



Main Street

"The Voice of Alton"

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E-911 BY LAND

By Bob Longabaugh

Alton's Enhanced 911 address system appears to be on the move, again. Russell Jones, Chairman of the Town's Address Committee, reported at the August meeting of the United Associations of Alton that the committee had just completed the verification of the final maps. These are the maps that show each structure in Alton. The maps have already been returned to Concord where the New Hampshire E-911 organization will start assigning address numbers to each building shown on the maps.

Jones believes that it is a not unrealistic (although, perhaps, optimistic) schedule which could see the maps back in Alton by January. The remaining steps would be to connect telephone numbers to the street addresses and to incorporate the house numbers into the postal delivery system. It could well be that after the Town Selectmen take action the final step would occur at the Town Meeting next March. Well, not quite the final step — the true last step will be for all property owners to post their numbers so that they are easily readable from the road.

SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

As reported in last month's *Main Street*, the resignation of Dick Quindley presented the Alton School Board with the task of appointing a new board member to fill the vacant seat. Two Alton residents expressed an interest in the position and met with the Board on August 24 to discuss their candidacy. It is anticipated that the new board member will be appointed and in office by the September 14 meeting.

E-911 BY SEA

By Bob Longabaugh

Pictured above, riding the waves of Lake Winnepesaukee, is Alton's fire and rescue boat as it completes its second season of service. Fortunately for the waterside property owners in Alton, it has not been a busy year for the "marine component" of the Town's Fire Department.

There was a brief period in July, however, when the boat was pressed into service four times within one week: (1) an emergency medical transport of a patient from Treasure Island; (2) a search for the occupants of a powerboat that went underwater in heavy weather some distance from any land; (3) responding to a fire on Rattlesnake Island; and (4) going to the aid of a sailboat that had tipped over off Rattlesnake Island. Three of the outcomes were happy, but the missing occupants of the powerboat were not found until weeks later.

The boat has seen other assignments over the summer, but nothing like the one week reported above. It is routinely used to conduct inspections for campfire permits on the islands within Alton's borders, and for service calls to islanders requesting assistance of one sort or another. There was even an occasion when the fireboat was already in position to render almost immediate aid to a boat that had overturned in Alton Bay. The Fire and Rescue boat's stand-by berth is in Minge Cove, on the northwest shore of Alton Bay.

Chief Russell Jones and all the personnel of the Alton Fire Department are extremely pleased with the quality and performance of the new boat, an Eastern 27' first launched on July 21, 1997. The choice of a Mercury 225 horsepower

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW ADVERTISING MANAGER

Main Street is pleased to introduce to you our new Advertising Manager, Mary Doherty. She will be your contact person for all advertising, starting immediately for the October issue.

Mary, and her spouse, Dan, moved to Alton in July, 1997, coming from Salem, Massachusetts. Mary is a graduate of Salem State College with a degree in Business Technology and Education with a second major in Criminal Justice. They have three children, one just 4 months old. Mary keeps busy caring for the family and helping with the family business, Dan's company, Alton Building and Cabinetry.

Why does Mary want to take on one more job? Her answer is, "I am very happy to live in Alton, I love it here, and I want to get to know the people and what is happening." We, the other volunteers of Main Street, say welcome!

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"Offshore" outboard engine to propel the boat was the result of recognition that the craft's construction was so durable that it is likely to outlast the power plant several times over.

In the time that the Fire Department has had the boat, it's original equipment has been modified or supplemented to make it an even more efficient fire fighting apparatus. In addition to the newly installed radio, emergency "vehicle" lights, and public address system, side curtains and windshield wipers now make the vessel more sea worthy in bad weather. Most importantly, the boat has the capability of delivering 750 gallons of water per minute with the two pumps now on board.

Chief Jones wants to once again thank the voters at the 1997 Town Meeting for authorizing the new boat. He points out that now the Fire Department has the equipment to provide the same kind of high quality service on the Big Lake as they do elsewhere in town.

"FIRESIDE CHAT"

By Richard M. Pike, Superintendent of Schools

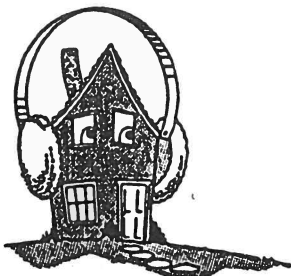
Sixty-five years ago this past March, President Franklin D. Roosevelt delivered the first of many of his famous "fireside chats." The subject was the American banking crisis. On another thirty-plus occasions, FDR would deliver a new speech to the American radio-listening public from the President's Study in the White House. It is a great concept, and the reason is quite simple. Whether they are live from the Oval Office via CNN or live in the form of a Saturday morning radio address, today's leaders recognize, as FDR did, the power of communication.

At the August 10 meeting, the school board proposed a board goal that would "strive to increase communication between the board, administration and the community." For my part in helping to facilitate that goal, I will attempt this year to talk with more people, more often, about more issues. An "open door" policy — which I always have in my office — is not enough, so I am suggesting a "structured open door" policy. Beginning in September, I am going to designate the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at 9 a.m. as an educational "fireside chat" with any member of the community who would like to talk about education in Alton or education in general.

I hope you will accept my invitation on September 14 or 28. If not, perhaps you can stop by at a future time, if nothing more than to introduce yourself and say hello.

What follows are the last sentences of FDR's 1933 inaugural chat relative to the banking crisis. I ask, do they not have some relevancy to Alton today in terms of education?

"There is an element in the readjustment of our system that is more important than [anything else], and that is the confidence of the people. Confidence and courage are the essentials of success in carrying out our plan. ... [The] people must have faith and not be stampeded by rumors or guesses. Let us unite in banishing fear. It is your problem no less than it is mine. Together we cannot fail."



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Main Street's Inside Front Page



ALTON BAY POST OFFICE COLLECTS!

By Donna Laurion, Postmaster

On August 8 the Alton Bay Post Office sponsored a food drive to benefit local charities. Marcie Whitehouse, the mail carrier, collected food while delivering her route. Also, there were food donations brought into the Post Office.

Pictured above are the 330 pounds of food which was collected. This food was given to a food pantry, the American Legion, and the Alton Town Hall to be distributed to the needy.

All the girls of the Alton Bay Post Office would like to thank all who participated in the Postal Service Food Drive!

"TAKING CHARGE OF YOUR FINANCES"

A Workshop from UNH Cooperative Extension

Is your credit spending too high? Would you like to save more money? Do you have too much month and not enough money? Having trouble paying bills? You are not alone — read on.

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is offering a Monday night workshop series on basic money management at the Gilman Library in Alton. The dates are: September 28, October 5, 12, 19, and November 2 and the time is 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Topics include: making a spending plan, evaluating credit sources and keeping track of credit use, setting financial goals, setting up a practical recordkeeping system, understanding and analyzing insurance needs and establishing a savings plan.

