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## SUBMIT YOUR NEWS AND PHOTOS

Main Street's purpose calls for it to get the information out on what's going on — and when — in our town. You may submit articles 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 events are 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.

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## Main Street CHANGING EDITORS

Alton's news and information monthly magazine, Main Street, was started in 1985. John Duffek, then Alton's Town Moderator, shepherded it for 12 years. With his retirement from the editorship in 1997 MaryBee and Bob Longabaugh consented to carry on. The many jobs needed to do it well were often more time consuming than expected.

The Longabaughs gave up a week every month to produce our polished and informative magazine. Sometimes stressful, sometimes problematic, they persevered for six years. Now, there are other facets of their retirement they wish to pursue and enjoy. The April Main Street was the last issue they edited, and they have continued to help significantly in the transition with the May and June issues.

Judith Pellowe has agreed to be our new editor and she will start with the July issue. Those who send in items and stories by e-mail to be published in Main Street please make a note of the changed electronic mail address in the column to the left. Others can still communicate with us by using the drop box in the Bank of NH or Box 210, Alton Bay 03810.

The Board of Directors, the rest of the newsmagazine's volunteers, and the recipients of Main Street (the people of Alton) are very appreciative and grateful for all the time and effort the Longabaughs have given over these past six years. Thank you, MaryBee and Bob. Enjoy!!!

## NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH PROGRESSES

Plans are progressing well for the construction of the new Roman Catholic church in Alton. Since the fire that destroyed St. Joan of Arc Church on May 11, 2000, negotiations have continued to merge the former St. Joan of Arc Parish with Saint Cecilia Parish in Wolfeboro.

The new church is to be constructed on a 12-acre parcel of land on Route 28 just north of the 28A intersection which the Roman Catholic Diocese of Manchester has purchased from the Dahle family.

To select the name of the new church, parishioners were invited to submit suggestions. After receiving more than 70 suggestions, the pastoral council narrowed the choice to five, and all parishioners were given the opportunity to vote for the name of their choice. The top three names were then submitted to Bishop John B. McCormack, who approved the first choice and designated Saint Katharine Drexel as the patron saint of the new parish.

Saint Katharine Drexel is only the second native-born American to have been officially canonized by the Church. Born in Philadelphia in 1858 into a very wealthy family, she became a young debutante inheriting millions of dollars; she entered religious life and utilized her vast fortune to establish schools, hospitals, and Xavier University in New Orleans to serve the blacks and native Americans. She founded the Sister of the Blessed Sacrament in 1891, a religious community whose mission was to serve the blacks and native Americans. She died in 1955 at the age of 97.

Plans are nearing completion for the new Saint Katharine Drexel Church which will seat 700 and will include a spacious parish hall and kitchen, classrooms for religious education, and parish offices. The new church will incorporate the stained glass windows from the present St. Cecilia Church in Wolfeboro, as well as the stations of the cross, the tabernacle, and the bell in the steeple of St. Cecilia's. The former rose window over the entrance to St. Joan of Arc Church, which was destroyed in the fire, will be reproduced in the new church. Statues and other devotional items that were saved from the fire will also be incorporated into the new building.



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# Main Street's Inside Front Page

## Main Street's PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations! The votes are in, and the people of Alton have chosen the winners in the Second Annual Main Street Photo Contest.

Before announcing the winners Main Street wants to extend its special thanks and congratulations to all the aspiring photographers who participated in this year's contest. Your participation has contributed to a successful and exciting town-wide event. Over the past three months of the exhibition, Main Street's contest organizer, Joe Harris, received dozens of compliments regarding the quality and diverseness of all the entries. Everyone should be proud of his or her accomplishments and contributions to this yearly event. Thank you for sharing your photographic skills and talents with all of us. Main Street looks forward to next year's contest.

Special thanks go out to Holly Brown and her staff at the Gilman Library for not only hosting the exhibition, but also helping to make it such a success.

More than 150 ballots were cast in this year's event. Although the votes that determined the winners were very close, Nancy Bentley's photo, "Morning Dew-Coffin Brook," captured first place honors and is featured as the cover of this issue of Main Street. Coming in a very close second was Charlotte Fredette's "A Warm Summer Day." Third place honors go to Irving Roberts for his picture titled "Brook." Marcia Kiley-Lemay's "On The Docks of the Bay" won first place for best black and white photograph.

By popular demand the exhibition will remain on display at the Gilman Library throughout the month of May. The winners will then be moved for display in the lobby of the Town Hall for the month of June.

## SALLAHS ARE ICE-OUT WINNERS

Fred and Janet Sallah of Alton are the winners of the 2003 Main Street Ice-Out Contest. The official time for this big event on Lake Winnepesaukee was 10:30 a.m. on April 25. The Sallah's prediction was for 11:30 a.m. on that same date. The earliest ice-out date is March 28, 1921, and the latest is May 12, 1888.

The prize this year is a \$50 gift certificate from Patrick's Pub in Gilford.

## ANNUAL DOLL SHOW AND SALE

By Maureen Parker

Winter took way too long to leave the Lakes Region. Spring has not sprung with any great warmth. Summer, however, always brings a little sunshine to Alton with the arrival of the Happy Hobby Doll Club's annual Doll Show and Sale.

Each year club members spend the cold winter months planning their one major fund-raising event. Monies raised help the club donate to Operation Blessing, the Mrs. Santa Fund, VNA/Hospice, and a small scholarship to the Alton Central School.

Doll dealers, collectors, and fanciers from all over New England come to buy, sell, and just enjoy actually seeing the vast variety of dolls. You just don't get the same experience on E-Bay!

Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 29, 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., Alton Central School and be aware that lunch is available on the premises. Please check our ad on page 17 or call Ruth Messier at 875-6750. Hope to see you there.

## THE TOP TEN IN ACS CLASS OF 2003

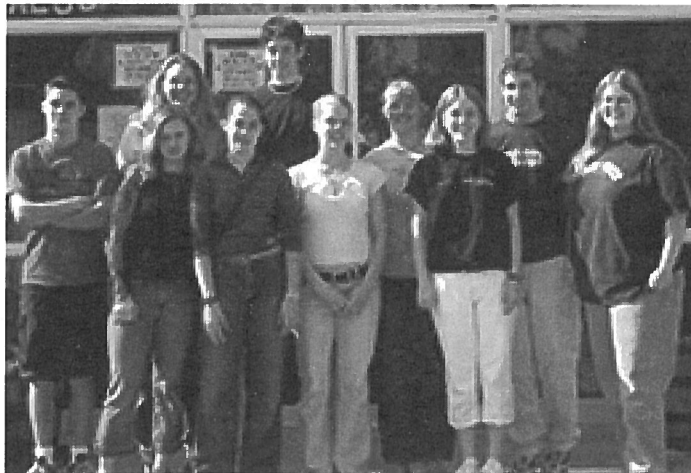


Photo from Alton Central School

From left to right are Alton Central School's top ten graduates in the class of 2003: Dennis Callahan, Jill Feger, Terese Hopper, Erin Wood, Dave Snell, Kelly Jalbert, Amanda Jones, Katie Brooks, Scott Baumgartner, and Stephanie Hillsgrrove. Further information about these students will be found on page 20.

## TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE ON JUNE 7

By Kellie Troendle, Parks and Recreation Director

Saturday, June 7 (rain date June 8), is Alton's Town-Wide Yard Sale event. There are over 60 yard sales listed on the map. These free maps are available at A.V.A.S. Public Park Kiosk, Alton Town Hall, Gilman Library, Bank of New Hampshire, and the Alton Village 5 & 10. Looking for a bargain? Join friends and neighbors for a few hours of fun.

## HOPPER TAKES AWARD

Last month the NH School Administrators Association bestowed its 2003 Lakes Region Champion for Children award upon Alton School Board member Joyce Hopper. She was one of five persons statewide to receive similar regional honors. Nice going Joyce.

## HOSPICE SCHEDULES MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service has been scheduled to honor persons who were patients of the VNA-Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity and have died during the past year. All family members and friends of these Hospice and Home Care patients, as well as volunteers and staff, are invited to share in this occasion.

The gathering will be held on Tuesday, June 10, at 7 p.m. at the Pinckney Boat House located at Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro. The facilities are graciously provided by the academy. The Rev. Murray Nickerson will lead the program.

By our gathering together as family and friends, we honor the memory of these loved ones. Participants are invited and encouraged to bring a poem or personal memory to be shared as part of our fellowship. Most importantly, your presence will provide the support and strength to members of our communities.

For further information please call the VNA-Hospice 569-2729 and ask for Betty John, Bereavement Coordinator.

