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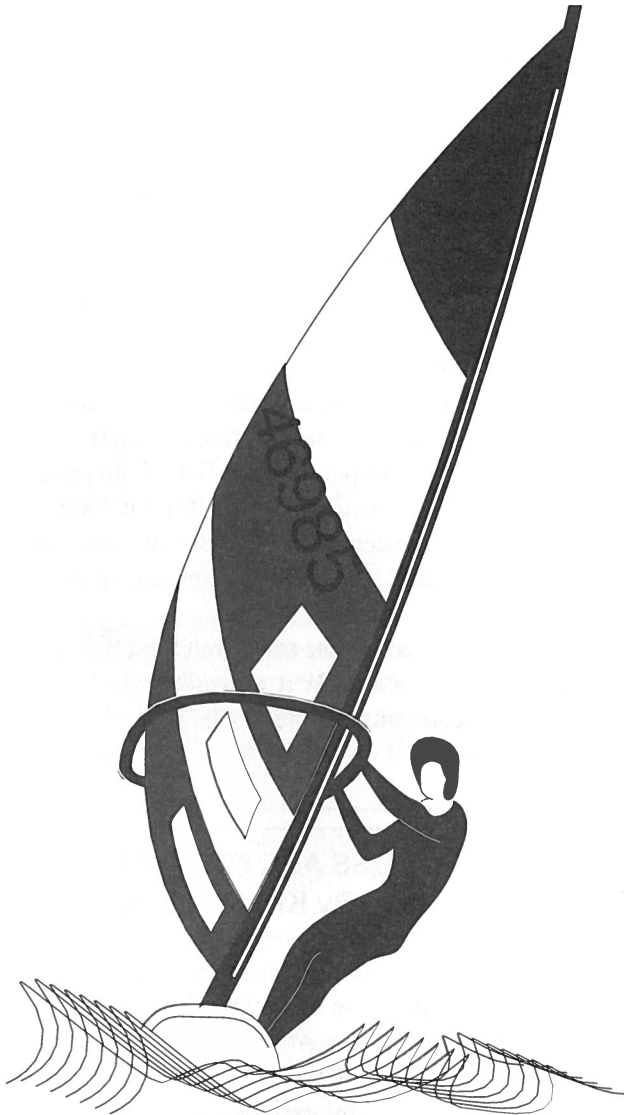
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SUMMER!!

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LOCAL RESIDENT RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

Alton's Florence Holway receives an award from the National Sexual Violence Resource Center. Holway, left, was presented the award by Lynda Ruel, a Victim/Witness advocate from the New Hampshire Attorney General's office.





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JUNE HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION By Sarah Silk

As the children think of summer vacation, adults think of sprucing up around the yard. When cleaning out the basement, garage, tool or garden shed, pack all those old oil paints (latex is not a hazardous waste), automotive fluids, and pesticides, in a sturdy cardboard box for the hazardous waste collection.

Scott Simons at the Solid Waste Center has green flyers with a complete list of all products accepted at the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility at 404 Beach Pond Road, Wolfeboro, NH. Alton is a member community and Scott has free passes for residents and taxpayers. Please get a pass prior to attending, it will be turned in at the Facility during a short survey. Come early in the season to avoid the rush in Sept/Oct.

The Facility also collects NiCad batteries for recycling, provides postage-free envelopes to recycle printer cartridges, and accepts cell phones, pagers, and PDAs (palm pilots) for recycle. The Facility has a swap shop for good free pre-screened paint and automotive products.

The Facility is open the 3rd Sat of the month May thru Oct from 8:30AM-noon. In Wolfeboro Falls take Rt 109A, turn right at the cemetery onto Beach Pond Rd. When open, the Facility has 2 bright yellow signs at the entrance on the left.

Got questions? Please call Sarah Silk, Site Coordinator, 569-Let's Take Care Of it collection days or leave a message anytime. Evenings try 569-2073, or 651-7530. Your call will be returned.

RED CROSS AED COURSE OFFERED By Kristine A. Olson-Smith

The Greater White Mountain American Red Cross will be holding a community Automated External Defibrillation (AED) course at the office on June 1st from 9am-11am. This course is offered to anyone holding a current Adult CPR card. The cost is \$20.00.

Please contact Kay Mahoney at 524-5414 ext. 223 or via email at mahoneyk@metrocast.net to sign up for this lifesaving course.

**EXPLORE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT
ALTON YOUTH
By Dick Wallace**

Did you know that the very successful "Winnepesaukee Winners 4-H Club" has been organized in Alton? The Club meets at the Alton Elementary School every Tuesday from 3-5:45pm. This club was started by the UNH Cooperative Extension Program 4 H representatives in collaboration with the Alton Community Youth Activities (CYA) team and the Alton Elementary School (AES). It has served over 20 youth in grades 3-6 offering enhancement and development projects for the youth to participate in. The program is offered free to parents.

Plans are underway to expand this program for the next school year by offering the youth project activities three (3) days a week. To make this a reality we need adult and teen volunteers to teach a project that they enjoy to a few youth! There is also a need for adults and teens to serve on the Advisory Board, or take charge of special projects such as community service activities. Excellent 4-H project documentation and support is available. If you have a minimum of 6 hours/year to share, why not explore the possibility supporting our youth by contacting Becky Levesque, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development at (603) 527-5477 to learn more about what is asked of our volunteers. You do not have to be a parent of children attending AES to help our youth.

