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REMEMBERING THE WINTER OF '98

By Bob Longabaugh

As Spring officially arrived with the Vernal Equinox at 2:56 p.m. on Friday, March 20, most Altonians were glad to have the Winter of 1997/98 pass into memory. The winter ended with a below average amount of snow — some 5" less than usual, as measured in Concord by the National Weather Service — but the frequency of icing conditions was extraordinary. Alton's Highway Agent, Ken Roberts, required emergency restocking of salt and sand more than once, in order to keep the Town's roads passable.

The granddaddy of them all, of course, was THE ice storm of January 7 - 9. Thinking back, while their reminiscences were still fresh, the students in Deborah Kissel's eighth grade English class at the Alton Central School (ACS) recently documented their personal experiences on the School's website. The recollections are in the form of essays, drawings, and photos.

At the left is the artwork of eighth grader Dana Lang, which resulted from the website project.

To access this and the many other works on the ACS website, go to <http://www.alton.k12.nh.us>. Then select Middle School, Teams, and Eighth Grade.



ELECTION RESULTS

By John Duffek

Thirty-six percent of the eligible voters turned out March 10 to vote for town and school candidates and the School District Warrant (see separate story).

In a five-candidate race for two selectman's positions, James C. Washburn (561 votes) and Harold M. Bothwick Jr. (447) defeated Robert F. Bollinger (427), incumbent Arnold P. Shibley (328) and Gary A. Fielding (216). For the one-year selectman position, Robert J. T. Longabaugh (423) defeated Peter J. Pijoan (360) and Ernest H. Wentworth (236).

Washburn, Bothwick and Longabaugh join William Ryan

and Stanley Czech on Alton's first five-person Board of Selectmen.

In other races Warren B. Harris (517) defeated incumbent Jane B. Porter (476) for a three-year Cemetery Trustee position and Reuben L. Wentworth (753) will become a Water Commissioner for three years defeating incumbent Sherman H. Brown (308).

Unchallenged town candidates included Joseph R. Houle, Trustee of Trust Funds for three years; David Countway, Library Trustee for three years; David Jensen, Fire Ward for Three Years; Shirley A. Lane, Cemetery Trustee for one year; Virginia V. Bergeron, Budget Committee for three years;

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Richard G. Canuel and Bonnie Dunbar, Planning Board for three years; Robert L. Calvert, Moderator for two years; and Lucinda (Cindy) Miller, Supervisor of the Checklist for six years.

Write-in candidates elected to office are Frank A. Decoster and E. Eugene Young, Budget Committee for three years, and Gregory Fuller, Budget Committee for One Year.

There were ten zoning amendment questions on the town ballot. All passed by significant margins.

In the School District elections, Deborah Burton (745) and Richard Quindley (670) retained their seats on the School Board defeating Robert Loprete (439) for the two open positions. Wayne Fraser ran unopposed for the one-year School Board position. Others who ran unopposed were incumbents Terri A. Noyes, Moderator for one year; Cynthia A. Duffek, School District Clerk for one year; and Shirley E. Young, School District Treasurer for one year.

Voters were given the opportunity again this year to select the method of balloting for town and school issues. Last year the School District chose to adopt the official ballot method, often referred to as "SB 2," while voters decided to continue the town meeting form of deciding issues. This year voters were given the same choices and the results were the same. The School District will continue to use the official ballot procedures and the town will deliberate and vote in Town Meeting.

OLD FOLKS ARE WORTH A FORTUNE

by Anonymous

Old folks are worth a fortune: With silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet and gas in their stomachs. I have become more social with the passing of the years; some might even call me a frivolous old gal. I'm seeing five gentlemen every day.

As soon as I wake, Will Power helps me get out of bed. Then I go see John. Next Charley Horse comes along, and when he is here, he takes a lot of my time and attention. When he leaves, Arthur Ritis shows up and stays the rest of the day. (He doesn't like to stay in one place very long, so he takes me from joint to joint.) After such a busy day, I'm really tired and glad to go to bed — with Ben Gay. What a life!

P.S. The preacher came to call the other day. He said that at my age I should be thinking about the hereafter. I told him I do — all the time. No matter where I am — in the parlor, upstairs in the kitchen, or down in the basement — I ask myself, "Now, what am I here after?"

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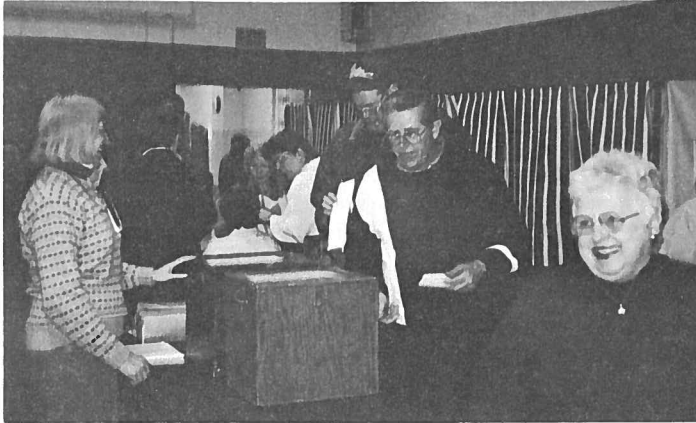
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Main Street's Inside Front Page



The Town's Budget Committee was not abolished as a result of the Town Meeting secret ballot.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING GETS TWIN BILLING

By Bob Calvert

Outgoing Town Moderator John Duffek pitched a doubleheader on Wednesday and Friday, March 11 and 13, as the 48-article warrant attracted some 250 voters and a heap of discussion totaling 10 1/2 hours. Interestingly, the Moderator-elect was observed in the rear of the meeting room on his knees, praying for an easier debut next March.

The score at the end of the half was 11-6 in favor of those articles passing. The meeting was recessed around 11:30 p.m. on the scheduled day (Wednesday, March 11) with a call to reassemble on Friday the 13th(!) at 7 p.m.

First Half Highlights

The first "half" of the 1998 Town Meeting saw the following being turned down: \$138,000 for reconstruction of Bachelor Drive and Hermit Road and acceptance thereof with the abutters paying for same over a period of years. Also, two proposed Capital Reserve Funds (Community Center and Fire Station); petitioned abolishing of the Town Budget Committee; sale of town-owned land in Alton Bay and elimination of the Water Commission and transferring management, etc., to the new enlarged Board of Selectmen.

The following items were approved: cost items in the proposed bargaining agreement for 1998 with the AFSCM union; Town Beach Capital Reserve Fund to continue search for new town beach; \$80,000 added to Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund; creation of Fire Dept. Radio Capital Reserve Fund and \$5,000 to start it; \$250,000 for new Highway Department grader with half coming from that department's Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund; \$68,500 added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund (second half of two-year program); Highway Garage Expansion Capital Reserve Fund and \$5,000 to start it.

