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## THANKSGIVING BASKETS

**By Paulette Wentworth**

Summer is regrettably over, but it is now time to start thinking about the Thanksgiving food baskets for the families in need.

Donations will be gratefully accepted in the form of cash, check, or money orders, made payable to "Operation Blessings," and may be dropped off at the Town Hall or mailed to Town Hall, P. O. Box 659, Alton, NH 03809.

Canned goods donations can be dropped off at the Town Hall from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, on or before November 16. The Police Department will again be contributing toward the turkeys and we appreciate their donation.

If you are interested in helping distribute baskets or can suggest the home of a shut-in or needy family, please contact me at 875-0204 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

## THE FOURTH GENERATION IS STILL AT IT

**By Bob Longabaugh**

Last November's *Main Street* carried the cover story of how four generations of the Downing family have been looking after the "traffic triangle" at the intersection of NH Routes 11 and 28A in Alton Bay. Leading up to Halloween in 2000 the triangle was adorned with three pumpkin figures portraying a water skier being towed by a canoe!

Jonathan and Nancy Downing, as has been the case in recent years, are the current designers and constructors of the pumpkin head scenes. They were working on another depiction for this year when the horrific events of September 11 turned their thinking around sharply. The patriotic two-fisted bicycle rider shown above is the result for 2001.



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**CHANGES IN STORE FOR Main Street**

Main Street has entered a new era. After being spoiled by the Alton Printing Company for 16 years, we now find ourselves establishing a new personal and professional relationship with another company. Whenever this happens there are always a few "bugs" that appear out of nowhere and have to be worked out. As we write this, we have no idea what surprises might show up in the 3,000 copies that are scheduled to come back from the printer for mailing on October 26.

We have already discovered, however, that it is going to be necessary to make some adjustments in our relationship with Main Street's advertisers.

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**FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK**

By Donald E. Parks  
Superintendent of Schools



**FOUR INITIATIVES**

Rather than focus on a specific theme for this article, as I have done in the past, I am going to provide information on a number of events or initiatives that are taking place in the district.

First, for the first time, the school district has created Curriculum Leader positions in seven academic areas — math; science; social studies; English; health, physical education, and nursing; technology, home and careers, and computers; and the fine arts and languages — art, music, and foreign languages. Teachers have been appointed to these positions and are following the job description created for them except in the last area. No teacher applied for this position.

The focus of the Curriculum Leader is curriculum coordination. In particular, the leaders are making sure teachers have aligned our curriculum to the State of NH Curriculum Frameworks. A second focus is assessment. Each department will be creating departmental mid-year and final exams. By doing so there will be assurance the exams will be reliable and valid, i.e., the tests reflect what should be taught and what has been taught. These new positions are one of many initiatives the district has put in place to improve instruction and learning.

Second, the new SAU office is nearing completion. Final inspection by the Town of Alton Building Inspector and by the Fire Chief should be completed by the time you read this. The new office will be occupied by November 1. An open house will be scheduled some time after that.

Third, the district is offering SAT review classes after school for juniors and seniors in the areas of math and English. To date, only three students have taken advantage of this opportunity. If you have a junior or senior, please urge him/her to attend these sessions. Research has shown that students who attend review classes improve their scores.

Fourth, on a random and unannounced basis, the district will be bringing in the K-9 dog that the Alton Police Department recently acquired. Although the dog's primary purpose is tracking, while in the school he will be used to search for drugs. Principal Russell Holden has already sent a letter home informing parents of the district's plan in this area. We realize this may upset some parents and students, but it is an acceptable practice that occurs in many school districts across the country and in some school districts in the state. It is a prevention measure in addition to the teaching that we offer in our educational program. We instruct students in the negative legal and health drawbacks of drug use, as well as teaching them skills to say "no" to drugs and to cope with the ever present influence of peer pressure.

**LONG-TERM CARE IN BELKNAP COUNTY**

By Toni Quinney, Coordinator

I wish to introduce myself as I am the new coordinator of long-term care for Belknap County. My office is at 30 County Drive in Laconia and you can call me at 527-5410.

I will be meeting with the elderly, chronically ill, and family members to educate them regarding their options for services. Please feel free to call me with any questions or thoughts you may have. It is important that people have the knowledge of services available in order to make informed decisions about their care.



# Main Street's Inside Front Page



Photo by Dennis Kaszynski

## THE HONOR OF A LIFETIME

Four cadets from the New Hampshire Civil Air Patrol Color Guard team had the honor of presenting the Colors to over 31,000 cheering fans at a Red Sox game against Detroit. The young men, ranging in age 13 to 16, marched on the field in perfect precision and presented the Colors to the "Star Spangled Banner." They are from Alton and Laconia. Shown above from left to right are: C/TSgt. Peter Kaszynski, rifle bearer; C/CMSgt. Patrick Kimball, senior flag bearer; C/CMSgt. Alex Kaszynski, junior flag bearer; and C/SSgt. Casey Lasell, rifle bearer. For information about joining the Civil Air Patrol, visit the web site <[www.caphq.gov](http://www.caphq.gov)>.

## SCHOOL CLOSED TODAY?

After a night of stormy weather there is only one way to find out if the kids have to be bundled up and put out the door to go to school. The *official* school closing announcements for Alton Central School are broadcast over radio stations WEVO (89.1FM), WKXL (1450AM & 102.3FM), WLKZ (104.9FM), WLNH (98.3FM), WNNH (99.1FM), WOKQ (97.5FM), and shown on WMUR-TV (Channel 9).

## SCHOOL BOARD SETS DATES FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

By Wayne D. Fraser, Alton School Board

The Alton School Board is pleased to announce the dates for the Deliberative Session and the Official Ballot Vote on the proposed Joint Maintenance Agreement (JMA) with the Barnstead School District.

The Deliberative Session will be held on Wednesday evening, November 14, at 6 p.m. at the Alton Central School. Voting by Official Ballot will take place on Wednesday, December 19.

It is important for everyone to realize that this is NOT a vote to expend any funds at this time. Rather, this is a decision on whether the two districts should join together in a JMA to propose a high school to serve both communities. A vote on an actual proposed high school will take place at either the March Annual School District Meetings of both towns or at additional Special District Meetings sometime after that.

After the proposed JMA, which was arrived at following extensive negotiations between the two districts this summer, was introduced and received overwhelming support at public hearings in each community, it was formally adopted by the Alton and Barnstead School Boards.

The next step was for the agreement to be approved by the State Board of Education. On October 17, at their regularly scheduled meeting, the State Board unanimously and enthusiastically endorsed the agreement. This marks the first time in state history that such an agreement has received State Board of Education approval. The JMA now needs a simple majority vote in both communities to be formally adopted.

This type of agreement was selected to meet best the needs of both school districts because it allows for equal division of capital expenses, equal governance (no new political entity is created — the two elected School Boards of each community jointly make decisions regarding the new school, which is significantly different from a cooperative district), and the operating cost is divided fairly because each district pays for the number of students it actually sends to the school.

It is also important to note that a JMA can be both put together and disbanded more easily than a cooperative school district. Should the adoption of this JMA pass by a simple majority vote in each community, any bond proposal would still require the bond itself to pass in each community by the terms governing each district.