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Alton Central School Preschool screening is scheduled for June 17, accepting children for 3 year old program. Also accepting 4-year-olds with developmental concerns. Please call Sharon Guild, 875-0398 for information and appointment.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Community Church of Alton will hold Vacation Bible School June 27th - July 1st from 9:00 - 11:30 am. The theme for this year is "The Serengeti Trek - where kids are wild about God." Games, Crafts, songs, stories and even the snacks will reinforce the Bible point for the day. Children of all ages are welcome. There are still a few openings for older students to be crew leaders and assist the younger children through the morning activities. Mark your calendar and call the church at 875-5561 to pre-register

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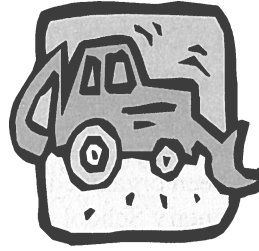
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Clip as a reminder!

May showers bring spring flowers this is very true, the rains have surely brought out the flowers and the green grass.

The roads have been swept in town, we were able to do a few more roads this year, also catch basin's were cleaned out, we apologize for any inconveniences.

The highway crew has been out raking the graveled roads, checking the culverts and cleaning the ditch lines, and cold patching the paved roads. Please check your driveway culverts for any debris, now would be a good time to clean out the driveway culvert so the water can run through and into the ditch line.

There will be some trees cut down on both sides of Pond Road not necessarily widening the road way. We will be working within the stone wall. The highway dept. will start this project on Monday, June 13 and it should take approximately 2 1/2 weeks to complete. The highway dept. will also be finishing the last 300 feet on Spring Street.

In mid-June the excavator and all the equipment will be coming in onto Old Wolfeboro Road starting from Powder Mill Road - please expect delays. If at all possible it would be of great help if you could use an alternate route, this would not only ensure safety but to also help the project move along more quickly.

We have hired a truck driver. Welcome aboard Larry!

Thank you for your calls please keep them coming 875-6808.

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...A special ceremony was held to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the completion of the Lake Shore Railroad. It took forty years of planning and building to complete it. Alton Bay was then connected to Laconia. Limber and ice were shipped. Of the twenty stations from the Bay to Laconia, seven remain. Tracks were taken up in 1935... Tony Dunham, Matt Locke, Wendy Matson and Kim Waldron won four of eight trips to Washington D.C. offered to New Hampshire juniors. They will represent New Hampshire Electric Cooperative at National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Youth Tours ...

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

...Third grader, Elspeth Dana, won the "Most Practical and Useful Award" at the ninth annual Young Inventors May Celebration... Alton property revaluation commenced on May 11. This is carried out by State property appraisers... The Gilman Library received an anonymous gift of \$61,000 for their expansion project... The Winnepesaukee Masonic Lodge celebrated Earth Day and kicked off an Adopt a Highway program. They are working on Route 11 from the Alton traffic circle to New Durham...

FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

...Alton lost St. Joan of Arc church to a fast moving fire on May 11. Despite the aid from all surrounding towns, the church was a total loss and had to be demolished. Several important and sacred articles were able to be rescued... Three Alton residents were recognized at the Honors Convocation at UNH. Recognition was for maintaining a consistently high cumulative grade average. Stephanie Osborn was a "Presidential Scholar" (3.7 or better) and Heather (Brown) Donahue and Rebecca Miller received "University Honors (3.2 or better)... Meghan St. Cyr and Renee LaFreniere, (ACS) Seniors have been accepted for the Advanced Studies Program at St. Paul's School in Concord this summer.

REV CHARLES WILLSON TO BE INSTALLED AS PASTOR OF BAY CHURCH

By Nancy Pritchard

The Rev. Charles Willson has accepted a pastoral call to The Bay Church and will be installed on June 12 at the 11am worship service. Rev. Willson has served in pastorates in Maine, Canada and Colorado. He is a former resident of Wolfeboro and now resides in the church parsonage in Alton Bay with his wife, Carol. The public is invited to the installation which will be held in the Chapel at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. Refreshments will follow the service with an opportunity to welcome the Willsons to the church and community.

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On a personal note, this correspondent is quite happy to be back in New Hampshire's fresh air and once again following the Red Sox on NESN.

At our May meeting, President John Brooks reminded members that dues must be paid by the first of June. As trip coordinator, he stated that a tentative outing to the Amesbury dinner theater is being planned for mid-June or later. Check with the senior center at 875-7102 or look for the sign-up sheet when you come to lunch. He wants to provide interesting trips; if you have suggestions please let him know. We need more people to sign up for trips to keep the cost down.

Our Good-Cheer person Marge Favreau has been undergoing rehab after hip surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery. She has been very loyal in sending out cards to our members, whether it be sympathy, get-well, birthday or anniversary. Now she will appreciate others' concerns for her.

A big thank you to the American Legion for its donation of \$121.00 to our treasury. In January, the Alton seniors volunteered to help at a Legion breakfast to “earn” the donation.

On May 12, Town Administrator Bailey, along with his assistant Pat Rockwood, were luncheon guests at the Senior Center. Claire Fitzgerald, meal site coordinator, presented tokens of appreciation from CAP to seniors who are occasional volunteers. The guest speakers recognized the contribution of those who have helped out in various ways at the center.

We are happy to welcome new members, Hervey and Helene Lambert, who moved to Alton about a year ago. We hope they enjoy their association with us. Congratulations, Hervey, for winning our attendance raffle!

