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Photo by Jean Newton, Shibley's at the Pier

The ice is out and Alton is looking forward to its next fun-filled season. So come visit your mother on Mother's Day, join in the Memorial Day Parade, experience the fun of the Barbershoppers' Jamboree, make the rounds of the Town-Wide Yard Sale, try your hand at fishing, listen to the band concerts on Wednesdays in the summer, watch fireworks over the bay, visit the Historical Society Museum and the Gilman Museum, or just relax and let time pass by. See inside . . .

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES

Memorial Day in Alton will be observed on Monday, May 29. According to Main Street's roving reporter, the Commander of the Claude R. Batchelder Post 72 said they have a band and the parade will begin at 10 a.m. As yet they have no details concerning a speaker for the event. Townspeople are asked to watch for future announcements.

BARBERSHOPPER'S JAMBOREE

Mark your calendars now for June 9 - 11 because that is when the 51st annual Alton Bay Barbershopper's Jamboree will take place. The Tabernacle at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center has been reserved for Saturday evening. Watch for further information as we get closer to this long-standing event.



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A NEW RECORD

This issue of Main Street contains 204 inches of advertising, besting the previous record of 181 inches. Since we cannot exceed a limit of 24 pages without increasing our bulk rate costs, we faced a real challenge to place ads and still have solid copy on each page. Remember, our advertisers make it possible for you to receive the news of Alton.



HONORING MOTHERS IS AN ANCIENT TRADITION

For those of us living today Mothers' Day is a cultural institution, reaching as far back as we can remember. Indeed, the tradition of honoring mothers dates back to ancient Greece and annual spring festivals honoring Rhea, the mother of the gods and goddesses. Ancient Romans hosted similar celebrations. Early Christians chose the fourth Sunday in Lent which eventually became known as Mothering Sunday in 17th Century England. Many European countries have long-standing holidays honoring mothers, and there is an International Mothers' Day observed every May 11. Surprisingly, the American version of this holiday is relatively new, having gained national recognition only at the turn of the century.

According to the World Book Encyclopedia, Julia Ward Howe made the first known suggestion for a Mothers' Day in the United States in 1872, proposing June 2 as a day dedicated to peace. For several years, she held an annual Mothers' Day meeting in Boston, Massachusetts. South Bend, Indiana, resident Frank E. Hering launched his own campaign for the observance of Mothers' Day in 1904. Three years later, Anna Jarvis of Grafton, West Virginia, began a campaign for a nationwide observance of Mothers' Day, choosing the second Sunday of May as the appropriate date to honor mothers, and it is Jarvis who is largely credited with establishing the holiday in America.

Mothers' Day finally achieved national recognition on May 9, 1914, when President Woodrow Wilson signed a joint resolution of Congress recommending that both Congress and the Executive Departments of government observe Mothers' Day. The following year the President was authorized to proclaim Mothers' Day as an annual national observance and Americans have wholeheartedly embraced the holiday ever since.

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SIMONDS TO RETIRE

Malcolm Simonds, the long-time Director of Alton's Solid Waste Center (SWC), has notified the town's Selectmen that his last day of employment will be June 20. He has served under three different Town Administrators and has been in the forefront of turning the town's former "dump" into the modern and neat facility that we see today.

His retirement letter cited Joe Fisher and all the other town employees that made his job easier and a success. Simond too deserves the town's thanks for a job well done. His letter to the Selectmen closed with the admonition that "It is my request that definitely no party - no gifts - no nothing!"

AN ECHO FROM THE REGIONAL ROBOTICS COMPETITION

By Bob Calvert

It was front page news in the March issue of *Main Street*: "First Team Prepares for Robot Competition." The national finals at Disney World in Florida made the ABC nightly news. What we did not know was how the Alton Central School team, coached by Brian Hikel, fared in the run-off for the top slots.

From an unexpected source -- a granddaughter in far-off New Jersey -- we have an answer. The Alton High School Robotics team participated in the regional contest at Drexel University in Philadelphia March 23 - 25. We have not heard it officially, but an "echo" in the form of a letter from a contestant from Bound Brook High School in New Jersey to her granddad (this writer) indicated that the Alton team was made up of some great people and finished something like 20th in a field of 41.

Most teams came from areas with large corporate "sponsors." She pointed out that Alton had no such sponsor and it was all the local work of teacher/coach Brian Hikel and the team itself that accomplished so much. Granddaughter Emily Johnson's team finished third and went on to the national "finals" at Epcot in Disney World. She was quoted as saying that the "Alton team, whose robot was called 'Highway Bob,' seemed to have a lot of guys named 'Mike' three at least and they were all very nice." One of the Mikes, Mike Murray, is shown below flanked by Dave Gagnon on the left and Coach Hikel on the right.

Congratulations to Coach Hikel and members of the team, and thanks to you, Emily, for getting this heart-warming news back to us in Alton.



REPLACEMENT WATER MAIN ADVANCES

By Bob Longabaugh

Shown at the controls of the backhoe, above, is Alton Water Superintendent Dick Quindley as the Water Department goes about the heavy job of replacing their main along Route 11 in Alton Bay. The project involves abandoning a cast iron three-inch pipe under the Mount Major Highway (NH 11) in favor of a new four-inch PVC pipe laid in the shoulder of the road.

Quindley estimates that the original pipe dates from the mid-1940's, and being located at a depth of only 18" below the pavement, it has been a continual maintenance headache. The new pipe is going in well below the frost line, and being in the western unpaved portion of the right-of-way, it should be a lot more accessible if the need should arise to service it. Quindley is also quite pleased with the price the Department paid for the new pipe. He estimates that they paid something on the order of 35 percent less than the current market rate for this type of pipe.

The project began at the northerly end of the Back Bay bridge and continues for approximately 2,000 feet to a terminus opposite Sandy Point resort. There are about 20 customers along this stretch who stand to receive improved water service. Quindley says that at a future date the Department will also replace the main under the bridge to connect with the existing six-inch main at the south end of the bridge.

TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE

On Saturday, June 10 (rain date, June 11), a town-wide yard sale will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. You are invited to participate. All Alton residents are able to sign up to be included in the event.

This is how it works. If you want to have a yard sale, call Kellie Troendle, Recreation Director, at 875-0109 by May 18 with your name and yard sale location. Due to the printing deadline, locations will not be posted on the map after May 18.

We will provide a map of all yard sale locations for shoppers, thereby having a giant town yard sale. Completed maps will be available May 25 at Town Hall and local businesses. There is no fee to have your location listed or to get a map; it's free.

Join in this fun community event; have a yard sale or check out the sales on the map.



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(see Information Center for worship times)

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

By Bob Hett, Pastor, The Bay Church

The churches of Alton invite you to participate in celebration of the National Day of Prayer with a brief half-hour service scheduled in front of the Alton Town Hall on Thursday, May 4, from 12:15 - 12:45 p.m. In case of inclement weather, the service will be moved indoors to the Community Church of Alton.

