



Main Street

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Alton, New Hampshire

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES PLANNED FOR MONDAY, MAY 30

Alton's Memorial Day Parade will be Monday, May 30, starting at the American Legion Hall. Participants are asked to be at the Legion Hall by 9:30a.m. At 9:45a.m., Monsignor Leo Hines, pastor of St. Joan of Arc Church, will give the invocation.

Norm French, Legionnaire of the Year, will begin the march to Riverside Cemetery followed by A. W. "Bill" Hiedke and Aida Downing, grand marshals for the Legion and Legion Auxiliary.

Additional marchers will be members of American Legion Post #72 and Color Guard, American Legion Auxiliary Unit #72 and Color Guard, Sons of the American Legion and Color Guard, Board of Selectmen, School Board, School Band, State Senator and State Representatives, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Color Guard, Police Department, Fire Department, Cub Scout Pack 53 and Color Guard, Brownies and school children. Anyone else wishing to participate is welcome.

At Riverside Cemetery, Dr. Peter Roussaki, pastor of the Community Church, will lead the group in prayer followed by a recitation of In Flanders Fields, decorating of the graves, and a presentation of the Veteran's prayer. A gun salute to the dead and the playing of taps will complete the ceremony.

The parade will then return to Monument Square for the Memorial Day speaker, musical selections and the laying of wreaths on the monuments by members of the Legion Auxiliary. The Gettysburg Address will be recited and Henry Nowe, commander of VFW #11163, will speak. The observances will close with Muriel Stinson presenting the Auxiliary Memorial Reading.

The Arrangements Committee for this year's observance includes Steve Temple, Muriel Stinson, and Gerry Steimle.

ICE OFFICIALLY GONE AT 12:35PM ON APRIL 23

According to the official Lake Winnepesaukee ice watchers, the waters were free of ice at 12:35p.m. on Saturday, April 23. This is the moment that the M.S. Mount Washington could reach each of its ports unobstructed by ice.

The winner of this year's Ice Out Contest sponsored by Main Street is Richard N. Jones of Wolfeboro, a subscriber to Main Street. His guess was 1:30p.m. on April 23. Jones will receive a certificate for dinner for two compliments of the Alton Bay Inn.



DESIGN BY TRACY LIONETTA SELECTED FOR ALTON BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Alton's Bicentennial Committee recently selected a logo designed by Tracy Lionetta from among the entries submitted to its logo contest. Lionetta wins a gift certificate for dinner for two donated by Sandy Point Restaurant.

The design shown above will be used on all bicentennial signs, stationery, tee-shirts, and other memorabilia. It depicts familiar Alton landmarks and representations of the town's history.

Alton's 200th birthday will be Sunday, June 16, 1996.



LOGO CONTEST WINNER

Tracy Lionetta displays her winning entry in the Alton Bicentennial Logo Contest to Bicentennial Co-Chairmen Nancy Merrill (left) and Pat Merrill.

ALTON STUDENTS WIN NATIONAL AND STATE ESSAY CONTESTS

Robert Boyce and Erika Fenton are among 45 students nationwide who won the Colonial Dames of America essay contest: Boyce, Brendon Mitchell and Jesse McKinney were winners in the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative essay contest.

Both competitions offer trips to Washington, DC, in June to the winners.

The Colonial Dames of America essay topic was "Should Congressional terms be limited?". Winners are invited to the Washington Workshop Congressional Seminar that includes meetings with congressmen, officials from various departments and agencies and foreign ambassadors. Students also participate in a model Congress concerned with national policies and laws.

The winners of the NH Electric Coop contest wrote essays on a variety of topics to do with energy or rural cooperative operations. They will participate in the 1994 National Rural Electric Youth Tour in Washington with sessions showing how rural electric cooperatives are run by their "owners" and the history and philosophy behind the rural electrification movement in America.



CUBS RECOGNIZED FOR PATCH DESIGN

Shawn Hillsgrove (left) and Corey Burton of Cob Scout Pack 53 received Mag-lite flashlights from the Scout Council Development Director Patrick Sterrett in recognition of their artistic excellence in designing the 1994 Family Fun Walk patch shown below.



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SENIOR CLASS SPAGHETTI SUPPER

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COMMITTEE SETS DATES FOR 1994 ALTON OLD HOME WEEK

The Old Home Week Committee has announced that the 14th Annual Old Home Week has been set for August 13-21.

The list of activities include Kid's Day, Barbershoppers Jamboree, Car Show, Outdoor Movie, Sports Night, Water Ski Show, Penny Sale, Pancake Breakfast, Outdoor Concerts, Craft Fair, Parade, Chili Contest, Pretty Baby Contest, Block Party, Fireworks, and much more!

Community members interested in donating time to assist the committee are encourage to contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 875-0109 for the next meeting date.

A membership drive is being held to help raise money for Old Home Week. A \$5 donation will help fund the week of events and will place your name in the program book. Please fill out the coupon below and mail to Old Home Week Committee, P.O.Box 659, Alton 03809.