The seniors wish all the fathers a wonderful Father's Day. The troubled times in which we live make a father's responsibility to his family even greater. We admire those fathers who make heroic efforts to give stability to the young.

The seniors have learned that our loyal and steadfast Treasurer, Liz Roberts, will be leaving in June to live with her daughter in Maine. Liz is also an indefatigable volunteer and never turns down an opportunity to serve in any capacity she can. We never hear a pessimistic word from her, and her cheerful smile and kindness to every one will be sorely missed. We wish her the very best, and we hope she will come back to visit. Our heartfelt gratitude to her for all that she has done.

Our next meeting is June 8th, at 1pm. Most of our snowbirds should be back by then. Thanks, Georgianna Nason, for the refreshments!



**ALTON OUTDOORS
By Jack Miller**

June is the month that starts the summer season for the outdoor person. It is the start of the warm water fishing season.

Fishing is a relaxing, fresh air sport. To give everyone a chance to try it, NH has a "free fishing day" on June 4th. Anyone may fish WITHOUT a license on that day only. You still must follow all the rules and regulations for the body of water you wish to fish in. The 2005 Fresh Water Fishing Digest (the rule book) can be picked up free where ever licenses are sold. Look up the lake, pond or stream you want to fish in and learn it's rules. Give fishing a try—good luck!

Remember that continuing until June 15th, all bass caught must be immediately released at the spot where you hooked them. They are on their "beds" right now and are easily caught while they protect their young. As the bugs really come out in force, fly fishing is an exciting way to catch fish. Trout ponds and streams have been stocked by the state. For a list of stocking sights, go to www.wildlife.state.nh.us

Another fishery that takes off this month is striped bass found in the ocean shores. "Schoolies" (smaller fish, up to 30") came in last month, and the "cows" (big females, 40" and longer) will soon be off our coast and in the Great Bay area. Striped bass give a good fight, so if you hook one, hold on to that fishing rod! These fish really pull back! Blue fish will start showing up in the ocean at the end of this month. They are voracious feeders and have very sharp teeth. You'll need a heavy line or steel leader if you plan to try to net one.

With June 21st being the longest day light of the year, there is plenty of time to get out in Alton's outdoors. See you there.

ALTON WATER WORKS ANNOUNCES RATE INCREASE

The Water Commission for the Town of Alton voted to increase water usage rates beginning this quarter. The basic charge for year round services will be raised from \$50.00 to \$60.00 for up to the first 1,000 cubic feet and from 5¢ to 6¢ per cubic foot used thereafter. These services are billed quarterly January, April, July, October.

The seasonal rate for those on the seasonal water lines will increase from \$140.00 to \$180.00 per season. This covers usage from approximately April 15 to approximately October 15 and is billed once per year in August.

To avoid unnecessary high bills, check all faucets, toilets and hoses to be sure there are no leaks and no dripping. Water saver faucets, shower heads and toilets are also helpful.

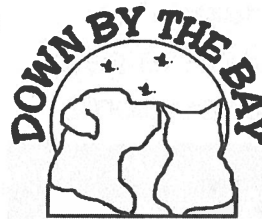
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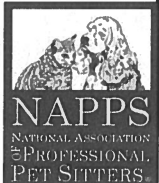
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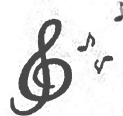
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By Kellie Troendle, CPRP
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Town Wide Yard Sale

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring its annual Town Wide Yard Sale on Saturday, June 4 from 9am-3pm, rain date is June 5. Over 50 Yard Sales are listed on the map. The Yard Sale is a great way to spend the day looking for that special treasure. Free maps are available at the Parks and Recreation Department outside Kiosk, Town Hall, Gilman Library and the Bank of NH. If you cannot pick a map up please call us at 875-0109 to have a map mailed.

Alton Canoe and Kayak Race

Co-Sponsored By Parker Marine

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring its annual Canoe and Kayak Race on Sunday, June 26 at 10am with Parker Marine. Register by June 13 and receive a race t-shirt. The race begins in the water at the bridge on Route 28, launch across from Alton Auto. Paddle the Merrymeeting River into Alton Bay, two portages. Lifejackets are required. Categories include: racing, recreation, kayak, co-ed, single, men, women, adult and child and senior. Registration fee is \$15 per canoe or \$10/single. Great prizes including gift certificates donated by the awesome River Run Deli will be awarded. Spring water donated by EndorFun Sports will be available for all racers. Call us to have a race form mailed to you or register on race day starting at 8:30am. Get outside and paddle the lake. If you want to race and need a watercraft contact us at 875-0109 and we will be happy to refer you to a boat.

Men's Pickup Basketball

Men 35 years and over are invited to play three on three pickup basketball games at the Prospect Mountain High School gym on Sunday evenings from 6pm-8pm. The program is free and players are asked to please use the gym entrance. This program is ongoing and players are welcome to drop in anytime. Join in this great sport, sharpen your skills, meet new people and get a great workout. For more information contact Mike Akstin at 776-2719 or Alton Parks and Recreation.

Play, Learn and Grow Program

Join in this drop-in program with the Giggles and Grins Resource Center. This free program is open to all children newborn to five years of age and is held at the Alton Bay Community Center, located on Lake Winnepesaukee, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30am. Come and meet new parents and children. Activities include: free play, snack time, reading books and more. Parents must stay and supervise their child during the program and are asked to please bring a snack for their child. Drop by anytime and check out our ongoing program.

