

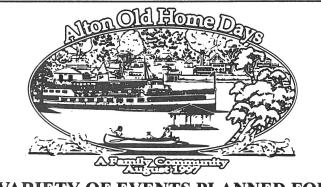
# **Main Street**

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#### VARIETY OF EVENTS PLANNED FOR ALTON'S OLD HOME DAYS By John Duffek

A 16-year tradition came to an end this year when no one volunteered to form an Old Home Week Committee. It all started in 1978 when Fire Chief Russell Jones began talking to local organizations about the idea of an annual celebration intended to spotlight civic organizations and encourage a sense of pride about the town. Chief Jones wanted to bring everyone together and have a good time doing it. The result was the first Old Home Week in 1981. The Fire Department sponsored the event for the first three years and cosponsored the fourth year with American Legion Post #72.

Since then committees have been formed each year to organize what had become a major project. It became harder each year to find people with the time and energy to devote to Old Home Week and this year no one stepped forward.

However, a number of events that have been part of Old Home Week will go on as part of Old Home Days. And some events that began before Old Home Week such as the Barbershoppers' Jamboree, the Fire Department Chicken Barbecue, the Police Association Penny Sale, the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, and the 5K Road Race will go on as usual.

At press time, the confirmed events for Old Home Days included the Barbershoppers' Jamboree on Saturday and Sunday, August 9 and 10, the Chicken Barbecue on Saturday, August 9, from 4:30 to 7 P.M. and "Hello Detroit" sponsored by Parks and Recreation at the Bandstand at 6:30 P.M.

On Monday, August 11, Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a trip to Surf Coaster from 9:30 A.M. to 5 P.M. and the Wolfeboro Wranglers will perform at the Bandstand at 7:30 P.M.

The Abenaki Water Ski Show will take place on Wednesday, August 13, at 6 P.M. and the Penny Sale will be Continued on page 2

#### SCHOOL BOARD TO PROPOSE NEW 9-12 HIGH SCHOOL

The Alton School Board took a significant step last month toward addressing the space needs issues for Alton Central School when it unanimously voted to pursue building a new grade 9-12 high school on a new site. The Board plans to hold a Special School District Meeting in November to seek the approval of the residents. Other options were considered before making the decision, including a year-round school, a voucher system, and a possible joint venture with other districts.

In 1993 a public facility study committee was established by the School Board. Although no general conclusion was presented, the committee's research indicated that space was quickly running out and that a plan to address future growth was needed. Last year, the Board contracted the services of Architect Frank Marinace to develop a plan to address future increased enrollment.

The Board has initiated a series of Public Forums to obtain the views of Town residents and bring them more into the decision-making process. Forums were held on June 25 and July 23 with a third forum intended, but not yet scheduled when <u>Main Street</u> went to press.

The School Board is now also seeking volunteers to work with school officials on the building committee in any of the following subcommittees: Finance, Public Relations, Facilities Development and Community Use of Facilities. Interested parties should contact Board Chairman Loring Carr.

The number one priority is to acquire a tract of land in Alton which would be large enough for a new high school, athletic fields, and for potential future growth. A minimum of 20 acres is required. Residents knowing of any such property, are asked to contact any member of the School Board.



#### ALTON'S NEW FIRE BOAT As <u>Main Street</u> was being readied to go to press, the Town's new fireboat was being prepared for launching. Next month's issue will cover the full story.

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held on Friday, August 15, at the Bandstand.

Events on Saturday, August 16, include the Pancake Breakfast from 7 to 10:30 A.M. at the Alton Bay Pavilion, the "Decorate Your Wheels" contest sponsored by the Garden Club at 1:30 P.M., a Craft Fair at the Alton Bay Community Center that continues through Sunday, a Magic Show at the Bandstand at 3 P.M., and a concert by "Pony Express" followed by Fireworks over Alton Bay.

Old Home Days conclude with the 5K Road Race at 9 A.M. on Sunday, August 17.

<u>Main Street</u> takes this opportunity to salute the countless individuals and organizations who have contributed to the success of Old Home Week over the past 16 years. They have made Alton a better community by their efforts.

## THE EDITOR WOULD LIKE READERS TO KNOW...

...that this issue of <u>Main Street</u> should turn out a lot better than the July one — my first as a newspaper editor. Bear in mind, I am an amateur — my past publication experience was on the high school year book and an occasional draft press release in my last job before retirement. So you will be experiencing some of my learning pains as I fumble through my hi-tech hardware and software.

What was good about the last issue, at least in my opinion, was the creative art work that really blossomed forth. This was (and is) the doing of our Layout Editor, Rob Boyce. I said to Rob, "let's get some imaginative logos to identify all our regular columns," and he not only did that with a few clicks of his "mouse," but introduced a few extra graphics which I found delightful. You should see even more with each future issue.

That which I don't want to happen is any falling off in quality with <u>Main Street</u>. Your one-and-only former Editor, and cofounder of the paper, along with his band of dedicated volunteers, brought <u>Main Street</u> up to a high level of excellence. If you feel the paper is veering off from that standard, I hope you'll let me know. I take calls up to 10:15 at night, and after 9 in the morning. As a volunteer I work out of my home, where the number is 875-5067.

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## **Main Street's Inside Front Page**

#### A SALUTE TO OUR SUMMER RESIDENTS by Bob Calvert

We are at midsummer, and there is something very special about the Alton scene: IT'S THE PEOPLE! There are many of them and some are visitors, while others are summer residents. The latter bring a special flavor to Alton and we welcome them back with open arms. They are part of us and they have demonstrated a great love of our town as well as helping Alton achieve its very best. We know because many of us were visitors and/or summer residents ourselves not that long ago.

Why are we so pleased? The obvious, of course, is that their generous tax contributions help markedly to keep Alton the great town that it is, as well as to help ensure one of the lower tax rates in the Lakes Region, and even the entire state.

But there are more significant reasons why we salute them and honor them. Many have organized local associations, and the United Associations of Alton which has contributed mightily to the rich heritage of our town. For instance, we have realistic zoning in Alton because of this organization. They worked hard in an earlier period to bring it about. And they helped greatly with the fact-gathering for Alton's first Master Plan.

Some have served on town committees and set a great example for many of us. One of these summer residents gave the lead gift in the \$600,000-plus Gilman Library capital expansion campaign! And they are well represented on the master list of contributors. They have periodically sponsored a "summer town meeting" to help all understand the local government process. Further, they present an annual scholarship to an Alton High School senior.

Indeed, Alton's summer residents are very special and wonderful people. We salute them enthusiastically as an important part of us and "our town."

#### A CONVERSATION WITH THE POLICE CHIEF

How many times do you get a chance to talk with a cop in a really friendly conversational style? And, not only that, even tell him/her what you don't like about the police department? Here is your chance. Alton's Police Chief, Kevin Iwans, is serious about learning what his "customers" are looking for — and <u>not</u> looking for — in the way of receiving law enforcement and other services for their taxes.

The chief, and several of the leading staff in the department, will be available to hear the community's views at a "Police Forum" to be held on Wednesday, August 20th, at the Alton Bay Community Center. The meeting starts at 7 P.M., and the meeting date (August) was chosen to offer seasonal residents of Alton an opportunity to come out of the summer sun and shine some light on their expectations for police services to their second home.



#### SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT LOOKING FORWARD TO NEW RESPONSIBILITIES by John Duffek

Describing his philosophy of shared decision making, School Superintendent Richard Pike said, "A rising tide raises all boats. By this I mean that everyone's contribution to making decisions is important and as the climate improves everyone's 'boat' will rise."

