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IN **Main Street** FIFTEEN YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Alton Central School opened with 520 students . . . the Summer Reading Program participants earned a trip to the Squam Lake Science Center . . . Diorio and Friends won first place in the Old Home Week Parade . . . Richard Steer of Rattlesnake Island was elected president of the United Associations of Alton.

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

. . . the first place winner in the Old Home Week Parade was the float "Step Back in Time with Bonnie and Clyde," sponsored by Farmington National Bank . . . The Alton Bay revitalization received its "second wind" as the \$25,000 matching grant from the Federal government cleared Washington . . . Sara Wyatt placed first in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw State Championships for 14-year old girls . . . the Alton Water Department purchased tax maps to begin mapping the water system . . . ground was broken at the landfill for the new Transfer Station.

FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

. . . at a Special Town Meeting voters approved the purchase of property adjacent to the Gilman Library . . . September 21 was designated as the day to bury the Alton Bicentennial Time Capsule . . . the winning float in the Commercial Division of the Old Home Week Parade was Alton Home & Garden Center, the Non-Commercial Division was the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, and the Organization Division was the American Legion Post #72 . . . Father Richard Wegman was named pastor of St. Joan of Arc Parish.



FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK
By Donald E. Parks
Superintendent of Schools

ALTON'S SCHOOL: OVERCROWDED? MYTH OR REALITY?

At a recent Alton Central School (ACS) Building Level Committee meeting, it was mentioned that some district residents do not believe there is an overcrowding problem because the district always seems to find space to add new programs. To wit, the district found space to add the pre-school program and it found space to add a Learning Resource Center for 504 students, students who need extra help, and students who need to be temporarily removed from class for disciplinary reasons.

It is true the district did find space for these programs. The space was found within the building, but the space was taken away from existing programs to fulfill a long-term need with a short-term solution. Had I known at the time we prepared the budget last fall there would have been a need for space for the pre-school program and the learning center, I would have recommended to the School Board to add one and possibly two modulars. In fact, Larry Alting, board member, felt we had made a mistake by not adding the funds to purchase a new modular. He was right and I was wrong. The principal, Mr. Holden, and I felt we could get by one more year without the need for another modular. We were trying to be conservative on what funds we were recommending because we felt it was critical to get voter support on some other more significant areas for the long-term benefit of the school system.

To prepare district residents for the 2002-2003 budget, you should know now that I will be recommending to the School Board the purchase of two additional modulars, which will provide four additional classrooms. We will need two classrooms for the elementary school and two classrooms for the high school to accommodate the anticipated approval of offering one additional unit in math (going from two to three units), one additional unit in science (going from two to three), ½ additional unit in computer technology (going from ½ unit to one unit), and one additional unit in social studies (going from 2 ½ to 3 ½ units). These additional courses will increase the graduation requirements from 22 to 25.5 units. I feel a need to prepare our students better in the math, science and technology areas in order for them to be the best prepared students graduating from a high school in New Hampshire.

With the anticipated support to purchase two additional modulars, the district will have six modulars housing 12 classrooms outside of the building. In my opinion, the modulars are a temporary solution to a long-term problem of lack of space. Modulars are to schools like starter homes are to young couples. Couples never anticipate living in their first home their whole lives. The plan is "to get started," save money, and buy a larger residence. The modulars at ACS solve our immediate need for space but do not provide a long-term solution to the problem of overcrowding.

The answer to the question "Is ACS Overcrowded or Is It A Myth?" in my opinion is that it is grossly overcrowded. We need to find a solution to this problem ASAP. It is hoped the meetings with Barnstead will be positive and there will be a public vote for the purpose of deciding to approve some form of re-organization for the two districts into a cooperative school district, or a jointly maintained school district. After this merger is complete, it is hoped voter approval for a new school would be sought.



Main Street's Inside Front Page

ALTON AND BARNSTEAD SCHOOL TALKS MAKING PROGRESS

By Wayne D. Fraser, Alton School Board

The Alton and Barnstead School Boards have each formed subcommittees that have been meeting this summer to try to work out an agreement which would lead to the construction of a new joint high school. While there are many specific details yet to be determined, the talks have thus far been fruitful. The two committees have found many areas of common interest on which to base their discussions.

The first step in the process was to decide on a statement of purpose so everyone would be informed as to why the meetings are taking place. The statement reads "The purpose of the meetings is to negotiate the principles of agreement between Alton and Barnstead to provide for the construction and operation of a joint high school which will expand and enhance the educational opportunities for the students of both communities in a cost effective manner." Some of the areas the discussions are focusing on so far include the size and location of the facility, grade configuration, the program of study, and division of capital and operating expenses. The type of joint school, a Cooperative, or Joint Maintenance Agreement method of governance, is yet to be determined.

The most recent two meetings have focused on the grade configuration and the program of study. The districts have similar philosophies regarding what should be offered within the curriculum. The overriding goal is to ensure the new high school would be a comprehensive high school with the ability to offer both technical and advanced courses, as well as a solid general curriculum. The number of students in the school in grades 9-12 would be approximately 500, making it possible to offer this wide variety of courses without creating too large of a school.

The desire of both committees remains to have enough information collected about this project to hold public forums hosted jointly by the school boards in each town in September. In the meantime, please stay informed and feel free to let the school board know how you feel about this proposal. This is truly a plan for the entire community, not just the school.

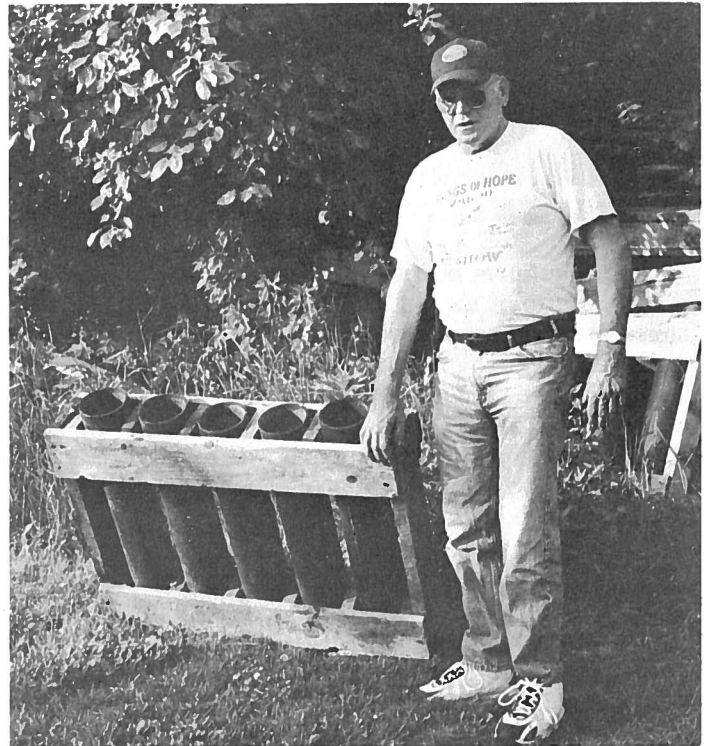
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CHECK THAT WELL COVER!

By Brian Boyers, Alton Code Official

It's that time of year again to start thinking about closing up the summer home. One of the most important items on the list is securing your well cover for the season. Not only are you preventing unwanted debris and animals from entering your well, but also you are avoiding the potential of human visitors literally dropping in for a surprise inspection. If your wooden well cover looks decayed, it is a good idea to replace it with a concrete cover, which may be purchased at any masonry supply. If this option is not possible, rebuild the existing cover. Be sure it will withstand a substantial weight.

When replacing a cover with wood, be aware that such a cover is fairly easy to remove. It needs to be properly fastened or weighted down. Remember, as homeowners YOU are responsible for your wells. Do not let a safety hazard exist on your property.



FIREWORKS ON AUGUST 31

By Bob Longabaugh

The last "shoot" of the year 2001 will be over Alton Bay on Friday, August 31. They were originally scheduled for Labor Day until "second thoughts" realized that the Craft Fair, also being held at the Bay that weekend, would put too much pressure on viewing and parking space for both events to be held on the same day. The fireworks will now be launched on Friday night. The time is 9:30 p.m. that evening.