Please plan to attend the Deliberative Session on November 14 to get all of your questions answered. The School Board looks forward to presenting our plans for a comprehensive high school to serve the needs of every student in the district.

Thank you for your continuing support of the Alton School District.

## COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

A Community Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the churches of Alton will be held in the Baptist Meeting House on Main Street, Sunday, November 18, at 6 p.m. Everyone in the community is invited to participate.

## ORIGINS OF VETERANS' DAY

By Joe Harris

In 1921, exactly three years after the end of WWI, an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. This site, on a hillside overlooking the Potomac River and the city of Washington, became the focal point of reverence for America's veterans.

Similar ceremonies took place earlier in England and France where an unknown soldier was buried in each nation's highest place of honor (in England, Westminster Abbey; in France, the Arc de Triomphe). These memorial gestures all took place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the celebrated ending of WWI fighting at 11 a.m., November 11, 1918 (the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month). The day became known as Armistice Day.

Armistice Day officially received its name in the United States in 1926 by a Congressional Resolution. It became a national holiday 12 years later by similar action. If the idealistic hope had been realized that WWI was "the War to end all Wars," November 11 might still be called Armistice Day. But only a few years after the holiday was proclaimed, war broke out in Europe. Sixteen and a half million Americans took part; 407,000 died in service and more than 290,000 in battle.

Realizing peace was equally preserved by veterans of WWII and Korea, Congress was requested to make this day an occasion to honor those who served America in all wars. In 1954 President Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming November 11 as Veterans' Day.

On Memorial Day 1958 two more unidentified American war dead were brought from overseas and interred in the plaza

beside the Unknown Soldier from WWI. One had been killed in WWII, the other in the Korean War. In 1973 a law passed providing interment for an unknown American from the Vietnam War, but none was found for several years. In 1984 an unknown serviceman from that conflict was placed along side the others. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3rd U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps a 24-hour vigil.

A law passed in 1968 changed the national commemoration of Veterans' Day to the 4th Monday in October. It soon became apparent November 11 was a date of historic significance to many Americans. Therefore, in 1978 Congress returned the observance to its traditional date.

At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes a "Present Arms" at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The nation's tribute to its war dead is symbolized by the laying of a presidential wreath. A bugler plays "Taps." The rest of the ceremony takes place in the amphitheater.

### IN MEMORIAM

**RICHARD F. HEADLEY**

(1924 - 2001)

Alton lost another one of its civic stalwarts in September with the death of Richard F. Headley. He had served the town as a Selectman, a member of the Planning Board, and on the Budget Committee.

During World War II he served in the U.S. Navy. A resident of Alton since 1970, he attended the Alton Community Church and was a past member of the Alton-New Durham Lions Club and the American Legion. Our sympathy is extended to his wife, Martha, and the entire Headley family.



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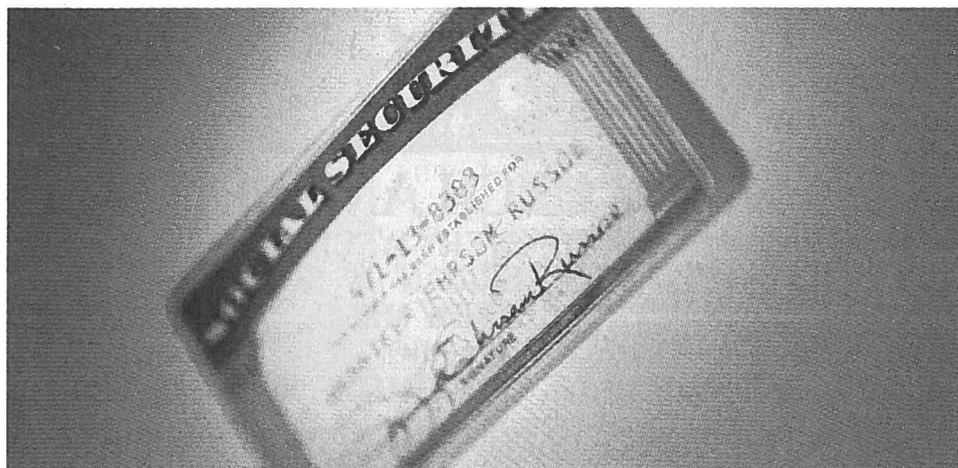
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# Social what?



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## **The Christian Churches of Alton**

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(see Information Center for worship times)

### **GUESTS AT THE BAY CHURCH**

The Bay Church will be host to two guest missionaries and a concert artist in November: The Rev. Sean Donnelly, Pastor of the Advent Christian Church in Eliot, Maine, Mrs. Oscar (Oznet Hammer) Huarac, at home on furlough in Wolfboro, and Paul Heffron, pianist, guitarist, and composer.

Rev. Donnelly, under appointment to Mission Air, will share his testimony on Sunday, November 4, at 6 p.m. Mrs. Huarac and her husband, Oscar, will be guests at a supper meeting on Wednesday, November 14, at 6 p.m. at the Pot-Faith Supper. The Huaracs serve under the auspices of the Wycliffe Bible Translators in Ecuador.

Paul Heffron will be the special guest on Sunday morning, November 25, at the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Heffron, a graduate of Boston Conservatory of Music, has been guest artist for both the Boston Conservatory Orchestra and the Arlington (Virginia) Philharmonic. He has recorded albums entitled "I Love You, Jesus" and "I Just Can't Stop Loving You" which will be available after the service. A special free-will love offering will be received for Paul's ministry at the close of the performance.

### **MEN'S RETREAT**

Nationally known Bible teacher, the Rev. Bill Mills, will lead a men's retreat at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, Friday evening, November 2, and Saturday, November 3. The theme will be "Stirring Our Passion for God."

Rev. Mills, founder and president of Leadership Resources out of New Lenox, Illinois, has conducted Bible study seminars around the world. He has been a guest of the Conference Center several times before, both during the summer season and at retreats. For further information, call the Conference Center at 875-6161.

### **SEPTEMBER 11, 2001**

**By Ron Lariviere**

Our first monthly gathering in remembrance of the September 11 tragedy was held in front of the Alton Community Church on Main Street, the Baptist Meeting House, across from the library. There were 14 people in attendance.

Our next meeting will be on November 11 (also Veterans' Day); we would love to see more folks there.

So please, if you can, join us at 7 p.m. Let us keep those who lost their lives that day and those who tried to find them in our prayers. We will meet every month on the 11th day of the month at 7 p.m.

### **CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCHEON**

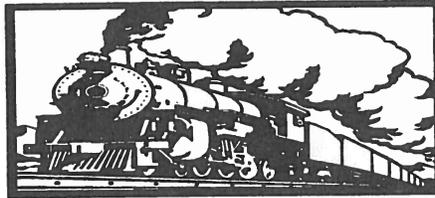
The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club will be sponsoring a "Cornucopia of Joy" luncheon on Wednesday, November 14, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Conference Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay.

"Melodious Blessing" is the Special Feature with Laurette Morley of New Hampton. She will lead us in a calendar sing-a-long. "Pilgrim's Progress" will be presented by Special Speaker Jenel Moline, National Representative of Stonecroft Ministries. She will share her journal about how she survives travelling 11 months each year.

