

Main Street

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TOPSNUF AT KID'S DAY

Funspot's "Topsnuf" welcomes Jackie Viteritto to Old Home Week's Kid's Day. Jackie, from Pennsylvania, was visiting her grandparents, Rose and George Bornheim of Alton.

ALTON REVALUATION CONTINUES

In case you weren't aware, the Town of Alton is in the process of reassessing all of the property in town. This process is being conducted by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration's Property Appraisal Division and the Alton Assessor's Office.

The process of a reassessment or revaluation involves the analysis of historical sales data that has occurred over the previous two or three years, and applying this data analysis to present conditions to establish the current assessments.

One of the first steps of a revaluation is to verify all of the sales that have taken place over the past two to three years. This was accomplished by a sales questionnaire mailed to property owners that recently purchases property. Any sale that is not an "arms length" or "market" sale is removed from the analysis. A few examples of the types of non arms length sales would be family sales, divorce and estate settlements, and intercorporate transfers of property.

Once all of the arms length or market sales have been determined, then a field visit is made to the property to measure and inspect any buildings and view the property for any positive or negative features that might influence value. These influences could include water frontage, beach rights or access, views of the mountains or lake, right of ways and/or easements, severe topographical problems (i.e.. wetlands, ledge, steep slopes),and access problems just to name a few.

After all the sales have been field reviewed, the sales are separated into some of the following various categories: vacant land with water frontage and vacant land without water frontage, Continued on Page 12

Start -

15th ANNUAL OLD HOME WEEK: 9 DAYS OF LARGE CROWDS AND GREAT WEATHER

The 15th annual version of Alton's Old Home Week, "Four Seasons of Family Fun" was blessed with wonderful weather and large crowds attending the many events.

The celebration began on Saturday, August 12, with an Antique Boat Show at the Alton Bay docks. John Bowman's boat, "Wagada", won first place in balloting by those attending the event. "Patrician" owned by Vince Bobber, Jr., came in second and "Launch" owned by Bruce Callahan was third.

Kid's Day on Sunday featured special appearances by Finspot's "Topsnuf" and "Rainbow Man" Tim Laurion, the annual bicycle obstacle course, and lots of games and activities. David Currid won first place in the 5-9 age group in the obstacle course competition. Mark Silva was second. In the 10-13 category, Jonathon Douglas was first and Joshua Strickland was second.

The weekday events including square dancing, line dancing, concerts, and a water ski show were very well attended.

Saturday, the big day of the 9-day celebration, began with a two-day Craft Fair at the Community House followed by the opening of the Block Party at 10a.m. Booths sponsored by community organizations offered a variety of food and entertainment throughout the afternoon and evening. Everyone was a winner in the Decorate Your Wheels contest and the Toddler Contest winners were Brook Beland, 8 months, and Jacob Meyerhoff, 8½ months, in the under 1 years of age category and Olivia Spagnuolo, 24 months, and Trevor Liedtke, 16 months, in the one to two year old group.

Winners in the Old Home Week Parade were the Deerfield 4-H Oinkers in the club category, the Dowing Family in the noncommercial category, and Farmington National Bank in the commercial category. Aida Downing, representing the Downing Family was the Parade Grand Marshal.

The day concluded with a concert by Bittersweet and a fireworks display over the Bay.

Chairman Deborah Burton was assisted by Peter Pijoan, secretary; Kristin Stearns, treasurer; Fred and Gini Boelzner, Craft Fair; and Kellie McGrath, Gordon Stearns, Mike Currid, and Ginger Chicoine, publicity and fund raising.

SCHOOL OPENS TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5

POLICE CHIEF SEES NEED FOR "KNOWING THE COMMUNITY" By John Duffek

Kevin D. Iwans, Alton's Chief of Police since June 12, has been putting in long hours in his new job seeking ways for the community and its police force to better know each other. "It's important for any police department to identify the pulse of the community", Iwans said.

One way of accomplishing this is the Citizen's Ride Along Program recently initiated by Iwans. The program is offered to all citizens, year round or seasonal, who are at least 18 years old and willing to sign a waiver of liability. An application packet is available during normal business hours at the Police Station. Chief Iwans hopes "everyone interested will take this opportunity to meet the people working for the Police Department and to share and exchange some ideas as to how best to serve the community."

According to Iwans, Alton differs from Dover where he previously served as a sergeant specializing in investigations, interrogation, and forensics. "The people here take a more personal interest in the Department and their expectations of service are quite high. They also look out for each other and know more about what's going on. This can be a real asset to a police department in an investigation. There's more information and more interest."

Citizens are encouraged to meet with the chief and share their





concerns and ideas. "I have an open door policy to all. Call and arrange a time to stop by." For those working all day, Iwans has set aside Monday evenings from 6 to 8p.m. for appointments. "If that's not convenient, I'll visit your home to share ideas with you."

Along with the goal of getting to know people, Chief Iwans sees a need to keep the Department's equipment current with developing technology and a need to address the level of compensation for members of the Department.

Iwans began his police career as a security policeman in the Air Force at Pease and Loring Air Force Base in Maine. While at Pease, he attended the NH Police Academy where he earned his state certification. Positions with the Newington and Dover Police Departments followed his military service. There he had the opportunities to gain experience in detective work, major crimes, narcotics, surveillance, patrol and became commander of Dover's weapons and tactical team.

Iwans, 35 years old on September 1, spends his free time boating, hiking, and other outdoor activities with his sons



Kristopher, 12, and Mark, 10, who live in Dover. Visitors to his office see another source of recreation for Iwans. Off to one corner is his saxophone and music stand where he plays traditional blues and swing music. "I play here to spare my apartment neighbors and only after office hours".

"I want this Department to stand for community service, loyalty, and dedication", according to Iwans. An example of this kind of spirit is the current effort to renew the landscaping around the station by Steve Holly, a recent appointment to the force. "He's doing this on his own time. The Department is important to him and Alton is important to all of us. Officer Holly is a good example of things to come, as he exemplifies our commitment to all of the town's citizens."