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in the program book. Please make checks payable to Old Home Week Committee.

"YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU" PRESENTED MAY 12, 13 AND 14

The classic American comedy, You Can't Take It With You, by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart, will be presented by the Alton High School Drama Club on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 12-14, at 7:30p.m. in the School auditorium.

Set in the 1930's, this delightful play recalls the story of the Sycamores, a family that, at first glance seems crazy, but it's not long before we realize that if they are crazy then the rest of the world is insane.

The cast includes seniors Katey Best, Michael Portigue, Lisa Paige, Eric Waterman, Maureen Coots, Lisa Wentworth, Andre Steingraeber, and Kurt Thomits; juniors Justin Swain, Heath Patterson, Dakota Benedetto, Josh Luscomb, and Kevin Thomits; sophomore Jessica Trefethen and freshmen Kara Damon, Tom Bernard, and Paula Hufschmid.

The production stage manager is Danielle Decatur and the production is directed by faculty member Elizabeth Lent.

HAM AND BEAN SUPPER SLATED FOR MAY 14

The Alton Seniors are sponsoring a Ham and Bean Supper on Saturday, May 14, from 5 to 7p.m. at the Pearson Road Community Center.

The cost is \$4 for adults and \$1 for children with proceeds to be used for community projects.

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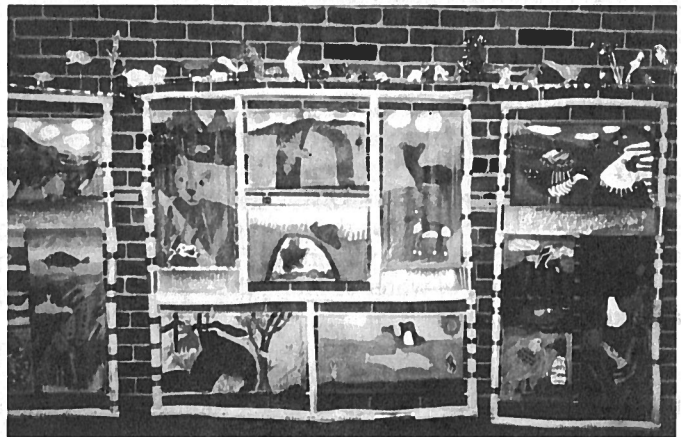


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FIFTH GRADERS CREATE THE VANISHING WALL

Members of the fifth grade at Alton Central School created "The Vanishing Wall", a multi-media tribute to endangered species around the world.

Students selected and researched an endangered animal, wrote reports, and designed a representation of the animal to be incorporated in the final art piece to be permanently displayed in the school.

The project included a 13-day residency by fabric sculptor Kim Wintje of Farmington and painter Katy Baucke of Portsmouth. Overall direction was provided by fifth grade teachers Susan LeClerc, Lynn Pelletier and Paul Thornton.

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BI-CENTENNIAL FOCUS

By Henry J. Nowe

**NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS
ALTON FIRE DEPARTMENT: THEN & NOW**

You're sitting in the parking lot at Alton Bay on a quiet sunny afternoon. Suddenly you hear the loud shrill of the siren at the Bay fire station. ONCE, TWICE, THREE times it sends its piercing cry across the town calling the firefighters to service. Shortly you hear the roar of heavy trucks carrying a thousand gallons of water or more, there sirens cutting the air like a sharp knife.

Common today, but when this story starts these were unheard of activities. In the 1800s, the siren would have been a call by the town crier or a bell tolling in the church steeple. The trucks would be replaced by men and women and even children running or riding in a wagon carrying leather buckets. Later years would see men pushing and pulling hand tubs and hose wagons to the fire, in some cases many miles away. Regardless of the year or the equipment used, the Alton Fire Department consisted of neighbors helping neighbors in time of need.

Whether it is in Alton or a big city like Boston, the firefighter's job is considered the most dangerous in the world. Today there are more than 1,200,000 firefighters in the U.S. with more than 300 fires every hour. One firefighter is killed on the average of every three days. Almost half the nation's firefighters are injured every year.

In this article and those to come, I will try to give you an account of the fire service in Alton from the mid-1800s to the 1990s.

Alton's fire problems have changed a great deal in the past 100 years. A hundred years ago most fires were caused by sparks coming from chimneys and landing on wood shingled roofs. In Alton, as in most communities, each household was required to keep at least one leather fire bucket on hand. Men, women and children were expected to help with fighting fires with their bucket. Each bucket was about three gallons in size and frequently were decorated with the owner's name, address, and, in many cases, the owner's type of business. Often the owner's crest or coat of arms was put on the buckets. When the alarm sounded each family was to either take the bucket to the fire or toss it out in front of their house to be picked up and taken to the fire



by young men carrying a long pole on which the buckets were hung. In many towns, large quantities of buckets were stored in central locations such as the town hall, general store, taverns, or eating establishments.

