

Main Street

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Complimentary

DINOSAUR ON THE LOOSE IN ALTON

By Bob Longabaugh

Starting on Monday, May 18, Altonians will have a chance to see a modern day dinosaur in action. The Town of Alton will be retaining the services of John Brown & Sons to bring in their "Brontosaurus" to chomp up the roadside debris left behind from the January "Ice Storm of the Century." As seen in the accompanying photo, the 20th Century version of the Jurassic period behemoth is smaller and lighter than the 70-foot-long, 30-ton, plant-eating dinosaur of long ago. However, its brush devouring ability is more impressive.

Mounted at the end of a Robex 130LC chassis, the "brush" grinder can extend 30 feet in the air and reduce a tree ten inches in diameter into mere bits of its former self. Not only that, but in a demonstration run of its capability on Prospect Mountain Road in April, the machine was able to do "its thing" on both sides of the road for .8 of a mile in one day.

Alton Highway Agent Ken Roberts estimates that of Alton's 82.3 miles of Town maintained roads, some 50 miles will merit the attention of the Brontosaurus. At \$1,300 a day this will be a considerable outlay for the Town, but with 87 1/2 percent Federal and State emergency grants picking up a large part of the tab, it could have been worse. Moreover, doing the job by the traditional manner of a road crew equipped with chain saws and chipper would still leave tangling broken limbs out of their reach, and at greater cost.

Town Administrator Scott Dunn reports that the brush clean-up will start on Alton Mountain Road during the week of May 18. The Brontosaurus will be used to grind wood in place between stone walls or otherwise within 15 feet of the edge of pavement. After Alton Mountain, other roads will be done based on the amount of debris.

Relative to the clean-up, here is a list of DO's and DON'Ts for residents:

- ☛ DO bring your brush to the edge of Town roads, but DON'T put any wood on the pavement or in the road, and especially not in the ditch lines.
- ☛ DON'T bring your brush to the edge of State Highways or private roads because the Town will only be doing this special maintenance on Town roads.
- ☛ DON'T stack wood that is larger than 5 inches in diameter

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MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES PLANNED FOR SATURDAY, MAY 30

Memorial Day exercises are scheduled for Saturday, May 30, under the auspices of the Claude R. Batchelder Post 72 of the American Legion. Joining Post 72 in the events are the American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, the Junior Auxiliary, and the Alton-Alton Bay VFW Post 11163.

Parade participants are to muster at 9:30 a.m. in front of the Post on Alton's Monument Square. At 9:45 Father Richard Wegman will give the invocation and at 10 a.m. the parade will step off down Main Street toward Riverside Cemetery. Expected in the line of march, in addition to the Alton High School Band, are the Corps of Volunteer Firefighters, Scouting Troops, and Little League teams.

Ceremonies at the cemetery will include the Veteran's Prayer, decoration of graves, a 21-gun salute to the departed, and the playing of taps. Returning to Monument Square there will be band renditions, the decoration of the five memorial monuments, and the delivery of remarks by guest speaker Executive Councilor Ray Burton. Among other tributes, two more names will be added to the Vietnam Monument, and the ceremonies will conclude with a final playing of taps and the benediction by Father Wegman.



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or any stumps — these things will be left behind.

✳ DON'T stack wood along side Town roads after
 May 15 — it may be left behind.

✳ DO plan on having to clean up after the brush grinder
 has finished. There may be a mess of woodchips and the
 Town will not be removing these.

✳ DON'T ask the machine operators to help you transport
 wood or clean your private property.

Town officials also ask that residents *not* use this occasion
 to clear their yards of unwanted trees and other non-storm
 debris. This is strictly an ice storm clean-up operation.
 Everyone's cooperation will be appreciated.

Bob Calvert

The Ol' Curmudgeon Says...

BAH, THOSE BUZZ WORDS!

We really have become slaves to buzz words and cute
 "in the loop" expressions. And there are so many of them
 today! While growing up, the only ones I recall were "cutting
 the mustard" and "where the rubber meets the road." Never
 could understand why anyone would want to cut mustard. I
 tried it once and got messed-up yellow hands! Having learned,
 I never tried placing my galoshes on the highway.

And, more recently, TV ads admonish me that some great
 new movie was "coming Friday to a theater near you." Aw,
 c'mon! Here in rural New Hampshire there is no theater
 near me!

But we really tie ourselves up in knots when we speak
 devotedly of the "defining moment" and go on to call for "a
 level playing field." Today "everything is on the table." What
 a mess! And even messier when it's on a "slippery slope!"
 Don't you just love it when in a serious conversation the
 other person comes up with "to tell you the truth". Have
 they been lying up to this point? When in doubt, they call it a
 "no brainer."

We used to prepare agendas and write documents or
 legislative bills. But now we "craft" them! How crafty of
 us! There's a lot of "number crunching" going on, and we
 have a tendency to "downsize" things. When you try to get
 up-to-date info from a politician, the frequent answer is "the
 process is moving forward." Isn't that sweet? Do you
 suppose that's what they mean when they're giving it a
 "positive spin?" And how about that tiresome "bottom line?"
 What's wrong with the opening line or the middle line? And
 how do you like "shared information?" What other kind is
 there?

When I was young, we'd call somebody a little odd. But
 now he either has "only one oar in the water," isn't "playing
 with a full deck," "is one donut short of a dozen," or "his
 elevator doesn't go to the top floor!"

Now that I find myself "on the cutting edge" of all this,
 I'll just have to settle, "you know," for the logical conclusion
 that we're trying to produce too many "multisite outcome
 data." Is it any wonder that I think there's more fun in trying
 to "cut the mustard?"

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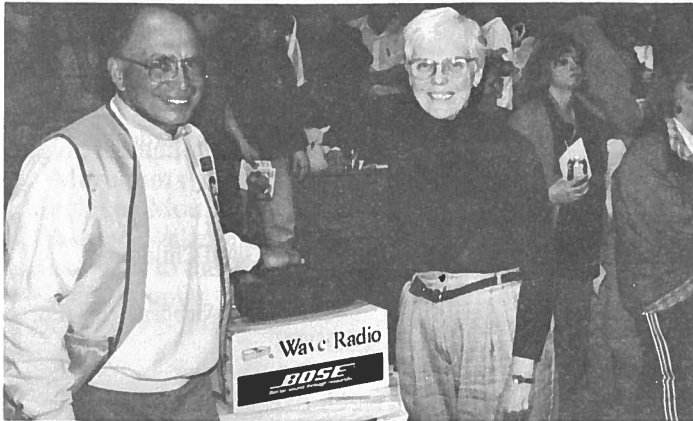
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PENNY SALE WINNERS

Priscilla Gedney of Alton was the winner of the BOSE Wave Radio at the recent Alton-New Durham Lions Club Penny Sale and Jamboree. The major raffle prize was donated by the law office of Lion Arthur Hoover, shown making the presentation to Gedney. Vivian Dion of Nashua won the door prize, a mountain bike donated by the Farmington National Bank. Dion, who attends the event each year, was especially pleased to win the bike for her son who recently had his bike stolen.

COMING SOON:

"ALTON IN PERFECT HARMONY"

By Ginny Stevenson

The time is nearing, June 12, 13, and 14 = a weekend of solid entertainment! Barbershop Quartets from all over the New England area will be arriving, ready to sing to our town. An Alton/Alton Bay tradition, that began as a "Summer Gathering of Friends" away back in 1949, will once again arrive in Alton. What is new, however, is that in 1998 the tradition will occur eight weeks earlier than in previous years.

The Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce and the Nashua Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA) are sponsoring the 49th Annual Barbershop Jamboree Weekend. The Alton Bay Christian Conference Center has offered their Tabernacle for this year's performance. The committee has been meeting throughout the fall and winter months to prepare for this special weekend.

