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PHOTO CONTEST SHOWING AT THE GILMAN LIBRARY

By Joe Harris

After several weeks of delays due, among other reasons, to the unexpected blizzard of '01, the Main Street Photo Exhibit has opened for public viewing. The exhibition is a definitive collection of works from eight emerging Alton photographers and represents a diverse collection of images. Works by contributing photographers include Ed Beaulieu, Danielle Deagle, Brenda Griffin, Carol Holt, Lisa Lafreniere, Carol Murtagh, Sarah Sanhage, and Shirley Zalenski.

The exhibition may be viewed in the lower lobby of the Gilman Library during regular business hours. It opened on March 18 and will continue through April. Please show your support and appreciation for the fine work presented by voting for your favorite photograph/photographer. Ballots are located in the lobby by the exhibit. Winners will be chosen by your votes.

Main Street would like to thank all who participated with a special word of thanks to Holly Brown and the staff of the Gilman Library for their support in allowing us to display this fine exhibit in the lobby.

All photographers will be contacted to make arrangements to pick up their photos at the end of the gallery showing. I would like to extend my personal thanks and congratulations to all of you for submitting and sharing your artwork with all of us here at Main Street and Alton. You are all deserving of the praises and compliments I have received in the past weeks for your endeavors. Keep up the good work!

If you have further questions, please call me at 364-6388.

TOWN MEETING PRODUCES RESULTS

By Bob Longabaugh

Four hours of deliberations on March 14 resulted in a town operating budget of \$3,637,609 for the current year and almost all of the equipment requests fulfilled. The one money warrant article that was handily defeated (\$10,000 for the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund) came about when Highway Agent Ken Roberts asked the voters to turn it down. He said an accounting omission was discovered that afternoon showing the fund had more money than they thought.

The other article that was turned down by the Town meeting was the petition to make Church and School Streets one way. This was perceived as a safety issue for the school children and over a half hour was devoted to discussion before the show of voters' cards made it a "no go." During the debate more than one speaker rose to express frustration that the Selectmen and School Board agreed years ago that there was a problem but have yet to agree on a solution.

Money articles given the go ahead by the voters included \$185,659 for a new ambulance; \$50,000 for the Fire Department's equipment reserve; \$60,000 for a 1-ton dump truck; \$600,000 for the Highway Reconstruction Fund; \$50,000 for Highway Department equipment reserve; and \$40,000 to a reserve fund for reconstructing the town's tennis courts. Over 20 minutes of discussion were involved in agreeing to establishing a real property revaluation capital reserve and placing \$147,000 in the new fund.

The Main Street sidewalk reconstruction project was allotted \$29,611 of town monies; a questioner was told the sidewalk toward the bay would be on one side of the street and not back-and-forth as it is now. The Benefit Pay Trust Capital Reserve Fund received \$50,000 while the Police Department saw \$24,000 come its way to replace one of its patrol vehicles and \$18,000 to equip all four active cruisers with mobile video systems. A Solid Waste Center equipment capital reserve fund was established and \$10,000 placed in it.

The Water Department got \$25,000 to be placed in a vehicle capital reserve fund toward a new truck, which would be eventually funded by water user fees. The voters appropriated \$15,000 to replace the police station's leaky roof, and the Fire Department got \$8,300 for a system to vent vehicle fumes. Eight community service organizations received \$46,246 which also included the town's dues to the Lakes Region Planning Commission.

The other petition article, to sell town land on the west side of Route 11 in Alton Bay to the present two lessees, received a half hour of debate and was eventually approved. An independent real estate appraisal company is to establish the fair market value with no costs to be born by the town.

If you missed Town Meeting, or want to see yourself on TV, the last replay on cable Channel 25 will be on Wednesday, April 4 at 12 a.m. A week later the videocassettes will be available for checkout at the Gilman Library.



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ALTON GARDEN CLUB

By Ruth Nickerson

The Alton Garden Club will hold its first meeting of 2001
on Tuesday, April 24, at 1:30 p.m. at the Gilman Library.

The program, to be presented by Librarian Holly Brown,
is entitled, "A Review of Gardening Books."

The committee providing refreshments will be Marion
Davis, Chairman, Agnes Coney, Daryl Czech, Margaret
Favreau, Dorothy Folsom, Jane Hamilton, Barbara Ingoldsby,
and Poncy Sherburne.

ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Alton Historical Society will hold its first meeting of
2001 on Tuesday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Agnes
Thompson Room of the Gilman Library. We welcome all the
members and friends to our museum and our programs for
2001. After the business meeting to bring everyone up to
date on winter events, we will welcome some of Nancy
Merrill's history students. They have been researching Alton
history this winter and will present their papers.

This is our membership meeting, and our treasurer, Ann
Morse, will be prepared to accept dues which are still \$5 per
year. Also we will be setting up schedules for the summer
openings of our museum and the programs for and with the
Alton elementary school children in April and May. As usual,
there will be delicious refreshments.

Our meetings are always free and open to anyone
interested in preserving and sharing Alton history. We hope
to see you there.



FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK
By Donald E. Parks
Superintendent of Schools

**INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM
CHANGES**

I was very pleased and gratified for the community's
support for the passage of our budget and the other warrant
articles, particularly the one on the teacher contract. I want
to express a sincere thank you to one and all. We will continue
to work with and for you to make Alton Central School one
of the best small schools in the state.

Looking to next year, please be informed the district will
be making a number of changes that we feel will make a
difference in our instructional program. The motivation for
these changes were twofold.

First, we felt it was educationally and economically sound
to run our own pre-school special education program. To do
so meant we had to find a room. We found a room by
combining two sections of Grade 1 into one of the two large
kindergarten classrooms. There will be two teachers for
about 30 students. We will be eliminating a combined Grade
4 and creating three individual self-contained classrooms in
that grade. Two sections of Grade 2 will be moved into the
large classroom that housed the two fourth grades. Again,
there will be two teachers and approximately 30 students.

The second reason for the changes was we felt after
observing teachers and looking at our program for one year,
we could reassign some teachers to different grade levels to
take advantage of their strengths. The changes that will occur
in 2001-2002 are listed below.

1) Mrs. White and Mrs. Quann will teach Grade 1 in one
of the large rooms. We expect there will be about 30 students
with each teacher having 15. There will be times when they
will team teach and times when they will work with their
own students. We feel both teachers are outstanding and
will provide a superior program for their students. 2) Mrs.
Zappone and Miss Bolduc will offer a similar program in
Grade 2 in one of our other large rooms. We feel an
outstanding program will be offered by both teachers.

3) The following teachers will be moving: Mrs. Blair to
Grade 3, Mrs. Cook to Grade 2, Mrs. Wallace to Grade 1,
Mrs. Smith to Grade 4, Mrs. Hayes to Grade 3, Mr. Thornton
to Grade 4, and Mr. Kirby to Grade 5. 4) We are moving the
Grade 7 students to three rooms in the two modulars adjacent
to the back parking lot. 5) We are returning all elementary
classes to the main building. 6) The remedial reading and
math programs and the gifted and talented programs will be
housed in one of the remaining rooms in the modulars next to
the parking lot. 7) We are moving the French and Spanish
classrooms into the modular just off the courtyard at the main
entrance to the building. By making this change we will have
the foreign language programs in one location, allowing for
better communication between them.

Although the faculty did express some concerns about
the changes, which is only natural when change occurs, they
have accepted them and will cooperate to implement them in
a very positive way. We are confident these changes will
make a difference in our instructional program. I will be
continuing to keep you informed about other events in the
district as they unfold.

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).



Main Street's Inside Front Page



HANNAFIN RECEIVES TOP POLICE HONORS

By Joe Harris

Patrolman Gary Hannafin has been chosen to receive the Alton Police Department's (APD) top honor as "Employee of the Year." The award is given in recognition of excellent service and commitment to the department and community. Hannafin is the first officer to be honored with the title.

Gary was on duty the night that Chief Kevin Iwans announced the winner. "It came as a complete surprise to me. I was impressed with receiving the award," said Hannafin with a modest smile. Fellow officers cast their ballots for the Employee of the Year, and Gary won by an overwhelming majority.

"It was my biggest goal, and most important to me, to earn the respect and trust of my brother and sister officers and to gain the trust and confidence of the community," said Hannafin. An Alton resident since 1986, he has served as a part-time patrolman with the APD for the past three years, working weekend and late night details, filling in for short shifts, and responding to occasional emergency calls. By day Gary is the manager of a medical surgical manufacturer located in Manchester and is responsible for overseeing 40 employees in four departments.

