



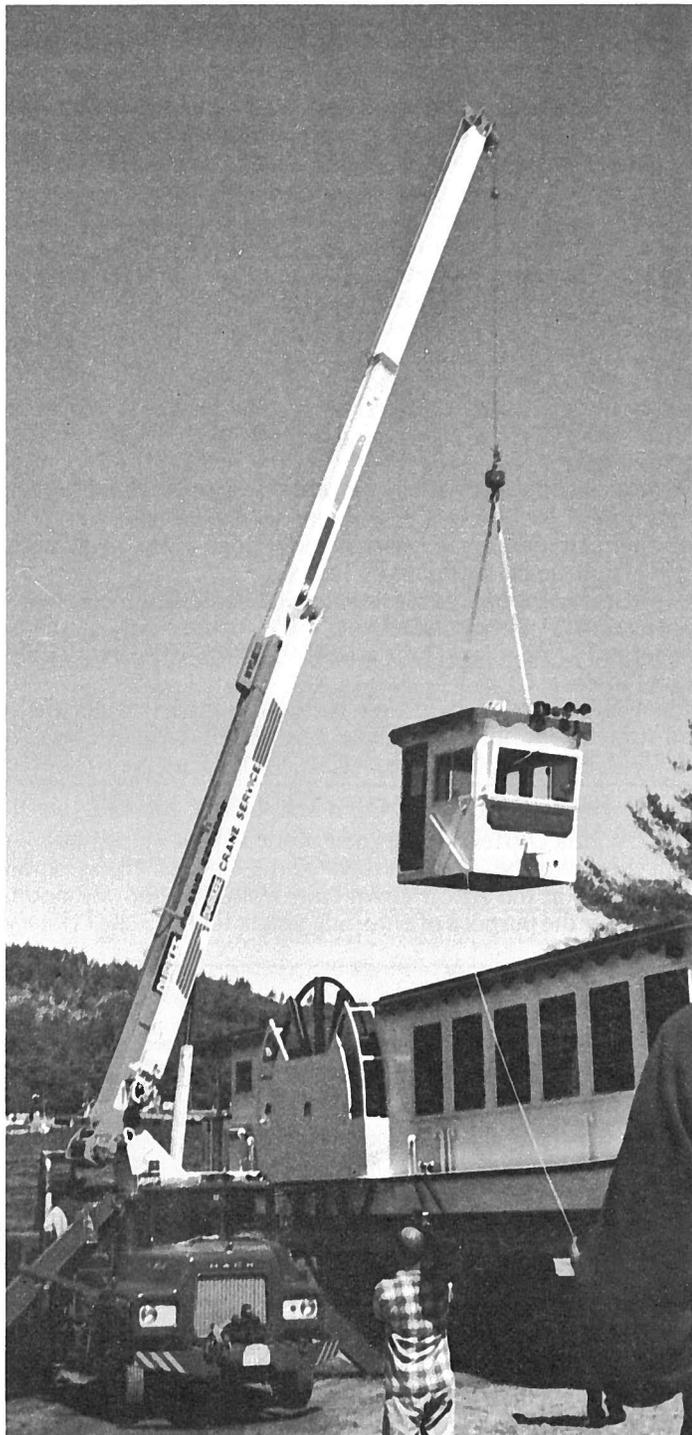
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"SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED"!

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SITE ACQUISITION/BUILDING COMMITTEE: IS IT WHAT YOU THINK?

By Wayne Fraser

As many citizens of Alton are well aware, the Alton School Board has decided to form a new Site Acquisition and Building Committee this year in an attempt to resolve the ongoing problem of space limitations at the Alton Central School. But, did you know that this new committee is not bound by any of the ideas presented by the previous committee? In fact, the new committee has been given much more input and responsibility for what is presented to the voters this year. This year members will be asked to participate in identifying the best solution to Alton's space problem, to work with the Town Planner to identify the best possible location for a new school, should that be the solution of choice, to evaluate the impact of new home construction in Alton, and to study enrollment history and projections for the Alton Central School.

The goal of this enhanced responsibility for the committee is to increase the participation of the citizens in the process of solving this important, yet difficult, situation. Please remember this is a community concern and the entire community should participate in its resolution. To that end, as the committee continues to evaluate all relevant information and look into possible site development, the committee also asks for and welcomes your participation and opinions.

If you are interested in serving on the committee or voicing your opinion, please call Committee Chair and School Board member Wayne Fraser at 875-3327 to receive an agenda for the next meeting. This a significant town issue; let's work together to find a long term solution.

GET INVOLVED IN SCENIC BY-WAYS

By Matthew Walsh, Town Planner

On Monday, August 3, at 7 p.m. in Town Hall, the Alton Ad-Hoc By-ways Steering Committee will be meeting to discuss designation of Route 28 North as part of the Lakes Region Scenic Tour By-way. The purpose of the By-way is to promote scenic, cultural, recreational, and natural amenities associated with major traveled ways in Alton for enjoyment by residents and visitors alike.

The group is expected to delineate the exact location of the by-way corridor and formally nominate Route 11 and, perhaps, other roadways to be part of the project. The committee will also determine which existing amenities and features shall be noted as part of the by-way, as well as plan the preliminary development of additional features, such as bike paths and scenic pull-offs, to be constructed in the future. All roadways designated as part of the by-way in Alton will be part of a 60-mile network of roads running through nine communities around Lake Winnepesaukee.

Anyone interested in helping to plan Alton's future is not only welcome — but URGED — to attend.



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VNA-HOSPICE OPENS URGENT FUND DRIVE

VNA-Hospice, the organization that provides visiting
nurse and related services to Alton, is facing a serious financial
shortfall and is seeking extraordinary community support in
order to continue its mission. Imagine being told that as of
tomorrow you are limited to 1994 dollars in what you can
spend toward the care of a loved one, yet you have to do so
at 1998 prices in the medical/health care field.

VNA-Hospice has received that very dictum from its
Federal funding source. The biggest dilemma comes from
the fact that in 1994 our local VNA agency was one of the
most cost effective in the country. The agencies that were
least cost effective then are now faring better because they
do not have to cut so deeply.

Our group has had to make a 25 percent reduction in
operations, including a 9+ percent salary expense cut and a
43+ percent employee benefits reduction. Even so, there is
still a significant deficit to be faced.

This is a group that recently had 88 percent of their clients
indicate the services received were in the "very good to
excellent" category. Their goal is to continue this very high
level of care.

VNA-Hospice is asking for your support to get them
through this deficit year. If you can make a donation, send it
to VNA-Hospice, P. O. Box 1620, Wolfeboro, NH 03894.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Cynthia Duffek, Supervisor of the Checklist, announces
that there will be a Supervisors of the Checklist session on
August 29 at the Alton Town Hall from 10 a.m. - 12 noon.
This is for the purpose of enrolling voters for the State Primary
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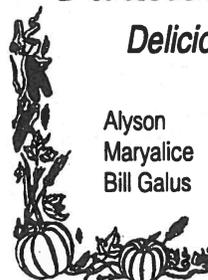
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GILMAN LIBRARY RECEIVES DONATION FROM ALTON-NEW DURHAM LIONS CLUB

By A. R. Van de Meulebroecke

Recently, the Alton-New Durham Lions Club donated a Telesensory color personal reading machine to the Gilman Library.

The Telesensory machine, known as "Aladdin Rainbow," allows people with low vision to view items such as magazines, newspapers, black and white or color photographs, greeting cards, and even medication bottles more easily. For most users it helps to restore "independence" to write checks and letters, read mail, pay bills in private, and shop by catalogue. It also helps to maintain a "quality of life" by allowing one to continue hobbies such as stamp collecting, following favorite recipes, and reading books on the best selling lists. This is a "Must See" item for all low-vision people.

The Aladdin Rainbow is a closed circuit television with a zoom lens that magnifies newsprint up to three inches, as well as an expanded depth of field to permit reading curved surfaced items such as bottles, telephone directories and book spines. It is an unusually easy-to-use reading machine. The learning curve for many users to read and write again is only a matter of minutes. The Aladdin Rainbow was proclaimed the 1995 winner of the American Society on Aging's "Gold Award" for outstanding product design for mature consumers.

ALTON SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

By Richard M. Pike

Superintendent of Schools

At a time when the news is full of alarming reports of the crisis in American education, how do you know whether your local school is getting the job done? In a *Money* magazine poll on the American dream, providing solid schooling K-12 outranked every other goal except a happy home life. I hope that you took the time to complete the survey which appeared as an insert in last month's *Main Street*. The results of the SAT, which by the way is the School Attitude Test, not the Scholastic Aptitude Test, should provide your school board with a series of snapshots about the school, its operation, and its future. Thank you to those who completed the survey, which was also given to school district employees, parents, and students in grades 7-12. Each one of these constituencies brings a distinct voice to the dialogue about school improvement. The solution is to work together, sharing problems and resolutions, while recognizing and supporting each other's best efforts and intentions. After all is said and done, there is only one bottom line — providing the best education possible for all our students!