Barely one month into the operation of the new School Administrative Unit (SAU) 72, Pike and his staff are surrounded by unpacked file boxes and temporary furniture in their office in Homestead Place. He is joined there (see photo, left to right) by Executive Secretary Joanne Fiorini and Business Manager Sue Heger.

Pike, most recently the Assistant Superintendent of SAU 29 in Keene — where he was responsible for the schools in Chesterfield, Harrisville, Marlow, Marlborough, Nelson, and Westmoreland — described his feelings about the new position: "The most appealing part of this job was going from six different school districts and school boards to one. This will give me more opportunities for day-to-day contact with the students, teachers and staff." Pike is a fourth generation educator and misses the classroom contact since he was a high school English teacher in Woodsville, New Hampshire, from 1968 to 1984.

He went on to become the assistant principal and later the principal at InterLakes Junior-Senior High School in Meredith prior to moving to SAU 29 in Keene.

Pike sees his role as superintendent as being the coordinator of team players. "I will be concerned with the overall operation. I hope to give good advice on key issues and I will be a resource to the School Board." When faced with an issue or a recommendation, Pike's first question will be "Is this good for the students?" He believes that a successful school system is one that "emphasizes the personalized side of education, as opposed to one that relies entirely on systems and procedures."

According to Pike, the Alton school system is faced with

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two major issues — space needs and school climate. "We are addressing these issues as we move forward with a proposal for expanding our facilities and our efforts to improve communication within our system."

Pike lives in Wentworth with his wife Sandra. They have three grown children — two daughters and a son. There are two grandchildren that occupy a good part of Pike's leisure time along with an interest in cinema history and memorabilia, and sports card collecting.

What are his impressions of Alton in the short time he has been here? "Warm and friendly! Everyone I have met has been very nice and I feel very good about being here."

The other two members of the SAU staff were previously employed by SAU 51 that included Alton, Barnstead and Pittsfield. Fiorini started there in 1989 as a secretary and later became the executive secretary. Heger started out as a part-time clerk-typist in 1982 and moved up to become a bookkeeper and subsequently the accounting manager there.

A native of Lynn, Massachusetts, Fiorini and her husband Steve live in Gilford. Steve is an inspector with General Electric in Lynn. They have two daughters who are graduates of Alton High School and one granddaughter. Fiorini enjoys motorcycling and gardening.

Heger lives in Concord and has two sons and two grandchildren. She spends her free time traveling and most recently enjoyed a cruise to the western Caribbean.

All three expressed their pleasure with being in Alton and they invite everyone to stop by and say hello!

#### MINDING ALTON'S BUSINESS by Jennifer Hoover Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce

#### THE KIOSKS ARE COMING!

As summer is upon us, the Chamber is gearing up for a busy season. We look forward to serving our members from our Information Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay.

We have been working with the State Department of Transportation and the Town of Alton to erect information kiosks in Town which will offer Chamber members opportunities to further promote their businesses. Stay tuned to the Chamber for further details.

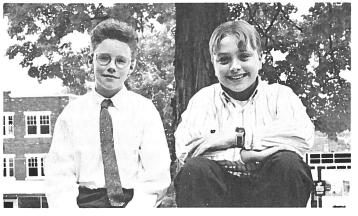
By now you have, hopefully, seen our all new Alton Area Guide. Thanks to all of you who advertised, and special thanks to Debbie Burton at Alton Printing for her help in bringing the 1997 edition to life. Additional Area Guides can be picked up at the Farmington National Bank and the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center.

The Board would like to extend its thanks and appreciation to Julie Slayton Frank for her assistance and hard work in laying the groundwork for an active and effective Chamber of Commerce. She has left us with processes in place that will assist the Chamber in becoming an important part of the Alton/Alton Bay community.

Finally, we would like to welcome Darlene Sargent to the Chamber Office. Darlene will be working as the Office Administrator and will have an office at the Bay Community Center. We encourage you to stop by and say hello.

If you would like to volunteer for any Chamber activities, please call the office at 875-5777.





ACADEMIC AWARDS

Pictured above are Dan Quinn (grade 5) and Christopher Duffy (grade 6) who along with Jeff Nichols (grade 5, not pictured) have achieved national recognition for Alton. The Johns Hopkins University Institute for the Academic Advancement of Youth (IAAY) recently honored these students. During a ceremony held at Plymouth State College, Daniel and Christopher, both students at Alton Central School, and Jeff, who is home schooled by his parents, were recognized for their outstanding verbal and/or mathematical abilities. The students' talents were discovered by IAAY's annual Talent Search, conducted through The John's Hopkins University.

Students from across the country who have achieved outstanding scores on California Achievement Tests are invited each year to participate in IAAY's PLUS Academic Abilities Assessment examination. Exams were held last December and February and several outstanding students from Alton participated. The three Alton students who achieved scores among the highest in the nation, placing them at or above the verbal or quantitative mean scores of eight- or ninth-graders, were honored by The Johns Hopkins University and received certificates of merit during the ceremony.

The Johns Hopkins' IAAY will continue to follow the students' progress and provide them with information on educational programs and materials designed to enhance and direct their abilities.



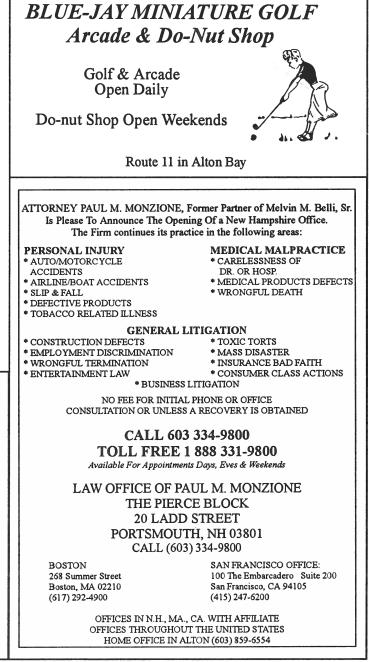
#### OLD HOME T-SHIRTS ON THE SHELVES by Judy Fry

The 17th Annual Old Home "Week" Tshirts have arrived. The original design, by Freedom of Expression (illustrated on the front page), reflects this years theme "Alton

A Family Community."

The shirts are available in adult sizes only: medium, large, extra large and XX large. You will find them at the Alton Village 5 & 10, East Alton Store, and Town Hall. The shirts sell for \$13 each, regardless of size.

These colorful T-shirts have been a fund raising project for the Alton Fire Department Auxiliary since 1981. Proceeds from the sale of the shirts are used for the children's "Mrs. Santa Claus Fund" here in Alton, and equipment for the Fire Department.

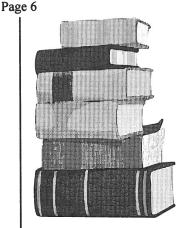


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#### THE CHECKOUT DESK by Holly Brown, Librarian

#### **STORY HOUR ON HOLD**

Wednesday morning story hour has been temporarily postponed due to the construction. We will begin again as soon as possible. Please keep in mind that we are still open to the public, but you may have to use the back entrance. We hope to see our story gular hours.

hour friends during our regular hours.