The cost to cover materials is \$18/individual or \$20/couple and scholarships are available. If special accommodations are needed, call the Extension Office, 524-1737. The group size is limited and you must register by September 24. You can pick up a program brochure at the Gilman Library, or call the Extension Office.

ALTON VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE

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We, the ambulance volunteers, are not paid for our time or work. No tax dollars are allocated to our service. However, we do have expenses, such as insurance, supplies, training and education, and equipment, i.e., gas, oil, tires, and maintenance.

We thank you for your past support and hope that you will help us again this year. Make your check, payable to Alton Volunteer Ambulance Service and mail it to P. O. Box 357, Alton 03809.

Remember, we want to be there for you when you need us, but to continue we need your support.

ADOPT A TOWN ROAD?

Most travelers on the roads and byways of New Hampshire know that the State has an "Adopt a Highway" program. Those same travelers can probably even tell you that the program involves groups or organizations getting out on the sides of the roads and clearing it of the trash that always seems to accumulate — much to the detriment of our scenic landscape.

The Town of Alton is about to embark on a similar effort to keep our local roads clear of unsightly litter.

At the August 3 meeting of the Town's Board of Selectmen an "Adopt a Town Road" program was adopted "in principle," and the details were taken up at the following meeting on August 17. What is known at this time is that families or small groups will be encouraged to "sign-up" to take care of a Town Road (or segment thereof) of their choosing. There will be no set schedule of when the volunteer work is to be done — it will be up to the group to decide when it needs it. The mandatory recycling requirement at the Alton Solid Waste Center will be waived for the "adopters" so that all the trash picked up roadside can be placed in one bag.

One of the things unknown at this time is whether roadside signs will be erected to give public recognition to the people willing to spend their time on preserving the attractiveness of Alton. Since the signs could add up to more than a little money, the Selectmen will ponder the matter when the proposed 1999 Town Budget is formulated.

So whether you get your name on a sign or not, those persons willing to take on the job of keeping a section of a Town road free of litter are encouraged to pick up the phone and dial 875-2161 in order to get on the list. Later a meeting will be scheduled to explain the details and safety requirements to the volunteers.

Interestingly, the first volunteer was *The Citizen* reporter covering the Selectmen's meeting which approved the program, Troy Merrick — who does not live in Alton! Bob Longabaugh is the Selectman who first advocated, and then proposed the details of the program for the Board's consideration.

CHECK THAT WELL COVER!

By Brian Boyers, Alton Code Official

It's that time of year to start thinking about closing up the summer home again. One of the most important items on the list is securing your well cover for the season. Not only are you preventing unwanted debris and animals from entering your well, but also you are avoiding the potential of human visitors literally dropping in for a surprise inspection. If your wooden well cover is looking rather poorly, it is a good idea to replace it with a concrete cover. These may be purchased at any masonry supply. If this option is not possible, rebuild the existing cover and be sure that the cover will withstand a substantial weight.

When replacing a cover with wood, you should be aware that such a cover is fairly easy to remove; therefore, it needs to be properly fastened or weighted down. Remember, as homeowners YOU are responsible for your wells. Do not let a safety hazard exist on your property.



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ALTON VOLUNTEERS CITED

By Bob Calvert

A group of Alton volunteers have been cited by Shirley Bentley of Caregivers Inc., headquartered in Wolfeboro and serving Alton in addition to its Carroll County communities. Some of our town's residents have been serving the agency for years, and many have been recruited more recently as a result of an appeal published in Main Street this past January.

The "wonderful Alton people who have volunteered for Caregivers" Bentley says, include the following: Barbara Bald, Laurie Boyce, Ellamarie Carr, Terry Ann Clark, Jeanne Cole, Ralph Drew, MaryBee and Bob Longabaugh, Pat Merrill, Polly Pellitier, Gerry Row, Scott and Gina Swezey, Kim Tinkham, Connie Van de Meulebroecke, and Bunny Wiedmann.

We are all very proud of these fine people who are setting such an outstanding example of volunteerism at its best.



HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

by Ken Roberts
Highway Agent

DAMAGE REPAIR AND ROAD PROJECTS

I am happy to report that the ice damage has finally been cleaned up. It took approximately 2 1/2 months using both the "Brontosaurus" and hand crews. With a cost of \$229,000, 75 percent was paid for by the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA"), 12 1/2 percent by the State Emergency Office, and 12 1/2 percent by the Town of Alton.

Unfortunately FEMA is back with us due to the extreme flooding conditions we had this spring. They call it "once in 100-years" rains. We certainly received our share and have not completely recovered, but we are working on it. The grader suffered a transmission failure, and with the new one not yet here, we had to rent a grader. Therefore, we are still catching up with our projects. Due to so much rain getting into the roads, we have been plagued with pot holes. If we have not been on your road yet, please be patient — we will reach you.

We've been trying to convince Mother Nature to do things differently and have water run UPHILL, but so far she has not seen fit to change her ways.

After the ice and water run-off repairs, we have been putting efforts into our backlog of road projects in our "spare time." We are preparing Stockbridge Corner Road for a hot top shim by digging out the rocks and patching up the holes. At the end of September we will be ditching both sides. Please expect delays. We have widened the dirt sections on both ends of this road.

Meaderboro Road has been our main project with the excavator rental. We have put in all new culverts, dug out the embankments, and put in a new ditch line. Next we will be adding new gravel, hydroseeding the embankments, put stone in some steep ditch lines, and finally put on a cold mix pavement.

By the time this story is printed you should be seeing the results of our work on Locks Corner Road. If we have any time left with the excavator, we will use it on Muchado Hill Road, putting in new ditch lines, and adding slopes to the embankments.

If you have a problem with a town road, please call us. We are happy to receive your messages and eager to serve you.

Many of you might like to know that over 300 street name signs have been received as part of the "911" address identification project. They will be installed on both public and private roads in Alton after the road work described above is completed.

AS THE 1998/1999 SCHOOL BELL RINGS . . .

With the re-opening of school this month it would seem to be a better time than usual to re-visit the *Statement of Purpose* that the Alton School Board adopted in May, 1995, and which remains in effect for the guidance of all who have a stake in what becomes of Alton's younger generations.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of the Alton Central School is the education of the whole person. This can be accomplished through an emphasis on education being a shared responsibility among the students, school, parents, and the community-at-large.

Our public school will provide the opportunity for students to become productive members of society. This will be achieved through the fostering of an atmosphere of mutual respect, trust, and cooperation, encouraging each person to develop to the fullest measure of his or her ability.

Our curriculum will provide the tools to master basic skills, to challenge each person, and to foster the desire for life-long learning.

Students will be expected to adhere to high standards of achievement in all areas.

School programs will be designed to meet the differences in the needs, interests, and abilities of the students.