School Board Vacancy

At the July 13 board meeting the resignation of Dick Quindley was announced. Anyone interested in being considered for appointment to Mr. Quindley's seat until next March should submit a letter of interest to the Superintendent's office no later than 8 a.m. on Monday, August 10. The school board will address the vacancy at their regular meeting later that evening.



THE SHOW WENT ON!

By Bob Longabaugh

As *Main Street* went to press last issue, the location of the Independence Day fireworks display was somewhat in doubt. The Town beach, located on Route 28A in Alton Bay, was largely under water and unlikely to be high and dry by July 3. Since the beach is the traditional launching site for the annual pyrotechnic "shoot-off," the Town's Selectmen were under pressure to find a suitable alternative location to light up the sky. It was considered important that the display be visible from boats in the bay.

Selectmen Chairman Stan Czech and Selectman Bill Ryan were instrumental in finding a happy solution. Czech led the search for a site, and acting on a suggestion that the Lakewood Estates development, high on the bluff to the west of Alton Bay, met most of the requirements for a good launching site, he asked Ryan to check it out.

Ryan found that Randy Jones, owner of a still undeveloped lot in Lakewood Estates, was willing to make his property available for the shoot. Fire Chief Russell Jones found the site could be made to meet safety requirements, and the Alton Highway Department delivered the requisite sand and otherwise assisted in making the location a safe launching pad.

Alton resident Wendell Beck, the "seller and shooter" for the American Thunder company, found that it took more time to go through the learning curve in setting up the launchers on the unfamiliar terrain, but the spectacular results burst forth over Alton Bay as shown above.

ELECTION DAY VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR SEPTEMBER 8

Town Moderator Bob Calvert is seeking volunteers to staff the polls for the State Primary Election on Tuesday, September 8. Individuals will be needed to check in voters, provide voter assistance, and booth supervision, as well as count ballots at the close of the polls. Time of tours of duty can be selected by each volunteer. The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.. First tour of duty: 6:30 - 11 a.m. Second tour: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Third tour: 3 - 7 p.m. Counters are needed from 7 p.m. to completion of count.

Any registered voter interested in helping should call Calvert at 875-2151.

GILMAN LIBRARY DEDICATION

By David Countway, Library Trustee

Save the date of Saturday, August 29, at 10 a.m. for the dedication of the new Gilman Library. This event is a milestone marking a very successful and worthwhile community building project. Public recognition and appreciation will be acknowledged to summer residents, year-round residents, and friends whose support have made our new library possible. The completion of a public building represents the gift from one generation to the next. The adult wing will be dedicated to the family of Dorothy Williams. A naming opportunity still exists for the children's wing of the new library. Please contact the Library Trustees regarding your proposed gift to complete fund-raising goals for computers, furnishings, landscaping and the elevator fund.

The new Gilman Library has been a very popular oasis to escape this summer's heat, but the real attraction is the comfortable interior design of both levels. Library patrons of all ages are discovering our expanded resources. The cherry-finished wood panels have been secured to the new shelving, adding a distinctive feeling of integrity to the new library.

The sale of over 100 bricks have made the new shelving possible. Brass name plates giving recognition and honor are now attached to the brick wall in the adult room. The entry plaza flower garden compliments the new perennial gardens and shrubs which contributes to the overall beauty of downtown Alton. The Trustees continue to explore the acquisition of comfortable benches for the plaza thanks to a generous gift from an Alton resident. The significant gift of a Telesensory machine from the Alton-New Durham Lions Club will assist vision-impaired citizens continue to enjoy their love of reading, as well as carry out many practical tasks requiring enhanced vision.

The Gilman Library Trustees continue to develop a plan with the leaders of the Alton Historical Society for a ten-year use of the basement meeting room under the new adult wing. Modest improvements by the Historical Society in this room will include painted walls and floors. The additional costs of \$2,500 to paint the ceiling, make changes to the heat and add trim to the windows are being debated. Your gift would make these improvements possible. The Alton Historical Society leaders hope to be moved into their new location by the end of August, and the Gilman Library Trustees extend a warm welcome.

ANNUAL PENNY SALE

August 14 is the day to plan on attending the Annual Penny Sale conducted by the Alton Police Association. Ticket sales begin at 2 p.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand and the auction commences at 7 p.m. Persons or businesses with items to donate for the sale should contact the police station at 875-3752. Proceeds from the sale are used to support the many worthwhile activities of the Police Association.

FUND RAISING FOR CUB SCOUT PACK 53

Alton's Cub Scout Pack 53 wants to let everyone know they will be doing a year-round fund-raising project. What is it? The answer: RADA Cutlery. This means you can purchase different pieces on a weekly or monthly basis. Contact Kelly Merchant at 875-4126 for more information. If you have need of new kitchen knives, help the cub scouts out by purchasing from them.

*The Wolfeboro Inn and the Winnepesaukee Belle
wishes to thank all the wonderful residents and
town employees for the generous
help and support
given to us in launching our new boat.
The Winnepesaukee Belle would not be
cruising the lake without the
support and help offered by all, especially
Jonathan and Nancy from Downings Landing.*

*Thank you
Tom and Sandy Kenney*

SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

By Bob Longabaugh

The frustrated parents trying to connect "part A" to "part B" in a Christmas Eve frenzied push to have all toys ready for the rapidly approaching grand opening still can't hold a candle to Alton resident Tom Kenney's experience. Kenney, owner of the Wolfboro Inn, and his business partner Mark Nash, oversaw a 12-day journey to get a 65-foot-long "paddle steamboat" from the Mississippi River to Alton Bay in order to launch it in cruise service on Lake Winnepesaukee. Actually, reconnecting part A to part B was simple compared to getting the 21-foot wide craft over New Hampshire's highways.

The most gripping part of the journey occurred on July 2 when the watercraft, mounted on a "low boy" stretch truck trailer, became "grounded" on Route 28A, just yards short of its re-launching slip in Alton Bay. The route was closed from 5 to 9:40 a.m. while heavy equipment was summoned to unwedge the trailer and its duck-out-of-water cargo from the hump that kept the low boy from proceeding. A good number of Altonians turned out with cameras and camcorders to observe and cheer the efforts to get the "Winnepesaukee Belle" into its new home waters. By late afternoon she was afloat in her former splendor, and looking very much at home in Alton Bay.

Interviewed later Kenney recounted the tribulations of moving the Belle from Wisconsin to Wolfboro, and the Inn's plans for the future of the boat. In the near-term the Belle will replace the Judge David Sewell in its cruises out of Wolfboro, which transverse Alton's waters near Barndoor Island before completing its circuit. Kenney also said that they will be pursuing options of adding Alton Bay as a port-of-call in the Belle's regular itinerary.

The history of the Winnepesaukee Belle is worth recounting. She was constructed in 1985 by the same company that built the larger "steamboat" that plies the waters at Florida's Disney World. Early on she did duty on the Snake River in North Dakota, but was most recently homeported as the "Victorian Princess" in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. And how does one get a 40(+) ton vessel from its berth on the Mississippi River to land-locked Alton Bay, New Hampshire?

In this case it was not sailing it down the Mississippi, across the Gulf of Mexico and up the Inland Waterway to Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Rather, the course chosen was by land across Wisconsin to Sturgeon Bay, where she was again placed in the water to transverse the Great Lakes and across New York State by canal, entering the Hudson River and making the voyage around Manhattan into Long Island Sound and through the Cape Cod Canal to Portsmouth. There she was once again lashed to wheels to make a midnight journey (with main roads having to be briefly closed for its passage) to Alton Bay. After freeing her from her brief grounding on the shores of the bay, the wheelhouse, stacks, and other appurtenances from truck "B" were reassembled onto the hull and superstructure, and the Winnepesaukee Belle began her new life in our local waters.



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SQUARE DANCING DEMONSTRATION AT ALTON BAY

By Virginia Gwinn

"Allemande left" and "grand right and left" are two calls you will hear on Monday, August 10, at 7 p.m.

The Wolfeboro Wranglers will be holding a western-style square dance demonstration at the Alton Bay Bandstand. Come on down to watch or join in a square and dance to a few calls. Find out how much fun square dancing really is.

This dancing is for ALL ages. It's easy, great exercise, a true social event, and — again — FUN!!!

Put a big SQUARE around August 10 on your calendar. Come on down to "circle left" and "dos-a-dos your partner." We guarantee you'll have a good time and put a smile on your face. Any questions, call 875-2860.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

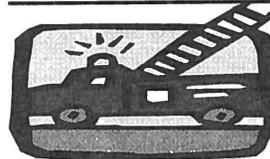
The Alton Planning Board is currently seeking volunteers to serve on the Alton Capital Improvements Committee for the upcoming term. This committee will review requests for capital expenditures scheduled for the next six years. Anyone who can spare a few nights a month in the fall is encouraged to volunteer his/her name for consideration. Individuals should send a letter of interest to Matthew Walsh, Town Planner, at Town Hall, P.O. Box 659, Alton, NH 03809 no later than Friday, August 14, at 4:30 p.m. If you should have questions regarding this committee, please contact the Planning Office at 875-5095.