Aside from serving as a part-time police officer in his "spare time," Hannafin has been a member of the Alton Fire Department for the past seven years, recently being promoted to lieutenant, and a certified Emergency Medical Technician. He approached Police Chief Iwans to see "...if I could give something back to the community. My main goal was public service. I wanted to help the town and my neighbors do well." But before accepting the position with its inherent dangers, Gary sought permission from "my wife and three 'awesome' daughters." "I wouldn't have done it without their okay. They support me 110 percent." Although coming to the job with no law enforcement background, he has since attended the UNH Police Academy and participates in constant and rigorous police training and exercises.

The transition from firefighter to policeman came easily. Hannafin says that one of his greatest assets he brings to the job and community is his ability to "lead by example." As a business manager, firefighter, and — most important — a dad, he says "I think I understand the people here and what they expect from a police officer," citing "people skills are

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SAINT JOAN OF ARC'S EMERGING FUTURE

By Jeanne Tempest

In a letter to parishioners John McCormack, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Manchester, announced plans to pair six parishes in response to the shortage of priests. The letter was read at masses in the affected parishes on March 4. The union of most interest to Alton is the one of St. Cecilia in Wolfeboro and St. Joan of Arc.

The bishop wrote "It is important that we begin immediately to plan how to implement in the most pastorally effective way how St. Joan of Arc and St. Cecilia will share one pastor. To prepare for this new reality, a committee will be formed in the near future, which will be comprised of the pastors of both parishes and four lay representatives from each community."

Once the committee has arrived at some tentative recommendations, Bishop McCormack writes that he will ask members to convene a public meeting in both parishes and share the tentative recommendations with the whole community. "After weighing the concerns raised by the two communities, the committee will make final recommendations to me by the end of June," the letter reads in part. Bishop McCormack did not indicate how soon after that input is received he might be prepared to make a decision.

The Rev. George Robichaud, pastor of St. Cecilia, does not see a speedy resolution of the issue of St. Joan and St. Cecilia, taking into account that the Alton parish has no church building, and the facilities at St. Cecilia have no room for growth.

The projected shortage of priests had caused diocesan officials to look long-term at solutions to be ready in about five years. The fire last May that leveled St. Joan of Arc Church has moved the problem forward as officials seek some solution to the immediate problem that will coincide with solutions to the long-term problem.

WRITING AWARDS TO YOUNG AUTHORS

By Barbara Weatherbee, ACS Reading Director

Good luck to Ashley Herrick, author of *Little Sharks and Big Sharks*; Nikolai Logan for *The Hungry Shark*; and William Macdonald for *The Hungry Little and Big Sharks*, students at Alton Central School (ACS). They and their classmates are members of Mrs. Weatherbee's Grade 2 reading group who, in conjunction with Mrs. Dwyer's Enrichment/Gifted and Talented classes Grades 1 - 3, have been very busy writing and publishing their own books.

These ambitious students have entered their nonfiction books in the Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest. This is the seventh annual national contest in which all entrants will receive a certificate of achievement from LeVar Burton for submitting their book.

There will be four national grand prizes of computers, printers, plus a Reading Rainbow library set of ten videos and books. The schools and libraries of all eight winners will also receive sets of ten videos and books.

LeVar Burton's Reading Rainbow is broadcast on our local PBS station. To view previous winners' books log on to the web site: www.nhptv.org/kn.

If your faith has died, what better time than Easter to resurrect it?



Jesus came back to life. Why can't your faith do the same?
Come join us this Easter as we celebrate the miracle of the resurrection.

The Christian Churches of Alton
The Bay Church ~ The Community Church ~ St. Joan of Arc
(see Information Center for worship times)

THE BAY CHURCH HOLY WEEK

By Bob Hett, Pastor

On April 12 at 6 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion will be celebrated in the Lombard Center Dining Hall preceded by a Pot-Faith Supper. On Friday, April 13, we will car caravan to see "The Witness" at the Ossipee Bible Church, leaving at 6 p.m. The drama takes place at 7 p.m.

On Easter Sunday there will be a sunrise service at 6 a.m., held jointly with the Community Church at the Congregational Building on Church Street. At 10:45 a.m. at our regular service the choir will perform "A Living Hope," conducted by Associate Pastor John Fogell.

Please join us in our Holy Week celebration.

MOMS IN TOUCH

By Phyllis Brooks

After the two events that have happened in nearly a month of each other from one side of our coast to the other, what is it going to take to see our children (ALL our children) need our time, love, emotional support, and most of all our PRAYER!

Despite the school vacations and snow days, we Moms have been driven to our knees to pray for safety and compassion for Alton School. "A soft answer turns away wrath, but harsh words stir up anger." As I watched different news documentaries this week, they expressed the need to teach anger management. What a way to at least begin some of this management — with a soft answer. I know I need to practice this.

So, even if you can't seem to get out on Monday morning, join us in spirit at 8:30 a.m. in prayer for the sake of our children here in Alton. And if you would like to join us for the first time, feel free to call for directions at 875-2866. We will not meet April 23 due to vacation.

COMMUNITY CHURCH HOLY WEEK

By Penney Avery, Community Church

Holy Week is sure to be one of tremendous blessings to us all. All are welcome to join us at the Community Church for great celebration and worship. On April 10 Abra Morgenstern will present "Christ in the Passover" (see page 16). Then on April 12 will be our Maundy Thursday Service at 7:30 p.m. to help us all to remember the agony Christ willingly endured for us. Bright and early on Easter morning we joyfully join with the Bay Church for our sunrise service at 6 a.m. with a light breakfast to follow. Then we will have our two Easter morning worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. All will be at the Congregational Building on Church Street. We look forward to worshipping with you!

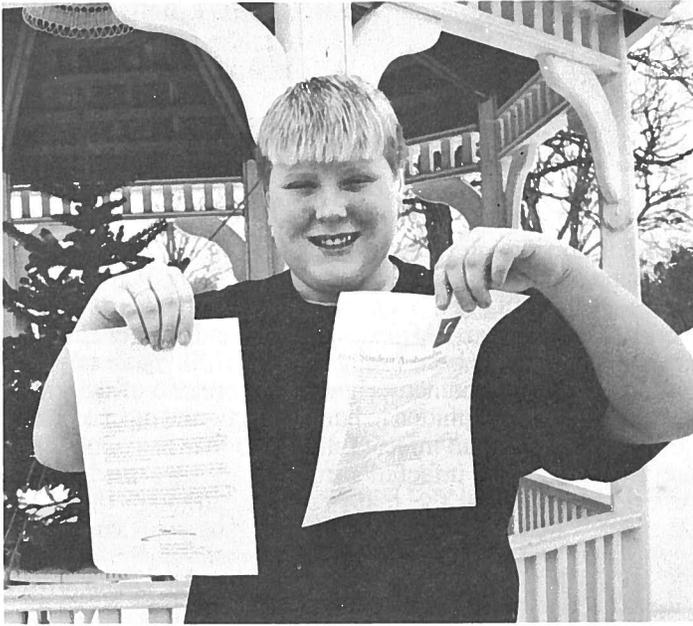
CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club will be sponsoring a "Spring Into Fashion" luncheon on Wednesday, April 11, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Conference Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay.

"Success Studio Fashion Show" is the Special Feature presented by Brenda Edusel of Bedford. Feel like a million without spending one. "Coordinating Your Life" will be presented by the Special Speaker, Kay Richards of Orono, Maine. She helps "special" children learn new skills.

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: Harriet at 524-7194 or Faith at 293-8073.

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



ALTON'S AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR

Steffan McNeil, a 7th grader at the Alton Central School, will have a unique opportunity this summer. He will be a Student Ambassador to Australia, along with 40 other students, for a three-week experience of service and adventure. He will be representing the United States, New Hampshire, and Alton through the People to People organization, chosen for his ability to promote peace.

Steffan is shown above with two letters he received. The letter from Mary Eisenhower stated that People to People

was started by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Upon the return of the first delegation in 1963, Walt Disney opened "Its A Small World" at Disneyland. Less than one percent of all American students are selected to participate, and they "represent the best the United States has to offer."

His letter from Sir Andrew Bowden, past chairman of the Board of Trustees of People to People congratulated him on joining in a program that "seeks the highest calibre individual to participate..." A former member of Parliament and the Council of Europe, Bowden stated that "only through communication and understanding among the nations of the world can there be real and lasting peace." His colleagues in Australia are ready to welcome the group.