### FIRE AT THE SANBORN'S HOME

The May issue of Main Street carried a thoughtful story by Jaime Sanborn while on aircraft carrier duty in the Mediterranean. She's coming home (or is home) very soon.

Unfortunately, she will arrive to see a fire-damaged home. On May 6 the home of Howard and Carol Sanborn on Barnes Avenue suffered from fire. We are all very sorry about such misfortune.

### ALTON GARDEN CLUB

By Polly Finch, Publicity Co-Chair

On June 24 the Alton Garden Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House in Alton. Our speaker from the Loon Preservation Center will talk on Loon Life History. Members may want to bring guests for this interesting program. Peter Bolster will chair the Host/Hostesses committee that day. Committee members Louise Karjanen, Vi Russell, Shirley Lane, Fran Pedersen, Sandra Boutilier, and Phyllis Mugford will provide tasty refreshments for all to enjoy.

### "AN EVENING OF YANKEE HUMOR"

By Pat Merrill, Society President

The Alton Historical Society and The Friends of the Gilman Library will hold a joint meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 7 p.m., at the Gilman Library.

Rebecca Rule will present "An Evening of Yankee Humor." Many of us are familiar with this lady and her particular sense of humor, and her program will be fun for us all! This program is made possible by the New Hampshire Humanities Council, and we do warmly thank them.

Refreshments will be served by our hostesses, Shirley Copeland, Virginia Dore, Betty Locke, and Pat Pellowe. Do come join us for a fun-filled evening.

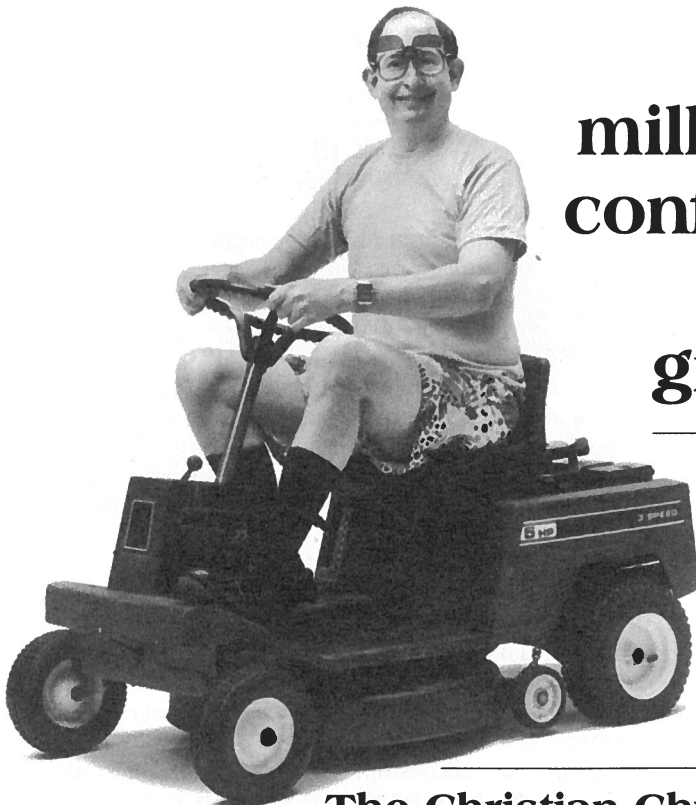
### ROUTE 28 CONSTRUCTION GUARANTEES SUMMER DELAYS

Anyone who has traveled Route 28 between the Alton Traffic Circle and Wolfeboro has experienced the frustration and delays caused by the construction project that is now underway. Begun last month the project will continue through the summer with a completion date expected early this fall. The construction includes widening the four mile stretch of Route 28 extending from the traffic circle to Route 28A in East Alton. In addition to road surface improvements, a ten-foot breakdown lane will be added to each side of the highway.

Other improvement will include the reconfiguration of the intersection of Routes 28 and 28A. The current "off-ramp" or "Y" design will be eliminated, and in its place a "T"-type intersection will be constructed, improving driver visibility and safety. Expect delays as work progresses throughout the summer months.

There are no immediate plans for improvements to Route 28 South between the traffic circle and Barnstead. In an interview on May 7 with NH Public Radio, Department of Transportation Commissioner Carol Murray fielded several questions from callers regarding the conditions of this stretch of road. Murray informed callers that upgrading that section of highway was not in the current ten-year plan of transportation projects. Citing the number of on-going projects across the state, Murray said improvements to Route 28 South would not begin until the next ten-year plan is implemented in 2014.

Alton Highway Agent Ken Roberts confirmed that Route 28 South is not a state priority, though he and the Board of Selectmen have been petitioning the state to move the date forward.



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(see Information Center for worship times)



Drawing by Kim Holmes

## GRAB IT AND BAG IT ON JUNE 28

By Judy Fry

There are faint stirrings around this household now; it's time to get the yard rake out and put away the snow shovel and heavy winter clothing. Following several spring snow storms thoughts are gladly turning to outdoor projects, warm sunny days, and colorful daffodils — cleaning inside the house and outside in the yard should be added to the list too.

Cleaning doesn't need to be restricted to just our yards. What better time to show pride in our town than to participate in a neighborhood clean-up project. Once again the East Alton Fire Association will be sponsoring project "Grab It & Bag It" along the roadsides in East Alton.

Flyers have been posted and hopefully many volunteers will come forward to support the clean-up project on June 28. Activities will begin at 9 a.m. at the East Alton Fire Station, rain or shine. Plan to pick up the trash bags at that time and share which roadside in East Alton you'll be cleaning. One bag will be provided for plastic, cans, and bottles, and a different colored bag will be provided for general trash. Instructions for other large items will be given before the clean up begins.

A light lunch of grilled hot dogs, punch, and homemade cookies will be provided for all the volunteers back at the fire station starting at 11:30 a.m.

## CANOE AND KAYAK RACE

By Kellie Troendle, Parks and Recreation Director

Canoe the scenic Merrymeeting River into Alton Bay. Register before June 9 and receive a race t-shirt, limit two per boat. Categories include recreational, racing, and kayak. Prizes will be awarded to category winners. The charge is \$15 per boat with two people, \$10 for a single. Race starts at 10 a.m. at the Route 28 South bridge. Registrations will be accepted until race day.

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By Susan Houghton, Project Chairman

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Hundreds of hungry diners enjoyed an authentic, home cooked Italian dinner at our Spring Spaghetti Supper on Saturday evening, May 17. Thank you to all who joined us, making the dinner a successful fund raising event for the Project.

The Spring Creative Competition wound down in May. Many students entered the contest with their writing, art, music, and multimedia creations. Winners of the Creative Competition will soon be announced!

On Wednesday, June 4, the 2003 Friendship Awards will be held at the Alton Central School (ACS) cafeteria. The ceremonies will begin at 6 p.m. All students, parents, and families are invited to share a treat with us as we celebrate our commitment to friendship and community service. At that time we will present awards to winners of the creative competition, as well as to winners of the Friendship Awards for caring and community service. The winners of the Friendship Awards are ACS or Alton home schooled students, K-12, who demonstrate by their actions that they support the values of friendship, tolerance, and community service. Awards will be in the form of monetary prizes that may be used for educational materials and supplies, developmental activities or classes, or for college tuition.

Thank you all for your support of the Friendship Project, bringing together our community and our school to focus on friendship and community service. Watch this space in next month's Main Street for announcement of our award-winning students!

**TO THE ACS CLASS OF 2003  
FROM THE CLASS OF 1991**

By Jessica Miller Thomas, '91 Class President

Twelve years ago, as our class gift, we presented the Alton Central School (ACS) kindergarten class with a savings bond. We knew how hard it is to raise money toward a graduation trip and decided it would be nice to help those who were just starting their journey. We presented this gift



to Kendra Brown, daughter of our class advisor Mrs. Sherry Brown, in the hope that the class of 2003 would put it to good use.

We hope that you have a wonderful senior class trip.

Congratulations graduates; may every success be yours and may all of your dreams come true!

Best Wishes,  
The ACS Class of 1991

**VIDEO AVAILABLE ON STYLES BRIDGES**

The May meeting of The Friends of the Gilman Library was a real treat for the "political junkies" in town. James Kiepper, author of the biographical book *Styles Bridges: Yankee Senator* made the trip from Albany, New York, to Alton in order to entertain the assemblage with little known aspects of the famous Senator's life.

Persons who missed the meeting need not be deprived of the history that was given out there however. The one-hour presentation was videotaped and after it completes its run on LRPA-TV's cable channel 25, it will be available for check out at the Gilman Library.