GILMAN MUSEUM COULD USE HELP

Is there anyone out there reading this article who has expertise in the area of museum collections? Once the outside repairs on the museum are finished and the inside work completed, the collection will have to be unpacked and repositioned. An inventory has been done, but the committee really feels the need of a curator-type person who knows how to display the artifacts for the best showing, plus educate the committee on the care and preservation of all pieces. Alton is so very good about volunteerism and the Gilman Museum is in desperate need of a curator to supervise us. Won't you please join our committee and help us out? We would call you if we only knew your name. Call Pat Rockwood, 875-2161.

COMMUNITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT

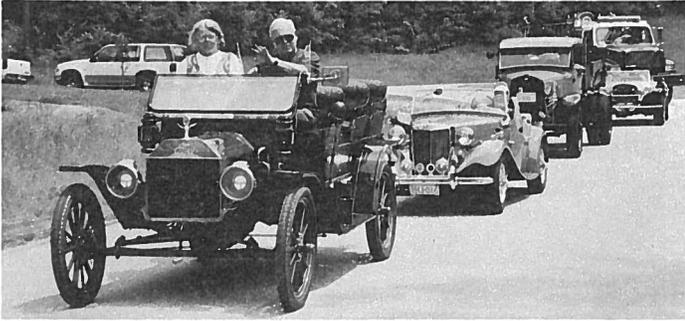
Dr. Warren Harris will be conducting the services of the Community Church for the months of August and September. These services will begin at 10 a.m. and will be held at the Baptist Meeting House.



FIRESIDE CHATS
by Stan Czech
Alton Fire Department

BARBECUE CHICKEN, FIREMEN STYLE!

As I mentioned in last month's *Main Street*, the Alton Fire Department will be having a chicken barbecue on Saturday, August 15. Dinners will be served starting at about 4:30 p.m. and will continue until all the chicken is sold, usually between 6 - 6:30 p.m. Remember, the Recreation Department has many activities planned as a sort of "Old Home Days," so while you're in town for the activities, ya gotta eat. Why not come down to the Central Fire Station, Route 140, and enjoy some of Chief Jones' special barbecue chicken? Price will depend on the market price of the chicken, but usually it's about \$7.50 for the dinner. See you there!



EAST ALTON CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE DAY WITH FESTIVE PARADE

By Judy Fry

A beautiful hot summer day greeted the spectators and participants who gathered in East Alton for the 5th Annual Unofficial 4th of July Parade. At noon on Saturday neighbors, friends, and families stood alongside Roberts Cove Road cheering and waving flags, providing a festive atmosphere to the occasion.

Before the parade began Irving Roberts was presented a Certificate of Special Recognition for his skills in organizing the Unofficial Parade for the past five years. Also receiving a Certificate of Special Recognition was George W. Stone, Jr., for filling the role of Unofficial Grand Marshal with dignity and humor these past five years.

Irving's bright red calliope provided the music and set the pace for the parade. The procession included: Richard Brown in the 1930 Maxim fire truck; Jack and Eileen in the 1917 Model T fire truck; Norman and Sylvia Barrett in the family 1931 Model A Sport Coupe; Duane Hammond and friends on a patriotic float; Janice Fenton, Virginia Motte,

and friends in a flag-decorated VW; Mark and Nancy Northridge in their bright orange 1971 Karmen Ghia Convertible; Chris Widerstrom riding her Morgan horse, "Eldon," with husband David riding his chestnut horse, "BC;" Gordon Matson in his 1931 Model T Hotel Bus; Thomas Deane Fry driving his 1931 Model A Dump Truck; and David, Becky, and Michael Jensen in a 1991 International fire truck.

Bicyclists Taylor Peterson and Jimmy Grant, Robert Meyer in his green 1952 MGTD, and Marilyn Loud driving a 1929 Mercedes Replicar joined the parade en route.

The procession travelled along Roberts Cove Road, including Lakeside and Cedar Cove, continuing on to Rt. 28 and Gilman's Corner. The parade concluded at the home of Nancy and Mark Northridge where a cookout was enjoyed by all. Each parade driver received a dash plaque commemorating the celebration.

We want to caution the reader that this festive parade was strictly unofficial, but those who participated will say they had a great time, off the record of course.

EAST ALTON MEETING HOUSE SOCIETY

By Mark Northridge

Mark your calendar now for the weekend of August 29 and 30. On Saturday, August 29, there will be a pot luck supper and annual meeting at the Meeting House at Gilman's Corner. The event will begin at 6 p.m. Bring a casserole, salad, or dessert for the food table. Remember to bring your own place setting and dinnerware.

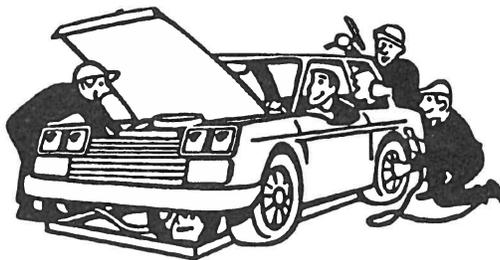
On Sunday, August 30, at 4 p.m. we will have the annual vesper service and hymn sing. The members of the Alton Bay Christian Conference will conduct the service as they have so successfully done in the past. We are looking forward to seeing you on both or one of the days. If you have any questions, call 875-5255.

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Most of the brass plaques have arrived and have been placed on the "Commemorative Brick Wall" which is located in the adult wing of the library. If you don't see the brick that you purchased, it will be here soon. We are very pleased with the results, and we hope that you will agree. For those of you who have not purchased a brick but would like to, it is not too late to make your purchase.

We have a wonderful new addition to our Archival Collection. Susan Spear in Leach has spent many hours compiling information for a book containing statistics of Alton. She has donated a copy of this book to our library. It is an excellent source of information for anyone who may be working on a family genealogy.

Save the date of August 29 for our dedication to be held at the Gilman Library from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Programs scheduled for August at the Gilman Library include: Tuesday, August 11 - Dana Philbrook, "Little Known Facts of the Lakeshore Railroad, 7:30 p.m.;" and Wednesday, August 19 - Judith Huss, "Queen of the Shoales, Celia Thaxter," 7:30 p.m. Both programs are sponsored by the Oliver J. M. Gilman Licium Fund.

Are you a computer expert? If so, would you be willing to share your knowledge with the library? Please call us at 875-2550.

Don't forget the next Friends of the Gilman Library meeting scheduled for August 5, 7:30 p.m. Please attend. Among other things, the 1999 calendar will make its debut.
SEE YOU AT THE LIBRARY!

LITTLE ROCKS, BIG ROCKS AND STONE WALLS

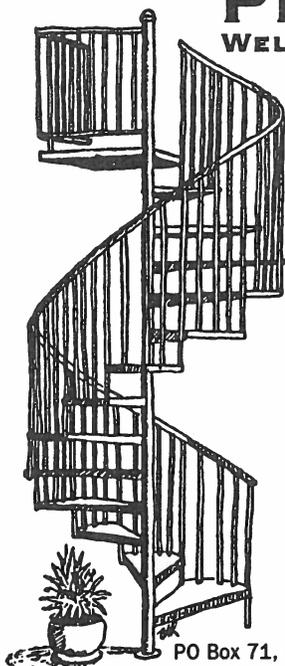
A TALK BY BOB WOODWARD

If anyone knows about New Hampshire rocks and stone walls it is Bob Woodward of Laconia who has retired after many years of forestry work, surveying, and timber cruising. He tells the story of the creation of the New England land mass that began over 400 million years ago. Gigantic upheavals by the shifting earth crust and rising magma from the great depths created our mountains and valleys. The mountains were 20- and 30-thousand-foot peaks.

What the ice ages did to them and how they became the hills and rocks we know today is fascinating.

Come and hear Bob talk about one of his favorite subjects at the Moore Chapel of the Alton Bay Campground on Tuesday, August 18 at 7:30 p.m. This program is sponsored jointly by the Alton Historical Society and the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. Everyone is welcome.

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JUST HOW WET WAS JUNE?

By Bob Longabaugh

The year 1998 might not only be remembered as the one that brought THE "ice storm of the century" in January, but also as the year that had Lake Winnepesaukee fuller than it has been since the all-time record set in 1984. On June 21 the big lake peaked with the official number registering 14.5 inches above "full."

The excessive high water necessitated a "no wake" ban going into effect on June 18 and continuing until 12:01 a.m. on July 11 when higher speeds were permitted at a distance greater than 500 feet from shore. On July 14 the remaining no wake within 500 feet of shore was lifted to return to the normal boating rules. There were letters to the editors of the Laconia and Wolfeboro newspapers on how nice it was to return to the quite lake of yesteryear, but there was also no doubt that the tourist industry and the local economy took a significant "hit" while the restrictions on boating were in effect.

