavern business.

**Savage House**

Another fine example of overnight accommodations for weary travelers was located near the center of the village. It was, and still is, a large white rambling building which currently houses the Claude R. Bachelder Post #72 American Legion. Standing on the easterly side of Main Street at the Junction of Routes 11 and 140, this inn was known as the Cocheco House and in later years as the Savage House and the Savage Hotel.

Circa 1794, the Cocheco House was a busy inn and tavern, being at the crossroads of a stage coach route to Gilmanton which, in turn, connected two routes leading to Vermont and Canada. It was a public tavern for travelers looking for lodging and refreshment before leaving for the destinations west and north of New Durham Gore.

The owner of this building was Thomas Bennett. Consent by the selectmen was given December, 1794, for Thomas Bennett to provide provisions and liquor for the entertainment of the traveler and also to keep in good order the said Public House.

From 1850-1883, the building was owned and operated by Major George Savage. Lt. Col. George Savage was born in 1818 in New Durham, N.H. He was referred to as Major Savage. Upon his moving to Alton in 1849, his vocation as a farmer came to a close as he embarked on a new profession as an inn keeper. He still owned this establishment at the time of his death in February, 1883, at the age of 65.

There were a number of owners until his son, Henry, bought the building back in 1914 in memory of his father.

Henry Savage operated the inn until 1939. Some of the rooms were furnished for use by the Sons of Union Veterans and their families. In addition to American Legion and Auxiliary functions, the building today is used for many activities by townspeople under the auspices of the American Legion.

**White Lodge**

Three fires nearly destroyed another inn and tavern in Alton

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Village. The Shoe Factory which was located on the corner of Main Street and Route 140, where the Gilman Museum now stands, burned to the ground on a cold wintery morning, January 13, 1930. The White Lodge suffered considerable damage during that tragic fire.

The Lodge had another close call on the night of June 30, 1985 when the barn behind this structure burned to the ground. It formerly housed the William Rockwell Clough Corkscrew Factory and in more recent years Timberlane Manufacturing Company occupied the building. The Lodge owes its existence to the skill of the firemen who battled the fire and kept it from spreading to the Lodge and other buildings nearby. When the lodge was checked for damage only minor repairs were needed to the back of the structure. The Alton Florist and an apartment tenant in the barn lost everything in this fire.

Then in April, 1994, the Lodge suffered extensive roof damage, and second story damage from a fire that started in an upstairs apartment. Repairs were begun almost immediately with care given to reproduce the intricate designs that were on the building before the fire.

When exactly the White Lodge was built is somewhat in doubt. The building's design, a Greek revival temple style form enriched by Victorian detail, suggests that it was constructed in the third quarter of the 19th century, circa 1875.

One of the first owners was D. Melvin Mooney. There was a livery stable for sheltering a weary traveler's horse. Mooney used the main building as a tavern and rooming house.

In 1903 the property was purchased by William Rockwell panding his business of manufacturing corkscrews. 13, 1952, Norman Griffin purchased the building restaurant and tourist house there, calling it the "Meals were served there until the early 1970s. lding includes several apartments for private

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**THE CHECKOUT DESK**

By Pat Merrill, Librarian

**THREE LECTURES PLANNED FOR AUGUST**

The summer lecture series continues in August with the appearance of Professor Douglas L. Wheeler, University of New Hampshire who will speak on "Spies in Time: Intelligence and Spying in History and Today" on Wednesday, August 7.

W. Phillip Johnson will present "Walking Across America" on Wednesday August 14, and "The Hart-Break Kid: The Lyrics of Larry Hart" will be discussed by Frank Behrens on Wednesday, August 28. All lectures begin at 7:30p.m.

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM**

The Summer Reading Program will end August 17. For those children who reach their goal of reading at least two books a week, the Blue Jay Miniature Golf will present a certificate to play a round of golf for \$2 instead of the usual \$3. So come join the fun!

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**TOWN HALL NOTES**

By Scott Dunn, Town Administrator

**ROAD RECONSTRUCTION BIDS AWARDED**

The Selectmen have awarded the reconstruction of Route 11-D to Continental Paving at a price of \$526,008, and the reconstruction of New Durham Road to Busy Construction at \$267,633. Construction is scheduled to begin around August 5th. Both projects will be done in two phases, with a shut down at the end of October and a re-start in May, depending upon funds approved at the 1997 Annual Town Meeting. The work this year on Route 11-D will begin at the northern terminus of the road and end just above Boulder Lodge. The work this year on New Durham Road will be for approximately one mile coming from the New

Durham Town Line.