Alton's "shooter" of over 30 years, Wendell Beck, will be doing a performance quite similar to his Independence Day shoot when some 700 shells illuminated the landscape and bayscape in bursts of glory. Beck is shown above with one of the "mortar" tube sets that have to be partially buried in sand in order to get five rockets into the air in a safe manner.

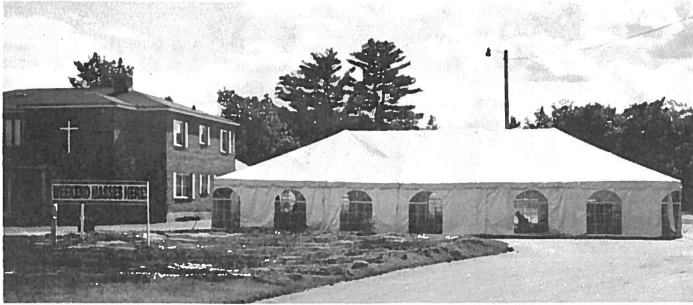
If there is any question about the weather preventing the fireworks being launched as planned, do NOT call the Police Department. There will be a recorded announcement at the Alton Parks and Recreation Department number, 875-0109.

UPDATE ON BUD vs COORS

Last month's Main Street reported (pages 3 & 4) that the beer drinking litterbugs in Alton had shifted their preference in the last year from Bud Lite to Coors Light. That report may have been premature.

Another report has come in from the field. Patti Rogers phoned in that she has been doing roadside litter cleanup this year on Prospect Mountain Road down the mountain from Chamberlain Road, and her count still has Bud Lite as the undisputed favorite. This raises an intriguing question whether those who toss beer cans out their car windows in Alton have brewery preferences that vary according to where they choose to make messes for others to clean-up.

Main Street is standing by to receive further updates on the beer of choice for those littering Alton's otherwise picturesque landscapes.



WHAT NEXT FOR St. JOAN OF ARC?

By Bob Longabaugh, drawing from reports in the *Granite State News*

The future of the St. Joan of Arc church has to be of interest in Alton to more than St. Joan's parishioners inasmuch as the destruction by fire of the physical edifice on May 11, 2000, left more than a gap along Alton's Main Street. The social fabric of the town was also affected and many stop-gap measures have been employed to keep the parish alive and well while the question of what to do about the lack of a church building was pondered.

Making the future of St. Joan more complicated was that Bishop John Brendan McCormack had stipulated, due to a shortage of priests, there would be a re-alignment of the parishes in the Eastern Winnepesaukee area of the Diocese of Manchester. In the future there would be one pastor for the area now served by St. Joan of Arc and St. Cecilia in Wolfeboro.

A study committee was created and charged with making recommendations to the Bishop. Lay members of the committee are Paulette (Alden) Brooks, Dennis Daigle, Joan

Decelle, Ann McKinna, Paul Monziona, Marjorie Obrotka, Robert Simoneau, Robert Smart, and Rosemary Swanick. Clergy members are the Very Rev. William T. Quirk, the Rev. George Robichaud, and the Rev. Richard Wegman.

As reported by editor Jeanne Tempest in the August 9 edition of the *Granite State News*, the committee has arrived at a short-term solution for the Alton and Wolfeboro parishes and a long-term solution designed for the six parishes in the Eastern Winnepesaukee area. Their short-term recommendation will be that the St. Joan of Arc Church be rebuilt with a summer capacity of 600 and that St. Cecilia be renovated or a new church be built in Wolfeboro with a summer capacity of 1,000. The pastor and sole priest in residence would be housed in a new rectory between the two churches.

Over the long-term, however, the study committee favors a different configuration. Where there are six parishes and three mission churches currently serving the area, the committee believes that two large churches with support facilities would best meet the needs of the diocese over the decades ahead.

ALTON GARDEN CLUB

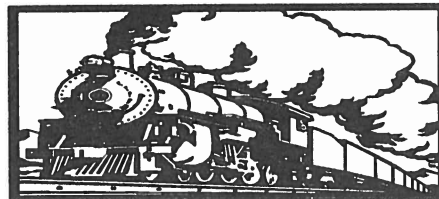
By Ruth Nickerson

The Alton Garden Club will hold its September meeting on the 25th at 1:30 p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House on Church Street.

An interesting program entitled "Bonsai — Miniature Forests" will be presented by Paul Belhumeur of Bedford.

Hostesses are Myra Meier, Chairman, Priscilla Bourgault, Thelma Chandler, Ruth Conway, Lucy Gagne, Marty Headley, Winona Houle, Evelyn Locke, Mary Merrill, and Gay Stevens.

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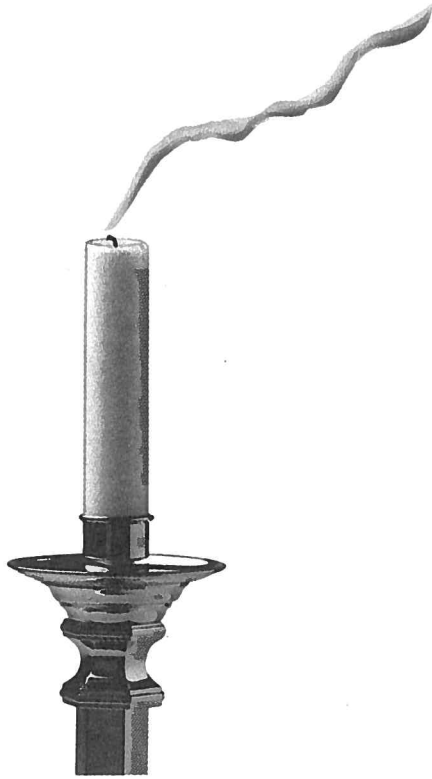
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LABOR DAY WEEKEND

By Pastor Bob Hett, The Bay Church

The Labor Day Weekend at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center will begin with the annual "Harvest Day" festival Saturday, September 1, with special guest concert artists the LaPointes from New Brunswick, Canada. The special weekend will continue into Sunday when Dr. Walter Kaiser, President of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in South Hamilton, Massachusetts, will be the guest speaker.

The LaPointes, a second generation family musical ministry from Fredericton, New Brunswick, will perform outdoors at 1:30 p.m. and in the Tabernacle again at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday. They are a family of gospel singers; Bill LaPointe who was the first tenor of the Gospelairens, a quartet that traveled all over eastern Canada and the United States for at least three and one half decades, visited Alton Bay several times in the past.

Dr. Kaiser, a noted theologian and author and coveted speaker at conferences and churches throughout the U.S., will speak at both the 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tabernacle services on Sunday. The Conference Center season will conclude with a brunch on Monday morning, September 3.

RALLY DAY

The Bay Church will be celebrating "Rally Day" on Sunday, September 9. The day's activities will begin with a special Sunday School celebration in either the Lombard Center Dining Hall (of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center) or in the Alton Bay Community Center (old depot by the Mount's wharf) at 9 a.m. There will be games, competition, and refreshments for all ages.

At 10:30 a.m., weather permitting, the congregation will hold their final outdoor Bandstand Service at the Alton Bay

Bandstand. In case of rain, the service will be held in the Conference Center Tabernacle.

Pastor Bob Hett said it was hoped an invited guest might be sharing a testimony at the Bandstand Service, but if not, he will begin a series of messages from the New Testament book of I Thessalonians entitled "The Hope at Christ's Coming." The first in that series will be on the topic, "Thank God for You." The Bay Church Ensemble will provide special music.

Editors' note: After the above was written, Main Street was informed that the guest will be Rico Pedrocchi.