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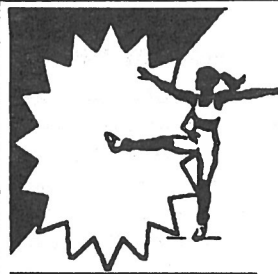
**AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL  
COMMANDER VISITS ALTON**

**By Dick Cunningham**

Alton American Legion Post 72 was honored to host a dinner meeting with American Legion National Commander Ronald F. Conley and several area Legion representatives, including State Legion Officials. (Shown above left to right: Warren Leary, Finance Officer, Alton Post 72; Ron Conley, Commander, National American Legion; Bob Wyman, Commander, Department of New Hampshire; Ray Nadeau, Commander, Alton American Legion.)

Commander Conley had earlier visited the Wright Museum in Wolfeboro and was very impressed with the area. In an exclusive interview with Main Street, he related that he had chosen to visit the Alton Post because he was very impressed with the support of New Hampshire for our Tilton Veterans Home and Veterans Cemetery. He was also very highly impressed with the civic involvement of our Alton Legion Post 72. He further stated that the number one issue that the Legion is pursuing is the restoration of Federal funding which was being curtailed to the Veterans Administration medical programs. At a time when the United States has an aging base of veterans of prior wars and a commitment to our current members of the Armed Forces, the country has an obligation that was represented to all veterans. In New Hampshire we now have 1,000 veterans in need who have to wait up to a year to see a primary care physician, and since there is no funding for acute care hospital beds at the Manchester VA Hospital after operations, patients must be transferred elsewhere.

When asked what his worst moment was so far as National Commander, he stated "being stuck in an airport for ten hours." His best moment, "seeing the faces of veterans in hospitals and homes who knew that the Legion cares and is working hard for their behalf" and that the VA is not simply just waiting for them to die.



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## SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER By Nancy Mooney Hebert

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That jolt us into joy intense!  
But let us not forget two special days  
That coincide with the full moon-  
Fathers deserve their children's praise  
While we salute our flag, our greatest boon!

Acting President John Brooks presided over our May meeting which 22 members attended. Congratulations to Rose Young who won the attendance raffle.

The meeting focused on the trip committee report. John Brooks, John Hagen, and Paul Gamache are trying to get trips lined up for the summer. There will be sign-up sheets at the center for these tentative outings: June 13, Lakes Region Greyhound Park, Belmont, via car pool with dinner and admission \$23; June 23, bus to Lincoln Casino in Rhode Island, \$23; July 11, Lakes Region Playhouse in Meredith for the musical *Footloose*, dinner beforehand at Patrick's Pub. These trips are subject to change, so sign up and get further details by calling 875-7102. More trips will be planned for August - October. Members pay a lesser amount than non-members.

We will take part in the Town-Wide Yard Sale on June 7, rain date June 8. We will appreciate your stopping at the center on Pearson Road from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. for bargain hunting at its best. We thank Jeanette Barton, Georgianna Nason, and Liz Roberts for taking charge of this event.

June is membership month. Dues are \$5 and should be paid promptly to avoid losing voting privileges. We encourage all non-members and new senior citizens (60+) in the

community to come to our June meeting with the idea of joining up! We need new ideas and more active participation so that our organization can continue to thrive.

Now that many of the snowbirds have returned, the Card Party Club (whist) will meet on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Welcome to one and all. The money accrued is used for various social outings, always great fun! Bingo is played on Wednesday afternoons after lunch.

The Alton Senior Citizens Association extends its deepest condolences to the families of members who passed away during the winter. We will always remember our President Dolly Hussey who, in the short time she was with us, ingratiated herself to us with her jolly personality and willingness to try to revive our organization. Betty McGlone, a very brave person indeed, was a long-time member who volunteered for just about any chore or committee and worked selflessly and good naturedly — never a dull moment with Betty around! Eleanor Hoaglund, who died in April, always came to the center with a big smile and a hello for everyone — a more cheerful person one could not find, in spite of her frail health. All three are missed. We also extend our deepest condolences to Doris Selfridge on the recent loss of her husband.

Occasionally we need to remind people that the Senior Association is not part of the Community Action Program (CAP), although it is very convenient and a social advantage to be able to share the noon meal CAP provides and then go on to the senior activities taking place at the center.

Claire Fitzgerald is the still the Food and Nutrition Coordinator; we cannot thank her enough for all she does. If you are a new senior in this area, give her a call at 875-7102 and sign up for some meals. Our next meeting is Wednesday, June 11, at 1 p.m. Try to bring that potential new member along with your dues!

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Pastor Bob Hett announces many different programs for June beginning with "Dana and Friends" (shown above) on Sunday, June 8, at 9 a.m. This is a ventriloquist and variety show to be performed at the Bay Church. There is also a brunch for "Children's Sunday," followed by a special worship service at 10:45 a.m. in the Chapel.

On Sunday, June 15, "Fathers' Day," each man attending will receive a special gift. Also, that evening at 6 p.m. there will be a concert featuring "The Salt and the Light," a local Christian bluegrass band. Members of the band include Tom and Agnes Edney from Pittsfield, Paul Fitzgerald from Gilmanton Iron Works, and David Geddes from Barnstead.

The summer concert series at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center (ABCCC) will get under way on June 28 - 30 with special guest artists. On Saturday, June 28, at 7:30 p.m., the Carter Mount Brass Band from the Lakes' Region will present a concert in the C.O. Farnham Memorial Tabernacle. The concert will feature a variety of musical styles but will lean heavily on both our patriotic and religious heritages.

On Sunday, June 29, at 6 p.m., "New England's own Gospel singer," Mr. Ken Fernald, will once again return to Alton Bay. Then, on Monday, June 30, at 7:30 p.m., weather permitting, the venue will change when the 39th Army National Guard Band returns to the Alton Bay Bandstand under the sponsorship of the Bay Church to render their traditional concert that has become an annual event here in the Bay.

The Bay Church and the Alton Bay Christian Conference will join churches across our nation in "Honoring Our Heroes" — public servants, police officers, fire fighters, educators, military, and medical personnel. The date chosen for the local observance will be Sunday, June 29, at the 10:45 a.m. worship service in the Tabernacle of the Conference Center.

There will be special music at the service provided by Jaime Sample, daughter of Alton's Fire Chief, Russ Sample. Jaime hopes to bring together a volunteer choir for that Sunday, in addition to rendering a couple of solo selections herself.

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**ACS's BAND AND CHORUS GO TO NYC**

**Story and Photos by Katie Pellowe**

For months Tom Stevens, Alton Central School's (ACS) Band and Chorus Director, has been planning a trip to New York City. Approximately 30 people, including students, parents, and teachers, attended. The trip started on Friday, April 25, and ended Sunday, April 27.

On Friday morning, all of the attendees for the trip gathered together at 6:30 a.m. at the school. When we got into the city hours later, we set off for our first destination: Liberty Island and the Statue of Liberty. We spent some time at the Statue but could not go up because it was closed. Our next stop was the Empire State Building, which, fortunately, we did get to go up. After checking out the site from the top (some of us at least!) and the gift shop, we headed for the Landmark Square Mall for dinner. After that we went to the Holiday Inn, in Stamford, Connecticut, and swam until lights out at 11 p.m.

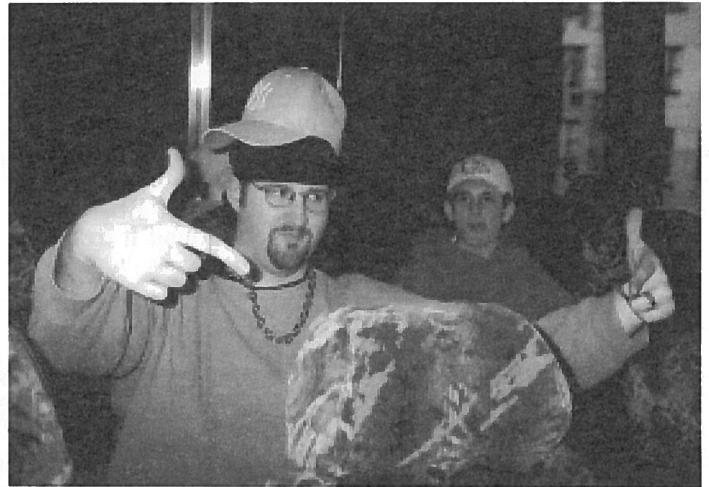
The next day after breakfast at the hotel, we got onto the bus again and toured the United Nations, which was filled with some amazing artwork. Later on we ate at the Hard Rock Cafe and checked out the gift shop and the memorabilia hanging from the walls. Around 2 p.m. we headed to

Broadway to see the famous "Phantom Of The Opera," which, to many of the adults' surprise, left all of the students in awe. Later we visited Ground Zero for about half an hour and then went off to South Street Seaport for dinner. After a long day we returned to the hotel to swim and hang out until lights out, which was at 11 p.m. again.