The Quartets arrive Friday, June 12. The featured festivities begin Saturday morning with an historical walk of Alton, the "Great Yard Sale Tour," and the "Singing Scavenger Hunt." Saturday afternoon, the Steamship Doris E. will leave the Alton Bay docks at 12:30 p.m. for a three-hour singing cruise. Tickets are \$10 per person. At 4 p.m. the Alton Fire Department will host their famous Chicken Barbecue at the Alton Bay Community Center and at 7:45 p.m. the Jamboree begins at the Tabernacle. Sunday, the Bay Church will have a church service at the Bandstand and the Lion's Club will be serving their great Pancake Breakfast from 7 - 10:30 a.m. at the Alton Bay Community Center.

The Nashua Chapter of SPEBSQA and the Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce encourage all residents, their friends and family to welcome the quartets and choruses to our Town of Alton. Remember the June 12 - 14 weekend.

NADEAU IS ICE-OUT WINNER

Alton resident Terry Nadeau won the 1998 Main Street Ice-Out Contest by coming the closest to the actual time and date of ice-out on Lake Winnepesaukee. The prize is a gift certificate for dinner at the William Tell Inn, compliments of Susan and Peter Bossert

Ice-out was officially declared at 1:58 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, when it was determined that the M/S Mt. Washington could reach each of its ports unobstructed by ice. Veteran ice-out observer Alan Emerson of Emerson Aviation in Wolfeboro made the discovery during a flight over the lake.

The earliest recorded date for ice-out occurred in 1921 on March 28 and the latest ice-out was May 12, 1888, the first year there was an organized contest. Ice-out recording only started the previous year, in 1887.

TOWN TRAIL CLEARED

The Alton Parks and Recreation and Conservation Commissions sponsored a clean up day in the Town Forest on Sunday, April 19. The event was held in conjunction with the national March for Parks and Earth Week specifically to benefit the Loop Trail located in the Town Forest on Avery Hill Road, just off Alton Mountain Road.

The trail was originally started by the late Mike Burke, Town Forester, member of the Conservation Commission, and Parks and Recreation volunteer. After Mike's death in 1994 the Conservation Commission members and Peter Farrell, current Town Forester, all wanted to continue Mike's work on the trail.

The Conservation Commission completed the one-mile trail last fall but the trail needed to be cleared because of damage caused by January's ice storm. Thirteen volunteers participated in the project and cleared the trail by cleaning out brush and hauling it off the path, cutting large trees that had fallen across the trail, and trimming branches with lopping shears for removal.

The volunteers worked well together and completed the majority of the cleanup on Sunday. The one-mile trail is marked with blue double zeros, and loops around to the starting point. The trail is of cross-country character with signs of wildlife and a scenic view of the Lake from the top of the mountain.

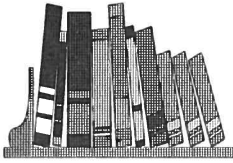
Volunteers plan to dedicate the trail in memory of Mike Burke and to post a sign at the beginning of the trail. The trail is open to the public for recreation and educational purposes.

A special thank you to the following volunteers for last month's efforts: Jack Woodland, Ben Jones, Phil Stevens, Debbie Burton, Bill Lionetta, Jay Sydow, Jim and Fran Washburn, Joe Harris, Lisa Erickson-Harris, Brownie Gengras and Virginia and Ed Carroll. Thank you also to L & C Springwater for donating water to the volunteers.

For more information or directions to the trail, call Kellie McGrath at the Parks and Recreation Department, 875-0109.

ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL OFFERS VACCINATION CLINIC

The Alton Central School will host a pre-school vaccination clinic from 9 to 10 a.m. on Friday, May 22. The immunizations will be given by VNA-Hospice of Southern Carroll County and Vicinity, Inc. For additional information call School Nurse Karen Stover at 875-0375.



THE CHECKOUT DESK
by Holly Brown
Librarian

MORE GOOD NEWS

I am pleased to announce that the Gilman Library Trustees have hired Cindy Miller for the position of Assistant Librarian. Many of you know Cindy as the librarian at the Elementary Resource Center at Alton Central School. We regret that she will be leaving the school; however, we are very pleased to say you can visit Cindy here at the Gilman Library

Cindy has many years of library experience, including volunteering for the Gilman Library. In the past she donated her time as an aide during storytime and presently she is an active member of the "Kitchen Cabinet" and Friends of the Gilman Library. We hope Cindy will enjoy many years at the library as our Assistant Librarian. Please join us in welcoming Cindy to our beautiful new facility.

Everyone seems pleased with our new hours. They are: Monday and Wednesday, 12 noon - 7 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; closed Thursday and Sunday. Bookmarks showing the new hours are now available at the library.

Thanks to Fran Washburn for becoming Secretary of the Friends of the Gilman Library. Members of the Friends have formulated the following committees: Stairwell Planting, Fund Raising Ideas, 1999 Calendar, and Telesensory Program — in an effort to "help make the Gilman Library the best it can be." Once again, the Friends have proven to be a real asset to us. Thank you Friends!

For more information, please contact the library or attend the next Friends meeting, scheduled for May 27, 7:30 p.m., library meeting room, lower level. Everyone is welcome. Please join us.

NEW AT THE GILMAN LIBRARY

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Clark, Carol Higgins
Freud, Esther
Grisham, John
Hoffman, Alice
Houston, James D
Krentz, Jayne Ann
Perry, Anne
Pesci, David
Rice, Anne
Roberts, Nora
Wilhelm, Kate

Cavedweller
Twanged
Summer at Gaglow
The Street Lawyer
Hereon Earth
The Last Paradise
Sharp Edges
Brunswick Gardens
Amistad
Pandora
Homeport
The Good Children

NONFICTION

Clancy, Tom

Airborne: Guided Tour of Airborne Task Force

CASSETTES

Brown, Sandra
Clancy, Tom
Harrison, Jim
Mosley, Walter

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Legends of the Fall
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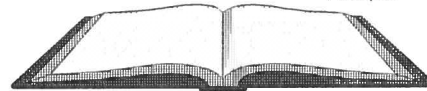
CHILDREN

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Jones, M. T.
McPhail, David

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Bailey Sch. Kids Joke Book//Bogeymen Don't
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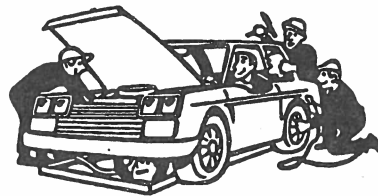


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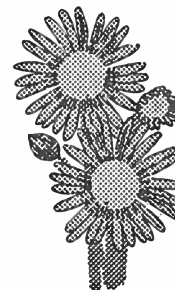
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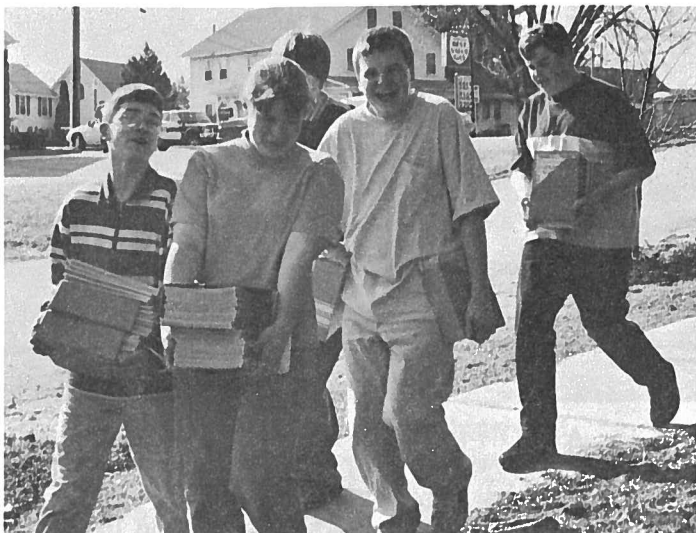
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A HELPING HAND

Students from Alton Central School's eighth grade demonstrated good citizenship when they helped move books back into the Gilman Library after the recent expansion construction was completed. Among the group were (left to right) Chris Kimball, Becky Howard, Josh Albair and Dan Bemis.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS

By Jean Roberts

The May meeting of the Alton Historical Society will be held on Tuesday, May 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the Moore Chapel at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. The speaker will be David McKenney. David grew up in Alton and graduated from Alton High School in 1968. After having successfully run another business, he is now doing what he likes best to do — exploring underwater. He has been diving in Lake Winnepesaukee and various places around the Caribbean Sea for about 15 years. He will talk to the Society about the underwater treasures to be found in Lake Winnepesaukee and some of his other experiences.