Reservations for the lunch and the available complimentary nursery may be made by calling in Alton: Janet at 875-2032 between 2 - 6 p.m. or Karen at 875-8144; in Gilford: Faith at 293-8073.

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### FALL BLOOD DRIVE NOV 13

By Ann Norman-Burke

A community blood drive will be held on Tuesday, November 13, from 3:45 to 7:45 p.m. at the Alton Central School (ACS). This blood drive is co-sponsored by Gilford Home Center, WLKZ Rockin Oldies 105, and the Junior Class at ACS. Donors need to be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds. Contact the American Red Cross at 1-800-262-2660 for more information about general health guidelines and donor eligibility.

Regular donors and first-time donors are encouraged to attend to give the gift of life and to remember victims of the September 11 terrorist attacks. Donors will be treated to a well-stocked canteen table provided by the generous support of volunteers and local businesses. Local organizers Lisa Finethy and Ann Norman-Burke can be reached at 875-7653 or 875-5492 for further information.

### MAKE THE HOLIDAYS BRIGHT!

#### SUPPORT MRS. SANTA FUND

Each year many community service organizations, led by the Alton Fireflies (the women's auxiliary of the Alton Fire Department), come together to provide the less fortunate children of Alton a Christmas bright with promise. For several years now the Mrs. Santa Fund has provided gifts for children newborn to age 17 and some of our senior citizens as well. This list grows longer each year.

Once again your generosity is needed by Mrs. Santa's Elves. New and good-used clothing and toys may be dropped off at the Alton Town Hall. Cash donations, which are used to purchase warm coats and boots, are also welcome. Donations are to be made payable to Mrs. Santa Fund and

are sent to either P. O. Box 755 or c/o Bank of New Hampshire, Main Street, Alton 03809.

If you need help in providing necessities for your children or know of a family who would benefit from this program, contact Mrs. Santa's Elves: Elf #1, Daryl Czech (875-3815), or Elf #2, Sharon Hannafin (875-3079).

Make this holiday season a merry one for all of our friends and neighbors in Alton by supporting Mrs. Santa's Elves.

### JOIN US FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER

By Dick Cunningham, Legion Post #72

Alton's American Legion Post is throwing open its doors and inviting to dinner anyone in the Alton area who would be by themselves on Thanksgiving. Similarly, any family who would like to sit down to a traditional Thanksgiving dinner is encouraged to join us. There is no admission charge.

A home-cooked, old fashioned, turkey dinner with all the fixings will be served continuously between 12 noon and 3 p.m. on Thursday, November 22. Please call in advance and let us know how many are coming so we can plan properly. However, if you decide to come at the last minute on Thanksgiving Day, that's OK too as we are going to have extra food available for walk-ins. Do not hesitate to just show up; you are more than welcome. If you don't drive, have a disability, or need some assistance in getting to and from our Post on Route 28, we will make the arrangements if you will let us know your needs. Call Ray Nadeau, Post Commander, at 875-3461.

Think about it; this is a great opportunity to meet and eat with other people, young and old, and to make new friends. Our Post does not want anybody in Alton to dine alone or have less than a full spread this Thanksgiving. Join us!



### TREE OF MEMORIES

For four years at Christmas time VNA/Hospice has sponsored a "Tree of Memories." This is a special time to remember those we have loved and lost. The name of a loved one or friend is inscribed on a white porcelain dove and placed on the tree for the holiday season.

At the Alton Town Hall on December 8 at 11 a.m., donors will gather (inside) for a short prayerful service, as well as some music. After the ceremony the doves will be hung on the tree by donors or VNA/Hospice representatives.

To purchase a dove, a letter with the name of the loved one or friend, plus a contribution, can be sent to VNA/Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity, c/o Betty John, P. O. Box 1620, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire 03894 or Alice Calvert, Box 165, New Durham Road, Alton, New Hampshire 03809.

Your gift to VNA/Hospice helps support programs for terminally ill and their families. An acknowledgement will be sent to the family of those remembered if requested. The "Tree of Memories" is the way VNA/Hospice can thank everyone for their continuous support.

### ANOTHER DAY OF INFAMY By Bob Banagan, Alton, New Hampshire

They attacked us on a sunny morn  
'Twas early in September  
The date will make the history books  
A day we'll all remember

They hit our towers - one and two  
They even used our planes  
Our people never had a chance  
As rubble 'round them rained

We watched in awe and disbelief  
As both these structures crumbled  
In smoke and ash and twisted steel  
And all the ground, it rumbled

We thought we'd seen the very worst  
That death had sung its song  
And then it came across the screen  
They'd hit the Pentagon

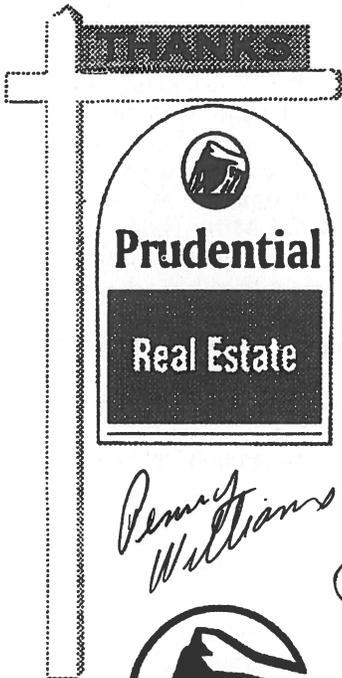
Who are these fiends that kill our folk  
Without apparent reason  
They'll soon find out their living in  
The twilight of their season

We'll never forget the ones who died  
Our daughters and our sons  
Another day of infamy  
The date was nine one-one

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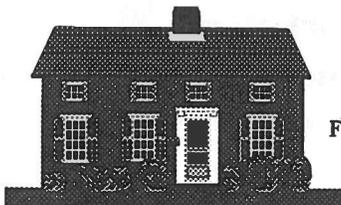
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### STORY HOUR A BIG HIT

We would like to welcome story hour moms and their children to our pre-school story hour. On Wednesday afternoons from 1:30 to 2:15 children ages 3 to 5 come to the library to enjoy songs, stories, and crafts. We give special thanks to our story hour moms, Cathy Fraser, Marilee DeCoff, Rachael Fishbein, Michelle Clark, Sharon Sasserson, and Shay Bennett. Without your help and volunteer service our wonderful program would not be possible.

New moms and children are always welcome. Those interested in joining the fun can call 875-2550 or come in and sign up at the circulation desk. Don't wait too long as registration is limited. For more information regarding pre-school story hour please call or stop in and see us.

### New Library Hours

You may already know that as of November 5 the Gilman Library has changed the hours that the library is open to the public. Our new hours are as follows: Tuesday and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The library will be closed on Sundays and Mondays. We hope the adjustment to this change will be easy for everyone, and we apologize for any inconvenience this change may cause. Book marks with the new hours are available here at the library.

### Annual Holiday Tea

The Friends of the Gilman Library Annual Holiday Tea will be held on December 4 from 2 - 4 p.m. at the library. All are invited to attend this beautiful and joyous holiday event. If you are interested in helping to decorate the library, donating a baked good for the event, or helping with the clean-up, please contact the library or sign up at the circulation desk. We hope to see you there.

### Discussing Books

The Book Discussion Group will be meeting on Monday, November 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the Agnus Thompson Meeting Room at the Gilman Library to discuss *The Blues Man* by Andre Dubus III. If you are in need of a copy of the book, please let us know. All are welcome.