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Summer is over, school is starting, and volunteers are needed. Each year, school volunteers help to provide the best education possible for the least cost. Volunteer crossing guards protect arriving and departing students without adding employees. Library volunteers help make the books and other materials more readily available and allow the librarian to devote more time to student needs. Classroom volunteers allow the teacher to devote more inclass time to individual student needs. Volunteer tutors help individual students to keep up with their classmates.

The volunteers benefit by knowing that they are helping to prepare Alton's children for the future. Special talents are not needed to volunteer, nor is abundant free time. All that is required is a desire to help.

Children will be bringing home a volunteer registration form their first day of school. Parents can fill in the form and return it to the school. Others interested in volunteering can contact the school office.

The average man thinks he isn't.

Alton Funeral Home School Street Alton, N.H. 03809 (603) 875-3311

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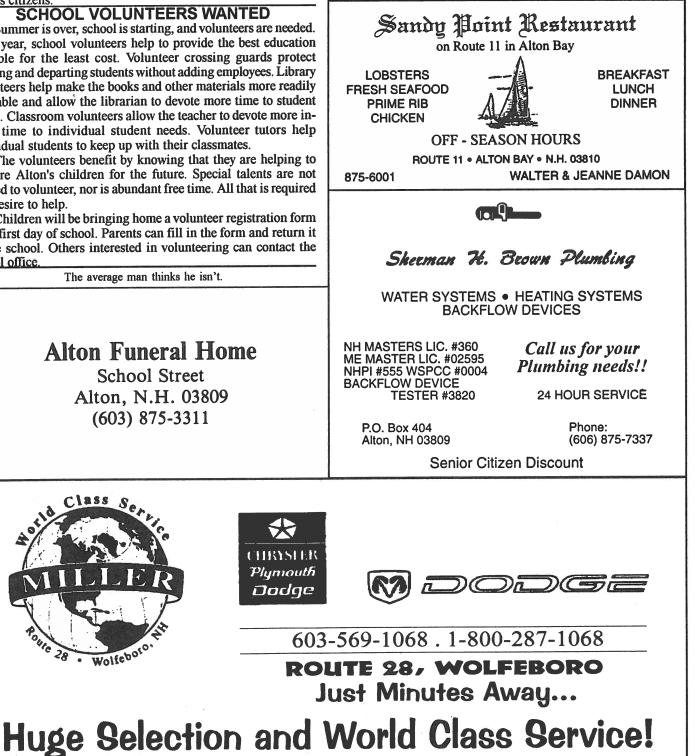
HISTORICAL SOCIETY PLANS ANNUAL TRIP ON "THE MOUNT"

The Alton Historical Society will take its annual trip aboard the Mt. Washington from Alton Bay on Tuesday, September 19, from 10:15a.m. to 1:30p.m. Members and guests are cordially invited.

The fare will be \$13 per person if there are 25 or more or \$14 per person if there are less than 25. Lunch may be purchased on board or bring your own.

For further information, call Jessie Bakeman at 569-1487 or Nancy Mooney at 875-3374.

Of all the things you wear, your expression is the most important.



SUDDEN DEATH TEAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Sudden Death Team, established some years ago and sponsored by Hospice of Southern Carroll County, has been reorganized by the VNA-Hospice of Southern Carroll County and Vicinity and is offering extended services to our communities.

The purpose of the Sudden Death Team, a volunteer based part of our program, is to provide support for the police departments, fire departments and emergency crews in the following manner:

- 1. To assist in the notification of the death to the survivors;
- 2. To provide support and practical help to those survivors;
- 3. Assist in providing support for emergency personnel.

In order to activate the appropriate volunteer, call the Huggins Hospital switchboard, 569-2150, with the information that is to be relayed to the volunteer. The switchboard will make the ensuing phone call to the volunteer.

If you have any questions, concerns and/or comments call Carol Tubman, RN, Hospice Program Coordinator, who will explain the Support Team in further detail and/or offer any inservicing to your department.

VFW FLEA MARKET

The VFW of Alton will hold a Flea Market on Saturday, September 16, at the Alton Bay Community Center. Space is available for \$5 and vendors should bring their own table. Call Tony Mariano at 875-5978 for more information. There will be another Flea Market on October 21.

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IT'S MORE THAN NOSTALGIA

By Carol A. Chamberlain

The melodic, ribbon-stream of notes drifts through the summer evening air, carrying the dancers on a journey back to a time of romance, where courtesy was as natural as eating or sleeping, and dancing to the Big Band sound was what everyone did.

This is music to feed the soul. It's dreamy - heavenly. Hearing the notes of "Moonlight Serenade", "Stardust", or "In The Mood" is enough to conjure thoughts of sequined dresses, white tie and tails, sparkling eyes and strong arms.

Every Wednesday night, throughout the summer months, the Big Band sound came to the Pavilion at Alton Bay and the past emerged, Brigadoon-like. The evening was transformed into another decade, with each heady tune gently persuading the years away, for awhile.

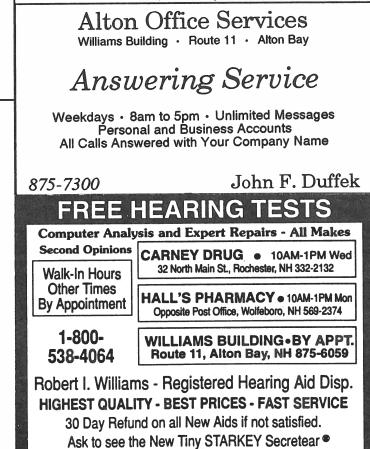
Part of the fascination was watching the couples, dancing the fox trot, waltz, rumba, tango, and of course, the jitterbug! Some dancers were so in-tuned to the music, the atmosphere and to one another, they appear to be gliding on the very air. What a delightful sight! One can almost see Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, moving effortlessly around the ballroom.