All friends and members of the Alton Historical Society and their families are welcome. David is just the first of a wonderful list of speakers the Society has planned for this year. We invite you to join us on May 19, and for all our meetings.

GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL LUNCHEON

By Ginny Lynch

The Alton Garden Club held its first meeting of the 1998 season on April 28. Now the Club is looking forward to its next meeting which will be the Annual Spring Luncheon on May 26 at the Congregational Meeting House at 12:30 p.m. Please bring a salad or casserole and place setting.

The hostesses will be: Co-Chairmen, Shirley Copeland and Donna Flodin; Leigh Crawford, Betty Finethy, Virginia Gwinn, Judith Huss, Shirley Lane, Virginia Lynch, Alice Matthewman, Pat Northrup, and Tess Smith.

ALTON VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE

Alton Ambulance would like to extend our great appreciation to the Alton-New Durham Lions Club and the community for their recent donation allowing us to purchase a defibrillation unit.

Another thank you to Helene and Charlie Shields of Shields Best Value Gas for their generous donation of half the amount needed to purchase our second defibrillation unit.

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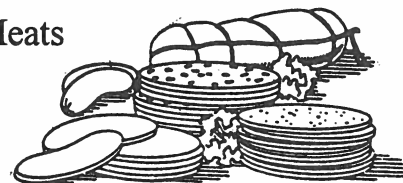
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ALTON DRAMA DEPARTMENT PRESENTS CLASS ACTION

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Written in 1995, *Class Action* is made up of a series of diverse scenes which portray life in high school, particularly the wide variety of situations which occur outside the classroom, such as prom night, homework, detention, teen idols, peer pressure and class elections. The play's mix of comedy and drama will entertain and enlighten with its universal themes.

The ensemble cast shown in the above photo includes seniors Jill Gagnon, Jeb Christy and Keith O'Connor, juniors Mike Langer, Desiree Crossley, Andy Fuller, Amber Locke, Becca Kilday, Becca Blair, Anna Varney, and Nadine Valette, sophomores Korin Eagles, Katy O'Meara, Howie Sanborn, Jessica Benedetto, and Nicole Wentworth, and freshmen Kayla O'Brien, Katie Boles, Ashley Southwell, Meghan St. Cyr, Renee LaFreniere, Tonya Alden, and Toby Shea.

Students Josh DeLemus, Greg Salvatore, and Jill Gagnon, and faculty member Elizabeth Lent are directing the production. Production stage managers are Brandi Smith and Marissa Southwell.

Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door on the night of the show.

WEST ALTON YARD SALE

By Bill Vose

On Saturday, May 23, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., the Mt. Major Community Center in West Alton will hold a yard sale with tables inside the center offering hard-cover and paperback books, tools, and household items at great yard-sale prices. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

This is a wonderful opportunity to see the inside of this former Grange Hall and to pick up some terrific bargains. The Mt. Major Community Center is located adjacent to the West Alton Fire Station on Route 11. Parking is available in the fire station parking lot. No parking is allowed on the street.

At this printing there are a few tables available to rent. Tables are 8 ft. by 3 ft. at \$10 per table. (The amount of space prohibits large appliances and furniture.) If you interested in participating in the yard sale, or want information about renting the Community Center, contact Bill Vose at 293-0193.

BASIC GARDENING TIPS SEMINAR

A free community service seminar on basic gardening tips will be presented by Rob Farquhar of Pleasant View Gardens of Loudon. The seminar will be held on Wednesday, May 20, 7 p.m., Century 21 Gemini Realty Office at Alton Circle. Please call 875-2100 to reserve your seat. Refreshments and free babysitting will be available.



SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER
by Nancy Mooney Hebert

**May May amaze you
With delights without end-
With sun filled days
And the warmth of friends!**

At our April meeting, several items of business were covered. We need volunteers for upcoming activities. If our July and October theme dinners are to succeed, volunteer now to help out Evelyn Nardo, the theme dinners chairperson. Also, we voted to carry through with the July 4 and 5 flea market at the Bay, although we will be without the help of Tony Mariano, unfortunately. We need a chairperson to coordinate this event. Please let President Hebert (875-3374) know immediately if you will volunteer for this fund-raising activity.

The 1/20 club tickets are ready; we ask everyone who is approached by a senior with tickets to be as generous as you always have been in the past.

Our new member campaign is under way. A prize will be awarded to the Senior Citizen member who brings in the most new members by the July meeting. Thanks go out to Jeanette Barton and Connie Stevenson for designing colorful campaign posters to help draw attention to our organization.

Ginny Myers, trip coordinator, announced that our next trip on May 12 will be either a Mystery Trip or to the Xmas Tree Shop. Sign up now or call Ginny at 875-5713.

A note of thanks to Boy Scout Pack 53, Den #1, for making the delightful Easter baskets that graced our tables at the center. Very nice!!!

Next meeting = May 13 at 1 p.m.



Officers that will guide the Happy Hobby Doll Club from 1998 - 2000 are shown above. Installed at the anniversary meeting April 17 were left to right: 2nd row - Secretary Frances Washburn; Vice-President Jeannie Sieg; Asst. Treasurer Joanne Libby; 1st row - Treasurer Ruth Messier, President Maureen Parker, and Immediate Past President Joan Bunney-Tupeck.

ALTON SENIOR CLASS

SPONSORS SPAGHETTI SUPPER

The Class of 1998 at Alton Central School will host its annual Spring Spaghetti Supper from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, May 8, at the Sandy Point Restaurant in Alton Bay. The menu includes spaghetti, lasagna, or a combination with salad, rolls, beverage and dessert for only \$6 for adults and \$4 for children.

The winning ticket for a mountain bike provided by Piche's of Gilford and Wolfeboro will be drawn that evening and tickets will be available at the dinner.

All proceeds will benefit the class' chemical free graduation trip — a whitewater expedition at Lake George, NY.

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DESIGN-A-ROD CONTEST WINNERS

Kirt Hussey, a custodian at Alton Central School, recently sponsored a Design-A-Rod contest for students in grades 2 through 7. The winners are from left to right: Row 1 - Jonathan Yelle, grade 2 2nd place, and Olivia Varney, grade 2 3rd place; Row 2 - Travis Hillsgrove, grade 5 1st place, Dana Main, grade 5 2nd place, and Dan Quinn, grade 6 3rd place; and Row 3 - Tamara Cornelissen, grade 6 Kirt's Personal Pick, Devon Wiley, grade 6 1st place, Hussey, Jill Green, grade 6 2nd place, and Travis Wiley, grade 5 3rd. Not shown is Haley Barnet, grade 2 1st place. Hussey, a hot rod and motorcycle enthusiast is planning a motorcycle design contest to coincide with the Lakes Region's Motorcycle Week.



