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OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR ALTON

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

September 10, 2002

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SECRETARY OF STATE

Instructions to Voters

- 1. To vote, complete the arrow(s) \leftarrow pointing to your choices, like this \leftarrow
- 2. To write-in a candidate not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and complete the arrow

 representation pointing to the write-in line, like this

THE SEPTEMBER PRIMARY—WHY VOTE?

A Note from the Publisher of Main Street

A vote at the September 10 primary does not "elect" anyone. It does NOMINATE candidates for state and federal offices and puts their names on the November ballot.

Traditionally voter turnout is low at primaries. It's vital to vote this month in order to assure the candidate you want to elect gets on the ballot in November. Find out all you can about the candidates so you can choose wisely. As a starter, in the column to the right Main Street describes what the voter can expect on primary day, and what names will be found on the various ballots.

Voting is a privilege and a patriotic act. Please go to the polls at the Alton Central Fire Station (on NH Route 140) on September 10 and vote to put your candidate on the November ballot. Polls are open from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. for everyone's convenience.



FIGURING OUT THE PRIMARY BALLOT(S)

By Bob Longabaugh

Voters who exercise their constitutional right on September 10 by casting ballots in the state primary election will be in for a real "treat." They will be handed not one, but THREE ballots upon which to mark their preferences! The longest of the three will be the familiar form where the voter connects the arrows and a machine does the counting.

The other two paper ballots that the voter will receive are to be tallied by human beings. This is because the redistricting mandated after every decennial U.S. census was not completed in time for the usual ballot-making procedures to be carried out. For those in Alton taking a Democratic ballot it will be relatively simple. One piece of paper will be for State Senator, and only the name of Beth Reever Arsenault will appear on it. The other piece of paper will have three names for eight slots as state House of Representatives. They are Mark Condodemetracky of Belmont, William Johnson of Gilford, and Vincent Miller of Barnstead.

It is with the Republican primary ballot where voters will have to pay attention. The slip of paper for NH State Senator will have the names Alida Millham and Robert K. Boyce (in that order) where the voter is to select one or write in a name. The other piece of paper for the NH House of Representatives will have 12 names with no more than eight to be marked by

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By Dick Cunningham, Board Vice President

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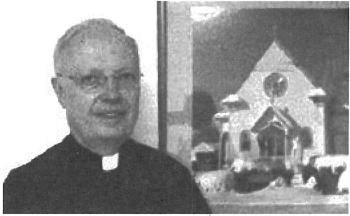
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NEW PASTOR FOR ST. JOAN OF ARC

Father George J. Ham (shown above) is the new pastor for St. Joan of Arc parish in Alton and St. Cecilia's in Wolfeboro. He began at the end of June to work towards joining the two churches together to become one larger Lakes Region parish.

Father Ham has been a diocesan priest for 35 years. doing all his work in New Hampshire. He spent 14 years in Manchester before moving to the seacoast area. Although making this new parish come alive will be quite an undertaking, he has been the pastor of one of the largest groups in the state and is looking forward to this exciting task.

He will very shortly be getting together with the two parish families as he wants to listen to their plans concerning social activities, i.e., possibly a Christmas Fair, two organizations (one for men and one for women), and a youth activities group. He mainly wants to hear what the parishioners would like to see happen.

Members hope this will help bring the Alton and Wolfeboro groups together. St. Joan of Arc in Alton welcomes Father Ham to the parish family.

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The Board of Directors of Main Street are looking for a person wishing to become more involved in the production of Alton's monthly newsmagazine.

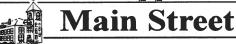
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- 3) Fill the bags with correct number of copies and load into delivery vehicle.
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For more information or if you wish to volunteer your time for your community, please call Alice Calvert, President and Publisher, at 875-2151.

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Main Street's Inside Front Page



HIGH SCHOOL BAND UNIFORM DRIVE ROLLS ON By Dick Cunningham

The High School Band Uniform Fund Drive is in full swing. Sponsored by the American Legion Post 72 family, they have already raised more than \$1,000. This has come from proceeds of a Legion Post Sunday breakfast (which is open to the public) and members of the Legion, Auxiliary, and Sons of the American Legion, which is all in addition to the contributions from the public. A fund drive thermometer has been installed on Monument Square showing the progress towards achieving the goal. The drive is now entering the next phase with letters to local businesses requesting support and locating collection canisters around town in stores and businesses. The American Legion family is planning further fundraisers and encourages other Alton non-profit organizations to join in the fund-raising efforts.

Lisa Rojek, the fund drive chairperson, reports that a bank account has been opened at the Bank of New Hampshire. Donations may be made by mail to one of the following addresses: "High School Band Uniform Drive," Bank of New Hampshire, Main Street, Alton, NH 03809; or to the American Legion, P. O. Box 814, Alton, NH 03809. Checks should be made out to High School Band Uniform Drive. Main Street in partnership with the Legion will continue to provide monthly progress reports throughout the drive.

THE BRAVES TAKE #1 AGAIN

For the second year in a row the Gillan Marine Braves took top honors in the Major Division of the Suncook Valley Cal Ripken League with an impressive record of 15 wins and 3 losses. The Suncook Valley League includes the towns of Alton, Barnstead, Chichester, Gilmanton, New Durham, and Pittsfield. It fields both boys and girls softball and baseball teams in the 5 - 12 years of age bracket. The Braves, shown above, included one 10-year old, three 11-year olds, and ten 12-year olds. The team batted .311 for the 2002 season.