This was a most pleasant way to spend an evening and I would like to thank our hosts, John and Nancy Downing, for the invitation.

ARE YOU ON OUR MAILING LIST?

<u>Main Street</u> is distributed free to all residents of Alton. Each postal patron with the Zip Code 03809 or 03810 should receive a copy automatically.

If your mailing address has a different Zip Code than either of those and you are an Alton resident, you may receive <u>Main</u> <u>Street</u> each month by calling 875-7300 or send your mailing address to P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay NH 03810.



FREE HOME VISITS



MUNICIPAL SPOTLIGHT ON MICHAEL CAVERLY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT By Muriel Walker

Mike was born in Dover, New Hampshire, and raised in Bow Lake in Strafford. He attended school in Strafford through eighth grade and Spaulding High School in Rochester. Following high school Mike worked as a cook in restaurants in Rochester and then at Spaulding Fiber Company in North Rochester.

Mike joined the Rochester Fire Department in 1971 and was a firefighter there until 1978. He moved to Farmington briefly and then to Alton in 1979.

In 1985 Mike joined the Alton Highway Department as a truck driver. He loves driving trucks and the responsibility of maintenance of our roads. Mike's love of trucks developed early when, as a child, a family friend would take him on jobs in his dump truck. Mike presently holds a Class A commercial driver's license, having upgraded his original Class B status.

Mike joined the Alton Fire Department in 1981 and became a member of the Alton Volunteer Ambulance Service in 1982. He is captain of the Maintenance Department of the Ambulance Service, making sure the equipment is in top notch form. He also holds EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) certification from the National Registry.

Mike and his wife, Virginia, married in 1980 and have a son and a daughter. Mike, Jr., is 14 years old and is entering the eighth grade. He is a basketball player and loves the sport. During the summer months, he worked at Pop's Clam Shell in Alton Bay. Mary Pearl is nine years old and will be in the fifth grade. She loves to roller skate at the local rink. The whole family enjoys camping along the Androscoggin River in the summer.

Despite all of Mike's work responsibilities and volunteer activities, he finds time to fly fish. He is also most enthusiastic about working on antique fire trucks. He, along with several others, have restored the "Model T" and the "Maxim" fire trucks that are displayed in town parades and celebrations.

Mike obviously enjoys the friendship of his co-workers and acquaintances. The staff at the Highway Department work hard and have a good relationship with each other. This, of course, includes a lot of good-natured teasing, and if any problem arises, his co-workers love to laugh and say, "Mikey did it!"

There was a time when people spoke of a workhorse, and it was a horse.

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT A. REINHOLZ

(The following is excerpted from the eulogy delivered by Russell E. Jones, Selectman, Chief of the Fire Department, and friend of Bob Reinholz)

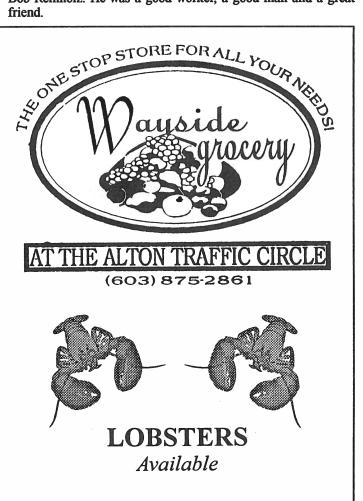
Bob Reinholz, my good friend, started out in life in Hartford, Ct., the oldest of four boys, born February 23, 1924. He moved to Wethersfield at the age of three and helped in raising his brothers as his dad was ill for a long time. He met his sweetheart, Ellen, and they were married in 1945, moved to Sanbornton in 1946, then moved to Alton in 1956.

He served his town for many years, as Auditor from 1969 to 1971; Board of Adjustment, 1970 to 1979; Budget Committee, 1970 to 1973; Moderator, 1974 to 1979; Selectman, 1980 to 1983, and again 1984 to 1987; interim Building Inspector in 1987; and Fire Ward, 1986 to 1989. Along with all of this he was King Lion of the Lions Club, Chairman of the Democratic Party, President of the Mt. Major Grange, and on and on.

Bob joined the Fire Department in 1959 and worked along with many others in West Alton to raise money in building the West Alton Station. Bob served many hours for the town and the fire service. You would see him at chicken barbecues, at the Annual Auction, on the training committee at Lily Pond. He grew through the ranks from firefighter to captain, deputy chief and assistant chief in 1979. He was the Department's first Training Officer.

We can thank Bob for the many years of success at our Annual Auction. It would be hard to say how much money he raised for the good of the Fire Department and the town. The list goes on and on for the many contributions he gave us.

I wish to say that I thank God for the opportunity of knowing Bob Reinholz. He was a good worker, a good man and a great friend.





GETTING IN THE ACT

Members of the audience at the recent Alain Zerbini Circus performance got in the act during the exotic reptiles portion of the show. The circus was sponsored by the Alton-New Durham Lions Club as a fund raiser to support the Club's community service activities.

ALTON SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Tuesday, 9/5 French Bread Pizza, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit (Vegi Pocket)

Wednesday, 9/6 Frankfort/Roll, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Pineapple (Low Fat Hamburger)

Thursday, 9/7 Fruit Juice, Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potato/ Gravy, Green Beans (Tuna Sandwich)

Friday, 9/8 Soup, Build Your Own Sandwich, Cherry Crisp



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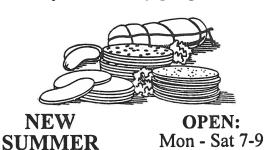
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ALTON OUTDOORS By Jack Miller BLACK BEAR SIGHTINGS PLENTIFUL

September is the month that closes out the summer season and ushers in fall. This month closes out most of the fishing seasons and opens two hunting seasons. September 1 opens black bear hunting season and the local bears seem to have acquired a taste for bird seed and suet. There have been many sightings in people's yards. Bear may be baited from September 1-25 but you must have written permission to place baits on another person's property. As always, be sure to check the regulations for the type of hunting you wish to do and for the area you will hunt. Bear, deer, and moose hunting in this state is divided into zones and the regulations vary.

