



# Main Street

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ALTON, N. H.

## MARION MacDONALD McKENNEY & MOULTON

Marion MacDonald defeated A. James Martin for the three-year Selectman vacancy by a 664-125 vote. MacDonald has served the past ten years as the Town Moderator.

In the School Board race, Stanley Moulton received 477 votes and David McKenney got 427 votes to defeat Archie Thibeault (241) and Rita Essig (210) for the two three-year vacancies. McKenney ran as the incumbent while Moulton returns to the Board after a year's absence.

768 "in person" votes and 53 absentee ballots for a total of 821 were cast in the town and school elections on March 14. The turnout was 32.3% of the 2,543 voters on the checklist.

In other races, Steve Rollins (426) defeated Virginia Dore (305) for Cemetery Trustee. David Countway was re-elected Library Trustee by 450-305 over Virginia Dore. John Streeter (533) defeated Robert D. Sederquist Jr. (226) for Water Commissioner. David Jensen (515) won the Fire Ward seat over Robert Reinholz (233).

Running unopposed were Joseph Houle (693) for Trustee of Trust Funds, Kenneth Chamberlain (635) and Joe Bristol (407) for three-year Planning Board seats, Donald MacDonald (458) and William Bunker (428) for the two-year seats on the Planning Board, Cynthia Watkins (693) for a three-year Budget Committee position, and Kim Kroeger (602) for the two-year seat on the Budget Committee.

Write-in winners were Warren Harris (83) over Nancy Mayville (56) for the one-year seat on the Planning Board, and Warren Nott (80) and Evelyn Nardo (54) for the remaining two-year positions on the Budget Committee.

Other School District winners, all unopposed, were Marion MacDonald as School District Moderator with 736 votes, Gwendolyn Jones as School District Clerk with 742, and Shirley Young as School District Treasurer with 711 votes.

### ELDERLY EXEMPTION

The adjusted Elderly Exemption passed by 567-82. (See Related Story) Three of the four zoning petition amendments passed by

## IS NEW SELECTMAN; RETURN TO SCHOOL BOARD



### SELECTMEN JONES FETED

Fellow Selectmen Bob Calvert and Pat Merrill join retiring Selectmen Russ Jones at a recent dinner honoring him for his service to the town. (Photo by Ted Cole)

### \$3.5 MILLION APPROVED AT SCHOOL MEETING

Approximately 100 voters attending the 1989 Annual School District Meeting on Saturday, March 18, approved all articles on the warrant and voted expenditures of \$3,534,040 for the 1989-90 school year. The increase is approximately 17% over the amount voted last year.

Included in the total were four special articles: \$60,000 to replace the roof on the primary wing of the school; \$30,000 to replace the 1954 oil tank installed during the original school construction; \$34,400 for asbestos abatement in the boiler room; and \$4,000 (by petition) to help complete the school playground. A budget amendment from the floor for \$9,600 to arrange for gymnasium ventilation was approved. Only the roof repair was recommended by the Budget Committee.

In another article, the voters present authorized the Alton School Board to complete a study already underway to determine the "educational and financial desirability of withdrawing from SAU 51 and forming a single district SAU." The article requires a public hearing on the findings of the study and a vote at the 1990 Annual District Meeting.

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**SCHEDULES**

**CHURCHES:**

- Advent Christian Church - Sunday 11a.m. & 6p.m., Pastor Dr. Warren Harris
- Baha'i Fireside - Wednesday 8p.m., Gustafson Residence, 293-7865
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- Hosanna New Testament Fellowship - Sunday School 9:30a.m., Church 10:30a.m., American Legion Hall, Pastor Dick Veilleux
- St. Joan of Arc - Saturday 5p.m., Sunday 8 & 11a.m., Msgr. Leo F. Hines