**FOND FAREWELLS** - Two long-term employees have announced their retirements. Patricia Pellowe is retiring from the Police Department after working for the Town for 20 years. Richard Bassett is retiring from the Highway Department after working for the Town for 18 years. Our best wishes and congratulations are extended to both of these folks. And this leads us to our next item.

**HELP WANTED** - The Town will be accepting applications for a Highway Department Truck Driver and a Police Department Secretary/Dispatcher. The deadline to apply will be August 9. These are full-time, year-round jobs with benefits. For more information, contact the Town Hall.

**SOLID WASTE CENTER REMINDER** - Mal Simonds asks that people remember we have a mandatory recycling policy. Also, the facility is closed on Tuesdays and Thursdays so please don't leave your trash at the gate. Lastly, for a more enjoyable "dump" experience, avoid weekend crowds.

**ENGINEERING STUDY COMMITTEE TO GET UNDERWAY** - The Selectmen will soon be appointing a 5 member committee to study if the Town should consider hiring an engineer as part of the Town Planner's or Highway Agent's job description. Results are expected in October in time for the 1997 budget preparation season.

**OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE** - For those of you looking for something to do, summer is the time to visit the Alton Historical Society Museum and the Gilman Museum. Just in case you forgot, 1996 is the Town of Alton's Bicentennial Year of celebration.

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**FIRESIDE CHATS**

By Stan Czech

**ANNUAL AUCTION A SUCCESS**

The results are not complete at press time, so I don't have the figures for the Annual Auction and Flea Market. I can tell you that there was a record amount of items donated and I want to thank you all for supporting this fund raising effort.

The incident log for June is as follows:

- June 3 Brush/Forest Fire, Lakeside, Roberts Cove Road
- 7 Smoke Investigation, Dudley Road
- Mutual Aid, Gilmanton Iron Works
- 9 Smoke Investigation, Pumpkin Point, Boat Cove
- Stove/Fireplace, Farmington Road
- Vehicle Fire, Route 28A
- 13 Mutual Aid, New Durham
- 16 Smoke Investigation, Rattlesnake Island
- LP Gas Incident, West Alton Marina
- Rescue, Chestnut Street
- 18 Mutual Aid, Gilmanton Iron Works
- 19 Motor Vehicle Accident, Routes 28 & 28A
- 23 Mutual Aid, Gilford
- 26 Power Lines, Halls Hill Road
- Brush/Forest Fire, Sleeper Island
- 27 Structure Fire, Route 11D

As you can see, June was not too bad and we like it that way!

**WOODSTOVE INFORMATION**

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**BICENTENNIAL FOCUS**

By Tom Fry

**THE RAILROAD IN ALTON 1851 - 1935**

In 1847 the Cochecho Railroad received a charter from the New Hampshire Legislature to build a railroad from Dover via Alton to Lakeport near Laconia. This would provide a connection with the Boston, Concord and Montreal Railroad which served much of central New Hampshire. The Cochecho Railroad got as far as Alton Bay by 1851, ran out of money and was unable to continue to Lakeport. The Cochecho Railroad later became the Dover and Winnepesaukee Railroad in 1863, was soon leased and eventually taken over by the Boston and Maine Railroad.

The politicians, the public and the railroad officials haggled for about 35 years over how to get the railroad finished from Alton Bay to Lakeport. Finally in 1888 work started on this last section of track along the beautiful west shore of the Lake now known as the Lake Shore Railroad. On June 17, 1890, the Lake Shore Line was officially opened. For about 40 years this was a very busy



**Bicentennial Display**

Railroading in Alton will be the theme of the Bicentennial Display during the August. See railroad lanterns, photographs, track spikes, and other memorabilia in the Town Hall display case weekdays, 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.

profitable part of Alton's railroad system hauling passengers and freight. Steam boat stops were arranged with the train schedules for maximum use of trains and steamers. By the early 1900s there were about 20 stations and flag stops between Alton and Lakeport, an average of about one per mile of track, many of them are still there today.