The National Day of Prayer is an annual event, established in 1952 by Congress and was signed into law by President Harry Truman. The law was amended in 1988 and signed by President Ronald Reagan, establishing the National Day of Prayer as the first Thursday of May each year. It is officially proclaimed by the President and supported by governors across America.

For the third consecutive year the Alton churches will be sponsoring the event locally, meeting concurrently with the state-wide rally assembled on the Capitol steps in Concord and similar gatherings at city and town halls throughout New Hampshire. The local event is scheduled to coincide with the normal lunch hour so as many business persons and officials as possible may attend and still return to their work on time.

Pastors Peter Bolster and Bob Hett and Father Richard Wegman encourage your participation in the prayer time for our community, our country, and our world.

50-DAY SPIRITUAL ADVENTURE

By Bob Hett, Pastor, The Bay Church

Members of the Bay Church in Alton Bay are planning to celebrate Jesus for eight weeks, exploring what makes him so attractive and how they can reflect those qualities in their lives today. We will be working together on a 50-day spiritual adventure called "Celebrate Jesus! Discover What

Makes Him Attractive To So Many People."

This all-church spiritual growth event will run from May 7 to June 25. The Bay Church joins thousands of congregations across North America who will be working on this same topic during 2000, including the Community Church of Alton whose adventure will be running concurrently.

This year's topic ties in with Mission America's Celebrate Jesus 2000 campaign. Participants will be looking at eight reasons Jesus is attractive to so many people. Besides weekly sermons adults, teens, and children will be completing an age-appropriate "workbook" called an Adventure Journal. The assignments will coordinate with preaching topics on Sundays at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the Moore Chapel on the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center grounds. Each age group will discuss what they are discovering in the Wednesday night fellowships which follow the Family Night Supper in the Lombard Center Dining Hall at 6 p.m.

If you would like to become a part of the adventure, visit [the Bay Church](#) or call [875-6765](#) for more information.

MOMS IN TOUCH

By Phyllis Brooks

Our small group of moms meet each Monday at 9:30 a.m. Please join us for some fantastic prayer time. We will strive to focus on praying for the teachers and staff for the month of May. As the students come back from spring break, it will be a challenge to keep them focused on the academics as other activities draw their attention elsewhere.

I would like to challenge each of you to take a moment and thank your child's teacher and support staff with a note or small token of appreciation. I hope we all realize that teaching is more than a nine-to-five job. We meet at the Bay Church on Rand Hill Road, and childcare is provided. Please call me at 875-2866 if you would like to attend for the first time.

IN MEMORIAM

**DR. ARTHURE. APPELYARD
(1913 - 2000)**

Alton has lost one of its outstanding community servants of all time with the death of Dr. Arthur E. Appleyard, former town physician in Alton for over 37 years. His wife Delree predeceased him two years ago after a 57-year marriage. He was an outstanding clinician, highly regarded by his medical colleagues.



His public achievements include Huggins Hospital staff from 1945 - 1982, Huggins Board of Trustees, former president of Carroll County Medical Society, former board member of Blue Cross/Blue Shield of New Hampshire, 32nd Degree Freemason, and a host of others. Even more significant are countless acts of helpfulness and quiet behind the scenes "good turns" both he and his late wife performed in this town that he loved. He made many personal sacrifices over the years to help people.

He was a skilled outdoorsman, fisherman, and hunter and had a keen insight into local governmental affairs, even carefully researching ballot issues and voting (absentee) in this past March's local elections. "Selfless" is the truest description of Dr. Appleyard, almost one of a kind!

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**STEVE W. ROLLINS
(1914 -2000)**

Yet another Alton community leader has left us in the person of the late Steve Rollins, longtime conservation officer for the NH Fish and Game Department, former state legislator, former trustee of the Alton Cemetery, and member of the Alton Conservation Commission for several terms.

He was a World War II captain and Korean War veteran and former prisoner of war, as well as a lifetime member of the DAV and a 50-plus year member of American Legion Post 72 here in Alton. He was also a 32nd degree Mason.

Always exhibiting a keen interest in community affairs, he was a lifelong resident of Alton. So long, Steve, and be assured that knowing you enriched my life and the lives of the very many who were touched by you in Alton!

RLC

**"A CONVERSATION ABOUT ALTON
WITH TWO OLD FRIENDS"**

Does it sound like an interesting program? It sure will be. Everyone is invited to attend on Tuesday, May 16, 7:30 p.m., Gilman Library meeting room. This will be the first "regular" meeting of the Alton Historical Society in the year 2000. It is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Gilman Library.

Archie Home and Doris Barnes will reminisce about life in Alton during the last 60 years. Archie is a long-time resident, former municipal judge, and owner of "Home's 5 & 10" store. Doris, also a long-time resident, is a retired schoolteacher.

This May meeting is also the Society's membership meeting. The simple \$5 dues makes possible an ever wider participation in their rapidly growing museum, activities, and programs.

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2000 ICE-OUT WINNER IS HAWAII WINTER RESIDENT

By Bob Calvert

What are the odds of a repeat winner in the Main Street Ice-Out Contest in just a few short years? And that someone as far away as Honolulu, Hawaii, could pull it off while many of us locally can stand on the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee and misguss it? What ever happened to the home-field advantage?

The fact is that Louise Clark, a former winner and niece of the late Sid Butler of Alton who also was an earlier Ice-Out winner for the area, did it! Official time for 2000 was 8:30 a.m. on April 10.

When this writer called to advise her that she would enjoy a Shibley's at the Pier delicious Millennium Dinner (a \$50 value) when they are in Alton for the summer, I forgot to ask her how the Red Sox would finish the 2000 season. The last time the Sox won a World Series in 1918 the writer was just born. I keep hoping for one more before I go! With mixed emotions, that is!

Congratulations, Louise! And many thanks to David Shibley of Shibley's at the Pier.

SENIOR CLASS SPAGHETTI SUPPER

By Jessica Brownell, Senior Class President

The Alton Central School Senior Class will be holding a Spaghetti Supper on Friday, May 5, from 5:30 - 7 p.m. at the Masonic Hall which is located on Route 28 South.

The cost for adults will be \$6, while children and senior citizens will pay \$4.

Please support the Class of 2000. We look forward to seeing you on the 5th.

"CELEBRATE NH" FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

The best of New Hampshire's culture and living traditions will be showcased from June 7 - 11 at the Hopkinton Fairgrounds. Alton Historical Society's President Jean Roberts has said that if there is enough interest, the local unit will charter a bus on Friday, June 9, at a price of \$12.50 per person with pickup at the Alton Bay Parking Lot at 9 a.m. and drop-off on return between 3 - 4 p.m.

Jean must know the level of interest before May 20, so contact her early at 569-2629 to indicate your interest or to learn more information. Admission fees are adults at \$8, seniors at \$7, family at \$25 and children 6-12 at \$6. This event is not just for Historical Society members but for anyone with an interest. The Common Man Restaurant will be the exclusive food source at the event.