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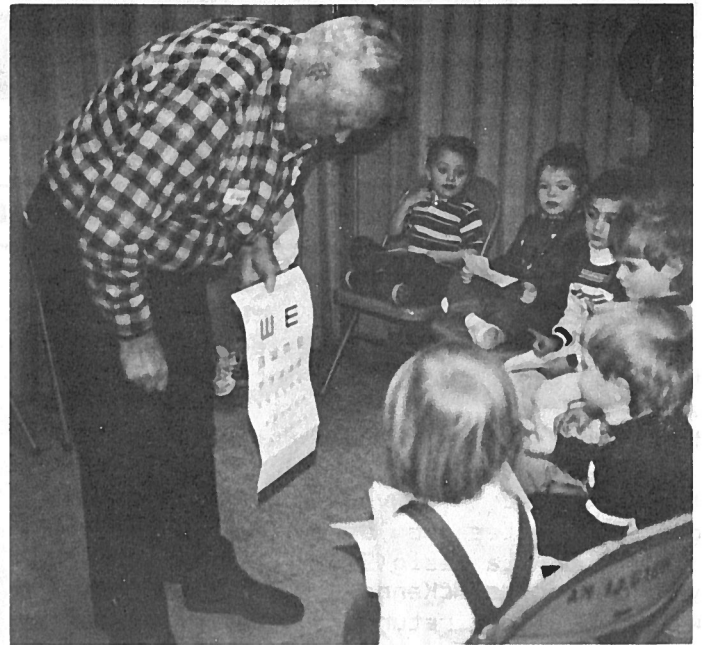
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- GARDEN CLUB - 4th Tuesday
- FLYING CLUB - 2nd Wednesday
- HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB - 4th Friday 7p.m., Community House
- HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday 7:30p.m., Cong. Church
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 4th Tuesday 7:30p.m. St. Joan of Arc Church Hall
- LIONESSE CLUB - 1st Wednesday 6:30p.m., Community House
- LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30p.m., Community House
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**PRESCHOOL SCREENING**

Lion's Club Treasurer Eldon Swim prepares preschoolers for the screening tests for vision and hearing problems. (Photo by John Duffek)

**DRAMA CLUB PLAY  
APRIL 7 AND 8**

The Alton Middle School Drama Club will present Roald Dahl's "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" on Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8, at 7:30p.m. in the Alton Central School Auditorium.

Nearly 50 students in grades 5-8 are involved in this production directed by Lynn Pelletier.

The story follows the escapades of five lucky golden ticket winners and their humorous tour through Willy Wonka's chocolate factory.

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### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ADDRESSES 29 ARTICLES

Alton voters met in the Alton School Gym on Wednesday, March 15, to act on the 1989 Town Warrant that included 29 Articles.

All but five of the articles passed and a total budget of \$2,083,971 was approved.

Major items relating to the Landfill included \$50,000 to establish a reserve fund for closing the Landfill, \$50,000 to establish a reserve fund for a waste disposal alternative once the Landfill is closed, \$10,000 to comply with RSA 149, and \$32,000 to remove scrap metal, mattresses, and tires from the Landfill.

\$83,000 was authorized for road construction, \$25,000 to rebuild the Bandstand located in the water, and \$65,000 for Highway Department equipment.

Other money articles passed were \$15,000 for a police cruiser, \$12,000 for paving the Central Fire Station parking lot, \$8,000 to paint the Alton Bay Community Center, \$3,000 for waterproofing the Library foundation, \$12,000 to rebuild the Alton Bay Swimming Dock, \$20,000 for septic at the Pearson Road property, and \$32,000 for the operation of the Gilman Library.

Town Hall improvements that include upgrading the electrical system, work on the fire alarm system and steeple roof, and constructing new judge's chambers were approved for a total amount of \$27,000. \$10,000 was approved for energy conservation measures in Town Hall contingent upon an offsetting grant of \$5,000 from the Governor's Energy Office.

Organizations that received funds are Harbor House Children's Shelter (\$750), Lakes Region Community Service (\$600), Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce (\$1,500), Lakes Region Association (\$1,407), Community Action Program (\$3,597), Visiting Nurses Association of Wolfeboro and Vicinity (\$11,275), Lakes Region Community Health (\$3,800), and Lakes Region Planning Commission (\$4,652).

Four of the articles that were denied by voters would have had fiscal impact. One was to eliminate the annual resident tax,

another would have authorized \$1,000 for the support of Lakes Region General Hospital, another would have reimbursed a group of citizens for legal fees used in their litigations with M. Khruso/Bayview, and the fourth would have placed the revenues collected from the Land Use Change Tax in a conservation fund.

Voters authorized the Selectmen to grant septic easements to lessees, users, and abutters to the Town-owned lands in Alton Bay, to offer long-term leases of Town-owned property, and to adopt an ordinance regulating private alarm systems.

A proposal to return to a system of appointment of members of the Planning Board rather than by election was defeated.

Other routine articles to borrow monies, seek grants and hear reports were approved.