Seen in the front row (left to right) are: Jack LaFreniere, Brendon Hussey, Jordan Yelle, Jacob Dore, Michael Stevens, Cory Dudman; second row: CJ Moulton, Ben Jones, Dan Hopper, Brendon Douglas, Michael Jensen, Logan Hopper, Jonathan Yelle; back row: Asst. Coach Jim LaFreniere and Coach Gary Dudman. Not present for the photo was Ryan Gillan.

Main Street's PHOTO CONTEST

Our apologies to one and all who have been waiting for the information on how to obtain the forms to submit your "Uniquely Alton" photographs for the second annual <u>Main</u> <u>Street</u> photo contest.

Due to some planning glitches we do not have those details to pass on in this issue. The information will be published in a future issue of <u>Main Street</u>. Thanks for your patience.

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Session 2: Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 4, 18 and 25

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Adult Ko Koro Kempo Karate: On-going. Mondays and Thursdays 7:30-9 pm (ages 13 up)

Tai Chi: 5 week sessions.

Thursdays 7-8 pm - upper studio
Session 1: Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10 and 17
Session 2: Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 5 and 12

Light Weights: 5 week sessions.

Mondays 9-9:40 am - main floor studio
Session 1: Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30 and Oct. 7
Session 2: Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 4, 18, and 25

After School Programs for Grades 4 - 8

All materials provided. Call for specific details. Program costs vary. Limit 12 / session

Wednesdays 3:30 - 5:30 pm

Session 1: <u>After School Crafter:</u> upper studio 4 weeks... Sept. 18, 25, Oct.2 and 9

Session 2: Puppet Theater Workshop: upper studio 5 weeks...Oct, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13 and 20

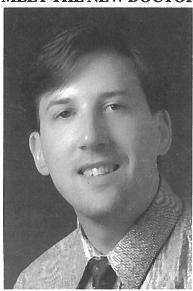
Session 3: Holiday Gift Art: upper studio 3 weeks...Dec. 4, 11, and 18

Friday Fitness and Stress Buster Workout

After School, Fridays 3:30 - 5:00 pm Session 1: Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, and 11 Session 2: Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, and 8 Session 3: Nov. 15, 22, Dec. 6 and 13

Adult Art and Craft Workshops
Evening workshops coming in Octoberil

MEET THE NEW DOCTOR



Alton Family Medicine will have an open house to welcome Dr. and Mrs. Donald Rose on Thursday, September 19, from 3 - 7 p.m. This will be an opportunity for patients and other individuals to meet Dr. Rose and his wife, Becky, along with Judy Cole, ARNP, and staff members. Refreshments will be served.

TOWN HALL KUDOS

Congratulations go out to Anne Kroeger, Pat Rockwood, Lisa Waterman, and Paulette Wentworth.

Anne, is the Tax Collector for the Town of Alton. She began in a part-time capacity back on July 14, 1987, and then became a full-time employee in March, 1988. This means that she has been with the town for over 15 years.

Pat, as Town Secretary/Welfare Officer, celebrates ten years of employment as of September 8. She is a member of the NH Municipal Secretary's Association, NH Municipal Local Welfare Administrators Association, serves on the Board of Directors for the Alton Community Services Program, and is a member of the Gilman Museum Committee.

Lisa is Alton's Town Clerk. In July she completed the threeyear certification course given by the New Hampshire Tax Collectors Association/New Hampshire City and Town Clerks Association (NHTCA/NHCTCA). She is now a Certified Town Clerk. The course requires one week of classes in each of the three years.

Paulette is deputy tax collectior among other things. In two months she will have been with the town 15 years, having started on a part-time basis in November, 1987. Paulette is the coordinator of the Thanksgiving food baskets called "Operation Blessings."

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9/11 MEMORIAL SERVICE

The churches of Alton and Alton Bay will be sponsoring a Memorial Service at the Baptist Meeting House on Main Street at 7 p.m. on September 11. Representatives from The Bay Church, the Alton Community Church, and St. Joan of Arc Parish will be participating.

Special music will be provided by the Community Church Choir and The Bay Church Ensemble. The scriptural theme will be based upon Psalm 46 which begins, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble" and concludes "The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."

ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

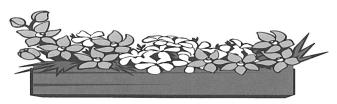
By Pat Merrill, President

The Alton Historical Society will be traveling to Exeter on September 17 for a visit to the Exeter Historical Society. We will meet at the parking lot of the Gilman Library at 10 a.m. and proceed as a group from that point. (Exeter is 45 miles from Alton Village.)

We will have lunch at a restaurant of your choice (there will be a map available) and regroup at the Historical Society on Front Street. Their building is about two blocks from downtown Exeter and nestled in among academy buildings. The school is noteworthy; the library is designed by I. M. Pei.

BEL CANTO YOUTH CHORUS

Bel Canto Vocal Academy is now accepting registrations for their children's choral group for ages 8 - 18. Offered are instruction and performing opportunities, as well as touring and performing at the Gateway Music Festival. For more information on how to audition, call 875-0633.



ALTON GARDEN CLUB By Ruth Nickerson, Publicity

The September 24 meeting of the Alton Garden Club will be held at 7 p.m. at the Gilman Library. The speaker for the evening, Sylvia Countway of Alton, will present a program entitled "Plant Portraits."