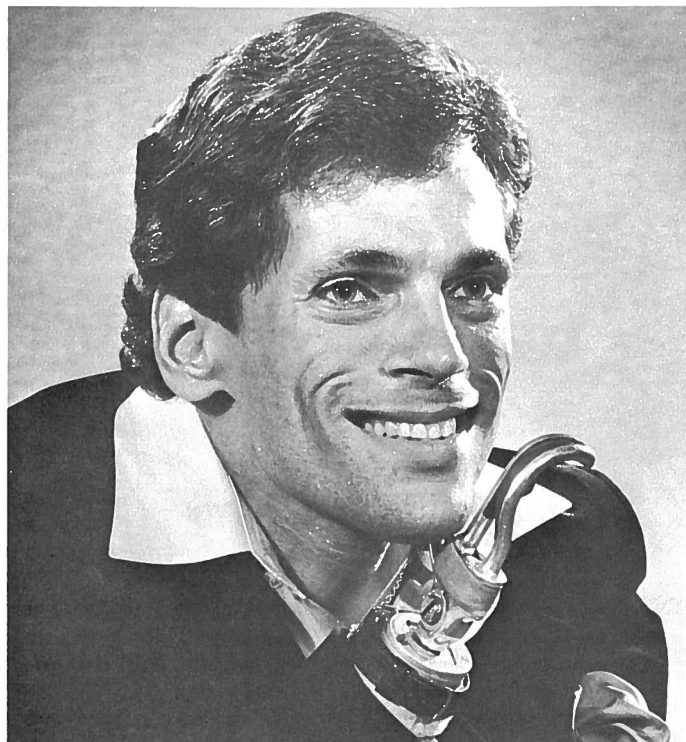
CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club will be sponsoring "A Taste of Home" Luncheon on Wednesday, September 12, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Conference Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay.

"Pampered Chef" with Alberta "Bert" Caron of Melvin Village is the Special Feature. She will present the latest culinary tools, cooking techniques, and seasonal ideas to garnish your table. Special Speaker, Juanita Oftedahl of Westminster, Vermont, will present "Unfinished Projects — Her Eyes are Bigger than Her Hands are Capable." She loves all types of crafts and will tell us the secret to enjoying the "project in process." The club will also be holding a Bake Sale.

Reservations for the lunch and the available complimentary nursery may be made by calling in Alton: Janet at 875-2032 between 2 - 6 p.m. or Karen at 875-8144; in Gilford: Faith at 293-8073.

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club is an interdenominational group with no formal membership.



THE TINY GIANT

By Pastor Bob Hett, The Bay Church

He's called "A Masterpiece in Progress," but at first glance you might not agree. You see, he has no arms or hands and deformed legs. Yet, when you hear him sing, you hear a voice that reminds you of the pop singer Neil Diamond. And soon you will forget his appearance as your heart is

touched by his humor and his transparency as he shares his hurts, his struggles, as well as his accomplishments and joys.

Jeff Steinberg (shown above) is known affectionately as "The Tiny Giant." He will be appearing with his wife, Ellen, at The Bay Church (in the chapel of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center) at 6 p.m. on Sunday, September 16. Don't miss this "Masterpiece in Progress" as he shares his message of hope, humor, and encouragement. You'll laugh, you'll cry, but you'll leave inspired to attempt what you thought was impossible. The concert is free but a love offering will be received for "The Tiny Giant's" ministry.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

By Millie Pierce, Unit Secretary

The American Legion Auxiliary of Alton would like to thank everyone who helped to make our race ticket raffle, yard sale, and spaghetti supper a success. These events are just a few of the ventures that the unit has planned. Monies raised from these activities are used toward our community projects, such as scholarships, children's Christmas party, donations to families that need a helping hand, and aid to veterans, to mention a few.

On Friday, August 31, the Auxiliary is having a fish fry from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. The cost will be \$6.50, and it will be held at the Post Home on Route 28 North, eat in or take out.

Saturday, September 15, is a volunteer day when all members, Post Auxiliary, and Sons of the Legion donate their time by working at the New Hampshire Speedway to help with our fund-raising projects.

October brings our yard and craft sale with spaces available and also our annual "Leaf Peepers" breakfast. More details will be available in September.

The Jr. Auxiliary, after having the summer off, will hold their first meeting on Tuesday, September 4, at the Main Street Post.

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HISTORIC ALTON

Editors' note: In August's Main Street (page 16) it was described how Ms. Merrill's Grade 11 history class at Alton Central School had prepared papers on various aspects of Alton's history. Below, slightly edited to meet Main Street standards, is the first of what we plan publishing as space permits.

THE ALTON BAY INN

By Tony Sanborn, February 2001

[Quotes are from Bicentennial Committee Reports.]

The land that the Winnepesaukee house was built on was sold in 1852 by the Cochecho railroad to Stephen Dutton. In the late 1800's it was sold to Jonathan Downing. The Winnepesaukee House, one of the earliest hotels in Alton, was located at the tip of Alton Bay. It had two balconies across the front and a great view of Alton Bay. The large building faced east/west instead of north/south like it does today.

A brief description of the building follows: "The Winnepesaukee House was a large hotel consisting of three stories. The hotel served meals and was noted for its food and dances. Entertainment also included buck rides to devil's den and journeys to the lake. Today the Alton Bay Inn offers rooms, meals, a bar lounge, and a Chinese food restaurant."

"On May 10, 1905, a fire leveled the grand hotel. It was rebuilt soon after and named the Winnepesaukee House." The new building had many different changes to it. It no longer faced east/west; now it faced north/south. According to the Bicentennial reports this was so the guests could see the sunrise and sunset better. The building had a balcony over the front porch and was also smaller than the previous one.

The building did not change much after this. However, the name did change. "It was renamed the Alton Bay Inn in the 1930's." The name was later changed. "About this time

Mr. Ralph J. Dello and his wife, Mary L. Dello Iacona, took over ownership and management of the inn." The name now became Dell-O-Lodge. "They added a building and a swimming pool in the back of the property." They also put in a fireplace. The guests now could choose from three dining rooms in the main part of the inn.

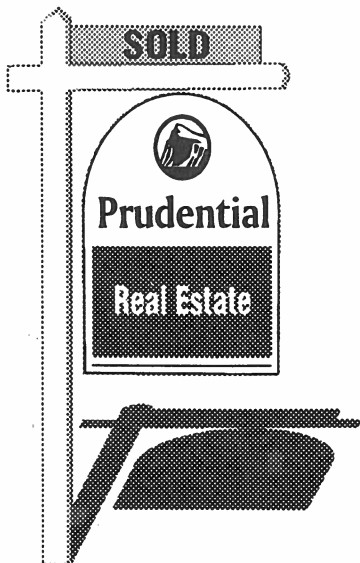
"On June 21, 1984, M.A.P. Resorts, Inc. took over the buildings." The new owners made many changes while they owned it. First of all they changed the name back to the Alton Bay Inn; the two new owners made many interior changes. "It now featured a very formal dining room with the waiters and waitresses greeting dinner guests in tuxedos." According to one person I spoke with the dining hall was too expensive and fancy for the average person to eat at. The two gentlemen removed the balcony and put in four tall white columns, which stretch from the ground to the roof. There was still a small front porch for dining patrons to eat on.

The building was sold a few years later. "On December 30, 1986, Robert Manzione of Chelsea, Massachusetts, took over the ownership of the inn, but was unsuccessful in his endeavors to keep the business alive year round." "In 1989 Manzione of the Manzione Realty Trust in Boston closed the doors." In 1992 Independence One Financial Service, Inc., of Southfield, Michigan, bought the land and buildings.

"Then on a dark winter night, March 18, 1992, at 10 p.m. flames were sighted spreading rapidly in the back of the main building, twice the height of the three story buildings. Sparks erupted almost a thousand feet into the air. Fire fighters from five departments tried to save the building. With the lack of wind and the efforts of the firemen, the building was saved from complete destruction, but the back third of the

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building was gutted and the roof, attic, and third floor in the front were badly damaged. Finally at 1p.m. on Thursday, March 19th, the fire was brought under control. The most crucial parts of the building had been saved. It was a ray of hope for the Alton Bay landmark. The fire was of suspicious origin."

Craig and Linda Talmadge of Connecticut bought the Alton Bay Inn in 1993 and began restoring the hotel in the spring of 1993. By August 1993 the hotel was open and ready for business. Mrs. Talmadge provided the following story: "During the 1840's, 50's and Civil War days, there were homes and inns in the Lakes Region actively participating in the Underground Railroad. These places provided southern slaves secret hiding places as they traveled north to Canada via New Hampshire. These secret hiding places were found in the basements and behind fireplaces and chimneys. According to the story, there were two tunnels, one that led from the Alton Bay Inn basement to the waterfront at the most southern tip of Alton Bay and the other came out where the Busy Corner Store now stands."

Marie and Steve Sheldon took ownership and put on an extension off the building which is used as a bar and lounge where there is karaoke. The Chinese restaurant is named JP China and has very good food.

