



# Main Street

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## 49th Annual Alton Bay Barbershop Jamboree



June 12 & 13

### OR, "ALTON IN PERFECT HARMONY"

by Ginny Stevenson

An Alton/Alton Bay tradition that began as a "Summer Gathering of Friends" 49 years ago, will once again arrive in Alton. This year the tradition will occur eight weeks earlier than in the past. 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 (or "SPEBSQSA" for short) are inviting everyone to welcome the quartets and choruses to our town on June 12, 13, and 14 to celebrate the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Barber Shop Jamboree.

#### Lots To Do And Hear

Featured festivities begin Saturday morning with the Historical Walk of Alton, the "Great Yard Sale Tour" and the "Singing Scavenger Hunt." The Steamship Doris E. will leave the Alton Bay docks at 12:30 p.m. for a three-hour singing cruise. The Alton Fire Department will host their famous Chicken Barbecue, and the Jamboree begins at 7:45 p.m. at the Tabernacle on the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center grounds.

Tickets are \$7.50 for adults (\$5 if purchased in advance) and \$1 for children under 12. They are available at the Alton branch of the Farmington National Bank, The Riverview Inn or from any Chamber board member. All proceeds support local area charities, scholarships, service projects, and the Heartspring Institute.

#### What Has Gone Before

The Nashua Chapter of SPEBSQSA, The Granite Statesmen, was organized in 1955 and chartered as a chapter

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#### 1998 BARBERSHOP WEEKEND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

##### Friday, June 12:

Quartets Registration and Welcome at The Alton Bay Community Center.

##### Saturday, June 13:

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

"The Great Yard Sale" (location maps provided at Community Center)

9 a.m.

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

12:30 p.m..

Historical Walk of Alton  
"Singing Scavenger Hunt"  
3-hour singing cruise aboard the Steam-ship Doris E. departing from the Alton Bay docks, \$10 per person  
Firemen's Chicken Barbecue, Alton Bay Community Center  
Barbershop Quartet Variety Show, The Tabernacle of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center

4 p.m.

7:45 p.m.

##### Sunday, June 14:

9 a.m.

7 - 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Service at the Bay Bandstand  
Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast, Alton Bay Community Center

#### CHANGE IN PARTY?

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, June 2, from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Alton Town Hall for the purpose of Change of Party affiliation. Persons wishing to change their party, or register to vote in the Town of Alton, do not actually have to appear on June 2. They can complete the necessary form at the Town Clerk's office in Town Hall during normal business hours prior to the Supervisors going into session. Potential voters should be aware that this is their last opportunity to be in the party of their choice for the Fall primaries.



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### SUBMIT YOUR NEWS AND PHOTOS

Main Street'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 Main Street 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 Main Street box at the Alton branch of the Farmington National Bank.

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in March of the following year. Many quartets within the chapter have been formed, exhibiting its growing popularity and success. The Adventurers, organized in 1964, became District Champions two years later. The Four Statesmen got together with one Nashua member and members of Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island and won the International Quartet Championship in 1967. From The Heart and Northeastern Connection were crowned the 1987 and 1996 Northeastern District Champions respectively.

The Nashua Chapter donates their Jamboree proceeds to the Heartspring Institute in Wichita, Kansas. Heartspring has dedicated itself to helping individuals, primarily children, with speech impairments due to cerebral palsy, aphasia, cleft palate, stuttering, etc. The Society discovered that music is an important part in breaking the wall of silence surrounding many of the afflicted children. Through music, the people at the Institute were able to reach children who failed to respond to other methods of treatment. In 1964, SPEBSQSA adopted Heartspring (formerly the Institute of Logopedics) as their Unified Service Project and formed the slogan, "We Sing... That They Shall Speak."

### Starting June 12

The Nashua Chapter of SPEBSQSA and the Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce encourage all residents, their friends and family and everyone in the Alton area to welcome the quartets. Plus, get a preview of the festivities that will be part of the planning stages for the BIG 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Barbershop Jamboree Weekend.

Attorney Arthur W. Hoover

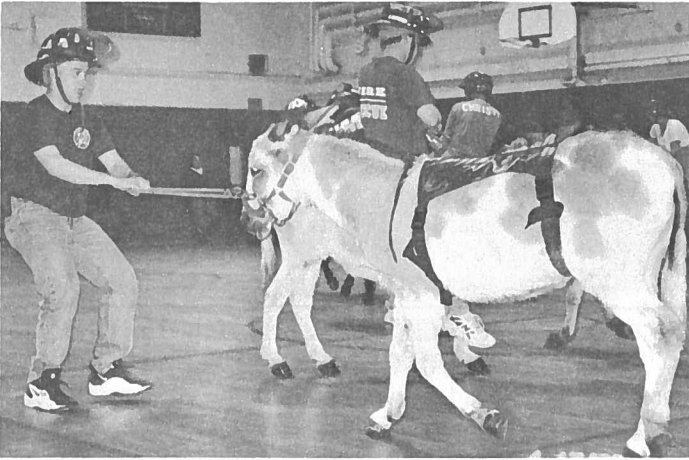
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# Main Street's Inside Front Page



## DONKEY BASKETBALL

Patrick Wright of the Alton Fire Department team had to coax his four-legged partner during the recent Donkey Basketball game sponsored by the Class of 1998. Wright is a fire science student at the Laconia Vocational Technical College in Laconia and serves as an intern in the West Alton Station. The game was a fundraiser for graduation activities. The Class of '98 extends its thanks to members of the department and school staff that participated.

## ALTON RECREATION DIRECTOR RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED AWARD

Kellie McGrath of the Alton Parks and Recreation Department received the "Don Heyliger Young Professional Award" from the New Hampshire Recreation and Park Association at their 50th Anniversary Banquet on May 15. Don Heyliger was the Parks and Recreation Director for the city of Dover at the time of his death in 1988 and was an innovator in the field of recreation. This award recognizes an active, caring and hard working professional.

Ms. McGrath was chosen for the Award because of her ability to bring new ideas, energy, enthusiasm and approaches to the New Hampshire Recreation and Park Association and the Alton Parks and Recreation Department. Ms. McGrath was also recognized for demonstrating professionalism, being a leader and working above and beyond the call of duty.

Additionally, Ms. McGrath was elected secretary of the New Hampshire Recreation and Park Association, which was announced at the 50th Anniversary Banquet. She will be serving a term of one year. [To all of the above the editor adds a "Nice going, Kellie!"]

## SUPPORT MAIN STREET ADVERTISERS!

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## GILMAN LIBRARY FUND-RAISING UPDATE

by David Countway, Library Trustee

Gift giving continues at the Gilman Library to meet the Library Trustees expansion goals. To date, \$9,500 has been raised through the sale of "bricks" towards the furnishing and shelving budget (\$30,000). Brass nameplates will be fastened to a brick in the new adult wing this month to acknowledge those gifts.

All of the existing old wooden furniture has been refinished, including an attractive maple table that is being used behind the check-out counter to process the flow of library materials. Library patrons are appreciative that our older furniture is being maintained first before we add new tables and chairs.