The Library has acquired a book entitled <u>American</u> <u>Visions:</u> The Epic History of Art in America by Robert Hughes. In addition, an eight-volume video series, <u>The History</u> of <u>American Art and Architecture</u>, is available to accompany the book. The videos are entitled: <u>Republic of Virtue</u>; <u>The</u> <u>Promised Land</u>; <u>The Wilderness and the West</u>; <u>The Gilded</u> <u>Age</u>; <u>A Wave from the Atlantic</u>; <u>Streamlines and Breadlines</u>; <u>The Empire of Signs</u>; and <u>The Age of Anxiety</u>. Robert Hughes, the renowned art critic for TIME magazine, takes us on an exuberant guided tour through 200 years of our visual culture, vividly illustrating how art conveys deep messages about who we are as a nation. These are all given in the loving memory of Sydney Merrill, who was fascinated by both these topics.

Space limitations in this and the July issue of <u>Main Street</u> precluded publishing the monthly list of all new acquisitions. Look for them on the library bulletin board.

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#### THE SINGERS ARE HERE AGAIN! by Ginny Lynch

The Annual Barbershop Jamboree is coming to town. Again — for the 48th time!

The Nashua Chapter of the SPEBSQSA (Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America), in concert with the Alton Bay Community, is again sponsoring the annual Alton Bay Barbershop Jamboree.

The event is one of the largest and most varied Barbershop shows in New England, as well as one of the area's most popular summer events. It attracts audiences and performers from all over the Northeast, including Canada and New York, and from as far away as Florida. Traditionally it is held in conjunction with multiple other local community activities during the weekend, including picnics, barbecues, and church sponsored suppers.

In addition to the fine local area restaurants, food and snacks provided by the Alton Ladies Club will be available at the Community House near the boat landing.

One of the highlights is an evening Barbershop concert featuring both men's and women's groups plus some mixed choruses and quartets from all over the New England area. Included, of course, are Nashua's Granite Statesmen and multiple Nashua chapter quartets.

Proceeds from the Jamboree provide college scholarships for Alton and Nashua area youths, with the remaining monies divided between the Alton Committee and the Nashua Chapter. The Alton Committee returns their proceeds to the community to fund various projects. So far no one has applied for the 1996 scholarship, and it is worth \$500. Call Jonathan Downing at 875-3033 for further information.

Among the charitable works that the Alton Committee has been able to provide for its residents are the construction of parks, baseball fields and tennis courts. The Committee purchased new chairs and sound and ventilation systems for the Alton High School and has contributed to disaster relief as well as local area hospitals.

#### **EVENTS SCHEDULE:**

**Friday, Aug. 8 (informal times):** Jamboree starts in the evening with many impromptu performances at the Alton Bay Community Center and recommences Saturday through the afternoon.

Saturday, Aug. 9, 7:45 P.M.: Formal performances at the Alton School Auditorium.

Tickets: \$7.50 Adults, \$1.00 Children under 12 years. Free boat rides on the Big Lake will be available for those purchasing show tickets. Tickets are available at the Community House, Downing's Landing, and the Chamber of Commerce.

For more information call: Jonathan Downing, 875-3033, the Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce, 875-5777, or Denis Cushman at the Granite Statesmen, 424-6966.



#### TOWN FOREST PROJECT by Lisa Erickson Harris

Forest management activities are nearing completion at the Alton Town Forest and the Conservation Commission is anxious to begin the next phase. The Commission received much valuable input during the recent public information session. In addition, valid

concerns were raised that must be addressed. Several residents also expressed an interest in volunteering for the effort ahead.

Much work remains to be done, and the Conservation Commission would like to solicit additional volunteer participation. Some activities will involve physical labor while others involve research, promotion, and planning. The Commission expects to conduct a planning session in late August or early September. It is hoped that work will begin this Fall.

Interested persons are asked to please call Jim Washburn at 364-7413, even if you can spare only a limited amount of time.

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#### LOCAL GIFT SHOP Tent Sale Aug. 13-16th 20% off Wrapped Baskets Only Taking orders for XMAS



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#### **C.I.P. COMMITTEE MEMBERS SOUGHT**

The Planning Board is seeking interested individuals to serve on the Capital Improvements Program (C.I.P.) Committee. The CIP is an advisory document that lists and schedules projected capital outlays for the next six years, and is used in the preparation of the town budget. This committee is a subcommittee of the Planning Board, and will be responsible for obtaining information from all Town departments, as well as the School District, for inclusion in the CIP. The committee will report to the Planning Board, which has the responsibility under state law to prepare the document. If interested in serving on the committee, or to obtain more information, please telephone 875-5095.

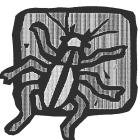


#### **WORSE THAN MILFOIL!**

As if Milfoil isn't enough of a concern to lakefront property owners and users of New Hampshire waterways, there is cause for even greater worry not that far away: Zebra mussels. They are fouling Lake Champlain, New York, at this time and unless serious countermeasures are put in place, their invasion of Lake Winnipesaukee and other area lakes might occur in very short order. Zebra mussels ill repute stems from their tendency to clog water intakes, including boat engine cooling systems, and overwhelming native shellfish.

To inform residents of the seriousness of the threat, and what might be done about it, the United Associations of Alton's annual summer meeting will feature two speakers who are experts on the subject: Robert Craycraft of the Freshwater Biology Group at UNH, and Jacquie Colburn, Lakes Management Coordinator of the NH Department on Environmental Services.

Saturday, August 23rd, is the date of the meeting, which starts at 9 A.M. in the Alton Bay Community Center. The public is not only invited — but urged — to attend. Refreshments will be served.



#### TICK SEASON REPORT by Jason Talon, Grade 5

I just want people in the Town of Alton to know the ticks are out like crazy. In June my younger brother Stephen found a tick on himself when he went to bed. This year ticks will be found on many

tree stumps. My dog Dusty has already been caught with ticks. So just remember to check your hair before you go to bed or in the shower.



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#### **BUDGET COMMITTEE** SEEKS MEMBER

The Alton Budget Committee is actively seeking a new member to replace Deborah Burton who was appointed to the Alton School Board.

Interested candidates should contact the new Budget Committee Chairman, Peter Pijoan at 875-8894 (Home) or at 875-6161 (Work)

The Committee now meets

the first Thursday of the month. Our next meeting will be August 7th at 7:00 p.m. Membership will be voted on at that next Budget Committee meeting.

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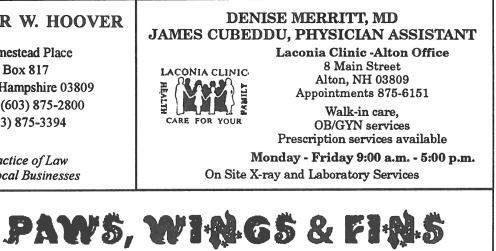
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#### TEN YEARS AGO ...

... "Alton — A Town For All Seasons" was celebrating its seventh Old Home Week with John Conboy as Chairman and Archie Thibeault as Co-Chairman and Parade Marshal. ... the Annual Barbershoppers' Jamboree was held and they pledged a \$5,000 gift towards the matching fund campaign for Phase II of the Parks & Playgrounds recreational development program . . . the Gilman Library sponsored a lecture in conjunction with the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution.

#### FIVE YEARS AGO ....

... Dr. and Mrs. Appleyard were Grand Marshals of the Old Home Week Parade ... a Self-Defense Workshop for Women was held by the Alton Police Department . . . the United Associations of Alton celebrated its 25th anniversary.



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#### **LEGION EVENTS**

The Claude R. Batchelder Post #72 in Alton will be holding an old fashioned "Lobster Bake" on Saturday, August 16, starting at 3 P.M.

The menu will include fresh lobsters, steamed clams, and corn on the cob. Steak will be available to those who want it, and there will be a childrens' menu as well. The cost will be decided according to the seafood's market price. The event will be held outside with space reserved inside in case of rain. More information is available by calling the Post at 875-3461.