TOWN HALL NOTES by Scott Dunn Town Administrator

BALANCING THE BUDGET

The 1998 Town budget, as approved by Town Meeting this year, is \$4,208,992. One of the first tasks of the newly seated, five member Board of Selectmen was to allocate \$2,854,415 of these funds amongst over 400 accounts in the operating budget. The remaining balance of \$1,354,577 was specifically designated by special warrant articles.

Perhaps the most daunting budget issue facing the Selectmen was where to come up with money to provide for pay raises for elected officials, not including themselves. In addition, the Board was faced with choosing whether or not to fund items such as mail-in motor vehicle registrations and keeping the Route 11 Bathhouse open during the winter. Ultimately the Selectmen voted to fund each of these things, primarily by postponing the planned chip sealing of Youngtown Road with an estimated price tag of \$6,700.

Many other accounts had a few dollars subtracted here and there, while others had money added to meet anticipated expenses. None of these decisions will affect the bottom line as approved by the voters and I estimate the 1998 tax rate for Town government will be \$4.50 per thousand, an 8% increase over the 1997 rate of \$4.16.

Ultimately, the job of your Town Officials is to spend this money wisely and get the biggest bang possible for each dollar. Some of the big expenses coming up this year are as follows: purchase of a Police 4x4 (\$30,500); purchase of a highway grader (\$225,000); Town Hall improvements (\$125,000); purchase of a highway pick-up with plow (\$32,000); Gilman Museum repairs (\$50,000); rebuilding Halls Hill Road (\$250,000); and continuing many of the projects that are ongoing from past years while keeping up with the daily chores of running a multi-million dollar municipal corporation.

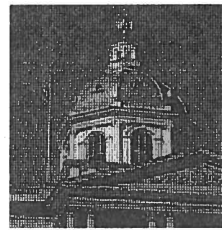
And now that winter has finally passed ... its time to bask in the warm weather and enjoy those black flies.

ALTON ARTIST EXHIBITS

"Celebration of Life" is the theme of an art exhibit by Dorothy Roussakis to be held at the Rochester Public Library from May 4 to May 29. Mrs. Roussakis, a native of Connecticut, has been a professional painter and graphic artist for 66 years. She has resided in Alton since 1992. She studied at the Federal Arts School, Minneapolis, Minnesota; at the Phoenix School of Design, New York City; and with Karl Anderson, N.A., Portrait Painter. On exhibit will be 24 of her oil paintings, mostly portraits, and 24 of her drawings, several of which are of the Cuxa Cloister on Long Island.

HIKE FOR A CAUSE

The Lance/Hillsgrove Hike-a-thon will be held on Saturday, May 2 from 8 a.m. - 12 noon. The hike up Mt. Major in Alton Bay is approximately 3 miles round trip. Hikers will ask sponsors to pledge a donation per ½ mile. You do not have to hike the entire 3 miles. All proceeds will go to the Lance and Hillsgrove families. This is a moderate hike with beautiful views. Sponsor sheets are available at Farmington National Bank and the Town Hall, Post Office and school in Alton, New Durham and Farmington. If you are interested in volunteering, or need more information, please call Bonnie Dodge at 776-6961 in New Durham.



CONCORD CORNER by Alice Z. Calvert State Representative

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Good news! The House is hearing and voting on Senate bills. Education bills are being heard in both House and Senate. With at least two proposed Constitutional Amendments and two dozen bills, we legislators have much to ponder and make judgments on as we try to solve the "adequate education" definition and funding.

Meanwhile the House PASSED to the Senate bills:

(1) Asking Fish and Game to set up an education program, as well as rules restricting the use of lead sinkers. Loons have ingested the lead and have died.

(2) Allowing towns and cities to adopt biennial budgets. The budgets must be in two 12-month fiscal sections.

(3) Updating the 10-year highway improvement plan. NH has received Federal highway money which has been designated to complete several large projects and fulfill major plans which are needed, i.e., widening I-93 from Salem to Manchester, and the Conway/North Conway bypass.

(4) Creating the educational credentials of a "master teacher," hoping to have experienced teachers act as mentors and educational supervisors. They would remain as active teachers.

KILLED was a bill to create a Commission on the Status of Men, similar to the present Commission on the Status of Women.

Going to the Governor for SIGNING are bills to:

(1) Prohibit triple trailers on New Hampshire highways.
(2) Allow over the water structures to be rebuilt for maintenance purposes. The original dimensions must be adhered to in any repair work.

If you have questions on any of the above, or have other State government matters that you would like to discuss with me, I will be at the Alton Town Hall on Monday, May 11, from 3 to 4 p.m. Meanwhile I can also be reached at 875-2151.



Main Street's

MAY EVENTS

- Fri. 1 VARSITY ("V") BASEBALL at Derryfield, 4 p.m.
V SOFTBALL at Derryfield, 4 p.m.
- Sat. 2 SPRING FLING DANCE, American Legion (see story)
- Mon. 4 V BASEBALL at Moultonborough, 4 p.m.
V SOFTBALL at Moultonborough, 4 p.m.
- Tue. 5 V TRACK at C Brown vs. C Brown, Kings, Hills., 3:30 P.M.
- Wed. 6 V BASEBALL vs. Nute 4 p.m.
KINDERGARTEN PARENTS NIGHT, 7 p.m. (see story).
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Thu. 7 BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community
Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon.
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER, Town Hall, 12:20 p.m.
V SOFTBALL vs. Laconia Christian, 4 p.m.
- Fri. 8 SENIOR CLASS SPAGHETTI SUPPER, Sandy Point
Restaurant, 5 - 8 p.m. (see story)
20TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER, Christian Women's Club,
Christian Conference Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Sat. 9 V TRACK at Bow vs. Bow, C. Brwn, Winn., Ken., Wt.Mt.,
10 a.m.
SPRING INTO SUMMER EXPO, (see story)
- Sun. 10 MOTHER'S DAY
- Mon. 11 V BASEBALL at Sunapee, 4 p.m.
V SOFTBALL at Sunapee, 4 p.m.
V TRACK at Raymond vs. Raym., Hopkt, Hills., 3:30 p.m.
- Wed. 13 SENIORS SPECIAL LUNCHEON, Pearson Rd. Comm. Ctr,
call for reservations (see story)
V BASEBALL at Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
V SOFTBALL, at Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Thu. 14 V TRACK at Bow vs. Bow, Berlin, Hopkt, Hills., 3:30 p.m.
CLASS ACTION, Alton High School, 7:30 p.m. (see story)
- Fri. 15 CLASS ACTION, Alton High School, 7:30 p.m.
- Sat. 16 V BASEBALL vs. Moultonborough at
Cooperstown, NY, 10 a.m.
CLASS ACTION, Alton High School, 7:30 p.m.
- Mon. 18 V BASEBALL vs. Nute, 4 p.m.
V SOFTBALL vs. Nute, 4 p.m.
- Tue. 19 V TRACK at Inter-L vs. InterL, Bel., Hopkt. S.B., 3:30 p.m.
HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 7:30 p.m., (see story)
- Wed. 20 V BASEBALL at Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
V SOFTBALL at Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Fri. 22 PRE-SCHOOL VACCINATION CLINIC, Alton Central
School, 9 - 10 a.m. (see story)
V SOFTBALL, vs. Moultonborough, 4 p.m.
- Sat. 23 V TRACK WILDERNESS CHAMPION at Newf., 9 a.m.
MT. MAJOR COMMUNITY CENTER YARD SALE,
West Alton, 9 a.m. (see story).
- Tue. 26 GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON,
Congregational Meeting House, 12:30 p.m.
V SOFTBALL at Laconia Christian, 4 p.m.
- Wed. 27 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
FRIENDS OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY, MEETING,
7:30 p.m., lower level meeting room.
- Fri. 29 V BASEBALL vs. Sunapee, 4 p.m.
V SOFTBALL vs. Sunapee, 4 p.m.
- Sat. 30 MEMORIAL DAY
American Legion - Invocation 9:45 a.m., Parade 10 a.m.
V TRACK CLASS MEETS, TBA

MORE INFO . . .