On our final day in the city we had breakfast at the hotel, packed our luggage back into the bus, and went to visit St. Patrick's Cathedral (as you see our group on the steps in the photo, left). Since there was a mass, we couldn't stay for long or take pictures inside. We later went for a tour of Radio City Music Hall and then ate and walked around Rockefeller Center for an hour and a half. After that we headed for our final destination in the city, the tour of NBC Studios. Around 4 p.m. we said good-bye to the city and left for Alton.

After stopping for dinner we arrived in Alton around 11 p.m. Although we were tired and happy to be home, we all had a great time on our trip. It was an amazing experience.

Mr. Stevens said that the trip was a huge success, and he'd definitely like to do it again. You can see why in the photo, below, where our Band and Chorus Director is putting on a little show of his own on our tour bus.



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## LIVE THE LIFE By Cindy & John Duffek



### WE'RE BACK IN ALTON (TEMPORARILY)

By the time this column appears in Main Street, we will be comfortably settled for the summer in Alton's newest camping facility — Roberts Knoll Campground. This 50-site campground, located on Route 28N between the two entrances to Roberts Cove Road, has opened for its first summer season, and we are pleased to be on Site #1.

While we are delighted to be back in Alton for about five months, we are no less enthusiastic about our life on the road than we were on December 28, 1999, when we began our adventure as full-time RVers.

For anyone contemplating this life-style or wanting to know more about RVing, sources are almost endless. We spent a great deal of time searching websites and reading books before we made many of our decisions. The one website that made the greatest impression on us and gave us the most information is <www.movinon.net> written by Barb and Ron Hofmeister. They also are the authors of *An Alternative Lifestyle* and *Movin' On*.

The Escapees RV Club, an organization dedicated to supporting the full-time lifestyle, can be found at <www.escapees.com>. We receive our mail wherever we are through its efficient mail-forwarding service.

Those contemplating working on the road will find <www.workamper.com> and its publication *Workamper News* as valuable a resource as we have found it to be. It posts job information for prospective employees.

For answers to specific questions on-line forums can be most helpful. While forums are a part of the "movinon" and "escapees" sites, the most extensive and thorough forum is found at <www.rvamerica.com>. Ask any question and you're sure to get lots of opinions. Of course, you're always welcome to send your questions and thoughts to us at <Livingourlife@aol.com>.

Henry David Thoreau said, "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you've imagined." We agree.

### MOUNT MAJOR SNOWMOBILE CLUB

#### By Joanne Shibley, Club Treasurer

Look for 2003-2004 membership packets to be sent out around mid to late summer. Please return your membership as soon as possible so that we can get all the memberships processed before the snow falls! All donations are greatly appreciated — donations go directly into trail clearing and maintenance. So if you can, please send a donation along with your membership.

Would you like to participate in trail maintenance this summer? It is great exercise and actually a lot of fun too. Watch for dates of planned trail work or get your own group together and do the trails in your riding areas. Check the web site at <www.mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com>, or if you want to be contacted about scheduled work groups, e-mail us at <info@mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com>, or call 875-3858.

Many thanks to Garry Robertson of Robertson's Power & Sports! Garry was a great help with the Skandic repairs and also donated oil and belts for the groomers! Thank You.

In addition, as always, many thanks to all the landowners who allow us access to their land.

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### EVENTS

Sun.	1	BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m. - 12 noon
Tue	3	SPRING SPORTS BANQUET, Middle School, ACS, 6 p.m.
Wed.	4	2003 FRIENDSHIP AWARDS, ACS, 6 p.m., see story
Fri.	6	TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE CLOSED, see notice
Sat.	7	FANCY DANCE Grades 6-8, AB Pavilion, 6:30 - 10 p.m.
Sun.	8	BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m. - 12 noon DANA AND FRIENDS, Ventriloquist and Variety Show, Bay Church, 9 a.m., see story
Tue.	10	VNA-HOSPICE MEMORIAL SERVICE, Wolfeboro, 7 p.m., see story JOINT MEETING, Historical Society and Friends of the Library, Library, 7 p.m., see story and Checkout
Wed.	11	CLASS DAY AWARDS, Grades 9-12, ACS, 8:30 a.m. SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT, Grade 12, ACS, 6 p.m.
Thu.	12	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon SPRING SPORTS BANQUET, High School, ACS, 6 p.m.
Fri.	13	CLASS OF 2003 GRADUATION, ACS Soccer Field, 6 p.m.
Sat.	14	FLAG DAY
Sun.	15	FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m. - 12 noon THE SALT AND THE LIGHT, Concert, ABCCC, 6 p.m.
Mon.	16	KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION, ACS, 6:30 p.m.
Tue.	17	PROMOTION NIGHT, Grade 8, ACS, 5 p.m.
Wed.	19	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! Early Release, ACS, 1 p.m.
Sat.	21	SUMMER SOLTICE, 3:10 p.m., EDT
Sun.	22	BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m. - 12 noon
Tue.	24	ALTON GARDEN CLUB, 1:30 p.m., see story
Thu.	26	ASSEMBLE <u>Main Street</u> , American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
Sat.	28	EAST ALTON "GRAB IT & BAG IT," see story CARTER MOUNT BRASS BAND, Concert, ABCCC, 7:30 p.m., see story
Sun.	29	BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m. - 12 noon DOLL SHOW AND SALE, ACS, 9:30 a.m., see story HONORING OUR HEROES, ABCCC Tabernacle, 10:45 a.m., see story
Mon.	30	KEN FERNALD, Gospel Singer, ABCCC, 6 p.m., see story 39TH ARMY NATIONAL GUARD BAND, Concert, ABB, 7:30 p.m., see story

ABCCC=Alton Bay Christian Conference Center; ABB=Alton Bay Bandstand; ACS=Alton Central School

TO LIST YOUR EVENT SUBMIT WRITTEN INFORMATION TO:  
(1) P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810 or (2) Bank of New Hampshire (Main Street box). **Be sure to include a phone number.**

### NOTICE

**The Town Clerk's Office  
Will Be Closed On  
Friday, June 6, 2003  
For The Lakes Region Regional Meeting**

### HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY

By Sarah M. Silk, LRHHPF Site Coordinator

In the May issue of Main Street on page 12 there was an article on the Hazardous Waste Program run by the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility. Procedures were given to get rid of your common household hazardous products that you no longer need. There is also a brochure available in Town Hall.

June 21 is the second collection date for this season and the hours are 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon. The permanent facility at 404 Beach Pond Road in Wolfeboro can be reached by turning left onto Route 109A at Wolfeboro Falls (just past the Army tank at the Wright Museum), look for the cemetery on the right and turn right onto Beach Pond Road. The LRHHPF will be on the left at the bottom of the hill just before the Wolfeboro Solid Waste Facility.

Alton is a member town which means you may attend by picking up a pass at the Solid Waste Facility. For further information, call 569-Let's Take Care Of it (569-5826).

### BE AWARE OF LYME DISEASE

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### ALTON COMMUNITY YOUTH ACTIVITIES JUNE

This calendar is a service provided by the Alton Community Youth Activities (CYA) committee. Call 875-8221 for information, suggestions, and corrections.

Sun	1	Sun. School, grades 6-8, 9:30 a.m., BC, Rand Hill Rd. Sun. School, grades 9-12, 9:30 a.m., ABCCC, AB Lounge
Fri	6	Youth Center, Drop In grades 6-12, 3-9 p.m., CCOA, open to all community youth
Sun	8	Children's Day Sun. School Brunch, 9 a.m., Dining Room, BC, Rand Hill Rd.
Thu	12	Enrichment Classes Senior Tea with their pen pals, grade 3, PRCC
Fri	13	Youth Center, Drop In grades 6-12, 3-9 p.m., CCOA, open to all community youth Field and Science Day, Field Day, grades k-3, ACS Science Day, grades 4-5, ACS
Sun	15	Sun. School, grades 6-8, 9:30 a.m., BC, Rand Hill Rd. Sun. School, grades 9-12, 9:30 a.m., ABCCC, AB Lounge
Sun	22	Sun. School, grades 6-8, 9:30 a.m., BC, Rand Hill Rd. Sun. School, grades 9-12, 9:30 a.m., ABCCC, AB Lounge
Mon	23	Vacation Bible School, ages 3-12, 9-11:30 a.m., CCOA
Tue	24	Vacation Bible School, ages 3-12, 9-11:30 a.m., CCOA
Wed	25	Vacation Bible School, ages 3-12, 9-11:30 a.m., CCOA
Thu	26	Vacation Bible School, ages 3-12, 9-11:30 a.m., CCOA
Fri	27	Vacation Bible School, ages 3-12, 9-11:30 a.m., CCOA

NOTE: This calendar MAY not be published in July and August due to school vacation

**Legend:** AB=Administration Building; ABCCC=Alton Bay Christian Conference Center; ACS=Alton Central School; BC=Bay Church; CCOA=Community Church of Alton on Church Street; CYA=Community Youth Activities; EM=Enrichment Module; HS=High School; PRCC=Pearson Road Community Center; PRD=Parks and Recreation Department.