In Alton, The Rockwell Clough house had a large supply of buckets as late as 1930, when they were used at the Shoe Shop fire. At the scene of a fire, two lines of people formed from the fire to the water source. Men comprised the line carrying the full buckets to the fire and the women and children the line carrying the empties back to the water source. When first used the buckets were emptied on the fire and in later years they were dumped into tanks on the hand tubs. After the fire the buckets were usually piled in front of the Town Hall to be picked up by their owners. As buildings were growing in height and overall size and the hand tub and pump wagons were coming into use the good old leather bucket slowly found itself being used for other things or just sitting on the shelf. At this time many towns were putting in hydrant systems which were made out of wooden pipes.

The first recorded use of hydrants and hoses was found in the 1894 Alton Town Report. At that time it is recorded that the Town paid the American Fire Hose Mfg. Co. the sum of \$218.75 and later in 1895 another \$33 for a nozzle and brackets. At that time, and for many years to come, the Town paid the Alton/Alton Bay Water Co. up to \$780 a year for hydrants. Also in 1895, Joseph D. Wilder, a fire ward, was paid \$5.80 for repairs on the hose carriage. During the year, the Fire Wards and others were paid for certain

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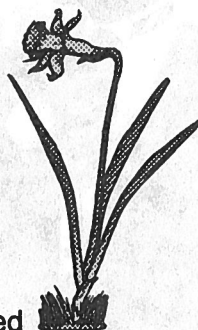
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services. Wilder at one time was paid \$25 for services as fire ward and another time \$6.30 for services on the hose house committee. Another man, L.G.Welch was paid \$10 for services as fire ward and hose house committee member. Different amounts were paid to the hose companies for services. Today, \$3.90 would not be minimum wage for cleaning hydrants but in 1898, Paul Buckley was paid that amount to do all the hydrants.

The rest of this article will be about the Panalanskean Hose Company Number 1, later to be known as the Alton Hose Company Number 1, during the period 1899 to 1907.

In 1899 the company voted on a set of by-laws for the operation and conduct of the organization.

Among the officers was a foreman who ran the meetings, provided training, and supervised his company at fires. He was aided by a first and second assistant foreman who took charge in the foreman's absence. A clerk kept the minutes of regular and social meetings. He also kept the attendance record for meetings and fires. A treasurer handled all finances. A steward was elected to keep the hose carriage and any other company apparatus in order and ready for immediate use. He was also in charge of all other company property including the upkeep of the hose and carriage house. Finally a three-member standing committee was elected to receive names of all men wishing to be in the company. They also audited the records of the clerk and treasurer.

If a member of the company had to leave town for less than three weeks he had to pick a substitute to fill his place from a list of three men elected by the company. The man then informed his foreman about the substitution.

There was no drinking at any time in any of the hose houses.

Several fines were levied for broken rules: absence from a fire - 25 cents, absence from a meeting - 13 cents, second absence from a meeting - 25 cents, drinking at a hose house - 25 cents, and leaving a fire without a good reason - \$1.

On October 4, 1899, by a vote of the company the name was changed from Panalanskean Hose Company Number 1 to Alton Hose Company Number 1. The alarm used to call the men for a fire was located on the Opera House.

On May 9, 1901, the Fire Wards held a special meeting at which the hose company was disbanded and a new company formed. Ten days later another special meeting was called for hydrant training. Some of the positions held in the company at this time were first and second leading horseman, first and second line of hose, first and second wrenchman, and first and second pipeman.

In 1902, the first pumper, the Paugus, a 200-gallon



horse-drawn unit was purchased and used until 1915.


Up until 1906 most fires were small house fires or brush fires. On November 3, 1906, at 8:30p.m., this all changed. A call to the Colbath Box Mill found three separate fires burning. These were put out in short order with little damage. All three were believed to have been deliberately set. For the town's protection a fire watch was established, but at 10p.m. the call sounded again. This time it was the S.C.Wentworth Mill. The men were not as lucky here for the mill was a total loss. As if this was not enough, at 3a.m. the following morning the alarm again sounded. This time it was the Boston and Maine Railroad Station in Alton Bay. As with the S.C.Wentworth Mill, the station was a total loss. Soon after a man named Walter Green was arrested and quickly confessed to setting all three fires. He said he had no motive, he just wanted to see the fires.

The Alton and Alton Bay Fire Departments were sent letters of commendation from the B & M Railroad thanking them for saving the Mount Washington which was docked at the B & M terminal.

In later articles we will look into other major fires to hit the town, such as the Shoe Shop, Campground, Oak Birch Inn, and Alton Bay Inn. We will also look at some other activities the Fire Department is involved with.

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**NORTH AMERICAN SOCCER CAMP
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North American Soccer Camp will be offering soccer instruction in Alton this summer from 9a.m. to noon August 1-5. All participants ages 7-16 are invited to register at the Parks and Recreation Department.

The program fee is \$87 per participant which includes the camp, a soccer ball, and tee-shirt. A \$30 non-refundable deposit is required at time of registration. The last day to register is June 17. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 875-0109.