Expectations

Students will:

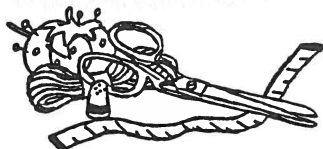
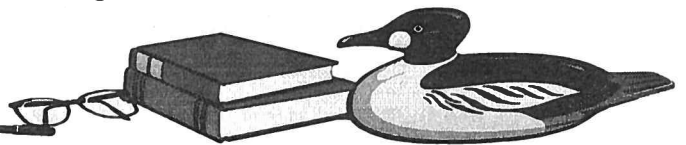
- Utilize critical and creative thinking skills.
- Value life-long learning.
- Establish immediate and long-term goals.
- Communicate and compute effectively.
- Value the arts through participation and/or involvement.
- Work independently on problem solving and decision making.
- Apply problem solving as a productive member of a group.
- Accept responsibility for his or her own actions and learn from experiences.
- Recognize and respect the uniqueness of all people.
- Contribute responsibly to the larger community.
- Learn to appreciate and protect the environment.
- Understand and practice the basic principles of

democracy and citizenship.

- Be expected to earn their high school diploma.
- Value their lives and health and the lives and health of others.

The School Community will:

- Provide the resources needed to achieve these expectations.
- Open the school facility as a year-around center for community activities.
- Provide a healthy, safe, non-distracting environment for learning.
- Maintain a school-wide code of conduct to be administered consistently and fairly with respect to students, faculty, and staff.
- Promote inquiry, exploration, and modeling for life-long learning.
- Allow for a variety of teaching/learning styles and techniques.
- Provide access to outside resources and various form of modern technology.
- Provide community service, volunteer, and internship possibilities.
- Provide a network of support services.
- Provide an ongoing professional development program.
- Provide opportunities for coordination of district-wide K-12 programs.
- Promote faculty interaction.
- Provide adequate accessibility and privacy for communication among home, school, and community.
- Provide for school-wide intra-curricula and extra-curricula programs.
- Recognize students for success and service to the school and community.
- Provide support and services to students to encourage high academic achievement and the completion of their high school education.
- Promote the value of a healthy lifestyle-for all.
- Recognize and respect the uniqueness of all people.



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**Our September song should not be sad-
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Now we await a new season's call
And look forward to a spectacular fall!**

July seems far off now, but our theme dinner was a great success, in light of the many events taking place at the same time, and the Foster's clambake trip was great fun for two busloads of seniors — thanks to Ginny Myers for arranging this popular outing.

An apology to Stella Dore. I mistakenly reported that Connie Stevenson made the beautiful macrame folding chair that was raffled at our July flea market. Stella made the chair, and is offering lessons at \$5 each so others can learn this attractive craftwork.

Hats off to Alton's Parks and Recreation Department for providing us with a wonderful bingo afternoon on August 5. The teddy bear prizes were delightful, and everyone had a lot of fun.

Seniors are looking forward to two more trips. Sign up at the Center to go to CATHEDRAL IN THE PINES and dinner in Rindge in September. In October we go to Putney, Vermont, for a fall foliage train trip. Call Ginny Myers at 875-8713 for more information.

Our Annual Meeting was held August 12 with little new business. We decided to have the installation of new officers at the September meeting. Note this change: The meeting will be on September 9 at 3 p.m. (not the usual 1 p.m.) so we can conduct business and have a potluck dinner at 5 p.m. to honor the new officers. This is one meeting where only members are invited to the dinner.

On a sad note, we mourn the passing of Theron (Ted) Plastridge on July 20. At 97 he was our oldest member. We also offer condolences to the family of Orland Farnham who died August 2. He was a regular visitor at the meal site during the summer. Our sympathy to Lillian and Lester Grigg on the loss of her brother. We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Dot Hills and Nancy Brooks, who are ill.

Claire Fitzgerald, CAP director, reminds all seniors 60 and over that nutritious meals are served at 12 noon every day Monday - Friday. Call her at 875-7102 for a menu or to make reservations.

Chair exercises are being held on Monday and Wednesday at 11:15 a.m. Bingo is offered Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons after lunch, and there is a lively bid whist card party going on Mondays and Thursdays. If you need a ride to the Center, call Claire, and she will make arrangements for someone to pick you up and take you home. The visiting nurse comes to take blood pressures for free the first Thursday of the month from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Don't forget our September 9 meeting at 3 p.m. See you there!

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IN MEMORIAM
ALBERT V. FISHER III
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Alton has recently lost a distinguished community servant in the person of Albert V. Fisher, III. He was a former Town Moderator, town historian, educator, and author.

From 1967 to 1986 Alton was his adopted home, and he served his community with distinction and excellence, just as he had earlier served the educational world in such locations as Singapore, Buenos Aires, Rhode Island and in Dover, NH, the latter while an Alton resident. Those who knew him unite in eternal gratitude for his tremendous life of service.

R. L. C.

COMMUNITY CHURCH OF ALTON
SUNDAY SCHOOL

By Peter Pijoan, Christian Education Committee Secretary

The first day for children, youth, and adult Sunday School at the Community Church of Alton will be Sunday, September 6 at 9:30 a.m. at the church on Church Street. Children, don't forget to bring your parents, and parents, be sure to invite the neighbors' kids. Rally Day, an exciting day to celebrate the beginning of the new Sunday School year, will be held Sunday, September 27 at 9:30 a.m. Rally Day will feature special music, puppets, and much more. New for this year will be the opportunity for younger children to attend Junior Church during a portion of the worship service.

ALTON GARDEN CLUB

By Ginny Lynch

The next meeting will be held September 22, starting at 1:30 p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House. The program will be "Alton Town Forests and Programs Pertaining to Them." The guest speaker is Peter Farrell, Alton Town Forester.

Hostesses: Chairman, Ellamarie Carr; Winifred Alden, Peg Bennett, Mary Lou Brown, Phyllis Buchanan, Ruth Conway, Dorothy Davis, Jeannette Jones, Mary Lance, Beatrice Pogson, and Arlene Roberts.

TEN ALTON CHILDREN ATTEND SALVATION
ARMY CAMP

By Linda Troendle

Ten Alton children attended Salvation Army Camp from August 4 to 11 as a result of the generous donations of the Salvation Army, Alton Firemen Inc., Alton-New Durham Lions Club, Alton Police Association, and the Alton School.

This is the ninth year the community has pulled together to send children to this camp, which is located on Sebago Lake in Maine. The weather was sunny, hot, humid, and all the children said it was a great time to be at camp.

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THE CHECKOUT DESK
 by Holly Brown
 Librarian



1999 CALENDAR IS HERE!!!

The Friends of the Gilman Library are now selling their 1999 calendar. They chose a railroad theme this year and are very pleased with the results. Stop in at the library and take a look. To celebrate the arrival of the 1999 calendar, a very interesting presentation was held at the Gilman Library on August 11, entitled "Little Known Facts of the Lakeshore Railroad" by Dana Philbrook. The program was sponsored by the Oliver J. M. Gilman Lyceum Fund.

Some people are already talking about Christmas shopping. You can start your holiday shopping at the library or Alton Village 5 & 10 with the purchase of a calendar, still just \$5. Also available are T-shirts, bookbags, afghans, collectibles, posters, notecards, and commemorative bricks. These items are not only great gift ideas, but also fund raisers to help the Friends of the Library and the library building fund.