"Celebrate NH Culture" is a non-profit organization formed by the NH Commission on the Smithsonian Folklife Festival that works in partnership with the NH Council on the Arts, Department of Cultural Resources.

ALTON GARDEN CLUB

By Betty Locke

The Annual Spring Luncheon of the Alton Garden Club will be held on Tuesday, May 23, 12:30 p.m. at the Congregational Meeting House. Members are asked to bring a casserole or salad and a place setting.

Andrew Locke, Interim Town Administrator, will speak about future plans for the town.

Hostesses are Tess Smith, Chairman, Mary Lou Brown, Barbara Critchley, Heather Donahue, Donna Flodin, Madeline Griffin, Marty Headley, Ruth Latham, Jeannette Leach, Pat Northup, and Audrey Ritchie.

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A FRENCH DELEGATION

Ten Alton families opened their homes in April to host nine students and a chaperone who spent nine days in the area. In the group shown above are Alton students Jessica Brownell and Jake Locke with the delegation from France on the day they visited Town Hall.

Alton Central School French teacher Mary Bourgault helped arrange the visit of French students. It was part of the Adventures in Language and Culture program, which is headquartered in East Derry. Bourgault, working through Executive Councilor Ray Burton, saw to it that the group toured the State Capitol. The highlight of the day in Concord was the meeting with the Governor who presented to each student an inscribed scroll commemorating the occasion.

Besides devoting some of her own resources to make the visit a success, Bourgault expressed appreciation to local organizations that made donations: McDonalds, Shibley's Drive In, St. Joan of Arc church, and Pizza Hut in Laconia.

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- Gilman Museum Committee**
MaryBee Longabaugh April 1, 2003
Pat Rockwood April 1, 2003
- Levey Park Trustees**
Ken Gilbert April 1, 2003
- Zoning Board of Adjustment**
Stephen McMahon April 1, 2001
Bill Ryan (Alternate) April 1, 2003
Henry Soucy April 1, 2003

Additionally, the Selectmen designated one of their own to serve, ex-officio, on the other bodies as follows:

- Budget Committee**
Stephen McMahon
- Conservation Commission**
Pete Shibley
- CIP Committee**
Harold Bothwick
- Fire Wards**
Harold Bothwick
- Parks and Recreation Commission**
Reuben Wentworth
Pete Shibley (Alternate)
- Planning Board**
Jim Washburn
- Water Works**
Reuben Wentworth

PARKS AND RECREATION NEEDS YOU!

The Alton Parks and Recreation Commission is a five-member volunteer board which advises the Parks and Recreation Department as follows: planning for future facilities, trails, fields, and courts; suggesting ideas for programs and events; establishing park policies; participating in volunteer projects and much more.

Meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at Town Hall. We need new ideas and an energetic member to fill a space on the board. If you want to help benefit the community, call 875-0109 to find out more.

FRIENDS OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY

By MaryBee Longabaugh

The Friends of the Gilman Library held their annual meeting on Tuesday, April 6. The following slate of officers were elected: Co-Chairs, Barbara Ingoldsby and MaryBee Longabaugh; Treasurer, Shirley Bishop; Recording Secretary, Dot Folsom; Corresponding Secretary, Pat Merrill.

The monthly meeting day was changed from the first Tuesday of the month to the second Tuesday. Once again we will take part in the Town-Wide Yard Sale. Along with selling the book bags, t-shirts, and calendars, the members also voted to have a bake sale. Anyone who would like to bake for the Friends or help with the sales table on Saturday, June 11 is asked to sign up at the library checkout desk.

If you are interested in joining the Friends and would like more information on how you can do so, please stop by the library or call 875-2550. Dues are only \$2. The next Friends of the Gilman Library meeting is scheduled for May 9 at 7 p.m. in the Agnes Thompson Meeting Room. We hope to see you there, as well as at our joint annual meeting with the Alton Historical Society on May 16.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM CONTINUES TO ADD TO ITS RECORD

By Elizabeth Sweeney

The Alton Community Services Program (ACSP) completed the month of March having served 42 adults and 36 children in its food pantry. The ACSP continues to serve the community with not only the provision of food but also with ongoing financial assistance through its volunteer representatives from the Society of St. Vincent dePaul, The Salvation Army, and Alton's three churches.

Additionally, the ACSP provides extensive referral support to address a variety of individual needs. Call us if we might be able to provide assistance to you or someone you know. We remain grateful for the support of the Alton Community. Donations of both food and money are always needed and appreciated.

The food pantry's new hours beginning May 1 will be Saturdays from 2-4 p.m. For emergency assistance, or if you are interested in volunteering with the ACSP, please call 875-CARE (2273).

SCHOOL PERSONNEL CHANGES

While the faces may not be new, there has been some rearranging of who is doing what in Alton's educational scene. Former School Board chairman Deborah Burton resigned from the Board in order to take an administrative position in the Principal's office at the school. To fill the vacancy thereby created, the Board appointed Peter Farrell to serve on the School Board until the next election. He was sworn in on April 17.

In a separate action Alton Central School Principal Tom Parker has submitted his resignation to become effective at the end of this school year.



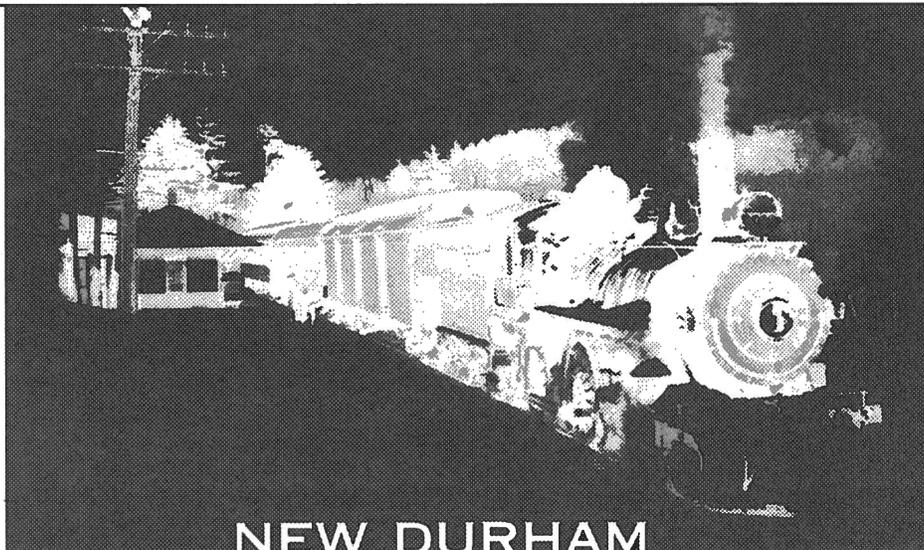
ALL THAT IS LEFT

By Bob Longabaugh

Last month's Main Street showed (page 5) a house being burned to the ground — on purpose. The structure, just to the north of the Gilman Library, was limiting the potential of what could become of the area. The physical enlargement of the library, completed in early 1998, left it with very little room for expansion of parking or other outdoor uses.