What is apparent from the data collected both officially and non-officially locally, is how fickle nature was in sprinkling participation around the State. The National Weather Service's official number for Concord was a total of 7.95 inches for June. Yet the Mount Washington Observatory recorded 19.96 inches, which easily topped the previous record of 16 inches for the month set in 1973. Closer to home, meteorologist Bill Swaffield reported a total of 13.81 inches accumulated throughout June in his Wolfeboro rain gauge. In Alton an amateur's rain gauge on Alton Mountain Road recorded 16 1/2" for the month with six inches of that occurring on the weekend of June 13.

In a report published in the *Granite State News* on June 24 Swaffield compared this June's weather experience to

that when a no wake rule was last in effect in 1984 from June 1 through 17. Interestingly, that year the precipitation for the months of May and June totaled 15.52 inches in Wolfeboro, while the big lake crested at 19.44 inches above full on June 4. Interestingly, a letter to the editor of the *GSN*, published on July 1 from Frederic J. Teichmann, pointed out that the late Chester Fernald had calculated that to raise the level of Lake Winnepesaukee one inch requires 15 billion 400 million gallons of water! Now, does anyone want to multiply that by 14.5 and tell us how many times around the world a string of tank trucks carrying that much water would run?

COOKBOOK IN THE MAKING

By Evelyn M. Locke

The Women's Christian Fellowship of the Community Church of Alton is planning to publish a very unique cookbook in 1999 comprised of 200 recipes. This book will feature recipes from the ladies and gentlemen of the community, some of which have been handed down from past generations.

In the past three years there have been 15 meetings to bring the group effort to this point. We would like to have your participation now by purchasing an advertisement. The prices are: Full Page - \$60; Half Page - \$30; One Third Page - \$20; One-Quarter Page - \$15. There will also be pages available for individuals who may want to participate at the cost of \$5. The size will be about 1/13th of the full page.

The deadline for ads is September 10, and we would like them camera ready and in black and white. If you have any questions, please contact me at 776-5675.

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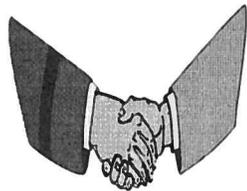
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BARBERSHOP REFRAIN

Good News! Our Barbershopper friends were so impressed with the welcome they received here in June that "Imagination," a quartet from Concord, Massachusetts, is scheduling a workshop weekend here at the end of September. Plans tentatively include a concert at the bandstand during that weekend. Watch this column for further details.

Also of note: The winners of the Barbershoppers Scholarship for 1998 are Harley Dain of Alton and Amy Dye of Nashua. Congratulations!

A general meeting will be held on Monday, August 3, from 5:30 - 7 p.m. at the Alton Bay Community Center to discuss the future direction of the chamber and to develop a slate of candidates for the upcoming elections to the Board of Directors. We need your input to make the chamber work for you. See you there!

TOWN CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

The Alton Board of Selectmen recently awarded Certificates of Appreciation to several local businesses and individuals for their service and/or generosity to the Town. Listed alphabetically they are:

William Crocker, for his "time and materials in the beautification of Alton Bay in the vicinity of the Bandstand."

Robert DeRoche and family, for Alton Country Supply's "donated paint and other products for use on a variety of Town building improvement projects."

June Maserian, for "time and materials in the beautification of Alton Bay in the vicinity of the Bandstand."

Reuben Wentworth, for Alton Home and Garden Center's "donated paint for use on Town buildings and ... help to the Administrative Services Department in many ways."

Additionally, Brian Boyers, the Town's Code Official, was presented with a letter of commendation for his "initiative and foresight in the prevention of the spread of Zebra Mussels into Lake Winnepesaukee by mandating preventive steps be taken prior to the launching of a barge from the Great Lakes [into Alton Bay]." The commendation concluded that this action was "worthy of the highest accolades."

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AUGUST EVENTS

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| Sat. 1 | THE SHIFTERS, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7 - 9 p.m.
LENNY SIEDEL AND FRAN OSENBACK IN CONCERT,
Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, 7:30 p.m. | Sun. 16 | OLD HOME DAY 5K ROAD RACE, Alton Bay, 9 a.m.,
Registration required, see Fun Of It
OLD HOME DAY CRAFT FAIR, Alton Bay, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
BRUCE WALL, Special Speaker, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. |
| Sun. 2 | HAROLD CROCKER, Special Speaker, Alton Bay
Christian Conference Center, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. | Mon. 17 | BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 7 p.m. |
| Mon. 3 | CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING, see story
BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 7 p.m.
SCENIC BY-WAYS COMMITTEE, 7 p.m., see story | Tue. 18 | LITTLE ROCKS, BIG ROCKS, STONEWALLS,
Alton Historical Society, 7:30 p.m., see story |
| Wed. 5 | BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
FRIENDS OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY MEETING,
7:30 p.m., see Checkout Desk | Wed. 19 | BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
"QUEEN OF THE SHOALES, CELIA THAXTER,"
Gilman Library, 7:30 p.m., see Checkout Desk |
| Thu. 6 | BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community
Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon | Sat. 22 | UNITED ASSOCIATIONS OF ALTON MEETING, Alton
Bay Community Center, 9 a.m., see story below
ISLANDER BOUYIS, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7 - 9 p.m.
JEFF STEINBERG IN CONCERT, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 7:30 p.m. |
| Fri. 7 | THE CONTINENTALS IN CONCERT, Alton Bay
Christian Conference Center, 8 p.m. | Sun. 23 | DOUG ANDERSON, Special Speaker, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. |
| Sat. 8 | GET BACK, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7 - 9 p.m.
CROSSROAD IN CONCERT, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 7:30 p.m. | Mon. 24 | BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 7 p.m. |
| Sun. 9 | CLINT TABOR, Special Speaker, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. | Tue. 25 | "PERENNIAL GARDEN," Alton Garden Club,
1:30 p.m., see story |
| Mon. 10 | WOLFEBORO WRANGLERS, 7 p.m., see story
BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 7 p.m. | Wed. 26 | BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m. |
| Tue. 11 | "LITTLE KNOWN FACTS OF THE LAKESHORE RAIL-
ROAD," Gilman Library, 7:30 p.m., see Checkout Desk | Sat. 29 | GILMAN LIBRARY DEDICATION, 10 a.m. - 12 Noon,
see story
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST, 10 a.m. - 12 Noon,
see story
EAST ALTON MEETING HOUSE SOCIETY, Dinner
meeting, 6 p.m., see story
SUGARFOOT, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7 - 9 p.m.
DIANE MUISE IN CONCERT, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 7:30 p.m. |
| Wed. 12 | "KNOTTY NUTHATCH BIRDHOUSE CO." Christian
Women's Club Lunch, 11:30 a.m., see story
BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m. | Sun. 30 | EAST ALTON MEETING HOUSE SOCIETY, Vesper
Service, 4 p.m., see story
ARTHUR STONE, Special Speaker, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. |
| Fri. 14 | PENNY SALE, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., see story | Mon. 31 | BINGO, West Alton Fire Station, 7 p.m. |
| Sat. 15 | FLEA MARKET/FOOD SALE, Alton Garden Club 9 a.m.,
see story
ANTIQUA BOAT SHOW, Town Boat Docks, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
OLD HOME DAY CRAFT FAIR, Alton Bay,
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
BARBECUE CHICKEN DINNER, Firemen Style, 4:30 p.m.,
see story
PONY EXPRESS, Alton Bay Bandstand, 7 - 9 p.m.
FAMILY CIRCLE IN CONCERT, Alton Bay Christian
Conference Center, 7:30 p.m. | | |

COMMUNITY SERVICE ROUND TABLE BY UNITED ASSOCIATIONS OF ALTON

On Saturday, August 22, at 9 a.m. in the Alton Bay Community Center, the United Associations of Alton will stage its second public meeting of the summer. Billed as a "Community Service Round Table," the association hopes to feature information about several aspects of community service not commonly known or recognized. Subjects include the Alton Ambulance Service, status of E-911 and new addresses, tax assessment program, the many services of the Town Clerk's office, function of the town Code Official, the town's recreational program, and the exciting functions of the Trustees of Trust Funds.

While the program is planned as a community service for representatives of the many citizen associations around the lake, it is open to year-round residents as well. UAA President Bob Calvert will moderate the Round Table.

BEAUTIFICATION ANYONE?

The Alton Board of Selectmen are seeking volunteers willing to serve on a committee that will be charged with formulating recommendations on an overall plan to improve the Town's appearance. At a public forum held on June 29 many views were expressed on methods and means of making Alton more attractive to visitors and residents alike. Ideas ranged all the way from the location of trash receptacles at the Bay to removing some of the "wirescape" along Main Street.

What the Selectmen would like to see now is for a group of citizens to come together and prepare a comprehensive series of recommendations that would serve to enhance further the attractiveness of Alton. Persons with an interest and willingness to serve on such a committee are urged to submit their names to the Selectmen by calling 875-2161.