### Another Beautiful Mum Sale

Our sincere thanks go to all of you who took part in the Annual Mum Sale in September, either through volunteering your time or purchasing mums. As in the years past we are very grateful to Sunflower Gardens for providing the beautiful mums and for making a very generous donation to the Gilman Library Building Fund. The continuing support of the Friends of the Gilman Library, Sunflower Gardens, and members of our community is very much appreciated. Thank you again.

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By Robert G. Eddy,  
 Post Commander

Cliff Wooldridge was 23 years old when he enlisted in the Army. After attending the Normoyle Ordinance School in Texas, he left for England and was assigned to Company "C" 308th Division. This division battled in Normandy, northern France, the Rhineland, Ardennes, and central Europe. He held the rank of Sergeant and was finally discharged in 1945.

Cliff has restored a World War II Jeep which Post 1163 uses in the local parades. He is active in the Post, and "Sarge" keeps us in line at our monthly meetings.

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Barr, Nevada  
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 Diamant, Anita  
 Esquivel, Laura  
 Gardner, Lisa  
 Garwood, Julie  
 Greeley, Andrew

Grimes, Martha  
 MysteryHess, Joan  
 Howard, Linda  
 Iles, Greg  
 Jance, J. A.  
 Jong, Erica  
 Kellerman, Faye  
 King, S. & Straub, P.  
 Lindsey, Johanna  
 Muller, Marcia  
 Oates, Joyce Carol  
 Parker, Robert B.  
 Plain, Belva  
 Sparks, Nicholas  
 Truman, Margaret  
 Walters, Minette

#### LARGE PRINT

Coulter, Catherine

#### NONFICTION

Armstrong, Lance  
 Dunn, Dominick  
 Ehrenreich, Barbara  
 Mayle, Peter  
 Wight, Jim

#### CHILDREN

Brown, Margaret Wise  
 Jacques, Brian  
 Rylant, Cynthia  
 Sharmat, Marjorie W.

Naked Came the Phoenix  
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 Antrax (Book 2)  
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 Hemlock Bay  
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 Corelli's Mandolin  
 The Red Tent  
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 The Next Accident  
 Mercy  
 Bishop and the Beggar Girl of St.  
 Germain  
 The Blue Last: A Richard Jury  
 Maggody and the Moonbeams  
 Open Season  
 Dead Sleep  
 Paradise Lost  
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# Main Street's Information Center

## NOVEMBER

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### NOVEMBER EVENTS

Wed. Oct. 31	TRICK OR TREAT IN ALTON, 5 - 7 p.m.
Thu. 1	<i>Whose Life Is It Anyway</i> , Apache Players, Alton Central School (ACS), 7 p.m., see story
Fri. 2	<i>Whose Life Is It Anyway</i> , ACS, 7 p.m.
Sat. 3	CHRISTMAS FAIR, Community Church, Lunch 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Fair begins 9 a.m., see story DINNER THEATER, Dinner 5:30 p.m., reservations required; <i>Whose Life Is It Anyway</i> , 7 p.m., see story
Mon. 5	NEW LIBRARY HOURS BEGIN, see Checkout SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST, Town Hall, New Voter Registration, 7 - 8 p.m.
Wed. 7	BINGO, American Legion Hall, Rte. 28, 6:30 p.m.
Thu. 8	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon
Sat. 10	WOMEN'S SAFETY SEMINAR, Alton Central School, 8:30 a.m., see story
Sun. 11	VETERANS' DAY CEREMONY FOR VETERANS' DAY, Monument Square, 11 a.m., Flag Dedication, 11:30 a.m. REMEMBER SEPTEMBER 11, Baptist Meeting House, Main Street, 7 p.m., see story
Mon. 12	BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, Library, 6:30 p.m., see Checkout
Tue. 13	BLOOD DRIVE, Alton Central School, 3:45 - 7:45 p.m., Alton Central School, see story
Wed. 14	CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCH, Conference Center, 11:30 a.m., see story DELIBERATIVE SESSION, Special District Meeting, 6 p.m., see story
Thu. 15	BINGO, American Legion Hall, Rte. 28, 6:30 p.m.
Sat. 17	AMERICA RECYCLES DAY, see story PTSA CRAFT FAIR, Alton Central School, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Food available, see story
Sun. 18	COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE, Baptist Meeting House, Main Street, 6 p.m., see story
Wed. 21	BINGO, American Legion Hall, Rte. 28, 6:30 p.m.
Thu. 22	THANKSGIVING DAY COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER, American Legion Hall, Rte. 28, 12 noon - 3 p.m., see story
Tue. 27	COLLEGE ADMISSIONS & FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP, Alton Central School, 6:30 p.m., see story
Wed. 28	BINGO, American Legion Hall, Rte. 28, 6:30 p.m.
Thu. 29	ASSEMBLE <u>Main Street</u> , American Legion Hall, Rte. 28, 6:30 p.m.

TO LIST YOUR EVENT SUBMIT WRITTEN INFORMATION TO:  
(1) P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810 or (2) Bank of New Hampshire (Main Street box). **Be sure to include a phone number.**

### REGISTRATION REMINDERS

By Lisa Waterman, Town Clerk

Here are a few reminders about the car registration process.

1) Renewals: you must bring in either the current registration or renewal letter;

2) Multiple renewals: Add town amounts together for one check payable to the "Town of Alton" and add state amounts together for one check payable to the "State of NH - MV;"

3) "Moose" or "Conservation" renewals: current registration or photo copy is **REQUIRED**;

4) New registration, 1989 model year or newer: certificate of origin, title or blue title application from NH dealer is **REQUIRED**;

5) New registration, 1988 model year or older: bill of sale and one of the following a) current NH registration, b) valid out-of-state title, or c) "VIN" verification form which can be picked up at the Town Clerk's Office;

6) Transfer: current registration is needed to transfer a registration from one vehicle to a new vehicle;

7) We cannot take credit cards — cash or checks only.

Hopefully these hints will help you save time when registering your vehicle. If you have any questions, please call the Town Clerk's Office at 875-2101, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### VOTER REGISTRATION

By MaryBee Longabaugh, Supervisor of Checklist

If you, as a new resident of Alton, wish to take part in the Special District Meeting — Deliberative Session — where the Joint Maintenance Agreement with Barnstead will be discussed prior to the Ballot Vote in December in accordance with SB2, you must be a registered voter and have your name on the voters Checklist.

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Monday, November 5, 7 - 8 p.m. in Town Hall. You must present a picture ID and a proof of residency (electric bill, cable bill, car registration, etc.) showing a physical address on it, not just a P. O. Box. You can also sign up in the Town Clerk's Office, but not the night of the Deliberative Session.

### HAVE YOUR WOOD STOVE AND FURNACE BEEN INSPECTED LATELY?

Have you considered having your wood stove inspected by someone knowledgeable? You may have been using your stove during the cool spell and then shut it down when the weather warmed up. Don't forget, the chimney does get dirty and should be checked out before using it again. Cleaning chimneys and proper installation are the two most important aspects of fire safety.