The Alton Bay Inn has gone through many changes and has had many things happen to it, but it is still a part of Alton's history today and will be for many years to come. It has helped form Alton into what it is today. It has gone through many names and many owners but still has the same good old-fashioned small town look and feel to it.

SEVEN CHILDREN ATTEND SALVATION ARMY CAMP

By Linda Troendle, Salvation Army Representative

This is the 13th year organizations in the community have sent children to the Salvation Army Camp at Lake Sebago in Maine. Thanks to the generous donations of the Salvation Army, Alton Police Association, Alton Firemen, Inc., Alton-New Durham Lions Club, Alton School, and the Town of Alton, seven children enjoyed a week at camp.

Thank you to one and all for your help with this event.

Editors' note: This letter was dated 8/8/01 and sent to the Alton Town Administrator. Permission to reprint it was given to Main Street on 8/17/01.

PRAISE TO SOLID WASTE CENTER

By Rose Smith

I want to express how impressed I am with how well run the town dump is. When I drive in I am pleasantly greeted by a friendly face and told where I can distribute the trash appropriately. As I drive on I see wonderful things like teddy bears dressed real cute and childrens' toys displayed that some others threw away because they are no longer needed, I guess. It gives me a peaceful feeling to know that there's an environmentally friendly place to take my trash. I know that a smoothly run establishment can only be attributed to superior management. Thank you.

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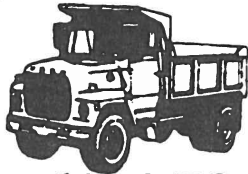


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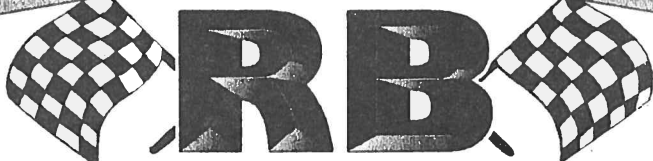
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AN "EMMY" VISITS ALTON

By MaryBee Longabaugh

Emmy-award winning writer, Peggy Sloane, above left, shows one of her two Emmy awards to her aunt, Pat Merrill, retired librarian of the Gilman Library. Sloane won this impressive statue for *All My Children*, "1987 - 88 ABC Outstanding Drama Series Writing Team, Daytime Emmy Award."

She spoke at a meeting of the Friends of the Gilman Library in August where she related her experiences of writing for daytime "soaps." Sloane, who began in 1980, has also written for *One Life to Live*, *As the World Turns*, *Guiding Light*, and *Another World* where she was head writer. After her presentation Sloane accepted questions and then said that anyone who wished to come up and "touch" an "Emmy" was welcome to do so. Many took the opportunity.



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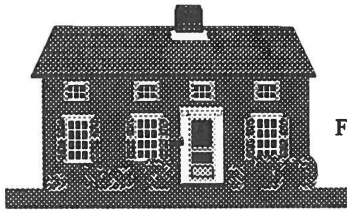
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ALTON OUTDOORS
By Jack Miller

DIFFERENT SEASONS TO DIFFERENT FOLKS

September is the month that starts the fall season, but to the outdoor person it is the start of the hunting seasons.

The general (still hunting) method and baiting season for black bear starts September 1 in all of NH's Wildlife Management Units (WMU), and hound [dog] hunting season starts September 22. Wherever you choose to hunt, check the closing dates in the rule book as there are different dates for various WMU's.

Last year there was a near record 449 bears harvested in NH, with approximately 4,200 bears living in our state. Still hunters accounted for 294, bait hunters took 118, and hound hunters harvested 37. The average age of these bears was 4 1/2 years old. This season should be a good one with quite a few bear sightings in the Alton area this spring and a good mast crop developing. The harsh winter did not effect the bear population as they calmly slept through it all.

September 15 is the opening of the archery deer hunting season. Because of the severe winter New Hampshire had, the deer hunting regulations have changed from the past seasons. Previously one could harvest either sex during the whole season. This year any deer may be taken only until October 31, at which time only antlered deer may be taken until the end of the season on December 15. The one exception is in WMU M (Seacoast area) where any deer may be taken through-out the whole season.

The winter kill seems to have been spotty with many deer found dead in some areas and few in others. The word is that many does aborted their fawns due to lack of food supporting their growth. A lot of the adults died as well, bringing about the change in regulations. Having observed many deer tracks crossing snowmobile trails late winter and only seeing one winter kill deer this spring while turkey hunting this spring, I assume Alton will be a good place to hunt deer this fall.

As with any season there are openings and closings. September 30 is the close of the salmon and lake trout fishing season. Depending on the water temperature this month, there could be some good last minute fishing as air and water temperatures cool off.

Hunter Education Certificates are required to buy a hunting license in New Hampshire. If you haven't taken the course yet, it is being offered at Farmington Fish & Game Club in New Durham. It runs September 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, and 27, from 6 - 9 p.m. and all morning on the 29th. For more information, or to sign up, call me at 364-5828.

The fall is a great time to be in Alton Outdoors. See you out there!

BELKNAP COUNTY

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The following information may be of interest to you if you wish to protect the environment and the wetlands or are concerned about your pond. For more information, to sign up for a program, or ask questions, call 527-5880, 527-9146, or stop by the office at 719 N. Main Street, Room 203, Laconia.

It Will Grow On You!

Whether you have acres in the country, a suburban yard, or a small plot in town, you can help protect the environment and add beauty and interest to your surroundings. You can

still catch the last free program on Backyard Conservation on Saturday, September 8, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, in Center Barnstead. Call to reserve a space. Topics to be covered include: lawn care, tiny pond backyard, land control for drier cellars, yard tree care, wetlands issues and enhancement, small sugar bush, managing woods, wildlife pond, sloped yards, invasive plants, solar power, and raised, urban, and heritage gardens. Conservation practices used on nonagricultural land can help increase food and shelter for birds and other wildlife, control soil erosion, reduce sediment in waterways, conserve and improve water quality, and beautify the landscape.

Wetlands Regulatory Review Program

At a recent training workshop the Wetland Bureau dealt with the role of conservation commissions in the permitting process and recent rulemaking efforts and initiatives. Some recently adopted rules pertain to seasonal docks, breakwaters, field citations, and revised fine rules. Future rule initiatives include permanent docks, plan requirements, bank and stream definitions, and Permit by Notification. You can learn more at <www.des.state.nh.us/wetlands>.

Pond Reviews

Wondering about the health of your pond? Does it get gucky green stuff in it during the summer? Are you worried about your fish? Everett McLaughlin is available to visit your pond and do an evaluation of it. He will check the basics and discuss managing your pond, including what to do about weeds. The review costs about \$60 (mileage affects it). If you are interested, call while the weather is still warm.



TOWN HALL NOTES By Pamela Arnold Town Administrator

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you come to the Selectmen's meetings or watch them on television, you have heard us more than once comment on volunteers and volunteerism. There have been "thanks" given to many organizations and individuals. Just recently we noted a call for "help" to increase the cable time if only we had more volunteers to film various board meetings.

Who are these volunteers we are talking about? Do you know that more women volunteer than men (62 percent vs. 49 percent), but men who volunteer give more time than women (3.6 hours vs. 3.4 hours). Seniors are volunteering in greater numbers. Seniors age 75 and over volunteer at a rate of 43 percent. And we are seeing more teens wanting to become involved in their communities by volunteering.

The town is certainly in need of more volunteers. So, if you have an interest in the local library, gardening, children's programs with the Parks and Recreation, sports, or would just like to get a new perspective on your community, give us a call. We will match you to an interest or activity that will brighten your day. You may only have an hour a week or a day a month, but volunteering is made up of many doing great things together!

Congratulations To:

Glenna Heath-Roberts of the Alton Police Department, mother of a new baby girl!

Paulette Wentworth, our Deputy Finance Officer, for completing the three-year certification course for Certified Tax Collector.