The meeting concluded with a salute to retiring Selectman Russell Jones by Selectman Robert Calvert.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT.....**  
the first drowning recorded in Lake Winnepesaukee occurred on June 12, 1832, when a Mr. Bell of Lake Village was assisting in the construction of the first steamer, the "Belknap"?

### GALE HILL MASONRY

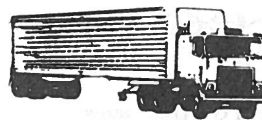


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**SCHOOL BOOK FAIR**

There will be a Book Fair in the Patio Area of Alton Central School on Monday and Tuesday, April 17 and 18, from 8a.m. to 3p.m. for grades K through 8. A list of the books available and their prices will be sent home with the children so that parents may help them make selections. Books for pre-schoolers will be included on the list.

The School Librarian, Marjorie Mohr, and school volunteers will be running the Fair and will welcome all members of the community to browse and purchase. Profits will be used for books and equipment for the elementary school.

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wide margins. The petition to rezone a parcel of land on Route 28 failed by 288-447. All six zoning amendments proposed by the Planning Board passed with No. 3 winning by a single vote. This requires that any type of condominium conversion project receive a special exception and Planning Board approval and deletes some criteria for Planning Board approval for new construction. All 18 Building Regulation amendments passed by comfortable margins.

**REAPPRAISAL ENTERING FINAL STAGES**

Representatives from the United Appraisal Company will be driving by each property in Alton in the next couple of months making sure that all the data collected in the summer and fall of 1988 is correct as shown. They also will be taking pictures of every house and efforts will be made to photograph lakefront properties from the lake side.

It won't be necessary for the representatives to contact property owners at this time, as the data collection phase is complete and everyone has been given the opportunity to have their property inspected by one of the representatives.

If you see a person viewing your property from a car, or taking a picture of your home from the street or driveway in the coming months, it will probably be a representative from United Appraisal Company. But if you are not sure, or are alarmed, please don't hesitate to call the Alton Police or Town Hall to verify the identity of the persons in your area. A description of the individuals and their vehicles will be available for this purpose.

During mid-summer of 1989, after all the information has been correlated and verified by the company, each property owner will receive the company's opinion of value of their property through the mail. At that time property owners will be given the opportunity to discuss or dispute their values with a company appraiser. If compelling evidence is presented to contest the assigned value, adjustments will be made at that time. However, the analysis phase of the project is very thorough, and there have been many sales of properties to use as guidelines.

Other than minor data elements, experience has shown that very few adjustments are called for in the end. Every effort is being made to insure an equitable and fair appraisal for each and every property.

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Four teams representing the Police Department (Super Snoopers), Fire Department (Cinder Stompers), teachers (Baby Sitters), and varsity basketball team (Foul Ups) will attempt to play basketball while riding donkeys.

Tickets are available in advance from any sophomore for \$3.50 for adults (\$4.50 at the door) and \$3.00 for students age 13 and under or senior citizens(\$3.50 at the door). All proceeds go towards the class chemical free graduation trip.

**VARSIITY BASEBALL  
OPENS APRIL 11**

The Varsity Baseball Team is "looking forward to a promising year", according to Coach Bubba Noyes. The team will consist of a balance of veterans from last season as well as a few promising new players.

Expected to take the field this year are Seniors Mark Rines, Dana Sackos, Scott Lionetta, and Steve Burke; Juniors Ken Lurvey, Jason Racine, Dan Adams, Ron DeMille, and Todd Brown; Sophomores Bob Waterman, Matt Lord, Scott Harris, and Luke Howell; and Freshman Justin Smith.

The season opener is a home game with Derryfield on Tuesday, April 11, at 4p.m.

**ELDERLY EXEMPTION HAS  
EARLY DEADLINE**

Based on action taken at the recent Town Meeting elections, qualifying senior citizens must apply at the Town Hall for the new adjusted elderly exemption by April 15.

To qualify, the applicant must have been a NH resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years.

In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of less than \$10,000 or if married a combined income of less than \$12,000 and own assets of \$30,000 or less, excluding the value of the person's residence. Net assets excludes social security payments, sale of assets, life insurance payments on the death of an insured, and business expenses if a business enterprise is involved.

The new exemptions will be: 65-75 years old - \$10,000; 75-80 years old - \$15,000; and age 80 or over - \$20,000.

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# RESTORATION OF MAXIM FIRE TRUCK UNDERWAY

By Judy Fry

Late last fall, a committee was formed to begin a long term restoration project on the Alton Fire Department's second oldest fire apparatus, the Maxim fire truck. This old truck has a colorful history dating back to the early 1930's and the early days of the Alton Fire Department.