Harvesting a bear in the early season can pose some problems. Warm weather dictates cleaning, skinning and cooling the meat and hide as quickly as possible. Early season bear hides are not at their prime thickness for a bear skin rug. Biting insects bother bears, too, and they scratch and rub themselves. A friend once shot a 400 pound bear that had rubbed its rear half nearly naked.

Bear sometimes have favorite rubbing spots in their territories. Last year I found an 8-10" maple that was leaning over and perfect for rubbing. Claw marks up and down the top side indicated that the bear lay on its back and "bear hugged" the tree. The underside of the tree was rubbed smooth and the surrounding bark had bear hair caught in it. This tree was used often.

Bear are not usually hunted for their meat, but it does come with a rug. Late season bear is better for this purpose. The meat must be trimmed of all fat. It can be very greasy and many butchers will not handle it. These problems must all be considered when buying your bear hunting tag. Good luck!

Camo clad archers can try their skill when archery deer hunting season opens on September 15. With 21,000 archery licenses sold, seven deer per square mile, three deer per archer, and a 4% success rate, archers have their work cut out for them.

September 30 is the last day of your 1995 OHRV registrations. All ATVs, snowmobiles and trail bikes must have new registration stickers.

See you out there!

Some people say that they don't understand all the fuss about golf, that it's not like it's a matter of life or death. Others counter that these non-believers just don't understand - it's much more important than that.



Page 7 MAIN STREET INFORMATION CENTER

Boards and Committees

- ADDRESS COMMITTEE Meets on Call. Chairman David Jensen, 875-5637.
- AD HOC COMMITTEE Meets on Call. Chairman Virginia Gray, 875-7474.
- BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE 4th Wednesday, 4p.m., Gilman Library, Chairman Nancy Merrill, 875-2626.
- BOARD OF SELECTMEN Wednesdays, 6:30 9:30p.m., Chairman Russell Jones. Call 875-2161 for Appointment. No meeting on fifth Wednesday.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE 3rd Thursday, 7p.m. Chairman Thomas Mynczywor, 875-2065
- CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meets on Call. Chairman Robert Boudreau, 875-6368.
- CEMETERY TRUSTEES 1st & 3rd Monday, 1p.m., Chairman Florence Shaw, 875-2220.
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2nd Thursday, 7p.m. Chairman Lisa Erikson Harris.
- FIRE WARDS Meet on Call. Chief Russell Jones, 875-7510.
- GILMAN MUSEUM TRUSTEES Meet 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. Chairman Debbie Burton, 875-5188
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30p.m., Chairman Debbie Burton, 875-5188.
- PLANNING BOARD 3rd Tuesday, 7p.m., Chairman Harold Bothwick. Call 875-5095 for Appointment.
- SCHOOL BOARD 2nd & 4th Monday, 6p.m., Chairman Arnold P. Shibley, 875-2849.
- 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 3rd Monday, 3:30p.m. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.
- TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS Meet on Call. Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321.
- WATER COMMISSION 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 8a.m. Chairman George Jones, 364-6870. Office, 875-4200.
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2nd Thursday, 7p.m. Chairman Milton Jensen, 875-5990.

*DENOTES A CHANGE OF INFORMATION

CALL 875-7300 TO UP-DATE THE ABOVE LISTINGS

10 YEARS AGO

.....the Fire Department announced the formation of a Cadet Program.....five new teachers Sue Blair, Peter Boyd, Susan Lord, Sylvia Wallace, and Betty Lou Wolters joined the Alton School..... a School Parent Support Group was announced.....the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Task Force sponsored a program by Bonnie Nolin of the NH Highway Safety Agency.

5 YEARS AGO

.....Lawrice Ballentine, Shireen Moore, and Sam Struthers were named to the Alton School faculty.....a community cruise aboard the M.S. Mt. Washington was held to benefit the Alton Bay Revitalization Program.....704 voters turned out for the State Primary Election....the Alton Tax rate was set at \$9.43 per \$1,000.

Schedules

- CHURCHES:
 - Alton Bay Christian Conference Center Sunday September 3, final Sunday Services for the season, 10:30a.m. and 6p.m.,
 - Baha'i Fireside Thursday, 7:30p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
 - Bay Church Sunday 9:30a.m., Alton Bay Bandstand September 3, Return to traditionsal 11a.m. and 6p.m. Sunday Services on September 10, Wednesday, 7:30p.m., Prayer Meeting, Bay Church, Pastor Roy Ames

Community Church - Congregational Meeting House, October-April, 11a.m., Baptist Meeting House, May and September, 11a.m., June-August, 10a.m., Dr. Peter E. Roussaki, Pastor

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, James Nason, Pastor

St. Joan of Arc - Saturday, 5p.m., Sunday, 8 & 11a.m., Msgr. Leo F. Hines, Pastor

Wolfeboro Bible Fellowship, Sunday School, 9:30a.m., Worship Service, 10:30a.m. (Summer 10a.m.), Evening Service, 6p.m., Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7p.m., Route 28, Lee Button, Pastor

GILMAN LIBRARY: Monday & Wednesday Noon to 8p.m., Friday 9a.m. to 5p.m.,

Saturday 9a.m. to Noon

SENIOR MEAL SITE:

Monday - Friday, 10a.m. to 2p.m., Pearson Road Community Center SOLID WASTE CENTER

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday - 8a.m. to 3p.m.

Sunday - Noon to 3p.m.; Closed Tuesday & Thursday TOWN HALL:

Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator, Town Clerk, and Welfare Officer - 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.