Main Street's Information Center

SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

Alton Bay Christian Conference Center — Sun. services, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Sat. evening concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Tabernacle. Weekday services at Moore Chapel: July 6 - 17, Mon., Tue., Thu., Fri., 9:30 a.m. and Mon., Tue., Thu., 7:30 p.m.; July 20 - 31, Mon. - Fri., 9 and 10:30 a.m. and Mon. - Thu., 7:30 p.m. Sat. morning Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m. 875-6161

Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road

Bay Church — Sun. morning service, 9 a.m., Alton Bay Bandstand. Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor, 875-6765

Community Church — Congregational Meeting House, Oct. - Apr. 11 a.m.; Baptist Meeting House, May, 11 a.m.; June - Sep., 10 a.m.; Aug. and Sep., Dr. Warren Harris

First Free Will Baptist Church — Sun. 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

Wolfboro Bible Fellowship — Sun. 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

GILMAN LIBRARY:

Mon. and Wed., 12 Noon - 7 p.m.; Tue and Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed Thu. and Sun.

SENIOR MEAL SITE:

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

SOLID WASTE CENTER:

Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat., 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
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Rines Road Pit - Sat., 7 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sun., 12 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

Friends of the Gilman Library — Watch "Checkout Desk"

Garden Club — 4th Tue., 875-7208

Girl Scout Junior Troop 630, Wed., 5:30 p.m., Alton School Cafe

Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., Alton Bay

Community Center

Historical Society — 3rd Tue., 569-2629

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

VFW — 3rd Mon., 7:30 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

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BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ADDRESS COMMITTEE — Meets on call. Chairman Russell Jones, 875-7510.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN — 1st & 3rd Monday, 8:30 a.m., 5th Monday, 7:15 p.m., Chairman Stan Czech; call 875-2161 for appointment.

BUDGET COMMITTEE — 1st Thursday, 7 p.m., Chairman Peter Pijoan, 875-8894.

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

CONSERVATION COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7 p.m., Chairman Lisa Erickson Harris, 364-6388.

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

GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE — Meets on call. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.

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

LEVY PARK TRUSTEES — Meet on call.

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SCHOOL BOARD — 2nd & 4th Monday, 6 p.m., Chairman Richard Quindley, 875-2910.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST — Meet on call. Chairman Cindy Duffek, 569-4441.

TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY — 3rd Monday, 3:30 p.m., Chairman David Countway, 875-2550.

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

WATER COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Thursday, 8 a.m., Chairman Charles B. Adams, Jr., 875-7246.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT — 2nd Thursday, 7 p.m., Chairman Glen McLean, 875-5095.

*DENOTES A CHANGE OF INFORMATION
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The Alton Police Department is pleased to announce a new addition to our cruiser fleet, the D.A.R.E. car. ("D.A.R.E." stands for "Drug Abuse Resistance Education.") The car was donated by Pat and Bertha Corless. Through the generous donations of work and money from various agencies and people, including Tilton Auto Body, Alton Auto, New Durham Towing, Alton Police Association, Dupont, Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Alton PTSA, and Diamond Graphics, the car has been painted and outfitted with all the police goodies. The paint scheme on the car is a replica of Jeff Gordon's NASCAR. Dupont gave us permission to paint the car using the paint scheme and even donated the paint!

Although outfitted to do so, the D.A.R.E. car will not be used for any patrol duties, but instead will be used in parades, D.A.R.E. activities and other "show" functions to help promote D.A.R.E. and the Alton community throughout the state. The Alton Police Department D.A.R.E. car has already appeared in the D.A.R.E. parade at the Loudon International Speedway and in the 4th of July parade in Wolfeboro, and it's scheduled for many more. When you see the D.A.R.E. car in the parades and other events, look closely for the D.A.R.E. graduates riding along.

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Belknap is one of five New Hampshire counties that has been declared a disaster area as a result of June's heavy rains and flooding. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New Hampshire Office of Emergency Management are collaborating on providing assistance to individual business owners and residents who suffered damages during the storm period. Anyone who incurred uninsured damage or loss to their home or business may be eligible for disaster housing assistance, low-interest loans, or grants. Call 800-462-9029 to obtain more detailed information.

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ALTON WINS SPECIAL HONOR

At the Annual Meeting of the Lakes Region Planning Commission on June 22 in Meredith, special recognition and a plaque were presented to the Town of Alton for its planning and carrying out of the "Alton Profile" project in 1991 and the period that followed. The project had very sizeable citizen involvement in a concentrated two-day conference and follow-up task forces over a long period. A hard look was taken at the town's strengths and also its needs, and they "profiled" what they wanted the town to be like five, ten, and twenty years out ahead.

Accepting the award for Alton were Planning Board Chair and former Selectman Bonnie Dunbar and Moderator and former Selectman Bob Calvert. Dunbar was the original chair of the Profile Task Force and Calvert served as chair during the implementation recommendations phase.



**ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1998**

Graduates of Alton Central School include: Shemry Diane Brown, Brandon Richard Canuel, Jonathan Michael Choquette, Jebediah Shepherd Christy*, Aaron Matthew Dore*, Joshua Elwyn Doubleday, Kristen Nicole Duval, Adrienne Louise Essig, Heather Lynn Feger, Jill Susan Gagnon, Justin Timothy Herman, Beth Ann Jackson, Lucas Shane Jesseman, Blake D. Kellar*, Tarsia Marie Kenny*, Christine Kivlehan, Melissa Sue Kivlehan, Karen Marie MacKay, Kristina Anna Marchand, Sonja Tellervo Marjander, Jason Wesley Martin*, David W. Messier, Jennifer Lynn Merfeld*, Tammy Lee Murtagh*, Steven Charles Noyes, Brent Roemmelt O'Blenes, Keith Michael O'Connor, Alyssa Marie O'Neil, Ryan Russell, Amanda Barden Quindley, Sarah Elizabeth Spencer*, Jaime Thomas Stamatson, Aaron John Terravechia*, Amy Marie Teague, Jacob Dominic Tharpe*, and Todd Albert Thurston.

*Denotes top ten graduates

CLASS OF 1998

AWARDS and SCHOLARSHIPS

- Valedictory Award Jebediah Christy
- Salutatory Award Jennifer Merfeld
- Amer. Legion Post #72 Schol. Achievement Ryan Russell
- Amer. Legion Post #72 Sportsmanship Karen MacKay,
Jason Martin
- Amer. Legion Boy's State James Kenerson, David Jensen
- Amer. Legion Aux. Girl's State Cathy Chapman,
Nadine Valette
- Army ROTC Scholarship Jebediah Christy
- East Alton Fire Association Scholarship Tammy Murtagh
- DAR Good Citizen Award Jennifer Merfeld
- PTSA Scholarship Sarah Spencer
- Main Street Journalism Award Tammy Murtagh
- Vocational Educ. Awards Jonathan Choquette, Shemry Brown
- Edward Soucy Memorial Award Shemry Brown
- School Board Award for Acad. Excellence Jebediah Christy,
Jennifer Merfeld, Tarsia Kenny, Tammy Murtagh, Sarah Spencer,
Amanda Lambert, Desiree Crossley, Jennifer Emanouil, Amber
Locke, Anna Varney, Jenny Martin, Elizabeth Quindley
- Jean Roberts - Alton Teachers for Educ. Scholar Jill Gagnon
- Fred Ayer Industrial Arts Scholarship Amanda Quindley
- Bonnie Simpson Scholarship Jonathan Choquette
- Francis Wayland Parker Scholar of the Month ... Jebediah Christy
- Happy Hobby Doll Club Scholarship Shemry Brown
- William A. Anderson Scholarship Keith O'Connor
- Bausch and Lomb Science Award Medal Tammy Murtagh
- Bausch and Lomb Science Award Certificate Jennifer Emanouil
- Phyllis Chamberlain Music Scholarship Amy Teague
- Kenneth W. Chamberlain, Sr. Athletic Scholar Ryan Russell
- Anna Ulrich Chamberlain Art Scholarship Jill Gagnon
- Dr. Deane M. Chamberlain Medical Scholar Jebediah Christy
- Major William Hayes Award Jason Martin
- Walter Kirkpatrick Memorial Award Jacob Tharpe
- David Steven Smith Scholarship Sarah Spencer
- Agnes M. Thompson Scholarship Tarsia Kenny
- Ruth S. and Willard D. Rollins Scholarship Sarah Spencer
- President's Education Award Jebediah Christy, Aaron Dore,
Beth Jackson Blake Kellar, Tarsia Kenny, Jason Martin, Jennifer
Merfeld, Tammy Murtagh, Sarah Spencer, Aaron Terravechia,
Jacob Tharpe
- Exchange Stud. Recog. Award .. Sonja Marjander, Philipp Mueller
- Amer. Legion Aux. Scholarships Amy Teague, Justin Herman
- Amer. Legion Scholar.....Kristen Duval, Tammy Murtagh, Shemry
Brown, Karen MacKay, Jacob Tharpe, Aaron Terravechia
- Summer People's Scholarship Tammy Murtagh
- Science Scholarship Jebediah Christy
- Alton-New Durham Lions Club Scholarship Jennifer Merfeld
- Alton Police Assoc. - Kelly Brown Scholarship . Tammy Murtagh
- Barton M. Griffin Memorial Scholarship Jacob Tharpe
- Harry M. and Dorothy S. Rollins Memorial Prize Amy Teague
- Karla A. Merfeld Memorial Scholarship Jonathan Choquette
- Ralph Jardine Scholarship Adrienne Essig
- Benjamin Perkins Award Tarsia Kenny
- Leon and Jean Partridge Scholarship Karen MacKay
- William B. Messer Scholarship .. Jennifer Merfeld, Sarah Spencer,
Tammy Murtagh
- Daniel Francis Memorial Award Amy Russell
- Merrymeeting Grange #155 Scholarship Harlee Dain
- Norwich Barbershoppers Scholarship Harlee Dain