Where does one find information about an antique fire truck dating back 60 years? Records in Town Hall, and interviewing firemen, active and retired, their families and friends, helped put the pieces of the puzzle together.

According to the Annual Report records of the Town of Alton, dated March 12, 1929, Article XVIII read, "to see what action the Town will take in regard to the purchase of a pump suitable for fire protection when hydrants cannot be reached. The pump to be approved by the Wards. (By petition)."

A motion by Burt L. Yorke - "it was voted that a committee be appointed by the chair to make an investigation and report at the next annual meeting as to what kind of pump for fire protection shall be purchased." The committee appointed by the Moderator was Charles A. Rollins, Herbert J. Jones, Charles H. Hanson, Herbert E. Hayes, Herman L. Barr, De Varney, Martin



## ANTIQUE FIRE BELL

Fire Chief Russell Jones accepts an antique bell for the Maxim Fire Truck from Fireflies Priscilla Farrell, Eileen Woodland, Judy Fry, and Marion MacDonald. (Photo by John Duffek)

Lynch, and Willis H. Reynolds.

One year later at the March 11, 1930, Town Meeting, Article VIII read, "to see if the Town will vote to purchase a fire pump and raise and appropriate the money necessary for the same." Charles Rollins read the committee report and its acceptance was voted. A very lively discussion ensued. "A motion was made that the new pump should always be located at Alton Bay." Added to the motion was "that Edward H. Downing be the driver and be responsible for the proper care and operation of the apparatus."

"It was voted to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$7,000.00, the same to be spread over a series of years at the discretion of the selectmen."

Through extensive research, the date the Maxim fire truck was built has been

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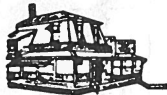
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**PENNY SALE PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT PLAYGROUND**

The proceeds of the Annual Penny Sale and Jamboree sponsored by the Alton-New Durham Lions Club have always been used to support community activities or special needs. This year's event, to be held on Saturday, April 15, will benefit the Playground Fund for the Alton Central School.

Daryl White, Chairman of the Penny Sale, announced a donation of at least \$2,000 for the fund. "If there is a large turnout, the donation could be much greater," he added.

One or more of the hundreds of prizes and gifts donated by businesses and individuals in the Alton area can be won by purchasing 100 tickets for a dollar.

Special raffles will be conducted for the most outstanding donations in addition to the spectacular door prize awarded to the person with the winning ticket stub from their packet of penny sale tickets.

Another highlight will be the winner of the grand prize, a 20" RCA XL100 Television with remote control. Tickets for the TV are available in businesses throughout the community and from members of the Lions Club.

The Town Jail, a favorite activity for everyone, will be operating again this year with special officers deputized to place in jail anyone whose arrest is purchased by an acquaintance or relative.

A wheel of fortune, penny toss, and candy wheel are among the other activities that precede the calling of numbers as the prize giveaway gets underway.

Doors to the Alton School Gym open at 6p.m. and prizes will be awarded starting at 8p.m.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY PLANS OPEN HOUSE**

The Alton Historical Society will hold an open house at its museum in the Town Hall on Tuesday, April 18, at 7:30p.m.

This will be an opportunity for all to enjoy the many items on display and refreshments will be served by hostesses Brenda Bowman, Nina Liedtke, and Norma Swain.

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documented from the original factory work order papers. According to the documents, the truck was ordered April 3, 1930, and delivered from the Maxim Fire Apparatus Company, Middleboro, Mass., May 21, 1930. Retired fireman Judson Downing recalls travelling to Pittsfield, N.H., with his father and uncle to pick up the Maxim Pumper. Riding home on this new fire truck into Alton Village is a special memory of Mr. Downing.

The Maxim Pumper Fire Truck was always kept at the Alton Bay Hose House. With the influx of summer residents and visitors to the Camp Ground and Bay area, the truck would remain there throughout its active service years until retired in the early sixties with the arrival of two new International fire trucks.

**THE CONCLUSION OF THIS SPECIAL ARTICLE WILL BE PRINTED IN THE MAY ISSUE OF MAIN STREET.**

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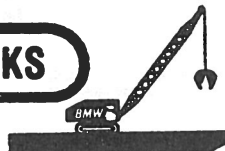
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Sara Woods, all-star catcher, is expected to lead the defense and hold off the steal. Kristin Mann and Andy Shealy give the outfield the needed strength to squelch extra bases. The returning infield of Melissa Countway, Jessie Miller, Lynn Snow, and Rori Boyce will continue to develop their skills to make infield hits impossible.