The Post has also announced that Norman Paquette became the Service Officer for the Post.

Post #72 also wants to hear from Veterans who served during the Vietnam War and enlisted from Alton so that their names can be inscribed on the monument in the Square.

The Legion Auxiliary, Dept. of NH, recently announced that Beth A. Jackson of Alton was one of 160 Junior High School girls selected to participate in Granite Girls State last month.

#### SUBMIT YOUR NEWS AND PHOTOS

<u>Main Street</u>'s motto, "The Voice of Alton," calls for it to get the information out on what's going on — and when — in our town. Information may be submitted in writing to <u>Main</u> <u>Street</u> about special events sponsored by community organizations, club meetings, and news of general interest to Alton residents and visitors. Color or black and white photos of local happenings are also encouraged, but will not be returned unless accompanied by a S.A.S.E. Label photos with the names of persons shown, left to right.

Send material to Post Office Box 210, Alton Bay 03810, by the 15th of the month for the following month's issue. Material may also be left in the <u>Main Street</u> box at the Alton branch of the Farmington National Bank.

<u>Main Street</u> reserves the right to limit or edit all material. The name of the person who prepared the submission, and a telephone number, should be included. Typed (and "scannable") text is preferred, but handwritten material will be given equal consideration. Additional information can be obtained from the editor at 875-5067.

#### ALMOST OFFICIAL INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE by Judy Fry

Undaunted by the threat of thunderstorms, participants in the "Fifth Annual Unofficial Fourth of July Parade" lined up at the north end of Roberts Cove Road in East Alton. The parade got underway at the unofficially scheduled noon time with other non-officials joining the group as they traveled along the parade route.

The Highest Unofficial Parade Organizer, Irving Roberts, with his colorful red calliope, led the procession. The accompanying photo shows the Unofficial Parade Marshal, George W. Stone, Jr., with the calliope.

Parade participants included Duane Hammond driving his 1950's vintage International Farmal tractor, Richard and Cathy Finigan were aboard their restored 1940 McCormack tractor, Chris Widerstrom was astride her Morgan horse "Eldon," husband David was riding his chestnut horse "BC," Charles Powell in his 1964 blue VW, and Glen McLean and friends filled-out a bright red 1972 Chevrolet Malibu. Bicyclists from Lakeside joined the lineup briefly, and the Fry's rounded out the procession in their 1931 Model A Pickup Truck.

A brief shower greeted the drivers and riders between Lakeside and Cedar Cove, but there were no dampened spirits with this group, and the parade continued along towards Route 28. Neighbors were waiting at Gilman's Corner for the arrival of the parade.

Although not large in numbers, the participants made up for this with their enthusiasm. Those neighbors who gathered along the route, waving flags and cheering as the parade passed, lent a very festive air to the 1997 edition of the July 4th "Unofficial Holiday Parade."

#### LIONS PANCAKE BREAKFAST SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 16

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club will sponsor its Annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, August 16, from 7 to 10:30 A.M. as part of this year's Old Home Days.

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

#### GARDEN DEDICATION by Nancy B. Alden

On July 13 forty-five people gathered at Shirley's Garden in Alton Bay by the Community Center to dedicate the area in memory of Shirley Ferry. Both the Alton Garden Club and Shirley's family were well represented. Shirley was a valued and well loved member of the Club.

The Club in conjunction with Shirley's daughters established the garden during the past two years. Donations to the Club in her memory brought about the installation of a granite bench inscribed "Shirley's Garden." Two Hydrangea trees were also planted at the garden perimeters.





Most Alton residents have visited (many of us are regular "customers") the site of our Solid Waste Center off Route 28A in East Alton. It is an exemplary operation, efficiently run, and well maintained. Malcolm Simonds is the Director of the Center but refuses to take credit for its smooth operation and well-kept appearance. "All of us make this place what it is. We all work together to keep it running and looking good. It's a team effort," insists Malcolm. (Although this article is about Malcolm, in discussing his job, he refers to himself as "one of the group" of workers at the Center and requested that the accompanying photo be of all of the group. He is the second from the left. Other group members are Joseph Callahan, John Randall, and Joseph Fisher.)

Malcolm was born at Huggins Hospital in Wolfeboro. He is a lifelong Alton resident and attended schools here. His first job was in Wyss Laurance Shoe Shop in Dover. From there Malcolm went with the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department at the Fish Hatchery in New Durham. After working at the hatchery for 16 years, Malcolm took a position at Spaulding Fiber Company as a Certified Wastewater Operator. When the company went out of business, he began working for the Town of Alton. He worked in the Highway Department for a year and then came to his present position in 1988.

The Solid Waste Center has undergone many changes since Malcolm has become director. It has also had name changes. As Malcolm explains it, "First it was called the 'Dump,' then the 'Landfill and Transfer Station,' and now the 'Solid Waste Center." He explained the Center's operation saying, "Everything here is transferred out. We sell everything to be recycled at market price to be turned into revenue for the town. The solid waste goes to Wheelabrator in Concord. They burn it and turn it into electricity to service 3,500 homes in Concord. Articles like couches go to Turnkey in Rochester, where it is buried."

Malcolm's main hobby is selling used cars. He likes to buy them at car auctions, fix them up, and then resell them. He also enjoys going to NASCAR races and occasionally going to Las Vegas with friends. He and his wife, Frieda, like to travel to visit friends in Vermont and Connecticut. Frieda works part-time at the Sunflower Nursery close to their newly built home and enjoys doing craft work in her spare time.

Malcolm hopes to remain as Director of the Solid Waste Center until retirement. He says, "Then I'll spend more time with the used cars, and we'll travel more, but I'm here at my job until then."

#### A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL by George J. Rogers Alton Central School

#### ONE, TO GET READY...

It is now mid-July and the next school year is fast approaching. We are very busy at the school — cleaning, polishing and getting the building ready. Ordering of books and supplies is being done, and final details relating to scheduling and the opening of school are taking place. Handbooks are being prepared and summer school is well underway.

**NEASC:** The staff at the Alton Central School is in process of remediating those areas cited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). On June 19, Dr. Charles Ashley, from the University of New Hampshire, met with the school community — including the school board, superintendent and SAU staff, administrators, teachers, and support staff — in an effort to begin the healing process relative to the school climate issues. We will have follow-up meetings on August 27 and 28, September 24, and October 24. A special progress report was submitted by the Follow-up Committee to the NEASC. We will submit another documented follow-up report in early September. The school community is working together to have our probationary status lifted as soon as possible, perhaps as early as December.

**Kindergarten:** Any Alton resident who has a child who will be five by September 30, 1997, should come to the Alton Central School to register the student for kindergarten. We are attempting to finalize class lists for September, The final lists will be posted at the school the week before school opens.

**Volunteers:** Volunteer sign-ups are available for the upcoming school year. We welcome all volunteers and all ages — even if you do not have children in school! Please stop by, or give us a call. There is something here for everyone to do. For those with children in the school, you will be receiving a volunteer sheet the first week of school. This will be a part of a packet that is sent home that also includes insurance information and student handbooks.

Enjoy the rest of your summer! September is fast approaching. Have a safe, prosperous and enjoyable August.