Are you, or someone you know, looking for more control over finances? There will be a five-session workshop entitled "Taking Charge of Your Finances" at the library beginning September 28. See the separate article in this issue or call the library at 875-2550.

The next Friends of the Library meeting will be Wednesday, September 9, 7:30 p.m. Please join us. We welcome new members.

**WRANGLERS STARTING
 NEW DANCER PROGRAM**

By Virginia Gwinn

Just in time for Fall, on Monday evenings starting September 14, the Wolfeboro Wranglers Square Dance Club will be holding a New Dancer Program. This could be just the thing to add zest to your step — Square Dancing — our country's favorite pastime.

The Club is offering an opportunity to the Alton/Wolfeboro community to experience a wonderful recreational activity. It's a party every time you do it. Square dancing brings people together for fun and fellowship, even when learning. What's more, modern square dancing is a mental and physical challenge. Our caller, Steve Davis, is an excellent instructor in BASIC dancing and then combines the basic moves and steps into whole dance patterns.

It's American folk art. Modern square dancing has an American heritage. It is as American as barn raisings, barbecues, and ice cream socials. Square dancing is still on the move with new dance figures being added, and you never have to worry about being bored with what is sure to become your favorite pastime.

Mark your calendars now for a fun night of social dance. Monday, September 14, starting 7 p.m., join the group at the Kingswood Middle School. Your first night is free!

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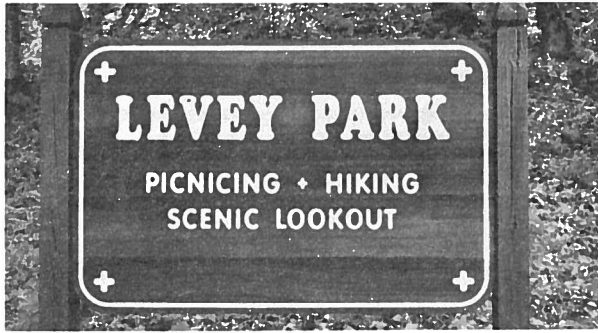


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THE WHEN AND HOW OF LEVEY PARK

By Ken Gilbert, Park Trustee

Many of you probably think of Levey Park as the place located about a fifth of a mile south of the bridge at Alton Bay where cold clear water flows from a spigot. Next to it is a small rock enclosed rectangle of two shade covered picnic tables. While all of that is true, it is so much more than that.

Local folklore, spiced with a generous amount of conjecture, alludes to the lands original ancient purpose of providing an observation point overlooking the bay to the north. Be it Indian, French, or English, this would be the direction from whence they would come. Water was the preferred travel route because few, if any, roads existed. As you stand at the top of the hill accessed by a trail next to the picnic area, it is easy to imagine an early settler doing just that in times of turmoil.

Verifiable documents tell us that in 1924 an Anne M. C. Levey deeded a tract of land (Tax Map 32 - Lot 24) to the town to be named the William Charlesworth Levey Park. This wise woman went further to incorporate certain restrictive covenants:

(1) That the Selectmen appoint three park trustees, to serve without pay, to ensure that the park remain in its natural state. Specifically, no tree cutting except as necessary for forest growth.

(2) Any income derived from the property is to be used for the care and maintenance of the property. No monies raised by taxation may be expended on the park.

(3) That any citizen of Alton shall be empowered to enforce the terms of the deed in a court of law.

(4) Failure to abide by the above shall result in the town being divested of its title and the land conveyed to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests.

So how, you may well ask, did a cement block pumping station with an access road for the exclusive use of the Water Department come to be installed? Apparently under the guise of being for the public good and "does not substantially interfere with the intended use of the property as a public park; and whereas, the installation of said water supply facilities was completed in good faith after Town Meeting approval, whereby it is likely that said vote was based on information and belief available without knowledge of the restrictive covenants pertaining to Levey Park." (Excerpted from "An Agreement Relative to the Use of Levey Park," dated July 17 1996.)

The plus side of this is that the Water Department pays an annual fee of \$500 for this use. These funds are in the custody of the Trustees of Trust Funds for use by the Levey Park Trustees for park upkeep and improvements.

Your current Board of Trustees have repainted the sign, polished the brass memorial tablet, stained the picnic tables and rails and are preparing to clear the trails of underbrush and enhance the view of the bay. We're all senior citizens. You're welcome to join us --but you better be able to keep up!

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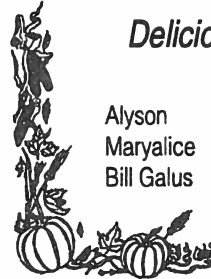
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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- Tue. 1 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
 Wed. 2 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
 Thu. 3 BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon
 Fri. 4 BEACH SOCIAL, Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, 8 p.m.
 Sat. 5 SUSAN GIFT PORTER IN CONCERT, Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, 7:30 p.m.
 Sun. 6 DR. PAUL TOMS, Special Speaker, Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
 Mon. 7 LABOR DAY, Relax and Enjoy!
 Tue. 8 STATE PRIMARY ELECTION, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m., see story
 Wed. 9 "COLOR ME BEAUTIFUL," Christian Women's Club Lunch, 11:30 a.m., see story
 GIRL SCOUTS, Junior Troop Registration, see story
 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
 FRIENDS OF GILMAN LIBRARY, Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
 Tue. 15 "HELP WANTED," Alton Historical Society Meeting, 7:30 p.m., see story
 Wed. 16 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
 Thu. 17 OPEN HOUSE, Alton Central School, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
 Tue. 22 ALTON GARDEN CLUB Meeting, 1:30 p.m., see story
 Wed. 23 AUTUMNAL EQUINOX, Northern Hemisphere, 1:39 a.m.
 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.
 Sun. 27 RALLY DAY, Community Church of Alton, see story
 Mon. 28 "TAKING CHARGE OF YOUR FINANCES," workshop at library, pre-registration needed, see story
 Wed. 30 "FALL VOLUNTEER TEA," Alton Central School, 3 p.m., see story
 BINGO, American Legion, 7 p.m.

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

By Gwendolyn Jones, Alton Town Clerk

Republican and Democratic candidates will be chosen at the September 8 Primary Election for Governor, U.S. and State Senator, State Representatives, County Sheriff, County Attorney, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Register of Probate, County Commissioner, and Delegate to the State Convention. The election will be held at the Central Fire Station on Route 140 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Absentee ballots are available at the Town Clerk's Office until 5 p.m., Monday, September 7 (which, because it is Labor Day, we will be open from 3 - 5 p.m. *for absentee ballots only*). Absentee ballots may be accepted by MAIL ONLY on election day. An application for absentee ballot must be on file before a ballot can be handed out or mailed. Faxed applications can not be accepted because original signatures are required.

If you are not yet a registered voter, you can register to vote at the polls on election day. At the polls look for signs directing you to the Supervisors of the Checklist.