Accordingly, a special town meeting authorized the purchase of the unoccupied property next door using trust funds that meant no tax impact. After several unsuccessful attempts to move the structure off the lot for other purposes, the town's Selectmen requested the fire department to burn it down as part of their firefighting training program.

Seen in the photo above is the result of the training exercise. Just a pile of ash and some broken concrete remains awaiting final cleanup. After that the land will be prepared for its next use as part of the library program.



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ALTON ON-LINE
By Joe Harris

A USER-FRIENDLY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Continuing Main Street's newest service to our readers, this month's "Alton On-Line" column reviews the Alton Police Department's website, which can be found on the web by clicking on:

www.worldpath.net/~apd

This web site has won several awards, including the Police Guide Award for Excellence, Cops On-line Award for Excellence, and Brotherhood of the Badge Award. The home page is colorful, well-organized, and very user friendly. Menu options include a Welcome from the Chief, Meet the Police Department's Personnel, the Bike Patrol Unit, Upcoming Events, and information on ordering Police Department (PD) patches. The poem "Death of an Innocent One," contained on this web site, is a "must read" for all parents.

The goal of the Alton PD's web site is "to create a media ... to pass on department program information and have a dialogue with the public that exchanges ideas helping ... to improve our services." After reading the greeting from the Chief, click on the PD personnel and you will find the department's staff and brief biographies, some complete with "cop cards" sponsored by local residents and Main Street.

The Bike Patrol page gives a short history of the patrol unit and its two officers, their training and responsibilities, and required equipment. Upcoming Events informs the community of department-sponsored programs such as crime prevention, self-defense, and firearms safety. The poem "Death of an Innocent One," whose author is unknown, is a very moving piece and should be read by everyone visiting the web site.

Other menu choices include Alton PD's DARE program, outlining its mission and goals, links to the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Officer Memorial, and other New Hampshire law enforcement web sites.

Did you ever think about getting an Alton PD patch? Find out how to do it by clicking on the home page information option. Questions, suggestions, and comments for the officers may be e-mailed to the web master by clicking on the mailbox icon found at the bottom of the home page. Community input and participation is welcomed, but complaints are not taken over the Internet.

This web site is an excellent public service and offers residents the opportunity to "meet and chat" on-line with our police department. ["Alton PD, to protect, serve, and inform."]

In our next column we will go a bit farther afield in our on-line sites that may be of interest to Alton residents.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This website was created by Main Street "To Protect and Serve" columnist Detective Corporal Steve Holly (see page 21).

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CONCORD CORNER
By Rob Boyce
State Representative

UNCHARTED WATERS

The New Hampshire House has embarked upon uncharted waters in opening an investigation which may, for the first time in over two hundred years, lead to the impeachment of one or more of the Justices of the Supreme Court. We voted in near unanimity to go ahead with this process — with only seven members voting no.

This process will follow the investigation wherever it leads. If the actions of one or more of the justices are found to be impeachable offenses, there will be a vote in the House. If impeachment passes, then the bill of impeachment will be delivered to the Senate where they will sit as judges with the House as prosecutor. This is very similar to the federal process played out a year ago in Congress. There has not been an impeachment here in New Hampshire since the 1700's, so no one has direct knowledge of the process. The committee (and the House as well) will be finding their way as they go. They have as guides information from the Congress, as well as from several other states with more recent histories of impeachment proceedings.

There are other possible outcomes of the investigation. The committee could find that there is no need for any action, could seek a bill of address for one or more justices (a second avenue for removing a judge but for less serious offenses) or could request legislation or constitutional amendments to reform the courts and restore the public's confidence in the courts.

Highway Plan Revealed

The current ten-year highway plan is in the works. The following local highway projects are included: two miles of Route 28 north of the traffic circle, resurfacing fiscal year (FY) 2001; the next two miles of Route 28 north, resurfacing FY 2002; the rest of Route 28 north to the Wolfeboro line, resurfacing FY 2003; Route 28 south from Barnstead line to the traffic circle, FY 2010; Route 11 east from traffic circle into Farmington, various repairs FY 2001; Route 11 from Gilford to Minge Brook, FY 2006. The ten-year plan, like the best laid plans of mice and men, is changeable. Availability of funds and changing priorities can move projects forward or backward in the schedule, and other highway projects could be added.

As always, feel free to contact me or Stan Czech about any questions or concerns.

SIDEWALK TO THE BAY ADVANCES

The State's Department of Transportation has notified the Alton Selectmen that a design exception has been approved for the sidewalk improvement project on Main Street (NH Route 11). This will enable the sidewalk that was constructed by the Town in 1993 to be extended to the bay utilizing the same design (with curb) as the earlier project. Most importantly, the replacement sidewalk will stay on the same side of Main Street for its full length, thereby eliminating the existing crosswalks in this stretch of Route 11.

The project, presently scheduled for construction this fall, will also include an overlay on the roadway. This will provide a new pavement surface for vehicular traffic.



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MAY EVENTS

- Mon. 1 GIRLS SOFTBALL @ Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL @ Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
- Wed. 3 GIRLS SOFTBALL @ Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL @ Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Thu. 4 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER, see story
- Fri. 5 SENIOR CLASS SPAGHETTI SUPPER,
5:30 - 7 p.m., see story
- Mon. 8 GIRLS SOFTBALL @ Sunapee, 4 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL @ Sunapee, 4 p.m.
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, Gilman Library,
6:30 p.m., see checkout
- Tue. 9 FRIENDS OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY, meeting, 7 p.m.
see story
- Wed. 10 CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCH, Conference Center,
11:30 a.m., see story
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:340 p.m.
- Thu. 11 BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community
Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon
- Fri. 12 GIRLS SOFTBALL @ Portsmouth Christian, 4 p.m.
THE PRINCESS PLAYS, Alton Middle School Drama,
7 p.m., see story
- Sat. 13 *THE PRINCESS PLAYS*, Alton Middle School Drama,
2 p.m., see story
- Sun. 14 MOTHERS' DAY
- Mon. 15 GIRLS SOFTBALL vs. Nute, 4 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL vs. Nute, 4 p.m.
- Tue. 16 HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND FRIENDS OF THE
LIBRARY, joint meeting, Library, 7:30 p.m., see story
- Wed. 17 GIRLS SOFTBALL @ Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL @ Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri. 19 GIRLS SOFTBALL vs.. Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL vs. Moultonboro, 4 p.m.
- Mon. 22 BOYS BASEBALL @ Derryfield, 4 p.m.
- Tue. 23 ALTON GARDEN CLUB, Annual Spring Luncheon,
12:30 p.m., see story
- Wed. 24 GIRLS SOFTBALL vs. Portsmouth Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri. 26 GIRLS SOFTBALL vs. Sunapee, 4 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL vs. Sunapee, 4 p.m.
- Mon. 29 MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED, Alton Parade
and Services, 10 a.m.
- Wed. 31 BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.