**CUB SCOUT YARD SALE TO BENEFIT
ANTHONY LANCE CANCER FUND**

Alton Cub Scouts will sponsor a Yard Sale on Saturday, May 28, from 8a.m. to noon at the First NH Bank on Main Street. Proceeds will go to the Cub Scout Anthony Lance Cancer Fund. To donate items or money, call Mary Cheshire at 875-6092.

**KINDERGARTEN PARENTS' NIGHT
IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 11**

Parents of children who will be five years old by September 30, 1994, are invited to attend Kindergarten Parents' Night on Wednesday, May 11, at 7p.m. at Alton Central School. The Kindergarten Visitation Day scheduled for Friday, May 27, will be explained at that time.



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ALTON OUTDOORS

By Jack Miller

IT'S TROUT FISHING MONTH!

May is usually the month that the outdoors person thinks of trout fishing. Although with this year's late ice out, salmon fishing should still be productive on light tackle until they go deeper with the warming water.

If you want to try fishing or to introduce a younger person to the sport, May is the best month to do it. The fish are more active as the water starts to warm and the bugs begin to hatch. The fish always bite better this month.

Speaking of biting - May is also known as black fly month. Beware! I've heard that with the cold and snowy winter and the late spring, the black flies could be particularly bad this year. Stock up on your favorite bug repellent.

Moose applications must be sent to the Fish and Game headquarters by the 27th of this month. This year, the Fish and Game Department is thinking of opening the whole state to moose hunting. As the population of moose increases, the state may need to control the growth by permitting hunters to harvest moose in the southern part of the state. Remember, these are large animals, so beware while you drive through the state.

Keep your lines tight.

**POLICE CHIEF SEARCH EXPANDED
BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

The search for candidates for Chief of Police has been expanded and Arthur Bastian's employment as interim chief has been extended.

Selectmen made the move after narrowing the field of applicants to five but were unable to reach agreement on a successor to former chief Thomas Mynczywor.

The search is now being advertised beyond New Hampshire to include all of New England. The salary for the position has been set at \$35,848.

CHANGE OF PARTY AFFILIATION

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, May 31, at the Town Hall from 7 to 9p.m. to register new voters and to accept changes in party affiliation.

This will be the last opportunity to change party affiliation before the State Primary on September 13. New voters may declare party affiliation when they register.

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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY SCHOOL BOARD

The Alton School Board recently announced its officers and committee members for the coming year.

Al Burbank is chairman; Pete Shibley, vice chairman; and Crystal Newlin, secretary.

Appointments to committees are: Loring Carr as Budget Committee representative; Shibley and Carr on the contract negotiating team with Steve Parker as an alternate; and Burbank as a delegate to the NH School Association.

Parker was placed on the Capital Improvements Committee; Newlin was selected as the Board's liaison to the Board of Selectmen; Parker and Carr to the Building and Grounds Committee; Parker and Burbank to the Vocation and Education Committee; Shibley and Burbank to the Food Service Committee; Newlin to the Enrichment Committee; Shibley as the legislative liaison; and Newlin and Burbank were appointed to the Curriculum Committee.

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EAST ALTON FIRE ASSOCIATION PLANNING 20th ANNUAL FLEA MARKET

The 20th Annual Flea Market sponsored by the East Alton Fire Association will feature "recycling at its best" on Saturday, July 23, from 9a.m. to 2p.m.

Dealer spaces (20 x 15 feet) are available for \$10 each by contacting Jean Roberts at 569-2629.

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*BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE - Meets 4th Wednesday at 4p.m. at Gilman Library, Co-Chairmen Nancy Merrill & Pat Merrill, 875-3535.

*BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays at 7p.m., 2nd & 4th Mondays at 9a.m. Chairman James Washburn. Call 875-2161 for Appointment.

*BUDGET COMMITTEE - Meets 3rd Thursday at 7p.m. Chairman Warren Harris, 875-6346

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE - Meets on Call.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES - Meet 1st & 3rd Monday at 1p.m. Chairman Florence Shaw, 875-2220.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meets 2nd Thursday at 7p.m. Chairman Tom Hoopes, 875-3400.

FIRE WARDS - Meet on Call. Chief Russell Jones, 875-7510.

GILMAN MUSEUM TRUSTEES - Meets on Call. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.

*HEALTH COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Denise Merritt, M.D., 875-6151

LAND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM - Meets on Call, Chairman Juliet Peverley, 875-7232.

LEVY PARK TRUSTEES - Meet on Call. Chairman Jonathan Downing, 875-7243.

*OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE - Meets on Call.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Meets 1st Wednesday at 7p.m. Chairman Jay Sydow, 875-6792.

*PLANNING BOARD - Meets 1st Tuesday at 7p.m. Chairman Rick Mongeon. Call 875-5095 for Appointment.

SCHOOL BOARD - Meets 2nd & 4th Monday at 6p.m. at School. Chairman Albert Burbank, 875-2222.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST - Meet on Call. Chairman Alice Ziegra, 875-2151.