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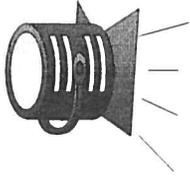
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Joe was born in Somerville, Massachusetts, and attended school there. He then joined the National Guard and served for eight years. He married and remained in Massachusetts, working at Converse Rubber Company in Malden for the next nine and one-half years. Joe then moved to West Alton in 1984 and worked for Jeff Young Painting Contractor for the next eight years. In 1992 Joe started at Alton's Solid Waste Center.

Joe works mainly in the recycling area, but rotates responsibilities in all areas of the operation and covers other areas when someone is out.

Joe's mother lives in Billerica, Massachusetts, and he has eight brothers and sisters. They are: Bobby, Michael, Kevin, Kenneth, Mary Ann, Florence, Janice, and Eileen. He also has three children: Patricia, who has three children; Carlton, who is in the Navy stationed in Maine; and Jessie, who lives at home.

Joe enjoyed deep sea fishing when he was younger, but now has little time for hobbies with his job at the Solid Waste Center and additional part-time work.

The best part of his job, according to Joe, is the people. He says, "The guys I work with are great and the people who come in here are mostly nice." He added, "As far as the job itself, I like driving the Bobcat, but I like the recycling area the best. It's busy there most of the time, the time goes by fast, and people talk to you." As for the future, Joe says, "I'm real happy here and hope to stay."

Thanks to another member of the team at Alton's Solid Waste Center!

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB LUNCHEON

"Knotty Nuthatch Birdhouse Co." will be the Special Feature at a luncheon to be held on Wednesday, August 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Conference Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay. Marty and Linda Zarli from Moultonboro started the Knotty Nuthatch Birdhouse Co. about six months ago and have been featured in the *Manchester Union Leader* and *Yankee* magazine. Their unique birdhouses are sold in many area gift and specialty shops. Music for the luncheon will be provided by Carrie Wentworth from Wolfeboro. Sue Johnson from Belle Mead, New Jersey, will be the speaker.

To make reservations for the luncheon, and available complimentary nursery, call Janet Benedetto in Alton at 875-2032 or Thelma Osborne in Laconia at 524-6505 by Wednesday, August 5.

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club, an interdenominational group with no formal membership, sponsors the luncheon.

MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE

By Ann Norman-Burke

Thank you to the 92 donors who came to the 4th Annual Mike Burke Memorial Blood Drive held at the Alton Central School on July 13. The Red Cross exceeded their goal of 65 pints and collected 85 productive pints. Thanks also go to the many volunteers and businesses that donated food, drinks, and promotional materials, including Farmington National Bank, Alton Printing, Village Pizza, Village Store, East Alton Store, and L&C Springwater. Thanks also to the many businesses providing sign space. The Memorial Honor Roll below lists the people for whom donations were made.

Rose Bornhiem; Mike Burke; Archie Cole; Maria Doyle; Peter Fenton; Adam Ford; Tom Fry; Neal Harris; Tony Lance; Jacob Mutzbauer; Donald Phillips; John "Jack" Quinlan; Louise Schaefer; Lisa Shibley; Kim Smith; Ed Soucy; Judy Sweeney; Gerry Tanguay; Virginia Wolff; and Evelyn Zeliff.

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SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER
 by Nancy Mooney Hebert

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Congratulations to all the new officers who were elected at our July meeting: President, Evelyn Nardo; Vice-President, Liz Roberts; Secretary, Edith Scott; Assistant Secretary, Peg Bowman; Treasurer, Warren Nott; Assistant Treasurer, Dot Hills; Auditor, Nancy Hebert. They will be installed at a special ceremony at the end of the August meeting. Good luck!

Our 4th of July flea market exceeded all our expectations! Thanks to everyone who donated goods, and thanks to everyone who bought them. We are very grateful to Alice Nelson who donated the proceeds of her table to the Alton Seniors. Fortuitously, Alice won the raffle folding chair, which was beautifully hand decorated and given as the prize by Connie Stevenson. We cannot thank Evelyn Nardo and her "crew" enough for doing such a tremendous and time-consuming job running the flea market.

We will report on the July 25 theme dinner and the July 28 Foster's clambake trip in September. The seniors are now looking forward to August 15 when they will take buses to Patrick's Pub for dinner and then enjoy the musical *BYE BYE BIRDIE* at the Lakes Region Playhouse. This trip is sold out, but you can call Ginny Myers at 875-5713 to get on the "wait list." Much credit to Ginny for doing such an excellent job in organizing our trips; they continue to get better and better!

The 1/20 Club drawings are under way and are held every Friday at 12:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. We appreciate all those who have bought tickets, as well as those who sold them. You may still buy a ticket for a chance to win the big drawing in October.

Dora McNamara of Alton Bay gave us a very nice used 25" TV set to replace our worn out one. She's one special lady to us!

Claire Fitzgerald, CAP Director, would like to see more seniors sign up for meals. If you are 60 or over, call her at 875-7102 and find out about menus (including diabetic desserts) and special activities. For instance, chair exercises are now being held Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:15 - 11:45 a.m. Seniors who love whist and bingo should come and check the schedules. Join in the fun!

Our Annual Meeting is August 12 at 1 p.m. Please join us.

AUGUST HAPPENINGS
ALTON GARDEN CLUB

By Ginny Lynch

The Annual Flea Market and Food Sale will be held August 15, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Daryl Czech's lawn, Main Street, Alton. The rain date is August 16. Donations for the Flea Market may be taken after August 1 to Daryl's barn. Hostesses: Co-Chairmen, Daryl Czech, MaryLou Brown; Paulette Alden, Margaret Birdsey, Terry Butler, Ellamarie Carr, Thelma Chandler, Kay Connolly, Ruth Conway, Shirley Copeland, Marion Davis, Mary Downing, Donna Flodin, Jackie Freese, Grace Genova, Doris Gray, Michelle Hanley, Jeannette Jones, Ruth Latham, Betty MacKay, Gabrielle Stevens, and Nancy Tyks.

The Homes and Garden Club meeting will be held on August 25 at 1:30 p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House. The program is "Perennial Garden." The speaker will be Emerson Moore from Meadow Pond Gardens in Gilmanton. The annual exchange of perennials will take place, and if you bring extras, you may exchange for some new ones. Hostesses: Polly Finch, Chairman; Paulette Alden, Marie Bemis, Agnes Coney, Bea Faulkingham, Margaret Favreau, Martha Headley, Betty Locke, Peggy McLellan, and Rachel Nottleman.



ALTON OUTDOORS

by Jack Miller

AN AUGUST PROGRAM

What is an outdoor person to do with the usual hot August weather?

For those interested in fishing, fish DEEP. Local lakes and ponds are at their warmest this month and fish head for cooler waters. Use lures and baits that go deep, or fish early or late in the day while the waters are cooler. The large rivers north of here — Saco, Andrescoggin, and Connecticut — can still provide some trout fishing. Look to the fast water as this has more oxygen and is cooler than the slower moving water.

August is the time for the hunter to ready himself for the coming seasons next month. September 1 starts the general Black Bear hunting season statewide. If you plan to hunt bear, check the regulations closely as they vary by regions and hunting method. With many sightings of bear in the local area this spring, the hunting could be very good. A bear similar to the one pictured in Main Street last month passed through our front yard in June, about eight feet from the house, while my wife watched from the living room windows.

The New Hampshire State Senate recently passed a bill (the first to do so in the country) to ban the sale of lead sinkers for use on inland waters by July, 2000. Lead has been removed from gasoline, shotgun shells used in the hunting of waterfowl, and now, out of our waters by the fishing crowd. As lead is phased out of use, other non-toxic materials are already being offered by some manufacturers. Let's all do our part to get the lead out!

NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION

CLAUDE R. BATCHELDER POST 72

By Patti McMullen

New officers sworn into office are: Commander - Norm French; First Vice - Ken McMullen; Chaplain - John Racine; Sergeant-at-Arms - Ronny Rojek. Don't forget, if you have not yet paid dues for the upcoming year, do so now. Do not be the last one.

