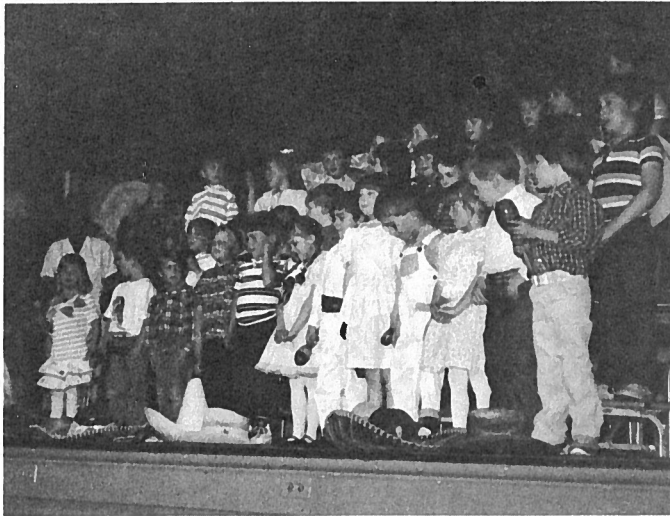


Main Street

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ALTON, N.H.



SPRING CONCERT

Members of the Kindergarten entertained with their version of the "Mexican Hat Dance" at this year's "It's A Small World" Elementary Concert. (Photo by John Duffek)

SUMMER ACTIVITY PLANS BEING FINALIZED

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is already working on the summer program. This year's schedule is continuing with many of last year's successes as well as doing some great new ones. These are all tentative, and the schedule is not yet finalized. Brochures will be sent home from school and will be available at Town Hall this month.

Some of the programs planned are, adult golf league and lessons at Farmington Country Club, adult and children's tennis lessons with Anne Norman Burke, basketmaking with Debby Eyler, painting with Jeanette Barton, craft boutique with Brenda McKay, children arts & crafts, Red Cross swim lessons, karate, aerobics, adult softball league, bicycle safety course and senior scenic walks. Other courses are still being discussed.

The golf league meets on Mondays starting June 4 at the Farmington Country Club. Tee off time is anytime after 3p.m. and the cost is \$10 for non-members.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF LAKE SHORE RAILROAD TO BE NOTED JUNE 17

By Debby Eyler

How many of us have taken a walk or ridden bicycles along the trail that runs along the old railroad tracks? It gives us 20th century people a taste of what 19th century people saw on their ride from Lakeport to Alton Bay on the Lake Shore Railroad.

On Sunday, June 17, Alton will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the official completion of the Lake Shore RR. At 1p.m., at the Community Center in Alton Bay, a brief ceremony will take place with Selectmen Chairman Bob Calvert as the speaker. Also, ground-breaking for the Alton Bay Revitalization and dedication of the new sign designating "Railroad Square" will occur. Al Wilder, the railroad enthusiast who got the celebration going, is trying to raise funds for a commemorative plaque for the station-house.

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ICE OUT WINNER IS JOYCE KISSEL

Joyce Kissel of Haverhill, MA, is the winner of the 1990 Main Street Ice-Out Contest. Her entry predicted ice-out on Sunday, April 22, at 11:42a.m.

The ice went out of Lake Winnepesaukee officially at 12:10p.m. on the 22nd. The last ice had its hold near Black Cat Island and Becky's Garden in Centre Harbor.

Kissel will enjoy dinner for two at the Victoria Fier compliments of owners, Ann and Bill Bunker.

Records of ice-out date back more than 100 years. The 1990 melting falls about in the middle of the range of early and late dates. In 1989 ice was last seen on April 25.

Ice-out is cause for much local speculation and serves as a standing topic of conversation. More importantly, the annual occurrence is an omen marking warmer days and the advent of another tourist season.

SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

- Advent Christian Church - Sunday 11a.m. & 6p.m., Pastor Dr. Warren Harris
- Baha'i Fireside - Wednesday 8p.m., Gustafson Residence, 293-7865
- Community Church - June 3, 11a.m., Community Church, June 10 thru Sept. 2, 10a.m., Baptist Meeting House, Dr. Peter E. Roussaki, Pastor, 875-5561
- First Free Will Baptist Church - Sunday School 9:45a.m., Church 11a.m., Evening Service 6p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7p.m., Depot St., New Durham, Pastor James Nason
- St. Joan of Arc - Saturday 5p.m., Sunday 8 & 11a.m., Msgr. Leo F. Hines

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM:

- Monday & Friday 1 to 3p.m., Wednesday 9a.m. to 3p.m., Alton Bay Community House, 875-7102

GILMAN LIBRARY:

- Monday & Wednesday Noon to 8p.m.
- Friday 9a.m. to 5p.m. Saturday 9a.m. to Noon

TOWN HALL:

- Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator, Town Clerk, and Welfare Officer - 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.
- Planning Board - Monday 9:30a.m. to 4:30p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m., Closed Noon to 12:30p.m.

LANDFILL:

- Monday, Thursday, Friday - 8a.m. to 3:30p.m.
- Tuesday & Saturday - 7:30a.m. to 3p.m.
- Wednesday & Sunday - CLOSED

SENIOR MEAL SITE:

- Monday through Friday 8:30a.m. to 2p.m., Community House

ORGANIZATIONS:

- AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday 7p.m., American Legion Hall
- AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - 2nd Monday 7p.m., Legion Hall
- CHESS CLUB - Tuesday 7:30p.m., Busy Corner Store
- CUB SCOUT PACK 53 - Last Tuesday 7p.m., American Legion Hall
- EASTERN STAR - 2nd Tuesday
- 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 - 1st and 3rd Tuesday 7:30p.m. St. Joan of Arc Church Hall
- LIONESS CLUB - 1st Wednesday 6:30p.m., Community House
- LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30p.m., Community House
- MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Thursday
- NEW DURHAM CAMERA CLUB - 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7p.m., New Durham School
- ST. JOAN OF ARC LADIES GUILD - Last Thursday 7:30p.m., Church Hall
- SENIOR CITIZENS - 1st Tuesday 10a.m., St. Joan of Arc Rectory

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BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- ALTON/ALTON BAY IMPROVEMENT STUDY COMMITTEE - Meets 1st Wednesday in the Town Hall, Chairman Cathy Mars, 875-6277.
- BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Meets each Monday at 9a.m. in the Town Hall. Chairman Robert L. Calvert. Call 875-2161 for Appt.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE - Meets 3rd Thursday at 79.m., Chairman Ruth Messier, 875-6750.
- CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Ted Cole, 875-2437.
- CEMETERY TRUSTEES - Meet on Call. Chairman Harold Copeland, 875-2267.
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meets Every Other Thursday at 7:30pm Chairman Michael Burke, 875-5492.
- FIRE WARDS - Meet on Call. Chief Russell Jones, 875-7510.
- GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Anna Haase, 875-5611, Eleanor Hayes, 875-7420.
- LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES - Chairman Juliet E.E.Peverley, 875-7232.
- LAND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM - Meets on call.
- LANDFILL STUDY COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Ted Cole, 875-2437
- OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE - Meets 4th Monday at 7p.m. in the American Legion Hall. Co-Chairmen Pat Brady & Joanne Fiorini
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION - Meets on Call.
- PLANNING BOARD - Meets 1st Monday at 7p.m., Chairman Nancy J. Mayville. Call 875-5095 for Appointment.
- SCHOOL BOARD - Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays at 5:30p.m. at School, Chairman Stanley Moulton, 875-5651.
- SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST - Meet on Call. Chairman Alice Ziegra, 875-2151.
- TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY - Meet 3rd Monday at 3:30p.m. Chairman David Countway, 569-3648.
- TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - Meet on Call. Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321.
- WAGE AND SALARY REVIEW BOARD - Meets on Call. Chairman Eldon C. Swim, 875-5158.
- WATER COMMISSIONERS - Meet Last Thursday at 7p.m., Chairman Robert Boudrow, 875-6368, Lower Level of Town Hall.
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meets on Call. Chairman Paul Todd, 875-3772.