# Main Street's Information Center

## SCHEDULES

### CHURCHES:

- Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
- Bay Church — Services on the grounds of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.; Wed. Fellowship Supper, 6 p.m., followed by Discipleship Study, 7 p.m. Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor; 875-6765
- Community Church — Sun. Service, 8:15 and 10:45 a.m., Congregational Meeting House, Church Street, Sun. School, 9:30 a.m., Rev. Peter Bolster, Pastor; 875-5561
- 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
- North Barnstead Congregational Church — Sun. School and Worship Services, 10:30 a.m., 504 N. Barnstead Rd, Rev. Gray Fitzgerald
- St. Joan of Arc — Weekend Masses in the Rectory — Sat., 5 p.m. and Sun., 8 and 11 a.m.; weekday Masses, Mon., Wed., and Fri., 8 a.m. at St. Cecilia's, Wolfeboro; Tue., Thu., and Sat., 8 a.m. at Rectory Chapel; Sun. Mass St Paul's in Barnstead, 9:30 a.m.; Rev. George Ham; 875-7191
- Wolfeboro Bible Fellowship — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Route 28; Pastor Scott Button
- GILMAN LIBRARY:** 875-2550  
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- SENIOR MEAL SITE:** 875-7102  
Mon - Fri., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Pearson Rd. Community Center
- SOLID WASTE CENTER:** 875-5801  
Sun., Mon., Fri., and Sat., 7 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.  
Closed Tue., Wed., and Thu.
- Rines Road Pit — As of April 19, Sat. and Sun., 8 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
- TOWN HALL:** 875-2161  
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 Comm. Ctr.  
Alton Community Services Prog., Sat., 10 a.m. - 12 noon., 875-2273  
Alton Masonic Lodge #75 — 2nd Thu. except July & Aug., 875-7448  
American Legion — 2nd Mon., 7:30 p.m., Legion Hall, Rte 28  
American Legion Auxiliary — 2nd Mon., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall  
American Legion Jr. Auxiliary — 1st Tue., 6 p.m., Legion Hall  
Boy Scout Troop 53 — Wed., 6:30 p.m., Central Fire Station  
Cub Scout Pack 53 — Last Wed., 7 p.m., Legion Hall  
4-H Club, see website <www.alton4H.org>  
Flying Club — 2nd Wed., 6:30 p.m., 859-7900  
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., 364-7413 for directions  
Historical Society — Watch for announcements of programs, Apr. - Oct.; Nov. - Mar., Museum open by request, 569-2629  
Knights of Columbus — 1st Wed., 7:30 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center  
Lions Club — 1st and 3rd Thu., The American Legion, 6:30 p.m.  
Moms In Touch — Tue., 12:30 p.m., 875-2866  
Mt. Major Snowmobile Club — 2nd Tue., 7 p.m., JP China, Alton Bay; 875-3858 or <info@mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com>  
OES, Warren-Alpha #10, Wolfeboro — 3rd Tue, 7:30 p.m., 539-7898  
PTSA. — 3rd Wed., Alton Central School HS Library, 7 p.m.  
Senior Citizens — 2nd Wed., 1 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center  
VFW — 3rd Mon., 7:30 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

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## BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- BOARD OF SELECTMEN** — 1st & 3rd Mondays, 6 p.m. (re-plays on Channel 26 following Thurs. and Fri.), Chairman Don Irvin, call 875-2161 for appointment.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE** — 3rd Thursday (twice a week in "budget season"), 7 p.m., Chairman Cydney Johnson, 875-7448.
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# SUMMER



Photo by Kathy Perrin

**LAKERS UNITED U10 GIRLS SOCCER TEAM**

**By Pete Clifford, Coach**

The first ever all-Alton girls travel soccer team is shown above. From left to right, front row: Kelly Jones, Kirby Beranger, Nicole Dwyer, Josie Couch, Sarah Clifford, Heaven Aimes; middle row: Samatha Hillis, Michaela Perrin, Danielle Beckett, Danielle Tidd, Danielle Burwell; back row: Coach Mike Hillis, Manager John Dwyer, Coach Pete Clifford. All the girls were under ten years of age, by August 1, 2002. This team is one of four travel teams playing for the Lakes Region Soccer Club. The other teams playing are U14 girls, U17 girls and U18 boys. The club is affiliated with N.H.S.A., U.S.Y.S.A., and, U.S.S.F.

The U10 girls have been training and playing games together since November of last year. Their over-all record so far is 17 wins, 2 losses, 2 ties. Over the winter they played soccer and practiced in Candia. Indoor soccer has become very popular in New England because of our long winters.

This spring these very enthusiastic girls are now playing in the seacoast youth soccer league. They now practice in Alton at Jones Field and play their home games in Wolfeboro at Kingswood HS. On Memorial Day weekend the U10 girls traveled down to Amherst to play in a four-game tournament. The team finishes up with three more games this month. Next home game is June 1 at 1 p.m. at Kingswood HS.

The Lakes Region Soccer Club will host a training session for new coaches and soccer player tryouts for the fall season teams. For dates and times and locations, look for fliers around town and in your school. For more info call Pete Clifford at 875-1533 (day), 569-6362 (night), or Terry Stamp, 569-1810.

**GARDEN PLOTS AVAILABLE**

**By Stacy Luke, BCCD**

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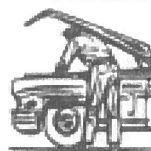
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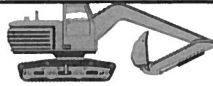


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**ALTON OUTDOORS**  
 By Jack Miller

**FISHING MONTH**

June is the "Fishing Month" for the outdoor person. The longest daylight days happen this month with June 21, the summer solstice, being the longest day of the year. Dawn to dusk is 15 - 16 hours so one can get in a good long day of fishing! The state of New Hampshire agrees that this is the best fishing month. They offer a FREE fishing day so people can try it out. Mark your calendar for June 7, free fishing in the whole state. This means you can fish that day only without purchasing a license. Try it out see how you like it; introduce some friends or kids to fishing. Just remember that all rules and regulations in the NH Fresh Water Fishing Digest must be followed.

Fishing is a relaxing sport in which the whole family can participate. There are many methods and styles of fishing, from dunking a worm in the water, to fly fishing, spin casting, jigging, flipping, etc., from which to choose. Get out there and give it a try. For more info on NH's Free Fishing Day, log onto <www.wildlife.state.nh.us> and click on fishing.

Remember, ALL bass caught until June 16 MUST be released at the site of the catch. Only artificial flies and lures may be used from June 16 to July 1, and you may keep two bass.

This is the best month for fly fishermen. Bugs are at their peak, which plays right into the fly fisherperson's technique. Dry fly fishing is the ultimate style of catching fish. It is exciting to sneak up on a feeding trout and present a delicately floating fly that imitates what the trout is feeding on at the moment and then be patient enough to hook and land the fish on a thin line.

If you want to try fly fishing, this is the month. Sunfish are in most of our local ponds and rise easily to small floating poppers and flies. It is great practice for fly fishing techniques, and they are quite tasty, too. Fillet them and fry in butter, and you'll think you are eating flounder. You'll need about a pound of fillets to make a meal for two.

Make time to fish this month, while the sun shines on us.

**ALTON AS A VACATION DESTINATION**

**1875 - 1900**

Alton may not be Disney World, but it was a very popular vacation spot during the last quarter of the 19th century. The Harold S. Gilman Museum in Monument Square opened its 2003 exhibit, "Alton's Summer Visitors, Farms and Their Boarders, 1875 - 1900," with a Memorial Day Open House on Monday, May 26.

The Boston and Maine Railroad made five regular stops in Alton and Alton Bay bringing families from cities in Massachusetts and beyond to "Winnipiseogee Lake, whose waters serve as a lovely ornament to the scenery of this region, and as a means of recreation and amusement to the multitude who pass and re-pass upon them." Who were these vacationers and where did they come from? Where did they stay and how did they spend their days, are but some of the questions to be explored in the Gilman Museum's summer offering.