Sandy Brown and Wendy Matson are returning utility players while Heather Brown, Sara Woods and Kristin Mann are returning pitchers.

New players include Amelia McKinney, Kerri Newlin, Amy Best, Tonyel Mitchell, Lisa Racine, Jen Brady, and Helen Brennan. According to Coach L'Esperance, "the new faces bring with them enthusiasm and promise. Any or all of them will have the opportunity to earn starting positions."



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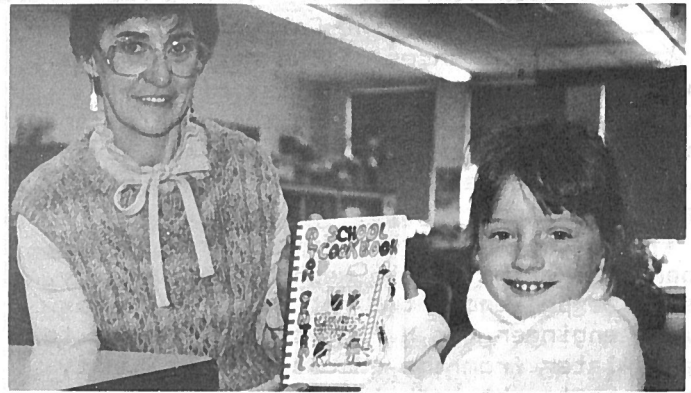
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**APRIL EVENTS**

- Sat. 1 - ALL FOOLS' DAY
- Sun. 2 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
- Mon. 3 - WHIST PARTY - West Alton Fire Station, 7:30p.m.
- Tue. 4 - ANNUAL MEETING - Friends of the Library, Gilman Library, 1:30p.m.
- Wed. 5 - STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 7 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.  
CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY - Middle School Drama Club, Alton Central School, 7:30p.m.
- Sat. 8 - CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY - Middle School Drama Club, Alton Central School, 7:30p.m.
- Tue. 11 - TRACK vs. Kingswood, White Mountain, & Berlin, at Kingswood, 3:30p.m.  
SOFTBALL vs. Derryfield, Home, 4p.m.  
BASEBALL vs. Derryfield, Home, 4p.m.
- Wed. 12 - STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.  
CANDID - Apache Players, Alton Central School, 7:30pm
- Thu. 13 - SOFTBALL vs. Ashland, Home, 4p.m.  
BASEBALL vs. Ashland, Home, 4p.m.
- Fri. 14 - REPORT CARDS ISSUED  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 15 - FILING DEADLINE FOR ELDERLY EXEMPTION  
TRACK vs. Sant Bani, Kingswood, Raymond, Hopkinton, at Sant Bani, 10a.m.  
SOFTBALL vs. Linwood, Away, 10:30a.m., Doubleheader  
BASEBALL vs. Linwood, Away, 10:30a.m., Doubleheader  
PENNY SALE AND JAMBOREE - Alton-New Durham Lions Club, Alton Central School, 6p.m.
- Mon. 17 - BOOK FAIR - Alton Central School Patio, 8a.m.- 3p.m.  
WHIST PARTY - West Alton Fire Station, 7:30p.m.
- Tue. 18 - BOOK FAIR - Alton Central School Patio, 8a.m.- 3p.m.  
TRACK vs. Kingswood, Berlin, & Hopkinton, at Kingswood, 3:30p.m.  
SOFTBALL vs. Derryfield, Away, 4p.m.  
BASEBALL vs. Derryfield, Away, 4p.m.  
OPEN HOUSE - Historical Society, Town Hall Museum, 7:30p.m.
- Wed. 19 - STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.  
DONKEY BALL - Sophomore Class Fundraiser, Alton Central School, 7:30p.m.
- Thu. 20 - TRACK vs. Gilford, Raymond, & Kingswood, at Gilford, 3:30p.m.
- Fri. 21 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 22 - YARD SALE for Easter Seals, Century 21  
RABIES CLINIC - Alton Central Fire Station, 1-3p.m.