The Gilman Library received the gift of a beautiful new upholstered loveseat, which is very popular with readers of all ages looking for a really comfortable place to sit. The Library Trustees hope to add additional upholstered wingback chairs as well as new worktables and wooden chairs. The wooden end pieces for the new metal shelving have been fabricated and will also be installed before summertime.

The landscaping around the library has come to life with the early spring weather. To our surprise the lawn which was hydro-seeded late in the Fall has emerged in good condition. Although the six new rhododendron plants in the front had to be replaced, the other shrubs, bushes and trees have all done well. The new perennial gardens should bring attractive seasonal color. Annual flowers will be added to the planter on the entry plaza. To date over \$1,000 has been given towards the landscape budget of \$5,000 as community members have responded to the "Adopt a Plant, Tree or Shrub Campaign". The Trustees are happy to report that several of the major "old" plantings were saved and are now incorporated into the new landscaping.

Gift-giving continues in the area of computers with the gift of a Gateway computer and other monitors and keyboards. Funding for computers at this year's Town Meeting was deferred for a year. The upgrade of computers and computer technology to manage the resources of the Gilman Library is still a high priority with a proposed budget of \$20,000. The \$10,000 requested at Town Meeting would have represented the 50 percent matching funds for grants available from the State Library.

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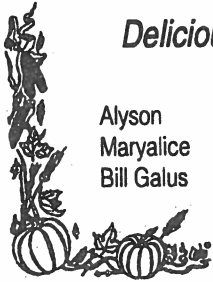
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Our largest fund-raising goal is for an elevator with an estimated cost of \$45,000. The elevator shaft was constructed as part of the 1997 library expansion. The elevator itself will provide handicap accessibility between both levels and will also be a big help in moving carts of library materials from one floor to the other.

Several fund raising items are still available, including the Alton Afghan (\$48), the Gilman Library Bicentennial Poster (\$50 and \$25), the Gilman Library "miniature" (\$15), and of course the "purchase" of a brick (\$100). Proceeds from the sale of these items will now be targeted towards the elevator fund. Now that our new library is nearing completion, our fund-raising signboard will be updated to reflect the Gilman Library Building Fund's current goals. Your gift large or small will "Help Make the Gilman Library All That It Can Be."

### ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL HONORS GOOD CITIZENS

Students in grades two through five received special recognition in ceremonies at Alton Central School. Awards were presented to those students who earned good citizenship status for the third quarter of the school year. They are:

Grade Two — Andrew Barthel, Erin Brackley, Tony Castagnaro, Amber Couture, Hannah Delaney, Matthew Divito, Jacob Dore, Ryan Finethy, Jessica Harrell, Chelsea Hawkins, Patricia Holmes, Daniel Hopper, Logan Hopper, Makina Itchkavich-Levasseur, Jesse Lane, Andrew Levasseur, Christopher Loprete, Samantha MacDonald, Karol Anne Mansfield, Tara Prescott, Abby Rasbridge, Jennifer Shafer, Chad Tenander, Brianna Tidd, Olivia Varney, Caitlin Wenzlau, Jonathan Yelle and Jordan Yelle.

Grade Three — Dottie-Jean Bailey, Bryan Bishop, Brittany Bowden, Kris Callahan, Mara Cook-Hamer, Ashley Dwyer, Jane Farrell, Charlotte French, Leann Fuller, Kim Hannafin, Caila Kantar, Daniel Kenniston, Kelsey Moore, Cassandra Moulton, Marc Roy, Suzanne Sherwood, Robyn Shibley, Bryce St. Cyr, Jeffrey St. Cyr, Merrill Stone, Ashley Sweeney, Milton Taylor, Kelsey Tinkham, and Ty Tremblay.

Grade Four — Johanna Dickson, Nicholas DiVito, Allyson Dudman, Christopher Finethy, Dana Fuller, Makayla Goings, James Grant, Peter Kaszynski, Luke LaFreniere, Owen Laurion, Brittany Moore, Kathryn Pellowe, Taylor Peterson, Marie Phelan, Daniel Pitman, Patrick Quinn, Amber Richardson, Heather Waterman, and Caitlin Wentworth.

Grade Five — Amanda Boudreau, Amanda DeLemus, Kelly Eagles, Anne Farrell, Erin Hannafin, Travis Hopper, Elizabeth Husak, Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur, Jessica Joslyn, Brian Kivlehan, Tara Loprete, Ashley Marren, Camille Niquette, Tina Pacheco, Brenna Quann, Shayna Randall, David Roberts, Derek Rondeau, Brian Roy, Andrea Sell, Stephanie Tanguay, Michael Tidd, Sarah Tinkham, and Ashley Waterman.

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**TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

After a week vacation the teachers returned to the school May 4 and partook in the PTSA national "Teacher Appreciation Week" that was planned. Thanks, first, to Frances Strickland who volunteered to be the chairperson this year. She did an incredible job by reaching all the businesses in town, asking for contributions, organizing what was to happen each day, and following through.

On Monday the teachers received balloons with a carnation and message on them; Tuesday they received a good breakfast before school started; and Wednesday, "box" messages and a treat. Thursday the food and nutrition class of the high school put on a delicious lunch with salads and desserts and the School Board donated meat for sandwiches. The PTSA put on a Yankee Swap where each teacher picked a present, and if they didn't need it or want it, they could swap with something another teacher had gotten. The teachers had to "swap with a smile" whenever they had to give up a prized present. It was a "relief breaker," and they all had fun, (we believe). We hope the teachers enjoyed themselves. Friday ended the week with a breakfast again in the school cafeteria. The PTSA would like to thank Ann Morse, the cafeteria supervisor for having the juice and coffee ready.

The Teachers were also awarded prizes, donated by the town businesses, which they got to keep this time. Realize there are over 75 teachers/workers at the school and all of them got prizes; thanks go to the town's businesses who helped us show the teachers that they are really appreciated. The teachers would like to thank the town for the week.

The businesses who donated are (become good customers and thank them): McDonald's, Shibley's at the Pier, Alton Police Station, McGrath's Food Center, Dunkin' Donuts, Alton 5 and 10, Century 21, I Do Bridal Shop, Alton Printing Company, Treasure Flowers, Alton Bay Market, Alton School Board, Alton SAU, Laurie Boyce, Frances Strickland, Linda Monasky's food & nutrition class, Hawkins family, Hopper family, Strickland family, especially Rachel, Mr. Parker, and everyone who made the week special for our teachers. **THEY DESERVED IT!!**

**GRAHAM FILM AT THE A.B.C.C.C.**

**By Bob Hett, Pastor**

A new film from World Wide Pictures, the motion picture ministry of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, will be shown at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center's Moore Chapel on Sunday, June 21. Titled "The Ride," it is an entertaining - yet deeply moving - dramatic film. The showing will start at 6 p.m.

The film opens with Smokey Banks (Michael Biehn), former world champion bull rider, sentenced to community service and released into the custody of Mike (Clarence Felder) and Ellen (Jennifer O'Neill) Stillwell at the Saguaro Boys' Ranch. Smokey's task is to teach 14-year-old Danny O'Neil (Brock Pierce) how to ride a bull. Smokey, having become attached to his little sidekick, learns Danny is dying of cancer and doesn't think he can face the reality of the boy's illness. He also doesn't think he can accept a God who would allow this to happen to an innocent child. Smokey has some things to learn about life: when to hold on and push through; when to let go and trust; and how God is someone who can be trusted.