Also approved: \$125,000 for Town Hall improvements with total to come from the Clough-Morrell Trust Fund; \$120,981 for reconstruction of Bay Hill Road, contingent on a like amount by Superior Court action in case won by town on damage to the road; \$50,000 for Gilman Museum repairs

RESULTS OF SCHOOL BALLOT

By John Duffek

Voters in the Alton School District cast their ballots at the polls for all School District issues for the first time since procedures for the official ballot form of voting were approved during the 1997 elections. The voting followed a deliberative session in January where residents had the opportunity to discuss and amend each warrant article. Those articles were then placed on the ballot for secret balloting at the polls on March 10.

Most of the articles were soundly defeated and only five articles relating to capital reserve funds survived.

Residents defeated the proposal to raise and appropriate \$8,400,000 to construct and equip a new high school with 418 voting yes and 673 voting no. A 2/3 majority was required for approval. Voters also rejected a back-up article to at least purchase the land for a future school if the school construction article failed. This was turned down 469 to 671.

A proposal to increase the salaries of the School Board members and other district officers was defeated 395 to 712. The proposed operating budget of \$5,258,763 was rejected 515 to 583 resulting in the adoption of a default budget of \$5,173,043 approved last year.

The capital reserve articles approved included \$15,000 for replacing a water heater, \$15,000 for repair of various sections of the roof, \$15,000 for replacing the gym floor, and \$20,000 for installing a fire suppression system. An article authorizing the School Board to expend those capital reserve funds also was approved.

The official ballot form of decision-making will continue, as an attempt to return to the School District Meeting form was defeated 402 to 684.

LEARNING CENTER GRANT ON HOLD

By Richard M. Pike

Superintendent of Schools

Two months ago I asked for community input in conjunction with a grant I was writing to establish a Community Learning Center in the Alton Central School. I am sorry to say that the proposal will not be a reality for at least another two years. With the defeat of the building project on March 10, the district will be in need for space. Needless to say, regular school programs and space needs represent a higher priority.

I am still very interested in submitting another proposal next year at this time. The survey results will still be utilized in a subsequent application. The top six activities based on community input were: (1) technology education for individuals of all ages; (2) integrated education and cultural programs; (3) literacy education programs; (4) parenting skills education programs; (5) summer and weekend school programs in conjunction with recreation programs; and (6) employment counseling, training and placement.

Plans to fund the \$40 million 21st Century Community Learning Centers were announced by the US Department of Education earlier this year. Later this spring the department expects to award 200-300 grants, ranging from \$35,000 to \$200,000. One of the major goals of the program is to provide for activities that offer significant expanded learning opportunities for children in the community.

I wish to thank all those individuals who provided input for the survey.

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with the total coming from the Gilman Museum Trust Fund; and \$24,000 for testing and upgrading pump and treatment equipment at Route 140 well pumping station.

Second Half Highlights

Game 2 of the doubleheader went into extra innings! The timekeeper reported from 7 p.m. on Friday the 13th until quarter to 1 a.m. on Saturday, the 14th! "Approvals" outnumbered "turn downs" by approximately 2 to 1.

Approved were: \$10,000 to purchase and install road-name signs as part of the E-911 emergency response system; two new police officer positions with federal "C.O.P.S." program financing (75% from the "Feds" the first year; 50% - second year, and 25% - third year); \$217,000 for expenses attributable to January, 1998, ice storm, offset by \$189,875 of emergency disaster funds; and long-term lease agreement to allow the Alton Historical Society to improve and use the old freight shed near the town hall.

Also approved were: outside agencies in the amounts indicated - \$3,000 for Community Health and Hospice; \$5,832 for Community Action Program; \$1,500 for American Red Cross; \$7,762 for VNA-Hospice; \$1,000 for New Beginnings, and \$12,000 for Youth Service Bureau's Court Diversion Program. The regular operating budget (exclusive of warrant articles dollar figures and often referred to as the "sweep article") was approved at \$2,579,834, which was the Budget Committee's recommendation and \$17,550 less than the budget which the Selectmen requested.

Also approved were: subdividing and selling land at Tax Map 60, Lot 34, if approved by the Planning Board; new Conflict of Interest ordinance; instructing town representatives to the General Court to oppose enactment of statewide property taxes for public education; \$10,000 for multipurpose tractor to mow lawns and plow snow from sidewalks; \$15,000 for Phase III of Alton Bay Revitalization Plan; \$32,000 for purchase of a 1-ton, 4WD, pickup truck with plow for Highway Department; and \$30,500 for full-size 4x4 police vehicle and \$7,500 for Police Dept. VHF base radio station.

Turned down were: \$10,000 for library computer system; \$12,000 for a Cable TV Trust Fund to enable local public access; police boat (estimated at \$32,500); \$500 for Lakes Region Association; making School Street a one-way street; discontinuing a portion of Railroad Avenue and conveying it to an abutter; and \$10,000 for town basketball courts.

SCHOOL ART DEPARTMENT SEEKS THROW-AWAY ITEMS

The Alton Central School Art Department is especially in need of rubber egg crate material, lotion soap bottles with pump tops, and plastic bottles with spray tops. The art teachers thank all that have recycled via the art department during the year.



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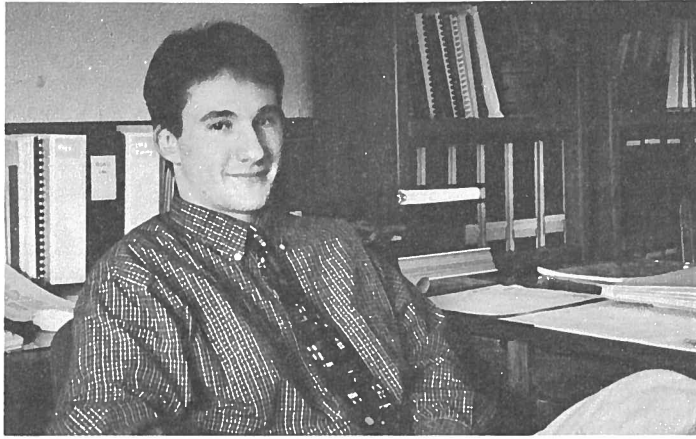
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NEW TOWN PLANNER REPORTS

**By Scott J. Dunn
Town Administrator**

Seen above is Matthew Walsh from Hudson, New Hampshire, who became Alton's Town Planner on March 2.

Walsh is currently attending the University of New Hampshire in Durham and expects to graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science degree in Community Development. He will be employed on a part-time basis until his full-time position begins upon graduation.

Walsh was unanimously recommended by a five-member search panel consisting of representatives from the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator. He was chosen amongst 50 candidates after two separate rounds of advertising and interviews.

His Background

The Town's newest professional comes to Alton after having served internships with the Town of Hudson, an engineering company, the Society for Protection of New Hampshire's Forests, and the Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission. A highly regarded honor student and outdoor enthusiast, Walsh is looking forward to embarking on his professional career by serving the people of Alton. His most immediate task will be to implement the goals and objectives being adopted as part of a Master Plan update by presenting the Planning Board with suggested revisions to the Zoning Ordinance.

Town officials were genuinely impressed with Walsh's youthful vitality combined with his knowledge of practical land use methodologies and outstanding references. The search panel found him to be friendly, professional and committed to his chosen field in community development. There are no doubts that he will work hard to be a successful and respected planner.