**PLAYGROUND COOKBOOK**

Playground Committee Chairman Connie Racine displays the fundraising cookbook with 4th grader Crystal Smith, who designed the cover. (Photo by John Duffek)

- Mon. 24 - FAST DAY - Town Hall and Landfill Closed  
SCHOOL SPRING VACATION BEGINS  
OLD HOME WEEK Meeting, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Tue. 25 - NATURE AS I SEE IT - Garden Club, Congregational Meeting House, 1:30p.m.
- Wed. 26 - STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 28 - SOFTBALL vs. Ashland, Away, 2p.m.  
BASEBALL vs. Ashland, Away, 2p.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 29 - TRACK - Class S & M Meet at Londonderry, 10a.m.

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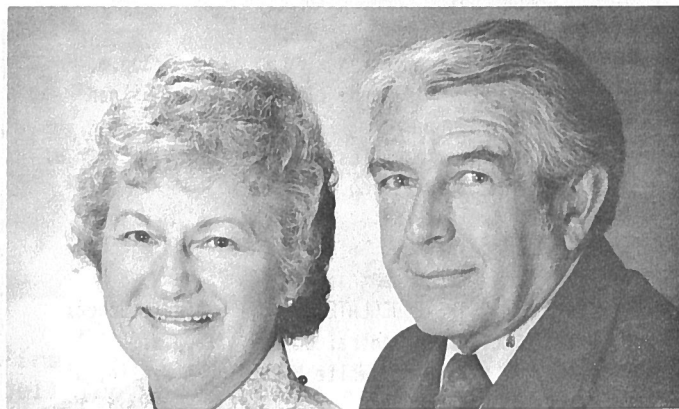
By Catherine Calvert

What are chances of two Melrose, Mass., high school sweethearts, Class of 1936, getting married, travelling the country and winding up on Lake Winnepesaukee and having a great positive impact on this community? Apparently pretty good!

Pauline and Forest Tilton are approaching their 49th wedding anniversary. He has experienced two retirements: one as plant engineer for H.P.Hood and Sons and ten years later from the educational community where he taught architectural drawing and drafting at Franklin, NH. But we suspect he'll never retire from his novel musical vocation.

From 12 year old trumpeter at Rotary luncheons and Boy Scout troop bugler in Maine through playing for cider and donuts in East Auburn, Maine, and sharing coins in a cup at early "beer joints", this career took him to experience with the big-name bands, a stint on the old Major Bowes Amateur Hour (he got the hook!), and a fascinating musical tour in the military where among other things he played in a democratic combo on a troop ship that included two generals, a PFC and others.

He still has his own Dixieland band and also plays with the Freese Brothers Band and



the Shrine Band in Concord. Music might have been his Number #1 career until Pauline, sitting in "dingy old night clubs during our five-year courtship" exclaimed: "It's me or the trumpet!" He chose Pauline. He still has his original Boy Scout bugle - a real collector's item.

Pauline beat him to Alton. A family summer cottage goes back some 60 years. They purchased their present home in 1959, extensively remodeled it and relocated here permanently in 1972. They have two married daughters.

Pauline is well known for her weekly Alton column for many years in the Rochester Courier. She preceded that with an Alton column in the then Farmington News. She's the former secretary of the United Associations of Alton, past president of the Alton Garden Club, served a three-year term as an elected Town Auditor, and is a current member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and

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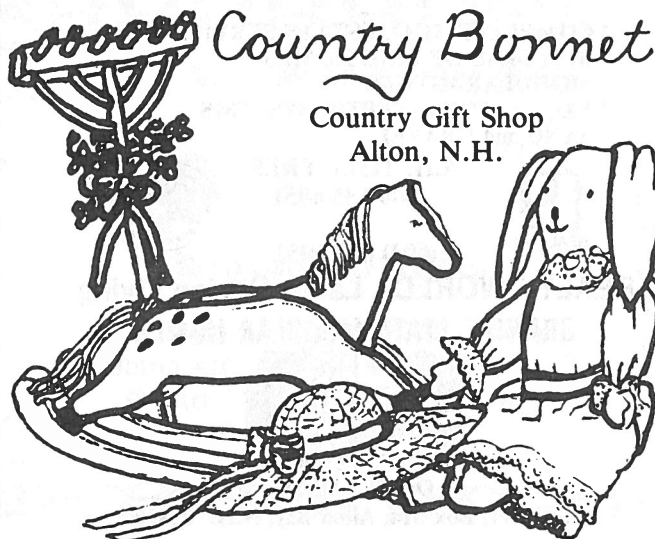
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Alton Lioness Club. She served for 11 years as bookkeeper/secretary of Camp Kabeyun and is active in Eastern Star and the Women's Fellowship of her church. Forest says she has the "greenest thumb" ever. She has enjoyed water skiing and cross-country skiing, is an avid seamstress using the very latest in technology and is currently taking a course in tailoring. Upholstery is another of her special skills.