The Harold S. Gilman Museum is located in Monument Square, Alton, and is open Saturdays and Wednesdays from Memorial Day through October 31. Tours are welcomed year round, by appointment, and may be arranged by calling 875-0201 Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. or by e-mail, <gil muse@metrocast.net>.

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### ON THE WAY TO EAGLE SCOUT

Becoming an Eagle Scout is no easy task. A Scout must earn 21 merit badges: 9 electives and 12 badges specific to gaining Eagle status. For Ben King, 17, attaining Eagle Scout has been a dream since the age of 11. "My Dad was in the service and we traveled all over the world," Ben says. "I started with scouting in New Jersey, and then we moved to Denmark, and I'm proud to be a registered Danish Scout." Ben's dad retired to New Hampshire to be near family, and Ben has been active in scouting as long as he's been in New Hampshire.

To attain the rank of Eagle a scout must find a project that will "affect the community in a large scale, positive way," says Ben. "The project needs to benefit a not-for-profit community organization." So Ben chose to landscape and improve the park behind the Alton Fire Department on Route 140. To reach his goal Ben will be spreading loam, stone dust, and replacing a sign. In addition, Ben buried a conduit allowing for a future lighting system (no electrical wires were placed at this time, just a conduit for future use).

Ben has managed to raise donations of time and materials estimated at \$8,000. Among the requirements for this project is that Ben raise 100 hours of volunteer time, besides the time he has donated himself, to make this truly a community project.

In addition to the large-scale community project, Ben must also be active as a leader with the scouts. He is currently a Junior Assistant Scout Master with his troop.

Ben should hear by the middle of June whether his project qualified him for Eagle status, but he won't receive "official" word until mid-August as to whether or not he has been granted the rank of Eagle Scout. In the meantime watch for future issues of Main Street to publish pictures of his finished project. Either way, Main Street is proud to have a resident like Ben King to count among its own.

Ben would like to thank the following for their generous donations to his project: Alton Parks and Recreation, Alton Home and Lumber, Pike Industries, Scott Williams, Barron Brothers, Camerons, JC Signs, Water Industries, and Rockingham Electric. He also wanted to thank Scoutmasters Kevin Wood, Bruce Yelle, and especially his dad, Keith King.



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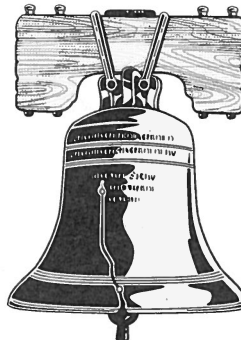
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**FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK**  
By Donald E. Parks  
Superintendent of Schools



### CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on May 21 at the building site for Prospect Mountain High School. School Board members, building committee members, elected officials, students from Alton and Barnstead, and school administration were all present to formally kick off the building of Prospect Mountain High School, though construction had started on April 14. However, due to the time to ramp-up to get the site clearing going at full capacity, the formal groundbreaking ceremony was delayed.

The construction of Prospect Mountain High School is historic because it is the first school building to be built under RSA 194:21 — a Joint Maintenance Agreement — in the State of New Hampshire.

The biggest challenge facing the site contractor has been a water issue. Due to the heavy snowfall and an unusually wet spring, the site has been very wet. Temporary retention ponds have been constructed to drain the site. The construction of the road off Route 28 and the building of a permanent retention pond just beyond the SAU office will greatly aid the drainage issue. Clear cutting along Route 28 and in front of the SAU office will be completed by the time this article is read.

The second biggest issue facing the contractor is the construction of the road to the area where the building will be constructed. It is critical this road will be built as soon as possible so the foundation can be built and the steel erected.

To reiterate again, the site is closed to any and all individuals due to liability exposure to the general contractor, Harvey Construction.

**THE CHECKOUT DESK**  
By Holly Brown  
Librarian



### JOIN US FOR GREAT PROGRAMS

The Gilman Library will be participating in the Town-Wide Yard Sale scheduled for Saturday, June 7, by holding a sale of books and baked goods. Participants may purchase a plastic bag full of books for \$1 or a canvas bag for \$5 and fill it with books. The Friends of the Gilman Library will be accepting donations of baked goods. A sign-up sheet will be at the circulation desk. If you have questions, call 875-2550.

"Reading Rocks The Granite State" is the theme for the Summer Reading Program 2003. For more information please visit the circulation desk at the library.

Please join us here at the Gilman Library on Tuesday, June 10, at 7 p.m. for a program entitled A Joyful Noise, "Sounding Brass and Tinkling Cymbal:" The Late 19th Century New England Town Band. This is presented by David Proper, a retired independent scholar who holds an MA from the University of Massachusetts and has written several articles and essays on New England history. This lecture and slide show is sponsored by the New Hampshire Humanities Council, the Gilman Library, and the Friends of the Gilman Library. All are welcome and admission is free.

The Friends of the Gilman Library and the Alton Historical Society invites you to join us here Tuesday, June 17, at 7 p.m. at the library for "An Evening of Yankee Humor" that will be presented by independent scholar and writer, Rebecca Rule. This program, sure to make you smile, is sponsored by

the New Hampshire Humanities Council, the Gilman Library, the Alton Historical Society, and the Friends of the Gilman Library. Signed copies of Rebecca's books will be available for purchase on the night of the program. All are welcome to attend. Admission is free.

Have you offered your suggestion for naming the Book Discussion Group? If not, please do so by July 1, and you may be the lucky winner of a personalized plaque made by Tut's Trophies and Awards of Rochester. The Book Discussion Group will select the new name for the group during their July meeting. Please provide your telephone number or e-mail address with your suggestion. If you need to be inspired you might like to join the book discussion group on Monday, June 9, at 6:30 p.m. to take part in the discussion on *A Farewell to Arms* by Ernest Hemingway. All are welcome.

### WIRED FOR OUR NATION'S CAPITAL

By Andrea Walker-Brown, ACS English Teacher

Alton Central School (ACS) juniors Carl Dickson, Liz Biddle, and Tonya Prescott have each won a week-long all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, DC, in June as a result of their submissions to the New Hampshire Electrical Cooperative's essay contest. This is an annual contest open to juniors whose families or schools receive their electrical supply from the New Hampshire Electrical Cooperative. This year five delegates from across the state will be representing New Hampshire at the annual Youth Tour held in Washington, DC, in June. About 20 students from Alton entered this essay contest and eight were recognized as at least semifinalists. In addition to Dickson, Biddle, and Prescott, Molly Souliere, Elspeth Dana, Dan Quinn, Melanie Katsoulis, Melissa Kim, and Meredith Roy were semifinalists.

The essay itself was assigned to college prep and honors juniors in Mrs. Walker-Brown's classes. The projects were creative samples of short stories, essays, poetry, and children's books. There were many wonderful projects this year.

Congratulations again to Carl Dickson, Liz Biddle, and Tonya Prescott.

### WHAT ALTON SHOULD KNOW ABOUT CAREGIVERS

The First Congregational Church on South Main Street in Wolfeboro is in its 14th year of sponsoring a group who call themselves "Caregivers."

Jane Quimby and Jan Jones started the concept of Caregivers after they attended a workshop in Concord run by the New Hampshire Council of Churches and the New Hampshire Welfare Department. The word soon spread to include All Saints' Episcopal Church and now is considered an ecumenical venture.

They have more than 100 volunteers from Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro, and Alton. To be part of the transportation team or on the telephone, call Jane Quimby, 569-2613, or Shirley Bentley, 569-3714.

A volunteer may drive someone who needs transportation to a physical therapy session, doctor's appointment, the hairdresser, or the grocery store. The calls are 99 percent for transportation, but there have been calls simply for a person who may need a visit.

Because Caregivers has no office, a telephone number can be switched to the home number of the person who is responsible for the day. Each volunteer takes a four-hour duty on the telephone from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. If you need assistance with any of the above, the telephone number to call is 569-6780.

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## ACS's TOP TEN GRADUATES

### By The ACS Guidance Department

Alton Central School (ACS) has announced the top ten graduating seniors in the Class of 2003. They are in order of their rank:

**Valedictorian: Terese M. Hopper.** Terese is the daughter of Kevin and Joyce Hopper of Alton and has been a student at ACS since kindergarten. Participating in many extracurricular activities she has been President of her class for four years, President of S.A.D.D., attended Project Search through the UNH, and attended the HOBY Leadership Program. Terese is a member of Alton's Math Team, the PTSA, the Big Brother/Big Sister Program, the National Honor Society, and is active in Drama and Band. Sports being important she has participated in volleyball, softball, and basketball, scoring over 1,000 points for her team for basketball. Terese is a member of the Junior Olympic Volleyball Team, the Amateur Athletic Union Basketball Team, and the Granite State All Conference Team. She was recently named to the Twin State Tournament Team where she will play basketball against the top ten athletes from Vermont. Community involvement is a great part of her life. She has helped coach younger students in basketball through the school as well as the Shooters Gold Program and coached a Destination Imagination Team in the past. She will attend Dartmouth College in Hanover to study medicine.