Hostesses for this meeting are Myra Mier, Chairperson; Grace Genova, Sandra Boutelier, Fran Guttormsen, Priscilla Bourgault, Marion Davis, and Pat Northrup.

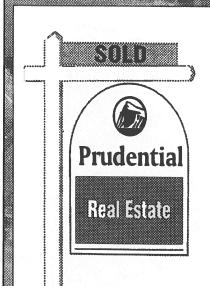
CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club will be sponsoring a "Savor the Season" Luncheon on Wednesday, September 11, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Conference Center on Route 11 in Alton Bay.

The Special Feature and Speaker is "Spice of Life" with Hazel Kinder. Hazel is an inspirational soloist from Paris, Missouri. She will musically share how her life has been woven into a beautiful tapestry — "from Frayed and Frazzled to Destined and Determined."

Reservations for the lunch and the available complimentary nursery may be made by calling: in Alton, Melissa at 776-2224, or Karen at 875-8144; in Gilford, or Faith at 293-8073.

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



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JEFF STEINBERG IN CONCERT By Bob Hett, Pastor, The Bay Church

He is called "A Masterpiece in Progress" or "the tiny giant." And on Sunday, September 8, at 10:45 a.m. he will be appearing in concert in the Tabernacle of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center as a guest of The Bay Church.

Jeff Steinberg was born without arms or hands and deformed legs, but once you hear his voice, laugh at his humor, and listen to his story, you forget his unseemly appearance.

A Thalidomide baby, born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Jeff spent his early years in a Home for Crippled Children. Now 49 years old he travels around the country with his wife, Ellen, encouraging others to see what God can do through them, no matter what their limitations appear to be.

Entertainer Pat Boone called Jeff "...the Rocky of the handi-capable!" Motivator and author Zig Ziglar wrote "Jeff teaches how to make it on grit, gumption, God, and an indomitable will to overcome."

Jeff has traveled more than 1.4 million miles sharing his special message. He has recorded ten music albums. He and his wife, Ellen, share a message of hope, humor, and encouragement, inspiration, and challenge that you won't want to miss.

TOWN HALL DISPLAY OF RAILROAD MEMORABILIA

The Alton Historical Society and friends will provide railroad memorabilia for the display case in Town Hall. This exhibit will be there from September 5 until the end of the month. Drop by and see it!

NO, THE BUILDING HAS NOT GROWN

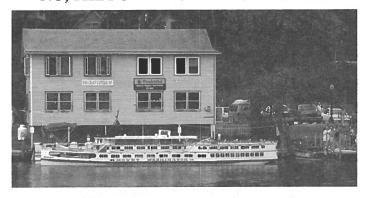


Photo by Nick Coates/The Granite State News It is the other way around — the M/S Mt. Washington has shrunk. "The Mini-Mount," a scaled replica of the popular scenic cruise ship constructed by Jack Miller of Wolfeboro, made a visit to Alton Bay during the antique boat show held on August 10.

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TO PROTECT AND SERVE By Detective-Corporal Ed Correia Alton Police Department

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AT ACS

The Alton Police Department and School Board have embarked on a collaborative endeavor to place a police officer at Alton Central School (ACS). Funding was obtained through



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(see Information Center for worship times)

a federal grant secured by the police department. I will be the officer to fill that position beginning this year.

The School Resource Officer (SRO) Program began in the 1950's in Flint, Michigan. Since then many schools have adopted the idea and implemented similar programs. The early 90's ushered in a new kind of policing strategy — Community Policing. Actually, it was an old idea or method re-kindled. The SRO program is an extension of that philosophy. With the advent of increased school violence and terrorist threats more communities are motivated to adopt this strategy.

The SRO functions as a resource to parents, students, and the school alike. His duties include such things as:

- Being a visible, active law enforcement figure on campus dealing with law-related issues;
- Serving as a classroom resource for instruction in the areas of law-related education, violence diffusion, safety programs, alcohol and drug prevention, crime prevention, and similar subjects;
- Being a member of the faculty and administrative team working hand-in-hand to solve problems in the school community;
- Serving as a resource for the students which will enable them to be associated with a law enforcement figure in the student's environment;
- Being ready as a resource for parents, teachers, and students for conferences on an individual basis.
 K-9 Update

Sergeant Anderson, the department's principal K-9 handler, reports that Rom (shown in the photo, below, with Sgt. Anderson) is adapting well to training. Both Rom and Sgt. Anderson continue to train regularly with the NH Working Dog Foundation. This month they will be attending a 12-week K-9 School at the Boston Police K-9 Academy. This is one of the country's most renowned K-9 training centers.

Rom completed his testing for entrance at the Boston Police K-9 Academy in August. Staff members at the Academy said that he did extremely well. Rom has the appropriate disposition and drive for the job. Upon completion of the academy Rom will be well schooled in tracking (both lost children and bad guys, for instance), article searching, and the ability to protect the K-9 officer and citizens.



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SUNDAY SCHOOL "RALLY DAY"

Sunday, September 15, will be "Rally Day" at The Bay Church on the grounds of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. At 9:30 a.m. families of the Sunday School will meet in the Lombard Center Dining Hall for fun, food, and fellowship, followed by a "Rally Day" worship service in the Chapel at 10:45 a.m.