At the time of this writing (mid-August), there is still space available for any group wanting to have a table space for civic or non-profit purposes at the election. Please call our office, 875-2101, if you wish to request a table for your group.

HELP! HELP WANTED! HELP!

By Jean Roberts

By the time you read this article, the Alton Historical Society Museum will have been moved into the lower room of the Gilman Library. Now we need the HELP of all the good people of Alton who are interested in preserving the history of our town. Come and HELP us plan how to make the museum interesting and exciting.

When?: Tuesday evening, September 15, 7:30 p.m.

Where?: The Alton Historical Society Museum

What?: Brainstorming, entertainment, and refreshments.

COME ONE, COME ALL!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

By Laurie Boyce, ACS Volunteer Coordinator

Welcome volunteers to another year at Alton Central School. I hope you had a good summer, like I did, and are ready to go at it. When your child brings home all the papers to start school, there will be a Volunteer Registration Form. Please take a minute to look it over as there are a few changes from last year. When you get a chance, fill it out and have your child return it to school.

Last year we had more than 142 volunteers, most of them parents of students. However, some were grandparents, two in their 80's. We do have a Foster Grandparent Program, federally subsidized, which for qualifying adults gives a stipend, lunch, and mileage. For this program call 875-0398.

Ruby and I will organize the volunteers and have our "Fall Volunteer Tea" on September 30 at 3 p.m. in the ERC (Elementary Resource Center) to give the teachers and volunteers the opportunity to meet and begin to work together. Last year was fantastic, and I believe this year will be even better. Please feel free to contact the volunteer coordinators, Laurie Boyce 875-7371 or Ruby Hawkins 875-2526 if you have any comments or suggestions. Thanks, and I hope to see you at the tea..

THANKS FROM THE GARDEN CLUB

By Mary Lou Brown and Daryl Czech

A very special THANK YOU to all the Alton Garden Club members and friends who donated to the Annual Flea Market, Saturday, August 15. YOU made it such a great success! Donations came in so many forms—time, money, "stuff," baked goods, muscle, selling, buying, cleaning, and on and on. Again, THANK YOU ONE AND ALL.

ABOUT THE ENCLOSED QUESTIONNAIRE

Recipients of this issue of Main Street, who do not receive their copy by first class mail, will find an extra sheet tucked into the centerfold. The Alton Police Department is sincere in wanting to learn what the people who reside in Alton — both year-round and seasonally — feel about the service(s) that the Department is assigned to provide. Hopefully you'll take a pencil or pen to fill in your responses to the questions asked, and then see that the completed form gets back to the Department.

It is not necessary to deliver your completed questionnaire to the police station on Depot Street (although they will cheerfully be accepted there during business hours, Monday-Friday); you may also drop it in the designated box (to the left) in the Alton branch of the Farmington Bank on Main Street (open to noon on Saturday), or use a stamp to mail it to Post Office Box 240, Alton, NH 03809.

INFORMATION CENTER

SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

- Alton Bay Christian Conference Center — Labor Day Weekend:
Sat. Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m.; Sat. Evening Concert, 7:30 p.m.;
Sun. Services 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New
Durham Road
- Bay Church — Sep. 6, Church at Bay Bandstand, 9 a.m. As of
Sep. 13: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship,
10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mid-week Bible Study, Wed., 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 — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Congregational
Meeting House. Sunday Service: 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 — Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;
Church, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Prayer Meeting,
Wed., 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.; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Route 28.
Pastor Scott Button

GILMAN LIBRARY:

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Sat., 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed Thu. and Sun.

SENIOR MEAL SITE:

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

SOLID WASTE CENTER:

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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. (in season), Congregational Mtg. House
Girl Scout Junior Troop 630, Wed., 5:30 p.m., Alton Sch. Cafe
Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., Pearson Road
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 & 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.
- LEVEY PARK TRUSTEES — Meet on call. Chairman Ken Gilbert,
859-2021.
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION — Meets monthly, day
to be decided, 6:30 p.m., Chairman William Lionetta, 875-
0109.*
- PLANNING BOARD — 4th Monday, 7 p.m., Chairman Bonnie
Dunbar; call 875-5095 for appointment.
- 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 Wednesday, 8 a.m., Chairman
Charles B. Adams, Jr., 875-7246.*
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT — 2nd Thursday, 7 p.m.,
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MT. MAJOR SNOWMOBILE CLUB

By Judy Geer

We will be starting our regular meetings on Friday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m. We haven't decided on a place, but if you are interested in attending, please call Dave Geer (889-4697 during the week, or 859-3732 on weekends). We will have a meeting location by the time you read this. Meetings will be held on the third Friday of each month, beginning October 16.

A Snowmobile Flea Market is planned for Saturday, October 10, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the field next to Mama Rina's Restaurant on Route 11, New Durham (see our ad on this page).

Dates have been set for trail cutting and clearing. We are planning on the following Sundays, 8 a.m. - 12 noon: September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. Due to the ice storm last winter, there is still much work to be done on some trails. Further damage was caused by the heavy rain in June. We want to finish the Route 11 trail from the Merrymeeting Mobile Home Park to the traffic circle. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated. Please call to find out where we will be clearing on these days.

You may call Dave Geer (#s above) or Dick Langille (875-6994) for information on joining the club, purchasing maps, meetings, and anything else you would like to know about the club.

Look for information on upcoming events (such as Poker Runs, Radar Runs, etc.) in issues of Main Street during the snow season. Have a happy and safe Labor Day — and start thinking winter!



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

RECAPPING THE SUMMER OF '98

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department had a successful summer with offering over 20 programs for residents and visitors of all ages. Many people took the opportunity to participate in a new activity and add exercise, relaxation and adventure into their lives.

The Parks and Recreation Department offers programs that teach participants new skills, such as soccer and basketball camps, country line dancing, tennis and swimming lessons, as well as programs that promote life long skills: the softball league, volleyball tournaments, canoe and road races and strength training classes.

I am busy working on the fall schedule that will include special events, senior and teen programs and many after school programs (for instance, karate, ballet and jazz, and

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cooking lessons). I am also working on plans to promote and develop recreation in Alton. I am open to suggestions and comments anytime. Please tell me what you are thinking. Stop by and check out the Parks and Recreation Department, where we are doing great things for you.

Described below are just two of our recent great things.

Fourth Annual Mike Burke Volleyball Tournament

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department co-sponsored its Fourth Annual Mike Burke Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament with Lakes-Jeep, Eagle and Subaru, and The Stanhope Group. The A-League tournament was Sunday, July 26, while the B-League tournament was Sunday, August 2. The Tournaments were action packed with great games and excitement.

Four A-Teams participated in the July 26 tournament. The first place team was the "Hannett" team with players: Matt Hannett, Sarah Anthony, Sam Pylpczuk and Michael Kerins, who won the tournament to second place team "No Return."