Don't forget your furnace. When was the last time you had a qualified person inspect, clean, and adjust yours? Have the filters been changed recently? Do you know if your furnace has an emergency shut-off switch and where it is located?

Finally, when you reset your clocks to EST, did you remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors?

For safety's sake, please do all these things now!



# Main Street's 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.; Worship Services, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the Conference Center Chapel; Wed. night Family Supper at 6 p.m. in the Lombard Center Dining Hall; Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor; Rev. John Fogell, Assoc. Pastor
- Community Church — Sun. School, 9:45 a.m.; Sun. Services, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; nursery available on premises; Congregational Meeting House, Church St.; 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 — Weekend Masses at Baptist Meeting House on Main Street; Services, Sat., 4 p.m. and Sun., 8:30 a.m.; Weekday Masses, Tue. and Thu., 8 a.m. and Communion Services Mon. and Wed., 8 a.m. in Parish Hall; Fr. George Robichaud, Pastor, 875-7191. Sun. Mass St. Paul's in Barnstead, 10:00 a.m.
- 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

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

### SENIOR MEAL SITE: 875-7102

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

### SOLID WASTE CENTER: 875-5801

Sun., Mon., Fri., and Sat., 7 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

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Rines Road Pit — Sat. and Sun., 8 a.m. - 2:45 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, Rte 28

American Legion Auxiliary — 3rd 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

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., Pearson Road

Community Center

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 — Tue., 1 p.m., 875-2866

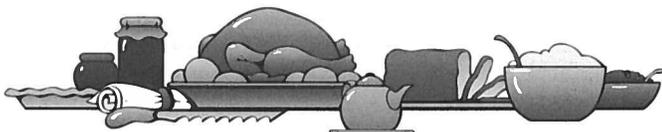
P.T.S.A. — 3rd Wed., Alton Central School HS Library, 7 p.m.

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.; Cable Channel 25 replay following Thursday, 7 p.m. and Friday, 9 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 Ruth Messier, 875-6750
- CEMETERY TRUSTEES — Meetings posted at Town Hall and Post Office, Chairman Shirley Lane, 875-5864.
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m., Town Hall, Chairman Lisa Erickson-Harris, 364-6388.
- FIRE WARDS — 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., Central Fire Station, Chairman Richard Quindley, 875-2910\*
- GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE — Meets on call, Chairman Bill Crocker, 875-2161.
- 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 — 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., Chairman Alan Sherwood; call 875-5095 for appointment.
- SCHOOL BOARD — 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6 p.m., Chairman Joyce Hopper, 776-8733
- SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST — Meets on call, Chairman MaryBee Longabaugh, 875-5067.
- TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY — 3rd Monday, 3:45 p.m., Chairman Nancy Jordan, 875-2550.
- TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS — Meets on call, Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321.
- WATER COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Water Department Office, Chairman Reuben L. Wentworth, 875-4200
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT — 1st Thursday, 7 p.m., Chairman Fran Washburn, 875-5095.
- \*DENOTES A CHANGE OF INFORMATION  
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## OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

### U.S. SENATE

Robert C. Smith, 307 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510-2903; Phones: (800) 922-2230, (202) 224-2841, Fax: (202) 224-1353; e-mail: [opinion@smith.senate.gov](mailto:opinion@smith.senate.gov)

Judd Gregg, 393 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510-2904; Phones (202) 224-3324, (603) 225-7115, Fax (202) 224-4952; e-mail: [mailbox@gregg.senate.gov](mailto:mailbox@gregg.senate.gov)

### U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

John E. Sununu, 1229 Longworth House Office Building, Washington DC 20515; Phones (202) 225-5456, (603) 641-9536, Fax (202) 225-5822; e-mail: [Rep.Sununu@mail.house.gov](mailto:Rep.Sununu@mail.house.gov)

### N.H. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Ray Burton, 271-3632 (Concord), 747-3662 (Woodsville)

### N.H. SENATE

Robert Boyce, 875-7371, E-mail: [SenatorBoyce@metrocast.net](mailto:SenatorBoyce@metrocast.net)

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Gordon Bartlett, 524-1220 (w), 524-6536 (h)

Laurie Boyce, 875-7371, E-mail: [ljb@metrocast.net](mailto:ljb@metrocast.net), "walk-in" office hours 1st Friday of the month, Town Hall, 9 - 11 a.m.

Stanley Czech, 875-3815, E-mail: [sdcczech@worldpath.net](mailto:sdcczech@worldpath.net)

Dave Russell, 364-7449, Fax: 7448, E-mail: [russells@worldpath.net](mailto:russells@worldpath.net)

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Christopher D. Boothby, 527-5400

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

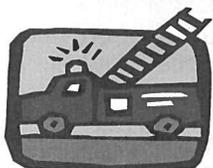
James C. Washburn, Chairman, 364-7413

Don Irvin, 875-2161

William Ryan, 875-2112

Stephan McMahon, 875-6322

Reuben Wentworth, 875-3388



**IN SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY  
By Chief Russ Sample  
Alton Fire Department**

**WHAT FALL MEANS TO US**

Fall is here and time to set your clock back. Coming into heating season time, we must be reminded to clean our chimney and heating appliances, and change all of our smoke detector batteries and keep them clean.

We would like to thank those that have responded to provide needs for the Lakes Region Respite Program for New York Emergency personnel.

Today's mail provided a large poster and thank you from Masconomet Regional High School for rescuing one of their eighth graders from the top of Mt. Major. A thank you is what emergency services is all about. All of us here at the Alton Fire and Rescue Department wish to thank you for your support as we continue a busy fall training season with Emergency Medical Technician Recertification Training, Commercial Driver Operator, and Motor Vehicle Accident and Extrication Training.

October was Fire Prevention Month and the fire prevention crew was at it at Alton Central School. The photo, above, shows the students checking out the ladder truck. The crew talked about fire safety, displayed the Thermal Imaging Camera, and topped it off with a tour of the Barnstead Fire and Rescue's mobile "Fire Safety House." Thanks to Lts. Gary and Sharon Hannafin, Lt. Ed Consentino, EMT's and firefighters Tom Chagnon, Tony Castelli, Craig Comeau, Mary Jane Dascoli, Stark Liedtke, Deanna Outhuse, and Justin Hastings. A special thanks to the Barnstead Fire and Rescue Department for lending us their "smoke house" and Deputy Chief Rodney Boyd for his help and assistance.

**ALL NIGHT PARKING BAN  
IN EFFECT THROUGH APRIL 1**

According to a town ordinance, motor vehicles or trailers are not permitted to be parked or stopped on any highway in Alton between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. from November 15 through April 1, or at any other time during snow storms when snow removal maintenance is being performed.

The fine is \$10, and vehicles in violation of this ordinance may be towed away at the owner's expense.

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**BEGINNING THE WINTER SEASON**

November is the month that begins the winter season, and begins the deer hunting season. This year the muzzle loader season starts November 3 throughout the state. In all Wildlife Management Units (WMU's), except L and M, November 3 is the only day for taking either sex deer. November 4 all WMU's change to antlered, or "bucks" only, except for units L and M. Those WMU's are our seacoast units, and the deer there did not suffer the winter mortality rates of the herds in the rest of the state. The rest of the state has only one "doe day" in order to give the herd a chance to recover from the past harsh winter.