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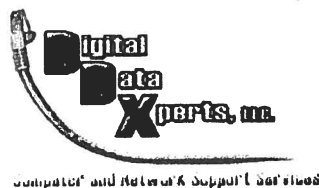
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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- Fri. Aug. 31 BOYS VARSITY ("V") SOCCER, vs. Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER at Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
FISH FRY, American Legion, 4:30 p.m., see story
FIREWORKS IN ALTON BAY, 9:30 p.m.
- Sat. 1 LAPOINTES IN CONCERT, Conference Center, 1:30 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m., see story
- Sun. 2 DR. WALTER KAISER, Special Speaker, Conference
Center, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., see story
- Tue. 4 GOLF, Alton vs. Belmont, Franklin, Gilford, 3:30 p.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER at Wilton, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER vs. Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
- Wed. 5 BINGO, American Legion Hall, Route 28N, 6:30 p.m.
- Thu. 6 GOLF, Alton at Interlakes, Winnisquam, 3:30 p.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER vs. Sunapee, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER at Sunapee, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL vs. Sunapee, 4 p.m.
- Sat. 8 GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL vs. Ports. Christian, 11 a.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER vs. Portsmouth Christian, 11 a.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER vs. Portsmouth Christian, 1 p.m.
- Sun. 9 RALLY DAY, Bay Church, see story
- Mon. 10 GOLF, Alton at Moultonboro, Woodsville, 3:30 p.m.
BOOK DISCUSSION, Library, 6:30 p.m., see Checkout
- Wed. 12 CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCH, Conference Center,
11:30 a.m., see story
GOLF, Alton at Profile, Lisbon, 3:30 p.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER at Nute, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL at Nute, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, Route 28N, 6:30 p.m.
- Thu. 13 BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community
Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon
GIRLS "V" SOCCER vs. Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
OPEN HOUSE, Alton Central School, 6:30 p.m., see story
- Fri. 14 GOLF, Alton at Gilford, Belmont, Franklin, 3:30 p.m.
- Sat. 15 MUM SALE, Gilman Library Building Fund, see Check-
out
GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL vs. Pittsfield, 12 noon
GIRLS "V" SOCCER vs. Pittsfield, 12 noon
BOYS "V" SOCCER vs. Pittsfield, 2 p.m.
- Sun. 16 MUM SALE, Gilman Library Building Fund, see Check-
out
- Mon. 17 JEFF STEINBERG, Bay Church, 6 p.m., see story
GOLF, Alton vs. Moultonboro, White Mts, 3:30 p.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER at Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
- Tue. 18 GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL at Moultonboro, 6 p.m.
- Wed. 19 HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Trip to Woodman Institute,
see story
GOLF, Alton at White Mts, Littleton, 3:30 p.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER vs. Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER at Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, Route 28N, 6:30 p.m.
- Thu. 20 GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL at Concord Christian, 6 p.m.
- Fri. 21 GOLF, Alton at Winnisquam, Interlakes, 3:30 p.m.
- Sat. 22 GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL at Pittsfield, 12 noon
GIRLS "V" SOCCER at Pittsfield, 12 noon
BOYS "V" SOCCER At Pittsfield, 2 p.m.
REGGAE BENEFIT CONCERT, Gunstock, see story
- Mon. 24 GOLF, Alton at Lisbon, Profile, 3:30 p.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER vs. Wilton, 4 p.m.
- Tue. 25 ALTON GARDEN CLUB, 1:30 p.m., see story
GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL vs. Thayer, 4 p.m.
- Wed. 26 GOLF, Alton vs. Littleton, White Mts., 3:30 p.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER at Laconia Christian, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER vs. Lin-Wood, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL at Laconia Christian, 4 p.m.
- Thu. 27 BINGO, American Legion Hall, Route 28N, 6:30 p.m.
ASSEMBLE Main Street, Pearson Road Community
Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri. 28 GIRLS "V" VOLLEYBALL vs. Nute, 4 p.m.
BOYS "V" SOCCER vs. Nute, 4 p.m.
GIRLS "V" SOCCER at Wilton, 6:30 p.m.

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE ON THE 13th

On Thursday evening, September 13, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Alton Central School (ACS) will be hosting an Open House for parents/guardians and other interested community members. This Open House is intended to acquaint parents and guardians of our students with the staff members who will be working with the students this year. This will also be an ideal time to meet the Principal, Russell E. Holden, as well as the Superintendent, Donald Parks.

While it is an opportunity for you to become familiar with the academic expectations for your children, the Open House is not intended for in-depth discussions about student progress. The school year is too new for teachers to have that information available. Kindergarten through grade 12 parent conferences are being scheduled for November 19 and 20. During those conferences teachers will be able to have a detailed discussion with you concerning your child(ren). If possible, please sign up for a parent conference during September's Open House.

The faculty, staff, and administration of the ACS want to work closely with parents and guardians to provide the best possible educational environment for your children. The first step in doing so is to become familiar with each other and that is what we are looking forward to on September 13. We hope you can join us that evening.

ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

By Laurie Boyce

Thanks to everyone who has returned their completed forms already. Volunteering can be a very rewarding activity. It gives you a chance to see what goes on in the school your child is attending and it, hopefully, will give you a good feeling about helping out the community.

If you don't have children in school anymore but still want to be involved, you can just give me a call; I'll send you a Volunteer Registration form. It's that easy. With sending in this registration form, you will receive an invitation to the fall "Volunteer Tea" and find out what being a volunteer entails. Hope to hear from you soon.

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You'd rather not have to write it yourself? Fine! Main Street has reporters who'll do the job. Those volunteer reporters must follow the same deadline, so give them a break and ask for help early. Again, that means having your planning done early. Often we anticipate "annual type" events and activities and assign a reporter to get a story. Sometimes they come back and say the event details aren't planned yet. Then there is nothing we can do to help.

The bottom line is: **PLAN EARLY AND WE CAN HELP YOU TELL THE STORY!**

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- Bay Church** — Sep. 2, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the Conference Center Tabernacle; Sep. 9, 10:30 a.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand; Sep. 16 and following: Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Services, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the Conference Center Chapel; Wed. night Family Supper at 6 p.m. in the Lombard Center Dining Hall; Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor and Rev. John Fogell, Associate Pastor
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- First Free Will Baptist Church** — Sun. 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
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American Legion Jr. Auxiliary — 1st Tue., 6 p.m., Legion Hall

Boy Scout Troop 53 — Wed., 6 p.m., Central Fire Station

Community Services Program, Sat., 2 - 4 p.m., 875-2273

Cub Scout Pack 53 — Last Tue., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall

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Friends of the Gilman Library — 2nd Tue. (in season), Library

Garden Club — 4th Tue. (in season), Congregational Mtg. House

Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., Pearson Road

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Johansen, Iris

Final Target

Lowell, Elizabeth

Moving Target

Martini, Steve

The Jury

Mitchard, Jacquelyn

A Theory of Relativity

Palahnuik, Chuck

Choke

Parker, T. Jefferson

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Pearson, Ridley

Parallel Lies

Randall, Alice

The Wind Done Gone

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Empire Falls

Shaara, Jeff

Rise to Rebellion

Steel, Danielle

Leap of Faith

Tademy, Lalita

Cane River

NONFICTION

Bolles, Richard N.

What Color is Your Parachute?

Ellis, Joseph

Founding Brothers

McCullough, David

John Adams

Sides, Hampton

Ghost Soldiers

Somers, Suzanne

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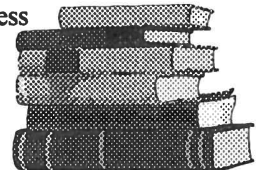
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**WHY AREN'T THERE
MORE ALTON EVENTS
ON CHANNEL 25?**

By Bob Longabaugh

Just about everyone who pays a cablevision bill in Alton is aware that there is a 3 percent franchise fee, which the cable company returns to the town. In recent years this payment to Alton has been in the neighborhood of \$17,000 that the town treats as general revenue available for whatever purposes the Selectmen and Town Meeting approve in the municipal budget.

Alton, along with ten other communities served by the cable company, pays a share of the funding to operate the local Public-Educational-Governmental ("PEG") public access channels. In our area the PEG cable station is LRPA-TV with a studio and control room in the Huot Technical Center at Laconia High School. It is currently cablecasting a community bulletin board on channel 24 and video programs on channel 25. Channel 26 is reserved for the expansion that is likely to happen by the end of the year.

From July 1, 2000, to June 30 of this year Alton's share of operating and maintaining LRPA-TV was \$2,026.25. Along with similar payments from the ten other communities served by LRPA-TV, these monies pay for one full-time employee, several part-time employees (varying with the season), supplies, insurance, equipment repair or replacement, and similar non-salaried operating expenses. What it does NOT pay for are video camera "shoots" outside the studio. (Even the LRPA-TV staff are not paid for any camera work they do in the field.)