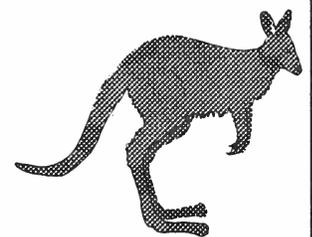
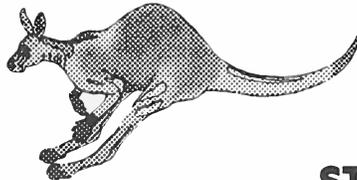
To prepare for the trip Steffan has been attending Saturday classes for six months. While Sydney is the primary destination, he will have the chance to visit and experience many different places, including a stay with an Australian family. Steffan is still looking for ideas as to what items he should take with him as gifts that represent his town and country. One item he has chosen is a copy of Main Street. A fund-raising project is in progress to help defray the costs of this trip. See the ad below. When he returns he will be writing an essay from all the notes he will have accumulated.

LAKES REGION ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL

On March 15 Alton Central School participated in the Lakes Region Middle School Academic Quiz Bowl. For their first time ever effort Alton Middle School students finished with a fifth place showing. The participating students were: Amanda Boudreau, Nathan Fogell, Rebecca Golden, Caila Kantar, Alex Kaszynski, Peter Kaszynski, Ashley Marren, Patrick Quinn, Derek Rondeau, Katrina Tidd, and Ty Trembley. The coaches were Kitty Croes and Ron Jacques.

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WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!!
 HELP HIM ON HIS WAY!
ALTON'S OWN
STUDENT AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRALIA

Steffan E. McNeil, 13, an Alton 7th grader, will be representing the President, United States of America, and Alton as a Student Ambassador to Australia. He needs your help and support.

Steffan was chosen for his ability to promote peace throughout the world. Very high standards and expectations accompany this selection. His Ambassadorship is made possible through People to People, a non-profit organization that sends students to represent the United States not only to Australia but all nations. Steffan brings with him Alton's and its surrounding communities' unfailing concepts and ideas of freedom and democracy. In a letter to President Bush Steffan wrote Alton is not just a town in America — **Alton IS America.**

To launch such an endeavor is expensive. We ask for your help to send Steffan half way around the world on a mission to bring America abroad with all the excitement and bright-eyed optimism of youth. Any bit of help is appreciated. Steffan needs to raise more than \$6,000 for this trip.

Please use the coupon below to send in your donation so we may thank you personally for helping our son accomplish something we would like to have done ourselves. **Time is of the essence.**

For more information on the People to People program, call 509-534-0430 or visit their web site at www.studentambassadors.org.

Make checks payable to BNH Student Ambassador Fund. Mail or bring your donation to Bank of New Hampshire, P. O. Box 998, Main St., Alton, NH 03809.

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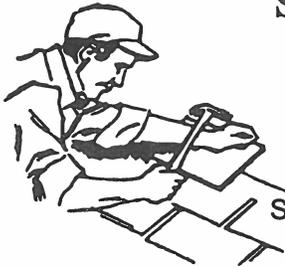
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TO PROTECT AND SERVE
By Detective Glenna Heath
Alton Police Department

THE WEST NILE VIRUS

In order to clear up any confusion among our residents the Animal Control Officer (ACO), Paul Selesky, has given me the following information about the West Nile Virus.

Before 1999 the virus had never been found in the United States. The virus had been confined to other parts of the world, to include Asia, Africa, Australia, and parts of Europe. The virus may have been brought to the U.S. via an infected bird or an infected human originating from one of the areas mentioned. It is transmitted to humans, pets, and other animals through the bite of an infected mosquito that has contracted the virus from an infected bird. It appears that North American crows are the main carriers, although there are other birds that may also be carriers. The virus cannot be transmitted from infected human-to-human contact.

As of last December there have been seven birds positively identified as having the virus in the U.S. As of this writing there have been no cases in New Hampshire. Should anyone find a dead crow or other bird, please contact the police department and we will have ACO Selesky investigate.



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

SPRING MEANS SOME OTHER THINGS TOO

Spring is here! You need to have a permit to burn after April 1, regardless of whether there is snow on the ground. We encourage you to clean up early. Material to be burned must be clean wood or brush, no larger than five inches in diameter. This does not include any stumps, pressure-treated lumber, leaves, or non-burnable items. For a permit to burn you must apply at the Central Fire Station on Route 140 each morning Monday through Friday. Those burning without a permit or beyond the rules are in violation of state law and will be cited accordingly. One could receive a bill if suppression expenses are incurred.

With the official business out of the way, I'd like to focus on the many people who should receive a giant "thanks" for their commitment. First, to the men and women of your Fire/Rescue Department for their service 24 hours a day, seven days a week, often exposing themselves to life-threatening situations. Those of you who attended Town Meeting, thanks for your support to the Fire Department. Our new ambulance should arrive in early summer, and we look forward to its addition to our Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

No piece of equipment is as important as the trained personnel who operate it. Two of these trained personnel I would like to recognize at this time for their skills and commitment are our most frequent responders, Lt/EMT-I Edward Consentino and EMT/FF Laurie Johnson. They excelled last month with a save on a cardiac arrest call.

There are many facets to a "call department" in a large vacation community. One is fire prevention and the other is community education. Lt. Gary Hannafin and his wife EMT Sharon Hannafin have met a great need in these two areas. Were it not for these and all our other dedicated personnel, the Emergency Medical and Fire Rescue Services would not be what you have come to appreciate.

In closing, thank you to the community in support of our thermal imaging camera fund. The fund has achieved its goal and we hope to purchase the camera this month.

SOCCKER CLUB SPRING NEWS

By Terry Stamp

The Board of Directors of the Lakes Region Soccer Club is pleased to announce that plans for the spring 2001 soccer season were approved at the last Board meeting. The Club will offer intermural soccer for the younger players from U8, U10, U12, and U14. For the older players there will be Travel Soccer for the U14 girls, U16 boys, and a coed team in the U18 age group.

For intermural soccer all players will be placed on a ten-player roster. There will be four teams in each age group. Each team will play the other three teams twice, making a six-game schedule with a post season tournament. The season will run from April 29 to June 10. All games will be played on Sunday afternoons — U8 from 1 - 2 p.m.; U10, 2 - 3 p.m.; U12, 3 - 4 p.m.; and U14, 4 - 5 p.m.. Games will be played on half a regular field half an hour each way with six players on the field. The teams will have four substitutes who will also play. The club has four Divisional Directors who will be responsible for games in their division. Players can call their Divisional Director to register for a place on a team. U8, Marl Lush, 539-5603; U10, Raymond Hughes, 569-9896; U12, David Petrash, 569-9924; and U14, Peter Smith, 569-4078.

For Travel Soccer the club will place three teams into the local soccer leagues. U14 Girls, Coach Elaine Anderson, 569-8049 and Assistant Coach Peter Brym, 755-3646; U16 Boys, Coach Peter Clifford, 569-6362 and Assistant Coach Matthew Locke, 776-3051; U18 Boys and Girls, Coach Terence Stamp, 569-1810 and Assistant Coach Chris Desjardins, 522-9025. Anyone wishing to play on these travel teams, please give the coaches a call. Games are on Sunday afternoons and season starts on April 29, closing June 10.



THE CHECKOUT DESK
By Holly Brown
Librarian

THANKS AND WELCOME

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to David Countway for 21 years of service as a Gilman Library Trustee. David's dedication and thoughtfulness have served us well in the previous years. We will always be grateful for his constant efforts to "help make the Gilman Library the best it can be." Without David our wonderful library would not be what it is today.

Our new trustee is C. Eugene "Gene" Rogers. Gene's experience on the Budget Committee, knowledge of purchasing and planning, understanding of our community, and overall appreciation for our library will prove to be a real asset to the Board of Trustees and the Gilman Library.

The Friends of the Gilman Library will be holding their annual meeting on April 10 at 7 p.m. at the library. This is when the 2001 slate of officers will be voted upon. Founded in 1980 the Friends have proven to be a real asset and have supported the library in many ways. We have several active and inactive members. It costs just \$2 per year to belong (much less than the cost of a book!). Please consider joining us by becoming a member of the Friends of the Gilman Library. For more information please call 875-2550 or pick up a brochure at the circulation desk.

The Book Discussion Group will meet on Monday, April 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the library. They will share their thoughts on the book entitled *A Walk to Remember* by Nicholas Sparks. All are welcome and copies of the book are available at the library.



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ALTON OUTDOORS
By Jack Miller

AH, APRIL . . .

I love April! It means ONE thing to me — salmon fishing. Winter is going away, and the real warmth of spring is arriving. I've been getting ready for April for two months now by tying a bunch of my favorite trolling streamers and bead headed nymphs. If the snow and ice ever melt, I will use them in the Big Lake and the Merrymeeting River.