**Salutatorian: Scott E. Baumgartner.** Scott is the son of John and Judith Baumgartner and has lived his entire life in Alton, attending ACS for 13 years. In his freshman and sophomore years of high school, Scott attended the summer National Guitar Workshop in Connecticut and during the summer of his junior year, he was in the Advanced Studies Program at St. Paul's School in Concord where he took a seminar on "Forbidden Fictions." He has been a three-year member of the Alton varsity basketball team, playing junior varsity ball in his freshman year and both varsity and junior varsity in his sophomore year. In his sophomore year he was inducted into the National Honor Society and currently serves as its president. Scott is also a class representative in student council. Earlier in his senior year, he helped teach the first beginner guitar class at Alton Central High School. He has enrolled at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, for the fall 2003 semester.

The remaining eight top students in order of ranking are:

**Erin R. Wood**, daughter of Richard and Susan Wood of Alton, will be attending Johnson & Wales University in Rhode Island to study Hospitality Management.

**Katie E. Brooks**, daughter of Helen Brooks of Alton Bay, has enrolled in Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts and is currently undecided about a specific major.

**Amanda J. Jones**, daughter of Nancy Jones-DeNauw and Joey DeNauw of Alton, will be attending the University of New England in Biddeford, Maine, to study Marine Biology.

**Stephanie L. Hillsgrove**, daughter of Wayne and Karyl Hillsgrove of Alton, wishes to become a secondary school math teacher and will be attending the NH Technical Institute in Concord.

**David H. Snell III**, son of David H. and Jennifer Snell, Jr., of Alton and Elinor Snell of East Alton, will be at the University of New Hampshire in order to become a teacher.

**Jill A. Feger**, daughter of William Feger of Alton and Theresa Feger of Farmington, plans on attending school for Visual Communications, taking classes for Business Administration through McIntosh College, and continuing her poetry writing.

**Dennis M. Callahan, Jr.**, son of Joann Callahan of Alton and Dennis Callahan, Sr. of Gilmanton, will be attending Northeastern University to study engineering.

**Kelly A. Jalbert**, daughter of Brian and Audrey Jalbert of Alton, will attend NH Technical Institute in Concord.

## ALTON STUDENTS CITED FOR HONORS AND CITIZENSHIP

The Alton Central School (ACS) has announced the students in Grades 9 through 12 who have made the Honor Roll and named for Citizenship during the third quarter of the 2002-2003 academic year. High Honors requires a grade of at least 92 in all subjects; Honors, a grade of at least 83; and Citizenship is based on attendance, no discipline, and no failing grades.

**Grade 9 High Honors:** Nicholas Bourikas, Ashley Hubbard, Luke LaFreniere, Jennifer McAllister, and Christopher Skinner.

**Grade 9 Honors:** Kyle Adabahr, Christine Barham, David Blanchette, Joshua Casoni, Nicholas DiVito, Christopher Frost, Taylor Peterson, Dan Pitman, Patrick Quinn, and Caitlin Wentworth.

**Grade 9 Citizenship:** Kyle Adabahr, Christine Barham, David Blanchette, Nicholas Bourikas, Nichole Brackett, Joshua Casoni, Shannon Cornelissen, Nick DiVito, Allyson Dudman, Christopher Frost, Rebecca Golden, Jimmy Grant, Ashley Hubbard, Adam Johnson, Luke LaFreniere, Justin Maciejewski, Jennifer McAllister, Taylor Peterson, Jacqueline Piaseczny, Dan Pitman, Patrick Quinn, Amber Richardson, Christopher Skinner, Aimee Terravechia, and Caitlyn Wentworth.

**Grade 10 High Honors:** Anne Farrell, Christina Jamieson, Jon Vogel, and Ashley Waterman.

**Grade 10 Honors:** Damien Hackett, Heather Hammes, Travis Hopper, Whitney Marston, and Kyle Storey.

**Grade 10 Citizenship:** Cory Damm, Kelly Eagles, Anne Farrell, Damian Hackett, Heather Hammes, Erin Hannafin, Travis Hillsgrove, Travis Hopper, Elizabeth Husak, Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur, Christina Jamieson, Whitney Marston, Brenna Quann, Shayna Randall, David Roberts, Lyndsey St. Laurent, Kyle Storey, Michael Tidd, Sarah Tinkham, Jon Vogel, and Ashley Waterman.

**Grade 11 Honors:** Elizabeth Biddle, Tamara Cornelissen, Kristy McDaniels, Crista Perkins, Tonya Prescott, Daniel Quinn, Meredith Roy, Molly Souliere, Matthew Sydow, and Kelsey Yelle.

**Grade 11 Citizenship:** Liz Biddle, Tamara Cornelissen, Ryan Donnelly, Shane Drew, Robyn Ford, Melanie Katsoulis, Kyle McAuliffe, Krsity McDaniels, Crista Perkins, Tonya Prescott, Dan Quinn, Meredith Roy, Molly Souliere, Laurence Storey, Matt Sydow, and Kelsey Yelle.

**Grade 12 High Honors:** Scott Baumgartner, Dennis Callahan, and Terese Hopper.

**Grade 12 Honors:** David Bailey, Hilary Ballentine, Katie Brooks, Millicent Cochran, Ashli Coughlin, Tiffeny Desmarais, Jill Feger, Mike Friedman, Amanda Jones, Sarah LaMothe, Elizabeth Paradise, Zachary Shea, Dave Snell, III, Julie St. Sauveur, and Amanda Tharpe.

**Grade 12 Citizenship:** David Bailey, Hilary Ballentine, Scott Baumgartner, Katie Brooks, Kendra Brown, Dennis Callahan, Jenn Carr, Millicent Cochran, Jamie Coigley, Ashli Coughlin, Tiffeny Desmarais, Jill Feger, Michael Friedman, Terese Hopper, Kelly Jalbert, Amanda Jones, Sarah Lamothe, Kristen Murray, Elizabeth Paradise, Tom Ryan, Kelley Scanlon, Zachary Shea, David Snell, III, Julie St. Sauveur, Amanda Tharpe, and Erin Wood.

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## FREEDOM IS NOT FREE

*Editors' note: With Flag Day occurring on June 14 the American Legion family of Alton has requested that the following poem be published.*

I watched the flag pass by one day, it fluttered in the breeze. A young Marine saluted it and then he stood at ease. I looked at him in uniform, so young, so tall, so proud, with hair cut square and eyes alert, he'd stand out in any crowd. I thought how many men like him had fallen through the years. How many died on foreign soil? How many mothers' tears? How many pilots' planes shot down? How many died at sea? How many foxholes were soldiers' graves? No, freedom is not free. I heard the sound of taps one night, when everything was still. I listened to the bugler play and felt a sudden chill. I wondered just how many times that taps had meant "Amen," when a flag had draped a coffin of a brother or a friend. I thought of all the children, of the mothers and the wives, of fathers, sons and husbands with interrupted lives. I thought about a graveyard at the bottom of the sea, of unmarked graves in Arlington, NO, Freedom is not free.

Written by Cadet Major Kelly Strong  
Air Force Junior ROTC  
Homestead Senior High School  
Homestead, FL., 1988



## THE BIG LAKE HALF MARATHON

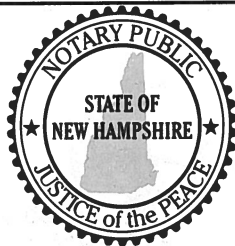
**By Keith Jordan, Race Coordinator**

After months of planning and preparation, the 2nd Annual Big Lake Half Marathon took place on May 3. At 9 a.m. 1,200 runners from all over the country started their 13.1 mile trek along the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee in Alton. Some finished in a little over an hour and fifteen minutes, some took upwards of four. All had a great time in this Audi all road Quattro Race Series event.

This unique event is becoming the biggest and most popular road race in the state. Entertainers were lined up for the course, and all of the water stops had themes. The beauty of the area and course really doesn't need any help, but we figured we'd try to make the race even more special. We had a great post-race band, the Holy Cows!, performing, a big Domino's Pizza feast, massage by Vital Kneads, Stonyfield Yogurt, Jordan's ice cream, great bagels, fresh fruit, peanut butter, and cream cheese from McGrath's, Pepsi, everything to make for a great party. The weather cooperated too.