*TOWN BUILDINGS COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Donn Brock, 875-4343

*TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY - Meet 3rd Monday at 3:30p.m. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - Meet on Call. Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321.

WATER COMMISSION - Meets 2nd & 4th Thursday at 6p.m. Chairman George Jones, 364-6870. Office, 875-4200.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meets on Call 2nd Thursday at 7p.m. Chairman Milton Jensen, 875-5990.

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Bay Church - Sunday School 10a.m., Worship Sunday 11a.m. and Wednesday 7p.m., Pastor Roy Ames

Community Church - Worship, Congregational Meeting House, 11a.m., 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

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Town Planner - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30a.m. to 3:30p.m., Wednesday 1 to 3:30p.m., Meetings by Appointment, Closed Noon to 1p.m.

Building Inspector - Monday - Thursday, 8:30a.m. - 4:30p.m.; Friday, Noon - 8p.m.; Walk-in Office Hours, Wednesday 1 - 4p.m. and Friday, 4 - 8p.m. For Appointment 875-5095.

LANDFILL:

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Wednesday & Thursday - Closed

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ORGANIZATIONS:

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Tuesday 8p.m., Alton Bay Community House

AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday 7p.m., Legion Hall

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - 2nd Monday 7p.m., Legion Hall

COUNTRY DRIFTERS DANCE CLUB - Thursday, 7p.m., Alton Bay Community House

CUB SCOUT PACK 53 - Last Tuesday 6:30p.m., 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 April through October

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:30p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall

LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursday 6:30p.m. Mama Rina's Restaurant, New Durham, September thru June

MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Thursday

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SENIOR CITIZENS - 2nd Wednesday 2p.m., Pearson Road Center

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LISTINGS

MEMORIAL DAY 1994

Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 30. The Alton Central School and all Town offices and facilities will be closed.

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MAIN STREET INFORMATION CENTER

May Events

- Tue. 3 - TRACK & FIELD at Newfound, 3:30p.m.
Wed. 4 - BASEBALL at Moultonboro, 4p.m.
Fri. 6 - SENIOR CLASS SPAGHETTI SUPPER, Sandy Point Restaurant, 5 to 8p.m.
Sat. 7 - TRACK & FIELD at Stanstead Invitational, 10a.m.
Sun. 8 - MOTHER'S DAY
Tue. 10 - TRACK & FIELD at Gilford, 3:30p.m.
Wed. 11 - KINDERGARTEN PARENTS' NIGHT, Alton Central School, 7p.m.
Thu. 12 - BASEBALL vs. Nute, 4p.m.
SOFTBALL vs. Nute, 4p.m.
"YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU", Alton Central School, 7:30p.m.
Fri. 13 - "YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU", Alton Central School, 7:30p.m.
Sat. 14 - BASEBALL vs. Calvary Christian (2), 10a.m.
SOFTBALL vs. Calvary Christian (2), 10a.m.
TRACK & FIELD at Newfound Invitational, 10a.m.
ALTON SENIORS HAM & BEAN SUPPER, Pearson Road Community Center, 5 to 7p.m.
"YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU", Alton Central School, 7:30p.m.
Mon. 16 - BASEBALL at Nute, 4p.m.
SOFTBALL at Nute, 4p.m.
Tue. 17 - TRACK & FIELD at Kingswood, 3:30p.m.
HISTORICAL SOCIETY SPEAKER, Gilman Library, 7:30p.m.
Wed. 18 - BASEBALL vs. Concord Christian, 4p.m.
SOFTBALL vs. Concord Christian, 4p.m.
Fri. 20 - BASEBALL at Sunapee, 4p.m.
SOFTBALL at Sunapee, 4p.m.
Sat. 21 - ARMED FORCES DAY
TRACK & FIELD at Wilderness League, 9a.m.
OPEN HOUSE, Alton Ambulance Building, 10a.m.
BASEBALL vs. Pittsfield, 11a.m.
SOFTBALL vs. Pittsfield, 11a.m.
Mon. 23 - BASEBALL vs. Sunapee, 4p.m.
SOFTBALL vs. Sunapee, 4p.m.
Tue. 24 - GARDEN CLUB: "PRESERVING GARDEN FLOWERS", Congregational Meeting House, 12:30p.m.
"PRESENTING YOURSELF", Gilman Library, 7p.m.
Fri. 27 - KINDERGARTEN VISITATION DAY, Alton Central School
BASEBALL at Concord Christian, 4p.m.
SOFTBALL at Concord Christian, 4p.m.
Sat. 28 - TRACK & FIELD at Class Meet, TBA
OLD HOME WEEK FLEA MARKET, Alton Bay Community Center, 8a.m. to 2p.m.
CUB SCOUT YARD SALE, First NH Bank, 8a.m. to Noon
HIGH SCHOOL PROM, Margate, 6:30p.m.
Mon. 30 - MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES, American Legion Hall, 9:30a.m.
SCHOOL & TOWN OFFICES & FACILITIES CLOSED

PLANNING A SUMMER EVENT?