TO LIST YOUR EVENT SUBMIT WRITTEN INFORMATION TO:
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(Main Street box). **Be sure to include a phone number.**

ALTON CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Cemetery Trustees of Alton wish to announce that information regarding their meetings can be found posted at Alton Town Hall and both Alton and Alton Bay Post Offices.

CIVIC NEEDS AND REMINDERS . . .

PTSA PLAYGROUND NEWS

By Laurie Boyce

The Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) over the past two years has raised over \$15,000 for the new playground, and with the \$7,500 awarded in March at the Town Meeting, we now have enough money.

Recently — very recently — we found out that it is going to cost us THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS to get rid of the old tires, a part of the current playground. If there is anyone who can help us figure out what to do with a couple hundred tires (27 large loader, 100 tractor trailer, and numerous car tires), please call either Natasha Itchkavitch at 569-6124 or Rick Macduff at 875-2572 and help us not have to THROW AWAY the money we have raised.

PLEASE THINK OF ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE WITH THOSE TIRES!

LITERACY PROGRAM

Parks and Recreation Department and caring community members are interested in starting a Literacy Program in Alton for adults and children. If you may be interested in this type of program, please let them know by calling 875-0109. They are looking for feedback from community members to see if anyone would participate if the program were offered.

HISTORIAN SOUGHT

The Town of Alton is seeking a person with an interest in history and the local area to serve as Town Historian. The position is unpaid, but there is a wealth of historical data to make for a fun avocation. The person taking the job must be a resident of Alton. If interested, contact Interim Town Administrator Andy Locke at 875-2161 by May 10.

DOG LICENSES

To all dog owners who have not yet licensed your dogs, you will be fined \$1 per month after May 31. Also, you will be in violation of RSA 466:1, and a civil forfeiture will be issued carrying a fine of \$25. Don't add to the cost of dog registration; come in soon.

License fees are: Male/Female = \$10; Neutered/Spayed = \$7.50; First animal of senior citizen over 65 = \$2.

Please call the Town Clerk's Office at 875-2101 if you no longer have your dog.

VOTERS, CHECK THIS OUT!

By MaryBee Longabaugh, Supervisor of Checklist

Prior to the February primaries the Supervisors of the Checklist found that some people were unhappy because they wanted to change their party affiliation on the voters checklist and were told they could not do so at that late date. The final date for that change had been in late October and was determined by the NH Department of State.

Therefore, here is an early warning. By May 26 we will post the checklist (Town Hall, Alton Bay Post Office, and Alton Central School). On June 6 we will be at Town Hall from 7 - 9 p.m. so you may come in to change from one party to the other or to independent. This will be the **LAST DAY** for a voter TO CHANGE party affiliation before the September 12 State Primary. As usual, you will have that same option AFTER you vote in the primary.

Information Center

SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

- Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
- Bay Church — Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.; Sun Services, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m., Moore Chapel of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center; Wed., Family Night Supper, 6 p.m., followed by Fellowship Groups, 7 p.m.; Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor, Rev. John Fogell, Associate Pastor
- Community Church — Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.; Sun. Services, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Congregational Meeting House, Rev. Peter Bolster, Pastor
- 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
- Wolfeboro Bible Fellowship — Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Route 28; Pastor Scott Button

GILMAN LIBRARY: 875-2550

Mon. and Wed., 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Tue. and Fri., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; closed Thu. and Sun.

SENIOR MEAL SITE: 875-7102

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

SOLID WASTE CENTER: 875-5801

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Rines Road Pit — Sat. and Sun., 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

TOWN HALL: 875-2161

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. Auxiliary — 1st Tue., 6 p.m., Legion Hall

Boy Scout Troop 53 — Wed., 6 p.m., Central Fire Station

Community Services Program — Sat., 2 - 4 p.m., 875-2273

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 — 2nd Tue. (in season), Library

Garden Club — 4th Tue. (in season), Congregational Mtg. House

Girl Scout Jr. Troop 630, Wed., 5 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

Historical Society — Watch for announcements of programs, Apr. - Oct.; Nov. - Mar., Museum open by request, 569-2629

Knights of Columbus — 1st Wed., 7:30 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall

Lions Club — 1st and 3rd Thu., Foxy Johnnie's Restaurant, New Durham, 6:30 p.m.

Masonic Lodge — 2nd Thu., when meeting, 875-7448

Moms In Touch — Mon., The Bay Church, 9:30 a.m.

P.T.S.A. — 3rd Wed., Alton Central School Library, 7 p.m.

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

- BOARD OF SELECTMEN — 1st & 3rd Mondays, 6 p.m., 5th Monday, 8:30 a.m., Chairman James C. Washburn, call 875-2161 for appointment.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE — 3rd Thursday (twice a week in "budget season"), 7 p.m., Chairman to be announced.
- CEMETERY TRUSTEES — 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m., Chairman Shirley Lane, 875-5864.*
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION — 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Chairman Lisa Erickson Harris, 364-6388.
- FIRE WARDS — 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Chairman Richard Quindley, 875-2910*
- 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 Dick Jones, 875-3855.
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION — Meets on call, Chairman William Lionetta, 875-0109.*
- PLANNING BOARD — May meeting on the 22nd, 7 p.m., Chairman Bonnie Dunbar; call 875-5095 for appointment.*
- SCHOOL BOARD — 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6 p.m., Chairman Joyce Hopper, 776-8733
- SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST — Meet on call, Chairman MaryBee Longabaugh, 875-5067.
- TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY — 3rd Monday, 3:45 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 Reuben L. Wentworth, 875-4200
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT — 1st Thursday, 7 p.m., Chairman Fran Washburn, 875-5095.

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OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

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Leo Fraser, 225-3664 (w), 435-6626 (h)

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Stanley Czech, 875-3815, E-mail: sdczech@worldpath.net

Dave Russell, 364-7449, Fax: 7448, E-mail: russells@worldpath.net

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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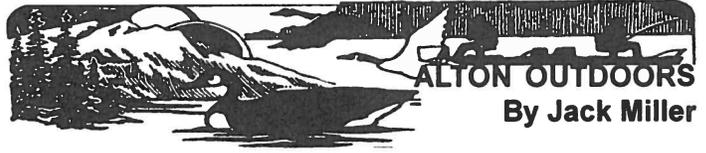
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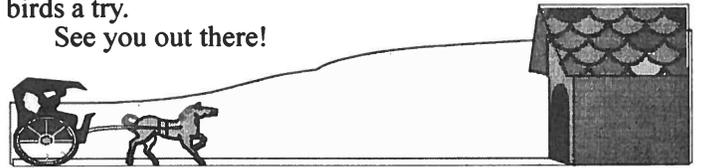
Many local streams and rivers are being stocked with trout this month. The free paper *Hawkeye* provides stocking lists. (It can be found wherever sporting goods are sold.) If you want to catch some fresh trout, get out there!