On November 14 the firearms deer season opens statewide. In the Alton area, WMU J2, either sex deer can be taken only on the 14th. November 15 through December 9 one may harvest antlered deer only in the Alton J2 area. There are no "doe days" at all in ten of the WMU's. Be sure to check the regulations carefully for the areas you hunt.

November 15 is the peak of New Hampshire's "rut" (the deer breeding season). Plan to hunt hard the week before and the week after for the best chance to bag your buck. You can catch them off guard as they cruise a bigger territory in search of breeding does. Any time you can be in the woods is a good time. This later season also provides a good chance of some tracking snow.

If you are lucky enough to put some venison on the table, be sure to give some extra thanks on the 24th for the wild game we hunt, the privilege of owning firearms, the land we are allowed to use freely, and all the freedoms and rights our flag gives us. New Hampshire says it eloquently: "Live Free or Die."

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**ALTON PTSA 6TH ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR**

**By Joyce Hopper, Fair Chairperson**

On Saturday, November 17, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Alton Central School, holiday shoppers will have the opportunity to buy unique gifts and once again contribute to an organization whose aim is to support education in this lake-side community.

Hand-crafted items and edible goodies appealing to every age and taste will be displayed and sold at the Alton Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) sixth Annual Holiday Craft Fair.

This fair will feature more than 30 crafts people from throughout the area. Some of the items waiting to find themselves as holiday gifts include fine stained glass lamps, handmade doll clothing, Beanie Babies, jewelry, flower arrangements, hand-painted wooden toys and decorative items, quilts, and hand knits in sizes to fit toddler to granddad.

Each crafter will donate one item for a raffle. The fair involves the whole school community — parents, teachers, and students. Different grades will offer a variety of gifts and food for sale, as well as a special room just for children.

No one will go home hungry with all the tasty culinary temptations available at the Holiday Cafe.

Spaces are still available to area craftsmen. A 10' space without a table costs \$20 or \$25 with a table. Call me at 776-8733 to reserve your space.

**CABLE TV COVERAGE ON JOINT  
HIGH SCHOOL WITH BARNSTEAD**

**By Bob Longabaugh**

The story on page 3 of this issue of Main Street explains where Alton stands in its negotiations with the Barnstead School District to build a high school to serve both communities. Alton residents who subscribe to cable television can tune to LRPA-TV's Channel 25 to follow some of these proceedings.

Currently on "the tube" are replays of the public hearing held in Barnstead on October 3. A good number of people from Alton spoke at this hearing, and it's worth the time to hear their views prior to attending the Alton School Deliberative Session on November 14. The last play of this video on Channel 25 will occur on Wednesday, October 31, at 11 p.m. Shortly after that the tape will be available for check out at the Gilman Public Library.

The school Deliberative Session will be videorecorded also for later replays on Channel 25. The first replay will be on Thursday, November 15, at 9 p.m. with repeats the next morning at 3 and 11 a.m. It will be shown several more times before the balloting occurs on December 19, so keep checking the Channel 25 program listings. All voters are urged to participate in the Deliberative Session, but if you are unable to do so, Channel 25 can help you stay up to date on the issues.



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**TOWN DRILLS THIRD WELL**

By Bob Longabaugh

Far beyond the outfield of Alton's "Little Fenway" and Jones' Field, and not that distant from the Merrymeeting River, the town's water department is expanding its capacity. Shown above is the drilling rig of the D.L. Maher Company in the process of "striking it rich" for Alton's water supplies.

This will be the town's third municipal well, joining the 160 g.p.m. well adjacent to the Central Fire Station and the 300 g.p.m. well on the western edge of Levey Park. At 500 g.p.m. the new well will double the town's water supply when it goes on line next summer.

**VIDEOGRAPHERS SOUGHT**

Fans of LRPA-TV's Channel 25 will recognize that the meetings of the Alton Selectmen are on "the tube" thanks to the generosity of local videographer Paul Doane. Paul donates his time twice a month to recording the meetings so that they may be played back over the local public access channel. After LRPA-TV has completed their re-runs, the tapes are deposited in Alton's Gilman Library to be available to all residents.

The Town now seeks to increase the number of meetings and events shown on Channel 25. For one, at its meetings the Planning Board delves into many issues that will affect the future of Alton. Busy family schedules keep parents and other residents from attending board meetings, but that need not prevent them from becoming informed if they can tune into Channel 25 at a more convenient time.

Volunteers with a bit of a knack for pointing a camera are being sought to increase LRPA-TV's coverage of Alton. If you feel that you fall into this category, please let your willingness be known to Bob Longabaugh at 875-5067.

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## A POPULAR COURSE RETURNS: THE WOMEN'S SAFETY SEMINAR

The Alton Police Department's WOMEN'S SAFETY SEMINAR will be offered again this year. The time and place is November 10 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Alton Central School. The seminar is open to women of all ages. Topics will include personal safety, legal issues, and self-defense techniques. Lunch will be provided.

In the past this has been an enjoyable and informative experience. The department has received many positive comments from earlier participants on the value of the course. We look forward to seeing new faces, as well as alumni. Bring your mom, your daughter, or a woman friend. Everyone who attends will get something from this seminar.

To register please call 875-0757 and leave your name and phone number with Christine or Susan; or stop by the police station on Depot Street anytime between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. We are looking forward to another successful turnout.

## ACS OFFERS WORKSHOP ON COLLEGE ADMISSIONS AND FINANCIAL AID

The Alton Central School (ACS) guidance office will be conducting a College Admissions/Financial Aid Workshop on Tuesday, November 27, in the ACS High School Library. The program is planned for juniors and seniors and their parents. However, all interested students, parents, and community members are invited to attend. Following is a schedule for the program:

6:30 p.m. - College Admissions Process  
by Mrs. Marilyn St. Cyr, Guidance Director.

7:30 p.m. - Financial Aid Workshop  
by Mrs. Beth Cilley, University of New Hampshire, Financial Aid Administrator.

Please feel free to attend one or both sessions. If you have any questions, call the guidance office at 875-0382.



## HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

By Ken Roberts  
Highway Agent

### CULVERTS AND DITCH LINES

It is that time of the year again; the leaves are turning, the nights are cold, frost (burr), and the smell of wood stoves in the air. A beautiful time of the year for winter is cold but our hearts are warm.

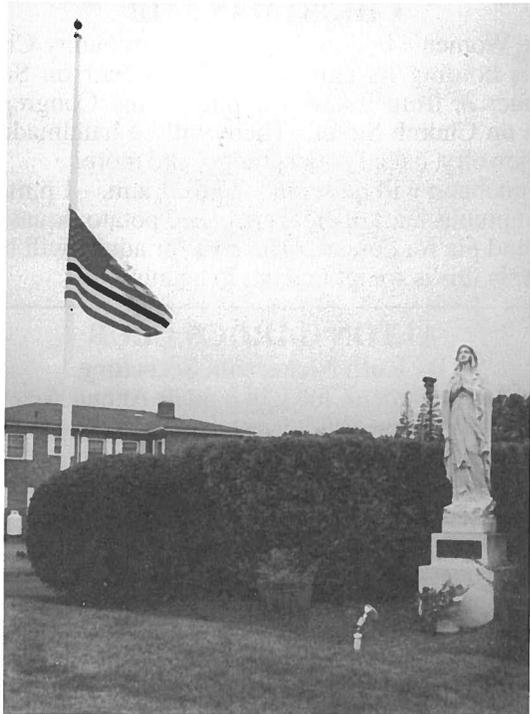
We had our first signs of snow on October 8. A reminder — please keep your culverts cleaned and keep any leaves and/or debris from settling in the ditch lines. Keeping the ditch lines free from debris will save the roads from any water running on them and creating ice.