PUT IT IN THE SUMMER ACTIVITY FLYER

The Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce is inviting local organizations that are sponsoring public events during the summer months to submit information about these events by Tuesday, May 10.

All information about the event - title, date, time, location and sponsor - must be included along with the name and phone number of the contact person.

Send the information to P.O.Box 550, Alton, 03809, or drop it off at the Alton Village 5 & 10.

Classified Ads

Alton residents may place classified ads in Main Street each month. Ads are limited to non-commercial, private individuals who have items for sale, items wanted, free items, personals, or help wanted notices. The rate is \$1 for each ad. Main Street reserves the right to refuse any ad. Ads must be mailed with payment to P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810, by the 15th of the preceding month.

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TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS SOUGHT FOR CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The Parks and Recreation Department is coordinating an Adult CO-ED Softball League for participants 16 years and older. Games will be played on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays beginning at 6p.m. from June 14 until September 1.

A list of team members is due by May 27 and schedules will be available June 6. If you are interested in participating and you do not have a team, an attempt will be made to place you on a team.

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 875-0109.



REGIONAL OM FIRST PLACE

Members of the middle school team that won their division at the regional Olympics of the Mind competition are (front row, left to right) Brooke Albert, Andy Fuller, and Amber Locke; (back row, left to right) Anna Varney, Joey Irving, and Greg Salvatore. Team member Kenny Duffy was not present for the picture.

OLYMPICS OF THE MIND TEAM REACHES STATE FINALS

One of the Olympics of the Mind teams from Alton Central School was selected to compete at the state level on April 4 following their presentation at the regional meet at Kingswood High School.

The middle school team of Anna Varney, Amber Locke, Brooke Albert, Andy Fuller, Joey Irving, Greg Salvatore, and Kenny Duffy was coached by Mike Fuller. They participated in the Iliad Problem portion of the competition. Duffy received a special OM award.

Other entries include a fourth grade team of Josh Strickland, Leanne Kenerson, Morgan Fuller, Matt Currid, Jane Varney, Ben Jensen, and Kayla Ballentine, coached by Michael Currid, and another middle school team of Mike Langer, Tammy Murtagh, Samantha Cogan, David Jensen, Buffy Quindley, and Jen Martin, coached by John Irving.

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Naturally, borrowers must have a current Library Card and a maximum of two cassettes may be borrowed for two days (cassettes taken on Friday and Saturday are due on Monday). Loans may be renewed once either by phone or in person.

Before the cassette is returned to the circulation desk (NOT THE BOOK DROP) it must be rewound. There is an overdue fine if the cassette is returned to the book drop or if it is not rewound.

A fine of 50 cents a day per cassette is levied on overdue cassettes. If a cassette is lost or damaged, the replacement cost and a processing fee will be charged to the patron.


MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MEETING PLANNED BY LIBRARY FRIENDS

The Friends of the Gilman Library are planning a membership drive meeting on Tuesday, May 24, at 7p.m. at the Library.

The meeting will feature a program by Linda Hammond of New Hampton entitled "Presenting Yourself". The talk, for men and women, will offer suggestions on how to "take 8-10 years and pounds off" by use of her "10 second diet".

OLD HOME WEEK FLEA MARKET

The Old Home Week Committee will sponsor a Flea Market on Saturday, May 28, from 8a.m. to 2p.m. at the Alton Bay Community Center. Pre-paid space reservations may be made by May 14 for \$15. On the day of the market, spaces will be \$20. All proceeds will benefit Old Home Week. For more information and registration call Kellie McGrath at 875-0109.

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14 STUDENTS ARE INDUCTED INTO THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The Alton Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 14 new members recently. They joined seniors Maureen Coots, Marc Newlin and Aaron Roussaki who were inducted last year. The guest speaker was Librarian Marjorie Mohr.

The new members are seniors Heather Salvatore, Courtney Newton, Barbara McKenney, Jeremy Everson, Pamela Bothwick, and Gerald Fifield, and juniors Erika Fenton, Matt Christy, Jesse McKinney, Jessica Emanouil, Michael Racine, Dakota Benedetto, Robert Boyce, Brendon Mitchell, and John Herman.

Membership requires a grade point average of at least 3.5, demonstrated leadership and good character, and service to the school or community.

SUBMIT YOUR NEWS

Information may be submitted in writing to Main Street about special events sponsored by Alton organizations, club meetings, and news of interest to the general public.

Send any material to P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810, by the 15th of each month for the following month's issue.

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RESTORATION OF GRACE BERRY HOUSE IS HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING TOPIC

On Tuesday, May 17, Bert Philipps of Gilmanton will speak at the May meeting of the Alton Historical Society to be held at the Gilman Library at 7:30p.m.

Philipps is an electrician and plumber who, several years ago, purchased the Grace Berry House that was located on the corner of Route 28 and Gilmans Corner Road. He and his wife, Lu, took the house down, board by board, marked each piece, and then rebuilt and restored it on Route 107 South in Gilmanton.