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 - Call 875-5095 for Office Hours and Appointments

ORGANIZATIONS:

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

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

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

COUNTRY DRIFTERS DANCE CLUB - Thursday, 7:30p.m., Alton Bay Community Center

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., Alton Bay Community Center

HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday, April - October

- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1st Wednesday, 7:30p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall
- LIONS CLUB 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30p.m., Mama Rina's Restaurant

MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Tuesday

PARENT TEACHER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION - 3rd Wednesday, 7p.m., Alton Central School

ST. JOAN OF ARC LADIES GUILD - Last Thursday, 7:30p.m.,

Remove & Save

MAIN STREET INFORMATION CENTER

September Events - HARVEST DAY with The Great Benafuchi, Alton Bay Sat. 2 Christian Conference Center, 9a.m. to 4p.m. CONCERT: Bruce and Sharon Marshall, Alton Bay Christian Conference Center - LABOR DAY 4 Mon. Tue. 5 - SCHOOL REOPENS - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6p.m. Wed. 6 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6p.m. Wed. 13 - VFW FLEA MARKET, Alton Bay Community Center 16 Sat. - HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRIP on the Mt. Washington, 19 Tue. Alton Bay, 10:15a.m. - STORY HOUR: 3-5 year olds, Gilman Library, 10-Wed. 20 10:45a.m. BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6p.m. Mon. 25 - ROSH HASHANAH Tue. 26 - GARDEN CLUB: Dried Flower Arrangements, Congregational Meeting House, 1:30p.m. - STORY HOUR: 3-5 year olds, Gilman Library, 10-Wed. 27 10:45a.m. BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6p.m. **OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS** U.S. SENATE Robert C. Smith, 332 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510, 800-922-2230. Judd Gregg, 393 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510, 202-224-3324. U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Bill Zeliff, 224 Cannon House Office Building, Washington DC 20515, 800-649-7290 NH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL Ray Burton, 271-3632(w), 747-3662(h). NH SENATE Leo Fraser, 225-3664(w), 435-6626(h). NH HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Gordon Bartlett, 524-1220(w), 524-6536(h). Paul Golden, 269-4071(w), 269-5511(h). Linda Ann Smith, 293-9637. Alice Ziegra, 875-2151. BOARD OF SELECTMEN Russell Jones, 875-7510 Reuben Wentworth, 875-3388 Arnold Shibley, 875-2849 SCHOOL ACCREDITATION SELF-STUDY SEEKING COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS The Alton Central School is currently preparing a self-study for the NEASC accreditation in the spring of 1996. The faculty is

currently working on many committees to prepare for this visitation. Community input and involvement on these committees is essential.

They include: Library Technology & Media, Curriculum & Instruction, Student Support Services, School Facilities, Community Support & Involvement, Financial Support, School Climate, and Assessment of Student Learning.

If you are interested in working on one of the committees, please call Cindy Duffek at the School at 875-7500.

GARDEN CLUB TO HEAR ABOUT DRIED FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

The monthly meeting of the Alton Garden Club will be held on Tuesday, September 26, at 1:30p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House.

The topic of the program will be Dried Flower Arrangements presented by Sandy Guerino.

Hostesses are Chairman Jeanette Leach, Dorothy Davis, Beatrice Pogson, Doris Gray, Alice Matthewman, Tess Smith, Ann Hoaglund, and Arlene Roberts.

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.

FOR SALE

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GE Self Cleaning Double Oven, \$50, Two 30" White Aluminum Doors, Two 60x 60 Rollout White Aluminum Windows, Two 40x60 Aluminum Windows, Lighted Medicine Cabinet, Two each 18x38 & 18x53 Louvered Doors, Two 15" Paneled Doors, 5 gals of Cabot Stain, \$5 Each, 364-7309

Jotul Wood Stove #603, \$125, Twin Bed, \$25, Twin Box Spring, New, \$40, 875-2626

Five 36/14.5x15 Tires, \$300, Trestle Table w/2 Benches, Leaf, Captain Chair, \$100, 875-5472

40' Extension Ladder, Heavy Duty, Good Condition, \$150/Negotiable, Sliding Glass Door, 72"x80" Opening, \$50/Reasonable Offer, 875-5978

Air Tight Wood Stove, Defiant All Nighter, 20-22" Logs, Blower, \$225, Entertainment Center, Holds 19" TV, \$100, 569-5891

1985 H.D. Softail, Original Owner, 29,000 Miles, Chrome, Saddle Bags, Trade-In \$10,500, Make Offer, 1978 Jayco 35' 5th Wheel, Slide Out, All Options, One Owner, Excellent Shape, Awning, Screen House, Will Deliver and Set Up, Cost \$22,000, Sell For \$11,000, 364-2636

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Good home for my 18 year old Pinto Pony. Must be able to provide TLC with barn and fenced yard. She needs someone with experience with ponies. 875-5152

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Automation is something that gets the work done while you just sit there. When we were younger, this process used to be called Mother.

SCHOOL BUS ROUTES

Route #1 - Orange - Pickup - 7:10 Mount Prospect Rd., 7:15 Stockbridge Corner Rd., 7:25 Route 28 (Abednago Rd., Eagle's Rest, Trailer Park, Trudy's Gift Shop, Riverview Motel)

Return - 2:50 Leave School, Route 28, Stockbridge Corner, Mount Prospect/ Dudley

Route #2 - Blue - Pickup - 7:00 Pearson's Corner, 7:01 Muchado Hill Rd. at Locke, 7:02 Muchado Hill Rd. at Hooper, 7:04 Muchado Hill Rd. at Labraney, 7:11 Hollywood Beach Rd. at bridge, 7:13 Hollywood Beach Rd. at Morris, 7:15 Hollywood Beach Rd. at Prospect Mtn. Rd., 7:17 Prospect Mtn. Rd. at Hillsgrove, 7:18 Prospect Mtn. Rd. at Locke, 7:20 Route 28 at Ham's Wood Rd., 7:23 Stockbridge Corner Rd. at Atwood, 7:24 Stockbridge Corner Rd. at Coffin Brook Road, 7:25 Stockbridge Corner Rd. at Currid, 7:26 Stockbridge Corner Rd. at Farrell, 7:32 New Durham Rd. at Holways, 7:33 New Durham Rd. at Kim's Kiddie Korner, 7:34 New Durham Rd. at Thoroughgood

Return - 2:50 Leave School, New Durham Rd., Pearson's Corner, Muchado Hill Rd., Hollywood Beach Rd., Prospect Mtn. Rd., Stockbridge Corner Rd., Coffin Brook Rd.