At the worship service Pastor Bob Hett will be launching a series of sermons from the Book of Revelation entitled, "It's All About Jesus." Special music will be provided by the

Bay Church Ensemble.

In the evening at 6 p.m. the Bluegrass Gospel group, "Salt 'n Light," will share their ministry of song and testimony in the Conference Center Chapel. In between there will be a family fellowship cookout on the grounds following the morning worship service.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES ANNOUNCEMENT

By Shirley Lane, Cemetery Trustee

Very shortly the Old Riverside Cemetery on Route 11

will be posted with one-way signs.

The Cemetery Trustees hope this will avoid having to back up onto Main Street when meeting another car in the rows. Due to driving on the grass, the sprinkler nozzles have been damaged.

The following rows will be ENTRANCE ONLY: A (Gate with sign); A-B, C-D, E-F, G-H, I-J, and K-L. When you reach the rear of the cemetery, it will be a right turn only and the following rows will be EXIT ONLY: L-M and N-O.

Please remember, driving on the grass in all cemeteries

is prohibited.

We would appreciate your cooperation. If you have any questions, please call me at 875-5864.

CLAUDE R. BATCHELDER POST 72

By Dick Cunningham

Sunday morning breakfast, open to the public from 8 a.m. until 12 noon, continues to be a big hit. The Alzheimer's Walk for Life, which is scheduled for September 28, will be the recipient of profits from the September 22 breakfast. Contact the Legion if your non-profit group wants to partner in a Sunday morning breakfast.

Auxiliary Notes: An initiation ceremony will be held on Wednesday, September 25, at 7 p.m. for all new members and those members who have not yet been initiated. Please contact Gwen Nadeau, Unit 72 Secretary, at P. O. Box 747, Alton, NH 03809 for further information. The Junior Auxiliary is reminded that meetings are beginning again on Tuesday, September 3, at 6 p.m. after the summer break.

CITIZEN'S FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE

Once again the Police Department will be holding a firearms safety course for residents of Alton. It will take place on Saturday, September 7, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Alton Town Hall and the police firing range. You must be 18 and older to take part. There is no cost, but participants should provide their own weapon and at least 60 rounds of ammunition. If you do not own a weapon, you will still be able to participate.

The program includes: basic nomenclature of firearms; citizen use of deadly force; proper use, maintenance, and storage of weapons; state and local laws governing the possession and use of weapons; practical firearms training at the range to include "shoot and don't shoot" situations with

moving targets; and lunch will be provided.

For more information or a registration form, call Detective-Corporal Ed Correia at 875-0757.



LT. BOYCE IN AVIATION TRAINING

Lt. Robert L. Boyce (shown above), USMC, son of Rob and Laurie Boyce of Alton, has been accepted into the Marine Corps aviation training program. Currently in training at The Basic School in Quantico, Virginia, the recently commissioned Second Lt. will be deciding in January whether to seek training in fixed wing (fighter jets) or rotary wing (helicopters). The acceptance to the flight training includes a commitment to serve eight to ten years.

Boyce is a graduate of Alton Central School. A graduate with honors from Bucknell University in Pennsylvania, he is completing a masters program at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana. The decision to join the Marines came after the events of September 11. His family background includes two uncles in the Marines and two grandfathers, a great grandfather, and an uncle in the Navy.

CHECK OUT THIS BOOK REVIEW By Judith Pellowe

Perfect Match by Jodi Picoult, Atria Books, 2002, 351 pages, is among the new offerings at the Gilman Library.

Nina Frost is an ambitious District Attorney living in Biddeford, Maine. Her husband, Caleb, is a stonemason. Her son, Nathaniel, is a precocious five-year-old child who suddenly and inexplicably stops talking. Nina soon discovers that Nathaniel has been sexually abused. A priest is arrested for the assault, and Nina, intimately familiar with the justice system and its failings, decides to exact her own justice.

The story works on many levels. There are subplots involving Nina's relationship with her husband, her guilt from choosing work over her son too many times, and Caleb's sense of right and wrong. The story is gripping and will keep you in suspense right through the final pages. But it is more than a suspense story; it is also a close look at emotions and relationships and love.

Perfect Match is Jodi Picoult's ninth book. Picoult lives in Hanover, New Hampshire, with her husband and three children.

GILMAN MUSEUM VOLUNTEER POSITION

The Gilman Museum Committee has an opening for a volunteer member. Applicants should have experience in non-profit organizations, fund raising, management of museum resources, and PastPerfect museum software computer programs. Responsibilities include participation in committee meetings, restoration projects, budget preparation, docent duties, and other assignments as necessary to ensure the development of the Gilman Museum as an educational force within the community. Applications are available at the Town Hall, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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

A JMA REPORT

Interest appears to be increasing with respect to what is happening with the new joint high school with Barnstead and the JMA (Joint Maintenance Agreement) School Board. As we enter September here is where they both stand.

New JMA High School

The JMA Building Committee has continued to meet all summer with the architect to refine the specifications and drawings. The schematic (basic design of the building) phase of the project has been completed. At the meetings this summer the committee has been discussing the type and color of brick, window design, location of athletic fields and parking lots, and the cafeteria and kitchen layout.

Last month JMA board member Peter Farrell, architect Chip Krause, and myself made a presentation to the Alton Planning Board on the conceptual site plan, which is a work in progress. Test borings have been completed, and the site engineer is using the information gleaned from the borings to determine the absolute best location for the building and the septic systems.