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AMERICAN LEGION UNITS HOLD ANNUAL ELECTIONS

The 1990-91 slate of officers for Post 72 of the American Legion were installed on May 21 along with officers of the Legion Auxiliary and Sons of American Legion.

William Fraser is the Post 72 Commander. Other Post officers are Archie Thibeault, first vice commander; Steve Temple, second vice commander; John Racine, adjutant; Jerry Fifield, finance officer; Bob Goddu, chaplain; Jerry Stemile, service officer; Ron Rojek, judge advocate; Charlie Shields, historian; Mark Gasset, sergeant-at-arms; and Ray Demarais and Frank Dunbar, executive board members.

Officers of the Legion Auxiliary Unit 72 are Ruth Fifield, president; Millie Pierce, first vice president; Terri Noyes, second vice president; Joan Goddu, secretary, Jane Rojek, treasurer; Anne Stemile, chaplain; Linda Bates, historian; and Muriel Simpson, sergeant-at-arms.

Installed as officers of the Sons of American Legion were Rick DeFlumeri, squadron commander; John DeFlumeri, first vice commander; Chip Fifield, second vice commander; Kenneth McMullen, finance officer; Jason Fifield, sergeant-at-arms; and Gary Noyes, Adjutant.



RETIRING TEACHER Jody Horne gathers with her students in the High School Resource Room. She retires after 12 years at the Alton Central School. (Photo by John Duffek)

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THE CHECKOUT DESK

By Pat Merrill, Librarian

STATE TO SPONSOR SUMMER READING PROGRAM

For the very first time, the State of New Hampshire is sponsoring a state-wide reading program. The theme is "Get That Reading Rhythm!" Details are available at the Library and the School.

Also, activities are being planned for the summer to include the Annual Children's Country Fair and a float for the Old Home Week Parade.

The star attraction for the children's summer program will appear on June 29 at the Library. Carolyn Parrott, musician, singer, and story-teller, will begin a program at 10a.m. Be a part of it!

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

- Masquerade by Janet Dailey
The Evening News by Arthur Hailey
Titmuss Reigned by John Mortimer
September by Rosamunde Pilcher
Cambio Bay by Kate Wilhelm
When She Was Bad by Shana Alexander
What Does Joan Say by Joan Quigley
Means of Ascent: The Years of Lyndon Johnson by Robert Caro

YOUNG AUTHORS AT LIBRARY

The Friends of the Gilman Library will meet on Tuesday, June 5, at 1p.m. in the Agnes Thompson Room.

They will have as their guests several young people from grades 1 - 6 at the Alton Central School. These girls and boys will read and show the books that they have written, illustrated and bound as part of the Young Authors Program coordinated by Enrichment Aide Ann Hoopes.

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Space for classified ads is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Main Street reserves the right to refuse any ad.

Ads may be mailed with payment to P.O.Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810. The deadline is the 15th of the preceding month.

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Alton Outdoors
by Jack Miller

10,000 NEW RESIDENTS

I bet you haven't noticed the new residents in town. At least 10,000 of them have moved in. How could you miss that many, you may ask? They moved in quietly, by truck, in broad daylight. But you had to be very observant to notice. Need some more hints?

If you use "The Lake" you might have noticed. If you are an informed fisherman you might have heard. If you drive a boat on "The Lake" slow enough, you might have noticed our new residents. Any guess who they might be?

Their biological name is *Salmo gairdneri*, more commonly called the Rainbow Trout. The NH Fish and Game Department has stocked them in Winni to take some of the fishing pressure off salmon and lake trout.

Rainbow will tolerate warmer water than both salmon and lake trout. During June they can be found feeding on insect hatches. If you are on the lake this month you may see a school of rainbows feeding on the surface where a dry fly or nymph can catch one of these trout.