The first phase of Alton Mountain Road should be close to completion. We are sorry for any inconveniences that this has caused.

There is an opening at the Highway Department for a truck driver; applications can be picked up at the office on Letter S Road.

The departure of Daylight Savings Time is upon us; please wear reflectors while walking and drive safely.

Remember Public Safety Is Our Number One Concern.



**NOW YOU SEE IT**

Last month's issue of Main Street carried (on page 19) a photo essay, "Flags of the Times," by staff reporter and photographer Joe Harris. Unfortunately, due to a miscue between the editor and the printer, the middle photo in the essay was cropped incorrectly and the statue of St. Joan of Arc was missing from the picture. Above, cropped correctly, is what the viewer should have seen last month. We apologize to Joe for not getting it right the first time.

**"SPARE TIME" ACTIVITIES  
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If you are recently retired or have just moved to Alton, there are many opportunities to be helpful and give satisfaction at the same time. Main Street will review our local volunteer organizations in the next few issues. Is one right for you?

**This Month: The Historical Society**

The Alton Historical Society was founded in 1950 to encourage interest in the history of Alton. It accepts and preserves articles of historic interest in its museum which is in the lower level of the Gilman Library. The museum is open in July and August on Wednesday and Friday afternoons and by appointment. It houses documents, as well as furniture, machinery, and schoolhouse articles, from Alton's 205 years. Occasionally special displays are put in the Town Hall and library. School children, especially Grade 4 and high school history classes, work with society members in special activities.

There are seven monthly meetings from April through October on the third Tuesday of the month held in local historic places. Programs are interesting and informative. A popular program has been the appraisal of antique possessions. All year work is ongoing to organize and catalog contributions at the museum. Requests for genealogies or family land information are answered, if possible.

There are always tasks, many sedentary, to be accomplished. Any assistance is most welcome. Contact person is Pat Merrill at 875-3535.



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## CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Women's Fellowship of the Community Church of Alton is holding its annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 3, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Congregational Church on Church Street. There will be handmade crafts, plants, jewelry, baked goods, fudge, and more!

A luncheon will be served from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. It will be a sumptuous feast of chicken, baked potato, squash, green beans, and pie for dessert. The cost for adults will be \$6.

Surely this is something not to be missed!

## ALTON GARDEN CLUB

By Ruth Nickerson, Secretary

The Alton Garden Club will hold its Annual Meeting and Holiday Luncheon at Shibley's at the Pier on November 13 at 12:30 p.m.

Individual donations for the Mrs. Santa Fund will be received at that time.

Committee members are Daryl Czech, Chairman; Dorothy Folsom, Barbara Ingoldsby, Barbara Itchkawich, and Patricia Merrill.

## AMERICAN LEGION

By Ray Nadeau, Post Commander

The following is the November schedule for the American Legion in Alton.

Every Wednesday night from 6:30 - 9 p.m. we have Bingo; every Friday and Saturday nights from 4 - 8 p.m. light meals are served; Tuesday, November 6, is the Junior Auxiliary meeting from 6 - 7 p.m.; Monday, November 12 is the American Legion meeting from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday, November 13 is the Sons of the Legion meeting from 7 - 8 p.m.; Friday, November 16 is the Juniors Dance for grades 5 - 8 from 7 - 9:30 p.m. and on Monday, November 19 is the Auxiliary meeting from 7 - 8 p.m.

Of special note to the residents of Alton, on Sunday, November 11, there will be a Veterans' Day Ceremony at 11 a.m. at Monument Square and at 11:30 a.m. there will be a flag dedication. Thanksgiving Day we will hold a Community Thanksgiving Dinner from 12 noon - 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join us along with friends and neighbors. We especially welcome those who may not have anyone with whom to give thanks on this special day.

## AFTER-SCHOOL 4-H PROGRAM

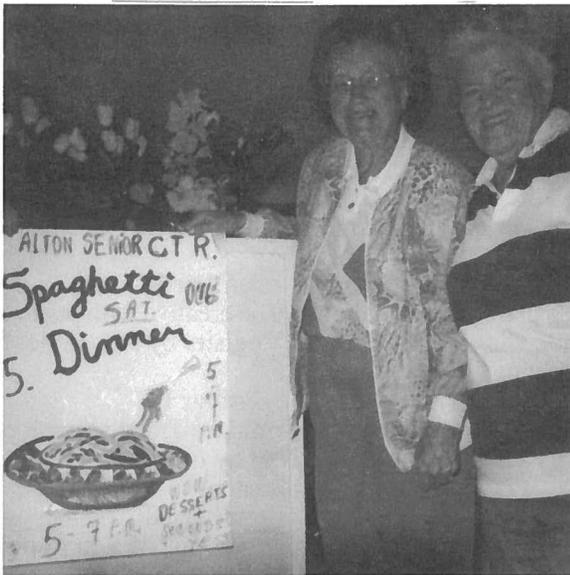
By Laura Dwyer, ACS Enrichment Coordinator

Alton Central School (ACS) will soon be hosting "4-H" in its after-school program. If you are between the ages of 5 and 18 and would like to join a particular interest group and share the excitement of discovery with others who share your dream, then 4-H is for you. Experience the joy of working on a common interest project — join a 4-H club. Some of the general categories of projects include: Animal Science, Citizenship/Leadership, Communication Arts, Science, Home and Family, Mechanical Science, and Natural Resources.

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**SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER**



A successful spaghetti dinner was enjoyed by many, including L. Ruthie and Peg Bowman, at the Pearson Road Community Center in early October. Part of the proceeds were put towards the New York Firemen's Relief Fund. Watch for more information regarding the French Dinner on December 8 which will include a bake sale of Tortiere, Gorton and pork pies for the holidays. Music is planned. The dinner is intended to support the school scholarship fund.

**ACS APPOINTS NEW MATH TEACHER**

**By Russell E. Holden, ACS Principal**

Alton Central School's (ACS's) Math Department is on the move, offering greater challenges and more variety of experiences to its students.

We wish to welcome Charles L. Rando, our newly appointed 7-12 Math Curriculum Director, who comes to us with 25 years of teaching experience at Malden Catholic High School and Marblehead High School in Massachusetts. Originally from Danvers, Massachusetts, he presently resides in Moultonborough.

Classes in Applied Math have enjoyed several speakers from our community helping to focus on the real world connection to math. They have included Miss Heather Chase, formerly of A. O. N. Insurance, and William Gallagher of Boston who spoke to the class about the mathematics connection to the insurance industry. Mr. Robert Sibulkin from DeWolfe Realty discussed the number crunching that is involved in home purchasing and a career in real estate.

October will mark Alton's entry into the New England Mathematics League and its competition on a monthly basis with over 1,000 schools in New England. Alton "Matheletes" will measure themselves against the most talented math students in the area.