SPRING INTO SUMMER EXPO

Coming to our area on May 9 is the First Annual *Spring into Summer* Expo. It will be held at Kingswood Regional High School and will benefit The Lakes Region Humane Society. The whole story will be told in the May issue of Main Street, but if you are interested in volunteering time or purchasing a booth, here is advance notice. Call 875-5577. There will be decorators and designers, garden center and landscape professionals, real estate brokers, food booths, and much much more. Jayne Avery and Jayne Jarvis are co-chairs; Denise Merritt and Carrie Rickett are Publicity and Site Committees. Mark your calendar now.

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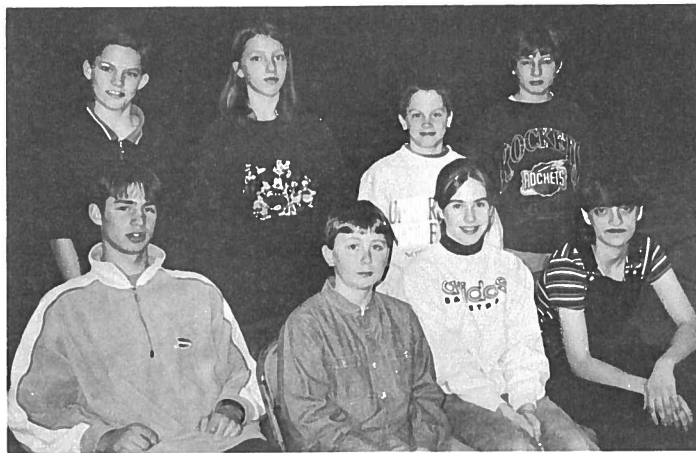


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JOSHUA KERN IS TOP SPELLER AT ALTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Joshua Kern, a seventh grader at Alton Central School, was recently declared the winner of the Middle School Spelling Bee. Seventh-grader Scott Baumgartner was first runner-up. There were eight students in the final competition, each representing their homeroom in grades six, seven and eight.

Josh will represent Alton at the district level spelling bee in Concord on March 21. He is the son of Douglas Kern of Alton.

The classroom champs are (seated left to right) Kevin Goyette 8C, Joshua Kern 7A, Marissa Peterson 8A, Tamsin Scott 8B, (standing left to right) Dennis Callahan 7C, Jessica Coigley 6L, David Currid 6D, and Scott Baumgartner 7B.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OPENS NEW SEASON

By Jean Roberts

The Alton Historical Society will hold its first meeting of the 1998 season on Tuesday, April 21, at the newly refurbished meeting room of the Gilman Library at 7:30 p.m. Because of the exciting new developments for our future museum, we will devote most of this meeting to making plans for our move to the library room and long-range plans for the freight building.

Glen McLean will be present to discuss the activities of the Lakes Region Historical Roundtable of which he is Vice-President. This organization is seeking to support and publicize all historical projects in the Lakes Region which will help us all.

The Alton Historical Society welcomes all members and friends and we would like to see many new faces as we begin our museum projects. The year 2000 will be the 50th anniversary of the founding of the society and we need to be thinking about our celebration for that year.

As always, our list of speakers for the summer meetings is outstanding, and we hope you will take advantage of meeting and listening to these interesting people.

Our treasurer, Betty Locke, will be prepared to accept our modest dues of \$5 per person for 1998, and delicious refreshments will be served.

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SECOND QUARTER HONOR ROLL

ANNOUNCED BY ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

The following students were named to the honor roll for the second quarter at Alton Central School. High Honors requires a grade of at least 92 in all subjects and Honors requires a grade of at least 83 in all subjects.

Fourth Grade - High Honors: Owen Laurion and Patrick Quinn; Honors: Danielle Dearnley, Johanna Dickson, Allyson Dudman, Dana Fuller, Jamie Goings, James Grant, Ashley Hubbard, Luke LaFreniere, Taylor Peterson, Marie Phelan, Daniel Pitman, Jessica Rothwell, Aimee Terravechia, Katrina Tidd and Caitlin Wentworth.

Fifth Grade - High Honors: Anne Farrell, Stephanie Tanguay, and Michael Tidd; Honors: Amanda DeLemus, Kelly Eagles, Jacob Ford, Vanessa Gilbert, Erin Hannafin, Christine Holmes, Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur, Tara Loprete, David McMahon, Brenna Quann, Derek Rondeau, and Brian Roy.

Sixth Grade - High Honors: Daniel Quinn and Krista Shibley; Honors: Lyndsey Caron, David Currid, Elspeth Dana, Carl Dickson, John Latchaw, Dylan Laurion, Kyle McAuliffe, Dakotah Nixon, Tonya Prescott, Meredith Roy, Matthew Sydow, Isaac Tharpe, and Kelsey Yelle.

Seventh Grade - High Honors: Terese Hopper and David Snell; Honors: Adam Ames, David Bailey, Hilary Ballentine, Scott Baumgartner, Katy Brooks, Dennis Callahan, Jennifer Carr, Ashley Coughlin, Christopher Duffy, Nicholas Hallin, Stephanie Hillsgrove, Marc Levasseur, Thomas Malone, Kristin Murray, Patrick Quann, and Rebecca Spencer.

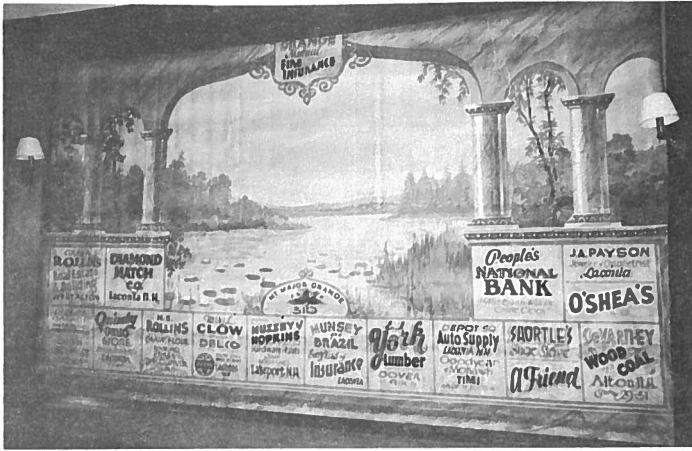
Eighth Grade - High Honors: Briahna Itchkavich-Levasseur, Dana Lang and Marissa Peterson; Honors: Kayla Ballentine, Scott Blair, Matthew Currid, Morgan Fuller, Anthony Sanborn, David Shibley, Jane Varney and Steven Wood.

Ninth Grade - High Honors: Sara Dore, Loretta Helie, Renee LaFreniere, Katie Morrill, Meghan St. Cyr, and Emily Sydow; Honors: Chris Alting, Zachary Christy, Kelsie Croes, Shawn Hillsgrove, and Heather Joslyn.

Tenth Grade - Honors: Jessica Benedetto, Amanda Coughlin, Korin Eagles, Jenny Martin, Michael Murray, Katharine O'Meara, Amanda Pacheco, Jon Russo and Victor Stone.