What this boils down to, of course, is that video programs of a purely local (one town) nature have to be put together and recorded by resources within that community. In just about all cases this is done by volunteers. In Alton residents Frank Decoster and Paul Doane are volunteering their time and talent to video record the Selectmen's meetings and some other happenings of local interest. If more community events are to appear on channel 25, it's up to additional volunteers to make it happen. LRPA-TV will provide the camera and basic training. If you are willing to "sign on" for increasing Alton's "on-air" time, contact Peter Pijoan at 528-3070. An answering machine will take your message at any hour of the day or night.



**SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER
By Nancy Mooney Hebert**

Seeking solace from September's Song
We solemnly hum a sad so long
To Summer and her winsome ways
Oh, may Autumn deserve our praise!

At our annual meeting held August 15, 23 members witnessed the swearing in ceremony of the officers for 2001-2002. Dom Giluiano inducted Evelyn Nardo as President, Ginny Myers, vice-president, Liz Roberts, treasurer, Peg Bowman, secretary, and Claire Fitzgerald, auditor.

Ginny Myers reported that our Christmas Tree Shoppe trip to Salem will take place Tuesday, September 11. The bus leaves the center at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be your responsibility. Please sign up and pay \$13 by September 1. For information about this trip or future trips, call Ginny at 875-5713 or the center at 875-7102.

The card party club would like to encourage new members

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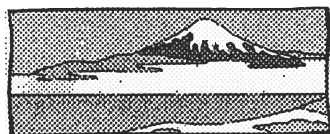
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to join them at the center on Monday and Thursday each week. Currently, six or eight tables are running. The money taken in provides for early evening outings to various restaurants. Bid-whist is not a game for the faint-hearted, but there are always members eager to advise new players.

Paul Gamache, chairperson of the newly formed fundraising committee, reported that he would soon conduct a written survey of the members to garner their ideas and wishes. Even though we presently donate to various causes as an organization, with more creative fund raising we could help more people, as well as provide for our own group interests. Ginny Myers has volunteered to work with him on the committee. If you have "money-making" suggestions, please bring them to the September meeting.

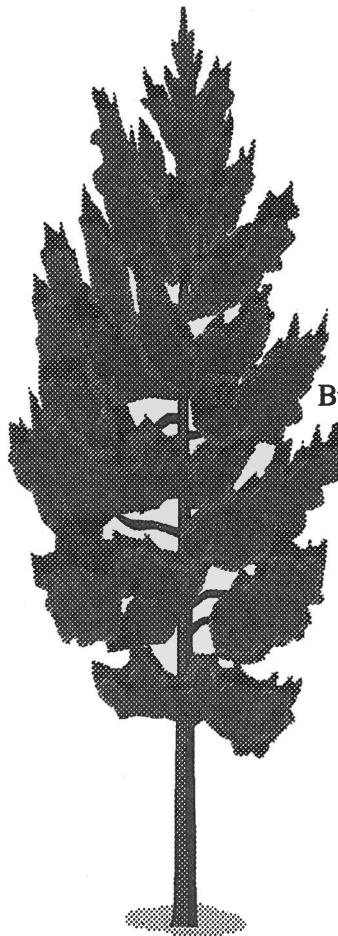
Best wishes to Leon Hebert who is recovering from knee surgery. We welcome back Florence Hannabury who was recently released from the hospital. She won the attendance raffle at our meeting. Congratulations!

Don't forget that bingo is played on Tuesday and Friday at the center. Sign up for a meal at noon and join in the fun.

Thanks to Liz Roberts and Helen Stanford for providing refreshments. Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 12, at 1 p.m. We appreciate the loyal attendance of so many of our members.

THE OLD LONE PINE

By Marie Campbell



I'm still here!
Branches outstretched,
Old and decrepit
But doing my best!

Below me the swim hole
The Mount dock beside
I continue to stand
The hot sun to hide

They say that I'm shaggy
It's true, this I know
I fear my demise
In winter's cruel snow

But these warm days of summer
I struggle to grow
And one side is lush
Well, the other, you know...

I'm told I'd be missed
"The Lone Pine By The Pier"
So I'd like to stay
Every year after year

I ask just one thing
A simple request
Please note that I'm here
And doing my best!

Smile and be glad
Enjoy my slight shade
I'll not feel alone
If our friendship is made.



OLD HOME DAY REVISITED

By Joe Harris

In addition to the 5K road race described on page 22, there were numerous other activities that made up parts of Alton's Old Home Day celebration held on August 11. For one, the NH Antique and Classic Boat Museum held its annual boat show from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Over a dozen classic wooden boats, most dating back to the early 1900's and meticulously restored, were on display at the town docks. Awards were presented to the participants for the top three boats voted best of show by the public.

Top honors went to "Daisy," owned by Glen Raiche. Second place was presented to Vince Bober of Rochester for his entry "Ramona." "Miss Major," owned by Leonard Gardner of Alton, captured third place. At the end of the awards ceremony, the winners did two victory laps around the bay, followed by the remainder of the flotilla that then set out for a day of cruising Lake Winnepesaukee.

Dancers from the American Travelling Morrice (photo above) entertained the crowd in front of the bandstand as part of the morning's festivities. The group performed Morris Dances, a dance originated in ancient England dating back to Shakespearean times. The Alton Fire and Rescue Department held its annual chicken barbecue at the Central Fire Station. Ending the one-day celebration the country and western group Pony Express performed Saturday evening at the bandstand. A craft fair with over 24 dealers/artists participating was held in Alton Bay on both Saturday and Sunday.

HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

By Ken Roberts
Highway Agent



SUMMER IS WINDING DOWN

We certainly are making up for the winter weather, one extreme to the other. Hope you have been drinking plenty of water and staying cool.

On a general note the excavator arrived. The first project was Coffin Brook Road — new culverts across the roadway. The next road on the list is Chamberlain with both ends to be done, and finally Prospect Mountain Road. We are aware that you experience delays and possible road closures. We apologize for these inconveniences.

It has been very difficult grading the dirt roads. Without rain it is a dust bowl. It is very hard to grade roads without moisture; it only creates more ruts and holes.

Our staff is now complete. Welcome back, Jim. Hope you enjoyed the summer and had fun. Be safe and remember...

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**By Mary Jane Dascoli,
Department Secretary**



Chief Sample would like to remind residents that Fire Permits are required

for any outside burning in accordance with New Hampshire State Fire Laws. Permits may be obtained at the Central Fire Station located on Route 140. You may call ahead at 875-0222 to make arrangements to come into the office to pick up your permit. In the event there is no one available, please leave a message and you will receive a call back. We may be on the scene of a medical emergency or a fire incident.

Our Thermal Imaging Camera has arrived and training on it has begun. Once again, we wish to thank everyone who donated so generously to help out. Without all your assistance we would not have this valuable life-saving piece of equipment.

As we reported in last month's Main Street, the new ambulance is in the production stages, and Chief Sample anticipates delivery the first week of October.

The Annual Firemen's Association Chicken Bar-B-Q went well. We had a good turnout and even the weather cooperated this year. We wish to thank those residents, retirees, and department members for your continued support and patronage. We also thank those who contributed with set up, cooking, serving, clean up, and all those little details which do take time. Thank you all.

If you have any questions regarding your Fire/Rescue Department, please call 875-0222. Remember, school will be back in session by the time you read this, so keep an eye out for those little ones and be sure to stop at the crosswalks.

**HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY
DEEMED A SUCCESS**

By Joe Harris

The 14th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Day, held on July 28 throughout the Lakes Region, was once again a great success according to Robin McCann. McCann, who coordinated the event for the Lakes Region Planning Commission, said "A great deal of the credit for the success of this year's collection belongs to the many volunteers who publicized it beforehand and then helped the sites operate smoothly on the day of the event." This year 2,451 households participated in the annual collection, an increase of 3 percent over last year's attendance.