Compost Bin Sale

If you ordered a Compost Bin and or kitchen pail the items will be available for pickup on Saturday, June 18 from 8am-12pm at A.V.A.S. Public Park. Thank you for helping us reduce waste and recycle our household scraps into rich, reusable soil. Our gardens appreciate your effort.

SUMMER SCHEDULES READY

Looking for something to do this summer? Check out our 2005 Summer Schedule available at A.V.A.S. Public Park, Alton Town Hall and the Gilman Library. Programs include: Pre-School Activities, The Amazing Race, Treasure Island, Stars Wars, The Big Game of Clue, Soccer Camp and Basketball Camp, Soccer League, Red Cross Certified Swimming Lessons, Arts and Craft and Ice Cream Socials, Splash City~ USA, Batman is Back, Old Home Days, Summer Concerts, Senior Bingo, Biking Club, Fireworks, Canoe Race, 5K Road Race, Walking Club, Sand Volleyball Tournaments and much more. You can also visit our web site at www.parksandrecreation.com to browse our programs and special events.

Senior Bingo

Co-Sponsored by Profile Bank

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department monthly Bingo program with Profile Bank for Alton seniors will be held on Friday, June 17 at 1pm at the Pearson Rd Community Center. Join us as we play novelty Bingo games for prizes. Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be drawn at the end of the program. This is a great program to work our minds and meet new people in our community.

Seasonal Jobs Open

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is currently looking for Lifeguards, softball umpires and program leaders for our upcoming events. If you enjoy being outside, working with people and smiling please contact us for an application.

Fireworks for July

The Town of Alton is sponsoring Fireworks on Saturday, July 2 in celebration of Independence Day. The Fireworks will be launched off a barge in Alton Bay at 9:20pm. Other free events on July 2 include: Family Scavenger Hunt at 6pm at the Alton Bay Bandstand and the Pony Express Concert at the Alton Bay Bandstand from 7-9pm. Join in the fun as we celebrate our freedom and wonderful country.

Special Thank You

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank Myrna Knight for the generous donation of the American Flag standing proudly at the Alton Bay Water Bandstand, which was donated in loving memory of George Knight, Sr. who loved Alton Bay and the lake.

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**HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB
DOLL SHOW AND SALE
By Sandy Hammond**

The Happy Hobby Doll Club will present its 20th annual doll show and sale on Sunday, June 26 from 9:30am to 2pm at the Prospect Mountain High School, 242 Suncook Valley Rd. (Route 28). Adult admission is \$3.00, however, bring a nonperishable food donation, per adult, for the food pantry and receive a \$1.00 discount. Admission for children under 12 is \$1.00.

This year's featured guest is John R. Burbidge, former bridal designer for the famous Priscilla of Boston Salon. He will share a selection of his 29" mannequins dressed in authentic costumes of the Victorian and Edwardian periods. These exquisite gowns, designed and produced by Mr. Burbidge, are also the subject of his book, *Les Petites Dames de Mode (The Little Ladies of Fashion)*, which he will be happy to sign. Wonderful, full-color photos of each costume, plus close-up shots of the gowns accompanied by John's notes about the creation of each piece, provides the reader with a broad knowledge of fashion, design and history. Doll collectors, historians, and clothing designers would treasure this beautiful book.

The doll show will include free appraisals, door prizes, free parking and over 50 additional dealers. Lunch will be available on the premises. The Happy Hobby Doll club members have built and decorated a log cabin doll house, with a hunting cabin theme, which will be raffled at the doll show.

For more information contact Ruth Messier at 603-875-6750, or e-mail at rutham@worldpath.net.

A French Promenade dress, circa 1896, designed and constructed by John Burbidge, is one in a series of over 75 elegantly dressed 29" mannequins.



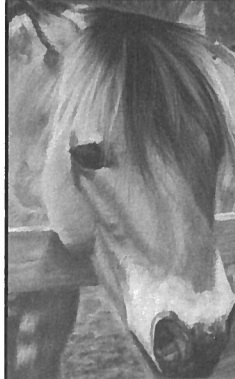
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Newborn/Maternal Home Visits: Community Health & Hospice Young Family Program nurses provide free home visits for pregnant women who are Medicaid-eligible and also offer a free visit by a Registered Nurse to any parent of a newborn in the greater Lakes Region. The program teaches infant care, what to expect in their child's growth and development, and parenting skills. For more information, contact the Young Family Program at Community Health & Hospice at (603) 524-8444.

Shots For Tots, Teens, and In-Betweens: provides immunizations for children to age 19. For dates and location, contact the Young Family Program at Community Health & Hospice at (603) 524-8444.

"Caring Caregivers" Support Group: a support group for caregivers of the memory-impaired and others in long term caregiving situations. The day group generally meets on the first and third Monday of the month from 10:00 to 11:30am. The evening group meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 8pm. Regular meetings are held at Community Health & Hospice, 780 North Main Street, Laconia. Please contact Pat Marceau at CH&H (524-8444, ext. 343) for additional information.

Community Health & Hospice welcomes volunteers and provides training in all programs. For more information on volunteer opportunities please contact Bev Nelson, Volunteer Coordinator, at Community Health & Hospice, 780 N. Main Street, Laconia, NH 03246 or call (603) 524-4339, ext. 348 or (toll-free) (800) 244-8549 in New Hampshire.