Eleventh Grade - High Honors: Jennifer Emanouil and Amber Locke; Honors: Daniel Alting, Carly Blanchard, April Boles, Desiree Crossley, Tonia Elliott, Andrew Fuller, Christy Holway, Kristen James, Emily King, Amanda Lambert, Kimberly Noyes, Nadine Vailette, and Anna Varney.

Twelfth Grade - High Honors: Tarsia Kenny; Honors: Jonathan Choquette, Jebediah Christy, Aaron Dore, Kristen Duval, Adrienne Essig, Heather Feger, Beth Jackson, Blake Kellar, Karen MacKay, Kristina Marchand, Sonja Marjander, Jason Martin, Jennifer Merfeld, Tammy Murtagh, Keith O'Connor, Alyssa O'Neil, Amanda Quindley, Ryan Russell, Sarah Spencer, Jaime Stamatson, Amy Teague, Aaron Terravechia, and Jacob Tharpe.



**Mt. MAJOR COMMUNITY CENTER
GEARS UP FOR SPRING**

By Bill Vose

West Alton members of the Mt. Major Community Center Board of Directors have been meeting weekly this winter, to plan spring cleanup and formulate ideas for the Center's use this year.

"We are soliciting input from residents who may be interested in renting the facility," said Sandy Jackson, Board President. "This spring we are planning an open house and an indoor yard sale. If you are interested in participating, call Bill Vose or Dave Merfeld."

One of the more interesting features of the Community Center is the beautifully painted oilcloth curtain that hangs in front of the stage (shown in the photo, above). The artist is unknown. In addition to the lake scene, the curtain offers advertisements for local businesses, very few of which are still around today, but seeing it will bring back memories.

If you have any information regarding the artist who painted the curtain, we would like to hear from you. Or, if you are interested in renting the facility or participating in Community Center activities, contact Bill Vose at 293-0193 or Dave Merfeld at 293-2231.

FROM THE BAY CHURCH

By Bob Hett, Pastor

World Wide Pictures, the film ministry of the Billy Graham Evangelistic association, will present "Repeat Performance," an excitement-packed dramatic film at the Moore Chapel of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center on Sunday, April 19, at 6 p.m.

Filmed with the beautiful backdrop of the New Zealand countryside, "Repeat Performance" is the story of Sean Purchase, a 17-year old who has already experienced more emotional pain than many face in a lifetime. Abandoned by his mother as a small child, he later loses his father to a tragic suicide. Finally, a hit-and-run accident results in an emotional search to find the truth about forgiving and being forgiven.

Based on true events, Sean hears a message by Billy Graham at a youth conference in Wellington, New Zealand, and begins a journey away from the hopelessness, anger and bitterness that have dominated his young life to Christ's absolute and unconditional forgiveness and love.

There will be no admission charged for viewing the film, but a free-will love offering will be received for the evangelistic outreach of World Wide Pictures.

Following the above event, the newest, feature-length, film from World Wide Pictures, "The Ride," will be shown at the Conference Center on Sunday, June 21, at 6 p.m. Mark your calendar for this premiere showing in our area.

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APRIL EVENTS

- Wed. 1 APRIL PFUHL!
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Thu. 2 BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon
- Sat. 4 PENNY SALE, 6 - 10 p.m., Alton School, see story
- Sun. 5 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME, "Spring Ahead" to 3 a.m. EDT at 2 a.m. EST
PALM SUNDAY
- Tue. 7 FRIENDS OF GILMAN LIBRARY, Annual Meeting 7:30 p.m., Meeting room at Library
- Wed. 8 AN HAWAIIAN ADVENTURE, Christian Women's Club, Christian Conference Center, 11:30 a.m.
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Fri. 10 GOOD FRIDAY
- Sat. 11 PASSOVER
- Sun. 12 EASTER
SUNRISE SERVICE, 6:08 a.m., Christian Conference Pavilion, see story
- Mon. 13 VARSITY BASEBALL vs. Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
VARSITY SOFTBALL vs. Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
- Tue. 14 VARSITY TRACK at Newfound, vs. Newfound, Winn., Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.
- Wed. 15 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Fri. 17 VARSITY BASEBALL vs. Derryfield, 4 p.m.
VARSITY SOFTBALL vs. Derryfield, 4 p.m.
- Sat. 18 VARSITY TRACK at Bow vs. Bow, Frank., Kings., S. B., Belmont, 10 a.m.
VARSITY BASEBALL vs. Linwood (Doubleheader) 10:30 a.m.
VARSITY SOFTBALL vs. Linwood (Doubleheader) 10:30 a.m.
- Sun. 19 ALTON TOWN FOREST LOOP TRAIL, help the Conservation Commission and Parks and Recreation, 1 - 4 p.m., see story
"REPEAT PERFORMANCE," Moore Chapel, Christian Conference Center, 6 p.m., see story
- Tue. 21 VARSITY TRACK at Kingswood vs. Kings., Laconia, St. Bani, 3:30 P.M.
VARSITY BASEBALL, vs. Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY, First meeting of 1998 season, Gilman Library, 7:30 p.m., see story
- Wed. 22 SECRETARIES DAY
VARSITY BASEBALL at Nute, 4 p.m.
VARSITY SOFTBALL at Nute, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
- Sat. 25 RABIES CLINIC, Rt. 140 Fire Station, see story
- Sun. 26 HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB, Show and Sale, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., see story
PAT MERRILL'S RETIREMENT PARTY, but not her involvement; FROM THE GILMAN LIBRARY, 2 - 5 p.m. Please join us.
- Mon. 27 SCHOOL IS OUT FOR A WEEK!
- Wed. 29 VARSITY BASEBALL vs. Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
VARSITY SOFTBALL vs. Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.

AND SOME DETAILS . . .

MARCH FOR PARKS ON APRIL 19

Join thousands of citizens across the nation at "March for Parks," one of many Earth Day events taking place in the period April 18 through 26. Some of the events taking place across the nation include: building and repairing trails, planting trees and gardens, restoring historic park buildings, acquiring land for new parks, and more.

In Alton the Parks and Recreation Department and the Conservation Commission will be joining forces to clear and further develop the loop trail in the Town Forest. This March for Parks event will be held on Sunday, April 19 from 1 - 4 p.m. at the forest on Avery Hill Road, near Alton Mountain Road. Community volunteers and groups are needed. Please call Kellie McGrath at 875-0109 to volunteer or obtain more information.

RABIES CLINIC

AND DOG LICENSES TOO!

A Rabies Clinic will be held Saturday, April 25, 12:30 - 2 p.m., at the Alton Fire Station on Route 140. The cost for the Rabies shot is \$8. Dog licenses will also be available that day. Remember, a current Rabies shot is needed before you purchase a license. All dog licenses are due by April 30. The cost for a license is as follows: Male/Female, \$10; Neutered, \$7.50; and Owner over 65, \$2.