The congregation of The Bay Church and I welcome all members of the community to this showing of what we believe to be an outstanding new film. For more information, please call the church office at 875-6765 or the Conference Center office at 875-6161.



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**WAY TO GO VOLUNTEERS!**

By Laurie Boyce

The Volunteer Coordinators would like to thank all the school volunteers for the tremendous effort that was shown this year. We had, by far, more hours of volunteer service this year than we have ever had before. Not just occasional work, which is great, but every week — sometimes more than once a week — several volunteers were at the school to help the teachers and students. It is now time to take a well-deserved summer off. Please consider being a school volunteer next year. We always need help. Ruby Hawkins joins me in saying **THANK YOU AGAIN FOR ALL YOUR HELP!**

**THIRD QUARTER HONOR ROLL  
ANNOUNCED BY ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL**

The following students were named to the honor roll for the third 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.

Fourth Grade — High Honors: James Grant, Owen Laurion and Patrick Quinn; Honors: Shannon Cornelissen, Danielle Dearnley, Johanna Dickson, Allyson Dudman, Dana Fuller, Makayla Goings, Ashley Hubbard, Luke LaFreniere, Brittany Moore, Joshua O'Neil, Kathryn Pellowe, Taylor Peterson, Marie Phelan, Daniel Pitman, Amber Richardson, Jessica Rothwell, Aimee Terravechia, Katrina Tidd and Caitlin Wentworth.

Fifth Grade — High Honors: Anne Farrell and Stephanie Tanguay; Honors: Kelly Eagles, Jacob Ford, Vanessa Gilbert, Christine Holmes, Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur, Jessica Joslyn, Tara Loprete, Ashley Marren, Whitney Marston, Brenna Quann, Derek Rondeau, Brian Roy, and Michael Tidd.

Sixth Grade — High Honors: Lyndsey Caron, Tonya Prescott, Daniel Quinn and Kelsey Yelle; Honors: Tamara Cornelissen, David Currid, Carl Dickson, John Latchaw, Kyle McAuliffe, Krista Shibley, and Matthew Sydow.

Seventh Grade — Honors: Adam Ames, Hilary Ballentine, Scott Baumgartner, Heath Berthiaume, Jennifer Carr, Patricia Currid, Christopher Duffy, Jill Feger, Stephanie Hillsgrove, Terese Hopper, Marc Levasseur, Thomas Malone, Kristin Murray, David Snell, and Erin Wood.

Eighth Grade — High Honors: Briahna Itchkavich-Levasseur, Dana Lang and Marissa Peterson; Honors: Scott Blair, Matthew Currid, Morgan Fuller, John McAuliffe, Anthony Sanborn, David Shibley, and Jane Varney.

Ninth Grade — High Honors: Sara Dore, Renee LaFreniere, and Katie Morrill; Honors: Zachary Christy, Kelsie Croes, Tara Elliott, Loretta Helie, Shawn Hillsgrove, Heather Joslyn, Lorin McGovern, Ashley Southwell, Meghan St. Cyr, and Emily Sydow.

Tenth Grade — Honors: Amanda Coughlin, Korin Eagles, Jacob Locke, Jenny Martin, Danielle Moore, Elizabeth Quindley, and Victor Stone.

Eleventh Grade — Honors: Rebecca Blair, Carly Blanchard, Catherine Chapman, Desiree Crossley, Tonia Elliott, Jennifer Emanouil, Andrew Fuller, Ennasea Guyette, Christy Holway, Emily King, Amanda Lambert, Amber Locke, Sarah MacDonald, Andrew Morse, and Nadine Vailette.

Twelfth Grade — High Honors: Blake Kellar and Tammy Murtagh; Honors: Brandon Canuel, Jonathan Choquette, Jedediah Christy, Aaron Dore, Kristen Duval, Adrienne Essig, Tarsia Kenny, Sonja Marjander, Jason Martin, Jennifer Merfeld, Keith O'Connor, Amanda Quindley, Ryan Russell, Jaime Stamatson, Aaron Terravechia, and Jacob Tharpe.



**MINDING ALTON'S BUSINESS**  
 by Ginny Stevenson  
 Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of  
 Commerce

**NEW WITH THE CHAMBER**

Have you seen the new Information Kiosk? Where is it, you ask? It's to the right of the Alton Bay Community Center (see photo, right). Thanks to Brad Hunter of Hunter Homes and the Chamber of Commerce committee, our members will be introduced to all visitors coming into the area. Any Chamber member wishing to advertise on one of the plaques designed by Todd McKinney, please contact Cecile Chase (875-6111), Ginny Stevenson (875-5001) or Marie Sheldon (875-5600).

We would like to welcome Aline Lee to our office. Aline will be manning the Chamber office every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the summer. Any advertising or information to be posted on the kiosk must be given to Aline. She will post the information.

Have you had a chance to see the 1998 Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce Area Guide? It is complete and being distributed to all Chamber members. Additional copies are available at the Chamber office.

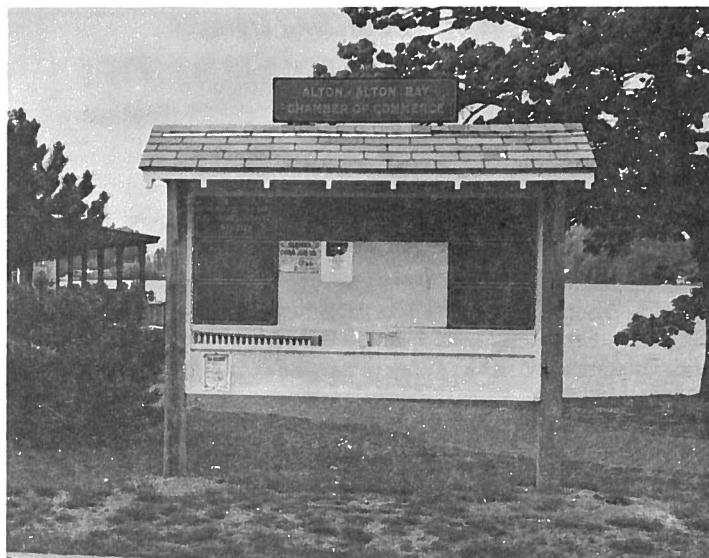
Another project in the works is our web site! Soon all members will be able to link to the Chamber's web site. Look for updates in our Newsletter.

Haven't the board members been busy this winter and spring? We are actively trying to bring our Town of Alton to the attention of New England and the nation via the web site, area guide and our new kiosk. Don't forget to join us June 12 - 14 for the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual BarberShop Jamboree.

**ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS**  
**MARTY ENGSTROM**

by Jean Roberts

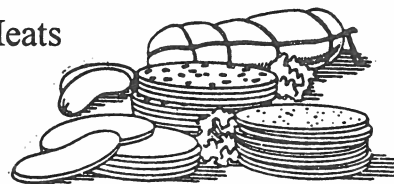
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**CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB LUNCHEON**

"Turning Trash Into Treasures" will be the theme of a luncheon to be held on Wednesday, June 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Conference Center on Rt. 11 in Alton Bay. Laurette Morley from Ashland will be presenting the special feature. Jamie Sample from Alton will provide music for the luncheon, and Cally Davis from Cape Cod will be the speaker.

To make a reservation for the luncheon, and the available complimentary nursery, please call Janet Benedetto in Alton at 875-2032 or Thelma Osborne in Laconia at 524-6505 by Wednesday, June 3.

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club, an interdenominational group with no formal membership, sponsors the luncheon.

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With June having the longest daylight of any month of the year, it is time to get out in Alton's outdoors. The best day to get out this month is the 6th. This is a FREE fishing day where one may try their hand at fishing without purchasing a license. All fishing regulations must be followed. Rule books are available wherever licenses are sold. Keep in mind that all bass must be released until the 15th of this month and may only be caught on artificial lures and flies. Bass may still be "on the beds" so be careful not to hurt or exhaust a bass. They are protecting our future fish.

What can you catch and keep to eat if you wish? Number one fish on my list is trout. Several local New Hampshire lakes and streams have been heavily stocked. Fly-fishing is at its best this month, but a good lure for hatchery trout is the Colorado spinner and worm combo. If you are not sure where Fish and Game stocks in this area, check the April issue of Hawkeye Newspaper for a complete list.

Next for catchability would be the pickerel. Merrymeeting Marsh is a good place to catch this toothy fish. Any spinner, spoon or plug can bring a strike. If you decide to eat pickerel, scale them and cut into steaks, or filet and skin them. They are quite bony so be especially careful of the small y-bones when eating.

Yellow or white perch is next on my list, though the larger fish can be hard to find in some waters. These tasty fish "school," so once you find them you can catch several on small spinners or spinner and worm combos.

Sunfish are starting to spawn this month and can be found in the shallows. They will bite readily on small flies, spinners, soft baits and worms. These easy-to-catch fish can provide much excitement. A dozen eight- to nine-inch "sunnies," filleted fried with salt, pepper and butter, or your favorite fish spices, will feed two people. Try them; they taste like flounder to me.

Lastly, there is the hornpout or bullhead. These tasty fish are usually caught at night with nightcrawlers fished on the bottom. Though a tough fish to prepare for the pan, they are one of the tastiest with few bones.

Boy, I'm getting hungry. Think I'll go fishing!

**BAY CHURCH AT BAND STAND**

Starting June 14 at 9 a.m., and continuing each summer Sunday through Labor Day weekend, Pastor Bob Hett and members of The Bay Church in Alton Bay will be conducting services at the Alton Bay bandstand. Throughout the summer guest speakers and musical groups will assist the pastor.

The bandstand service is an informal boat-in, drive-up, or walk-to service approximately thirty minutes long following lively Gospel music and a brief devotional message by Pastor Hett or one of the many inspiring guest speakers available through the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center.

You may bring your own folding chair, sit in your boat or car, or use some of the folding chairs that will be provided each week.

Pastor Bob wants to thank Charlie DeCoff and Bill Holway along with their other assistants who regularly facilitate arrangements for the bandstand service.

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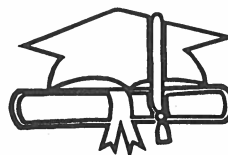
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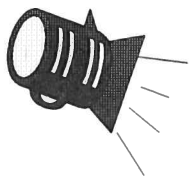
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### HARRY WATERMAN GROUNDS KEEPER

A lifelong resident of Alton, Harry was born at Huggins Hospital in Wolfeboro to parents Shirley and William Waterman. He has two brothers: Billy, who is self-employed, and Rodney, who is a truck driver for the Alton Highway Department. Harry has half-brothers and sisters, as well. They are Kevin, Bruce, Sherry, Walter, Cheryl, and Vickie.

Harry attended the Alton schools and graduated from High School in 1973. He worked with his dad logging, as a stone mason with his Uncle Clarence Lamper, and as a self-employed general carpenter. Harry also received certification in structural and pipe welding after a six-month course of study at East Coast Welding in Newington. In addition, he worked for Campbell Marine for four years, chain laying rocks for breakwaters and docks on Lake Winnepesaukee until the company went out of business.

Harry came to the Alton Maintenance Department in June, 1997. He had been promoted to Grounds Keeper for the department very recently. The department is responsible for 28 "or so" pieces of property in Alton. Some of those town buildings are the Town Hall, Police Station, Community Centers, Library, and bath houses. The grounds of these buildings, as well as the ball field, beaches, recreational parks, and grassy areas, are raked, fertilized, and mowed by the department and will be Harry's main responsibility, reporting to Pete Rockwood, Maintenance Supervisor.

Harry and his wife, Lisa, live here in Alton. Harry has two daughters: Sarah, who is 23 years old and Ashley, who is ten. He has two sons: Eric, who is 21 years old and Keith, who is 13. His granddaughter, Alexandria (Sarah's daughter) is almost three.

For recreation the family enjoys hiking and biking. Harry also likes hunting and fishing with his children. There is a beaver dam on their property and the family especially enjoys watching the animals. A large garden in the summer keeps them busy as well. Once a year the whole family vacations in Bar Harbor, Maine, and enjoys the salt water fishing there.

Harry says, "I really like my work. I enjoy working outside, especially. The people I work with are great and it's nice the way all the departments work so well together here."

As to the future, Harry says, "I'm happy right here. The people are nice and the job is challenging. I plan to be here a long time."

Congratulations on your new position, Harry, and thank you!

## A WEEK OF FEELINGS

By Laurie Boyce

St. Joan of Arc parish had a mission the week of May 11 to partake in hearing and feeling the presence of Father Emmett Murphy, a Franciscan priest who came to the parish at the invitation of Father Richard Wegman. The four days "fanned" the flame of how you experienced love, reconciliation, healing, and ended with a reconfirmation of their faith. It was a great week with the beautiful spring weather and gave everyone something to look forward to. Thank you Father Murphy, for a great experience.