Route #3 - Yellow - Pickup - 6:50 Route 140 at Youngstown Rd., 6:54 Route 140 at Horne Rd., 6:56 Halls Hill Rd., 7:00 Avery Hill Rd., 7:15 Alton Mtn. Rd., 7:26 Alton Mtn. Rd. at Rand Hill Rd., 7:28 Rand Hill Rd. at Spring St., 7:30 RandHill Rd. at Route 11, 7:35 Merrymeeting Trailer Park

Return - 2:50 Leave School, Merrymeeting trailer Park, Route 140, Halls Hill Rd., Avery Hill Rd., Alton Mtn. Rd., Rand Hill Rd., Spring St.

Route #4 - Green - Pickup - 7:00 Drew Hill Rd. at Hayes Rd., 7:05 Roberts CoveRd., 7:15 Miramichie Hill Rd., 7:20 Old Wolfeboro Rd., 7:23 Powder Mill 7:30 Old Wolfeboro Rd.

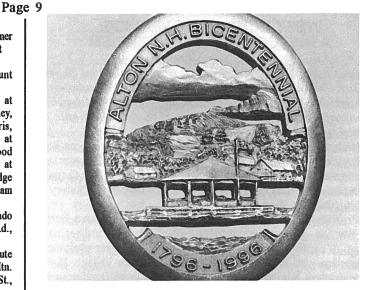
Return - 2:50 Leave School, Traffic Circle/Wayside, Old Wolfeboro Rd., Powder Mill Rd., Old Wolfeboro Rd., Drew Hill Rd., Rines Rd., Roberts Cove Rd.

Route #5 - White - Pickup - 7:08 Route 11 & 11D, 7:09 Route 11 at Rand Hill Rd., 7:12 Route 11 at Quinn Dr., 7:15 Route 28A at Bay Hill Rd., 7:30 Route 28A and Trask Rd. (Southview Lane, Brookwoods/Deer Run Fork), 7:31 East Alton Store, 7:32 Miramichie Hill Rd., Bowman Rd.

Return - 2:50 Leave School, Route 11 through Alton Bay, Route 28A, Trask Rd., Route 28A, Gilman's Corner, Miramichie Hill Rd., Bowman Rd., Lily Pond Rd.

Route #6 - Black - Pickup - 7:05 Route 11A at Town Line, 7:10 Route 11(Mauhaut Shores, Rollins Rd., William Tell Inn, Chestnut St., Oak St., Owl's Nest), 7:15 Route 11 at Riley Rd., 7:17 Reed Rd., 7:18 Echo Shores, 7:25 Route 11D, 7:35 Route 11 at Lamplighter Cottages

Return - 2:50 Leave School, Route 11, Route 11D, Riley Road, Route 11A All students are asked to be at their assigned bus stops 5 minutes prior to scheduled pickup times.



BICENTENNIAL MEDALLION AVAILABLE

Designed and crafted by Hampshire Pewter, the medallion may be purchased for \$15 from the following committee members -Muriel Stinson, 875-5211; Nancy Merrill, 875-2626; and Virginia Dore, 875-3451. They make great gifts and don't forget Christmas for that someone special. The funds go toward the Town's 200th Birthday celebration in 1996.

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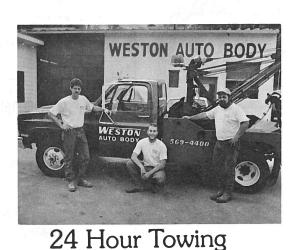
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WEST ALTON FIRE SERVICE: A HISTORY OF VOLUNTEERISM By Dick Frohock

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by 69 year old Dick Frohock, a resident of West Alton since 1928 who wrote it as part of his college writing course at the New Hampshire Technical College. Frohock plans to get a certificate in gerontology and a degree in human services.)

Welcome to West Alton. You have just recently come here and decided to make this area your home. Welcome. I'm sure you investigated fire protection before you made the decision to make this community your home. But let us take a look at the history of fire protection in West Alton.

Prior to 1955, the only fire protection we had was a Forest Fire Warden. The only equipment he had was two or three back pumps- If the fire was of such a magnitude that bigger equipment was needed, you had to place a toll call to Alton Village. If you got equipment here within half an hour you considered yourself lucky.

In the spring of 1955, Harold Clough, our local Forest Fire Warden, telephoned everybody in the neighborhood. "The Fire Department has sent a truck up to this end of the town, and they want us to organize a fire company," he said. "The pay will be ten dollars a year. If you are interested in having fire protection in this end of town please attend the next meeting of the Fire Department." West Alton was well represented at that meeting.



Herbie Card, the fire chief, talked to the members of the Department. "We have moved the forestry truck to West Alton," he said. "It's equipped with a portable pump and 750 feet of hose."

While at the meeting, we decided to have our organizational meeting at the Glen Gables Inn, now the William Tell Inn. Harold told us, "They want us to form a company of ten men. From the ten volunteers, we are to elect a foreman, and an assistant foreman. There were eleven volunteers, so we decided to put all the names in a hat and draw out one name. The one whose name was drawn would be the one who wouldn't be a fireman. Actually, the one whose name was drawn, became an unpaid substitute within a matter of a few months. It was important to get this person's name on the rolls, even though he was unpaid, so that he could be covered by the Fire Department's insurance.