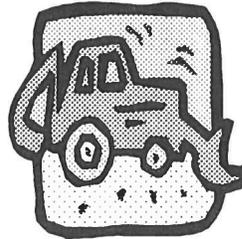
Any method of fishing may produce some salmon and rainbow or lake trout this month as they are near the surface in the shallow waters following their favorite food, the smelt. Your fishing method may be passive or active. Passive fishing is hooking on a worm or minnow, casting it out in the water, and waiting for a fish to bite. Active fishing is casting or trolling lures or flies in likely fish-holding areas. Either way can produce nice fish this month. Word is that salmon in Winnie should range between 3-5 pounds this year.

If you like fishing or eating fish, this is the best month to be on the water. Salmon is selling for about \$7 a pound in the supermarkets. To catch your own, it will cost you \$24.25 for a resident's license. Catch just one three-pound salmon and your license is paid for — all the other fish are free! If you are under 16 or over 68, your fishing is free. Catching a few salmon yourself will provide some good, fresh, cheap eating. Since it looks like a late ice out, the good fishing should last well into May. See you out there?

For the hunter April is the month to get ready for the May turkey hunting season. Watching videos is a good way to learn about turkey calling and hunting. Scouting, practicing calling, patterning your turkey shotgun, and airing out your camo should get you set for a good turkey season.

Spring is here, almost, so get out there and enjoy Alton's great outdoors.

HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS By Ken Roberts Highway Agent



SPRING IS COMING!

In like a lamb, out like a lion — this is certainly an accurate statement. It has been a long hard winter. For some it has been full of fun and pleasure. For others it has been a struggle. Ol' Man Winter isn't eager to leave; hopefully Miss Spring will be just as eager to arrive. The horses are shedding their coats, so she is trying. Just as winter is hard and cold, spring will be wet and muddy. Don't put away those boots yet.

We have been widening the roads and still sanding. Also we have been cutting up the ice on the sides to keep the roads as wide as possible. It has been very difficult plowing as we are running out of room to put the snow that we move.

Mail boxes!!! I'd like first to apologize for mail boxes that are being hit as we plow the roads. It is unfortunate that this occurs; however, it is very difficult to avoid sometimes. A thought — place an orange or bright red flag, stick, reflector, etc. to let the drivers see where your mail box is. It is helpful in most cases, but not all.

Please note that Swan Lake Trail has been officially accepted as a town road.

We thank you for your patience and apologize for any roads that are still narrow. We are continuously working to meet those needs. Please do not hesitate to call us at 875-6808 should you see a problem we may have overlooked.

Remember, Public Safety Is Our #1 Concern!



Photo by Ginny Dore

Alton Bay resident and WWII destroyerman Richard Downing looks down from the superstructure of the U.S. Navy's newest destroyer, the USS Winston S. Churchill (DDG 81), during its one-day stop at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in February. The ship was enroute from its birthplace at the Bath Iron Works in Maine to its March 10 commissioning ceremony in Norfolk, Virginia.

Thanks to ship's officer LCDR James Morrison, son of William and Ann Morrison of Wolfeboro, Downing and his wife Mary were part of a "New Hampshire inspection party" that toured the ship while it was "topping up" its fuel tanks at the shipyard. The group also included Alton residents Rawland and Ginny Dore and Bob and MaryBee Longabaugh.

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APRIL EVENTS

- Sun. 1 APRIL FOOLS DAY
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS, 2 a.m.
- Wed. 4 BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri. 6 CAREER DAY, Alton Central School (ACS), grades 8 - 12,
8 - 11:30 a.m.
- Sat. 7 PASSOVER, begins at sundown
- Mon. 9 BOYS BASEBALL, vs. Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL vs. Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, Library, 6:30 p.m.,
see "Checkout"
- Tue. 10 FRIENDS OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY, Annual Meeting,
Library, 7 p.m., see "Checkout"
- Wed. 11 CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCH, Conference Center,
11:30 a.m., see story
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Thu. 12 BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community
Center, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon
- Sat. 14 BOYS BASEBALL at Lin-Wood, 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL at Lin-Wood, 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
- Sun. 15 EASTER
- Tue. 17 ANNUAL BOOK FAIR, ACS, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., see story
HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Library, 7:30 p.m., see story
- Wed. 18 ANNUAL BOOK FAIR, ACS, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
BOYS BASEBALL vs. Nute Middle HS, 4 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL vs. Nute Middle HS, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Thu. 19 ACADEMIC FAIR, ACS, grades K-12, 6 - 7:30 p.m.
- Fri. 20 BOYS BASEBALL at Pittsfield Middle HS, 4 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL at Pittsfield Middle HS, 4 p.m.
- Sat. 21 RABIES CLINIC, Central Fire Station, 12:30 - 2 p.m.,
see Notice
- Sun. 22 EARTH DAY
- Tue. 24 ALTON GARDEN CLUB, Library, 1:30 p.m., see story
- Wed. 25 BOYS BASEBALL at Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL at Concord Christian, 4 p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Thu. 26 ASSEMBLE Main Street, Pearson Road Community
Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri. 27 ARBOR DAY
BOYS BASEBALL at Derryfield, 4 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL at Derryfield, 4 p.m.
- Mon. 30 BOYS BASEBALL vs. Moultonborough Academy, 4 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL vs. Moultonborough Academy, 4 p.m.

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April 2 - 6: Mon., Stuffed Cabbage; Tue., Chicken Primavera; Wed., Hot Dog; Thu., Cod Fish Cakes/Sauce; Fri., Roast Pork/Gravy.

April 9 - 13: Mon., Salisbury Steak/Gravy; Tue., Turkey Ala King; Wed., Shepherds Pie; Thu., Veal Parmesan; Fri., Fish Filet.

April 16 - 20: Mon., Baked Ham or Turkey; Tue., Chicken Parmesan; Wed., Hearty Beef Stew; Thu., Stuffed Pork Choppette; Fri., Seafood Newburg.

April 23 - 27: Mon., Herb Baked Chicken/Gravy; Tue., Baked Ham or Turkey; Wed., American Chop Suey; Thu., Pot Roast/Gravy; Fri., Sliced Turkey/Gravy.

April 30: Mon., Chicken Filet/Gravy.

SUMMERTIME DOLL SHOW AND SALE

Mark your calendars now for the 16th annual doll show and sale sponsored by the Happy Hobby Doll Club. The event will be on Sunday, June 24, at the Alton Central School from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information contact Ruth Messier, 875-6750.

REMINDERS FROM THE TOWN CLERK

RABIES CLINIC

By Lisa Waterman, Town Clerk

A Rabies Clinic will be held Saturday, April 21, from 12:30 - 2 p.m. at the Alton Central Fire Station on Route 140. The cost for the rabies shot is \$8. **Dog licenses** will also be available. If you have any questions, please call the Town Clerk's Office at 875-2101 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

DOG LICENSES

By Lisa Waterman, Town Clerk

Dog licenses expire on April 30 and are now due for renewal as required by state law. The owner may incur additional costs, such as a civil forfeiture of \$25 plus a late fee of \$1 per month, after May 31.

License fees

Male/Female	\$10.00
Neutered/Spayed	\$ 7.50
1st Animal of Sr. Citizen over 65	\$ 2.00

A current rabies certificate must be presented at the time of licensing (see information above). Please call the Town Clerk's Office 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. if you **no longer** own your dog or have any questions. Our number is 875-2101.

ELECTION RESULTS

The March 13 elections recorded 749 voters casting ballots in the town election and 745 voters in the school district's, or 20 percent of the registered voters.

Elected to town offices were William Ryan and James Washburn for three-year terms as Selectmen; Joseph Houle as Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years; Gene Rogers for a three-year term as Library Trustee; John Scott as Fire Ward for three years; and Mark DiVito as a three-year Cemetery Trustee. The Water Commission saw Reuben Wentworth gaining the three-year slot while Buddy Peterson took the two-year term.

The Budget Committee had no names on the ballot for three three-year terms with the result being that write-in votes decided that Charles Westen, Jay Sydow, and Loring Carr would serve in the positions. The two-year term went to Frances Washburn while Shelby Husak was awarded the one-year term.

Three persons vied for the one two-year term on the Planning Board with Tom Varney emerging as the winner while the two two-year slots went to Robert Eddy and Thomas Hoopes. Anna Griffin was elected to complete the six-year term on the Supervisors of the Checklist.