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# Main Street's Information Center

## JUNE EVENTS

- Wed. 3 VARSITY("V") SOFTBALL, Class "S" Tournament Prelims, 4 p.m.  
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.  
VARSITY("V") BASEBALL, Class "S" Tournament Prelims, 4 p.m.
- Fri. 5 YOUNG AUTHORS, Friends of the Library, (see "The Checkout Desk"), 1:30 p.m.
- Sat. 6 V SOFTBALL, Class "S" Quarter Finals (TBA)  
V BASEBALL, Class "S" Quarter Finals (TBA)
- Tue. 9 V SOFTBALL, Class "S" Semifinals, (TBA)  
MINI-GOLF NIGHT, sponsored by Lions Club, 6 p.m. start, (see story)  
SITE ACQUISITION AND SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE, special board meeting, Alton Central School, 7 p.m.
- Wed. 10 "TURNING TRASH INTO TREASURES," LUNCHEON, Christian Women's Club, Christian Conference Center, 11:30 a.m. (see story)  
V BASEBALL, Class "S" Semifinals (TBA)  
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Fri. 12 YOUNG AUTHORS, Friends of the Library Meeting, (see "The Checkout Desk"), 1:30 p.m.
- Sat. 13 BARBERSHOP JAMBOREE AND OTHER FUN EVENTS (see story, p. 1)  
V BASEBALL, Class "S" Finals, 2 p.m.  
V SOFTBALL, Class "S" Finals, 2 p.m.
- Sun. 14 FLAG DAY
- Wed. 17 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Tue. 16 ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY/FRIENDS OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY, Congregational Meeting House, 7:30 p.m. (see story)
- Sun. 21 FATHER'S DAY  
(unofficial last day of black fly season)  
SUMMER SOLSTICE, 10:04 a.m., EDT  
MOVIE, "The Ride," Moore Chapel, Christian Conference Center, 6 p.m. (see story)
- Tue. 23 GARDEN CLUB, Congregational Meeting House, 1:30 p.m. (see story)
- Wed. 24 39TH ARMY BAND IN CONCERT, Alton Bay Bandstand 7 p.m. (see story)  
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Sun. 28 ALTON CANOE RACE, 10 a.m., (see story), Registration required, 875-0109
- Thu. 25 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!!! Students and Teachers—Enjoy Your Summer!
- Sat. 27 UNITED ASSOCIATIONS, 1st summer meeting, Alton Bay Community Center, 9 a.m. (see story)
- Mon. 29 BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 7 p.m.

## SOME DETAILS . . .

### ALTON-NEW DURHAM LIONS CLUB SPONSORS MINI-GOLF NIGHT

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club will hold its annual Mini-Golf Night on Tuesday, June 9, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Blue Jay Miniature Golf Course in Alton Bay. The cost is only \$1 per person for a round of 18 holes.

All proceeds support the various community and charitable activities of the local service organization.

### 39th ARMY BAND IN CONCERT ON 24th

The 39th Army Band, New Hampshire National Guard, will perform in concert under the direction of Chief Warrant Officer Thomas G. Fisk, on June 24 from 7 to 8:30 P. M., at the Alton Bay Bandstand. The program is sponsored by the Bay Church, Alton Bay. In case of rain the concert will be held in the Tabernacle at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center.

Stationed in Manchester at the State Armory located on Canal Street, the band is under the command of Chief Warrant Officer Thomas G. Fisk. The 39th Army Band has represented the United States of America overseas on missions that have included St. Croix; Virgin Islands; and Athens, Greece. Most recently it performed as Good Will Ambassadors to the country of Costa Rica in July of 1995.

The band is comprised of approximately 40 musicians representing many communities throughout our state. Many of the soldiers are professional music educators, as well as leaders in their respective towns and cities. The members of the 39th Army Band are dedicated soldiers whose high standard of performance is respected and anticipated whether in a parade or concert format.

### UNITED ASSOCIATIONS FEATURES

#### "TALK SHOW" ON JUNE 27

By Bob Calvert

The first of two summer meetings of representatives of the several lakes area associations will be held on Saturday, June 27, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Alton Bay Community Center. The general public is invited to attend as well.

The program will feature a novel "talk show" format in which town and school officials and police and fire chiefs and selectmen, planning board and other department personnel will be interviewed by United Associations President Bob Calvert as host and moderator on several subjects of current interest. It will be a unique "update" for summer residents and an opportunity for year-round residents as well to get answers on town current issues.

### SOLID WASTE CENTER CHANGES

Due to increasing environmental regulations being imposed by companies that receive waste products from the Alton Solid Waste Center, the following changes have been put into effect immediately: No florescent light bulbs, light ballasts or nickel cadmium batteries will be allowed in the trash hopper. These items must be separated with other recyclables in designated storage bins at the Recycle Center.

There will be no charge for disposal of these items, but anyone found violating these rules will lose all dumping privileges and possibly expose the taxpayers of Alton to significant and unnecessary expenses. Town officials have expressed the hope that the public will understand the reasons for the change in disposal procedures and will cooperate fully.



# Flag Day



# Main Street's Information Center

## SCHEDULES

### CHURCHES:

- Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
- Bay Church — Church at Bay Bandstand (starting 6/14), 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. (ends in July); 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.
- 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
- Wolfboro Bible Fellowship — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. (Summer 10 a.m.); Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Route 28. Pastor Scott Button

### GILMAN LIBRARY:

- Mon. and Wed., 12 Noon - 7 p.m.; Tue. and Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed Thu. and Sun.

### SENIOR MEAL SITE:

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

### SOLID WASTE CENTER:

- Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat., 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Sun., 12 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. (in season), Congregational Mtg. House
- Girl Scout Junior Troop 630, Wed., 5:30 p.m., Alton Sch. Cafe
- Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., Pearson Road 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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- WATER COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Thursday, 8 a.m., Chairman Charles B. Adams, Jr., 875-7246.
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### “DESIGN A MOTORCYCLE” CONTEST WINNERS

The winners of the “Design a Motorcycle” contest sponsored by Alton Central School custodian Kirt Hussey (far right) were announced in time for Motorcycle Week in the Lakes Region. In row one are the winners in the Kindergarten through grade 2 category (left to right) Jesse Lane, first place, Chantal Pearson, second; Tommy Pellowe, third; and Kimberly Grant, fourth. Winners in the grades 3 through 5 category in row two are (left to right) Brian Roy, first; Caila Kantar, second; Pat Quinn, third; and Joshua O’Neil, fourth. In the grades 6 through 8 category, back row, are (left to right) Elspeth Dana, first; Serry Hayward, second; Mike Kenny, third; and Dan Reed, fourth. Kirt’s “Personal Pick” was Pat Quinn’s design. Students received prizes donated by Meredith Harley Davidson, Open Road Collectibles of Tilton, Moscoffian Performance Show Series of Oxford, MA, and Arlin Ness of California.

### AN ACCOLADE FOR THE ALTON SCHOOL

To the Editor:

Hello, my name is Joshua Tuck and I am a 1995 graduate of Alton Central School. I have been attending Notre Dame College (Manchester, NH) for the past three years, majoring in Biology and minoring in Chemistry (premed). I have just recently been accepted to graduate school for Physical Therapy at Notre Dame and intend to begin in the fall of 1998.

During my time at Notre Dame, I have met with a great deal of success of which I am quite proud. I am writing to you to ask if I may be briefly recognized in your publication. In all honesty, I do not wish to simply use your paper as a vehicle to egotistically show off my accomplishments. Instead, in having my achievements recognized by your establishment, I am hoping to serve as an example for other local young people, to demonstrate the benefits of hard work and dedication to academics, and to confirm the many advantages of coming from a small town and school.