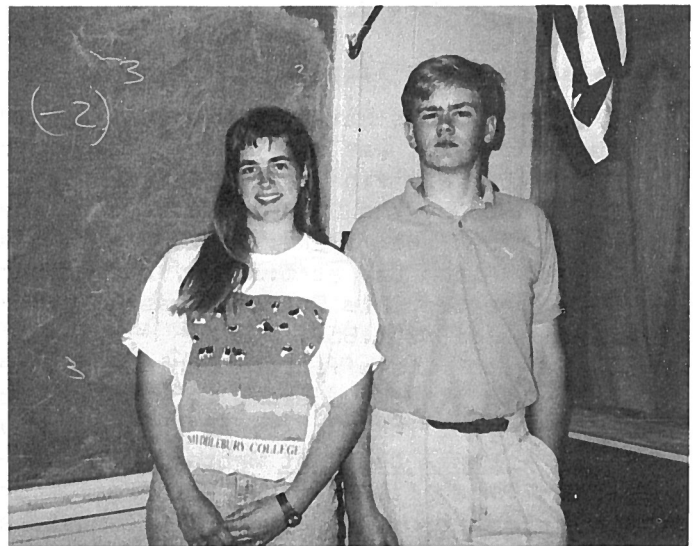
Be careful! Sneak up on the school because they spook easily. You may want to just sit until the school moves into your range and then make your casts. Trying to follow the school may put them down.

Any fishing method may catch these "new residents" but they can become very selective. Casting spinners at a school feeding on insects may not produce a strike. When you do hook a rainbow you may have trouble landing it. Like salmon, rainbow trout are a leaping fish and will often jump clear of the water. Good Luck!

Make sure you know the difference between rainbows and salmon. Rainbows always have a pinkish/red lateral stripe. Salmon must be 15" long to be legal for keeping with a two fish limit. There is no length limit on rainbows and you may keep 7 trout or 5 pounds, whichever you catch first.

As these trout grow in Winni they should provide some fine fishing into late spring and early summer. In a year or two they should grow to 3 to 5 pounds apiece.

Till next month...If we want fish to catch we shouldn't pollute their environment either.



STUDENTS ACCEPTED FOR ADVANCED STUDIES

Two Alton students, Tony Dunham and Rori Boyce, have been accepted at St. Paul's School for the Summer Program in Advanced Studies. Dunham has selected the study of Japanese as a new area of interest. Boyce will be pursuing the topic of Law and Government as she is contemplating a possible career goal in that field.

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR ELECTION DAYS

Volunteers will be asked to staff the polls this year, according to Town Moderator John Duffek. Individuals will be needed to check in voters, provide voter assistance and booth supervision, and count ballots at the close of the polls.

The State Primary will be on Tuesday, September 11, and State General Elections are Tuesday, November 6. Hours will be from 7a.m. to 7p.m. at the Central Fire Station.

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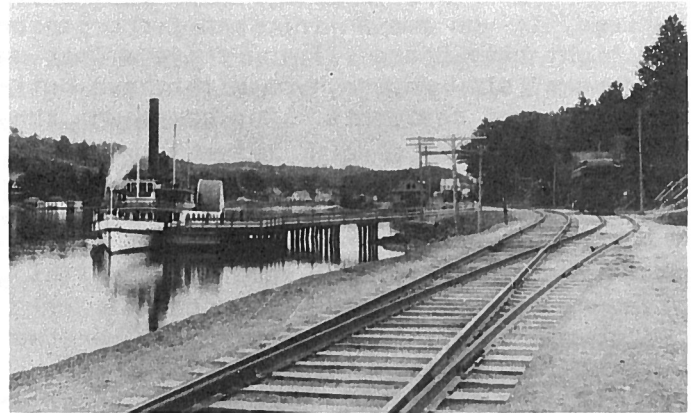
RAILROAD ANNIVERSARY

The Lake Shore Railroad was 40 years in the planning. What was started by the Coche-co RR in 1847 was finally completed by a company formed by the Boston, Concord & Montreal RR. The final nickel-plated spike was driven in Alton Bay at 5:30p.m. on October 25, 1889, and the Lake Shore RR was completed at a cost of \$250,859.