Salmon in the Big Lake are heading for deeper, cooler, water this month. Catching them now will require heavier, deeper running tackle. One can test their fishing skills on May 19 - 21 in the 19th annual "Winni Derby." There will be four sets of boat, motor, and trailer rigs given as prizes for the first and second largest salmon, the largest lake trout, and the largest salmon in the Junior Division (Age 15 and under). Adult registration fee is \$30, juniors pay \$20. Good luck!

One of New Hampshire's "Big Game" hunting seasons is May 3-31. The 2000 season looks to be a record year with a harvest of 1,500-1,600 turkeys expected. This area has a number of good flocks of turkeys already. Last year over 100 toms (male turkeys) were taken just from towns bordering "The Lake."

While salmon fishing last month on Winni, I saw a turkey feeding under a bird feeder less than 20 feet from the shore. I also had a flock of turkeys walk in front of me while driving on a road in Alton. I haven't hunted turkeys for several years, but I am trying again this month. Hunting hours are a half hour before sunrise until noon each day. Only one male turkey may be taken. You need a hunting license and a \$6 turkey stamp. If you can stand the bugs, give these elusive birds a try.

See you out there!



THE FOLLOWING ARE ALL QUOTES FROM SCIENCE EXAMS OF 11 YEAR OLDS

(Concluded from our November issue)

"A permanent set of teeth consists of eight canines, eight cuspids, two molars, and eight cuspidsors."

"The tides are a fight between the Earth and Moon. All water tends towards the moon, because there is no water in the moon, and nature abhors a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins in this fight."

"A fossil is an extinct animal. The older it is, the more extinct it is."

"Equator: A managerie lion running around the Earth through Africa."

"Germinate: To become a naturalized German."

"Liter: A nest of young puppies."

"Magnet: Something you find crawling all over a dead cat."

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"Come Travel With Us" is the Special Feature with Janet Breton from Meredith Travel. Enjoy "May Pole Ditties," the Special Music with Laurel MacKenzie of Moultonboro. Our Special Speaker, Dorothy Nelson from Brockton, Massachusetts, will be presenting "Making the Right Connection."

Reservations for the lunch and available complimentary nursery may be made by calling Janet, 875-2032 between 2 - 6 p.m., or Kim, 875-8173, in Alton; in Gilford call Harriet at 524-7194 or Faith at 293-8073.

The Lakes Region Christian Women's' Club is an interdenominational group with no formal membership.

LAKES REGION GENERAL HOSPITAL

Listed below are several programs which may be of interest to Alton residents. They are offered by LRGHealthcare, along with other sponsors. The name of the program and a phone number are given so you can call for the details.

Belknap County "Focal Point" Program is ongoing and is designed to provide adults and elders with information, resources, and support. 527-7009.

"May Day: A Celebration of Women's Health," May 1, a day of exhibits, demonstrations, and healthcare screenings. 527-7156.

"Tapestries of Mid-Life: A Discussion for Women," May 3, 17, 24, and 31. Call 527-7141 to register.

Tai Chi Classes, May 9 and 11. Call 527-7141 to register.

"Ask a Nutritionist," May 15. 527-7141.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 72

By Millie Pierce, Auxiliary Unit Secretary

What's been happening at the Alton American Legion? Well, elections for new officers were held in April

The Auxiliary officers will be: Gwen Nadeau, Unit President; Millie Pierce, Secretary; Lisa Rojek, Treasurer; Jane Rojek, First Vice; Tina Labar, Second Vice; Brenda Bowman, Chaplin; Sue Strout, Sgt. at Arms; and Betsy Rollins, Historian. The Post officers will be: Ray Nadeau, Commander; Don Parker, Jr., Senior Vice; John Racine, Junior Vice; Bill Fraser, Adjutant; Warren Leary, Finance; Ken McMullen, Historian; and Norm Paquette, Chaplin. Welcome to all.

The Auxiliary will be having a raffle to win two tickets to the Winston Cup Race in Loudon on July 9. The drawing will be held on July 1 at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. See any Auxiliary member for tickets. Proceeds will go for the unit's community projects.

Bingo is held on Wednesday evening at the Post. Starting time is 6:30 p.m. Join us for an evening of fun.

Watch for the Memorial Day services announcement later in the month.

OUR TOWN ENERGY COOP

The energy cooperative, formed in November, 1999, had just 75 members. Now it has 442 members consisting of individuals, schools, towns, and businesses.

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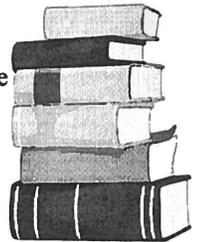
Sarah Spencer, a 1998 graduate of Alton Central High School and daughter of Linda Monasky and Michael Spencer of Alton, was named to the Dean's List for the fall term at Elmira College. Spencer is a sophomore at Elmira and majoring in Human Services and Childhood Services.

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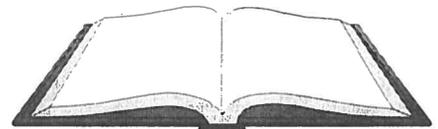
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Friends of the Gilman Library, trustees and staff wish to express heartfelt thanks to Ellamarie Carr for 30 years of dedicated service as a library trustee. Ellamarie's thoughtfulness, kindness, and consideration will remain in our hearts forever.

Please join us in welcoming Nancy Jordan as our newest member of the Board of Trustees. Nancy has been a volunteer at the Gilman Library for more than three years and has proven to be a real asset. It has been a pleasure to have Nancy as a member of our volunteer staff. We look forward to working with her as a library trustee.

The Book Discussion Group will be meeting on May 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Gilman Library. They will be sharing their thoughts on *The Outermost House* by Henry Beston. If you would like to take part in the discussion and are in need of a copy of the book, please contact the library.
See you at the Town-Wide Yard Sale!

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ALTON MIDDLE SCHOOL DRAMA EVENT

The Princess Plays written by Colleen Neuman will be presented by Alton Middle School Drama group on May 12 at 7 p.m. and 13 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the door. "The Princess and the Princess" tells of a poor polite princess and a rich rude princess who meet on a narrow mountain path. Each refuses to move, causing others to come help, turning the side of the mountain into a huge traffic jam.

In "Twice Upon a Time" three whimsical witches' spells become completely confused when Sleeping Beauty, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, and the Princess and the Pea appear, much to everyone's aggravation. They all fight to return home to their princes.

Cast members include: Sonya Itchkavich-Levasseur, Ashley Waterman, Dana Fuller, Shannon Cornelissen, Allyson Dudman, Jill Green, Pat Quinn, Cassandra Golden, Rebecca Golden, Aimee Terravechia, Ashley Hubbard, Paul Donovan, Dan Donovan, J. P. Latchaw, Danielle LePouttre, Anne Farrell, Carl Dickson, Johanna Dickson, and Brian Enis.

It is directed by Kate Glidden, assisted by student Caleb Gagne. Stage managers are students Jamie Young and Tonya Simonds.

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The following students received awards for the second quarter. High Honors requires a grade of at least 92 in all subjects and Honors a grade of at least 83.