Alton Senior Citizens Association Whist Club Mon. & Thurs. 1-3pm, Bingo Tues., Weds., & Fri. 1-2pm. Pearson Road Community Center. All are welcome.

JUNE EVENTS

- Wed 1 Red Cross AED Course, see p 2
Deadline for written requests for free computers, see p. 14
- Sat. 4 Free Fishing Day, see p. 7
Town-Wide Yard Sale, see p. 8
- Mon 6 Lakes Region Arts Association meeting, see p. 23
- Thu 9 Drug Awareness Community Forum, see p. 18
- Mon 13 Alton's Book Chat, 'One for the Money', see p. 16
- Tue 21 Alton Historical Society program, 'Women in War', see p. 16
- Sun 26 Alton Canoe and Kayak Race, Route 28 Bridge, see p. 8
Happy Hobby Doll Club Show and Sale, see p. 11
- Wed 29 'Savvy Seniors Series' presents speakers from the NH Attorney General's Office, see p. 17

Bereavement Support Group: Community Health & Hospice offers a Bereavement Support Group at Community Health & Hospice, 780 North Main Street, Laconia. Call Carolyn Stevenson, 524-8444, ext. 321 for more information.

Overeaters Anonymous: Overeaters Anonymous (OA) meets weekly on Thursdays at the Alton Bay Community Center on Route 11 from 5:30-6:30 pm. Also Tues., Cong Church Ossipee, Sat., Huggins Hospital Wolfeboro. Call 434-7578 for more information. All are welcome.

Young Family Program: the Community Health & Hospice is offering a free Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) to parents of children ages four months through five years. The ASQ is a parent-completed screening system to help identify children who should be referred for a comprehensive assessment for medical, special education, early childhood education, mental health, and social services. For more information or to request a questionnaire, call Carol at 524-4339, ext. 346.

Blood Pressure Clinics: Blood Pressure Clinics are held on the Second Thursday of the month from 10:30-noon, Alton Senior Center, Pearson Road.

American Red Cross Blood Services: Red blood cells have a shelf life of only forty-two days, so new reserves must be added to hospital inventories every day. If you would like information about becoming a regular blood donor, contact the American Red Cross Blood Services - New England Region at 1-800-843-3500, or go to www.newenglandblood.org/nh for a list of blood drives.

ORGANIZATIONS:

- Alcoholics Anonymous -- Tue., 8 p.m., Alton Bay Comm. Ctr.
- Alton Centennial Rotary Club -- Thursdays, 7am, American Legion Hall, for more info see www.altonrotary.org.
- 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., 8:30 p.m., Legion Hall, Rte 28
- American Legion Auxiliary -- 2nd Mon., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall
- American Legion Jr. Auxiliary -- 1st Wed., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall
- American Legion Family -- 2nd Monday 7:30pm, Legion Hall
- Sons of the American Legion, 2nd Monday, 6:30pm, Legion Hall
- Boy Scout Troop 53 -- Wed., 7 pm, Central Fire Station
- Cub Scout Pack 53 -- Last Wed., 7 p.m., Legion Hall
- Downtown Revitalization Committee, 1st Tues, 4pm, Town 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., Sr. Center, 875-3858 or <info@mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com>
- OES, Warren-Alpha #10, Wolfeboro -- 3rd Tue, 7:30 p.m., 539-7898
- Overeaters Anonymous (OA), Mondays, 5:30, Bay Church. Call 434-7578
- 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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Information Center

SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

- Baha'i Fireside -- Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
- Bay Church -- 11am Worship Service (10:30 July, Aug), ABCCC; Weds. supper 6:30, Prayer meeting 7:30pm, Church on Rand Hill Rd. Rev. Charles Willson. 875-6765
- Community Church -- Sun. Service, 9am, Main Street Church Rev. Peter Bolster, Pastor; 875-5561
- First Free Will Baptist Church -- Sun. School, 9:45 am; Church, 11 am; Evening Service, 6 pm; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 pm; Depot St., New Durham; Pastor James Nason
- North Barnstead Congregational Church -- Sun. School and Worship Services, 10:30 am, 504 N. Barnstead Rd, Rev. Gray Fitzgerald
- St. Katharine Drexel -- Weekend Masses Sat. 4pm, Sun., 8:30am and 10:30am; weekday Masses, Mon. through Fri., 8am; Rev. George Ham; 569-2548
- Wolfeboro Bible Fellowship -- Sunday School, 9:30am; Worship Service, 10:30 am; Evening Service, 6pm; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 pm; Route 28; Pastor Scott Button

GILMAN LIBRARY: 875-2550

Tue. and Thu., 11 am - 7 pm; Wed. and Fri., 9 am - 5 pm; Sat., 9 am - 1 pm; closed Sun. and Mon.

SENIOR MEAL SITE: 875-7102

Mon-Fri., 10am-2pm; Pearson Rd. Community Center

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BUDGET COMMITTEE -- 3rd Thursday (twice a week in "budget season"), 7 pm, Chairman Gregory Fuller, 875-7448.