Curriculum changes under consideration will raise the bar for all our students and broaden their experience.

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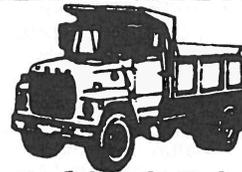
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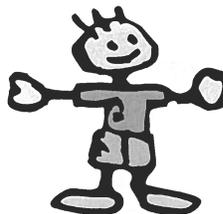
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### Wednesday, November 7

Let's use our imagination and be creative with paint, clay, and sand. Class can be messy! Register by November 5. Thanksgiving Celebration

### Wednesday, November 14

We will go on a turkey hunt, make a Thanksgiving craft, as well as a theme snack. Register by November 9.

### Puppet Theater

### Wednesday, November 28

We will make simple puppets and put on a short puppet play in our "theater." Register by November 26.

## FAREWELL TO KELLIE TROENDLE

By Joe Harris

Members from all town offices and departments, elected officials, and friends gathered at the Town Hall on October 11, for a party to honor and bid farewell to Kellie Troendle, departing Director of Alton Parks and Recreation Department.

Selectman Jim Washburn presented Troendle with a plaque of recognition commending her outstanding service and contributions to the town. Washburn praised her for "doing a superlative job," adding that she will be sorely missed by the entire community.

Town Administrator Pam Arnold and Highway Agent Ken Roberts spoke in praise of Troendle's devotion to the community, each presenting gifts of appreciation on behalf of their departments. Roberts read a poem composed by Pat Rockwood in honor of Kellie and presented her a framed copy. Troendle thanked the crowd for their kindness and generosity, noting she would miss everyone. Troendle departs Alton for her new career after serving as parks and recreation director for the past nine years.



## TOWN HALL NOTES

By Pamela Arnold  
Town Administrator

### REC DIRECTOR SOUGHT

The Town of Alton bids a fond farewell to our Recreation Director as she moves up her career ladder. Kellie Troendle has been a dedicated employee and a delight to work with for the last nine years. We will miss her very much.

This does create an opening, and we are inviting anyone with the qualifications and interest to send their application to Town Hall, Post Office Box 659, Alton 03809. Minimum qualifications are a B.S. degree with a major course of study in leisure services management plus one year of recreation administration experience, preferably for a municipality. This person should have an understanding and experience in principles and methods of community parks and recreation administration, knowledge of operating budgets and capital budgets, and familiarity with municipal government and applicable laws. A valid drivers license is required. This position also includes the administration of the grounds and maintenance department.

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November 12 - 16: Mon., Closed for Veteran's Day; Tue., Chicken Cacciatore; Wed., Sliced Turkey/Gravy; Thu., Macaroni & Cheese; Fri., Baked Meat Loaf/Onion Gravy.

November 19 - 23: Mon., Ham/Sauce or Chicken Breast; Tue., Tuna Casserole; Wed., Thanksgiving Dinner/Make Reservations; Thu., Closed for Thanksgiving Day; Fri., Potato Crunch Fish Filet.

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. . . the dedication of Prospect View Homes, the 26-unit project of Alton Housing for the Elderly, was reported on with a special commendation to Juliet E. E. Peverley for her leadership in originating and implementing the project . . . Joseph Mooney's diary entries from 1815 to 1858 were quoted on local doings in Alton ("Fires drove our cattle home from the [Alton] Mountain") . . . the Alton School Music Department reported that eight Alton instrumentalists were participating in the 150 musician northern New England band festival . . . The Main Street staff was unable to find the answer to the question of who was William Charlesworth Levey and why does Alton have a park in his memory?

**TEN YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . Alton's 1991 tax rate was established at \$10.06 per \$1,000, which was a 6.7 percent increase from the previous year with the county's portion representing a 35 percent increase due to the \$10 million debt for Gunstock . . . Bonnie Joseph was appointed an Alton Selectman to fill the vacancy created by the death of Marion MacDonald . . . Joe Ferro was assembling a GYRO plane in his local engine shop . . . Elaine MacDonald took over from Marilyn Dame as the organizer of the Thanksgiving Basket Fund . . . Alton's Central School's Adam Johnson, Mary Penney, Matt Northridge, Michael O'Brien, Kevin Carr, and Rob Boudrow challenged a Pittsfield team on NH Public Television's "Granite State Challenge" . . . Alton resident Lorraine Durkee won a poetry award and was inducted into the International Society of Poets.

**FIVE YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . the library building campaign reached 87 percent of its \$600,000 goal . . . the Alton Parents Teachers Students Association (PTSA) was officially formed . . . the Bicentennial Focus series featured an article by Gwendolyn Jones . . . Alton Central High School student, Jonathan Strickland, met with second-year medical students at Harvard to discuss medical care from a patient's point of view . . . Water Superintendent Dick Quindley displayed a section of wooden water pipe found under Main Street and the Alton Water Works put its new treatment facility on line . . . Paula Hufschmid was named a Commended Student in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program.

**ACS's APACHE PLAYERS PRESENT ...**

**By Andrea Walker-Brown ACS Drama Director**

The Alton Teachers' Association (ATA) and the Apache Players proudly present a dinner theatre experience on Saturday, November 3. Dinner will be served starting at 5:30 p.m. in the Alton Central School (ACS) cafeteria with the play, *Whose Life Is It Anyway*, following at 7 p.m. in the gym.

Reservations must be made in advance by October 29 so please call 875-7500 and leave a message for Mrs. Hawkins or Mrs. Walker-Brown stating your dinner preference (meatloaf roll or chicken divan) and number of guests. The cost of this dinner theatre experience is \$10. Proceeds will go towards the ATA Scholarship Fund and supporting future productions of the Apache Players.

People who plan to attend the play but not the dinner may pay \$4 for adult tickets and \$2 for children under 12 at the door starting at 6:30 p.m. The Apache Players will also be performing *Whose Life Is It Anyway* by Brian Clark on November 1, and 2 at 7 p.m. in the ACS gym.

*Whose Life Is It Anyway* is a very moving drama about Claire Harrison, a young woman who becomes a quadriplegic after a traffic accident. The best medical professionals around are in her corner. Or are they? Just what rights does a patient have to make decisions about her own care? Claire Harrison has to face these challenges and more in order to learn just whose life it really is. Don't miss this moving production (and don't forget the Kleenex).

The cast includes Lyndsey Caron as Claire Harrison, Zach Shea as Dr. Scott, Dylan Laurion as Dr. Emerson, Justine Houghton as Nurse Anderson, Erin Wood as Mary Jo Sadler, Dan Quinn as John, and Amanda Boudreau as the judge. Other members of the cast and crew are Terese Hopper, Kristie Roberts, Annie Farrell, Molly Souliere, Sarah Tinkham, Norm Gilbert (stage manager), and Ryan Donnelly (set design).

**CALLING ALL YOUTH**

The Community Church of Alton has opened a Youth Drop-In Center at the church on Main Street. The center is open on Fridays from 3 - 10 p.m. All youth in grades 6 - 12 are welcome to come and "hang out" with their friends — play games, listen to music, watch movies — with adult supervision. Be sure to bring your friends and have some fun. We look forward to seeing you there. Adult volunteers are welcome to join us as well. Please contact the church at 875-5561 if you have any questions.



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