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Grade 11 - High Honors: Sara Dore, Renee LaFreniere, Katie Morrill; **Honors:** Katie Boles, Kelsie Croes, Tara Elliott, William Goodrow, Shawn Hillsgrove, Karine Marchand, Lorin McGovern, David Osborn, Geoffrey Scholl, Ashley Southwell, Meghan St. Cyr

Grade 10 - High Honors: Rebecca Howard, Briahna Itchkavich-Levas, Marissa Peterson, Jane Varney; **Honors:** David Benedetto, Scott Blair, Dana Lang, John McAuliffe, Jonathan Owen

Grade 9 - High Honors: Terese Hopper; **Honors:** Katie Brooks, Jill Feger, Stephanie Hillsgrove, Amanda Jones, Amanda Erin Wood

Grade 8 - High Honors: Lyndsey Caron, Tonya Prescott, Krista Shibley, Stephanie Tanguay; **Honors:** Tamara Cornelissen, David Currid, Elspeth Dana, Carl Dickson, Lindsay Kenerson, John Latchaw III, Dylan Laurion, Kyle McAuliffe, Daniel Quinn, Meredith Roy, Cherie Royer, Matthew Sydow, Dakotah Walker, Kelsey Yelle; **Good Citizens:** Lyndsey Caron, Melissa Kim, Tracy McGovern, Megan Pichard, Tonya Prescott, Krista Shibley, Stephanie Tanguay, Tamara Cornelissen, Lindsay Kenerson, Cherie Royer, Matt Sydow, Dan Quinn, Meredith Roy

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Grade 6 - High Honors: Owen Laurion; **Honors:** Jamie Bilodeau, Nicholas DiVito, Johanna Dickson, Allyson Dudman, Michelle Fulp, Rebecca Golden, James Grant, Ashley Hubbard, Luke LaFreniere, Kathryn Pellowe, Taylor Peterson, Marie Phelan, Jacquelyn Piaseczny, Daniel Pitman, Patrick Quinn, Amber Richardson, Katrina Tidd, Caitlin Wentworth; **Good Citizens:** Michelle Fulp, Peter Kaszynski, Luke LeFreniere, Owen Laurion, Taylor Peterson, Aimee Terravechia, Chris Frost, Rebecca Golden, Jimmy Grant, Amber Richardson, Nicholas DiVito, Johanna Dickson, Allyson Dudman, Ashley Hubbard, Marie Phelan, Daniel Pitman, Jamie Turner

Grade 5 - High Honors: Jane Farrell; Ashley Finethy; Jeffrey St. Cyr; Bryce St. Cyr; Ty Tremblay; **Honors:** Dottie-Jean Bailey, Hannah Barney, Jennifer Boucher, Charlotte French, Kim Hannafin, Caila Kantar, Dan Lampman, Josh Liedke, Nick Lundy, Donald McGee, Melissa Pryor, Marc Roy, Wesley Taggett, Kelsey Tinkham; **Good Citizens:** Jane Farrell, Ashley Finethy, Leann Fuller, Kim Hannafin, Caila Kantar, Marc Roy, Jeff St. Cyr, Ashley Sweeney, Dottie-Jean Bailey, Jenni Boucher, Ashley Dwyer, Charlotte French, Julie Thoroughgood, Kelsey Tinkham

Grade 4 - High Honors: Jesse Lane; **Honors:** Erin Brackley, Tony Castagnaro, Derek Chase, Amber Couture, Kelsey Crathern, Meagan DiVito, Courtney Emerson, Emily Folan, Gary Ford, Ryan Gillan, Jessica Harrell, Chelsea Hawkins, Daniel Hopper, Jeremy Kim, Andrew Levasseur, Christopher Loprete, Alina Loynd, Chris Moulton, Corine Pearce, Amanda Pellowe, Tricia Perry, Alisa Price, Jennifer Shafer, Robyn Shibley, Christopher Stewart, Jason Tanguay, Brianna Tidd, Krystal Vigue, Caitlin Wenzlau; **Good Citizens:** Chris Moulton, Tricia Perry, Brianna Tidd, Erin Brackley, Makina Itchkavich Levasseur, Jesse Lane, Caitlin Wenzlau, Tony Castagnaro, Amber Couture, Emily Folan, Jessica Harrell, Alina Loynd, Robyn Shibley, Chad Tenander, Jordan Yelle

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HUMOROUS MEDICAL TERMS

(From The Internet)

- Benign: What you be after you be eight.
- Artery: The study of paintings.
- Bacteria: Back door to cafeteria.
- Barium: What doctors do when patients die.
- Cesarean Section: A neighborhood in Rome.
- Catscan: Searching for Kitty.
- Cauterize: Made eye contact with her.
- Colic: A sheep dog.
- Coma: A punctuation mark.
- D and C: Where Washington is.
- Dilate: To live long.
- Enema: Not a friend.
- Fester: Quicker than someone else.
- Fibula: A small lie.
- G.I.Series: World Series of military baseball.
- Hangnail: What you hang your coat on.
- Impotent: Distinguished, well known.
- Labor Pain: Getting hurt at work.
- Medical Staff: A Doctor's cane.
- Morbid: A higher offer than I bid.
- Nitrates: Cheaper than day rates.
- Node: I knew it.
- Outpatient: A person who has fainted.
- Pap Smear: A fatherhood test.
- Pelvis: Second cousin to Elvis.
- Post Operative: A letter carrier.
- Recovery Room: Place to do upholstery.
- Secretion: Hiding something.
- Seizure: Roman emperor.
- Tablet: A small table.
- Terminal Illness: Getting sick at the airport.
- Tumor: More than one.
- Urine: Opposite of you're out.
- Varicose: Near by/close by

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MT. MAJOR COMMUNITY CENTER

By Jane King

Rain or shine on June 3 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. the Mt. Major Community Center will hold a "community" yard sale. Tables are available for rental at \$10 per 8' by 3' table. Please, we do not want large furniture, appliances or guns!

The Mt. Major Community Center is located on Route 11, adjacent to the West Alton Fire Station. Parking is available in the fire station parking lot. No parking is allowed on the road.

If you would like to participate or would like more information on renting the community center (former Grange Hall), please contact Kitty Croes at 875-7165.



TO PROTECT AND SERVE

By Detective Corporal
Steven T. Holly

SPRING CAN BE DANGEROUS

With spring now in full swing I wanted to take a minute and refresh everyone's memories about some of the things to be aware of when out and about in the fine weather. First of all, with the nice sunshine and warm air, people seem to day-dream a little more than usual and consequently end up speeding and driving a bit recklessly at times. Keep this in mind when out and enjoying this beautiful time of year. It can be short-lived if a deadly mistake is made.

Next, keep an eye out for all the little ones on their bicycles and roller blades. Too often one of them seems to dart out into traffic when you least expect it.