ALTON-NEW DURHAM LIONS CLUB

42nd ANNUAL PENNY SALE

By Virginia L. Gwinn

Start off Spring in Alton, Saturday evening, April 4, 6 - 10 p.m., at the Alton School gym. The Alton-New Durham Lions Club will be holding their 42nd annual Penny Sale and Jamboree. This promises to be an evening of fun and games.

This year the proceeds will be going towards the purchase of a defibrillator to be donated to the Alton Volunteer Ambulance Service. The defibrillator will assist emergency medical personnel in providing the necessary life saving procedures to our residents and guests in the Lakes Region.

A fun-filled evening can be had with Candy Wheel, Penny Toss, "Jail" ("lock up" a friend in jail for a small fee), refreshments, and the raffles giving all a chance of winning many donated prizes, plus much, much more. The major raffle this year features a Bose Wave Radio. Tickets are available from members of the Lions Club and will be on sale during the Penny Sale. This is the major fund-raising activity for the Club.

Please join us for the FUN, FUN, FUN!

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Weather permitting, the annual Easter Sunrise Service will be held at the outdoor pavilion overlooking Alton Bay on the grounds of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. The service, scheduled to commence promptly at 6:08 a.m. on Sunday, April 12, is sponsored jointly by the Bay Church and the Community Church of Alton. In case of extreme weather conditions, the service will be moved indoors to the Moore Chapel at the Conference Center.

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CHURCHES:

- Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
 Bay Church — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Church, 10:45 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m. Sunday morning service held at the Moore Chapel, Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, all others at The Bay Church on Rand Hill Road. Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor
 Community Church — Congregational Meeting House, Oct. - Apr. 11 a.m.; Baptist Meeting House, May and Sep., 11 a.m., June - Aug., 10 a.m., Dr. Peter E. Roussakis, Pastor
 First Free Will Baptist Church — Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Church, 11 a.m., Evening Service, 6 p.m., Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m., Depot St., New Durham, Pastor James Nason
 St. Joan of Arc — Sat., 5 p.m., Sun., 8 and 11 a.m., Mon. - Sat., except Wed., 8 a.m.; Confessions, Sat., 4 p.m. or by appointment, Fr. Richard Wegman, Pastor
 Wolfeboro Bible Fellowship — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship Service, 10:30 a.m., (Summer 10 a.m.), Evening Service, 6 p.m., Prayer Meeting, Wed., 7 p.m., Route 28, Pastor Scott Button

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SENIOR MEAL SITE:

- Mon. - Fri., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Pearson Rd. Community Center

SOLID WASTE CENTER:

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 Rines Rd. Pit as of 4/11, Sat., 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Sun., Noon - 3 p.m.

TOWN HALL:

- Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator, Town Clerk, and Welfare Officer, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
 Building Inspector — 875-5095 for hours and appts.
 Parks and Recreation — 875-0109 for info and appts.
 Planning Director — 875-5095 for hours and appts.

ORGANIZATIONS:

- Alcoholics Anonymous — Tue., 8 p.m., Alton Bay Community Center
 American Legion — 2nd Mon., 7 p.m., Legion Hall
 American Legion Auxiliary — 2nd Mon., 7 p.m., Legion Hall
 American Legion Jr. Members — 3rd Mon., 6 p.m., Legion Hall
 Boy Scout Troop 53 — Wed., 6 p.m., Central Fire Station
 Brownie Scout Troop 329, Mon., 5:30 p.m., Alton Sch. Cafe.
 Chamber of Commerce Bd. — 1st & 3rd Wed., 8 a.m., 875-5777
 Cub Scout Pack 53 — Last Tue., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall
 Eastern Star — 2nd Tue., when meeting, 875-5211
 Flying Club — 2nd Wed., 6:30 p.m., 859-7900
 Garden Club — 4th Tue. meetings resume in April
 Girl Scout Junior Troop 630, Wed., 5:30 p.m., Alton Sch. Cafe
 Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., Alton Bay Community Center
 Historical Society — 3rd Tue., Apr. - Oct.
 Knights of Columbus — 1st Wed., 7:30 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall
 Lions Club — 1st and 3rd Thu., 7 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center
 Masonic Lodge — 2nd Thu., when meeting, 875-7448
 PTSA — 3rd Tue., Alton Central School Library, 7 p.m.
 St. Joan of Arc Ladies Guild — Last Thu., 7:30 p.m., Church Hall
 Senior Citizens — 2nd Wed., 1 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center
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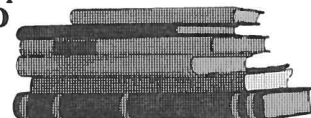
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Main Street Sports Page

SPORTS! SPORTS! SPORTS!

If you are interested in Baseball, Softball, or Track, be sure to check the EVENTS listing on page 10 for when Alton Central School teams will be participating and with whom. All teams like to have a cheering section, especially at Away Games.



ALTON OUTDOORS
by Jack Miller

A FAVORITE MONTH

April is one of my favorite months. The temperature is on the rise and spring is in the air. As winter's icy grip melts away, the open water fishing season begins. I call it "salmon season."

Opening day is April 1 and the local question is always "How much open water?" or "How far is the ice out?" Some see fishing enthusiasts as an odd lot. They get up early to sit in a cold boat to try and catch a little fish. Well, there is much more to it than that. The primary goal is to hook a salmon, but there is also the scenery.

Fishing in the mornings on the big lake has provided some beautiful sights the sleepyheads miss. There is often fog hanging over the receding ice, clouds rolling over the local mountains, loons, mergansers, and other ducks that swim or fly very close — and all the while you are trolling for a salmon. The sunrises and the sunsets are intensified when viewed from on the water.

Another beautiful sight is a salmon on your line. One gets a jolt of adrenaline when a salmon hits the line. They fight with all their power, often arching 3-4 feet out of the water, their colors sparkling in the sun. A not so beautiful sight is when the fish and your fishhook part company in a mid-air jump.

These powerful fighting fish can be very elusive. Some days are good, other days... There are times when the salmon congregate together in a certain area of the lake. If one is lucky enough to pass over one of these areas, there can be multiple hook ups. Lots can happen when there are two salmon "on." Good luck!

I'll see you out there. I'll be the one with a small rowing canoe. If my wife isn't in the front, you'll see my black or yellow lab pointing out the hot fishing spots.

Oh, if you are going to hunt turkey in May, April is the month to do your scouting. Look for roosting areas and feeding areas. Practice how to "talk turkey" to call those male turkeys into gun range. Do your homework and you should be successful.

Good Luck.



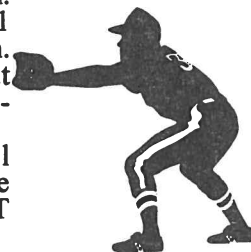
ALTON TO THE HALL OF FAME!

The Alton Varsity Baseball Team has been scheduled to play a baseball game on Abner Doubleday Field (inventor of baseball) in Cooperstown, New York. This is the home of the Baseball Hall of Fame. Moultonborough Academy will be the opponent for the game to be held on Saturday, May 16, at 10 a.m. Both teams will be riding a bus together on Friday afternoon and spending the night before they play on Saturday. After playing, the teams will tour the town and attend the Hall of Fame.