A formal presentation will be made to the Alton Planning Board on Tuesday, October 15. No construction can start until 60 days (December 15) after this formal presentation. There will be a period of 30 days after the presentation for the Alton Planning Board to make suggestions, which are nonbinding on the JMA School Board.

The final drawings and specifications should be completed

no later than November of this year; they then must be approved by the NH Department of Education before construction can start. Applications must be filed with the NH Department of Environmental Services and the NH Department of Transportation to secure permits. They will be filed this fall.

In summary, the project is moving forward and a final decision will be made shortly when the bidding will take place.

JMA School Board

The JMA School Board, comprised of the existing sitting school boards of Alton and Barnstead, has been meeting all summer. The Board is organized and functioning. At the next meeting policies and by-laws will be adopted, a treasurer and secretary will be appointed, a set of financial books will be set up, and the process to hire the Clerk of the Works will be approved.

After initially getting to know one another, the dialogue between the two boards is now more open and freer and decisions are now being made. As with any new organization there is a period of uncertainty and uneasiness, both of which are dissipating, and a positive working relationship is beginning

to unfold.

A Finance Committee will be reviewing the proposed 2003-2004 budget and will present it to the full board for approval. It then goes to the Budget Committee comprised of Budget Committee members from both Alton and Barnstead and one school board member from both Alton and Barnstead for a total of eight (8) members. Once the final budget is approved it will appear as a line item in both Alton and Barnstead's 2003-2004 final budgets to be voted upon in March of 2003.

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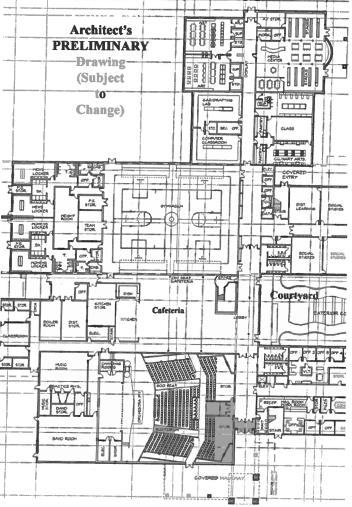
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A THIRD "MAIN STREET" FOR ALTON? By Bob Longabaugh

The JMA (Joint Maintenance Agreement with Barnstead) Building Committee devoted almost its entire meeting on August 14 to going over the latest plans for the new Alton/ Barnstead high school, presented by the architect Chip Krause. Here is the northwestern portion of the first floor plan:

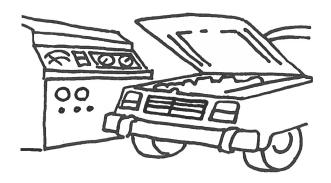


The feature that drew the attention of this reporter is what was referred to as "Main Street" by the architect and the committee. Starting at the covered walkway at the bottom of the plan and proceeding upward with first the auditorium on the left, and then the cafeteria on the left and the exterior courtyard on the right, followed by the gymnasium on the left with a wing of social studies classrooms on the right, is what is already being called Main Street. Beyond the double doors at the end of this complex Main Street continues with computer and art classrooms on the left of the corridor and the culinary arts spaces on the right while winding up at the "Media Center" (formerly known as a "library") in the final interior spaces on the right.

This part of the new school is being designed for longer hours of use by the community at large. The doors leading off Main Street to the instructional spaces of the building can easily be secured, thereby permitting ready access after school hours to the 600-seat auditorium, 250-seat cafeteria, and the gymnasium. By unlocking a few more doors access is extended to the media center, computer labs, music room, and the carpentry and welding shops. The potential for greater use of this new educational facility by more than school-age children holds out great promise.



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Mon. 2	LABOR DAY					
Tue. 3	SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST, Meeting, Town					
	Hall, 7 - 8 p.m., see story					
Fri. 6	ROSH HASHANAH, begins					
Sat. 7	FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE, 8 a.m 4 p.m., see story					
Sun. 8	BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m., see story					
	JEFF STEINBERG IN CONCERT, ABCCC, 10:45 a.m.,					
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Mon. 9	BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, Library, 6:30 p.m.,					
	see Checkout					
Tue. 10	STATE PRIMARY VOTE, Alton Central Fire Station,					
	7 a.m 7 p.m., see story					
Wed. 11	9/11 REMEMBRANCE, Pearson Road Community Center,					
	10:30 a.m., see Senior Citizens Corner					
	CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S LUNCH, ABCCC, 11:30 a.m.,					
	see story					
	9/11 MEMORIAL SERVICE, Baptist Meeting House, 7 p.m.,					
	see story					
Thu. 12	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Pearson Road Community					
	Center, 10:30 a.m 12 noon					
Sat. 14	LAST DAY TO "NAME THE NEW SCHOOL," see story					
Sun. 15	BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m., see story					
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OPEN HOUSE, Alton Family Medicine, see story BREAKFAST, American Legion, 8 a.m., see story

ALTON GARDEN CLUB, Library, 7 p.m., see story

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STATE PRIMARY ELECTION By Lisa Waterman, Town Clerk

The State Primary Election will be held at the Alton Central Fire Station on Route 140 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10. See the front page story on who is running.

If an absentee ballot is required, you may pick up an application and the ballot at the Town Clerk's Office if you are a registered voter in Alton. We will remain open until 5 p.m. on Monday, September 9, to accept any absentee ballots.

