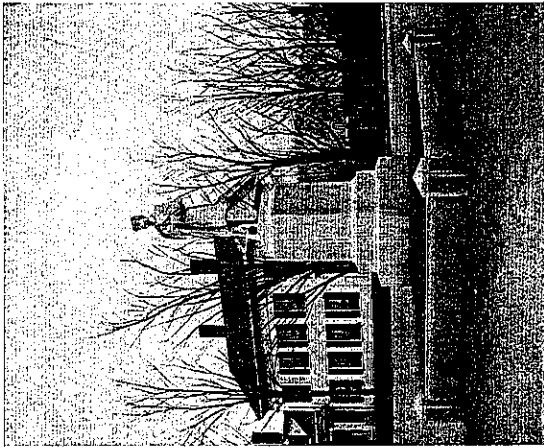


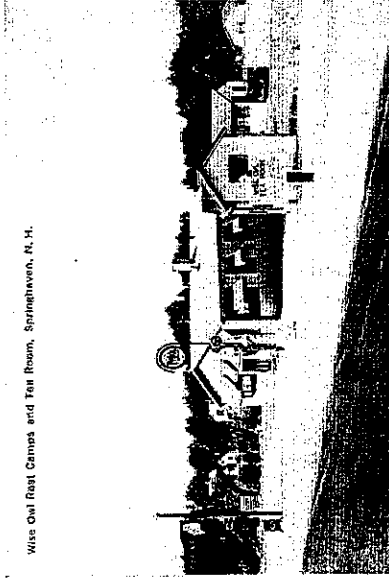
October 18, 2022

Annual Meeting and
Election of Officers, **7:00 pm.**
Bring an item to share or an item
that you need help identifying.



Soldiers Monument, Alton V.H.

Civil War Soldiers Monument
Alton Village



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April 19

New Hampshire history is uniquely on display along the highways of the Granite State. The NH historical markers commemorate significant events, individuals and places in NH history. Michael Bruno will share with us his journey which began in 2015, as he traveled the country roads of NH, visiting, documenting and researching NH's 255 markers. He also likes to include the back story to some of the markers and other interesting points of interest. Michael's book is titled "Cruising New Hampshire History" and will be available.

May 17

Barbara Roberts, daughter of Irving and Jean Roberts, will share stories, pictures, and genealogy of the Roberts family in Alton. The Roberts Family built a cabin in New Durham Gore (Alton) in the 1770's and has been active in the community throughout the years. Early members of the family served as town officials and church founders. Currently, the family members own/run the Roberts' Cove Marina in East Alton.

June 21

New Hampshire Humanities presenter, Glenn Knoblock, will talk about "Historic and Unusual Weathervanes of The Granite State". Weathervanes began as a practical weather instrument and progressed to architectural decoration on churches, town halls, barns and public buildings. Mr. Knoblock talks about their construction and will show examples of vanes found throughout the state.

July 19

In the center of Alton village is a public Square, which is actually a triangle formed by the intersection of two late 18th century roads.

Buildings began to appear on three sides in the 1830's, including an inn and tavern, a drug store, two general stores, three residences, a shoe factory, an impressive brick Town Hall and what has the look of a southern plantation owner's home. The central feature, the Civil War Soldiers Monument was dedicated in 1897. This Historic District known as Monument Square was entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984. Tonight we will look at the distinguishing features and histories of each of these buildings.

PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 7:00 pm at the Gilman Library

August 16

In memory of Calvin Batchelder, a lifelong resident of West Alton who passed away this past December, Brian Fortier and Kareen (Merfeld) Briggs will present "a walk" down Route 11 in West Alton through the use of old postcards, pictures, and Google Earth. They will talk about places such as the train stations, the fire station, Mt. Major Community Center, post offices, and the Girl Scout camp on Treasure Island. You are highly encouraged to participate in the discussion and talk of your recollections of West Alton.

September

To be Announced.