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER ON MAY 7

In 1952, by act of the combined houses of the United States Congress and under the signature of President Harry S. Truman, a National day of Prayer was established. A permanent date, the first Thursday in May, was adopted by Congress and President Ronald Reagan in 1988. This year's chairperson is Mrs. Shirley Dobson, wife of "Focus on the Family" radio host, Dr. James Dobson.

The faith communities here in Alton will be assembling on the steps of the Alton Town Hall on Thursday, May 7, at 12:20 p.m. for a brief (20-minute) prayer service. You are invited to join with them to pray together for our nation and for our community.

DATES ANNOUNCED FOR ALTON KINDERGARTEN PREVIEWS

Parents' Night for the parents of children entering kindergarten in September, 1998, is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, at 7 p.m. in the Elementary Resource Center of Alton Central School. Parents who have children who will be five years old on, or before, September 30, 1998, should attend. Parents who received their forms in the mail are asked to bring the completed documents at that time. The staff will explain the required health, immunizations and birth documentation. They also will discuss the kindergarten program and describe a typical day. Parents will have an opportunity to meet the kindergarten teachers.

Visitation Day for next year's class is scheduled for Friday, May 22. The registered students will be divided into two kindergarten sessions for that day. They will come and spend a typical kindergarten day so they will know what it will be like next year.

Due to a change in the health laws, the school must have a copy of each child's immunization record and the information sheet prior to Visitation Day. Please put these dates on your calendar and plan to attend.

ST. JOAN OF ARC HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Anyone who is interested in becoming a member of the Hospitality Committee at St. Joan of Arc should contact the Chairman, Carol Baxter, at 875-5799. This committee will be meeting on the first Thursday of each month. Please join us!

SENIOR CENTER CELEBRATIONS

A special luncheon is to be held at the Alton Senior Center on Wednesday, May 13, as part of National Senior Centers Week. Alton's Center joins in the national celebration for the week that runs May 10 - 16. Call Claire Fitzgerald at the Alton Senior Center, 875-7102, to make luncheon arrangements or obtain further information on how you can participate in National Senior Centers Week.

The nation's first senior center opened its doors in New York City 55 years ago. Today, local communities support more than 15,000 senior centers across America, serving millions of older adults on a daily basis. The Alton Senior Center is a community focal point where older adults can access information, services and activities critical for preserving their independence and quality of life. The National Council on the Aging, Inc. (NCOA), and its constituent unit, the National Institute of Senior Centers (NISC), are the national sponsors of Senior Centers Week.

Information Center

SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

- Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
- Bay Church — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Church, 10:45 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m. Sunday morning service held at the Moore Chapel, Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, all others at The Bay Church on Rand Hill Road. Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor
- Community Church — Congregational Meeting House, Oct. - Apr. 11 a.m.; Baptist Meeting House, May and Sep., 11 a.m., June - Aug., 10 a.m., Dr. Peter E. Roussakis, Pastor
- First Free Will Baptist Church — Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Church, 11 a.m., Evening Service, 6 p.m., Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m., Depot St., New Durham, Pastor James Nason
- St. Joan of Arc — Sat., 5 p.m., Sun., 8 and 11 a.m., Mon. - Sat., except Wed., 8 a.m.; Confessions, Sat., 4 p.m. or by appointment, Fr. Richard Wegman, Pastor
- Wolfeboro Bible Fellowship — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship Service, 10:30 a.m., (Summer 10 a.m.), Evening Service, 6 p.m., Prayer Meeting, Wed., 7 p.m., Route 28, Pastor Scott Button

GILMAN LIBRARY:

Mon. and Wed., Noon to 8 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sat., 9 a.m. - Noon

SENIOR MEAL SITE:

Mon. - Fri., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Pearson Rd. Community Center

SOLID WASTE CENTER:

Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat., 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sun., Noon, 3 p.m. Closed Tue. and Thu.
Rines Road Pit - Sat., 7 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sun., 12 noon - 3 p.m.

TOWN HALL:

Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator, Town Clerk, and Welfare Officer, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Building Inspector — 875-5095 for hours and appts.
Parks and Recreation — 875-0109 for info and appts.
Planning Director — 875-5095 for hours and appts.

ORGANIZATIONS:

- Alcoholics Anonymous — Tue., 8 p.m., Alton Bay Community Center
- American Legion — 2nd Mon., 7 p.m., Legion Hall
- American Legion Auxiliary — 2nd Mon., 7 p.m., Legion Hall
- American Legion Jr. Members — 3rd Mon., 6 p.m., Legion Hall
- Boy Scout Troop 53 — Wed., 6 p.m., Central Fire Station
- Brownie Scout Troop 329, Mon., 5:30 p.m., Alton Sch. Cafe.
- Chamber of Commerce Bd. — 1st & 3rd Wed., 8 a.m., 875-5777
- Cub Scout Pack 53 — Last Tue., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall
- Eastern Star — 2nd Tue., when meeting, 875-5211
- Flying Club — 2nd Wed., 6:30 p.m., 859-7900
- Friends of the Gilman Library — Watch "Checkout Desk"
- Garden Club — 4th Tue., 875-7208
- Girl Scout Junior Troop 630, Wed., 5:30 p.m., Alton Sch. Cafe
- Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., Alton Bay Community Center
- Historical Society — 3rd Tue., 569-2629
- Knights of Columbus — 1st Wed., 7:30 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall
- Lions Club — 1st and 3rd Thu., 7 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center
- Masonic Lodge — 2nd Thu., when meeting, 875-7448
- PTSA — 3rd Tue., Alton Central School Library, 7 p.m.
- St. Joan of Arc Ladies Guild — Last Thu., 7:30 p.m., Church Hall
- Senior Citizens — 2nd Wed., 1 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center
- VFW — 3rd Mon., 7:30 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

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BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- ADDRESS COMMITTEE — Meets on call. Chairman Russell Jones, 875-7510.
- BOARD OF SELECTMEN — 1st & 3rd Monday, 8:30 a.m., 5th Monday, 7:15 p.m., Chairman Stan Czech; call 875-2161 for appointment.*
- BUDGET COMMITTEE — 1st Thursday, 7 p.m., except in May, 2nd Thursday, Chairman Peter Pijoan, 875-8894.*
- CEMETERY TRUSTEES — 1st & 3rd Monday, 1 p.m., Chairman Florence Shaw, 875-2220.
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 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.
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION — 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Chairman William Lionetta, 875-5095.*
- PLANNING BOARD — 4th Monday, 7 p.m., Chairman Bonnie Dunbar; call 875-5095 for appointment.*
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- SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST — Meet on call. Chairman Cindy Duffek, 569-4441.*
- TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY — 3rd Monday, 3:30 p.m., Chairman David Countway, 875-2550.*
- TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS — Meet on call. Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321.
- WATER COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Thursday, 8 a.m., Chairman Charles B. Adams, Jr., 875-7246.
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT — 2nd Thursday, 7 p.m., Chairman Glen McLean, 875-5095.*
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OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

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- Judd Gregg, 393 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510-2904; Phones (202) 224-3324, (603) 225-7115, Fax (202) 224-4952; e-mail: mailbox@gregg.senate.gov

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- John E. Sununu, 1229 Longworth House Office Building, Washington DC 20515; Phones (202) 225-5456, (603) 641-9536, Fax (202) 225-5822; e-mail: Rep.Sununu@mail.house.gov