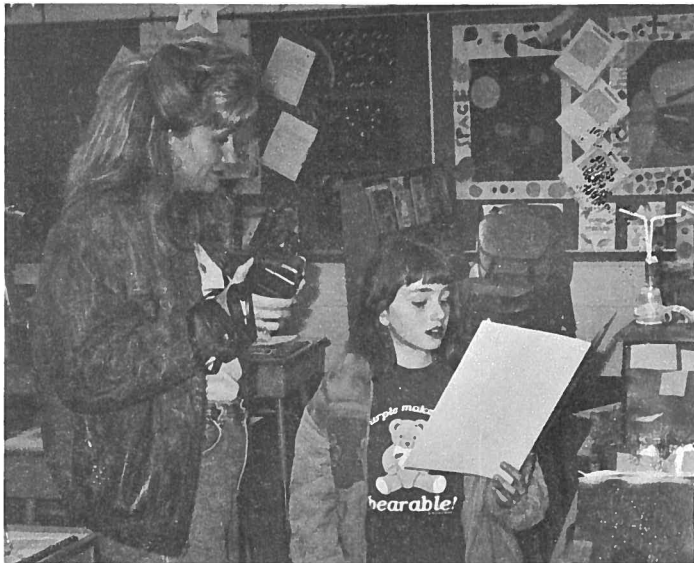
Throughout my time spent at Notre Dame, I have had the opportunity to become involved in many various activities, such as sports, student government, and community service. During my freshman and sophomore years I was able to row for the college crew team and was chosen as the team captain, a position I maintained for two years. During that time, our

team managed to clench consecutive bronze and silver medals in the New Hampshire Championships, competing against such prestigious teams as Dartmouth, Bowdoin, and Cornell. I also was chosen by the college to appear in their newest recruitment video and served as an ambassador of the college by becoming a member of the Orientation Committee for incoming freshman.

Apart from sports, I have also managed to maintain very good grades while in college. I have been on the Dean’s List (above a 3.5, out of a 4.0 G.P.A.) for the past five semesters and have received several academic awards: Alpha Chi, Who’s Who in American Colleges and Universities, Academic All-American, and the Natural Science Award. Not only was I selected to the Alpha Chi National Honor Society, but I was also elected as the Vice-President of the college’s chapter of the organization. The United States Achievement Academy has actually awarded me with two separate honors: the Academic All-American Award and the Natural Sciences Award in Biology.

Although I am both proud and excited to have my achievements possibly appear in your publication, I again stress that the true importance of printing this letter lies in informing the youth of Alton that their school is more than adequate in providing excellent educational opportunities for its students.

s/Joshua Tuck



**ANNUAL ACADEMIC FAIR CELEBRATED  
AT ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL**

Courtney Marston, a student in Patricia True's third grade at Alton Central School, shows part of her Academic Fair project to her mother, Erin. The Academic Fair is an opportunity for parents and other community members to see the kinds of projects undertaken at all grade levels during each academic year. Principal Thomas Parker commended the teachers and their students for the excellent displays. "I was very pleased with the work displayed this year. Everyone worked very hard and it was wonderful to see so many parents and guests here that night to enjoy it."



**ALTON JUNIORS ARE WINNERS  
OF NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST**

Becca Blair (left) and Desiree Crossley (second from left), juniors at Alton Central School, were recently named winners of an essay contest on the subject of "Which one quality of our founding fathers do you most admire and what qualities influenced your decision?" The contest was sponsored by The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America and each student will attend a week-long session of the Washington Workshops Congressional Seminar in our nation's capital. Blair and Crossley were two of about 50 winners nationwide. Amber Locke (second from right) and Cathy Chapman (right) were runners-up. The essays were written as part of a U.S. history class project assigned by social studies teach Nancy Merrill (center).

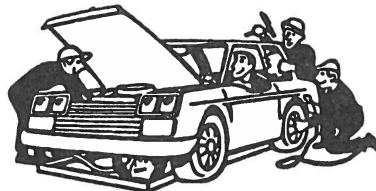


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**ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL  
EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH**

Classroom Aide Ruby Hawkins (left) and first grade teacher Sue Blair (right) were named employees of the month for March at Alton Central School. School Superintendent Richard Pike (center) presented each with an award certificate. Hawkins also received a gift certificate for dinner at Sibley's at the Pier and Blair received a gift certificate for dinner at the Last Chance Pub.

Hawkins is in her first year as a classroom aide at Alton, having served as a substitute teacher the previous year. Blair has been an elementary teacher at Alton for 13 years. Before that she was a preschool special education teacher in Rochester.

A nomination for Hawkins signed by the students in the fourth grade noted the "love and humor she brings to grade four, her extra hard work, her special smile, and her willingness to help, especially on our patio project." Blair was cited by fellow employees for her dedication, enthusiasm, love of teaching, and warmth towards her students.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT DEVELOPMENTS**

**By Richard M. Pike, Superintendent of Schools**

The biggest school district news in the last month without a doubt has to be the recent successful negotiations between the school board and the Alton Teachers Association with respect to health insurance. Those of you who followed the budget process this past year may recall that the district was faced with a 46.7% increase in premiums for the school year 1998-99. Both parties are extremely pleased with the mutual agreement, which is a "win-win" situation for both employer and employee. Effective July 1 of this year all school district employees will be covered by Healthsource.

The board is currently in the process of developing a community survey that should give the district some valuable input relative to all aspects of the school's operation. One key piece of the survey will be focused on the future of the school district building project. In a related matter, any individual interested in serving on the Site Acquisition and School Building Committee is invited to attend a special board meeting on June 9 at 7 p.m. at the Alton Central School. Anyone with specific questions about the building project, past or present, is encouraged to call board member Wayne Fraser at 875-3327.

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**GET CAUGHT IN THE WEB!**

It was launched in September 1997, and has been on the rise ever since — Alton Central School's website! The address is <http://www.alton.k12.nh.us>.

Several people have spent many hours over this school year developing the site in order to fulfill its objective of being a modern and effective means of communication between the school and the community. Here is a sampling of the information the website contains: minutes of School Board meetings, sports schedules, current press releases, school handbooks, samples of student's writing, art and other projects. There are dozens of pictures sprinkled throughout.

The site is maintained on a daily basis, thanks to the help of Rick Mitchell, a freshman who works as the assistant webmaster. Changes are uploaded to the server at Worldpath at least once a week. People with Internet connections can keep up with the latest happenings at the school.

The web project advisor, Marjorie Mohr extends an invitation to visit the high school library for a quick orientation if you are not yet "cyberspace literate." They will be happy to demonstrate their site.



**CONCORD CORNER**  
by Alice Z. Calvert  
State Representative

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

The House and Senate will be voting soon on a major long-term healthcare policy change. An increasing elderly and disabled population, in combination with decreasing funds for care, has necessitated a re-evaluation of resources and facilities available. If possible, most people wish to stay in their homes or similar residential care. Until now nursing homes have been the main providers of care — acute or otherwise. This bill will offer evaluation of the need for care and establish an adult care program. The county/state Medicaid funding for care will be equalized to 25% each. (Currently it's 31% county and 19% state.) Acuity-based reimbursement will set new rates for nursing homes. For the same amount of money, about twice the number of people can be cared for at home or in residential homes, avoiding or delaying admission to a nursing home.

**Bills Passed**

(1) A bill to comply with the Selective Service Act which mandates all males 18 - 27 to register for military service. To receive state education or employment, a young man must be registered.