This is going to be a great experience for Alton's athletes, coaches and parents. The Town's athletes will be spending time with their Moultonborough counterparts creating good sportsmanship and friendships. The players will also have the experience of playing on the field where baseball was invented, as well as seeing all the history and background of baseball.

The Alton Athletic Department is currently setting up some fund-raising activities, so all athletes will be able to enjoy this experience. There will be some Red Sox tickets auctioned on the radio — WLNH has donated the tickets and will do a call-in auction. Look for a car wash in town sometime in April. Also, there will be two baseball/softball clinics for all the youth players in Alton. The two dates are Saturdays, April 11 and 18. The cost is \$10 per session. For more information, call Scott Hutchins at Alton Central School, 875-7500.

Any help from the community will be appreciated by all who will be involved in this trip. It will be a GREAT experience!



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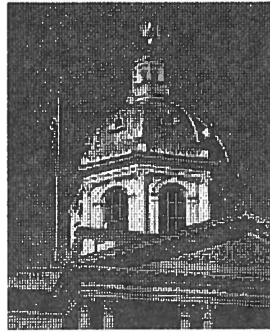
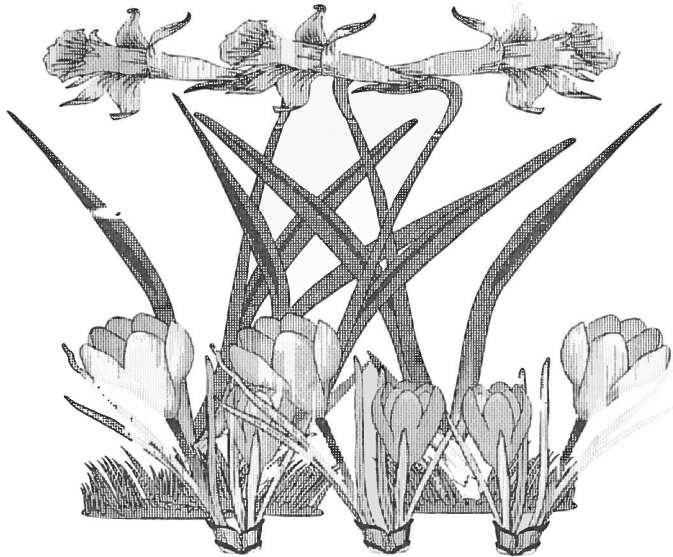
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CONCORD CORNER
by Alice Ziegra Calvert
State Representative

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

March will conclude passage or failure of most 1998 House bills. Successful bills go to the Senate for hearings and voting up or down.

Bills Passed recently were those to: (1) Establish penalties for child pornography, exploitation and abuse offenses "by means of computer." (2) Makes it illegal to have video gambling machines that are games of chance. It does not prohibit games of skill. (3) Change the appeal process for teachers whose contracts are not renewed. After a full hearing locally, they may appeal directly to the State Board of Education. (4) Establish a committee to study the feasibility of creating a non-profit public corporation to facilitate the availability of affordable health insurance for the uninsured and underinsured. (5) Allow students seeking a college education, and who must work, to become eligible for tuition grants if they are enrolled at least half time. (6) Put in statute that which is common practice, i.e., pass a balanced state operating budget. (7) Require drivers to obey school-crossing guards' instructions and provide penalties for failure to do so.

Bills Killed include: (1) A bill to register over-the-water structures. (2) A constitutional amendment to allow use of public money for private schools. (3) A bottle bill, again.

Sent for Further Study were: (1) A bill concerning physician-assisted suicide, and (2) a bill relative to spreading of sludge. With fast evolving research, new rules are in the process of being made.

If you have any questions on any of the above, or have other State government matters that you would like to discuss with me, I will be at the Alton Town Hall on Monday, April 6, from 3 to 4 p.m. Meanwhile I can be reached at 875-2151.

UNITED ASSOCIATIONS SCHEDULE

The annual spring meeting of The United Associations of Alton will be held Saturday, June 27, at the Alton Bay Community Center starting at 9 a.m. The summer meeting will be held at the same location and time on August 22. At both events refreshments will be served and the public is urged to attend.

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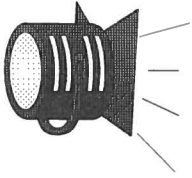
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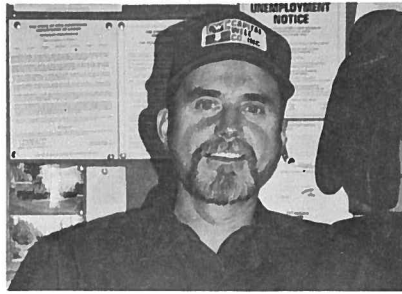


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**PATRICK SHEA
ALTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Patrick was born in Boston, Massachusetts and lived in Dorchester. He attended St. Margaret's Elementary School and graduated from Cathedral High School in Boston in 1970. After high school Patrick attended R.E.T.S. Electronics School in Boston and completed the two-year certificate program there.

For approximately ten years Patrick worked in the electronics field in Massachusetts and then drove trucks locally there for five years. Next he worked in the construction field (doing carpentry, demolition, and concrete work) until moving to Alton in 1990, at which time he was Director of Plant Operations at Epsom Manor for five years. He then worked at Milton Elementary School for three years. Patrick recently became a member of Alton's Highway Department as a truck driver. In the winter Patrick drives a salting truck. The January ice storm was quite an experience driving, according to Patrick!

Patrick's mother, Viola, lives in Texas. He has a sister, Kathleen, who works for the Air Force, another sister, Barbara, who is a Lieutenant Colonel in the Army, and a brother, Michael, who works for the Postal Service in Brocton, Massachusetts.

Sheila, Patrick's wife, had spent many summer vacations in Alton Bay, and her sister lives here as well, so the move to Alton was a welcome one. Patrick and Sheila have two children: Shawn is three years old and Shannon is a year and a half.

For hobbies Patrick enjoys doing carpentry projects in the house. Sheila likes arts and crafts and the family enjoys swimming in the summer.

Although Patrick has been in his position only a short time, he is enjoying his job. He says, "The crew is great and my boss (Ken Roberts) is really good to work for!"

We welcome you, Patrick.

ALTON AMERICAN LEGION

By Patti McMullen

The Post is looking for people to help-out with the Wednesday Night Bingo games. If anyone is willing to give it a shot at calling numbers or assisting us with other tasks, please drop by and let us know.

If you are a student who is interested in going to Girls State this year, please note that the application must be in by May 15. You must be a Junior in high school and have at least a B average. This can be a great educational experience!

Remember, there will be a special meeting for all chairpersons in the Ladies Auxiliary at 6 p.m. on the night of the regular April meeting to work on your reports.

Preparations are underway for this year's Memorial Day services. There will be more details in my May report.

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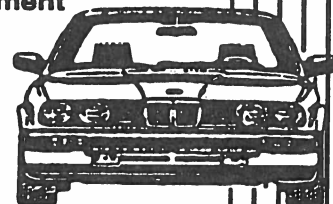
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SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER
by Nancy Mooney Hebert

**Oh, April! You fickle friend —
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At the April meeting the 1/20 club tickets will be ready.