In the school elections Rori Boyce and Peter Farrell were put on the School Board for three-year terms while the one-year posts of Moderator, District Clerk, and District Treasurer went to Terri Noyes, Ruth Messier, and Shirley Young, respectively. Of the 15 Articles on the ballot four failed to earn passage. Those were Article VI to replace the folding chairs and storage racks, VII to replace the tractor, X to rescind "S.B. 2," and XI to begin site development work on the new school property. The cost items in the collective bargaining agreement passed 406-321 while the \$6,282,925 operating budget passed 451-277.

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SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

- Baha'i Fireside — Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road
- Bay Church — Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.; Woship Services 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m., Moore Chapel of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center; Wed. night Family Supper, 6 p.m. and Fellowship Groups, 7 p.m., Lombard Center Dining Hall; Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor, Rev. John Fogell, Assoc. Pastor
- Community Church — Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.; Sun. Services, 8:30 and 11 a.m., Congregational Meeting House, Church Street; Wed. Kids Club, 3 p.m.; Thu. Bible Study (Baptist Meeting House, Main Street), 7 p.m.; 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, Main Street, Sat., 4 p.m. and Sun., 8:30 a.m.; CCD (Sun. School) 9:30 a.m.; Weekday Masses in Parish Hall; Mon. - Sat., except Wed., 8 a.m., with Rosary before at 7:30 a.m.; Confessions, Sat., 4 p.m. or by appointment; Fr. Richard Wegman, Pastor. Sun. Mass St. Paul's in Barnstead, 10 a.m.
- Wolfboro 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

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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

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 — Mon., 8:30 a.m., 875-2866

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 — Organizational meeting of the new board April 2, 6 p.m., call 875-2161 for appointment.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE — 3rd Thursday (twice a week in "budget season"), 7 p.m., Chairman Virginia Bergeron, 875-6714
- 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 — 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Central Fire Station, Chairman Richard Quindley, 875-2910
- GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE — Meets on call, Chairnan 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 David Countway, 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.

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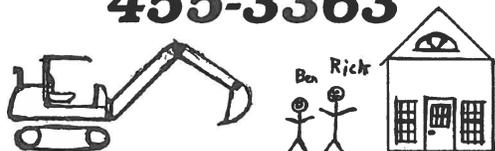
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Hannafin has found the job "enjoyable and rewarding." "It's a great place to work and the people are outstanding." But he added, "It can also be lonely. Sometimes we only have one officer on duty to answer all the calls." He also acknowledges the risks involved. "Everyday I make it a point to kiss my wife and daughters good-bye," quickly adding "But I don't take chances. I plan on going home every night."

Hannafin hopes to continue his public service to the town, and has recently taken on the added responsibility of overseeing three fire prevention students from the Vocational Technical Institute.



CONCORD CORNER
By Senator Rob Boyce
and Representative Laurie Boyce

BUSY DAYS COMING

With April the legislature reaches "crossover" when House bills are sent to the Senate and vice versa. This means a lot of work in both chambers ahead of that date trying to meet the deadline and then more work afterward.

Due to a lack of time and also a tightly packed issue, our column is shortened this month. As always feel free to contact either of us about any questions you may have.

NEW AT THE GILMAN LIBRARY

FICTION

Barr, Nevada
Braun, Lilian Jackson
Cook, Robin
Fielding, Helen
Grisham, John
Hart, Carolyn
Lenox, Tabitha
Little, Bentley
McMillian, Terry
Meltzer, Brad
Michener, James A.
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Truscott, Lucian K. II

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The Walking
A Day Late and a Dollar Short
The First Counsel
Centennial; Chesapeake; Hawaii
Right as Rain
Dream Country
Heart of the Sea
Bitter Sweet
Full Dress Gray

NONFICTION

Curtis, Wayne
Gilbert, Susan
Koppel, Ted
Rogers, B. R. & Stillman
Shaw, Lisa
Vanzant, Iyanla

Maine: Off the Beaten Path
A Field Guide to Boys and Girls
Off Camera
New Hampshire: Off the Beaten Path
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Until Today

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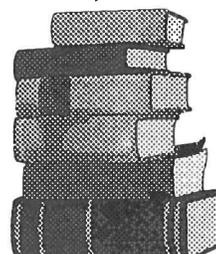
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TOWN HALL NOTES
By Pamela Arnold
Town Administrator



NOW THAT TOWN MEETING IS OVER

Thank you for a very first-rate Town Meeting. It just goes to show that every voter is a legislator! Also many thanks for the food pantry donations at Town Meeting. Our cups (boxes) runneth over. On a continuing basis we have donation boxes at the Town Hall and will have a donation box at all the Selectmen's meetings. Please attend our meetings and bring a pantry item.

Now that Town Meeting is over and we can all breathe a sigh of relief, I can't help but think of our municipal family and all the impact it has on your town and your life. If you hear a siren go by your house as you and your family are sitting down to a nice hot meal tonight, you know that a committed member of our Police Department is answering a call and making sure that your town is protected. You can feel the same comfort as the ambulance crew goes about town taking care of you and your neighbor. And Mother Nature has given the highway agent and his crew a workout — day and night — this year. I have received many calls of praise for these hard-working employees, but the best praise comes from you directly. Our employees appreciate and respond to your gratitude and remember that praise when it is necessary to draw on an inner strength to go that extra mile, or should we say "plow that extra mile," answer that extra call, or make that extra run to the hospital. So let's not take these folks for granted; instead, let them know you appreciate their dedication.

Many of you have expressed an interest in volunteering in the town. Please drop into the Town Hall or give us a call at 875-2161 and let us know what your interests may be. I bet we have a project just for you! Thank You.

WHAT YOU CAN DO...

The Belknap County Conservation District (BCCD) is urging you to do your part for Earth Day by composting your leaf, yard, and food waste. These items can be turned into rich soil for your house plants or garden. To own The Earth Machine contact them before April 23. Call 527-5880 or 527-9146 for your order form. Among other things, this machine has an 80-gallon capacity, 10-year warranty, and reduces garbage by 30 percent.

Belknap County UNH Cooperative Extension is offering some courses that might be of interest. They are: April 2, Fruit Tree Pruning Demo and April 3, Forest Laws Workshop. For more information call 527-5475.

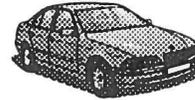
WHERE IS THE APRIL FOOL?

It has become a Main Street tradition to include an April Fool's joke among the news stories in this issue. The joke this year is that you will not find one. We relied upon our late publisher, Bob Calvert, to supply us with the incisive and warm humor for which he was so appreciated. For Main Street's April issue he would write under the pen name of R. Lee Trevlac (Calvert spelled backwards), and usually the story involved some imaginative and weird antic of Ernest Pfuhl and his wife, April.

Many readers will recall the Pfuhs seeking April 1 volunteers for the Black Fly Convention at the South Alton Conference Center or their efforts to find workers for Alton's Tercentennial Celebration. R. Lee was clever indeed.

In the absence of Bob's good humor we decided to skip this April in his memory.

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ALTON'S SCHOOL RECOGNIZES CITIZENSHIP AND HONORS

(As Received From Alton Central School)

The Alton Central School (ACS) has announced the students who have made the Honor Roll and cited for Citizenship during the second quarter of the 2000-2001 academic year. High Honors requires a grade of at least 92 in all subjects, Honors a grade of at least 83, and Citizenship is based on attendance, no discipline, and no failing grades.

GRADE 2 CITIZENSHIP: Stephanie Burke, Ethan Ehler, Hannah Golden, Spencer Goosens, Andrew Kim, Lindsey Malone, Stephanie Pryor, Jake Rochette, Gregory Tinkham, Danielle Beckett, Vasilios Bessas, Stephanie Burke, Sarah Clifford, Ethan Ehler, Hannah Golden, Spencer Goosens, Kelsey Hannafin, Emily Jeffrey, Andrew Kim, Cassie Lamper, Lindsey Malone, Stephanie Pryor, Jake Rochette, Gregory Tinkham, Lauretta Tremblay, Greg Vernal, Lauren Whalen.

GRADE 3 CITIZENSHIP: Sarah Adams, Ashley Barsanti, Roger Boucher, Marissa Brooks, Scott Brunelle, Hollie Couture, Lindsey Daniels, Tabitha Davis, Felicia Drewniak, Melissa Fortin, Sarah Fraser, Jimmy Goodwin, Kelsey Hopper, Megan Hopper, M-Margaret Houghton, Brian Jones, Danny Lang, Levi Liedke, Stephanie Moulton, Katelyn O'Toole, Emily Pellowe, Edward Rogacki, Kyle Rondeau, Kim Sykes, Kara Turner, Zach Whissel, Kayla Wyatt, Amber Gagnon, Kristen Riendeau, Aaron Wilkinson.