Prior to its official opening on June 17, 1890, the line was used extensively that winter for the ice market. As the February 14, 1890, Laconia Democrat wrote, "Massachusetts and Rhode Island would soon insist on being furnished with the pure stuff instead of the ice cut from mud holes and slimy frog ponds down in their own states." That season nearly 500,000 tons of ice worth about \$2 million was harvested from Winnepesaukee and transported out on the Lake Shore RR.

Four 5-car trains ran from Laconia to Alton on dedication day. Two trains were filled with "officials". Another carried Rublee's Band for entertainment at each stop and a "brass field piece" (cannon) manned by

G.A.R. veterans for gun salutes. As Dana Philbrook wrote in his article in the B & M Bulletin, "The exuberant cannonading impressed all within earshot. Most of all, the directors of the Concord & Montreal Railroad, who discovered at Alton Bay that the concussion from the field piece had cracked the windows of their elegant parlour car, the Webster.



VIEW OF RAILROAD SQUARE FROM THE NORTH

For \$1.75, a passenger could go from Lakeport to Alton Bay, take one of the Lake's steamers (also owned by the parent company, Concord & Montreal RR) to Long Island, then take the Maid of the Isles and sail to the Weirs, and then return to Lakeport by train! \$2.50 would take the passenger from Concord, through Alton Bay and over to Old Orchard Beach in Maine and back. Of course, it was a

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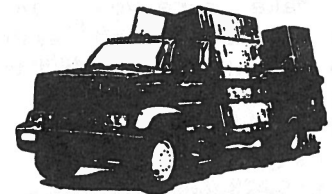


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VIEW OF RAILROAD SQUARE FROM THE SOUTH

Of the ten official stations of the Lake Shore RR, amazingly, seven remain today - Loon Cove, Spring Haven, West Alton, Lake Shore Park (Carr's Point), Gilford, Lakeport and Alton Bay (which was built in the 1900's by the B & M RR).

In researching this article, I relied heavily on Dana Philbrook's article, "Lake Shore Railroad: The First Forty Years", published in the B & M Bulletin. I also found a great enthusiast and information source in Al Wilder of Alton Bay. On June 17, 1990, the celebration of the railroad line will attract railroad enthusiasts, novices to expert. Plan to attend the ceremony to hear more about the history and catch a glimmer of past glories.

"RUN FOR FUN" RACE IS SATURDAY, JUNE 23

Alton Parks and Recreation and the Alton Star Market will sponsor a five-mile road race on Saturday, June 23.

The race is open to all ages and ability and since it is a "Run For Fun" race, it is hoped that families will get involved.

Starting at 11a.m. at the Star Market, the race goes through the new youth baseball field to Alton Bay and back to Star Market.

All proceeds will benefit Parks and Recreation programs. Call 875-2161 for information.

ALTON SCHOOL DATES

Kindergarten graduation is scheduled for Tuesday, June 12, at 7p.m. and the Class of 1990 commencement is Saturday, June 16, at 11a.m.

The last day of school will be a half day on Tuesday, June 19.

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Space for this and subsequent markets on June 30 and August 25 are available. Call 875-5645 for information.