Philipps has worked at Shaker Village in Canterbury and also with Douglas Towle on other restoration projects. He will present slides describing the recreation of houses.

Historical Society meetings are always free and open to the public. Hostesses for this meeting are Ann Bodwell and Shirley Poynter.

ENTRY DEADLINE NEARS FOR 1995 LIBRARY CALENDAR

The deadline for entering photos for the 1995 calendar presented by the Friends of the Gilman Library is Tuesday, May 10.

Any old photos of the town - homes, businesses, scenic views, etc. - will be considered for next year's edition of the Past and Present Calendar. Prizes will be awarded and entries may be dropped off at the Library or the Alton Village 5 & 10.

SUPPORT WELCOMED

The publication of Main Street is made possible by the Alton businesses who advertise each month. Support these businesses and mention that you saw their ad in Main Street.

Many individual residents have expressed their appreciation for Main Street and have indicated an interest in supporting this activity financially.

We welcome individual support and accept donations sent to Main Street, P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay NH 03810.

STUDENT COUNCIL TO SPONSOR HIGH SCHOOL PROM

The Alton High School Student Council will be sponsoring the first High School Prom in many years. The event replaces the Carnival Ball previously held in February.

The Prom, including dinner, coronation ceremonies and dancing to a DJ from the Dancing Machine, will be held on Saturday, May 28, at the Margate in Laconia and is open to high school students only. Adult members of the community are invited to purchase tickets for the dinner and the coronation ceremonies portion of the evening for \$20 per person.

Queen candidates are Maureen Coots, Courtney Newton, Mandy Waterman, and Lisa Wentworth. King candidates are Derek Kenerson, Marc Newlin, Eric Waterman, and Erik Widerstrom. Balloting will take place in school during the week prior to the Prom.

BAY CHURCH TO INTRODUCE SUMMER BANDSTAND SERVICES

The Bay Church will be holding community worship services at the Alton Bay Bandstand this summer offering "drive-in and boat-in" attendance each Sunday during July and August at 9a.m.

Pastor Roy Ames said "Our intention is to share about 15 minutes of music and 15 minutes of meditation." Campground musicians and speakers will participate, as well as some from other churches in the area.

ALTON GARDEN CLUB TO PRESENT PROGRAM ON PRESERVING FLOWERS

The Annual Spring Luncheon and monthly meeting of the Alton Garden Club will be held on Tuesday, May 24, at the Congregational Meeting House. Margaret Birdsey will present a program on "Preserving Garden Flowers".

Co-chairmen are Shirley Copeland and Winona Houle assisted by Winifred Alden, Jane Hennessey, Ruth Latham, Patricia Northup, Doris Gray, Margaret Favreau, Emma Pijon, and Muriel Greene.

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Everyone is invited to enjoy the activities, demonstrations and refreshments.

Five members of the Service recently completed training on Intravenous Maintenance offered by Huggins Hospital. They are Hope Elliott, Eric Elliott, Carol Hodgkins, Dexter Brown, and Stark Leidtke.

The addition of the building is on schedule and donations are still being accepted for its completion. Call Sherman Brown (875-7337), Eric Elliott (875-5089), or Hope Elliott (875-5589).

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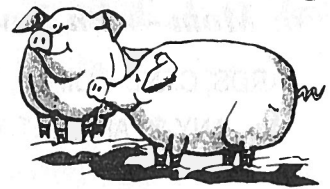
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EASTER EGG HUNT

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department sponsored its Second Annual Easter Egg Hunt last month at the Route 140 recreational area. Over 80 children searched for brightly colored eggs hidden in the snow and grass. The best decorated container contest was won by C.J. Moulton, 4, and Tabitha Talmadge, 7, was second.

CONCORD CORNER

By Alice Ziegler, State Representative

**24 STANDING COMMITTEES
HANDLE CONCERNS AND LEGISLATION**

This is the time of the year when many of the major bills are reaching final consideration. Health care reform plans consumed much time in the Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee. New Hampshire tries to consider the needs and then evolve plans most suitable for this state. We have passed an AIDS education bill, a needle exchange bill, and licensure for tattoo parlors.

For general information about our 24 standing committees, I offer the following: The policy committees are (1) Children, Youth and Juvenile Justice; (2) Commerce, Small Business and Consumer Affairs; (3) Constitutional and Statutory Revision; (4) Corrections and Criminal Justice; (5) Economic Development; (6) Education; (7) Environment and Agriculture; (8) Executive Departments and Administration; (9) Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs; (10) Judiciary; (11) Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services; (12) Legislative Administration; (13) Municipal and County Government; (14) Public Protection and Veterans Affairs; (15) Public Works; (16) Regulated Revenues; (17) Resources, Recreation and Development; (18) Rules; (19) Science, Technology and Energy; (20) State-Federal Relations; (21) Transportation; (22) Wildlife and Marine Resources; (23) Appropriations; and (24) Ways and Means.

When there is a problem to be solved, the key is to get it to the appropriate committee for legislation. When you have problems you can check with your representative who will then check with the appropriate committee to help you.