GRADE 4 CITIZENSHIP: Shaída Anderson, Casey Beranger, Lyndsay Bishop, Erik Caron, Joshua Crosman, Cory Dudman, Brittany Dwyer, Shannon Eagles, Megan Farrell, Katie Gage, Kim Grant, Andrea Hillsgrove, Jack Lafreniere, Ashley Lionetta, Ralph Minick, Sean O'Toole, Kathie Sykes, Willie Wenzlau, Danielle Fortin, Michael Jensen, Justin Kantar, Will MacDuff, Katelyn Ordway, Katie Powers, Kristie Powers, Michael Stevens, Mariah Winsor, Ricky Yeaton

GRADE 4 HIGH HONORS: Megan Farrell.

GRADE 4 HONORS: Casey Beranger, Erik Caron, Cory Dudman, Jack Lafreniere, Weston Stewart, Kathleen Sykes, Shaída Anderson, Lyndsay Bishop, Brittany Dwyer, Richard Finethy, Andrea Hillsgrove, Thomas Pellowe, Katie Powers, Stephanie Roy, Joseph Whissel.

GRADE 5 CITIZENSHIP: Josh Austin, Erin Brackley, Tony Castagnaro, Derek Chase, Amber Couture, Rebecca Davis, Meagan DiVito, Natasia Drewniak, Courtney Emerson, Emily Folan, Chelsea Hawkins, Makina I-Levasseur, Brian Jones, Jesse Lane, Chris Loprete, CJ Moulton, Corrine Pearce, Amanda Pellowe, Tricia Perry, Robyn Shibley, Brianna Tidd, Krystal Vigue, Caitlin Wenzlau, Spike Biddle, Matt DiVito, Daniel Hopper.

GRADE 5 HIGH HONORS: Brianna Tidd, Caitlin Wenzlau, Tony Castagnaro.

GRADE 5 HONORS: Joshua Austin, Spike Biddle, Erin Brackley, Derek Chase, Meagan DiVito, Leisha Donnelly, Natasha Drewniak, Courtney Emerson, Gary Ford, Ryan Gillan, Chelsea Hawkins, Daniel Hopper, Logan Hopper, Brian Jones, Jesse Lane, Ryan Lougee, Zach Macdonald, Chris (CJ) Moulton, Amanda Pellowe, Tricia Perry, Tara Prescott, Alisa Price, Jennifer Shafer, Robyn Shibley, Christopher Stewart, Jason Tanguay, Jonathan Yelle.

GRADE 6 CITIZENSHIP: Dottie-Jean Bailey, Brad Bissell, Erin Donnelly, Ashley Dwyer, Jeff St. Cyr, Ashley Sweeney, Julie Thoroughgood, Kelsey Tinkham, LeAnn Fuller, Sara Scanlon, Hope Shafer, Suzanne Sherwood, Bryce St. Cyr, Ryan Hussey, Jane Farrell, Kim Hannafin, Courtney Marston, Donny McGee, Marc Roy, Ashley Finethy, Charlotte French, Caila Kantar, Joshua Liedke, Melissa Pryor, Jacob Ridener.

GRADE 6 HIGH HONORS: Jane Farrell.

GRADE 6 HONORS: Dottie-Jean Bailey, Erin Donnelly, Kimberly Hannafin, Ryan Hussey, Caila Kantar, Donny McGee, Melissa Pryor, Jeffrey St. Cyr, Bryce St. Cyr, Wesley Taggett, Kelsey Tinkham, Ty Tremblay.

GRADE 7 CITIZENSHIP: Indira Capellan, Nick Divito, Chris Frost, Jimmy Grant, Peter Kaszynski, Luke Lafreniere,

Owen Laurion, Katie Pellowe, Taylor Peterson, Dan Pitman, Pat Quinn, Amber Richardson, Allyson Dudman, Rebecca Golden, Adam Johnson, Jamie Bilodeau, Josh Casoni, Johanna Dickson, Jackie Piaseczny, Katrina Tidd, Caitlyn Wentworth.

GRADE 7 HIGH HONORS: Daniel Pitman, Patrick Quinn.

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GRADE 8 HIGH HONORS: Anne Farrell, Christina Jamieson, Alexander Kaszynski.

GRADE 8 HONORS: Amanda Boudreau, Erin Hannafin, Derek Rondeau, Lindsey St. Laurent.

GRADE 9 CITIZENSHIP: Elizabeth Biddle, Lindsey Caron, Tamara Cornelissen, Carl Dickson, Ryan Donnelly, Kate Dore, Robyn Ford, Amber Johnson, Kristine Kenerson, Lindsay Kenerson, Melissa Kim, Vanessa Lampman, Dylan Laurion, Kristy Lefebvre, Kyle McAuliffe, Tonya Prescott, Dan Quinn, Meredith Roy, Krista Shibley, Zachary Simone, Matt Sydow, Stephanie Tanguay, Isaac Tharpe.

GRADE 9 HIGH HONORS: Lyndsey Caron, Krista Shibley, Stephanie Tanguay.

GRADE 9 HONORS: Carl Dickson, Tonya Prescott, Dan Quinn, Meredith Roy, Matt Sydow.

GRADE 10 CITIZENSHIP: Hilary Ballentine, Scott Baumgartner, Tim Branden, Katie Brooks, Kendra Brown, Dennis Callahan, Jenn Carr, Millicent Cochran, Ashli Coughlin, Joshua Dearnley, Tiffeny Desmarais, Jill Feger, James Harrell, Stephanie Hillsgrove, Terese Hopper, Kelly Jalbert, Amanda Jones, Siobhan Kivlehan, Jessica Lannon, Stephanie Lannon, Kristen Murray, Matt Ross, Kimberly Russell, Kelley Scanlon, Mathew Scott, Zachary Shea, Tiffany Simone, Julie St. Sauveur, Rebecca Spencer, Amanda Tharpe, Keith Waterman, Erin Wood.

GRADE 10 HIGH HONORS: Terese Hopper.

GRADE 10 HONORS: Scott Baumgartner, Katie Brooks, Dennis Callahan, Sarah Harper, Amanda Jones, Matt Scott.

GRADE 11 CITIZENSHIP: Kayla Ballentine, Dan Bemis, Scott Blair, BK Brown, Megan Brownell, Joshua Carr, Jessica Chabot, Randi Desmarais, Briahna I-Levasseur, Ben Jensen, Dana Lang, Andria Long, John McAuliffe, Jon Nicastro, Anthony Nicastro, Jon Owen, Marissa Peterson, Anthony Sanborn, David Shibley, Dennis Sweeney, Jane Varney, Steven Wood, Jamie Young.

GRADE 11 HIGH HONORS: David Benedetto, Briahna I-Levasseur, Dana Lang, Marissa Peterson.

GRADE 11 HONORS: Kayla Ballentine, Megan Brownell, Randi Desmarais, John McAuliffe.

GRADE 12 CITIZENSHIP: Tonya Alden, Chris Alting, Debra Beaupre, Katie Boles, Samantha Coakley, Ashley Conrad, Kelsie Croes, Robert Daniels, Sara Dore, Tara Elliott, Joshua Foote, Allyson Fortier, Will Goodrow, Joe Hillsgrove, Jeremy Howe, Renee Lafreniere, Kathryn Mackay, Karine Marchand, Kristy McDonald, Bridgette McGovern, Katie Morrill, Beth Morse, Dave Osborn, Paul Russell, Shawn Sanders, Geoffrey Scholl, Nicole Sell, Ashley Southwell, Meghan St. Cyr, Rachael Strickland, Emily Sydow, Tiffany Whitehouse, Ryan Yelle.

GRADE 12 HIGH HONORS: Katie Boles, Kelsey Croes, Sara Dore, Will Goodrow, Renee Lafreniere.

GRADE 12 HONORS: Tonya Alden, Tara Elliott, Loretta Helie, Rob Levesque, Katie Morrill, Kayla O'Brien, David Osborn, Shawn Sanders, Geoffrey Scholl, Ashley Southwell, Meghan St. Cyr, Emily Sydow, May Varney, Tiffany Whitehouse.

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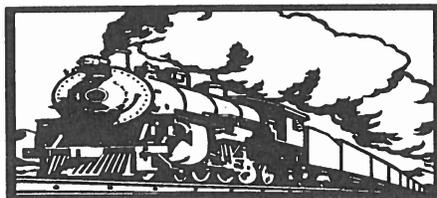
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ACS VOLUNTEER UPDATE

By Laurie Boyce

Here is an update on how fantastic the Volunteer Program for the Alton Central School (ACS) has been so far this year. With six months under way we have 126 active volunteers who have already donated 2,577 hours helping in the school. A big THANK YOU to all the volunteers.