## MAIN STREET

#### AUGUST EVENTS

Fri.	1	-	CONCERT: Frontline Ministries, Alton Bay Christian
Sat.	2	-	Conference Center, 8 P.M. DRAMA: George Washington, Alton Bay Christian
Wed.	6	-	Conference Center, 7:30 P.M. BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7 P.M.
	Ŭ		CONCERT: Les Julian, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7:30 P.M.
Thu.	7	-	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community Center, 10:30 A.M. to Noon
Fri.	8	-	CONCERT: The Continental Singers, Alton Bay
			Christian Conference Center, 8 P.M.
			BARBERSHOPPERS JAMBOREE, Alton Bay
			Community Center, Evening
Sat.	9	-	GARDEN CLUB FLEA MARKET, Czech Residence,
			Main Street, 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.
			HAM & BEAN SUPPER, Masonic Temple, 4:30 - 6:30 P.M.
			CHICKEN BARBECUE, Alton Central Fire Station, 4:30
			P.M.
			CONCERT: Alice Schalble, Alton Bay Christian
			Conference Center, 7:30 P.M.
			CONCERT: Hello Detroit, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7:30
			P.M.
			BARBERSHOPPERS JAMBOREE, Alton Central School,
			7:45 P.M.
Mon.	11	-	LUNCHEON, Lakes Region Christian Women's Club,
			Christian Conference Center, 11:30 A.M.
			SQUARE DANCING: Wolfeboro Wrangles, Alton Bay
			Bandstand, 7:30 P.M.
Wed.	13	-	ABENAKI WATER SKI SHOW, Alton Bay, 6 P.M.
			BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7 P.M.
			SPEAKER: Lake Winnipesaukee Water Quality Trend, Alton Bay Community Center, 7 P.M.
Fri.	15	-	POLICE ASSOCIATION PENNY SALE, Alton Bay Band
			stand, 2 P.M., Sale at 9 P.M.
Sat.	16	-	PANCAKE BREAKFAST, Alton Bay Pavilion, 7 to 10:30
			P.M.
			CRAFT FAIR, Alton Bay Community House, 9 A.M. to
			6 P.M.
			DECORATE YOUR WHEELS CONTEST, Alton Bay
			Bandstand, 1:30 P.M.
			MAGIC SHOW, Alton Bay Bandstand, 3 P.M.
			LOBSTER BAKE, American Legion Hall, 3 P.M.
			CONCERT: Ted Cornell. Alton Bay Christian Conference
			Center, 7:30 P.M.
			CONCERT: Pony Express, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7:30 P.M.
			FIREWORKS, Alton Bay, 9:30 P.M.
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Sun.	17	- CRAFT FAIR, Alton Bay Community House, 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.
		5K ROAD RACE, Jones Field, 9 A.M.
Tue.	19	- SPEAKER: America B.C., Historical Society, Christian Conference Center, 7:30 P.M.
Wed.	20	- BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7 P.M.
		FORUM: Police Chief Kevin Iwans, Alton Bay Community Center, 7 P.M.
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Sat.	23	- ANNUAL MEETING: United Associations of Alton, Alton Bay Community Center, 9 A.M.
		ANNUAL MEETING: Black Point Trask Side
		Association, Thayer Residence, 12:30 P.M.
		CONCERT: Ken Fernald, Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, 7:30 P.M.
Tue.	26	- SPEAKER: Gem in Your Backyard, Garden Club, Congregational Meeting House, 1:30 P.M.
Wed.	27	- BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7 P.M.
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Sat.	30	- CONCERT: Douglas Clegg, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7:30 P.M.
		CONCERT: The Campbells, Alton Bay Christian
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#### Conference Center, 8 P.M.

#### **BE PART OF MAIN STREET ON AUGUST 28**

Anyone interested in participating in <u>Main Street</u> is encouraged to call Editor Bob Longabaugh at 875-5067.

No talent will be turned away! Reporters for general and feature stories are needed, as well as salespersons to call on prospective advertisers. The most immediate need is for collators and staplers to help put the next issue together at the Pearson Road Community Center on Thursday, August 28, at 6:30 P.M.

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#### **SCHEDULES**

#### **CHURCHES:**

- Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, Sunday, 10:30a.m. and 6p.m.; Monday through Friday, 9 and 10:30a.m., 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 at the Bandstand, 9:30a.m., 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. Roussakis, 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, Pastor James Nason
- St. Joan of Arc Saturday, 5p.m., Sunday, 8 & 11a.m., Monday thru Saturday except Wednesday, 8a.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, Pastor Scott Button
- **GILMAN LIBRARY:** 
  - Monday & Wednesday, noon to 8p.m., Friday 9a.m. to 5p.m., Saturday, 9a.m. to noon

SENIOR MEAL SITE:

- Monday Friday, 10a.m. to 2p.m., Pearson Rd. Community Center
- SOLID WASTE CENTER:
  - Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 8a.m. to 3p.m.
  - Sunday noon to 3p.m. Closed Tuesday and Thursday
- Rines Road Pit Saturday, 8a.m. to 3p.m., Sunday noon to 3p.m. TOWN HALL:
  - Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator, Town Clerk, and Welfare Officer - 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.

Planning Director - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30a.m. to 3:30p.m., Wednesday, 1 to 3:30p.m., Meetings by Appointment, Closed noon to 1p.m.

Building Inspector - Call 875-5095 for Office Hours and Appointments 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 American Legion Junior Members - 3rd Monday, 6p.m., Legion Hall
- Boy Scout Troop 53 Wednesdays, 6p.m., Central Fire Station Chamber of Commerce Board - 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 8a.m., 875-5777
- 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, 7p.m., Pearson Road Community Center
- Masonic Lodge 2nd Thursday
- PTSA 3rd Tuesday, School LIbrary
- 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

#### **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

- ADDRESS COMMITTEE Meets on call. Chairman Russell Jones. 875-7510.
- AD HOC COMMITTEE Meets on call.
- BOARD OF SELECTMEN 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8:30 A.M., Chairman Arnold P. Shibley, call 875-2161 for appointment.
- \*BUDGET COMMITTEE 1st Thursday, 7 P.M., Chairman Peter Pijoan, 875-8894.
- CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meets on call, 875-2161.
- CEMETERY TRUSTEES 1st & 3rd Monday, 1 P.M., Chairman Florence Shaw, 875-2220.
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7 P.M., Chairman Lisa Erickson Harris, 364-6388.
- FIRE WARDS Meet on call. Chief Russell Jones, 875-7510.
- GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE Meets on call. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.
- 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, 875-2161.

\*PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION — 4th Tuesday, 6:30 P.M., Chairman Jay Sydow, 875-6792.

- \*PLANNING BOARD 4th Monday, 7 P.M., Chairman James Washburn, call 875-5095 for appointment.
- SCHOOL BOARD 2nd & 4th Monday, 6 P.M., Chairman R. Loring Carr, 776-6003.
- SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST Meet on call. Chairman Alice Ziegra Calvert, 875-2151.
- TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY 3rd Monday, 3:30 P.M., Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.
- TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS Meet on call. Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321.
- WATER COMMISSION 2nd & 4th Thursday, 8 A.M., Chairman John Streeter, 875-2490. Office, 875-4200.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - 2nd Thursday, 7 P.M., Chairman Donn Brock, 875-4343.

\*DENOTES A CHANGE OF INFORMATION CALL 875-5067 TO UPDATE THE ABOVE LISTINGS

#### A REMINDER TO ADVERTISERS

The deadline for placing new ads in Main Street is the 15th of the month, or the first business day thereafter. Payment for new ads, or for continuing an existing ad, is due at the same time. New — or changed — advertising copy if not accompanying payment, must be delivered to the Alton Printing Company on Church Street no later than the close of business the same date.