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**FREE COMPUTER PARTS AND PRINTERS
FROM ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL**

By Pam McLeod

Do you have an old computer that needs replacement parts? A child that likes to tinker with electronics? Need a laser printer that may work for a year or two? Then stop by the ACS during the Town-Wide Yard Sale on June 4 between 9am and 3pm (rain date June 5). We will be giving away hundreds of 5-to-10 year old computer parts that we can no longer use, including several older, working laser printers and a Sun workstation. Parts include cases, hard drives, fans, power supplies, motherboards, CD-ROM drives, RAM, floppy drives, cables and more. We also have several non-working laser printers and older computers that are missing just a few parts. Bring a screwdriver and please plan to take multiple items, as we cannot guarantee the operability of any item. Please enter through the gym doors on Pine Street.

We are also surplusing 24 older, working Windows 98 computers which we can no longer operate effectively on our network. These would serve as basic word-processing or internet home computers. We are accepting written requests from families of ACS students through June 1; if we receive more than 24 requests, a drawing will be held on June 6. If we receive less than 24 requests from families, community members are welcome to apply for the computers between June 1 and June 10. Please contact Pam McLeod at 875-0394 or email pmcleod@alton.k12.nh.us for more information or to check on availability.

Check our website at www.alton.k12.nh.us for a daily calendar and lunch menu, our most recent Technology Plan, and other news and updates!

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2005-2006

By Mim Roques

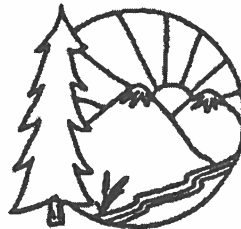
With continued interest growing in the need for an After School extended program next year for Kindergarten students, plans are under way to receive students at the close of their morning program, have lunch and provide fun activities for them until 2:30pm, 5 days a week. If family needs require a longer day, students may join the established after school program for older students or stay longer in their own setting, depending on the number of young people involved.

If the above sounds confusing... it is until we know how many after school kindergarten young folks are signed up. So, if you are in need of an after school program for your young person next school year, please let us know soon by calling the church office at 875-5561. We are open Wednesday through Friday, 9am to 2pm. Evening calls may be made to 875-2289.

We will have opportunities for play, clowning and mime, story writing, music, puppetry and painting available according to the interest of the young folks enrolled. There may even be opportunities for scale model building and soft sculpture sewing. Please call. Our patron list is growing and it will be beneficial to all to know how many students to expect in the Fall.

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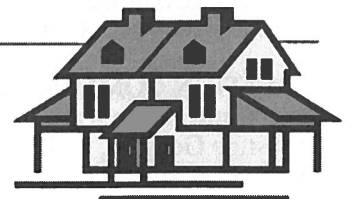
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**REGISTER NOW FOR 2005-2006
PRESCHOOL PROGRAM
By Mim Roques**

Registration for the 2005-2006 PreSchool year is open. We will be relocating to the Baptist Meeting House on Main Street in September. Classes for four-year-old students will be held from 8:30-11:30am on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Classes for three-year-olds will be held on Tuesday and Thursday. For registration details, call the church office at 875-5561 or stop in to see us from 9:00am to 2:00pm Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. Evening calls can be made to 875-2289 for registration.

**NEWS FROM ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
By Dr. Jacqueline R. Verville
Director of Reading**

We had 58 students participate in the kindergarten screening on May 11th and 12th. Parents and children seemed to enjoy the experience. We were greatly pleased by the results of the assessment. An overview was given of the screening instrument that was utilized, and the scores were reviewed with parents on Tuesday, May 17th from 6:30 to 7:30. All questions were answered. Staff who participated in the screening are portrayed in the picture.

During the weeks of May 9th and May 16th, the Stanford Diagnostic Reading and Math instruments were given to many of the students in the school.

The Reading Department is holding its end of the year Title I Celebration for all parents and children of Title I on June 10th at 1:30 PM. We hope all parents will come to support their child/ren. We also want to thank you for all of your cooperation and support during this past year. We are looking forward to more parent involvement during the next school year as well as your participation in the summer library program and other programs being offered at the Gilman Library during the school year. All of us working together will help to create a positive literacy environment for your child.

**ALTON GARDEN CLUB NEWS
By Vi Russell**

The Alton Garden Club June Meeting will be held at the Temperance Tavern in Gilmanton Corner June 28 at 10am. The program is Coffee Hour and "Brooches". Please wear a brooch - homemade or - Hostess is Louise Karjanen.

The best things that can come out of a garden are gifts for other people "Emma Goldman" Anyone interested in coming to the garden club and joining us can call President Vi Russell at 776-4454.




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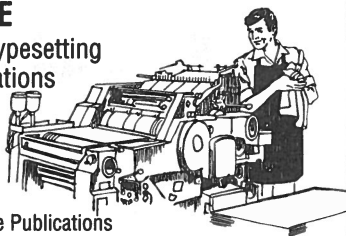
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THE CHECKOUT DESK By Holly Brown Librarian

The Gilman Library will be participating in the Town-Wide Yard Sale scheduled for Saturday, June 4 by holding a sale of books and baked goods. Participants may purchase a plastic bag full of books for \$1.00 or a canvas bag for \$5.00 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 any questions please call 875-2550.

“Camp Wanna Read” is the theme for the Summer Reading Program 2005. For more information please visit the circulation desk at the Gilman Library.