If you are not a registered voter, you can fill out a voter registration card in the Town Clerk's Office. The Supervisors of the Checklist will sit on September 3 from 7 - 8 p.m. at Town Hall (Depot Street entrance) for those people who wish to register for the Primary. See story below for their rules and regulations. You may also register the day of election.

Remember, table space is still available for any non-profit organization to sell or raffle products. Call the Town Clerk's Office at 875-2101 to reserve a table.

VOTER REGISTRATION LIST By MaryBee Longabaugh, Supervisor of the Checklist

The State Primary vote is fast approaching. If you wish to help decide who will be on the November ballot, you must be registered with the town of Alton.

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, September 3, 7 - 8 p.m. in Town Hall, Depot Street entrance, if you wish to sign up with them. Or, you can fill out the voter registration card in the Town Clerk's Office.

Please be aware that when you sign up in the Town Clerk's Office it does not mean you are automatically on the list. The Supervisors must meet and examine all applications. After September 3 and until September 10 you can sign up to be a voter, but you will NOT be on the list. You will have to come to the Supervisors' table at the polls before you go through the voters' line. You can always sign up the day of

Before you can fill out a registration card, you must show a photo ID and a bill or car registration which shows your physical address (road, street, highway), NOT a P. O. Box.

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Alton Board of Selectmen has voted to establish a Public Safety Building Study Committee. In addition to the customary list of the Fire and Police Chiefs, the Town Administrator, and a Selectman, the board wants to involve three citizens who would like to serve on this very important committee. The group will look at the needs of the fire and police departments in the upcoming years. If you would like to volunteer (see September, 2001, Main Street "Town Hall Notes" on page 11 on volunteerism), please call Pam Arnold, Town Administrator, at 875-2161 or stop into Town Hall.







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SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

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

Bay Church — Sep. 1, Bandstand Service, 9 a.m.; Tabernacle Services, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Beginning September 8, Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Services in Conference Center Chapel, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday, Fellowship Supper in Dining Hall, 6 p.m. Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor; Rev. John Fogell, Associate Pastor

Community Church — Sun. Service, 9 a.m., Baptist Meeting House, Main Street; 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

North Barnstead Congregational Church — Sun. School and Worship Services, 10:30 a.m., 504 N. Barnstead Rd, Rev. Gray Fitzgerald

St. Joan of Arc — Weekend Masses in the tent on Main Street, Sat., 5 p.m. and Sun., 8 and 11 a.m.; weekday Masses, Mon., Wed., and Fri., 8 a.m.at St. Cecilia's, Wolfeboro; Tue., Thu., and Sat., 8 a.m. at Rectory Chapel; Sun. Mass St Paul's in Barnstead, 9:30 a.m.; Rev. George Ham

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

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Alcoholics Anonymous — Tue., 8 p.m., Alton Bay Community

American Legion — 2nd Mon., 7:30 p.m., Legion Hall, Rte 28 American Legion Auxiliary — 2nd Mon., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall American Legion Jr. Auxiliary — 1st Tue., 6 p.m., Legion Hall Boy Scout Troop 53 — Wed., 6:30 p.m., Central Fire Station Community Services Program, Sat., 10 a.m. - 12 noon., 875-2273 Cub Scout Pack 53 — Last Tue., 6:30 p.m., Legion Hall Eastern Star — 2nd Tue., when meeting, 875-5211 4-H Club, 1st and 3rd Wed., 5 p.m., Gilman Library, 875-5325 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 Mig. House Happy Hobby Doll Club — 4th Fri., 7 p.m., 364-7413 for

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Knights of Columbus — 1st Wed., 7:30 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

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Moms In Touch — Tue., 1 p.m., 875-2866

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PTSA. — 3rd Wed., Alton Central School HS Library, 7 p.m. Senior Citizens — 2nd Wed., 1 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

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BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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BUDGET COMMITTEE — 3rd Thursday (twice a week in "budget season"), 7 p.m., Chairman Ruth Messier, 875-6750

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m., Town Hall, Co-Chairs, Earl Bagley and Justine Gengras, 875-5095.

FIRE WARDS — 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., Central Fire Station, Chairman Stanley Czech, 875-3815

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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 Tom Varney, call 875-5095 for appointment.

SCHOOL BOARD — 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6 p.m., Chairman Wayne Fraser, call 875-7890 for appointment.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST — Meets on call, Chairman MaryBee Longabaugh, 875-5067.

TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY — 3rd Tuesday, 4 p.m., Chairman Nancy Jordan, 875-2550.

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

TER COMMISSION — 2nd & 4th Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Water Department Office, Chairman Reuben L. Wentworth, 875-4200

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ENDING THE SUMMER SEASON

September starts the fall season and ends the summer season. To the outdoor person September is the month when one may both hunt and still get in some good fishing.

September 1 starts New Hampshire's first hunting season, the black bear. Baiting season also starts on that date, but both these seasons end on various days, depending on the Wild Life Management Unit in which one hunts. Hound season runs September 22 through November 12 in all units that allow hunting with dogs. With the many reported bear sightings and destroyed bird feeders (including mine this year). Alton should be a good town in which to try for a bear.

There are between 4,500-5,000 black bear in New Hampshire. Last year hunters took a record 527 bears. Three females dressed out at over 270 pounds each and two males dressed out over 485 pounds. The largest tied the state's record at 494 pounds dressed.