I have a new volunteer co-coordinator to help me now that I'm busy in Concord. Her name is Diana Gavill. We still have three months to go; if you have some free time (an hour or so a week) and would like to get involved, we'd like to speak to you. Please contact either of us, and we'll send you the volunteer application or set up an appointment and we'll meet with you. I can be reached at 875-7371 and Diana is at 569-6163.

FOUR ACS DRAMA PLAYERS HONORED

By Andrea Walker-Brown, ACS Drama Teacher

The Apache Players of Alton Central School (ACS) performed brilliantly at the NHETG drama festival in Whitefield on March 10. Their stunning performance of "The Handicapper General," Pat Cook's adaptation of Kurt Vonnegut's classic short story, "Harrison Bergeron," made several members of the audience cry. This was a tough play for high school students to master due to its sophisticated and offbeat content, but the cast and crew did a superb job.

Four specific members of the cast were recognized with honors for their performances in "The Handicapper General." Emily Sydow was appointed to the "All Star Cast" for her portrayal as Hazel Bergeron. Also recognized for their outstanding performances as Ballerinas 1, 2, and 3, were Rene LaFreniere, Briahna Itchkavich-Levasseur, and Erin Wood.

All the cast and crew deserve recognition for their hard

work and dedication: Ben Jensen (lights), Dan Quinn (sound), Meghan St. Cyr (stage manager), Katie Morrill (set design and assistant stage manager), Zach Shea (George Bergeron), Lyndsey Caron (The Handicapper General), and Dylan Laurion (Harrison Bergeron).

The Apache Players competed against Stratford School, White Mountain Regional High School, Littleton High School, and Newfound Regional High School. And although "The Handicapper General" was not selected to compete at the state festival level, the cast and crew should be proud of their performance. They put on a truly spectacular show. For those who missed it, we plan to reprise the show in Alton in May as part of our Nights of One-Act Plays production.

PASSOVER EXPLAINED

What do the Jews and Jesus' Last Supper have in common? Abra Morgenstern, speaking on behalf of Jews for Jesus, will answer that question in a presentation called "Christ in the Passover" at the Community Church of Alton (Church Street) on Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.

Using a visual display of traditional Passover accouterments, the presentation enhances the Christian's understanding and appreciation of the Jewish background of the Christian Communion. Ancient and modern Jewish customs are discussed and described.

A table will be set with the traditional Passover items, including representative foods which are explained but not eaten. The ceremonial seder plate and the three-compartment pouch in which the matzo (unleavened bread) is kept, as well as the traditional cup of Elijah, are presented, along with new insights as to their significance.

Passover is one of the most significant of all the Jewish holidays. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

ANNUAL BOOK FAIR AT SCHOOL**By Marjorie Mohr, ACS Librarian**

The Alton Central School (ACS) annual K-8 Book Fair will be held on Tuesday, April 17, and Wednesday, April 18. It will be located in the Elementary Resource Center and be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Everyone in the community is welcome to come. There will be books, posters, and other small items for children from preschool through Grade 9. Students will bring home flyers that list the many book titles that will be available at the fair. The annual book fair is an important fund-raiser for the school. Over the years the profits have gone towards the purchase of new reference books, audio-visual equipment, and computer hardware.

ENIS IN GEOGRAPHIC BEE**By Linda Roy, ACS Guidance Office**

Congratulations to Bryan Enis, a Grade 7 student of Alton Central School (ACS). He has qualified to participate at the state level of the National Geographic Bee sponsored by the National Geographic Society. The Bee will be held on Friday, April 6, at Keene State College on Main Street in Keene.

Student participants in the state level must be from Grades 4 - 8 and must have participated in and won a contest at the school level that involved at least six students. One winner from each state and territory will advance to the national competition, which will be held May 22 and 23 at the National Geographic Society headquarters in Washington, D.C. Transportation and accommodations for the Washington trip are provided for each state winner and a teacher-escort.

The final round of the Bee, featuring Alex Trebek, will air nationally on the new National Geographic Channel on May 23 and afterward on public television stations.

Best wishes to Bryan for success in the state Bee.

LAFRENIERE AND ST. CYR SEMIFINALISTS**By Russell Holden, ACS Principal**

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation has announced that two Alton Central School (ACS) seniors, Renee LaFreniere and Meghan St. Cyr, have been designated as semifinalists in the 2001 Coca-Cola Scholars Program. To reach the status of semifinalist is an accomplishment. Only 1,997 semifinalists were designated from over 106,000 applicants across the country. In fact, there were only nine semifinalists selected in the state of New Hampshire. Congratulations to Renee and Meghan!

LANG AN ART FESTIVAL PARTICIPANT**By Linda Roy, ACS Guidance Office**

Dana Lang, a junior in the Alton Central School (ACS), was selected to participate in the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival (NHAAF) held on March 31. The Currier Gallery of Art and the Allstate Art Festival Student selected Dana as successfully completing all the requirements for this exciting program. Participation in the NHAAF is a challenging and rewarding opportunity for artists.

Acceptance into the festival is very competitive. Dana was chosen because the selection committee, interviewers, and her teachers at ACS felt that she had the skills and maturity to benefit from this experience. Congratulations Dana!

SARAH SPENCER RECOGNIZED

Sarah Spencer, a graduate of Alton Central High School, has earned the status of Honor Scholar 2002 at Elmira College where she is a junior. Spencer, a Salutatorian Scholar, majors in Human Services and Psychology and is co-secretary of the Human Services Club. She is the daughter of Linda Monasky of Alton and Michael Spencer of Binghamton, New York.

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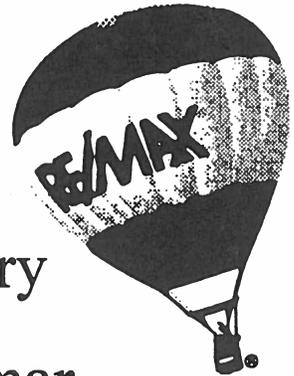
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APRIL ANTICS

Adult Co-Ed Softball League - The Alton Parks and Recreation Department's (APRD) Co-Ed Adult Softball League will have a team captains meeting to set a season schedule and discuss team rules and regulations on Wednesday, April 25, at 6:30 p.m. at the Alton Town Hall. Interested teams should contact the APRD to secure a team slot. Registration fee, \$20 per player, includes a guarantee of 14 games, game balls, umpires for the season and playoffs, and a season-end cookout. All fees, waiver forms, and completed rosters must be turned in at the captains' second meeting on May 16. Call 875-0109 to sign up your team to play or to be placed on a list to join a team.

Town-Wide Yard Sale - The APRD is sponsoring its annual Town-Wide Yard Sale on Saturday, June 9, (rain date, June 10) from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. All Alton residents are invited to sign up. This is how it works: if you would like to have a yard sale on June 9, call Kellie at 875-0109 before May 17 with your location. Late sign ups will not be taken due to printing deadlines. When signing up please be sure you include your complete address with directions on how to get there. The APRD will provide a map with all of the sale locations; last year there were over 40 sales, and the town had a giant yard sale. This is a great opportunity to clean out your garage, basement, closets, etc. and recycle your unwanted items. There is no charge to have your yard sale listed or to obtain the map. This is just a fun community event. Maps will be available at the APRD, Town Hall, Gilman Library, Bank of New Hampshire, and Alton 5 & 10 after May 25.

Flashlight Egg Hunt - For ages 8 - 12, Friday, April 6, at 7 p.m., Alton Central School Gymnasium. Join in this fun and creative program. Bring a flashlight and a container to collect your eggs in and find plastic eggs hidden in the dark. Program is free to all Alton residents. Due to wet fields, the program will be held in the gymnasium. Volunteers are needed to help hide eggs. Please call 875-0109 if you are interested.

Egg Hunt - Ages 3 - 7, Saturday, April 7, at 10 a.m., Alton Central School Gymnasium. Participants will be divided into age groups for this activity. Bring a container to collect your eggs in. Enter the "Bonnet Contest" and bring a decorated hat, cap, or something to wear on your head. Prizes will be awarded for creativity in all age groups. The Egg Hunt is free for all Alton residents. Due to wet field conditions, the program will be held in the gymnasium. Call 875-0109 if you can volunteer to help out.

Pre-School Programs

Easter Party - Tuesday, April 10, ages 3 - 5, Alton Bay Community Center, 9 - 10:30 a.m., \$2. Make a holiday theme craft, hunt for eggs, and play cooperative games. Includes snack. Register by April 5 at the APRD.