Please familiarize yourself with where the crosswalks are around town. It makes our job that much easier if the "locals" are leading by example and stopping for the pedestrians in the crosswalk. Conversely, those of us using the crosswalks have to be aware that just because you are in the crosswalk does not mean that you can step out in front of a vehicle. A little common sense and safety will help prevent a deadly accident.

I hope that everyone enjoys his or her summer. When you see one of us out and about take a minute to stop and say hello. We would love to hear from you.

For questions or comments contact me at Alton P.O. Box 240, phone 875-0757, or on-line at www.worldpath.net/~apd. Please check out the website, it's always changing.



HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

by Ken Roberts
Highway Agent

STILL WAITING FOR SPRING!

April 12 and snow is in the forecast; this is New England! Wait a minute, the weather will change.

We are awaiting on final plans for Fort Point Road and the sidewalk project. We should have these out to bid by May 1. Hopefully, late summer or early fall will be the construction dates; we will let you know.

I would like to thank you ahead of time for your patience and understanding for the inconvenience. May will bring ditching operations on all graveled roads. This will clean out leaves and sand from winter operations. It will allow water to flow in ditch lines rather than the roadways. There will be delays! Please be patient.

Thank you and hope everyone has a safe and happy spring. Remember, Safety is Our Number One Concern!

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Now we are ready to start unpacking all the boxes of museum items and get the exhibits set up. If any of you are interested in helping us organize our displays or have knowledge of the various items and how they should be shown, we invite you to meet with us on May 10, 11, 23, and 24 from 4:30 - 6 p.m. at the Gilman Museum. On those dates we will begin putting everything back in order.



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

FUN EVENTS FOR ALL AGES

The Parks and Recreation Department is always ready to answer questions or listen to new ideas; call 875-0109.

Co-Ed Adult Softball League Meeting

On Wednesday, May 10, team captains will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the Alton Town Hall. The meeting will include: season schedule, review, and update league rules, and more.

Body Works Exercise Program with Lisa Jones

Join this fun group and enjoy exercising. Body Works is a weight training class designed to build strong, lean muscle while reducing body fat. Lose inches, reduce stress, and feel great. Class is 60 minutes, including a warm-up and cool-down period. Classes are held at the Alton Bay Community Center every Tuesday and Thursday (at a new time) 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Program fee is \$3/class or \$20/month. Drop in anytime. Bring light hand weights, water, and a mat.

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Alton Canoe Race

Parks and Recreation and Parker Marine are co-sponsoring the annual Canoe Race on Sunday, June 25, at 10 a.m. at the Masonic Temple parking lot on Route 28 in Alton. Participants canoe about five miles on flat water with two portages. Register by June 13 and receive a race shirt. Entry fee is \$15/canoe with two people and \$10 for single. Categories are recreational, racing, and kayak. Prizes awarded. Call for registration form.

Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp

Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp will be held at the Alton Central School Gym* June 26 - June 30 for grades 2-8. Boys and girls entering grades 2-4, Session I, 8 - 10 a.m.; Boys and girls entering grades 5-8, Session II, 10:15 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. Every participant should bring a juice and snack each daily session. Session II players should bring a light lunch. Players should be equipped with sneakers, shorts, white socks, and t-shirts. Participants will receive camp t-shirt and basketball. Register Before June 1 and fee is: Session I, \$50; Session II, \$75. Register After June 1 and fee is: Session I, \$75; Session II, \$95. Special awards and prizes presented throughout the week.

*Please Note: The camp is scheduled to be held at the school as of this time; the location may be changed if the gym floor is under construction; check with Kellie to confirm location when you sign up. Registration forms are available at the Alton Parks and Recreation Department, located in Town Hall; they have been passed out to Alton School students.

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SENIOR MEALS

Program is open to all age 60 and older (875-7102). Meals served Monday-Friday, 12 noon. Suggested \$2 donation.

May 1 - 5: Mon., Sausage Links/Onion Gravy; Tue., Chicken Filet on roll; Wed., Baked Ham L/S Turkey; Thu., Yankee Pot Roast/Gravy; Fri., Macaroni & Cheese.

May 8 - 12: Mon., Stuffed Veal Roll/Gravy; Tue., American Chop Suey; Wed., Chicken Fricassee; Thu., Chicken Cordon Bleu; Fri., Fish Filet/Lemon Slice.

May 15 - 19: Mon., Turkey/Gravy; Tue., Tuna Noodle Casserole; Wed., Manicotti/Meat Sauce; Thu., Chicken Pot Pie; Fri., Meatloaf/Gravy.

May 22 - 26: Mon., Spaghetti/Meatballs; Tue., Herb Baked Chicken; Wed., English Shepherd's Pie (no corn); Thu., Corned Beef L/S Roast Beef; Fri., Fish & Cheese Filet/Roll.

May 29 - 31: Mon., Closed, Memorial Day; Tue., Salisbury Steak/Gravy; Wed., Kielbasa Links L/S Hot Dogs.

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Bill Heidke was honored at a banquet for his many years of dedicated service to the town . . . Judy Fry reported on the restoration program of the Alton Fire Department's 1930 Maxim truck . . . 2nd grader Buffy Quindley won the Jumbo Easter Basket Raffle at Alton Central School . . . Cub Scouts of Pack 53 with the help of Milt Jensen constructed 18 houses for Wood Ducks and placed them throughout Alton under the supervision of Fish and Game Conservation officer Randy Hillsgrove.

FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Pete Shibley was named School Board Chairman . . . the Alton Apache Players were presenting "The Nerd" . . . Bicentennial fund-raising was well under way with pewter medallions, tote bags, T-shirts, and sweatshirts . . . Bicentennial Chairman was Nancy Merrill . . . Joe Wezowicz of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, was winner of the 1995 Ice-Out Contest sponsored by Main Street.

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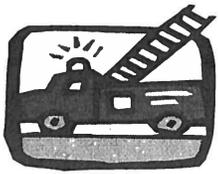
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FIRESIDE CHATS
By Stan Czech
Alton Fire Department

A CHALLENGE

As I told you in the last "Fireside Chats," the Alton Fire Department will be doing some fund raising this year in order to purchase a Thermal Imaging Camera (shown below). The price tag on the whole package, which includes the camera and the remote transmitting equipment, is about \$22,000. The Wal-Mart Company thinks that this technology is so valuable to firefighters that they have agreed to match the funds earned at a fund-raiser of our choice this year.

So now that you know about what is at stake, I'm sure you will want to support our efforts and attend one or more of our events. The first fund-raiser will be a new one for us, but we're hoping it will be well attended. We are going to have a dinner at the Alton Bay Pavilion on June 24. Cocktails will start at 6 p.m. with dinner following at 7. There will be music and dancing after dinner. Tickets will be \$30 per person and will be sold at several locations around town. Proceeds from the dinner will be used specifically for the camera. Remember, the bigger the turnout, the bigger the matching funds from Wal-Mart.

Other fund raisers we are considering are the auction in July or August and the Christmas Tree sale in December.

On a different note, remember that if you are going to burn brush, you must have a permit. Call 875-0222 during business hours for info on the permits.



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