Renovations continue with a new roof to be put on and new flooring in the Dug-Out lounge. New carpeting is being installed in the upstairs apartment. The Legion building is really taking shape!

Bingo is going full swing with many of the summer residents attending. Help is much needed. Don't be shy; lend a hand. There are many ways to support your American Legion.

Convention is over for the summer. The Ladies Auxiliary received an award for the Most Increased Junior Membership. Certificates of appreciation were awarded for the History, Pictorial, Prayer, and Foreign Relations books submitted.

The Son's of the American Legion thank all who attended their pancake breakfast. It was a great success. Special thanks to Russ Rojek and Frank Pryor for cooking; Bill Waterman, cashier and order taker; Dick Rojek, grocery shopping and kitchen work; as well as Jeff Benedetto, Rocky Chagnon and Rodney Lamper, Jr. for serving and kitchen work. Also thanks to Maryellen Kenerson, Julie Lamper, and Maryann Waterman for all the help they gave.

Until next month...

THE ANNUAL CANOE RACE

Along with co-sponsor Parker Marine, the Alton Parks and Recreation Department held the annual Canoe Race on Sunday, June 28. The five-mile race started at the Merrymeeting River and ended in Alton Bay. A total of 27 canoes participated in the race.

The results are: 1st Place Overall: Time of 25:06 and winner of the 1997 Canoe Race, Michael and Steven Dylingowski; Recreational Men: 1st, Dan O'Reilly and Mark Peters; 2nd, Scott Ricker and Andy Ouellet; 3rd, Eric Smith and Dale Keirstead; Recreational Women: 1st, Lorrie Drake and Rebecca Helfer; 2nd, Leslie and Sara Roberts; Recreational Co-Ed: 1st, Clive and Alison Roberts; 2nd, Lawrence and Jenny Martin; 3rd, Steve Geribo and Wendy Giles; Recreational Single: 1st, Jim Washburn; Racing Men: 1st, Michael and Steven Dylingowski; Racing Co-Ed: 1st, Ron Keslar and Kim Russell; 2nd, Becky, David and Mike Jensen; 3rd, Freda Randall-Ross and Paul Ross; Racing Adult and Child: 1st, Brad and Elizabeth Helfer; Racing Single: 1st, William Bakes; 2nd, Sean Rogers; 3rd, Jim Rankin; Youth Boys: 1st, Dave Jensen, Jr. and Joe Irving.

The Parks and Recreation Department thanks L & C Springwater for donating water to all participants and the following volunteers for their help: Debbie Burton, Ben Jones, Lisa Jones, Jay Sydow, Bill Lionetta and Ann Norman-Burke. The 1999 Canoe Race will be Sunday, June 27; call 875-0109 for more information.

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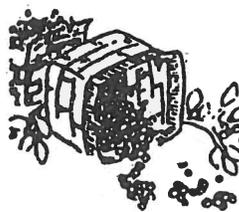
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ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL HONORS GOOD CITIZENS

Students in grades one through five received special recognition in ceremonies at Alton Central School. Awards were presented to those students who earned good citizenship status for the fourth quarter of the school year, as well as those students that were good citizens all year (noted by *). They are:

Grade One - Shaida Anderson*, Marina Avery*, Lyndsay Bishop*, Erik Caron*, Madeleine Delaney*, Brittany Dwyer*, Shannon Eagles*, Kim Grant*, Colin Hammond*, Andrea Hillsgrove*, Justin Kantar*, Jeanette Keniston*, Kaitlyn Kirchhoff*, Stephanie MacDonald*, Heidi McGlone*, Laura Merluzzo*, Stephanie Roy*, Kelsea Scerra*, Michael Stevens*, Xavier Stone*, Kathie Sykes*, and Will Wenzlau*.

Grade Two - Andrew Barthel*, Erin Brackley*, Tony Castagnaro*, Amber Couture*, Hannah Delaney*, Matthew Divito, Ryan Finethy*, Jessica Harrell*, Chelsea Hawkins*, Patricia Holmes*, Daniel Hopper*, Logan Hopper*, Makina Itchkavich-Levasseur*, Jesse Lane*, Andrew Levasseur*, Christopher Loprete*, Samantha MacDonald*, Karol Anne Mansfield*, C.J. Moulton, Tara Prescott*, Abby Rasbridge*, Jennifer Shafer*, Brianna Tidd*, Olivia Varney*, Caitlin Wenzlau*, Jonathan Yelle*, and Jordan Yelle.

Grade Three - Dottie-Jean Bailey*, Bryan Bishop, Bradley Bissell, Brittany Bowden, Kris Callahan*, Mara Cook-Hamer*, Ashley Dwyer*, Jane Farrell*, Charlotte French*, Leann Fuller*, Kim Hannafin*, Caila Kantar*, Dan Kenniston, Daniel Lampman, Joshua Liedtke, Kelly Main, Joey Macdonald, Donny McGee, Kendra Merluzzo, Kelsey Moore, Cassandra Moulton, Marc Roy*, Suzanne Sherwood, Jeffrey St. Cyr*, Merrill Stone*, Kelsey Tinkham*, Ty Tremblay, and Steven Waterman.

Grade Four - Johanna Dickson*, Allyson Dudman, Christopher Finethy*, Chris Frost, Dana Fuller, Makayla Goings*, James Grant*, Luke LaFreniere, Owen Laurion*, Brittany Moore*, Kathryn Pellowe, Taylor Peterson*, Marie Phelan*, Daniel Pitman*, Patrick Quinn*, Amber Richardson*, Jessica Rothwell, Sara Talon, and Caitlin Wentworth.

Grade Five - Amanda Boudreau*, Kelly Eagles*, Anne Farrell*, Vanessa Gilbert, Scott Goyette, Erin Hannafin*, Christine Holmes, Travis Hopper*, Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur*, Jessica Joslyn, Brian Kivlehan, Danielle LePoutre, Tara Loprete*, Robert Malone, Ashley Marren*, Camille Niquette, Tina Pacheco*, Brenna Quann*, Shayna Randall*, David Roberts*, Derek Rondeau, Brian Roy*, Stephanie Tanguay*, Michael Tidd*, Sarah Tinkham*, and Ashley Waterman*.

FOURTH QUARTER HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED BY ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

The following students were named to the honor roll for the fourth 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; Honors: Johanna Dickson, Allyson Dudman, Makayla Goings, James Grant, Ashley Hubbard, Luke LaFreniere, Brittany Moore, Joshua O'Neil, Taylor Peterson, Marie Phelan, Daniel Pitman, Patrick Quinn, Aimee Terravechia, and Katrina Tidd.

Fifth Grade - High Honors: Anne Farrell, Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur, and Stephanie Tanguay; Honors: Kelly Eagles, Vanessa Gilbert, Samantha Goodwin, Christine Holmes, Danielle LePoutre, Morgan Locke, Tara Loprete, Ashley Marren, David Roberts, Derek Rondeau, Brian Roy, Michael Tidd, Sarah Tinkham, and Ashley Waterman.

Sixth Grade - High Honors: Lyndsey Caron, David

Currid, John Latchaw, Daniel Quinn and Krista Shibley; Honors: Elspeth Dana, Carl Dickson, Dylan Laurion, Kyle McAuliffe, Dakotah Nixon, Tonya Prescott, Matthew Sydow, and Kelsey Yelle.

Seventh Grade - Honors: Adam Ames, David Bailey, Hilary Ballentine, Scott Baumgartner, Katie Brooks, Jennifer Carr, Jamie Coigley, Patricia Currid, Stephanie Hillsgrove, Terese Hopper, Marc Levasseur, Kristin Murray, David Snell, and Erin Wood.

Eighth Grade - High Honors: Briahna Itchkavich-Levasseur, Dana Lang and Marissa Peterson; Honors: Joshua Albair, Kayla Ballentine, David Benedetto, Scott Blair, Matthew Currid, John McAuliffe, David Shibley, and Jane Varney.

Ninth Grade - High Honors: Sara Dore, Heather Joslyn, Renee LaFreniere, Katie Morrill, and Meghan St. Cyr; Honors: Zachary Christy, Kelsie Croes, Tara Elliott, Loretta Helie, Shawn Hillsgrove, Lorin McGovern, Ashley Southwell, and Emily Sydow.

Tenth Grade - Honors: Korin Eagles, Jenny Martin, Danielle Moore, Michael Murray, and Elizabeth Quindley.

Eleventh Grade - High Honors: Amanda Lambert; Honors: Rebecca Blair, Carly Blanchard, Desiree Crossley, Tonia Elliott, Jennifer Emanouil, Andrew Fuller, Ennasea Guyette, Christy Holway, Emily King, Amber Locke, Kimberly Noyes, Nadine Valette and Anna Varney.