For almost 85 years Alton Bay was a hub of activity with trains, steamboats, stage coach lines and roads converging at the tip of the Bay. However, by 1934 passenger and freight revenues had dropped drastically, mostly due to increasing popularity of cars, trucks and buses. In 1935 the rails were torn up in Alton and so ended an important part of Alton's development and history.

On June 17, 1990, a New Hampshire Historic Marker was placed by the former Alton Bay Station (the third one) to commemorate Alton's role as an important transportation center.

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**MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE A SUCCESS**

Seventy-five donors participated in the Second Annual Mike Burke Memorial Blood Drive last month at the Alton Central School. Coordinator Anne Norman-Burke expressed special thanks to Marie Sheldon and Kate McDonough of the Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce who coordinated generous donations from Farmington National Bank, Alton Video, McGrath's Food Center, Wayside Grocery, Jeff's Diner, Sandy Point Restaurant, Caribbean Oasis, Village Pizza, and Hart's Turkey Farm.

Also recognized were the many individual volunteers and the publicity efforts of Alton Home and Garden Center, the Williams Building, Homestead Place, and Shibley's.

**ALICE ZIEGRA IS GARDEN CLUB SPEAKER**

The August meeting of the Alton Garden Club will be held on Tuesday, August 27 at 1:30p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House. The speaker will be Alice Ziegler, who will present "200 Years of Farming in Alton."

Hostesses for the meeting are Jackie Freese, chairman, assisted by Rachel Bates, Martha Headley, Emily Marks, Phyllis Mugford, Rachel Nottleman, Emma Pijoan, and Nicole Smith.

**HELP WANTED ON AUGUST 29**

Anyone interested in participating in Main Street is encouraged to call Editor John Duffek in Alton at 569-4441.

No talent will be turned away! We need reporters for general and feature stories; salespersons to call on prospective advertisers; and collators and staplers to help put it all together at the Pearson Road Community Center on Thursday, August 29, at 6:30p.m. Join us!



**ALTON OUTDOORS**

By Jack Miller

**TRY NIGHT BASS FISHING!**

The month of August continues with the lazy, hazy days of summer but the outdoors person has lots to do.

Fishing slows down this month as all fish seek the depths for cooler waters. So far (mid-July) we have not had a real hot spell to send fish to the depths yet. Night time bass fishing can be fun this month. Instead of quitting at dark, start fishing at dark. The local lakes boat traffic quiets down at dark and the bass move into the shallow water to feed. Try to fish familiar waters and go slowly as night time navigation can be hazardous. Each person should have their own flashlight for changing lures and watching for rocks on their side of the boat.

Flat calm evenings call for top water lures or deer hair bass bugs. Top water lures add excitement and anticipation to the fishing experience as you fish by sound, listening for the splashy strike or the soft slurp as the fish takes the lure can keep one on the edge of their boat seat. Be sure to check all night time boating and fishing regulations.

This month archers should start preparing for the upcoming season. Check out bows, arrows, tree stands, etc. It's a good month to scout and find where the deer are traveling. Farmington Fish and Game Club provides a 15 target 3D course every Thursday night starting at 5p.m. for \$4. There is also a 30 target shoot being held on Sunday, August 11, at the club grounds in New Durham for \$7. Registration starts at 7a.m. and trophies are given for all classes.

Archers should be aware that their name and address must again be on all arrows used for deer hunting. This regulation was removed last year, but complaints to the Fish and Game Department prompted its renewal. Please make every effort to recover all arrows shot and get permission to hunt on other people's land.

It's extremely important that parents with small children save something for a rainy day: their patience.



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**HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS TALK ON  
WORLD WAR II POW CAMP IN STARK**

The Alton Historical Society will meet Tuesday, August 20 at 7:30p.m. at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. Dr. Alan Koop, noted Dartmouth history professor and author, will speak on the topic: Prisoners of War, Stark, NH.

Stark is an isolated area in northern NH which was the site of a World War II German prisoner of war camp. Admission to the meeting is free, and the public is welcome.

Hostesses for the evening will be Jean Roberts, Betty Stone, and Norma Swain. For further information call Jessie Bakeman at 569-1487 or Nancy Mooney at 875-3374.

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