The Friends of the Gilman Library and the Alton Historical Society invite you to join them here at the Gilman Library on Tuesday, June 21 at 7 PM for a program entitled Women in War. This lecture, presented by Cory B. Kilvert, will provide insight on the role of women in war from the Revolutionary War to the Vietnam War. Cory B. Kilvert is the author of Echoes of Armageddon, 1914-1918: An Americans Search into the Lives and Deaths of Eight British Soldiers of World War One. Signed copies of his book will be available for purchase on the night of the program for \$17.50 each. This program is sponsored by the Oliver J.M. Gilman Lyceum Fund. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Gilman Library and the Alton Historical Society. Admission is free. All are welcome. A copy of this book is available for circulation here at the library. If you would like to read it prior to the program please stop in and see us or call 875-2550.

The book discussion group, Alton's Book Chat, will be meeting on Monday, June 13 at 6:30 PM in the Agnes Thompson Meeting Room at the Gilman Library to discuss One for the Money by Janet Evanovich. If you would like a copy of the book please let us know. New members are always welcome.

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LAKES REGION CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

By Karen Poor

You and your friends are invited to attend the Lakes Region Christian Women's Club luncheon. The event is scheduled to be held from 11am-1pm on Wednesday, June 8 at Maurice's Family Restaurant, Rt. 25, Moultonborough. Entrée, vegetable, salad, dessert and Beverages are \$13.00 inclusive.

Our guest Speaker will be Marsha Poirier, of Berwick, Maine. She was due to speak at our March meeting but a winter storm cancelled the program. Marsha talks with a positive outlook in the midst of living with M.S.. She is currently working with learning disabled elementary school children.

Our Special Feature is "The Lilac Chorus" led by Director Laurette Morley, one of our own very talented ladies. There are 12 women in this chorus and they come from towns all around the Lakes Region. They have been singing under Laurette's direction since 1980. Laurette moved to the area hoping to find a Barbershop Quartet and traveled to Bedford, NH for the closest one. She then decided to start her own and the rest is history.

Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling Melissa in Alton @776-2224, Faith in Gilford @293-8073 or Mary in Moultonborough @284-6873 no later than June 6th. Reservations must be honored or canceled by this date. Child care is provided by reservation. Please bring a brown bag lunch for your child.

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club is sponsored by Stonecroft Ministries and is an interdenominational organization located in Kansas City, Mo. There is no membership or dues and all women of the area are cordially invited to attend.

COMMITTEE ON AGING PRESENTS 'SAVVY SENIOR SERIES'

By Jackie Bonafide

The Belknap County Area Committee on Aging Presents the second installment of the "Savvy Senior Series."

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The second meeting in the series will be held Wednesday, June 29th from 10am to 12pm, Belknap County Complex Community Room, 30 County Drive, Laconia: Speakers from the NH Attorney General's Office and the NH Bureau of Elderly & Adult Services, moderated by Sheriff Dan Collis.

The event is free and handicap accessible; refreshments will be provided. The Belknap County Area Committee on Aging meets monthly. The targeted mission for 2005 is to provide seniors and the public with current information from respected sources empowering them with the skills necessary to avoid becoming a victim of fraud, scams, deceptive marketing practices or identity theft. Please contact Mary Frost at 524-2974 for more information.

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**DRUG AWARENESS
COMMUNITY FORUM TO BE HELD**
By Judi Taggart

A group of community leaders is addressing the issue of alcohol and drug use in Belknap County. The Drug Awareness Community Forum will be held on Thursday, June 9, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Memorial Middle School, 150 McGrath Street, in Laconia. Moderated by Alan Robichaud, Executive Director of the Belknap County Citizens Council on Children and Families, the forum invites interested individuals of all ages to learn about the scope of the drug problem in the Lakes Region and what we can do about it.

Hosted by Tammy Emery, UpStream Parenting Chair and a board member of the Lakes Region United Way, the event encourages everyone to bring questions to be addressed by forum members. Emery noted, "This forum is a great opportunity for the public to learn first-hand about the staggering statistics relating to alcohol and drug use and treatment in the Lakes Region, and what protective factors can help to keep your kids drug free."

Forum members include Jacqui Abikoff, Horizons Counseling Center, Laconia Police Detective Kevin Butler, Deputy Belknap County Attorney Wayne Coull, Maria Gagnon, Assistant Clinical Director for New Futures and Project Director for Reclaiming Futures, Carolee Longley, Family/School Coordinator for Winnisquam Regional School District, and Shannon Swett, Outreach Coordinator for CoRe.

This community forum is sponsored by UpStream, a Lakes Region United Way program, with support from the Laconia School District and grant funding from Belknap County Incentive Funds. UpStream has been providing parenting education programs focusing on strengthening families and individuals for the past 16 years. Refreshments will be served.

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LIONS CLUB NEWS
By Maureen Parker

May 6th was a cold and dreary day, but the spaghetti was hot and tasty at the Lions annual Pasta Dinner for the 1/2 Bay Marathon. There was plenty of good food and GREAT company!!! A fun time was had by all and the Lions would like to thank all of those who attended. We're only sorry the weather was so hard on the runners.

With June approaching, the Lions get ready to end another year of service to the community. 2005 marks 50 years of Lionism. A celebration is planned for the fall to mark this milestone event. Thanks to the generosity of our community, this small group of men and women have been able to help four local residents with sight and hearing requests, make donations to the New Durham Food pantry and Alton's Operation Blessing, decorate the Alton Bay Bandstand for Christmas, fund the annual Lions Scholarship for an Alton student, make a donation to Vision 2005 and sponsor a blind walker in the Blind Awareness 2005 walk, donate to the Salvation Army Project Summer Camp and, or largest project ever, raising the funds for Ryan's Van.