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JUNE EVENTS

- Fri. 1 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Mon. 4 - GOLF LEAGUE, Tee Off After 3p.m., Farmington CC
 ATHLETIC BANQUET - Alton Central School, 5p.m.
 Tue. 5 - USDA FOOD DISTRIBUTION, Alton Bay Community Center,
 10a.m. to noon & 1 to 2p.m.
 YOUNG AUTHORS PROGRAM, Friends of the Library, 1p.m.,
 Gilman Library
 Wed. 6 - USDA FOOD DISTRIBUTION, Alton Bay Community Center,
 10a.m. to noon & 1 to 2p.m.
 STORY HOUR: 3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10a.m.
 BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Thu. 7 - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: Parent Teacher Community
 Support Organization, Alton School, 7p.m.
 Fri. 8 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Sat. 9 - FLEA MARKET, Alton Lioness Club, 9a.m. to 3p.m.,
 Alton Bay Community House
 Tue. 12 - KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION, Alton Central School, 7p.m.
 Wed. 13 - STORY HOUR: 3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10a.m.
 BUSINESS AFTER HOURS, Sandy Point Restaurant, 6p.m.
 BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Thu. 14 - FLAG DAY CEREMONY, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Fri. 15 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Sat. 16 - COMMENCEMENT, Alton Central School, 11a.m.
 Sun. 17 - FATHER'S DAY
 100th ANNIVERSARY of Lake Shore Railroad, 1p.m.,
 Alton Bay Community House
 Tue. 19 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
 GOLF NIGHT, Alton-New Durham Lions Club, 6p.m., Blue
 Jay Miniature Golf Course
 OPEN HOUSE, Historical Society, 7:30p.m., Town Hall
 Wed. 20 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Thu. 21 - SUMMER BEGINS
 Fri. 22 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Sat. 23 - "RUN FOR FUN" ROAD RACE, Star Market, 11a.m.
 Sun. 24 - CANOE RACE, Route 28 South, 11a.m.
 Mon. 25 - BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 7p.m.
 Tue. 26 - "DAFFODILS, DAYLILIES, AND OTHER DELIGHTS", Garden
 Club, 1:30p.m., Congregational Meeting House
 Wed. 27 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Fri. 29 - CAROLYN PARROTT, Gilman Library, 10a.m.
 BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
 Sat. 30 - FLEA MARKET, Alton Lioness Club, 9a.m. to 3p.m.,
 Alton Bay Community House
 CONCERT: The Family Circle, Christian Conference
 Center, 7:30p.m.

SCHOOL SUPPORT GROUP MEETING JUNE 7

The Alton Parent Teacher Community Support Organization (PTCO) will hold an organizational meeting on Thursday, June 7, at 7p.m. in the School.

For more information, call Felice Carr at 776-6003 after 5p.m., Sandra Currid at 875-5375 daytime, or the School office at 875-7500.

FLAG DAY IS JUNE 14

Claude R. Batchelder Post #72 of the American Legion will have a flag-burning ceremony on Thursday, June 14, at 7p.m. to retire with dignity worn and faded "stars and stripes". Flag Day is the anniversary of its adoption in 1777.

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4 ALTON STUDENTS WIN ESSAY CONTEST

Alton High School students Tony Dunham, Matt Lord, Wendy Matson, and Kim Waldron have won four of eight all-expense paid trips to Washington D.C., representing the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's 1990 Youth Tour. The Rural Electric Youth Tour is an annual event from June 12 - 18 during which about 1,000 rural high school juniors from all over the country meet in Washington to learn more about government, cooperatives, and rural electrification.

Juniors from Mary Christy's and Nancy Hammerton's English classes were given a presentation in February by Kirk Neal, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative's Communications Coordinator. He spoke about the essay contest and students learned that it is a state-wide contest with the subject being life without electricity and the history of the cooperative. Students wrote rough drafts and worked with their English teachers to improve upon them. They then submitted final essays to Mr. Neal and his judging panel.

The eight state winners and their parents met on Sunday, May 20, for an informational dinner with the trip chaperones, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative General Manager Jon Bellgowan, Director of Marketing and Member Relations Larry Hinz, Board of Director Members, and Mr. Neal.

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EARTH DAY CELEBRATED THROUGHOUT ALTON

By Debby Eyler

Alton's Earth Day Celebration touched most everyone in Alton. Many people are now separating their trash and are more aware of recycling and its benefits.