Three B-Teams participated in the August 2 tournament. The first place team was "4 Play" with players: Jay Sydow, Ann Norman-Burke, Ben Jones and Susan Morse, who won the tournament to second place team "The Flounders."

Not to go unheralded is volunteer Phil Stevens. The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank Phil for maintaining the sand volleyball court. Alton's volleyball court has been complimented as one of the best courts in the Lakes Region. Phil has been at the court every week watering, mowing, and raking. He has been doing an excellent job. Thank you Phil for all of your hard work. You and the work that you've done are sincerely appreciated. Additionally, a special thank you to Mt. Washington Valley Natural Spring Water for donating water and the East Alton Store for donating ice; we appreciate your support!

All proceeds from the volleyball tournament will be used to send individuals to be tested as bone marrow donors. For information on next year's tournament call 875-0109.

DRAWDOWN OF LOCAL LAKES

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) has announced the annual Fall drawdown of the lakes and ponds controlled by dams operated by DES's Water Division.

Drawdowns are undertaken each Fall so that winter ice damage to shoreline properties is lessened, and so that Spring flooding is reduced. The lowering of lake and pond levels also gives property owners a "window of opportunity" to undertake any necessary shoreline repairs, *provided that they first secure a permit* from the NH Wetlands Bureau. Water levels are subsequently allowed to return to their "normal full pond level" in the late Spring.

The lakes and ponds in the Alton area that are to be drawn down by the DES, starting October 13, are: Crystal Lake for a depth of 3 feet; Sunset Lake for a depth of 7 feet; and Winnepesaukee for a reduction of 2 feet.



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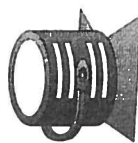


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**GLENNA HEATH TONNESON
ALTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

We have been fortunate to have Glenna as a part-time police officer in our town since December of 1994 and full-time dispatcher/secretary since April of this year.

Glenna is a New Hampshire native and was born in North Conway. She grew up in Snowville. She attended elementary school in Conway and graduated from Kennett High School in Conway. Glenna graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics in 1988. She worked in banking in Portsmouth and then at the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office. It was at the Attorney General's office that Glenna became seriously interested in law enforcement (although she was familiar with police work through her father, who was Police Chief in Eaton during her youth). Glenna went to work for the Dover Police Department in 1991. There she completed her training at the New Hampshire Academy of Standards and Training. This was the 94th academy and Glenna received the top academic award, being only the second woman to accomplish this honor. She continued at the Department in Dover until 1993, when she took time off to have her first child. Then in December of 1994 she resumed her police officer career, on a part-time basis, here in Alton.

Glenna's mother lives in Allenstown and she has two brothers and one sister. Glenna has two children: Elke, who is four and a half years old, and Gunnar, who is one.

With full-time and part-time jobs, Glenna does not have much time for hobbies. "I do like to exercise and I like to walk," she says, "and I enjoy taking the kids for walks with me. When I can find the time I also like to knit," she added.

Glenna's favorite part of her job is the group of people she works with. She also says, "I was trained in a city atmosphere and it's so nice to come to a small town. You get to know the people, they wave, they're friendly, there's more sense of community. We're able to touch base with the people, too. The Department is working towards being more involved with the community, as well as fostering respect for the police." Glenna says that she is happy here and plans to stay.

We certainly are glad that she is here!

GIRL SCOUTS — JUNIORS

If you are in third, fourth, fifth, or sixth grade and wish to join the Girl Scout Junior Troop, you need to register. The date, time, and place you need to put on your calendar is Wednesday, September 9, 3 - 5:30 p.m., Alton Central School. If you are not able to be there that day or need more information, call Lisa Goodwin, 875-6202 or Alice Sherwood, 875-7554.

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ALTON'S OLD HOME DAYS

By Kellie Troendle, Alton Recreation Director

Old Home Days for 1998 have now come and gone, and we are pleased with the outcome. A lot of organizations contributed to the success by hosting events: (1) The Wolfeboro Wranglers sponsored Square Dancing at the Alton Bay Bandstand on Monday, August 10; (2) The Abenaki Water Ski Club sponsored a Water Ski Show at the Alton Public Boat Docks on Wednesday, August 12; (3) The Alton Police Association sponsored a Penny Sale Raffle at the Alton Bandstand on Friday, August 14; (4) The NH Antique Boat Museum sponsored an Antique Boat Show at the Town Public Docks on Saturday, August 15; (5) The Alton Fire Department sponsored a chicken BBQ at the Fire station on Saturday also; and (6) our very own Parks and Recreation Department sponsored the Old Home Day craft fair on August 15 and 16, with proceeds to benefit youth and senior recreation programs and events. To wind things up the Pony Express Band Concert was held at the Bay bandstand on Saturday night, and the 5K Road Race took off from Alton Bay Sunday morning, August 16.

The 5K Workout

The Alton Old Home Day 5 Kilometer Road Race was a great success with over 50 runners participating. The race was sponsored by the Alton Parks and Recreation Department and was for runners of all ages. The race, held on Sunday, August 16, started and ended in Alton Bay. Runners were treated to beautiful views of the mountains and Lake Winnepesaukee during their cross-country run through Alton Bay. Runners were from all over the United States with participants from as far away as California.

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank

all of the runners, cheering fans, and staff for a great event. A special thank you to the Mt. Washington Valley Natural Spring Water Company for supplying water to all of the runners, and the Alton Police Department for directing race traffic.

Race Results

- 1st place overall — Wally Laws, age 21, time: 17:11.
- 1st place women's 12 and under — Jennifer Neeper, age 12, time: 24:45.
- 1st place women's 13-17 — Lauren Deysher, age 14, time: 26:13.
- 1st place men's 13-17 — Kent Taylor, age 17, time: 18:31.
- 1st place women's 18-29 — Claire Gadron, age 29, time: 20:03.
- 1st place men's 18-29 — Wally Laws, age 21, time: 17:11.
- 1st place women's 30-39 — Jill Weiner, age 36, time: 26:10.
- 1st place men's 30-39 — Paul Quinn, age 39, time: 18:25.
- 1st place women's 40-49 — Nancy Kneeland, age 43, time: 21:18.
- 1st place men's 40-49 — Lou Ruggiero, age 49, time: 17:26.
- 1st place men's 50-54 — Ken Houle, age 51, time: 18:38.
- 1st place men's 55-59 — Jim Rankin, age 57, time: 27:00.
- 1st place women's 60-64 — Jane Goodman, age 62, time: 34:19.
- 1st place men's 60-64 — Tom Bennett, age 62, time: 26:33.

Space limitations permit only the listing of the first finisher in each category. To all 50-plus runners we offer our congratulations for your stellar performances.

It's great to report that Old Home Days was a coordinated effort with many organizations participating in order to make possible the recreation, family enjoyment and fun during the 1998 Alton Old Home Days celebration. Thank you all.



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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB LUNCHEON

"Color Me Beautiful" will be the theme of a luncheon to be held on Wednesday, September 9, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Conference Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay. Joanne Floyd of Tamworth will present the special feature. Music for the luncheon will be provided by Miriam McCarthy of Barrington. Linda Seager from Hollis will be the speaker.