Twelfth Grade - Honors: Shemry Brown, Jonathan Choquette, Kristen Duval, Blake Kellar, Tarsia Kenny, Sonja Marjander, Jason Martin, and Tammy Murtagh.

THREE ALTON STUDENTS HONORED BY ACADEMIC TALENT SEARCH

Three students from Alton Central School were honored recently for their exceptional academic talents by the Johns Hopkins University's Institute for the Academic Advancement of Youth. Stephanie Tanguay, grade 5, and David Currid, grade 6, received certificates of merit and C. J. Duffy, grade 7, received a certificate of distinction for their extraordinary achievement in the Hopkins' annual Talent Search, the largest pre-college academic talent search in the world.

School administrators and teachers are instrumental in identifying students to participate in the program. Using above-grade-level testing offers the students who typically excel a unique opportunity to test the full extent of their verbal and mathematical skills. Most students will not have covered the material in school, but may do well because of their ability.

Congratulations to the three students and the Alton School.

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There were 37 contestants from around the country and Brown came in first, taking the Gold Medal in her category. Brown lives in Alton and was a student in the Culinary Arts program at the Kingswood Regional High School Vocational Center. She spent two years in the program, graduating this spring with a scholarship as a result of her first place win. She will be attending Johnson & Wales University to continue her culinary arts career.

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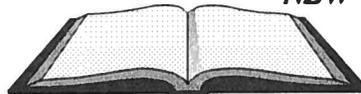
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1997 HARLEY DAVIDSON XLH 1200. Mint condition, \$8,500, or b/o. 875-2693

1986 GALAZY 18' BOW RIDER, 140 h.p. Merc Cruiser I.O., trailer, good condition, \$3,200, or b/o. 875-6975, leave message.

5000 WATT GENERATOR, Coleman, \$400. Cartop cargo carrier, \$50. Screen house, 14'x14', \$40. 875-5645

WORD PROCESSOR, Smith Corona PWP 6000 Plus, like new, hardly used, \$100 875-7579

MOVING! MUST SELL: MagicChef refrigerator w/top freezer, nearly new, \$250; Roper electric dryer, used only this Spring, \$150; Motobecane mens 10-speed bike, needs tires/tubes, \$25. 875-6701, leave message.

HARD ROCK MAPLE TWIN BEDS (3), like new; two are a set complete with foot & head boards and box spring; single one is complete w/ mattress, box spring, foot & head board, \$150 for all three. 875-3206

PRIZER GAS RANGE, white, 30" wide with gas log (heater) on left side, excellent condition, \$150. 875-3206

CARRIER HOT AIR FURNACE, 50,000 BTU's with Carrier 1-ton A/C unit, brand new, \$1,800. 776-3664

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OLD OR ODD BEERCANS; paying cash for old conetop or punch top beercans. Also looking for James Bond 007 beercans from 1970's. 875-2572, before 8 p.m., ask for Rick.

OLD AMMUNITION. Collector will buy old ammunition, any quantity, collections, accumulations, estates, etc. Will remove legally and safely if you are apprehensive. 875-6570, ask for Jim.

HELP WANTED

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT. Part-time, flexible hours. Must have excellent telephone voice and manner, office and computer skills, and a positive, up-beat attitude. 875-4000

DAYCARE

KINDERGARTENERS: Nurturing mother available to care for your child after the morning session. Will transport your child from school to my home for an after-school playgroup with other kindergarteners. 875-4528

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LYNNFIELD FIRE FIGHTER GIVES ALTON PLAUDITS

The Alton Board of Selectmen received the following letter:

On June 19, last Friday, in the early morning hours, I was at the scene of a very serious motor vehicle accident on Route 11 in West Alton. There was a young male victim, age 20, who was severely injured. Since that time, I have been informed that he died of his injuries.

As a career fire fighter/EMT for over 30 years, I wanted to make a comment to you as to the professionalism and expertise that was displayed by all the fire, ambulance and police personnel from your community, as well as the Gilford EMTs. I don't believe the victim had much of a chance of survival; his head injuries appeared to be massive. But your people made a concerted effort to give him every chance.

I have been acquainted with a number of your fire fighters for some time. I know many of them perform "double duty" with the ambulance. Also, I have attended school classes with two of the police officers. You are blessed with having a group of dedicated public safety personnel, who are a credit to Alton as a community. Their actions speak for them very clearly.

Sincerely, s/Robert J. Henderson
President, Local 2472
Lynnfield [MA] Fire Fighters

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

I would like to thank all my friends who sent me cards, flowers, or visited me while I was in Huggins Hospital and those who are continuing to do so while I am at the Clipper Home in Wolfeboro.

I am very grateful for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely, s/Aida Downing

I would like to express my thanks for all the TLC the Alton Ambulance gave me on July 9 and 10.

We cannot get along without these wonderful devoted group of young people. They deserve our full financial support as a great service to our town.

s/Dorothy Thayer

The children of Herb Alden, along with their mother, wish to extend their thanks and appreciation for the kind expressions of sympathy extended to them at the time of his passing.

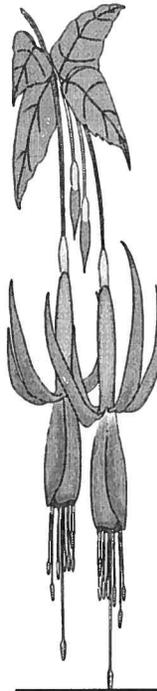
s/John Alden, Ric Alden, Dawn Law, and Paulette Alden

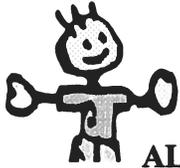
TEN YEARS AGO . . .

... The Alton Historical Society held an Open House to show off its new home, the lower level of Town Hall, previously occupied by the Police Department ... the Alton-Alton Bay Improvement Committee kicked off a campaign to preserve the Bandstand in the Bay by selling decals featuring a drawing of the Bandstand.

FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

... Bob Weir of Toronto, Canada, became the first person to swim the 22-mile route from Center Harbor to Alton Bay ... Judson Hale, Sr., editor of *YANKEE* magazine, spoke to members and guests of the Alton Historical Society ... over \$150 in pennies were collected by the Old Home Week Committee during their Paving with Pennies fund raiser ... the Barbershoppers arrived in Alton for their 44th annual appearance.





**FOR THE FUN OF IT
by Kellie M. Troendle
Recreation Director**

ALTON IN AUGUST = FUN!

August is a great month to get outside and enjoy the outdoors. An easy way to reduce stress is to exercise or go outside and observe nature. There are many things to do in Alton: free concerts every Saturday night at the bay; the tennis courts have been resealed and are ready to use; try swimming at the Town Dock or canoe the Merrymeeting River. If you like competitive games, there is a volleyball tournament and a 5K Road Race this month. Stop by the Parks and Recreation Department and find out the many opportunities available to you right here in Alton.

Concerts in the Park

Free concerts are sponsored by the Alton Parks and Recreation Department and are held every Saturday from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand. The Department would like to thank all of the Concert Series Supporters, especially our Benefactors: Sandy Point Restaurant and Sandy Point Beach Resort and Marina.

- Aug. 1: "The Shifters," Rock and Roll
- Aug. 8: "Get Back," Music of the Beatles
- Aug. 15: "Pony Express", Country and Western
- Aug. 22: "Islander Bouys," Calypso/ Hawaiian/ Reggae/ Salsa
- Aug. 29: "Sugar Foot," Fun Polkas, Country and Western

Youth Soccer Registration

Sign up now for the Youth Soccer League, grades K-6. Registration fee of \$15 includes a soccer T-shirt. Players will need: shin pads, water bottle, soccer ball, socks, and

shorts. You can register at the Parks and Recreation Department in Town Hall from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday from now until August 17 or on Soccer Registration night, Monday, August 17, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Registrations received after August 17 will not be accepted.

**"OLD HOME DAYS" SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES
AUGUST 10-16**

Wolfboro Wranglers Square Dancing

This Square Dancing Club invites you to participate in or watch their fun with caller Steve Davis, Monday, August 10, 7 - 9 p.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand.

Police Association Penny Sale

Friday, August 14, will be the Penny Sale at the Alton Bay Bandstand. Tickets go on sale at 2 p.m.; the drawing starts at 7 p.m.

Old Home Day Craft Fair

There will be a craft fair at the Alton Bay Community Center and waterfront park on Saturday, August 15, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, August 16, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Crafters from all over New England will showcase their wares, including stoneware pottery, fiber arts, herbal pillows, jewelry, paintings, quilts, photography, fine wood crafts, fleece, canvas, dried floral, macrame, old world Santa's, scroll saw fretwork, tapestry bags, and much more!

Antique Boat Show

There will be an Antique Boat Show on Saturday, August 15, at the Town Boat Docks from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

5K Road Race

The Annual 5K Road Race will be Sunday, August 16. The race starts at 9 a.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand. Prizes will be awarded to division winners. Registration fee is \$10 and forms are available at Town Hall. Register before August 7 and receive a Road Race T-shirt.

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