September 15 opens the archery deer and turkey hunting season. The deer should be in good shape after the mild winter. However, the overall population is still recovering from the high winter mortality of the previous year.

Bear, turkey, and deer will be found near food sources this month. Berries will be going out of season, and the mast crop (nuts) will be coming into season. In early August I found beech nuts, but with the hot, dry spell they might not mature. Find theses areas, and you will find good hunting. As always, be sure to check the regulations pertaining to the Wildlife Management Unit in which you plan to hunt.

September 30 ends the lake trout and landlocked salmon fishing season. Good fishing this month depends on the weather to cool the waters so these fish will come up from the depths where August's hot spell drove them. You may find them near the surface, or you may have to go deep to catch them. Boat traffic will start to decline, giving the fisherman a more relaxing experience.

This month can still have days with 80-90 degree temperatures. If it's too hot to go hunting, you can still go fishing. Enjoy!

KIDS CLUB AT THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Mark your calendars now. Kids Klub will be held on Tuesdays this year, beginning October 29 from after school until 5:30 p.m. There will be many activities and a light dinner will be served. People are needed to help with crafts, singing, and cooking. To volunteer call 875-5561. Watch the October issue of Main Street for ALL the details.



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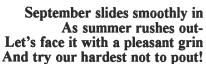
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SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER By Nancy Mooney Hebert



We blame the August heat wave for the smaller than usual numbers who attended our annual meeting. I conducted the meeting in the absence of President Nardo and also performed the installation ceremony for new officers. Incoming president Dolly Hussey vowed to keep our organization alive and active, and we all wish her and the other officers good luck and the stamina to fulfill their duties.

Paul Gamache reported that he and his committee are actively working on lining up a trip for October. Check with the center in mid-September to find out more details, as nothing is confirmed at this time. By next spring, monthly trips and outings will again be in the works; hang in there everyone!

Thanks to Kellie Troendle and the Parks and Recreation Department for the recent Senior Bingo afternoon. Our site director Kim makes a wonderful bingo caller, and everyone had a lot of fun. Lois Hebert won the grand prize, a huge coffeemaker, which she graciously donated to the center.

Kim reports that she is planning a Remembrance ceremony on Wednesday, September 11, 10:30 a.m., at the center on Pearson Road. There will be prayers, poetry, thoughts, and song. All of the community is invited to share this special time, and if you would like to be involved, call Kim at 875-7102.

Scheduled for 1 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, at the center is Betty John from the VNA/Hospice of Southern Carroll County and Vicinity. She will talk about the various kinds of loss that all of us will experience or have experienced at one time. She will address what's "normal" in reaction to these losses and what may be of extra concern. Betty has been the Hospice Volunteer Coordinator and Bereavement Counselor for the VNA/Hospice for a number of years.

Another speaker, Bernadette Cameron, will be at the center at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 25, to talk about the Medication Bridge Program. All are invited. Kim also informs us that a scrabble club is being formed for all the word lovers! Call for further details. We do appreciate Kim's efforts in expanding programs available for seniors. Her care and concern are bound to have a salutary effect on us as we strive to keep well and involved in our advancing years.

We have noticed an increase in attendance for meals, and we are always happy to meet new people as well as to welcome back those who have not been at the center for a while. Our next association meeting is Wednesday, September 11, at 1 p.m. at the center. It should be cooler then, so we hope to see a full house!



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We wish to thank all of you who took part in this year's summer reading program entitled "Lions & Tigers & Books, Oh My!" The readers who took part completed a total of 344 books. The winners of this summer's coloring contest are Bryana DeCoff, Hannah DeRoche, Laura Fraser, Sarah Fraser, Bryant Sharpe, and Preston Sharpe and the guessing game winners are Bryant Sharpe, Brian Carr, Eric Doherty, Rebecca Tinkham, Christine Albers, Tommy Pellowe, Jack Laramie, and Erica Smith. We hope you will all join us again next year.

The Book Discussion Group will meet on Monday, September 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the library to continue to discuss *Beach Music* by Pat Conroy. If you would like a copy of the book, give us a call at 875-2550 or stop by the circulation desk. New members are always welcome.

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HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS By Ken Roberts Highway Agent

PROGRESS CONTINUES

We certainly had a very hot and humid August. Everyone kept wondering when relief would begin. During that time the highway crew was on Pearson Road. We took out the cul-de-sac and sloped back the banks. We then seeded and placed hay in the area so the green grass could grow. We are looking to pave the road in the fall, but no schedule date has been set.

Stockbridge Corner is done on the dirt section. We have widened the road and the ditch line and also installed one new culvert.

The highway garage has been completed. Feel free to come and visit with us any time. It is really making a difference.

Stay safe and remember to drive carefully. School is back in session.

Remember, Public Safety Is Our #1 Concern

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the voter. Voter beware; if you should mark even one more name than the maximum eight allowed, your ballot for representative will not be counted at all because the referee will have no way of knowing which eight names were marked first

The 12 candidates running for the eight Republican nominations follow. They are listed alphabetically, although that may not be the order on the ballot, and their town of residence is given within parentheses: Michael Akstin (Barnstead), Janet Allen (Barnstead), Gordon Bartlett (Belmont), Laurie Boyce (Alton), Chuck Clark (Gilford), Edward DeForrest (Gilford), Jim Pilliod (Belmont), Dave Russell (Gilmanton), John Showers (Barnstead), John Thomas (Belmont), Robert Waters (Belmont), and Mike Whalley (Alton).