To make reservations for the luncheon and available complimentary nursery, please call Janet Benedetto in Alton at 875-2032 between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. or Thelma Osborne in Laconia at 524-6505 by Wednesday, September 2.

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

CONGRATULATIONS DAKOTA BENEDETTO!

A 1995 graduate of Alton High School, Dakota Benedetto is now an Art Education major at Plymouth State College. She was recently awarded the John Laurence Bucher Scholarship for 1998.

This scholarship is given in fond memory of Laurence Bucher, a long-time Alton High School English and History teacher. Mr. Bucher also directed many school and local theater productions. Applications for this scholarship and the criteria for acceptance are available through the Guidance Office at Alton High School.

Commendations to Ms. Benedetto for achieving this honor.

ALTON AMERICAN LEGION POST #72

By Patti McMullen

Post 72 is pleased to announce this year's recipients for the following scholarships: Post Scholarship - Kristen Duval and Tammy Murtagh; Post Vocation Technical Scholarship - Shemry Brown; Ruth Shorrock Farrell Scholarship - Ken Ferral; Bill Heidke Scholarship - Karen MacKay and Jacob Tharpe.

Jimmy Kenerson and Dave Jensen attended Boy's State this summer with a sponsorship from Post 72. Jimmy attended the regular meeting of the post to relate to the members what experiences he had while there, showed pictures taken during his stay, and answered questions about Boy's State.

The post is planning to have an "All Clubs Night" in October. The exact date and time will be in next month's column.

The Dug-Out Lounge is now open at 12 noon seven days a week for those of you who need to unwind a little earlier. Stop by and say hello if your are out and about.

Apologies to Bill Fraser for omitting his name last month. Bill was sworn in as Post Adjutant for this next term.

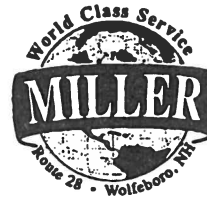
The Ladies Auxiliary is very happy to announce that plans are started for this year's Halloween Dance, scheduled for October 31. "The Parker Brothers Band" will be here again for your listening and dancing pleasure. So put on your thinking caps and dream up the wildest costume for this event. Great prizes are to be had.

We wish all a happy and safe Labor Day weekend.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

As Alton Central School (ACS) completes preparations for another school year, below follows the information that parents and others involved with ACS activities may find useful.

Important School Dates

Tuesday, September 1 – First Day of School, 7:58 a.m.

Thursday, September 17 – Open House, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

School Menu

Unfortunately, as this issue of Main Street goes to press the menu for the first week of school is not yet available.

The 1998/1999 bus routes and times are listed below. **All students are requested to be standing at the designated bus stop 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.** In the listing pickup times are shown first and are a.m., followed by the return times in the p.m.

Bus Route # 1 (Orange): 7:10 Dudley Road / Mount Prospect Road (left off Route 28), right onto Stockbridge Corner Road, 7:15 Stockbridge Corner Road (left onto Route 28), 7:25 Route 28 north, 7:28 Abednago Road, 7:30 Eagle's Rest, 7:32 Trailer Park, 7:33 Trudy's Gift Shop - Lamper Road, 7:35 Riverview Motel (right onto Route 11), 7:38 Merrymeeting Trailer Park (turn-around, left onto Route 11, around circle to Church St., left to school), 7:40 Alton School.

Return: 2:35 Line up at Alton School, 2:50 Leave Alton School (right onto School St., right onto Route 11), 2:55 Merrymeeting Trailer Park (turn-around, left onto Route 11, around circle to Route 28 south), 2:57 Reverse stops on Route 28, 3:10 Dudley Road / Mount Prospect Rd., left onto Stockbridge Corner Road, 3:20 Stockbridge Corner Road (various stops).

Bus Route # 2 (Blue): Across Stockbridge Corner to Ridge Road (no stops), Bear right onto Valley Road, Turn right onto New Durham Ridge, Right onto Ten Rod Road (becomes Muchado Hill Road), 7:01 Muchado Hill Road (Lockes), 7:02 Muchado Hill Road (Hoppers), 7:04 Muchado Hill Road / Africa Road, Turn right onto Hollywood Beach Road, 7:11 Hollywood Beach Road (first house), 7:15 Hollywood Beach Road / Prospect Mountain Road, Turn left onto Prospect Mountain Road, 7:17 Prospect Mountain Road (Hillsgroves), 7:18 Prospect Mountain Road (Lockes), Turn right onto Route 28, 7:20 Ham Woods Road, Turn left onto Stockbridge Corner Road, 7:23 Stockbridge Corner Road (Atwoods), 7:24 Stockbridge Corner Road (Coffin Brook Road, turn-around), Follow Stockbridge Corner Road across Route 28, 7:25 Stockbridge Corner Road (Chamberlain Road, then Currids), Bear right onto Valley Road, 7:26 Valley Road (24) Turn left onto New Durham Ridge Road, Cross Route 11 onto Depot Road in New Durham, Turn left onto Old Route 11 (Main St.), 7:30 Old Route 11 (Town line), 7:32 Old Route 11 (Holways), 7:33 Old Route 11 (Kim's Kiddie Korner), 7:34 Old Route 11 (Thoroughgoods), 7:37 Gooseneck Drive, Turn right onto Route 11, around circle, turn left on Church St., proceed to school, 7:40 Alton School.

Return: 2:35 Line up at Alton School, 2:50 Leave Alton School, 2:55 Gooseneck Drive, 2:58 Old Route 11, 3:05 Pearson's Corner, 3:10 Muchado Hill Road, 3:20 Hollywood Beach Road, 3:26 Prospect Mountain Road, 3:30 Route 28 North, 3:35 Stockbridge Corner Road, 3:38 Coffin Brook Road.

Bus Route # 3 (Yellow): 7:00 Route 11, turn left onto Route 140, 7:05 Turn left onto Youngstown Road, 7:06 Turn around, left onto Route 140, 7:08 Turn right onto Horne Road, 7:10 Turn left onto Halls Hill Road, 7:15 Turn right onto Canney Road (Gilmanton), no stops until Alton, 7:20 Alton Town Line (Avery Hill Road, 7:22 Junction Alton Mountain Road,

Proceed to Alton Shore Road and turnaround, 7:25 Left on Alton Mountain Road, 7:31 Spring St. Junction, 7:35 Alton Mountain Road (Snells), 7:37 Downing Drive Junction, 7:40 Route 11 to Church St., turn right, proceed to school.

Return: 2:35 Line up at Alton School, 2:50 Leave Alton School, 2:53 Route 140 west to Horne Road, 3:10 Halls Hill Road, 3:20 Avery Hill Road, 3:25 Alton Mountain Road, 3:40 Rand Hill Road, 3:45 Spring St.