NH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- Ray Burton, 271-3632 (Concord), 747-3662 (Woodsville)

NH SENATE

- Leo Fraser, 225-3664 (w), 435-6626 (h)

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- Robert Boyce, 875-6066 (w), 875-7371 (h); rboyce@worldpath.net
- Alice Ziegler Calvert, 875-2151
- Paul Golden, 269-4071 (w), 269-5511 (h)

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- Chairman, Stanley Czech, 875-03815
- Harold M. Bothwick, Jr., 875-6262 William Ryan, 875-2112
- James C. Washburn, 364-7413
- Bob Longabaugh, 875-5067 (9 a.m. - 9 p.m.); mbelrjtl@worldpath.net



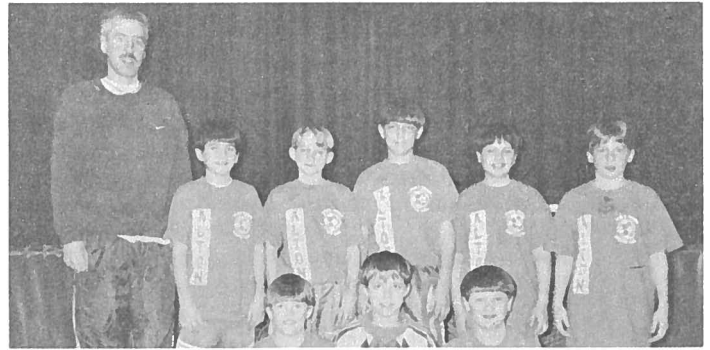
The Alton U11 Boys Indoor Soccer Team left to right: 1st Row—David Clifford, James Grant, Patrick Quinn; 2nd Row—Coach Jim Grant, Derek Rondeau, Josh Ahlin, Owen Laurion, Coach Peter Clifford. Missing is Chris Ryan.



The U14 Indoor Soccer Team #2 left to right: 1st Row—Daniel Laurin, Timmy Waterman; 2nd Row—Keith Waterman, Reed Holway, Shaine Labar, Coach Laurie Griggs. Missing are Kira Bowman, Rachel Harrell, C. J. Timmons.



The Alton U12 Girls Indoor Soccer Team left to right: 1st Row—Ashley Waterman, Ashley Marren, Christine Holmes, Dottie-Jean Bailey; 2nd Row—Emily Lowthian, Crystal Bailey, Stephanie Keniston, Coach Robert Lowthian. Missing is Danielle LePouttre.



The Alton U12 Boys Indoor Soccer Team left to right: 1st Row—Taylor Peterson, Nate Alden, Robert Clifford; 2nd Row—Coach Matt Locke, Morgan Lock, Travis Hillsgrove, Kyle McAuliffe, Travis Hopper, Grant Holway. Missing is Coach Bill Holway.

AMERICAN LEGION - MAY EVENTS

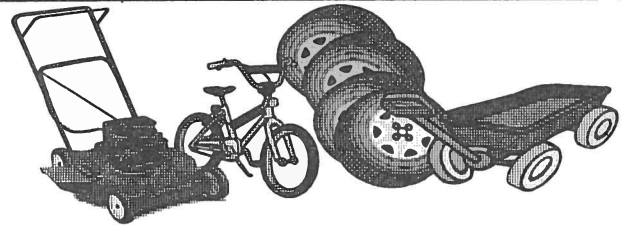
by Patti McMullen

The Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a "Spring Fling Dance" on May 2, 7 p.m. - 12 midnight. We are pleased to announce the Parker Brothers Band will be here for your listening and dancing enjoyment. The band consists of two brothers, Billy and Bruce Parker, from our home town, who have gone professional. They have played back up for The Ink Spots and now tour New England on a regular basis. There will be a hot and cold buffet to tempt your taste buds. The cost for the evening is \$7/person with tickets available at the door. Members and guests are cordially invited to attend.

The Alton American Legion will be observing Memorial Day on May 30 at Monument Square with an invocation at 9:45 a.m. and a parade at 10 a.m. Flowers will be planted around Monument Square on May 12 for those wishing to participate. Please be sure to fly your flags this month and throughout the summer.

Students Do Not Forget! If you are interested in going to Girls State this year, applications must be in by May 15. You must be a Junior in High School and have at least a B average. This could be a great educational experience for you.

Final reminder that May is the month for elections at the Legion. Installation of new officers will be hold on Sunday, May 17, 2 p.m. in the Legion Hall.



TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE

The Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce is conducting a town-wide yard sale on Saturday, June 13, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. All residents in Alton are able to sign up to be included in this event. This is how it works: if you would like to have a yard sale on June 13, all you have to do is call Kellie McGrath at 875-0109 before May 22, giving your yard sale location. One map will be published of all the yard sale locations, thereby having one giant town-wide yard sale for shoppers.

This is a great opportunity to clean out your garage, closets and basement, and make room in your house. The map will show all of the locations of the yard sales and should be a fun event for a Saturday morning or afternoon. There is no charge to have your yard sale listed on the map, nor will there be charge to obtain a copy of the map. This is just a fun event for the community.

Maps will be available at the Chamber office, Town Hall and local businesses. It will be Graduation weekend and Barbershopper's weekend as well — what a great event to tie into your festivities for the family and friends that traveled from out of town.

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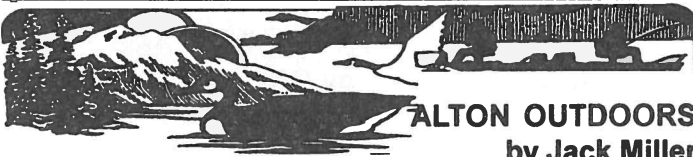
Main Street's Sports Page

ALTON CO-ED ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE TEAMS ARE NEEDED

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is currently accepting teams for the Adult Softball League that plays June-August. The League is increasing to eight teams this year. If you have a team of at least 12 members and would like to be a part of the recreational softball league, call Kellie McGrath at 875-0109. The registration fee is \$15 p.p. and includes game balls and umpire.

All 1997 team captains should call to reserve a team slot if they have not signed up yet. Games will be held Monday through Friday at the Alton Central School softball field starting at 6 p.m.

A team captains' meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27, at 6:30 p.m. at the Alton Town Hall to discuss league rules and guidelines. Captains should bring all signed registration forms and fees for the 1998 League, along with suggestions and questions. Anyone interested in being a paid umpire should also contact the Parks and Recreation Department for an application.



ALTON OUTDOORS
by Jack Miller

LET THE BUGS BITE!

As "April showers bring May flowers," May also brings out the BUGS! And when bugs bite, so do the fish. For the fishing enthusiast the bugs mean fly fishing time. As the waters in the lakes and streams warm, insects start to hatch and the fish feed heavily on them. Fly-fishing is the most exciting way to fish as one anticipates a rise or a strike while working the water.

Warming waters also cause the bass to move into the shallows to spawn. Catching small mouth bass on a fly rod will test your skills. These powerful fish fight the line with jumps and deep dives. They are protected during their spawning time. You may use artificial lures and flies ONLY between May 15 and June 15, and any bass caught then must be released at the site where caught. Always be sure to check the regulations.

May 15, 16, and 17 is the 17th Annual Winni Derby on Lake Winnepesaukee with many prizes offered. Entry forms are in the Hawkeye Hunting and Fishing News and local sports shops.

This season on the Big Lake seems to be good. Many fish are being caught with most nice and "chunky" and displaying very good health. Depending on the water temperature, the salmon fishing should stay good until the end of May; then they will head for deeper, cooler, water.

For hunters, May offers a challenge. May 3-31 is the spring turkey season. The challenge is to call into range the elusive tom turkey by sounding like a seductive female turkey. There are some turkeys here in Alton, although no large flock has been spotted.