Teddy Bear Picnic - Wednesday, April 18, Alton Bay Community Center, 9 - 10:30 a.m., \$2. Enjoy songs, crafts, games, fun and a snack with your favorite friends. Bring a towel and favorite stuffed animal to our Teddy Bear Picnic. Register by April 10 at the APRD.

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Alton residents may place classified ads in any issue of Main Street. As a public service ads are primarily for *noncommercial* private individuals who have items for sale (except real estate for sale or rent), items or services wanted, free items, personals, or help wanted notices. The rate is \$1 for each noncommercial ad of 35 words or less. Each additional 35 words costs \$1. (There is no charge for "Cards of Thanks" or ads under the "Free" and "Ride Sharing" classifications.) The rate for commercial ads is \$12.50 per column inch. Main Street reserves the right to refuse any ad, or edit it for length/style. Ads must be submitted with payment to Post Office Box 210, Alton Bay 03810, by the 15th of the month preceding publication. Submissions may also be placed in the Main Street box at the Alton branch of the Bank of New Hampshire. Ads must contain a phone number.

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1998 PENN YAN, 23', 300 hp inboard, full top, side and aft curtains, EZ loader trailer, very low hours, \$33,000; Fischer Plow, 10', like new, for truck or with frame for front end loader, \$2,400; One-Horse Cart, Meadowbrook-type, natural finish, wooden wheels, nice condition, \$850; Fischer Plow, 9', with snow foil, \$800; Kennel, 20' x 20', 6' high, 4' gate, less than 8 months old, \$640. 569-3252.

SCREENED LOAM, Stone, Gravel, Mulch, same day delivery. 569-3736

486 BASED COMPUTER, still fine for youngster or beginner; comes complete with monitor, color printer, 24x CD Rom, 56K modem and speakers, WIN 95, plus lots of cool software, works great, \$200. Leave message 875-2030.

RABBITS, GUINEA PIGS; with cages and accessories. Leave message, 875-7315.

HELP WANTED

SUBSTITUTE MEALS-ON-WHEELS DRIVER for Alton Senior Center, covers midday route when other drivers unavailable; requires own transportation; Monday-Friday, 4 hours/day, \$6.68/hr. to start; route miles reimbursed; Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer, call Claire Fitzgerald. 875-7102.

HELP WANTED

**Cleaning seasonal housekeeping cottages
at Boulder Lodge in Alton Bay.
Please call to inquire, 875-5990.**

CHILD CARE

**Are you searching for a child care provider?
I am an experienced caregiver of nine years,
mother of three, and elementary educator.
Reference available. Call 875-5669.**

CARDS OF THANKS

We know you were busy after the storm
We're sure that your list was a least a foot long
But your heart is so big that you stopped any way
To help struggling shovelers and brighten their day
Your act of kindness spoke loud and clear
And we wish to thank you for being a "dear"
It makes such a difference when people like you
Are here in our midst with hearts warm and true
So thank you again and thank you some more
What else can we say...without being a bore?
Who is this young man? We'll tell you of course
But you've probably guessed, it's Andy Morse
THANK YOU ANDY

/s/Shirley Holway for The Bay Church

I would like to thank those who voted for me for their support and confidence. I will continue to do my best for the Town of Alton.

/s/Jim Washburn

**CARDS OF SORROW**

The family of Mildred H. Edwards would like to thank Officer Llewlyn of the Alton Police Department, the Alton Emergency Services, Rev. Peter Bolster, The Community Church, and all the friends and neighbors for their kindness, expressions of love and sympathy, prayers, and offer of help during our recent loss of our beloved Mother, Nanie and Friend.
/s/Her Daughters, Shirley Young and Pat Edwards



The family of Hazel Hurd would like to thank Pastor Bolster, the luncheon at the women's fellowship, flowers, cards, and donations made at the Community Church. For the kindness her friends gave Hazel at Sunbridge Care and the thoughtfulness of everyone that knew her, we thank you.

God saw she was getting tired and a cure was not to be,
So He put his arms around her and whispered, "Come with me."

With tearful eyes we watched her suffer and fade away.
Although we loved her deeply, we could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands put to rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

She died February 16 at the age of 97.

/s/Carol Collins for the family

**IN Main Street
FIFTEEN YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . The Happy Hobby Doll Club celebrated its first anniversary by planning for the first Doll Show and Sale . . . Heather Andrade and Danielle Fogg, Alton's first entries in the Solo and Ensemble Festival, were awarded "A" ratings . . . the Merrymeeting River Dam was rebuilt . . . Marion MacDonald was elected president of the Lioness Club . . . David McKenney was elected president of the Alton-New Durham Lions Club.

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Business After Hours was hosted by the Village Video . . . Ice Out occurred on April 8 and Pamela Falzone won dinner for two at Sandy Point Restaurant in Main Street's annual contest . . . the 6th grade team of David Sleeper, Alec O'Meara, John Irving, Kyle Hall, Leah Kalfas, Tom Bernard, and Josh Hoopes won the regional Odyssey of the Mind competition . . . Rene Pelletier was named Girls Class S Varsity Coach of the Year.

FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

. . . 3rd graders, Kristen Dexter, Kelly Eagles, Anne Farrell, Erin Hannafin, Travis Hopper, Stephanie Tanguay, and Michael Tidd, took top honors at the Regional Odyssey of the Mind competition at Kingswood Regional High School . . . Rene Pelletier retired as Girls Basketball Coach . . . the Alton-New Durham Lions Club, sponsors of the annual Penny Sale and Jamboree, voted to donate the year's proceeds to the victims of the Bergeron Pond Dam disaster of March.

CANCER AWARENESS YARD SALE

On Saturday, May 5, Century 21 at the Alton traffic circle will be holding a yard sale to benefit a cancer awareness project called "Jan's House of Hope." If you have any saleable items to donate or need more information, call 875-2100. The funds collected will be put towards this worthy cause.

VNA/HOSPICE GERANIUM SALE

By Alice Calvert and Mary Ann Pollini, Co-Chairmen

Spring is here and gardening time is coming. Our local VNA/Hospice is holding its third Annual Geranium Sale just in time for Mother's Day and Memorial Day. We will be selling red and pink geraniums (supplied by Sunflower Gardens) in 4-inch pots for \$3.50 each. The plants can be picked up on the lawn of the Bank of New Hampshire from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 12. Prepaid orders would be appreciated and will be accepted through April 21. An order form follows or one may be obtained from Alice Calvert (875-2151), Gilman Library, Alton Town Hall (Pat Rockwood), or Bank of New Hampshire. We will have some extra geraniums for sale at the bank on the day of the sale/pick up.

You can leave your form and money at the bank. Please support our VNA/Hospice by ordering geraniums now. You can help us and have a lovely garden too! Thank you.

VNA/Hospice Geraniums

Name _____ Red Geraniums @ \$3.50 \$ _____

Address _____ Pink Geraniums @ \$3.50 \$ _____

City/State/Zip _____ TOTAL \$ _____

Phone # _____ (Make checks payable to VNA/Hospice of SCC)

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An Equal Housing Opportunity
Old Wolfeboro Road, Alton

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FOR HUD SUBSIDIZED ONE-BEDROOM
APARTMENTS**

To qualify, applicants must meet the following HUD requirements:

- Head of household/spouse is 62 years of age or handicapped/disabled,
- AND
- Annual income does not exceed \$16,400 for one person or \$18,700 for two persons.

Tenant rent will not exceed 30% of income and includes all utilities, except telephone and cable TV.

For information and applications call (603) 875-3111 or (TDD) (800) 735-2964.

TEN-YEAR PURGE OF VOTERS!

By MaryBee Longabaugh, Supervisor of Checklist

Alton voters need to be aware that from April to August the Supervisors of the Checklist will be conducting the "ten-year purge" of the voters registration list. This is mandated by New Hampshire law.

What does this mean? It means we are authorized to send out a letter to anyone who has not voted in a 2000 election (town, state, national, including all primaries and special town/school elections) or 2001 Town Ballot Vote stating that if the person wishes to stay on the voters' list, he/she must come in to see the Supervisors at the times specified by them. If a voter's letter is returned as undeliverable or if the voter does not show up to declare a wish to stay on the list, said voter will be removed from the list.

The dates for us to be available in Town Hall for you to see us will be in May and will be posted with the checklists, listed in the newspapers, on Channel 24, and in the next issue of Main Street. If your name is removed from the checklist, remember it can be reinstated on an election day, in the Town Clerk's Office, or when the Supervisors meet, as long as you have two proofs of identification — picture ID and a piece of mail or a bill which shows your physical address, NOT a Post Office Box. If you have questions about the "purge," you can call me at 875-5067 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.

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