Bus Route # 4 (Green): 6:40 Route 28 north from the Alton Traffic Circle, 6:45 Turn right onto Old Wolfeboro Road, 6:57 Turn right onto Powder Mill Road (turn around at end of road by the fish hatchery), 7:05 Turn right onto Old Wolfeboro Road, 7:13 Turn right onto Route 28, 7:17 Gilman's Corner Road, 7:20 Turn right onto Drew Hill Road, 7:25 Bear left onto Hayes Road, Turn left at stop sign onto Rines Road, 7:32 Cross Route 28 onto Roberts Cove Road, 7:35 Turn right back onto Route 28, 7:40 Bowman Road, 7:45 Turn right at Old Wolfeboro Road, left onto Route 11, right at Church St., proceed to Alton School.

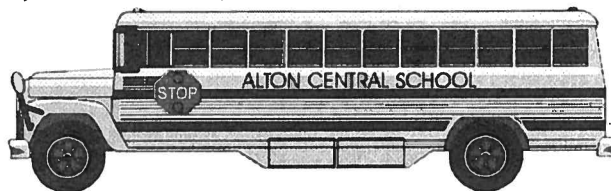
Return: 2:35 Line up at Alton School, 2:50 Route 28 north, 2:53 Old Wolfeboro Road, 3:05 Powder Mill Road, 3:10 Turn around at end of road, 3:20 Old Wolfeboro Road, 3:23 Route 28N, 3:26 Gilman's Corner Road, 3:30 Drew Hill Road, Hayes Road, 3:40 Rines Road, Roberts Cove Road, 3:45 Route 28, 3:50 Bowman Road.

Bus Route # 5 (White): 7:15 Route 28A at Bay Hill Road, 7:20 Route 28A north, 7:24 Turn left onto Trask Road, 7:25 Southview Lane, 7:28 Brookwoods/Deer Run Fork, 7:29 Turn left onto 28A north, 7:30 East Alton Store, 7:32 Turn right onto Route 28, 7:33 Miramichie Hill Road, 7:40 Route 28 to Old Wolfeboro Road, turn right, turn left onto Route 11, turn right onto Church St., proceed to school.

Return: 2:35 Line up at Alton School, 2:50 Leave Alton School, 2:53 Route 11 west to Letter S Road, 2:55 Alton Bay, 2:57 Route 28A, 3:05 Trask Road, 3:15 Route 28A, 3:24 Route 28 north to Gilman's Corner Road (turn right, go all the way through to Route 28 again, 3:30 Route 28 south to Miramichie Hill Road.

Bus Route # 6 (Red): 6:45 Route 11 west to Mauhaut Shores, 6:47 Rollins Road, 6:49 Smith Point Road, 6:50 Houses just after Smith Point Road, 6:53 Chestnut St., 6:55 Turn left onto Riley Road (in the winter time, driver's discretion will be used to pass on this road as has been past policy), 6:55 Turn right onto Checkerbury Lane, 6:57 Back onto Riley Road, 6:58 Turn right onto Route 11 (mailboxes), 7:00 Owl's Nest, 7:07 Turn right onto Route 11A, 7:10 Turn around at Glidden Road, 7:12 Turn right onto Reed Road, 7:14 Turn around at County Road, back to Route 11A, 7:15 Turn right onto Route 11, 7:17 Echo Shores Road, 7:18 Turn left onto Route 11D, 7:29 Turn left onto Route 11, 7:30 Jesus Valley Road, 7:33 Rand Hill Road, 7:36 Keewaydin Park, 7:46 Route 11 to Church St., proceed to school.

Return: 2:35 Line up at Alton School, 2:50 Leave Alton School, 2:55 Route 11 west to Bay - Blue Jay Mini Golf, 3:05 Keewaydin Park, 3:11 Rand Hill Road, 3:14 Jesus Valley Road (turn right onto Route 11D), 3:16 Turn right back onto Route 11, 3:31 Echo Shores Road, 3:34 Mauhaut Shores, 3:36 Rollins Road, 3:38 Smith Point Road, 3:42 Chestnut St., 3:44 Riley Road, 3:46 Route 11A, 3:51 Reed Road.



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**NOTE OF APPRECIATION**

For all the prayers, gifts, cards, and notes of encouragement and condolence during my mother's, Christine M. Boyden, and my husband's, Herbert T. Alden, Jr., extended illnesses and subsequent deaths, I offer my heartfelt thanks. They were, and continue to be, beacons of light during this very difficult time.

I also extend my thanks to the Alton Volunteer Ambulance Service and the Wolfeboro VNA/Hospice for their much needed and appreciated services.

/s/ Nancy Boyden Alden

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

... The Boston Post Cane was presented to Ralph Temple, 93, the town's oldest resident ... School Principal Sherwood Fluery was named assistant superintendent of SAU 51 and Assistant Principal George Rogers became principal ... Virginia Dore, Matthew Locke and Alice Ziegler were on the primary ballot for the two positions as Representative to the General Court from Alton and Gilmanton.

FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

... The Alton Historical Society traveled to Lake Sunapee for a cruise around the lake on the MV Mt. Sunapee II ... Alton Senior Citizens held a Flea Market and their first Annual Harvest Supper ... the "Alton 2 Alton" Committee was formed to raise money for our sister towns of West Alton, Missouri, and Alton, Illinois, Mississippi River towns which had been ravaged by floods.

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ALTON OUTDOORS
by Jack Miller

BEAR, DEER, AND FISH

September can be a busy month for the outdoor person. The fishing seasons are winding down, but the hunting seasons are just beginning.

September first is the opening of the black bear hunting season in all Wildlife Management Units (WMU) that allow bear hunting. Selected WMU allow hunting bear with dogs starting September 22. The NH bear population is in good health throughout the state, and we have had quite a few local sightings this spring. A \$3 bear tag must be purchased if you wish to hunt bear. They are available wherever licenses are sold. As always — check the regulations carefully.

The archery deer-hunting season opens September 15 statewide. Antlered deer only may be taken in WMU C1, E, and F. Alton is in WMU J2 where either sex may be taken. With a record number of deer taken last year, hunters have a very good chance of “bagging” some venison for the table. Seems to be a good year for beechnuts, so check out those areas.

Last year, if one was successful with the bow, one could return to purchase a second archery tag and try for an additional deer. This year, if you wish to try for two deer with your bow, you must purchase the second tag (an extra \$10) before opening day. Are you a betting person?

For the fisher person, the closing date for salmon and lake trout is September 30. Depending on the water temperature this month, one may catch some heavy fish. Rain can bring on a run of rainbows in the river mouths as the water cools. If you wish, you may enter one last salmon derby on the “Big Lake” on September 12 and 13, headquartered at the Silver Sands Marina in Gilford.

Good luck. See you out there in Alton Outdoors!

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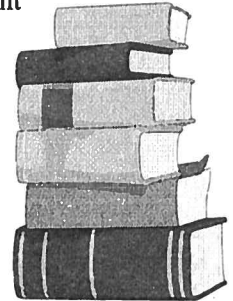
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