Forest is a past president of the United Associations of Alton and helped bring zoning to Alton. He has served two terms on the Alton School Board, is a past president and active member of the Alton-New Durham Lions Club, past chairman of the Alton Chamber of Commerce (even without a business) and is a deacon and former trustee of the Alton Community Church. He has served on the Conservation Commission and for 9 years was a counselor at Camp Kabeyun. He is an accomplished cabinet-maker with a terrific woodworking shop and was in the woodworking business for a while in Massachusetts. He is an enthusiastic civil war history buff and airplane buff. He enjoys building clipper ship models and is a true artisan. He has directed variety shows and even starred in minstrel shows when they were in vogue. And he's a former Girl Scout leader! He winced when Pauline brought this out and moaned: "Wait till this gets around!" We suspect she got him involved when she was secretary of a Massachusetts Girl Scout Council.

The Tiltons are a great "team" and have been for all 48 plus years of their marriage. And a big chunk of this teamwork has impacted our Alton immeasurably. This reporter took an exciting walk down memory lane with them recently as they relived many happy as well as humorous events along the way. Unfortunately space restrictions here means much left out. Whoever first created the term "pitch in" as it relates to volunteerism must have used the Tiltons as a role model. And they're still pitching in to make Alton a better and a better-informed place to live and grow.

**CONCORD CORNER**

By Alice Ziegra, Representative

**MARCH 23 WAS DEADLINE FOR ACTION ON BILLS**

With fiscal constraints, committees have worked diligently to see that the important money bills have the highest priorities. Juvenile services and health needs of low income pregnant and post-natal women will get funding. Elderly folks also will be assured of some funding.

The jet ski bill has passed the Senate. They grouped their many bills into one. The House is hearing many similar bills and may do the same. Each lake seems to have their own "jet ski" bill.

Hazardous and solid waste management bills are being heard in the Environment and Agriculture Committee. They know the problem will only get worse and they are trying to address this now.

Impact fees for developers, fireworks sale and use, and this year's bottle bill are among the rest of the bills being heard.

By March 23, all bills must have been acted upon. This was the date the Senate sends the House their bills and vice versa. Each body then started processing bills again.

Remember to watch Legislative Agenda Mondays at 7:30p.m. on Channel 11. If you have information about bills or hearings, please write or call me. I will be at the Alton Town Hall from 4 to 5p.m. on Monday, April 3.

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By Pat Merrill, Librarian

BOOKS FOR GARDENERS  
NOTE COMING OF SPRING

It won't be long now before winter tools and equipment can be put away, and spring rakes, hoes, trowels brought out to clean up and plant our yards. The Library has a wonderful collection of garden books you might wish to peruse, as well as many books with building improvement information.

If the Library does not have the book you are looking for, we are happy to send away and get it for you.

Also available are three videos: This Old House - Home Improvement; How to Grow Roses; and Home Improvement - Paint and Wallpaper.

HAVE YOU READ.....

- Black Sand by William Caunity
- Eden and Honor by Marilyn Harris
- To Dance With Kings by Rosalind Laker
- French Kiss by Eric Lustbader
- Smoke and Mirrors by Barbara Michaels
- The Lacemaker by Janine Montupet
- Richard Burton: A Life by Melvyn Bragg
- The Dictionary of Cultural Literacy by Hirsh
- War and Peace in the Nuclear Age by John Newhouse
- The Risk Pool by Richard Russo

BOYS BASKETBALL POSTS  
WINNING SEASON

The Boys Varsity Basketball Team finished their regular season with 13 wins and 5 losses, leading to participation in the State Class S Tournament.

Seeded eighth, the Apaches took on ninth-seeded and defending champions Linwood at home. A 47-40 win advanced the boys to the quarterfinals at Plymouth State College where they lost to number one ranked Profile 51-48.

Alton will be losing Seniors Steve Burke, Dana Sackos and Joe Ling. Coach Brian Davidson is looking forward to the return of Juniors Russ Troendle, Chris Irvin, Rob Wyatt, Ken Lurvey, Dan Adams, and Todd Brown; and Sophomores Thad Gulbrandsen and Matt Lord.