ALTON OUTDOORS by Jack Miller

#### **COUNTING DOWN**

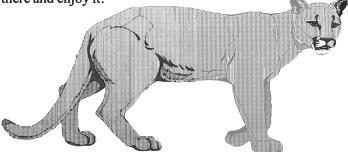
August is one of the months that the outdoor person uses to get ready for the upcoming seasons in Alton's great outdoors. Bear hunting season and the fall archery deer and turkey hunting seasons open next month so it is time to get ready. For the archer, Farmington Fish and Game Club in New Durham will host their last 30 target 3-D Bow Shoot on Sunday August 3rd. Cost is \$7.00 and registration is from 7 A.M. until 2 P.M. The Club's Thursday night league shoots continue until the end of the month starting at 5 P.M. Cost is \$4.00 for nonmembers, and all ages are welcome. There are categories for everyone. Get out and practice.

If you choose to hunt bear, be sure to check the regulations as there are different opening dates for the various hunting methods. Also check for the area you wish to hunt in as some areas are closed to bear hunting. The bear population seems plentiful this year with many local sightings reported. My bow shooting friend had a bird feeder in his back yard destroyed last month by a black bear.

Congratulations to Mark Divito, Chet Kania, and Sue Morse for being lucky enough to be chosen in the lottery for Moose Hunting this year. A list of the 570 permit winners is published in the July issue of the Hunting and Fishing paper, "Hawkeye." This year the Fish and Game Department issued a number of antlerless only permits for the Pittsburg area to reduce the number of cow moose since the number of moose are becoming a hazard to travelers there. Having been chosen in 1994, I can once again apply for next year's lottery since I've served my three-year restriction before being allowed to apply again. The local moose population is growing with moose being spotted all over Alton. Saturday, July 5, a cow moose came within 25 feet of my garage at 7:15 A.M. Keep your eyes open! Good luck to our Alton hunters.

Speaking of keeping your eyes open, two of my bow shooting friends spotted and positively identified a mountain lion (or cougar) in early July on Alton Mountain. This substantiates other local sightings where people thought what they saw was a mountain lion.

Alton's outdoors is closer than you might think. Get out there and enjoy it!



#### FOURTH QUARTER HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED BY ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

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: Stephanie Tanguay; HONORS: Brittany Bartlett, Shaylyn Cornelissen, Amanda DeLemus, Kelly Eagles, Scott Goyette, Leslie Guertin, Erin Hannafin, Christine Holmes, Travis Hopper, Jessica Joslyn, Alex Kaszynski, Morgan Locke, Tara Loprete, Robert Malone, Whitney Marston, David McMahon, Brenna Quann, Derek Rondeau, Brian Roy, Michael Tidd, and Ashley Waterman.

GRADE 5 - HIGH HONORS: Lyndsey Caron, J. P. Latchaw III, Dakotah Nixon, Tonya Prescott, Dan Quinn, and Krista Shibley; HONORS: Tamara Cornelissen, David Currid, Elspeth Dana, Carl Dickson, Lindsay Kenerson, Dylan Laurion, Kyle McAuliffe, Meredith Roy, Matthew Sydow, Isaac Tharpe, Kelsey Yelle.

GRADE 6 - HIGH HONORS: Adam Ames and Amanda Jones; HONORS: Megan Audette, Hilary Ballentine, Heath Berthiaume, Scott Baumgartner, Katie Brooks, Dennis Callahan, Jennifer Carr, Jamie Coigley, Ashley Coughlin, Patricia Currid, Nicholas Hallin, Stephanie Hillsgrove, Terese Hopper, Joshua Kern Thomas Malone III, Kristin Murray, Mathew Scott, David Snell III, Rebecca Spencer, Timothy Waterman, Erin Wood and Jennifer Zirpolo.

GRADE 7 - HONORS: David Benedetto, Matthew Currid, Serry Hayward, Briahna Itchkavich-Levasseur, Dana Lang, Marissa Peterson, Anthony Sanborn, and David Shibley.

GRADE 8 - HIGH HONORS: Sara Dore and Renee LaFreniere; HONORS: Ryan Loynd, Katie Morrill, Jason Pitman, Ashley Southwell, Meghan St. Cyr, and Emily Sydow.

GRADE 9 - HIGH HONORS: Danielle Moore; HONORS: Amanda Coughlin, Jenny Martin, Eric Morrill, and Elizabeth Quindley.

GRADE 10 - HIGH HONORS: Jennifer Emanouil; HONORS: Rebecca Blair, Timothy Croes, Desiree Crossley, Andrew Fuller, Garren Hulett, Emily King, Amanda Lambert, and Amber Locke.

GRADE 11 - HIGH HONORS: Jebediah Christy; HONORS: Jonathan Choquette, Kristen Duval, Blake Kellar, Tarsia Kenny, Jennifer Merfeld, Tammy Murtagh, Aaron Terravechia, and Todd Thurston.

GRADE 12 - HIGH HONORS: Matthew Fenton and Rebecca Miller; HONORS: Duane Carr, Matthew Collins, Diana Daniels, Rachel Kubicki, Laura Levesque, and Jaime Sanborn.



#### NEW FACES AT THE ALTON TOWN HALL by Muriel Walker

Our Town Administrator, Scott Dunn, welcomes three new employees to the staff at the Town Hall. They are as pictured left to right—Brian Boyers, Building Inspector; Margo McGovern, part-time clerical assistant; and Christine Whalen, part-time clerical assistant.

Brian, as Building Inspector, is responsible for the administration and enforcement of applicable building health and safety codes and state and local land use regulations. He performs inspections and issues permits to ensure compliance. Brian investigates complaints, and assists and advises contractors, developers, government officials, and the general public on all issues related to code enforcement. He will also contribute in the maintenance of property records, development of regulations and assisting in the legal processes relating to enforcement of regulations. Brian is a lifelong New Hampshire native and comes to us after extensive work in all facets of construction. He resides in Milton Mills with his wife and two children.

Margo McGovern is a part-time clerical assistant working for the Planning Director. She deals with applications for the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Adjustment. She is responsible for abutter notification and notification to the general public. Margo also assists the Administrative Assistant of the Land Use and Property Records Department, as needed. Margo lives in Alton with her husband and five children.

Christine Whalen is also a part-time clerical assistant. In the office she does general clerical work for the Land Use and Property Records Department. In addition, Christine is responsible for attending meetings and recording minutes for the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and the Conservation Commission. Christine lives in Alton with her husband and two children.



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FIRESIDE CHATS by Stan Czech

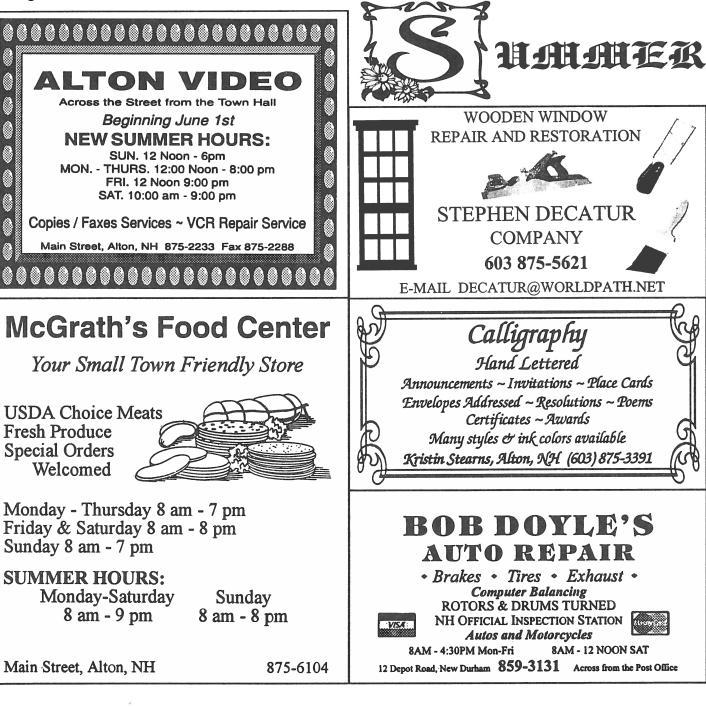


#### THANKS, AND REMEMBER...

On behalf of the Alton Firefighters Association I want to thank all those folks who donated items for the auction and a special thanks to firefighters and fireflys who made the auction happen.