Town Hall's trash bales and Jay Sydow's signs made an impact on people as to the amount of garbage we generate. Pictures of the bales were in several local newspapers and were noted in the Earth Day listings. Those who attended the Open House at the Landfill also got a glimpse of AMS' new recyclables truck which was on display.



FIRST GRADERS PLANT EARTH DAY TREE

The School celebrated Earth Day during the week of April 16-20. The middle and high schools had panels of speakers, a poster contest, and class projects in art and English. There was tree-planting, a coloring book, and clean-up projects among others for elementary school students. The trees for the plantings were donated by the Village 5&10, Quindley & Sons, Curry Realty, The Art Place, Tom and Ann Hoopes, Victoria Pier, St. Joan of

Arc Church and Ladies' Guild and the New Hampshire Electric Co-op.

Ron Keslar of Alton Bay, spoke to the third and fourth grades on the impact man has on the natural environment and the problems that arise when man's and wildlife's habitats collide.

Seven local businesses carried and promoted the New Hampshire Earth Day Mugs. These mugs sold quickly, many stores were sold out within the week! The Senior Meal Site at the Community Center is now encouraging their patrons to bring their own ceramic mug instead of using the offered styrofoam ones.

Clean-up Day held on April 21, focused on the Traffic Circle and the waterfront at the Bay.

The Earth Day Committee would like to sincerely thank the many people who took part in recognizing and encouraging Earth Day. To the many people working behind the scenes on this project, thank you for your hard work and community spirit.

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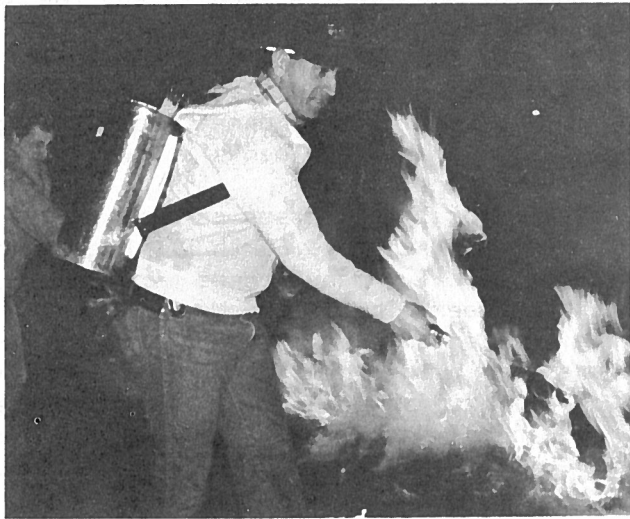


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FIREFIGHTERS prepare for the grass and brush fire season at one of their regular training sessions at Alton Central Station. (Photo by John Duffek)

**GARDEN CLUB SPEAKER
AT JUNE 26 MEETING**

The Alton Garden Club will be holding its meeting on Tuesday, June 26, at 1:30p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House. Helen Hufschmidt of Gilmanton Iron Works will be the speaker. Her subject will be "Daffodils, Daylilies, and Other Delights".

Mrs. Hufschmidt has a private nursery where she experiments in planting, propagating and pollinating seeds to produce some unusual results. Her training has qualified her to be a flower show judge by the National Garden Council.

Refreshments will be served at the beginning of the meeting by Elsie Trull, chairman, assisted by Rose Bornheim, Mary Downing, Jeannette Jones, Muriel Miller, Juliet Peverly, and Isabelle Stocker.

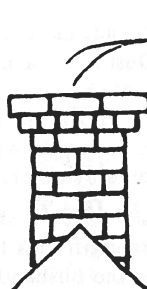
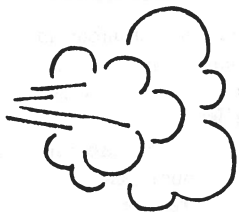
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Students may enroll based on teacher or parent referral. Notices will be sent to parents of children whose teacher feels that a program of this sort will benefit their child. These sessions are not limited to remedial work and may be taken for enrichment. The fee per child is \$50.