RABIES CLINIC

A Rabies Clinic will be held at the Alton Central Fire Station from 1 to 3p.m. on Saturday, April 22.

The Alton Veterinary Clinic will provide rabies shots for dogs and cats for \$5. Also, Town Clerk Gwen Jones will be on hand to license all dogs. The fees are \$6 for male or female, \$3.50 for an altered dog and \$2 if the owner is over 65 years.

License renewal is due by April 30 and there is a fine of \$1 per month plus a \$15 forfeit will be charged after June 1 on all unlicensed dogs.

TOWN PLANNER RESIGNS  
FOR WOLFEBORO POST

Amanda Skinner has resigned as Alton's Town Planner to accept a similar position in Wolfeboro.

Applications for the position are being sought by the Selectmen and the deadline is April 7.

Responsibilities include development proposals, Master Plan and zoning ordinance rewrite, and cooperation with other departments in solving growth issues.

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**APACHE PLAYERS PRESENT  
SCANLON'S "CANDID"**

The Apache Players of Alton High School will present a performance of the one-act play, "Candid", by Michael Scanlon on Wednesday, April 12, at 7:30p.m. in the School Gym.

The play is Alton's entry into the finals of the NH High School Drama Festival to be held at Concord High School on April 14 and 15.

"Candid" centers around T.J. Toeffler, a 17 year old boy, who tries to cope with a family crisis by creating a photo essay.

Seniors Dana Sackos, David Roberts, Jennifer Decatur, Amy Armer, Sara Woods and Gabriel Biderman make up the cast of "Candid".

The play is the product of an advanced acting mentorship made possible by a grant from the Governor's Mentorship Initiative Program. Elizabeth Lent serves as mentor/director of the production.



**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

Inducted in the recent ceremony are new members (front row) Todd Brown, Brandon Potvin, Carol Young, and Wendy St. Laurent. Also participating are (back row) Chapter Advisor Marjorie Mohr and members Dawn Newlin, Melissa Countway, Cheryl McKenney, Stephen Burke, Dana Sackos, and Amy Armer.

**GARDEN CLUB ACTIVITIES  
RESUME WITH SPEAKER**

The Alton Garden Club begins its 1989 season of activities with its first meeting on Tuesday, April 25, at 1:30p.m. in the Congregational Meeting House.

The guest speaker is Mac McGranahan of Rochester who will speak on "Nature As I See It."

Hospitality will be provided by Mildred Edwards and Poncy Sherburne, assisted by Dorothy Wescott, Geraldine Besse, Eleanor Hayes, and Goldi Sousa.

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### SENIOR CLASS PLANS HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

The Alton High School Senior Class is sponsoring this year's Memorial Day Craft Fair at the Alton Bay Community House from 9a.m. to 5p.m. on Saturday, May 27.

Spaces will be rented for crafts only and the proceeds will support the senior's chemical free graduation trip. Inside space is \$25, porch locations are \$20, and sidewalk spaces are \$15.

Call Linda McKenney at 776-7931 for additional information.

### ANNUAL MEETING PLANNED BY FRIENDS OF LIBRARY

The Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Library will be held on Tuesday, April 4, at 1:30p.m. in the Agnes Thompson Room of the Gilman Library. Officers for 1989-90 will be elected at that time.

Following the business meeting, a program of slides, "A Visit Down Under", will be presented. Refreshments will be served and the 1989 calendars will be on sale for a reduced price of \$2.50.

The public is invited to attend.

### SINCERE THANKS

We want to express our sincere thank you to the people of Alton for their attendance at our Retirement Celebration on February 26. We are extremely grateful for the large number of people who came and for the cards, gifts and tributes expressed to us. It is truly one of the highlights of our lives and a day we will always cherish and remember. Thank you Alton!

Dwight and Lois Meader



### REUNION PLANS

Alton High School Reunion Chairmen Bob Witham and Marilyn Dame go over plans for the summer event with the dinner MC John Irving. (Photo by John Duffek)

### MAIN STREET SALUTE TO

.....High School Senior and agriculture student at Kingswood Vocational Mary Welsh for winning 3 first place awards, 2 second place awards, and 2 third place awards at last month's State Competition for Flower Arranging in Manchester.....Dazer's Pizza for donating part of their March sales for the Playground Fund.....Michael Raftery for his gold medal in the 1 Kilometer Cross-Country Skiing Race at the 1989 NH Special Olympic Winter Games.



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