Bow hunters can practice their sport at Farmington Fish and Game Club's Thursday night 3-D bow shooting league. Call the clubhouse for details and starting date.

Good luck as you enjoy Alton outdoors!



The U14 Indoor Soccer Team #1 left to right: 1st Row—Jane Varney, John McAuliffe, Dennis Callahan, David Bailey; 2nd Row—Coach Brian Hikel, Shane Carr, David Blanchard, Tyler Lowthian.

INDOOR SOCCER SCORES WELL

by Peter Clifford

The '97-'98 Winter Indoor Soccer League finished up the season on March 29. All five of Alton's teams improved as the season went on. The coaches saw their kids develop better one touch passing and shooting skills. Alton's sportsmanship and overall team play was respected throughout the Lakes Region Soccer League. Three of Alton's five teams finished in first place: U14 Team #1 coached by Brian Hikel; U12 Girls coached by Rob Lowthian; and U11 Boys coached by Pete Clifford and Jim Grant.

On the last Sunday, March 29, both of Alton's U14 teams played each other with coaches Brian Hikel and Laurie Griggs, as well as all the players and parents joining in. "It was great, lots of fun, enjoyed by all, can't wait 'til next year," said one of the parents.

The Alton Soccer Club would like to thank all the coaches for their volunteer time. They are: Brian Hikel, Laurie Griggs, Matt Locke, Bill Holway, Peter Clifford, Jim Grant, and Rob and Marcy Lowthian. The ASC would also like to thank Scott Hutchins for rearranging the Sunday schedule so our teams could participate in the league. We also appreciate and thank our sponsors: McGrath's, Curry Realty, Farmington National Bank, Piches, and T.P. Sports.

You kids, keep practicing, and we will see you in the Fall.

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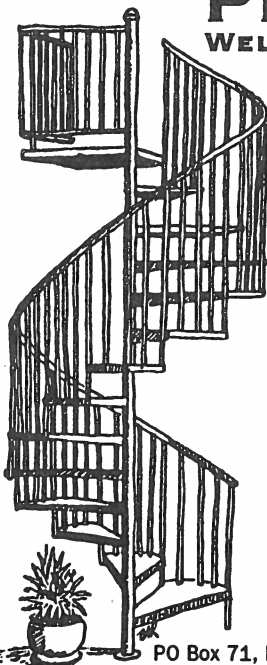
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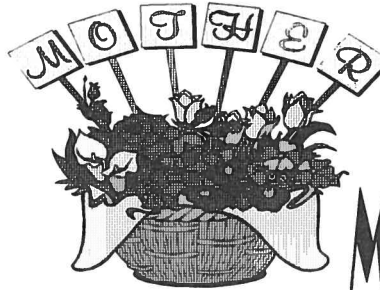
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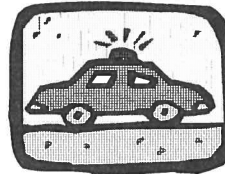
Mother's Day

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB DINNER

"A 20th Anniversary Celebration" will be the theme of a dinner to be held on Friday evening, May 8, from 6:30 - 9 p.m. at the Conference Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay. Marsten Daley from the Wright Museum in Wolfeboro will be presenting the special feature. Don York from Meredith will provide music for the dinner, and Fran Kidwell, one of the founders of the club, will be the special speaker.

To make reservations for the dinner, please call Janet Benedetto in Alton at 875-2032, Thelma Osborne in Laconia at 524-6505, or Harriet Ireland at 524-7194, by Monday, May 4. Reservations must be pre-paid; the price for the dinner is \$8 per person.

The sponsor of the dinner, the Christian Women's Club, is an interdenominational group which has no formal membership.



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

WHAT WE DO

The year 1998 is well underway and spring has definitely sprung. Remember with the nice, warm weather here, to keep an eye on your driving habits. Speed and hastiness are a good way to get hurt. Take your time and enjoy the beautiful weather.

Many of you have expressed interest in the number and types of calls to which we respond. To give you an idea, here is a list for a six-week period between February 1 and March 10 of this year:

Motor Vehicle Summonses:	18
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ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Fourth grade teacher Lawrice Ballentine (left) and Special Needs Aide Deborah Dickson (right) were named February employees of the month at Alton Central School. School Superintendent Richard Pike (center) presented each with an award certificate. Ballentine also received a gift certificate for dinner at Shibley's at the Pier and Dickson received a gift certificate for dinner at the Last Chance Pub.

Ballentine is in her seventh year as a fourth grade teacher at Alton. Prior to that she taught eighth grade science at the Kingswood Middle School in Wolfeboro. Dickson has been a special needs aide and a classroom aide for four years and before that she volunteered as a second grade aide for one year.

Ballentine was cited for her work as head of the accreditation committee and Dickson was commended for her work with the Odyssey of the Mind competition.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Alton Central School has scholarships available to college students who have graduated from Alton School. They are as follows:

Norwich Barbershoppers — \$500. Criteria: Music student priority; successful completion of one year of college; need copy of transcript; give summary of need for scholarship.

John Laurence Bucher Scholarship — \$300. Criteria: Must have completed two years of college, have a 3.0 cumulative average and have a declared major in one of the following: English, Theater, Liberal Arts, Music, Art, or Education.

Daniel Francis Memorial Fund — \$300. Criteria: Must have graduated from Alton School and be currently enrolled in a college or university. (The John L. Bucher Scholarship Committee presents this scholarship during the summer.)

For information in obtaining applications please call Linda Roy in the Guidance Office at Alton Central School — 875-0382. All applications are due by May 18.

ALTON MEDICAL ASSISTANT EARNS CERTIFICATION

Wendy L. Teague, CMA, earned the prestigious Certified Medical Assistant (CMA) credential by passing the January 30, 1998, American Association of Medical Assistants' Certification Examination. Teague is a graduate of the medical assisting program at McIntosh College in Dover and is now employed by Huggins Hospital in Wolfeboro.

Although medical assistants are employed in a wide range of health care delivery settings, medical assistants are the only allied health practitioners trained specifically for the physician's office. The Certification Examination, administered by AAMA's Certifying Board, tests clinical and administrative knowledge needed for competent medical assisting practice.


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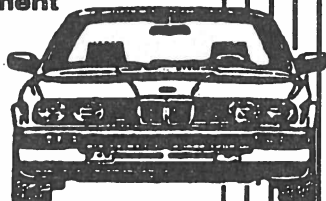
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Born in Laconia,

Susan is a fifth generation Gilmantonite. She is a graduate of Gilmanton Elementary School and Belmont High School. Her parents still live in Gilmanton, and her two brothers live locally as well.

Susan graduated from Colby-Sawyer College in 1971, married husband, Neil, and remained at home for nine years raising their two children. She then began working as a secretary for the Gilmanton Police Department. Her interest in police work prompted her training and becoming a part-time, then full-time officer in Gilmanton. Susan worked there until March, 1990, at which time she became an officer in Alton's Police Department. In 1991 Susan became a Corporal and in 1993 she became Sergeant.

Susan speaks enthusiastically about her job. She explains, "We all receive training in the basics of law enforcement and then go into specialty areas, such as traffic management or firearms. My area of specialty is that of Child Abuse and Physical and Sexual Abuse." Susan continues, "Our staff works well together. We respect each other's specialty and go to each other for advice in that area. We work as a team."

Discussing her involvement in special projects, Susan explains that Chief Iwans' goals for the department have been to work closely with the school and community. One of the projects to meet these goals is the "DARE" program which Susan headed for three years. The need for a middle school program to follow "DARE" resulted in the department's creation of a nine-week enrichment program called "You and the Law." Its focus is to keep students in contact with law enforcement and teach them important aspects of the judicial system.