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The Daniel Francis Memorial Fund awards a scholarship to a student entering the third year of college who has successfully conquered the initial challenge of college.

The John Laurence Bucher Scholarship is awarded to a student after two years of college who has maintained a 3.0 cumulative average in English, theater, liberal arts, music, art, or education.

Two American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships are presented to students after the first semester of the sophomore year who demonstrate scholastic achievement, need and the desire for further education.

The Merrymeeting Grange Scholarship is awarded to a student who has completed the first year of a four-year college.

Complete information on each award is available from the Guidance Office at Alton Central School.

HELP WANTED

Anyone interested in participating in Main Street is encouraged to call Editor John Duffek at 875-7300.

No talent will be turned away! We need reporters for general and feature stories; salespersons to call on prospective advertisers; and collaters and staplers to help put it all together at the Pearson Road Community Center on Thursday, May 26, at 6:30p.m. Join us!

DOLLS MADE IN NEW ENGLAND IS TOPIC OF DOLL CLUB MEETING

The Happy Hobby Doll Club will offer a slide program on "Dolls Made in New England" at its meeting on Friday, May 27, at 7p.m. at the Alton Bay Community Center.

Hostesses for the evening are Joanne Libby and Maria Lantagne.

CUB SCOUTS PINEWOOD DERBY WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Cub Scout Pack 53 recently held its Annual Pinewood Derby featuring race cars designed and built by the Scouts.

The winners were: Tigers - David Currid (first), Chris Boyd (second); Wolfs - Carl Dickson (first), Grant Holway (second), Bo-Thomas Cheshire (third); Bears - Kevin Gaffney (first), C.J.Duffy (second), Gary Pruitt (third); Webelos I - Tim Fuller (first), Chris Achorn (second), Shawn Ford (third); and Webelos II - Nick Greenwood (first), Ben Jensen (second), and Shawn Hillsgrove (third).

The first and second place winners then competed for Pack awards and the winners were Kevin Gaffney (first), Carl Dickson (second) and Tim Fuller (third). These Cubs advance to the District Derby in June.

The judges were John Irving and Jay Sydow.

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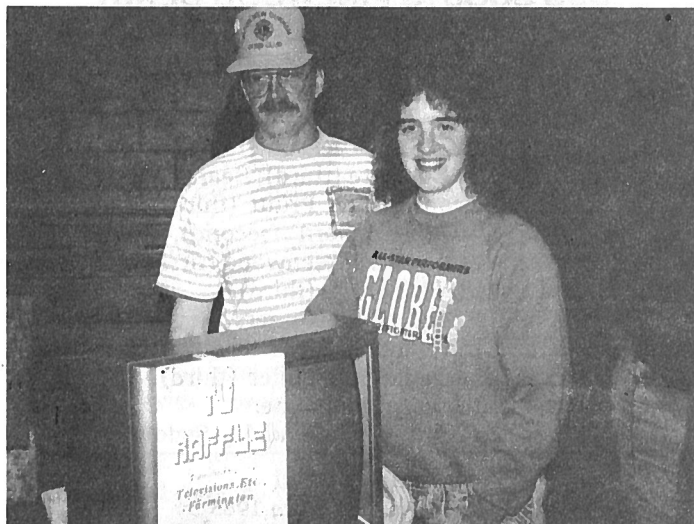
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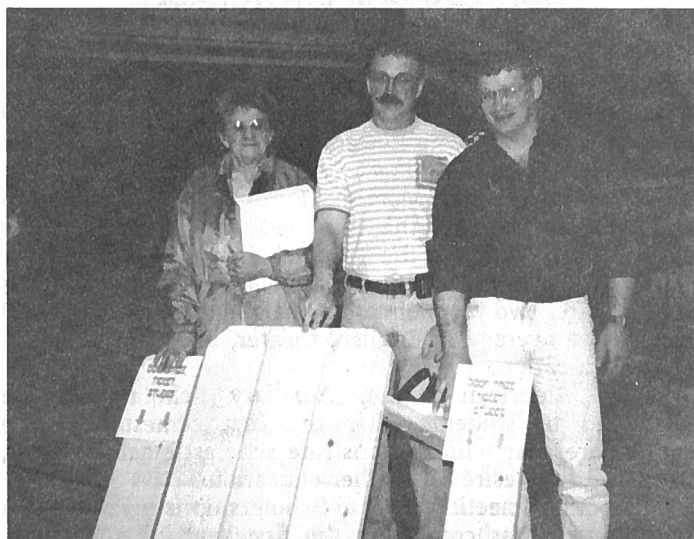
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LIONS CLUB PENNY SALE



Stephanie Correll of Pittsfield was the winner of the TV Raffle at the 1994 Alton/New Durham Lions Club Penny Sale. Ricky Rines, chairman of the Penny Sale, presents the prize.



The door prize, a child's picnic table, created and donated by Leonard Brown (right) was presented by Penny Sale Chairman Ricky Rines to Virginia Lamper of Alton. The event is the largest fund-raiser run by the Club.

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