Lions never rest on their laurels. We will be kept busy with our summer fund raisers, our June Mini-Golf Nite at the Blue Jay Mini Golf Course in Alton Bay, (time to be announced, watch for flyers) and our major fund raiser, the fourth annual Lions Car Show to be held August 20th at Johnson's Restaurant, Route 11, in New Durham.

The Lions can never thank the community enough for all of its support and we look forward to serving you during the coming year.

If anyone is interested in joining this community oriented group, contact Lion Steve at 875-3117

DOG LICENSES EXPIRED
By Lisa Waterman, Alton Town Clerk

Dog licenses expired April 30, 2005. If your dog is not licensed by July 1st you could be issued a civil forfeiture with a fine of \$25.00 per dog. A fine of \$1.00 per month is charged after May 31st. Please call the Town Clerk's office at 875-2101 if you do not own your dog or if you have any questions.



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Intro to Wheel Thrown Pottery	8	Wed. July 6	6:00-8:00	78	\$105.00	T. Corriveau
Beyond Intro to Wheel Thrown Pottery	8	Tues. July 5	6:00-8:00	78	\$109.00	T. Corriveau
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**LAKES REGION ART ASSOCIATION
ANNOUNCES MEETINGS
By Donna J. Aldrich**

The first meeting of the LRAA took place on May 19, with 11 people in attendance. The next meeting will take place at the Gilman Library on June 6 at 7pm. All fine art artists are welcome to attend regardless of whether your medium is oils, watercolors, pastels, colored pencils, pen & ink, acrylics, photography, sculpture, etc. We are already planning shows to have in towns in the Lakes Region area. So, join us now! Any questions, please call Donna at 875-0066. Hope to see you there!

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HISTORIC ALTON

Editors Note: Harry Bickford was a lifelong resident of New Durham. His farm was located in New Durham and Alton, and is currently owned by his grandson, Robert Bickford, Jr. Harry worked as a mailman for many years. He kept a farmers diary, detailing the goings-on of the farm and around the Town. Main Street has received permission from George Bickford, Harry's son, to publish excerpts of the diary. It is an interesting look at daily life on a farm. The diary was compiled by Elaine Bickford.

JUNE 1940

Mon. 3: Hot. Nellie and I harrowed on the squash piece this PM. The boys have gone to a Hi-Y Banquet at the Alton High School tonight. Set tomato plants out tonight.

Wed. 5: Fair. Planted a row of potatoes in the garden this morning. Nellie and I finished harrowing the squash piece this PM. They put the sand out for tarring the roads yesterday. They had 29 trucks hauling sand from George Jones' sand bank. They put all of New Durham's out and hauled to Alton during the day.

Thur. 6: Fair and cooler. Pat and I made the holes for the squashes and hauled 4 loads of manure from the lower barn to put in the hills.

Fri. 7: Fair. Pat and I planted 571 hills of squashes this PM. After the boys got home from school we plowed in front of the store.

Sun. 9: Showry. Nellie and I left for Beverly at 9 in the morning. Rained on the way down. The boys went to Baccalaureate services in Alton.

Tues. 11: Cloudy. Planted 5 bushels and 1 peck of potatoes. Total expense for seed and fertilizer \$19.03. Nellie, Robert and I went to Center Barnstead tonight to hear Duke and his Swingbillies.

Wed. 12: Cloudy. Started to harrow on the piece in front of the store. Put the fertilizer on the piece and spread lime on the piece that we had just plowed. We had a terrific shower tonight. Poured, and it sounded as if a ton of dynamite had exploded.

Thur. 13: Hot. Built a yard for the little chickens. Had a heavy shower in the PM. Did a lot of damage to the trees between here and Alton. Went to the graduation in the evening, everything passed off OK. Had ice cream at Victoria Pier after the exercises.

Fri. 14: A lovely day. The boys have gone to Old Orchard Beach on a picnic with the High School. We picked up 145 broilers tonight, price 15 1/2 cents per pound. Nellie and Robert have gone to the High School reception tonight.

Sat. 15: I milked for George last night and this morning so he could get more sleep this morning as he did not get in until 12:00. Rained all the AM. It cleared off at noon time so we harrowed on the piece in front of the store and plowed a few furrows over by the railroad. It was very hot. Louie had his telephone installed this PM. Number Alton 18-21. We went to Farmington this evening and the boys bought me a fountain pen and pencil in honor of 'Father's Day'.

Tues. 18: Fair. We sowed the oats and grass seed today in front of the store. Roy Berry plowed the piece opposite the squashes this PM - \$4.00.

Sat. 22: The Pine Wood Inn opened today. Nellie and I got up at 4:20 this morning and sprinkled the squashes and the garden before the sun got up.

Sun. 23: Ned Parker and the Bickford family had a turkey dinner at the Pine Wood Inn. A lovely dinner.

Mon. 24: Cold and cloudy. Cultivated in the garden and on the potato piece in the AM. The boys have gone roller skating tonight at Alton Bay.

Thur. 27: Showry. Hoed in the garden between the showers.

Fri. 28: Finished hoeing in the garden and cultivated the potatoes and some ground for planting beans in the garden. Robert has gone roller skating tonight.

Sat. 29: Fair. Planted white beans this morning and horticultural beans yesterday. In the PM the boys and I hoed the potatoes. About 15 planes went over today going towards Maine.

June has been a cold and wet month, only two or three hot days in the whole month.



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