Chemists and technicians from Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. were at each of the nine collection sites to help residents with boxes, buckets, bottles, and cans of leftover household chemicals. In three and a half hours nearly 35 tons of paint-related wastes, almost four tons of pesticide wastes, over two tons of corrosive liquids, and significant amounts of mercury wastes, flammables, and numerous other household hazardous wastes were collected and diverted from improper disposal. These materials, when disposed of by dumping, flushing, or depositing in a landfill, pose a major threat by contaminating the surrounding soil and groundwater. Water filters, leach fields, and water treatment plants are incapable of processing and removing these chemicals from the groundwater.

The Lakes Region Planning Commission organized the first household hazardous waste collection in 1987. Since that time it has grown to include the participation of 27 communities, and the number of households taking part in the event has increased steadily each year.

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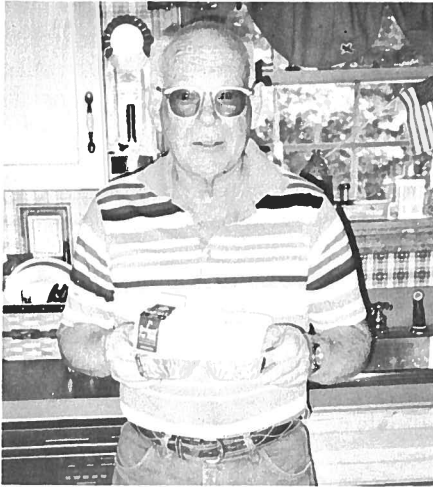
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A LETTER FROM BRENDA OTIS

A special note and lots of praise for a most cheerful giving man of Alton.

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And to those who aid in the preparation of meals at our community center, a note of thanks also.

WOODMAN INSTITUTE TRIP PLANNED BY ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On Wednesday, September 19, members and friends of the Alton Historical Society will visit the Woodman Institute in Dover. This is one of the most interesting museums in the state and also one of the best kept secrets. The institute consists of two brick houses on Central Avenue and an authentic colonial garrison in the back yard.

The Woodman House is filled with collections of rocks, Indian artifacts, mammals and marine life, birds and butterflies, and dolls. The War Memorial Museum on the top floor houses an extensive collection of Civil War artifacts, as well as items from later wars. The John Parker Hale House next door contains items of Dover and New Hampshire history, including a new exhibit from the Cocheco Mills in Dover which produced printed fabrics from 1881 until closing in 1940. The Damm Garrison House, originally located in Durham, displays household furniture and utensils that would be found in a house of that period.

The plan is to meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Congregational Church parking lot and car pool to Dover. Lunch will be at the Weathervane in Dover (just south of the institute) or a restaurant of your choice and then reconvene at the institute at 1 p.m. The charge is \$3, \$2 for seniors 65 and older. The institute is open until 4:30 p.m. Anyone interested in seeing this fascinating museum is welcome. Call Jean Roberts at 569-2629 by September 14 as the staff at the institute has to be alerted as to how many people will attend. Even if you cannot come with the group, it is hoped you will consider making a visit there; children enjoy it also.

NEW HAMPSHIRE HUMANE SOCIETY

By Jennifer Doris, Outreach Director

The Humane Society wishes to give you the following information if you have an animal or a love of animals. For questions on any issue, call 524-8236 x209.

Reggae Benefit Concert September 22

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THE CHECKOUT DESK
By Holly Brown
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CALLING ALL STORY HOUR MOMS

On Wednesday, September 12, at 1:30 p.m. there will be an informational meeting at the Gilman Library for all those interested in assisting with preschool Story Hour for the 2001-02 school year. If you are interested in helping with Story Hour but can't attend the meeting, please contact the library at 875-2550 or stop by the circulation desk. We are very grateful for the efforts of our "Story Moms." Without them we would not have been able to provide such a wonderful program. New "Story Moms" are always welcome, so please don't hesitate to join in the fun and bring your little readers!

Annual Mum Sale

It's that time of year again! On Saturday and Sunday, September 15 and 16, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. the library will be having its annual mum sale to benefit the Gilman Library Building Fund. Purchase four pots of mums for \$12. As in the past, the mums are made available by Alton's Sunflower Gardens. We are in need of volunteers willing to help with the sale on either or both days. This event has proven to be a lot of fun in the past. Sign up to take part in the fun at the circulation desk or call 875-2550. Mark your calendar and plan to add a little more color to your fall season.

Another Sensational Summer

This year's summer reading program entitled "Octopy Your Mind...Read" was a great success. Forty children, ages 2 to 13, took an active part in reading for the program, thus making a grand total of 395 books within five weeks! Many more children took part in the program through answering weekly trivia questions, participating in guessing games, completing word search and crossword puzzles, and entering the coloring contest. Participants, friends, and family members celebrated summer reading with storyteller Diane Kordas and her puppets. They closed the summer program with a beach party blast. Special thanks to all those who participated in the program and to the Friends of the Gilman Library for their support. We look forward to another wonderful program next year!

Speaking of Books

Now that the summer is coming to a close, have you found that you have more time to read? If so, you may want to consider reading *Having Our Say* by the Delany Sisters and joining the Book Discussion Group to share your thoughts. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Gilman Library. Please let us know if you would like a copy of the book.

TOO YOUNG TO QUALIFY?



Photo by Joe Harris

**HOSPICE UPDATE
A SEGMENT OF OUR HEALTH CARE**

By Alice Calvert

Many folks in Alton are acquainted with VNA/Hospice services. Hospice care is not just hands-on services but emotional and spiritual care for patients and their families. The goal is to achieve and maintain the highest quality of life for whatever time the terminal patient has left. Patients with Alzheimers, heart and lung diseases, and diabetes, as well as cancer, may receive this care.

In 1994 the Hospice organization merged with the VNA group. Carol Tubman, a staff nurse with hospice training, was asked to be the coordinator. The program was improved and expanded. In March of this year after seven years at this post, Carol left to be with a Seacoast Hospice group. Wanda Harris, who has been the bereavement coordinator, was asked to head up Hospice. She too has been on staff for more than ten years. She knows the program well and will surely enrich it with her ideas and philosophy.

The segment which completes the services offered by VNA/Hospice is the Maternal and Child Health program headed by Betty Coffey. This program provides prenatal, postnatal, and pre-school health care and education, as well as immunizations and some dental care.

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Alton's Michelle DeRoche

OLD HOME DAY RACE RESULTS

By Kellie Troendle, Alton Recreation Director

The Alton Old Home Day 5K Road Race was a great success with over 100 runners participating. The race was sponsored by the Bank of New Hampshire and was held on Saturday, August 11, for runners of all ages. The race was certified by the USA Track and Field Association and timing was provided by Granite State Racing Services.

The race was a rolling hills course which started and ended in Alton Bay. Runners were treated to beautiful views of the mountains and Lake Winnepesaukee during their run through Alton Bay. Many runners were from all over the United States with participants from as far away as Minnesota, Texas, and Florida.

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank all of the runners, cheering fans, and volunteers for a great event. A special thank you to the Bank of New Hampshire for sponsoring the event, Castle Springs for supplying water to all of the runners, the Alton Police Department for directing race traffic, and the Alton Fire and Rescue Department for being available during the race.

Complete race results are posted on-line at <coolrunning.com>. For more information on the 5K Race call 875-0109.