From what I could see people who attended had a great time and many took home some good bargains.

Remember that on August 9th the Chicken Barbecue will be held at the Alton Central Fire Station on Route 140. Serving will begin between 4:30 and 5 P.M.



#### WOMEN'S CLUB LUNCHEON

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club will be holding a "Sizzlin' Summer" Luncheon on Wednesday, August 13, from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at the Christian Conference Center off Route 11 in Alton Bay.

Darlene Rivard from the Craft Cottage will present the Special Feature. Rebecca Watson from Essex Jct., Vermont,. will be the Special Speaker, and she will also provide music for the luncheon.

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club is an interdenominational group with no formal membership. Reservations for the luncheon and the available complimentary nursery are necessary and may be made by contacting Helen Harris in Alton or Thelma Osbome in Laconia by Monday, August 11th.

#### GARDEN CLUB MEETING

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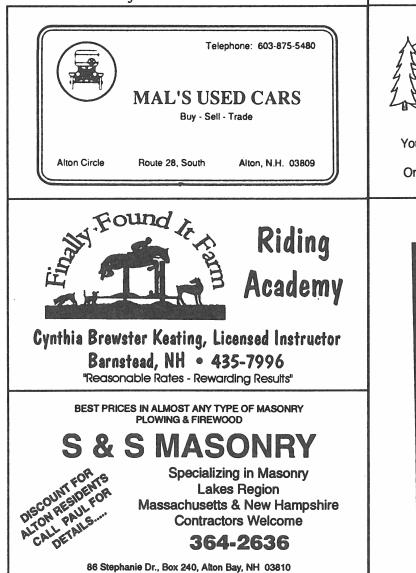
The Alton Garden Club will hold its August meeting on Tuesday the 26th at 1:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Congregational Meeting House with Judy Fry speaking on "The

'Gem' in Your Backyard — Knights Pond." The Chairman is Betty Locke and the hostesses are Rachel Bates, Martha Hodly, Polly Finch, Emily Marks, Phyllis Mugford, Rachel Nottleman, and Jane Rojek.

The Club's Annual Flea Market will be held on August 9th from 9 A.M. until 2 P.M. at Daryl Czech's Main Street residence. The rain date is August 10th.

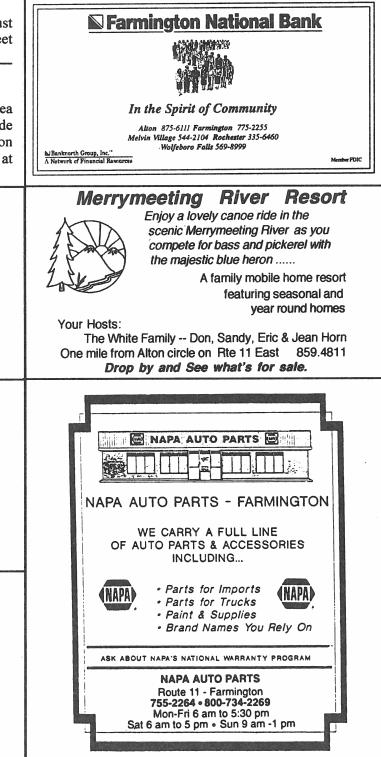
#### **LEGION FLEA MARKET**

The American Legion Auxiliary will be holding a Flea Market - Craft Fair on Saturday, September 6, at the Claude R. Batchelder Post on Main Street in Alton. Information on renting a table or space can be obtained from Tina Labar at 875-8751 or Lisa Rojek at 776-2968.



#### HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS

The Alton Historical Society will present Mr. Gilbert M. Hewins, archaeologist from Gilford, at its August program to be held at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center (ABCCC), Tuesday, August 19, at 7:30 P.M. Mr. Hewins will speak on "America B.C." with special references to the Lakes Region of New Hampshire. Hostesses will be Jessie Bakeman and Dorothy Folsom. They will be assisted by members of the ABCCC. The meeting is free, and the public is cordially invited. For further information, call Nancy Mooney at 875-3374.



#### **BLACK POINT MEETS**

Black Point Trask Side Association will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, August 23, at 12:30 P.M. at the Thayer residence. Members are reminded to bring a folding chair and a food contribution for the luncheon. Further information: Jeanne Cole, 875-2437.





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#### TO PROTECT AND SERVE by Officer Steven T. Holly Community Liaison Officer

**BIKE PATROL ROLLING** 

How many of you have noticed the police officers riding around on bikes with white shirts and shorts on? What

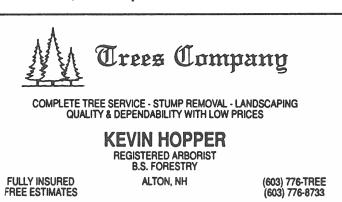
you are seeing is the new bike patrol which is out and about.

The Chief has reorganized the bike patrol this year and has increased the number of officers participating. Master Patrolman Jamie Hathcock is heading up the unit, with Officers John Lester and John Southwell out on bikes with him. You'll see them patrolling from Sandy Point to the traffic circle as well as some of the back roads and trails in that area. This unit is a community-oriented patrol designed to provide more accessibility for the public to the police. These officers are very personable and available for questions or conversation any time you see them on the bike. Wave them down and say "hi."

I am looking for some help from the community in a new program which I am trying to get started. The program is called "Cop Cards" and has been implemented in communities all over the country. The goal of the program is to develop a rapport between the community's youth and the police by offering baseball style cards with photos of the local officer on it. The back of the card has a biography of the officer as well as a safety message from him/her.

The cards have been a huge success in areas as large as Los Angeles to smaller communities — such as right down the road in Farmington. The cards also help to introduce the officers to other members of the community. Equally important, the card includes the name of the sponsor of that particular card. I'm looking for anyone interested in sponsoring the program, either in full or for each individual officer's card. Your name will go on the back of the card recognizing your support not only for the police department, but for Alton's youth. If you're interested, or would like more information such as a sample, please contact me. I would like very much to get the program started. This is open to not only businesses, but individuals as well.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and STAY SAFE. If you have questions or comments, contact me at either 875-3752, PO Box 240, or "altonpd.com."



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#### SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER by Nancy Mooney

AH, AUGUST Ah — August!! Hold us in your sweet embrace To indulge in your plenitude —

Too soon another will take your place And put us in a somber mood.

We were glad to see so many attend the July meeting in spite of a very muggy, rainy day. The Alton Senior Citizens Association (ASCA) held its annual election of officers for the 1997-1998 term. Nancy Mooney was reelected President. Evelyn Nardo is our new Vice-President. Peg Bowman will be our secretary, and Jeanette Barton will be the Assistant Secretary while Peg "winters" in Florida. Warren Nott was reelected Treasurer along with Liz Roberts as Assistant Treasurer. Aubert Giles was once again voted in as Auditor. Congratulations to all, and may a harmonious year lie ahead for the ASCA!