We elected Harold Clough our foreman, and Freddie Faticoni our assistant foreman. Then we decided to meet at Hill's Landing the following weekend for a demonstration of the pump operation. This demonstration was the first time we had the opportunity to take a good look at the equipment they sent us. It did leave something to be desired: the pump had a cracked housing, the hose had numerous leaks, and the truck was ancient.

Herbie Card gave the demonstration of the pump operation. "What we want", Herbie said, "is for you to get water going on the fire just about the time we roll in with our heavy equipment from Central Station."

It didn't take us long to decide that we weren't satisfied with the equipment that the town had given us. We decided to buy a tank truck. We all signed a loan - went out on a limb - and bought one.

That created the problem of raising money. We started having chicken barbecues; then we needed a fire station to house the tank truck. Harold Clough donated the land and we built the West Alton Fire Station. Those were exciting times. We would have chicken



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barbecues all summer, worked on the building until our funds were exhausted, then suspend operations until the following summer. Next year we would have chicken barbecues all over again for the summer season. The actual construction of the West Alton Fire Station didn't cost the taxpayers anything.

Several innovations in the science of fire fighting came into being during that period, providing even more excitement. When we first went into service, tank trucks kept coming to the f ire scene, dumping their water, and going back for more. Then came the rural hitch. The rural hitch involves the use of a clapper valve. The clapper valve is a "Y" which permits two trucks to feed into the clapper valve. The valve makes it possible for two trucks to be attached, but only one feeding the valve. As soon as the truck that is feeding is empty, it goes for another load, and the other truck starts unloading. There is another truck coming in, and hitched on to where the first, that is now reloading, was. The water goes from the clapper valve directly to the attack truck. It was a good system. It had its faults, but they were corrected.

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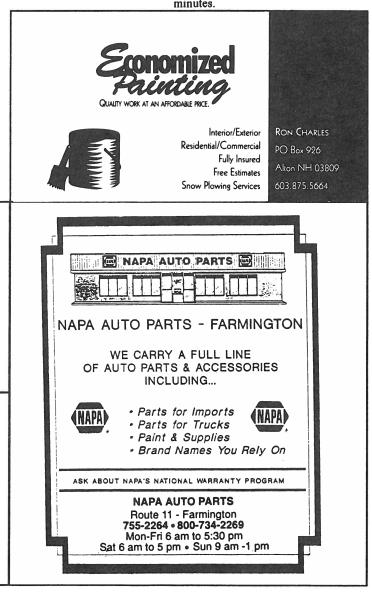
Then came the four inch discharge. If you are close enough to a water source, you can set up a relay system of trucks using the four inch discharge.

Those were exciting times, and I'm proud of my service as a fire fighter. We had a ladies auxiliary. They raised money for the fire station construction. We even incorporated, so we could borrow money, if necessary, for the completion of our projects. We never did borrow any money, though. But what has happened? We raised money, built the fire station, bought and equipped many of of our trucks. During all this, we had a waiting list for membership. One thing that has happened is a lot of the firemen have suffered burnout. Another thing, is that we original firemen are too old.

We have only two members of the Fire Department f rom West Alton and one of them is a member of the Merchant Marine. He is unavailable for half the year.

I appeal to you younger people: consider becoming fire fighters. Notice I said fire fighters, not firemen. Women are in the fire service now. Fire fighting has come a long way, since I came into the service forty years ago. It is not a place for an older person. It's dirty, dangerous work, but it has its rewards. If someone's home is saved, or someone's life is saved, because you were able to get things going quicker, it gives you a warm feeling inside. It's your home, your family as well as mine.

A portable FAX is a great device. You can write a report in a branch office, go to a phone, and have it ignored by headquarters withing minutes.



REVALUATION

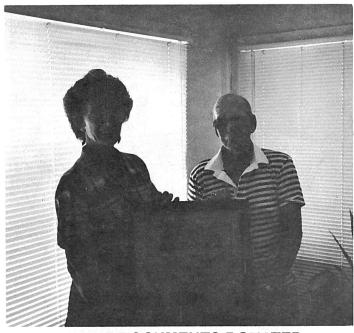
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residential homes with water frontage and residential homes without water frontage, commercial land and buildings, and industrial land and buildings. The vacant land sales are reviewed to establish a homesite value as well as a value for excess acreage. The determination of adjustments are made to account for differences between properties as well as identifying different neighborhoods.

The building values are determined buy subtracting the known land values from the sale prices of new homes as well as discussions with local builders to determine costs per square foot for new houses. Schedules are developed with adjustments costs for extra bathrooms, bedrooms, heating systems, fireplaces, etc. These schedules are what will be used in future years to price the new homes to insure that similar homes are assessed equitably.

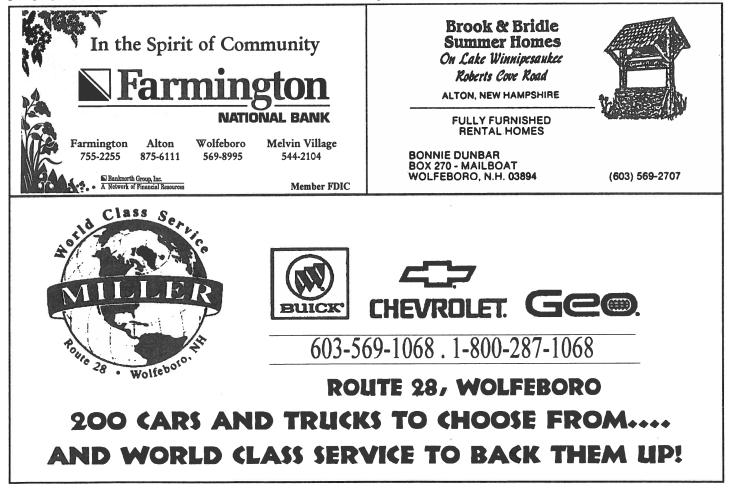
Once the new assessments are established, hearings will be held to allow the property owner to review their assessment, and the data used to establish their assessment. If at the time of the hearings, a property owner has any information concerning their property that they feel has an impact on their property value, then they should bring this to the hearing and to the attention of the appraiser. This could be a recent appraisal, contracts for recently built houses, any adverse easements or right of ways that might not have been addressed in the original value.