Do your share to make sales steady.

The drawings will begin in July.

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Ginny Myers will post all trips —

So go to the center and read what's hip!

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Call Ginny at 875-5713 —

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Now's the time to clean your closets,

Our July flea market will need your deposits.

Bring us clean clothing and items you don't need.

Thanks so much for all your good deeds.

At April's meeting members will be thanked
If they donate canned goods to the Food Bank.

The Card Party group is having fun —

Join them and see how it's done!

If you are thinking there's nothing to do
Become a member and stop feeling blue!

We will meet again the 8th of April

At 1 p.m. at the center on the hill.

ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL HONORS
GOOD CITIZENS

Students in grades two through five received special recognition in ceremonies at Alton Central School. Awards were presented to those students who earned good citizenship status for the second quarter of the school year. They are:

Grade Two — Andrew Barthel, Erin Brackley, Tony Castagnaro, Amber Couture, Matthew Divito, Jacob Dore, Natasia Drewniak, Ryan Finethy, Emily Folan, Chelsea Hawkins, Daniel Hopper, Jesse Lane, Christopher Loprete, Alina Loynd, Samantha MacDonald, Karol Anne Mansfield, Tara Prescott, Abby Rasbridge, Jennifer Shafer, Chad Tenander, Brianna Tidd, Makina Timbrook, Olivia Varney, Caitlin Wenzlau, and Jonathan Yelle.

Grade Three — Dottie-Jean Bailey, Hannah Barnet, Megan Beaupre, Bryan Bishop, Brittany Bowden, Kris Callahan, Mara Cook-Hamer, Ashley Dwyer, Jane Farrell, Ashley Finethy, Charlotte French, Leann Fuller, Kim Hannafin, Caila Kantar, Joshua Liedtke, Kelly Main, Cassandra Moulton, Marc Roy, Suzanne Sherwood, Jeffrey St. Cyr, Merrill Stone, Ashley Sweeney, Julie Thoroughgood, and Kelsey Tinkham.

Grade Four — Johanna Dickson, Nicholas Divito, Allyson Dudman, Christopher Finethy, Makayla Goings, James Grant, Luke LaFreniere, Owen Laurion, Kathryn Pellowe, Taylor Peterson, Marie Phelan, Daniel Pitman, Patrick Quinn, Amber Richardson, Aimee Terravechia, Katrina Tidd, Heather Waterman, and Caitlin Wentworth.

Grade Five — Amanda Boudreau, Brittney Chapman, Kelly Eagles, Anne Farrell, Erin Hannafin, Christine Holmes, Travis Hopper, Elizabeth Husak, Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur, Brian Kivlehan, Danielle LePoutre, Tara Loprete, Robert Malone, Ashley Marren, David McMahan, Tina Pacheco, Brenna Quann, Shayna Randall, David Roberts, Brian Roy, Stephanie Tanguay, Jessica Thoroughgood, Michael Tidd, and Sarah Tinkham.

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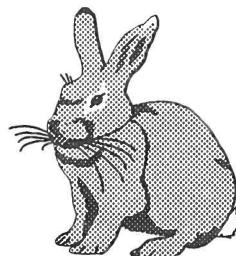
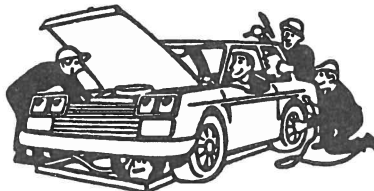
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**ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL NAMES
EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH**

Alton School Superintendent Richard Pike (standing left) recently recognized Employees of the Month for December and January. Members of the faculty and staff at Alton Central School nominated each recipient.

Mary Christy (seated right) and Cindy Duffek (seated left) were selected as the employees of the month for December. Christy, currently a high school English teacher, has been here since 1977 and has taught middle school and high school English. She is the senior class advisor, yearbook and newspaper advisor and a member of the Staff Development Committee. Those nominating her noted the special efforts given to the high school students and their activities. Duffek began working at the school in 1988 as a Chapter One tutor and for the last three years has served as the administrative secretary in the Main Office. She was cited for her "extra work and effort during budget preparation" and for her work in formalizing recognition of the support staff.

Marilyn St. Cyr (standing center), guidance director since 1994, and Dale Morrill (standing right), coordinator of the satellite program, were the January recipients. St. Cyr was the director of guidance at Pelham High School before coming to Alton in 1994 and was nominated "for handling all the problems that end up in the Guidance Office with a smile" and for the many hours spent on organizing the scheduling system. Morrill, a 1992 graduate of Alton Central School, is in his third year as a math aide and coordinator of the satellite classroom programs. This year he also took on the job of advisor to Alton's Young Astronauts Chapter.

In addition to a certificate recognizing the honor, each of the employees of the month received a gift certificate for dinner at either the Last Chance Pub and Eatery or Shibley's at the Pier in Alton Bay.

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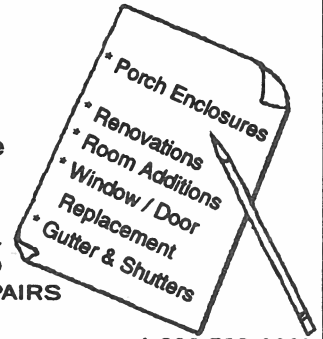
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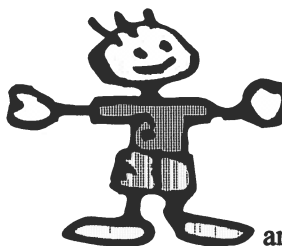


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FOR THE FUN OF IT
by Kellie McGrath
Recreation Director

AH, APRIL . . .

April is a great month for the Parks and Recreation Department. Can you believe spring is already here! There are two new events this month be sure to check them out — the Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt and March for Parks. Our ongoing programs are very popular and well attended. If you would like to be involved or observe, I invite you to join in.

Currently there is a vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Commission and a new member is needed to complete this important volunteer group. Commission members suggest ideas, programs, special events and give an extra hand at large events. If you think that sounds like something you would like to do, please give me a call or come by the next meeting at the Town Hall, April 28 at 7:30 p.m. to see what we are all about. The summer program flier is scheduled to be out the middle of May to help you plan your summer recreation activities.

Night-Time Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt, Ages 8-10

Friday, April 10, 8 p.m. at Liberty Tree Park. Bring a flashlight and a container to collect eggs in. Candy and prizes will be hidden in plastic eggs for participants to find.

Easter Egg Hunt, Ages 3-7

Saturday, April 11, 10 a.m. at Liberty Tree Park. Bring a container to collect eggs in. Find candy and other prizes in plastic eggs. Enter the "Paper Bag Easter Basket Contest". Bring with you a decorated paper bag Easter Basket to be judged at 10:30 a.m. First prize receives a giant Easter Basket.

Body Works with Melanie Tidd, AFAA Certified

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Country Line Dancing Lessons, Adults of All Ages

Tuesdays at the Alton Bay Community Center from 2 - 4 p.m. Fee is \$3 for six months of classes to cover the cost of handout materials. All levels of ability are welcome. Classes are ongoing.