The rough drafts of the revised Constitution and Bylaws were handed out at the meeting. Members, please read the rough draft carefully and compare it with the old Constitution. We will vote to accept or reject it at the August meeting. If you have any suggestions, comments, or questions about it, please see any officer of the Association as soon as possible. One important change that will be inserted is our meeting time. The majority of members voted to meet at 1 P.M. on the second Wednesday of the month, instead of 2 P.M. This will make it more convenient for members to eat their noon meal at the center and get right into the meeting afterwards, and then play bingo. We hope the new Constitution will be clear, concise, and correct!

The Board of Selectmen recently voted to "stripe" the parking lot at the Alton Senior-Community Center on Pearson Road, and to put in a few handicapped parking spaces. We are very grateful, once again, to the Board, as this will be a great advantage and enable more people to park in the lot in a more appropriate manner. Ginny Myers, our trip coordinator, reports that a trip to Amesbury Dinner Theatre will take place in September, and a fall foliage boat trip on "Golden Pond" will follow in October. Please call her at 875-5713 or 875-7102 to make your reservations soon. The August trip to the Lakes Region Playhouse is sold out.

All the Seniors are proud of the refurbished flower beds near the entrance to the Center. We still could use more plants of all kinds, green or blossoming. Many seniors have worked hard to make it look attractive, and we thank them for their time, effort and donations.

The "big" 1/10 drawing was held at the end of our meeting. Claire Fitzgerald, CAP meal site director, was the lucky recipient of \$250. Betty McGlone won the \$100 prize, and Florence Hannabury was the \$50 winner. David Hebert and Christy Marble each won \$25. Congratulations to all. A committee is hard at work to start another club, either 1/10 or 1/20, and we will inform you when it's time to start buying those tickets from us! This activity is a major money-maker for our organization, and we are always very grateful for the support so many of you have given to us in this endeavor.

In closing, the Alton Senior Citizens Association mourns the loss of Arthur Saulnier, who passed away on June 22. Arthur, along with his wife Evelyn Nardo, was very instrumental in getting the building fund going to help renovate the "red barn on the hill." As a member of the Association, he was always concerned that the Seniors would have some place to congregate for their activities, and he gave tirelessly of his time and energy to make that vision a reality. Many of you readers will remember Arthur's serialized history of the Alton Senior-Community Center that appeared in several issues of Main Street last year. At the time of his death, Art was working on plans for more improvements at the Center. A plaque in his memory will be placed in the garden at the Center at the August meeting. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his wife Evelyn, his family and her family. This lovable, congenial, selfless gentleman will be sorely missed.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, 13 August, at 1 P.M. The installation of officers will take place. Have a good August!





FOR THE FUN OF IT by Kellie McGrath Recreation Director

#### CANOE RACE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Annual Canoe Race, cosponsored by Parker Marine,

took place on June 29 on the Merrymeeting River with 25 canoes participating. Pictured above is Jim Washburn who won first place in the Recreational Single event and was named "Best Dressed" for his stunning attire.



#### **CANOBIE LAKE PARK**

Unlimited rides, scheduled shows and transportation are included in the \$20 registration fee for a trip to Canobie Lake Park on Tuesday, August 19. The bus leaves Town Hall at 10 A.M. and returns at 10 P.M. Register by Tuesday, August 12, and bring a lunch, bathing suit, towel and spending money.

#### **YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE**

Registration for the Youth Soccer League for students in Grades 1-6 is scheduled for Monday, August 18, from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. at the Town Hall. The fee is \$10 and volunteer coaches and officials are needed.





#### **5K ROAD RACE**

The annual 5K Road Race, cosponsored by Tracings Graphics, is planned for Sunday, August 17, at 9 A.M. Register by Monday, August 4, and receive a race tee shirt. Prizes will be awarded in five age categories.

#### **ARTS AND CRAFTS**

Learn how to make a plastic canvas hot air balloon in an arts and crafts class on Tuesday, August 12, from 1 to 4 P.M. at the Town Hall. The cost is \$5 plus materials and registration ends Monday, August 4.

#### **OLD HOME DAY CRAFT FAIR**

The Alton Bay Community House will be the source of handmade paintings, woodwork, needlepoint, dried flower

arrangements, quilts, jewelry, stencils, baskets, dolls and more when the Old Home Day Crafts Fair takes place on Saturday, August 16, from 9 A.M. to 6 P.M. and Sunday, August 17, from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

#### SENIOR CITIZEN BINGO

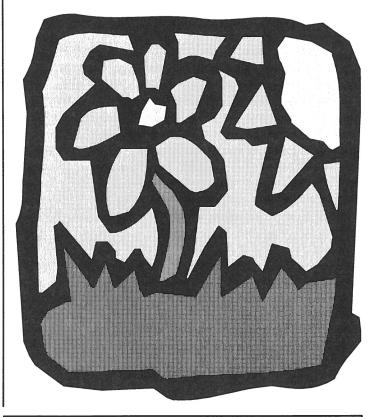
Refreshments and Bingo are in store for seniors over 60 at the Pearson Road Community Center from 1 to 3 P.M. on Tuesday, August 26.



#### SUMMER CONCERTS

Summer concerts are planned for the Alton Bay Bandstand at 7:30 P.M. on the following Saturdays: August 2 - Les Julian, guitarist; August 9 - Hello Detroit, Motown entertainment; August

16 - Pony Express, country-western; August 23 - After Six, ragtime to rock and roll; and August 30 - Douglas Clegg, folk music.



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Alton residents may place classified ads in any issue of <u>Main</u> <u>Street</u>. Ads are limited to *noncommercial* private individuals who have items for sale, items or services wanted, free items, personals, or help wanted notices. The rate is \$1 for each noncommercial ad of 35 words or less (more than 35 words would count as a second ad). <u>Main Street</u> reserves the right to refuse any ad, or edit it for length/style. Ads must be submitted with payment to Post Office Box 210, Alton Bay 03810 by the 15th of the month preceding publication. Submissions may also be placed in the <u>Main Street</u> box at the Alton branch of the Farmington Bank. Ads should contain a phone number.

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#### NOTES OF APPRECIATION



Our sincere thank you's to all who sent cards, visited at the hospital and at home, and attended the funeral. Your thoughts, concerns, prayers and masses are much appreciated. A special thank you to the Alton Ambulance Service and the VNA Hospice of Wolfeboro.

> The family of the late Arthur Saulnier.



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#### FOURTEEN PLUS TWO EQUAL WHAT??? by Daryl Czech

If you are wondering what fourteen plus two amounts to, it is SHARE-Self-Help And Resource Exchange. And how does one come up with that result? It's a community-based

organization (nationwide) which promotes volunteer service through a cooperative food program. It means that for \$14.00 and two hours of volunteering of your choice you can receive twice the retail value of your money in high quality meats, fresh veggies and more.

How does one participate? (1) Register at the Bay Church. For August the date is the 7th. The time is 6:30-7:30 P.M. (2) At this time pay \$14.00. (3) In the month do just two hours of volunteer service. (4) Pick up your SHARE package on August 26th this month. Each month you will be given your food and new registration form.

Your volunteer time is just that-it is how you choose to help out. Take a friend to a doctor's appointment, shelve books at the Library, run errands for a shut-in-ANY way at all! A new attraction is a variety of specials: the mini-package, meat-only package, veggie package, or steak only. The foods are all first quality, purchased directly from manufacturers and wholesalers.

SHARE New England has 600 local sites throughout five New England states—Check it out! The toll free number is 1-888-742-7363. For local information please call Ellie Snell at 875-0669.



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