(2) A bill to require that the Department of Environmental Services adopt rules regarding larger water withdrawals.

**An Education Compromise**

At the time of this writing (5/11) the House Finance Committee is scrutinizing a modified ABC Plan. If an acceptable solution passes the House, the Senate will work on the bill in June.

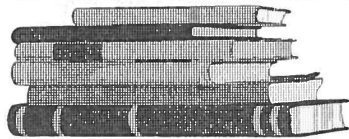
If you have questions on any of the above, or have other State government matters that you would like to discuss with me, I will be in the Alton Town Hall on June 1 from 3 to 4 p.m. I can also be reached by telephone at 875-2151. Since the Legislature is likely to adjourn in June, this should be my final 1998 column. Thank you for your support.





### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY CELEBRATE A GOOD FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY

Pat Merrill puts the first cut into the cake on the day of her retirement party. Friends of the Gilman Library, other patrons, and some of her family gathered on a Sunday afternoon to wish Pat all the best as she begins her new career called "retirement." It took some planning to schedule this gathering as Pat had already begun taking advantage of retirement with a trip. We hope she will enjoy all the hours now available for all the things she has been wanting to do. Luckily for everyone though, she will still be coming in as a library volunteer on a regular basis. Pat has been a driving force to make the library what it is today. We will miss seeing her on a regular basis but wish her all the best in her future



### CHECKOUT DESK by Holly Brown Librarian

### BOOKS AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

The Friends of the Gilman Library T-shirts and book bags have arrived — just in time for summer. We are very pleased with the quality and design of these fine T-shirts and book bags. We hope that you also will be pleased. You can purchase a book bag and/or T-shirt at the Library or at the Alton 5 & 10. Prices are as follows: Book bags \$5; T-shirts \$8 (Child sizes S-M-L and Adult M-L-XL). Do not put it off; our existing supply is not likely to last very long!

If you happen to wonder how to fill your new book bag while checking out the latest best sellers, you may also like to browse through the "Booksale shelves" containing books that are available for purchase at a very reasonable price. You may find that special book you have been looking for to add to your collection at home.

This is also the time to start your collection of the Alton Village Collectibles. The first in the series is the Gilman Library itself, which can be purchased for \$15 at the Library and the Alton 5 & 10. The next pieces to be offered will be the Town Hall and the Community Center at the Bay. Prices will vary but all will be under \$20. All profits benefit the Gilman Library.

The Friends of the Gilman Library will be very busy during the month of June. Here is the schedule: Young Authors (grades 4&5) June 5 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. to be held at the Gilman Library; Young Authors (grades 1, 2&3) June 12 also from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., also at the Gilman Library. (A short business meeting will follow.) The Friends' third June get-together will be a joint meeting with the Historical Society on the 16<sup>th</sup> at the Congregational Church.

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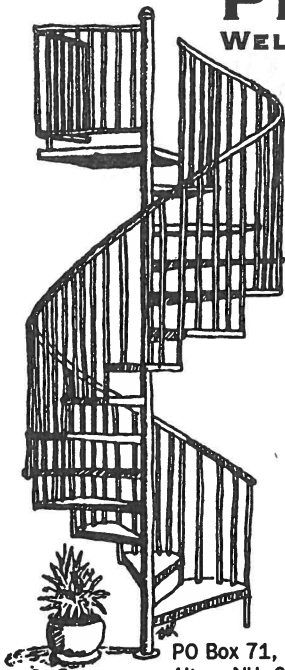
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## CIVIC "POW WOW" HELD

Four of Alton's governmental bodies came together in a significant joint meeting on May 20, continuing a precedent established last year by Selectman Stan Czech, who is now chairman of the board. The Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and Conservation Commission joined the Board of Selectmen to discuss matters of mutual interest with the stated purpose being to insure that all four groups would be working in coordination, rather than at cross purposes.

The Board of Selectmen had perfect attendance and the other three boards had good representation, including their chairpersons in all cases. In addition to Town Administrator Scott Dunn, Code Official Brian Boyers and Town Planner Matt Walsh were also present. The group met for over two hours.

Subjects discussed centered mainly on land use and development issues, but the most effective use of staff resources was also covered in some detail. Part-time clerical assistant Christine Whalen was particularly cited for extraordinary support of the boards to which she is assigned

The subject receiving the greatest attention was the town's Zoning Ordinance and its need for an extensive overhaul. It was agreed that Town Planner Walsh would devote a considerable amount of his time to this task, but more precision on the amounts of time he should spend on this in relation to his other assignments was left for further consideration and feedback from the Planning Board. The Conservation Commission briefed the other boards on the Regional Environmental Planning Program being carried out under the auspices of the NH Department of Environmental Services. It was agreed that more than the Conservation Commission should be involved so that all the Town's interests would be recognized.

The ambiance of the meeting was helped by Freshman Selectman Bob Longabaugh's contribution of pizza and soft drinks.

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**GARDEN CLUB MEETS JUNE 23**

**By Virginia Lynch**

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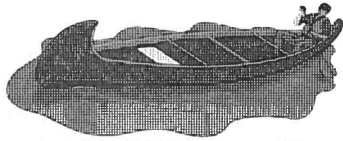
The hostesses are Mary Downing (Chair), Pauline Annis, Marion Davis, Aida Downing, Ester Emerson, Claire Fitzgerald, Dorothy Folsom, Frances Guttormsen, Jane Hennessey, Addie Pickett, and Isabelle Stocker.

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**ALTON CANOE RACE ON JUNE 28**

Sponsored by Alton Parks and Recreation and Parker Marine. The Canoe Race will be held Sunday, June 28, at 10 a.m. The race begins at the Masonic Temple Parking lot on Route 28 South.

Canoe approximately five miles of flat water along the scenic Merrymeeting River with two portages. Registration fee is \$15 per canoe, or single person \$10. Everyone that registers before June 19 will receive a limited edition canoe race T-shirt. A life jacket is required for each person.

Categories include: racing, recreational and youth. Prizes will be awarded. Register at the Parks and Recreation Department located in the Alton Town Hall, or call Kellie at 875-0109 for additional registration information.

Did you know that participation in a recreational activity — like the canoe race — can reduce stress, build a healthier body and get you outside appreciating nature? Come along and play or stop by and watch. This race is going to be fun!

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**by Kellie McGrath**

Did you know that every mile walked adds an average of 21 minutes to a person's life and that regular volunteer work increases life expectancy more than any other activity. Those are great reasons to get involved in the programs and activities sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department. It is very important in this busy world of ours that you take time to do something fun and enjoyable for yourself. Some of the things you can do in Alton: take a walk, hike the one mile Town Loop Trail, read a book in Railroad Square Park, go fishing, relax on the beach, play a pick-up game of softball or basketball, play tennis, canoe the Merrymeeting River, fly a kite at Jones Field, plant flowers in your yard. The benefits of adding recreation in your life are endless.