The topics Susan explores are: Student and Parent Rights; Search and Seizure Law; Driving Laws; Domestic Violence; and Alcohol and Drug Laws. The program features lectures, role playing and group discussion, but the highlight of the course is the "hands on" experience of traveling to the Laconia District Court and the Belknap County Superior Court to observe trials. "We go through the entire routine," says Susan, "including passing through the metal detector when entering Superior Court, meeting the judge, the attorneys, the bailiff, and clerk of the court. The kids are fascinated." She says the students are very enthusiastic and that the school is immensely supportive of the program. Susan says, "Grades 7 and 8 seem to be a prime age for interest in the judicial system." Next year she is hoping to have two days with each grade instead of one. The nine weeks just goes by so fast!" she says.

Although finding time for hobbies is a challenge, when possible Susan enjoys reading and working in the yard. She also volunteers for "New Beginnings," a county-wide support group for victims of domestic violence and trains new volunteers on how to react to calls received.

Many thanks, Susan, for all you do!

ALTON PARTICIPATES IN "SPRING INTO SUMMER EXPO"

by Anne Quarles

So the groundhog saw his shadow. So what! We know the ice storm is long gone. We know spring is coming — the First Annual Spring into Summer Expo, that is. It will be held May 9 at Kingswood Regional High School, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tickets at the door will be \$1/adult, children free. This exciting home, garden, and recreation event to benefit The Lakes Region Humane Society is huge.

Merchants from the towns of Alton, Brookfield, Effingham, Moultonboro, Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro, Wakefield, and Wolfeboro will expose their goods and services to the delight of the local citizenry who can do one-stop shopping — so, HQ and WalMart, move over. There will be 100 booths and even a poster contest for school children.

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?Want action?

Check out the Kayaks, motor boats, camping equipment, and golf and tennis instruction.

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Enjoy the food court while watching dramatic and visual artists all day, May 9.

Jayne Avery and Jayne Jarvis are co-chairs of "Spring Into Summer - '98. Denise Merritt and Carrie Rickett, Alton residents, are on the Publicity and Site committees.

If you are interested in volunteering time or purchasing a booth, please call 875-5577. "Spring Into Summer Expo" will be an annual event to benefit all, most especially The Lakes Region Humane Society — the only non-kill facility in New Hampshire.

TEACHER APPRECIATION PROGRAM CONTINUES

An area-wide Teacher Appreciation Program begun in 1997 is now in the process of selecting teachers to receive this year's awards. The program, which includes the Towns of Alton, Barnstead, Epsom, Chichester, and Pittsfield, was initiated by Our Town Publishing Company, headquartered in Alton. The company publishes the Alton telephone directory and the Lake Winnepesaukee Pathfinder.

Teachers selected for the awards will receive gift certificates donated by Patrick's Pub and Wade and Malloy's of Gilford, The Wolfeboro Inn, and the Old Mill Inn of Epsom. Awards also include a gift certificate for a 1-day computer class of the teachers preference, given by New Horizons Computer School in Nashua.

Publisher Dan Barreford said that "Our Town and its advertisers are people who value education and especially the teachers who make a difference." That's why they would like to see good teachers rewarded, if only in a small way, as a token of thanks for the important job they do.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

The week of May 4th will be Teacher Appreciation Week in Alton. This is an opportunity to let Alton's Teachers know that their efforts are appreciated.

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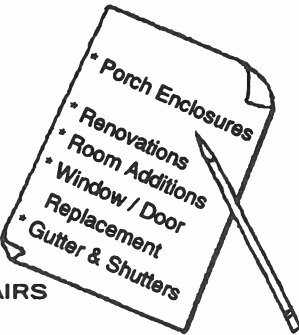
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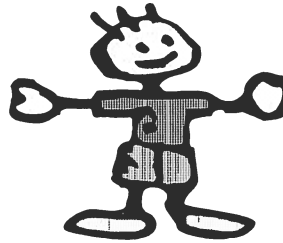
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FOR THE FUN OF IT
by Kellie McGrath
Recreation Director

WHAT TO EXPECT IN MAY

May is here and we are ready for more outdoor activities. The tennis courts are ready to use and

the cracks will be sealed in early June, closing the courts for only a few days. Check out the Mike Burke sand volleyball court at Liberty Tree Park. Volunteers have put a lot of time and work into the court and it is a great facility. A new basketball backboard and rim will be going in at the Town's basketball court this month.

On April 19 the Parks and Recreation and Conservation Commissions and a number of volunteers worked on the Town Loop Trail located on Avery Hill Road, near Alton Mountain Road. The volunteers helped develop and expand the trail as part of a March for Parks Earth Day event. This new trail is intended for year round recreational use including hiking, biking, walking, skiing and more. If you would like to use the trail and need directions, or more information, call 875-0109 during business hours.

Summer Programs

The Summer Brochure is due out the third week of May and will be distributed to grades K-8 at the school. The brochures will also be available at the Parks and Recreation Department, located in the Town Hall.

Upcoming summer programs include: Youth Soccer League grades K-6, Shooter's Basketball Camp, Play Soccer and Major League Soccer Camps, adult softball league, adventure trips for teens, Kinder Rec, Senior Bingo and day trips, swimming, tennis, ballet, jazz and country line dancing lessons, canoe race, 5K road race, concert series and more. Old Home Days are scheduled for August 15 and 16 and there will be a craft fair at Alton Bay.

If you have questions or need information on upcoming activities, call Kellie at the Parks and Recreation Department, 875-0109.

EASTER EGG HUNT REPORT

by Kellie McGrath, Recreation Director

The Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt, held Friday, April 10, at Liberty Tree Park, was a fun event. Over 60 participants, ages 8 - 10, looked for hidden Easter eggs in the dark with only a flashlight to guide them. Prizes and candy were awarded

The traditional Easter Egg Hunt, held Saturday, April 11, at Liberty Tree Park for ages 3 - 7 was very successful with over 80 children in attendance. The "Decorate a Paper Bag Contest" had over 20 great entries—all of them very creative. The judges could only pick three bags: 1st place - Ben and Hayley Mitchell, ages 5 and 3; 2nd - Gage Brennan, age 4; and Kirstin Kirchhoff, age 3.

A special thanks to all of the children and parents for coming to the events and to Jay Sydow, Debbie Burton, Bill Lionetta, and Helen Sullivan for helping hide eggs.

SPEECH AND HEARING SCREENINGS

As part of Better Speech & Hearing Month in May, a free screening will be held to assess the speech, language and hearing development of pre-school children ages 3 to 6. The screenings will take place Monday, May 11 at the Laconia Clinic on North Main Street in Laconia and on Friday, May 15, at the E.N.T. Associates of NH, 85 Spring Street in Laconia. To make an appointment or obtain more information, call the Lakes Region General Hospital Pathology Department at 527-2879.

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FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Richard Frohock, Legionnaire of the Year, served as Grand Marshal of the Memorial Day Parade . . . Glen McLean resigned after serving Alton as the Town Planner for four years . . . the Alton Volunteer Ambulance Service had an open house, offering tours of their facility, blood pressure checks and refreshments . . . the Young Astronauts Chapter from the Alton Central School had a display at the Laconia Airport Aviation Day.



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By Patti McMullen

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By Richard M. Pike
Superintendent of Schools

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Alton's American Legion Post 72 asks you, the citizens of Alton, to join the rest of our nation and fly your flag from Memorial Day through Veterans Day. Our children see our nation's flag daily in their schools, it is flown in front of government buildings, and it is displayed in many homes and yards.

Our nation is the "Home of the Brave and the Land of the Free," and flying the flag is one way to recognize what our military has done for us to insure that we remain that way. Now is also a good time to talk to your children about what our flag represents: FREEDOM, JUSTICE, and EQUALITY.

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