Teen Dance, Grades 6-8

The April Teen Dance will be held Friday, April 24, at the Alton Bay Community Center, 7 - 9:30 p.m., \$3.

March for Parks, All Ages

See separate story on page 10.

Sign Up Now For These Future Events

On Mother's Day, May 10, there will be a Mega Yacht Odyssey Cruise to Boston where \$69 per person gets you round trip deluxe motor coach, luncheon cruise with professional entertainment, shopping at Quincy Market and includes tour guide, gratuities, and more. From May 11 - 14 there will be a Casino-Niagara Falls tour which includes round trip deluxe motor coach, 3 nights at "Fallsview Inn," 2 dinners, 3 breakfasts, sight-seeing tour, tour guide and more. Payment of \$299 per person is due on, or before, April 8.

Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp will be coming to Alton June 29 - July 3. Sign up before June 1 for reduced rates. Details will be in next month's column. If you can't wait, drop by our office in Town Hall.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Alton residents may place classified ads in any issue of Main Street. As a public service ads are primarily for *noncommercial* private individuals who have items for sale, items or services wanted, free items, personals, or help wanted notices. The rate is \$1 for each noncommercial ad of 35 words or less. Each additional 35 words costs \$1. The rate for commercial ads is \$12.50 per column inch. Main Street reserves the right to refuse any ad, or edit it for length/style. Ads must be submitted with payment to Post Office Box 210, Alton Bay 03810, by the 15th of the month preceding publication. Submissions may also be placed in the Main Street box at the Alton branch of the Farmington Bank. Ads must contain a phone number.

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NOTES OF APPRECIATION

Thanks to everyone who voted for me in the election.
s/Jim Washburn

I wish to thank all who voted for Cemetary Trustees. I will endeavor to serve in a faithful manner.

s/Warren B. Harris

To the 1,019 persons who voted for the one-year term Selectman: For those who voted for me, I shall be diligently applying myself to the job so that, hopefully, you will feel that I got close to your expectations. To those who voted for either of my *very* worthwhile opponents, I shall be striving to show you that — when all is said and done — I demonstrated some redeeming qualities.

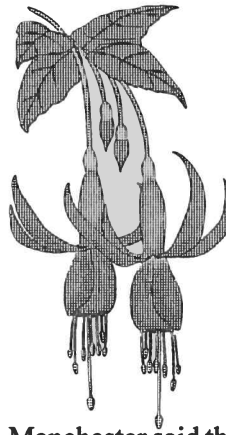
s/Bob Longabaugh

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Compulsory recycling of newspapers, cardboard and aluminum at the Town Landfill was approved at Town Meeting. . . Grades four, five and six presented "James and the Giant Peach," under the direction of Lynn Pelletier . . . Chris Choquette received the Cub Scout Arrow of Light Award . . . Russell Jones was elected Chairman of the Board of Selectmen . . . The Friends of the Gilman Library presented "The Shakers: Hands to Work, Hearts to God."

FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Pat Merrill was honored at a "surprise" dinner for her six years of service as a Selectman . . . Charlotte Kneeland, director of the International Side Saddle Organization, addressed the Alton Historical Society concerning the history and customs of side saddle riding and its place in the last five presidential inaugural parades . . . The Parks and Recreation Department sponsored its first Annual Easter Egg Hunt . . . Donald MacDonald presented American Legion Post #72 a photo of an artist's drawing of the escort carrier USS Bismark Sea, depicting the attack by two kamikazes responsible for its sinking.

**ALTON'S RED CROSS
BLOOD DRIVE
A HUGE SUCCESS**

The Red Cross Blood Drive held on Monday, February 16, to benefit Christopher and Tyler Finethy was a huge success due to the support of Alton's citizens and people from other local communities who took time to give the "gift of life." The blood drive, held in Alton (see pages 4 and 5 of February's Main Street) ended up with 101 productive pints of blood. Scott Chisholm of the Red Cross Center in

Manchester said the objective was to raise 65 pints of blood.

The Finethy family would like to say thanks to the local volunteers who helped out in so many ways: spreading the word about the blood drive; baking great food; helping in the baby-sitting room; and looking after all the other details. Thanks also to the local businesses who displayed Blood Drive signs and especially to the Farmington National Bank and Alton PTSA who co-sponsored the event.

The Finethy children, who attend the Alton School, appreciate the use of the school gym for the blood drive and want to say thanks to all the teachers and school staff who came to the event.

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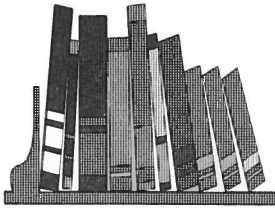
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THE CHECKOUT DESK
by Holly Brown
Librarian

**GETTING BACK UP TO
SPEED**

I would like to take this time to thank Mrs. Kissell's 8th grade class for helping to organize our collection. On March 2 the group of ten students helped move periodicals and encyclopedias from storage to the shelves in the downstairs meeting room. The students did a great job. It was a real pleasure working with them and we hope to see them again soon.

The Friends of the Gilman Library meeting was also a great success. Those who attended the meeting were given a preview of the new "Telesensory" machine that is being donated to the library by the Alton-New Durham Lions Club. The Friends formulated a committee to establish a policy for using the machine. The new Telesensory machine will be introduced to the public at our upcoming open house (the date and time of which is still being determined, and will be announced at a later date).

Elections were also held and the Friends' new officers are MaryBee Longabaugh, President, and Shirley Bishop, Treasurer.

Also, many thanks to the Friends of the Library for supplying refreshments for the Rali meeting, which was held at the library on March 12.

Don't miss the annual Friends meeting which is scheduled for April 7th at 7:30 p.m. and will be held in the meeting room at the library.

**VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR
TERCENTENNIAL COMMITTEE**

By R. Lee Trevlac

About a year ago it was announced, as Alton's Bicentennial Year wound down, that a new Tercentennial Committee was being formed. Unfortunately only two volunteers have come forward so far, and an early meeting at the East Alton Community Center was totally ineffective. It has been very disappointing!

And now a year later the "never say die" April and Earnest Pfuhl are still willing to continue on as co-chairmen, but they need lots of help — and soon! Time's a wasting! The Pfuhs feel that the committee needs to be in place shortly and pursue a heavy agenda until the Tercentennial Year.

If you can possibly help — and the need is truly [?] urgent — please give the Pfuhs a call at 875-2151 and sign on, or at least get more information about this exciting hysterical [sic] opportunity for Alton.

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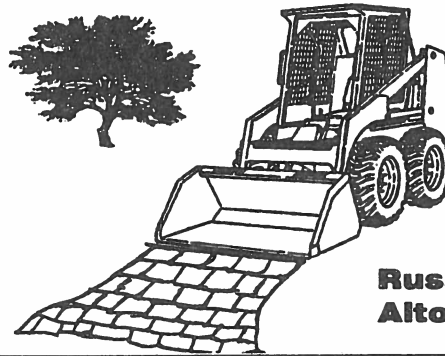
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