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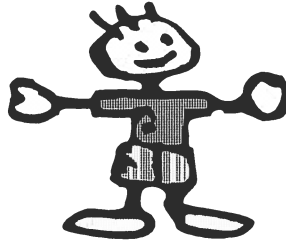
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**FOR THE FUN OF IT**  
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**Summer Schedule**

The Summer Schedule is out for all of the Parks and Recreation activities this summer. There is something for everyone. Pick up a schedule at the Alton Town Hall, Chamber of Commerce, or call the Parks and Recreation Department and I will mail one to you. Some of the activities and programs scheduled include: basketball camp, two soccer camps, soccer league, summer camp, senior bingo, concert series, adult softball, volleyball tournaments, ballet and jazz, senior trips, teen trips, swimming lessons, dog obedience, toddler program, road race, country line dancing, tennis lessons, strength training and much more! Sign up now for the summer camp, ballet and jazz and tennis lessons. They begin in early July. If you need more information, call me at 875-0109.

**Town Wide Yard Sale**

On June 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Alton will be having a Town-wide yard sale, sponsored by the Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce. Everyone is invited to participate. Pick up a free map at the Farmington National Bank, Alton Town Hall or the Chamber office. There will be over 30 yard sale locations with great items to buy listed on the map. Some of the yard sales will be moving sales, so there are a lot of items you will be able to find. Check out as many yard sales as you can in six hours, and have a fun weekend in Alton!

**OHRV Safety Course**

On June 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the Alton Parks and Recreation Department and Virginia Bergeron are sponsoring a free NH Fish and Game Off Highway Recreational Vehicle (OHRV) ATV and TRAIL BIKE SAFETY EDUCATION COURSE. The course will be held at the Alton Central Fire Station located on Rt. 140.

In New Hampshire, OHRV operators age 12 years and older must possess a Safety Certificate or valid driver's license. A Safety Certificate is issued upon successful completion of the OHRV Safety Course.

The OHRV Safety Education Course includes instruction in proper preparation and care of the vehicle, basic operation and safe riding techniques. Operator requirements are also discussed, such as appropriate clothing, what to bring with you, outdoor survival skills and medical self-help. The OHRV Laws are reviewed, as well as environmental considerations, landowner regulations and multiple trail issues. A written exam will be required and a field test may be included. Participants are reminded to bring a lunch and drink and to wear boots or tie shoes.

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The Bornheim family would like to express their sincere and heartfelt appreciation for all prayers, mass, and sympathy cards and donations to the Alton Volunteer Ambulance Service in memory of Rose, our beloved wife, mother, and grandmother.

Thank you,  
s/George Bornheim

The family of Rene Wentworth would like to express our deep gratitude and thanks for all who shared with us in our loss.

s/Dorothee, Becky, and Reuben

**VNA-HOSPICE SAYS THANKS**

In April the VNA-Hospice of Southern Carroll County and Vicinity, Inc. observed National Volunteer Week. It was an appropriate time to thank publicly our many volunteers. Serving in all the area's communities, we have with us perhaps the most dedicated volunteers one could find anywhere.

Our agency, VNA-Hospice, utilizes volunteers in a variety of ways that I would like to describe briefly:

The Hospice program provides a very special kind of care for terminally ill persons and their families. Our volunteers undergo a nine-week standardized training program before going out to work with our patients. Without these special volunteers, our Hospice program literally could not function as effectively as it does.

Our Good Beginnings program, a joint endeavor with Huggins Hospital, offers families of newborn babies a home visit from a nurse and a volunteer. Eight hours of training is given before volunteers are sent out to families. The kind of support they provide might include help with the baby (and siblings), meal preparation, rides to the doctor, as well as a listening ear.

Not as well known, but just as important, are our volunteer services to our home health clients that may not have family or friends close by. Volunteers alleviate some of the loneliness and isolation that comes from being homebound by doing such things as having a cup of tea, playing games or letter writing.

The VNA-Hospice wants all our neighbors to know how we value our volunteers. Our thanks and deep appreciation goes out to each and every one of them the whole year through for the time, compassion and commitment they freely give for those in our service area and to our Agency.

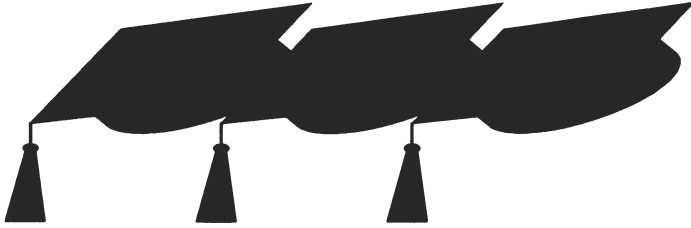
s/Betty John, Volunteer Coordinator  
VNA-Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity, Inc.

**TEN YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . The Alton Bay Bandstand was renovated by volunteers from the Alton-New Durham Lions Club. . . Alton's new Police Station was dedicated in honor of Al Wilder . . . there were 34 members in the graduating class at Alton High School . . . the sale and use of common fireworks was banned in Alton . . . work was begun to update the Alton Master Plan, which will eventually recommend changes for the well-ordered growth and development of the entire community.

**FIVE YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . Old Home Week shirts were available featuring the theme "Olde Tyme Family Fun" . . . there were other fundraising events for old Home Week, including Pave the Street with Pennies and a Cow Chip Casino . . . the Alton Apaches Baseball team had an outstanding year, losing only one game during the regular season and finishing second in the Class S Tournament.



**A MESSAGE FOR THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 1998**

If you can handle what life may give you, and mold it into something good...

If you accept that others may not understand you, but keep on with your aim...

If you can smile as friends go on their own way and take it in stride as part of life...

If you are kind to others and follow the Golden Rule...

If you are betrayed or wronged and can still be forgiving...

If you realize that the joy of living should be cherished and not wasted on resentments and anger...

If you can accept a failure as a lesson to be learned on your road to success...

If you can avoid major temptations that would divert you from your goals...

If you can proudly start anew with plans if where you are is stuck...

If you never lose sight of your faith in God...

You will succeed in life and nothing of good value will ever pass you by.

Best Wishes. [Contributor's name submitted]



**SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER**  
by Nancy Mooney Hebert

**In harmony let our joyful tune  
Become a paean to the month of June!**

We were happy to see so many at our May meeting with Florida "snow birds" and new members joining the "year 'rounders." We are pleased to welcome two new members, Norm and Mary Merrill.

Election of officers will take place at the July meeting. If you are interested in running for President or Vice-president, let us know and your name will be placed in contention.

Sign up now for the Foster's Clambake trip on July 28. Call Ginny Myers at 875-5713. You still have time to sign up for the June 14 trip to dinner theater in Danversport.

Our new member campaign will run until the annual meeting in August, at which time a prize of \$25 will be awarded to the member who has brought in the most new members.

The first drawing of the 1/20 club will take place June 5. We hope all of you will help us in this major fund-raising effort. Liz Roberts and Claire Fitzgerald are chairpersons.

Our flea market will be for one day only, July 4. If you wish to rent a table for \$10, call Evelyn Nardo, 875-3645. We still need donations of size-marked clothing and other items that you can leave at Evelyn's house or at the senior center. There will be refreshments and a bake sale at the flea market, too.

See you at our next meeting, June 10 at 1 p.m.



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