For further information, contact Assistant Principal George Rogers at 875-7500.



ALTON BAY CANOE RACE OPEN TO ALL PADDLERS

The Alton Bay Canoe Race will be sponsored by Parks and Recreation and Victoria Pier Restaurant on Sunday, June 24.

The course is an easy three and a half miles of flat water, starting at 11a.m. on the Merrymeeting River off Route 28 South near the Masonic Temple and finishing at the Public Docks in Alton Bay.

The event is open to all, from racers to novices, adults and children, in combinations of two males, two females, or mixed teams.

More information is available from Parks and Recreation in Town Hall, 875-2161.

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE

The Alton Historical Society will hold an Open House on Tuesday, June 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the museum at the Town Hall.

Many new items of memorabilia will be on display for the public to admire. Refreshments will be served by hostesses Judy Fry and Nina Liedtke.

Money talks - but its voice is getting weaker.

LIONS CLUB GOLF NIGHT

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club will hold its annual Golf Night Tuesday, June 19, at the Blue Jay Miniature Golf Course in Alton Bay beginning at 6p.m.

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ALTON POLICE FORCE HAS 2 NEW MEMBERS

Police Chief Thomas Mynczywor announced the appointment of two new officers to the department, Shawn Bernier and Susan Roberts.

A 1986 graduate of Kingswood H.S., Bernier is a life-long resident of Wolfeboro. Before becoming a patrolman here, he served with distinction in the U.S. Army with the military police, stationed primarily in Stuttgart, Germany. At the conclusion of his service, he was designated a sergeant in the reserves.

Bernier is single, and when asked about his choice of law enforcement as a career, he replied, "It's been something I wanted to do for as long as I can remember." He enjoys hunting and fishing and is scheduled to attend the NH State Police Academy's 10 week course later this month.

Roberts of Gilmanton joined the Alton Police Department as a patrolman on May 14. Married to Steve Roberts and the mother of two (son, Ian, and daughter, Erin Sue), she has served with distinction on the Gilmanton Police Department. She is certified and was third in her class at the Police Academy.

She graduated from Belmont High School and holds an associate degree from Colby Ju-



NEW OFFICER Susan Roberts is welcomed to the Alton Police Department by Chief Thomas Mynczywor. (Photo by John Duffek)

nior College, majoring in liberal arts and psychology. Prior to her police service she served for ten years with the State of NH Public Utilities Commission, the last three years as a supervisor. Her community service includes serving as an advisor to Police Explorer Post 600 which has had several Alton youth in its membership.



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Sink plants in their pots into the ground to within two inches of the top of the pot. Depending on the weather you may need to water occasionally.

Early September, right after Labor Day, bring all house plants back indoors. Vacation's over!!



ATHLETIC BANQUET IS JUNE 4

The Alton Central School Athletic Banquet will be held on Monday, June 4. All honors for elementary, junior high, junior varsity and varsity participants in all sports will be awarded that evening.

At 5p.m., the elementary and junior high students will receive their awards. Dinner will be served from 6 to 7:30p.m., followed by the junior varsity and varsity award presentations.

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STUDENTS ATTENDING CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

Four Alton students will be attending Boys' State and Girls' State at St. Anselm's College during the week of June 24.

Matt Lord and Thad Guldbrandsen were selected to attend the boys' program in citizenship training and government and Jessica Miller and Amy Best will attend the girls' program.

Students are selected on the basis of interest in government, leadership, scholastic achievement, and character and they are sponsored by the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary.

YOUNG ASTRONAUTS TO LAUNCH ROCKETS

The three chapters of Alton School's Young Astronaut Club will conduct a rocket launching at the School Playground at 2p.m. on Sunday, June 10.

Expenses for materials and kits were covered in part by donations from Alton Village 5 & 10, Alton Home Center, and Alton Bay Busy Corner Store.

The public is invited to attend and more information is available from Rolf Dutzmann at 293-8095.

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