The size of the field is the largest Half Marathon in the history of New Hampshire road racing. It is already the third largest road race in the state. We feel it could be much larger still. Hundreds of people have been turned away. It's tough to say no, but the most important thing is that the athletes

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competing have a great time and feel safe. It's also really important to make sure it doesn't adversely affect the town of Alton. It seemed that 1,200 was a good number to which to limit it. The town and the Police and Fire/Rescue Departments have all been very helpful and supportive. The Highway Department, the Parks and Recreation Department, and the Alton-New Durham Lions Club were also huge helps! They make sure this is a very safe enjoyable event for the area.

Special thanks to the all the great volunteers, local sponsors such as McGrath's, and community support for this event. Due to the overwhelming popularity of the race, Big Lake was able to help the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society raise more than \$100,000. It also helped raise funds for the Alton Parks and Recreation Department, Alton Student Council, Alton Prom Committee, Alton Youth League, Community Youth Association, and the New Hampshire Humane Society. We look forward to bringing this event back for 2004, and raise even more money for local groups and the community. Special thanks once again for all of your support!

**HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB**

By Natalie Turner

The Happy Hobby Doll Club held its April Meeting on the 25th at the Alton Bay Community Center, the old Railroad Station. The meeting began at 8:15 p.m. and after officers' reports, old and new business issues were discussed. A scholarship of \$200 was given to the Alton School system.

After the meeting an interesting illustrated program on Parian China Dolls was beautifully presented by Ruth Messier (the Doll Lady from Alton). Mrs. Messier was accompanied by a group of beautiful Parian China Ladies who were proud to display their excellent, even extraordinary, craftsmanship, both in doll making and fashion seam-stressing.

Refreshments of cake and ice cream were followed by numerous door prizes and smiles of surprise and delight. At 9 p.m. tables and chairs were packed away and lights put out to the accompanying echoes of "had fun, see you" and "good night."

**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**

By Debra Laurion

The Book Discussion Group at the Gilman Library recently discussed *A Light in August* by William Faulkner. It was about several different characters from the south and how they intertwined with one another. The majority of us felt that it was a very complex book and needed to really focus, otherwise we might miss something.

The next book will be *A Farewell to Arms* by Ernest Hemingway on June 9 at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to join us for another fun-filled discussion with refreshment. We look forward to people's suggestions for our new name.

**ALTON-NEW DURHAM LIONS CLUB**

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club was off and running for the month of May. Lion Art Hoover ran in the Great Winnepesaukee Half Marathon, while five of his fellow Lions manned a registration table. Great weather made for a great time for all. On May 2 four members made the journey to Moultonboro to participate in a club visitation. Lions love to keep in touch!

At the May 15 meeting plans for the upcoming August Car Show was put on the front burner. Lion members like to keep things rolling smoothly.

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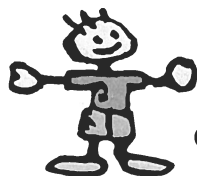
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**FOR THE FUN OF IT**  
By Kellie Troendle, CPRP  
Parks and Recreation Director

## OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE

Check out the new summer schedule available now at A.V.A.S. Public Park and the Alton Town Hall. Programs include: Pre-School themed events, senior activities, youth activities, Soccer League, 5K Road Race, Volleyball Tournament, Soccer Camp, Craft Fair, Sea Dogs Games, Ttips, Hiking and Biking Club, swimming lessons, and much more. Contact us at A.V.A.S. Public Park, 875-0109, or at <altonparks@metrocast.net>.

### Pre-School Program

Programs are held on Wednesdays at the Alton Bay Community Center from 1:30 - 3 p.m. for ages 3 - 5, \$4 per day. Children must be toilet trained. Snack is included. Space is limited; please sign up early to guarantee participation.

**Teddy Bear Picnic** — June 4. Teddy bear story, parade, craft project, picnic snack with favorite stuffed animal, and more. Register by June 2.

**Shake, Rattle, and Roll** — June 11. Make musical instruments, play musical chairs and other fun games. Register by June 2.

**Disney Magic** — June 18. Be an mouseketeer for the day and create Disney magic to take home. Register by June 6.

**Krafty Kids** — June 25. Make beaded necklaces and other decorative items. Register by June 13.

### Jurassic Park Candy Bar Bingo

June 23. Ages 7 & up, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., Alton Bay Community Center. \$4 per person, register by June 13. A fun afternoon of dinosaur BINGO. Please bring one full-size candy bar to be placed in the prize pool. Two winners every game. Everyone goes home a winner.

### Magical Mystery Day

June 27. Ages 7 - 12, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Alton Bay Community Center. \$10 per person, register by June 13. We'll explore the world of Harry Potter and his friends at Hogwarts. Learn magic tricks and make magical crafts and fun potions. Bring a lunch, sunscreen, swimsuit, and towel.

### Blue Job Hike

June 24. 9:30 a.m., trail head, Strafford. On a clear day the summit offers views from Boston to Mounts Monadnock and Washington. Approximately one hour hike. Register by June 10. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Free.

### Country Line Dancing Lessons

For adults of all ages. Thursdays at the Alton Bay Community Center from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Learn new dances every week. \$3/season. Drop by anytime.

### Patriotic Bingo

June 13. Pearson Road Community Center from 1 - 3 p.m. Prizes will be awarded. Refreshments will be served. Free to Alton Seniors.

### Walking/Be Fit Club

Adults of all ages. Begin with a light warm up followed by strengthening exercises and a "go at your own pace" walk. Mondays, June 16, 23, 30, 9 - 9:45 a.m., A.V.A.S. Public Park. Register by June 11. Free.



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FIFTEEN 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.

**TEN YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . Old Home Week shirts were available featuring the theme "Olde Tyme Family Fun" . . . there were other fund-raising 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.

**FIVE YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . The class of 1998 sponsored a Donkey Basketball game . . . Kellie McGrath (now Troendle) of the Alton Parks and Recreation Department received the "Don Heyliger Young Professional Award" . . . Friends of the Gilman Library celebrated a good friend of the library by honoring Pat Merrill with a party complete with a cake.

CARDS OF THANKS

On behalf of the Class of 2003 at Alton Central School, I would like to say thank you to our school, community, and families for all of your love, support, and encouragement to us over the past 13 years.

As we wind down our last few weeks of school and get ready to embark on the next leg of our life's journeys, we realize how much Alton has done for us. As a "community" you have always supported us in every way, and because of YOU we are ready and prepared to meet our future challenges.

Thank you. We hope to make you proud. There is an old saying, "you can never go home again," but to us we will never truly leave because Alton will always be in our minds, hearts, and prayers.

/s/With Love And Appreciation,  
Terese Hopper, Class of 2003 President

The teachers at Alton Central School would like to thank the PTSA and the School Board for the delicious luncheon that was provided during Teacher Appreciation Week.

/s/Alton Central School Staff

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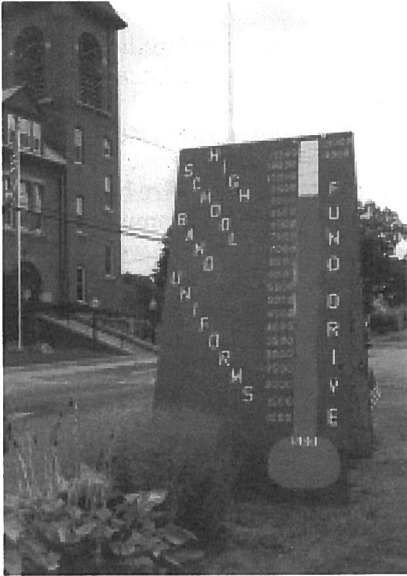
**By Ray Nadeau, Legion Post Commander**

The High School Band Uniform drive has just hit \$9,000, which puts us \$3,000 short of our goal. The drive started in mid-August, 2002, and thanks to the efforts of the Alton American Legion family, some local businesses, and many local residents and organizations, the goal is now in sight.

The great bulk of this month's increase is credited to the Alton Police Association. They sponsored and worked a Sunday breakfast at the Legion in May. At the conclusion of their efforts they donated their entire proceeds to the Band Uniform drive. We are certainly proud of them and the entire community feels the same. Thanks, Alton Police Department!

The new summer hours for our kitchen on Thursdays are 5 to 9 p.m. Food will be served at the usual time, 4 to 8 p.m., on Fridays and Saturdays. Our popular Sunday breakfast buffet continues every week from 8 a.m. until 12 noon. Note that all profits from the Sunday breakfast buffets are donated to local non-profit groups and charities.

Don't forget June 14 is FLAG DAY! Gather up all those damaged, torn, and dirty flags and bring them to the Legion Post on Route 28 North. They will be destroyed properly in a ceremony on Saturday, June 14, at 11 a.m.



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