The process of assessing all of the property in Alton is known as mass appraisal. This process is done "in mass" or large quantities. It would be impossible to account for all of the differences between properties through this proves. This is not a "fee appraisal". A fee appraisal would cost between \$200 and \$300 for each property. The town is paying between \$40 and \$45 per property for the reassessment.



TUTTLE DOCUMENTS DONATED TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

During last month's Garden Club Flea Market, an observant member of the Historical Society noticed three framed documents that belonged to former Alton physician, Ralph Tuttle. Garden Club Co-President Daryl Czech (left) quickly agreed that they should be donated to the Society and is shown here presenting one of the documents to George W. Stone, Jr., Society vice president.



THE CHECKOUT DESK By Pat Merrill, Librarian

21 CHILDREN COMPLETE SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Gilman Library Summer Reading Program, "Saddle Up A Good Book", attracted 45 participants and 21 children completed their contract earning them a horse or pony ride donated by Stonewall Farm in Gilmanton.

They are: Daniel and David Bemis, Caleb and Joshua Button, Carl and Johanna Dickson, Anne and Jane Farrell, Ashley Finethy, Gillian Green, Nicholas Kuba, Holly Moulton, Kristen Murray, Marissa Peterson, Abe and Jonathan Powell, Tonya Prescott, Brian Roy, Ramsin Scott, Caitlin Smehil, and Stephanie Tanguay.

TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC

The Teddy Bear's Picnic will open our fall schedule for Story Hour. Children are asked to bring their favorite stuffed toy or teddy bear. All children age 3-5 years old are welcome!

HELP WANTED ON SEPTEMBER 28

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

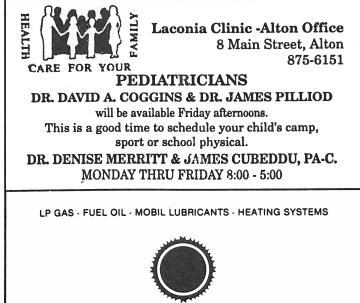
No talent will be turned away! We need reporters for general and feature stories; salespersons to call on prospective advertisers; and collators and staplers to help put it all together at the Pearson Road Community Center on Thursday, September 28, at 6:30p.m. Join us!

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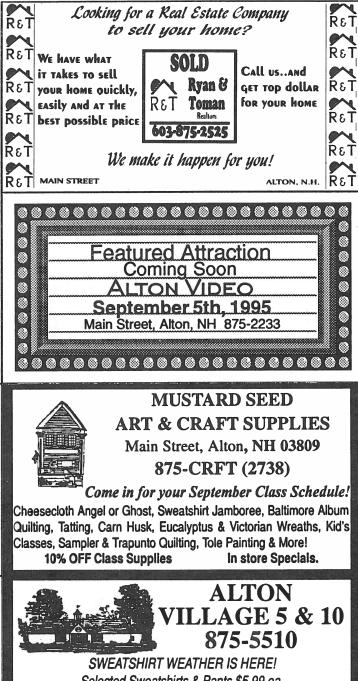
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ROUTE 11D ASSOCIATION JOINS UNITED ASSOCIATIONS OF ALTON

The Route 11D Association recently approved by-laws, elected its first slate of officers, and became affiliated with United Associations of Alton (UAA) as its 20th member.

The officers are Grace Genova, president; William O'Brien, vice president; Frances Wentworth, secretary-treasurer; William Weaver, UAA representative; and Peter Genova, alternate representative.

One annual meeting will be held in mid-July. All owners of property on Route 11D or connecting side roads may join by sending their name, address, phone number and \$3 annual dues to Frances Wentworth, Box 320, HC-R, Alton Bay, 03810, or Grace Genova, Box 316, HC-R, Alton Bay, 03810.



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COMMUNITY CHURCH REGISTRATION

The Sunday School of the Community Church of Alton will have its registration and first day of classes on Sunday, September 10, at 9:30a.m. at the Congregational Meeting House. Preschoolers through high school are invited to participate. The adult class meets at 5p.m. on Sundays in the church vestry.

The Children's Chimers also may register with their director, Charlotte Kneeland, on September 10 during Sunday School.

For the month of September, the Morning Worship Service returns to the 11a.m. hour at the Baptist Meeting House. All are welcome.

CHILDREN ATTEND SUMMER CAMP

Children from Alton attended the Salvation Army Summer Camp on Lake Sebago, Maine, thanks to the generosity of the Salvation Army, Alton Firemen, Inc., Alton-New Durham Lions Club, Alton Police Association, American Legion Claude Batchelder Post #72, and the Alton School PTCO.

According to Salvation Army representative Linda Troendle, "this was the sixth year the community has pulled together to send these children to camp and everyone's efforts were greatly appreciated."

SUBMIT YOUR NEWS AND PHOTOS

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. Color or black and white photos of your organization's events are also welcome

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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Someone You Know Is Hurting.

Make sure he or she knows about DivorceCare beginning September 19th from 7-9 p.m. at the Bay Church on Rand Hill Road. Special weekly seminars and support group forming! Call today for more information. 875-6765







WHO READS MAIN STREET?

Everyone who matters reads Main Street including Alton Central School fifth grader Matt Sydow who makes it part of his summer reading!

HOLLAND BULB SALE

Belknap County Conservation District is offering Holland bulbs for sale this fall. Proceeds from the sale of the various tulip, daffodil, hyacinth, crocus and iris bulbs will be used to support soil and water conservation programs. These fall planted bulbs are spring flowering for a burst of color after the doldrums of winter.

To receive a color brochure of the bulbs available, contact the Belknap County Conservation District, 719 North Main Street, Room 203, Laconia, 03246, phone 528-8713. Orders must be received by September 14.



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