Race Results

- 1st place male overall: Phillip Shaw, Andover, MA, age 16, time: 17:37
- 1st place female overall: Lusann Wishart, Londonderry, NH, age 42, time: 20:55
- 1st place Alton male: Karl Jakobs, age 32, time: 20:35
- 1st place Alton female: Michelle DeRoche, age 32, time: 21:48
- 1st place female, 14 and under: Brenna Gawrys, age 14, time: 25:54
- 1st place male, 14 and under: Brian Roy, age 14, time: 26:53
- 1st place female, 15-19: Sarah Cook, age 15, time: 24:14
- 1st place male, 15-19: Philip Shaw, age 16, time: 17:37
- 1st place female, 20-29: Elisabeth McVey, age 21, time: 22:00
- 1st place male, 20-29: Noah Cabioc, age 20, time: 20:24
- 1st place female, 30-39: Michelle DeRoche, age 32, time: 21:48
- 1st place male, 30-39: Jim Moore, age 39, time: 18:03
- 1st place female, 40-49: Lusann Wishart, age 42, time: 20:55
- 1st place male, 40-49: Bob Strout, age 45, time: 18:23
- 1st place female, 50-59: Wendy Burbank, age 58, time: 23:36
- 1st place male, 50-59: Steve Reed, age 53, time: 18:06
- 1st place male, 60-69: Robert Randall, age 64, time: 22:07
- 1st place male, over 70: John Di Comandrea, age 73, time 25:53
- 1st place walking: Karen Shirley, age 51, time: 41:41

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Alton residents may place classified ads in any issue of Main Street. As a public service ads are primarily for *noncommercial* private individuals who have items for sale (except real estate for sale or rent), items or services wanted, free items, personals, or help wanted notices. The rate is \$1 for each noncommercial ad of 35 words or less. Each additional 35 words costs \$1. (There is no charge for "Cards of Thanks" or ads under the "Free" and "Ride Sharing" classifications.) The rate for commercial ads is \$12.50 per column inch. Main Street reserves the right to refuse any ad, or edit it for length/style. Ads must be submitted with payment to Post Office Box 210, Alton Bay 03810, by the 15th of the month preceding publication. Submissions may also be placed in the Main Street box at the Alton branch of the Bank of New Hampshire. **Ads must contain a phone number.**

FOR SALE

2000 YAMAHA WAVERUNNER XL800, 3-seater with cover, only 19 hours on lake, \$6,000, with trailer \$6,400; used working refrigerator, 14 cu.ft., \$75, you take. 875-3486.

1979 BUICK REGAL, rebuilt Chevy 350 with 33,000 miles, new turbo 350 transmission with 5,600 miles, four barrel, dual exhaust, new tires, \$2,000 or BO; call Jay to leave message. 875-7315.

100 PENTIUM COMPUTER, with monitor and printer, \$250; Honda CR125 motorcycle, \$300; 1988 Ford F150 4x4 with plow, \$3,500. 875-2173.

BIG BOYS' TOY, radio-operated cigarette boat, over 5' long, 14" wide, has 25cc water-cooled, gas-powered, weed wacker engine, it's big and it's fast, has only about 20 hours on it, asking \$500 firm, cost \$950 new. 776-6945.

DJ/KARAOKE EQUIPMENT, package includes everything needed for DJ/Karaoke shows, set it up, turn it on, perform, includes CD's, books, everything, call for specifics, \$2,500. 875-0236.

VICTORIAN WEDDING DRESS, V-neck with laced bodice and laced sleeves, long train, size 20, altered to an 18, \$350 or BO. 875-0236.

JUST IN TIME FOR SCHOOL, why rent when you can own, used trumpet in great condition, \$275. 875-5923.

MAPLE WALNUT HUTCH, 1970's, in good condition, 2 glass doors and side shelf, cabinet and 3 drawers below, \$200 or BO. 875-8301.

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AIR CONDITIONER, Sears Model 78098, 8,000 BTU, used two weeks, \$200. 875-5961.

8 TIRES, P175 70 R13, 4 studded on rims and 4 all season, both sets used 1 season, all 8 for \$150. 364-3643.

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WASHER AND DRYER, \$75 each; Dormitory-size refrigerator, \$50; Television, \$50; all in good working condition. 875-0426.

TWIN-BED MATTRESS with box spring, brand new, \$50; Twin-bed mattress with box spring, good condition, \$40. 875-5923.

2 STRAIGHT EAR BUNNIES, brothers, with 24x24x18 cage, plus many accessories, Great Deal!, \$35, call Kate and leave message. 875-7315.

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MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE, Saturday, September 1, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pine Street, Alton.

HUGE MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE, corner of Route 28S and Stockbridge Corner Road, 2 miles from Alton circle, September 1, rain date September 2.

WANTED

WANT TO RENT HOME, professional couple with children seek to rent large comfortable home, not seasonal rental, reply by phone or fax to 875-7740 or P. O. Box 1621, Alton, NH 03809.

HELP WANTED, handyman/handywoman needed for occasional work at my home at Black Point, Alton; duties include raking, gardening, painting, minor repairs, etc., please call 332-0650.

WANT TO BUY, double walled 6" insulated stovepipe in good condition; call Don at 603-569-5870 (NH) or 781-237-0898 (MA).

CARD OF THANKS

Unfortunately during our Awards Banquet I forgot to mention a couple of people who were a great support for me during my first year as Head Coach of the Alton Yankees team.

Mr. David St. Cyr for his help, guidance and knowledge during practices and games. David also deserves to be mentioned for his help in umpiring throughout the year at home and away games.

Mr. Bruce Waterman for his stepping in to help out with the skills, drills and also for his knowledge of the game (especially the pitchers) throughout the season. Bruce also helped when needed for umpiring.

Thank you both very much.

/s/ JoAnn Callahan

SENIOR MEALS

Program is open to all age 60 and older. Meals served Monday-Friday, 12 noon. Suggested \$2 donation. 875-7102.

September 3 - 7: Mon., Labor Day, closed; Tue., Hot Dog; Wed., Cheese Omelet; Thu., Chicken Parmesan/Sauce; Fri., Pot Roast/Gravy.

September 10 - 14: Mon., Chicken/Stuffing; Tue., Stuffed Peppers; Wed., Sliced Turkey/Gravy; Thu., Macaroni & Cheese; Fri., Baked Meat Loaf/Onion Gravy.

September 17 - 21: Mon., Sliced Ham or Chicken Breast; Tue., Tuna Casserole; Wed., Potato Crunch Fish Filet; Thu., Chicken Filet/Gravy; Fri., Spinach Lasagna.

September 24 - 28: Mon., Pub Burger/Mushrooms; Tue., Pork Sausage/Gravy; Wed., Golden Lite Fish Filet; Thu., American Chop Suey; Fri., BBQ Chicken.

CHILD CARE

Are you searching for a child care provider?
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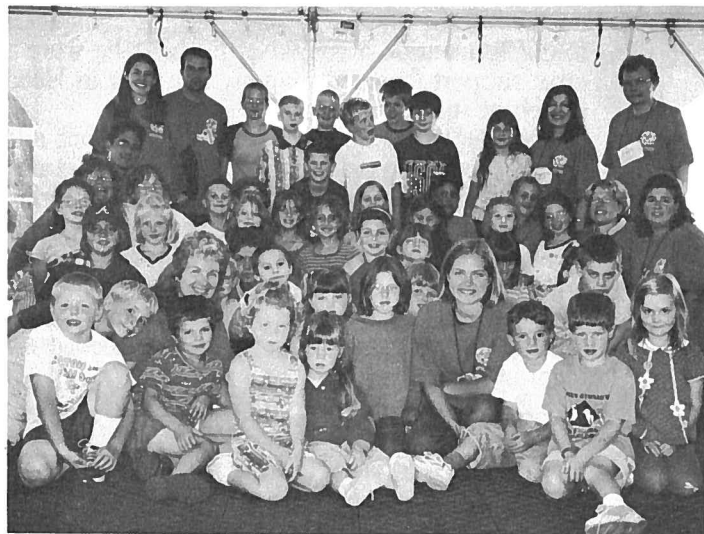
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Call Kerri for details. 859-0045.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES GOING UP!

This is an ADVANCE NOTICE! The subscription rates for Main Street, Alton's Monthly Newsmagazine, will be going up as of January 1, 2002, due to increased costs.

The new rates will be \$12 for 12 issues and \$7.50 for 6 issues. If you get your check into our Subscription Manager early, you can get one more year at the present rate of \$10.50 for 12 issues or \$6 for 6 issues. The address is P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, New Hampshire 03810.





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

The big tent at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church was the scene of Alton's first community-wide Vacation Bible School for youngsters entering grades 1 - 6. Held July 16 - 20 children from Alton's three congregations (shown at left) met to take part in games, competition, and animated Bible stories.

Ron and Millie Lariviere of the host church said they had never seen a group of youngsters having so much fun learning about God. The school was led by Tim Rendall of Children's First Ministries out of East Bridgewater, Massachusetts. Volunteer helpers were from Massachusetts and as far away as San Diego, California, along with those from the three local congregations.

Gina Sweezey represented the Community Church, Phyllis Brooks and Cindy Bothwick, the Bay Church, and Rob and Madeleine Wright, St. Joan of Arc; Michelle Sharpe, summer children's ministry director at the Alton Bay Conference Center, rounded out the staff.

12th ANNUAL LABOR DAY WEEKEND CRAFT FAIR

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