For the "political junkies" in Main Street's readership (and this writer is one), there is a comprehensible answer to the question of how Alton's representation in the NH House will be increasing from four to eight members. It is because when all was said and done from the re-districting just completed, the number of districts covering the state dropped from 195 to 88. Alton is now part of a larger district that includes Barnstead, Belmont, Gilford, and Gilmanton.

The following lists who is running on the official Republican and Democratic state-wide ballots.

Republicans: Governor: Gordon J. Humphrey, Bruce Keough, Robert Kingsbury, Robert Howard Kroepel, Craig Benson, Joseph S. Haas; United States Senator: Kenneth Scot Stremsky, John E. Sununu, "Bob" Smith; Representative in Congress: Wayne Barrows, "Bob" Bevill, Jeb Bradley, Vivian Clark, Gary Scott Hoffman, Sean Mahoney, John A. Stephen, Francine "Fran" Wendelboe; Executive Councilor: Raymond S. Burton. The nominees for Sheriff, County Attorney, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Register of Probate, and Delegate to the State Convention are uncontested.

Democrats: Governor: Mark Fernald and "Bev" Hollingworth; United States Senator: Jeanne Shaheen; Representative in Congress: Martha Fuller Clark and Sean Patrick Dean. Every other position is a write-in.

OLD HOME DAYS 2002



The day was hot and humid so it was not a chore to climb into the Dunkin' Chair and hope there would be a hit once in a while. For only a \$1 one received three balls to throw.

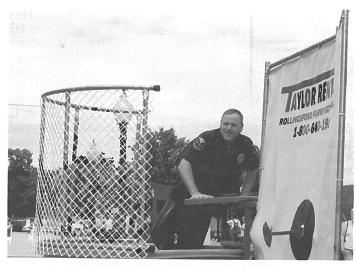


Photo by Christine Elliott Officer John Lobdell of the Alton Police Department is once again climbing out of the water tank, perhaps wishing that there were not so many good pitchers.

OLD HOME DAYS RAFFLE WINNERS

Christine Elliott, Alton Police Department Dispatcher, reports that there were five winners of the raffles offered by the police and fire associations during Old Home Days weekend. The proceeds collected from the raffles will be used next year to make this event even better.

\$100 winner: Jimi Kenerson of Alton \$75 winner: Debbie Burton of Alton

\$50 winner: Ryan Depalmenary of Manchester

\$25 winner: Chris Rivard of Alton

50/50 raffle winners: Longabaughs of Alton Bay.







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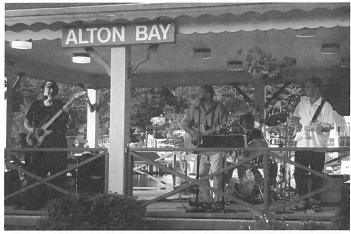


Photo by Christine Elliott

"Still Smoking" was at the Alton Bay Bandstand on Friday night with Detective-Corporal Ed Correia on rhythm guitar.

RACE RESULTS FOR OLD HOME DAYS

By Kellie Troendle, Alton Recreation Director

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department and the Bank of New Hampshire sponsored their annual Old Home Days 5K Road Race on Saturday, August 10. There were 140 runners participating in the USATF certified, scenic race. This was an international event with runners traveling from as far away as British Columbia. Other states sending representatives to Alton Bay included: Maine, Massachusetts, Ohio, Vermont, New York, Rhode Island, North Carolina, and

Oregon.

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank: Bank of New Hampshire for co-sponsoring the race; L & C Springwater for donating bottled water to all of the participants; Tracing Graphics for designing the race shirts; Alton Police Department, Highway Agent Ken Roberts, and Mary Jane Dascoli and Sharon Hannifin from Alton Fire and Rescue for their assistance and support. The department would also like to recognize and thank the volunteers who made the race possible: Bill Lionetta, Jack Bernard, Christine Harris, Bank of New Hampshire staff Steve Beranger and Jim Parker, and the Alton Police Association volunteers.

Race Results

1st place male overall: Peter Kutcher age 16, New Ipswich, time 17:46. 1st place female overall: Marisa Cawley age 19, Bennington, time 19:40.

1st Alton male: John Racine, 54, time 22:22. 1st Alton female: Mary Marren, 21, time 23:00.

1st female 14/under: Megan DiVito, 12, Alton, time 25:00. 1st male: Peter Shaw, 13, Meredith, time 24:44.

1st female 20-29: Sarah Morgan, 21, Alexandria, time 20:29. 1st male 20-29: Justin Kunz, 24, Burlington, VT, time 21:54.

1st female 30-39: Carolyn Cole, 39, Cornish, time 20:16. 1st male 30-39: Neil Amidon, 34, York, ME, time 17:49. 1st female 40-49: Lusann Wishart, 43, Londonderry, time 20:26.

1st male 40-49: Bob Strout, 46, Salisbury, MA, time 18:08. 1st female 50-59: Judi Lemaire, 50, Wolfeboro, time 23:40. 1st male 50-59: Lou Ruggiero, 53, Woburn, MA, time 8:31. 1st female 60-69: Nancy Reed, 68, Wolfeboro, time 36:02.

1st male 60-69: Richard Watson, 63, Boone, NC,

time 21:12.

1st male age 70/over: John DiComandrea, 74, Revere, MA, time 26:40.

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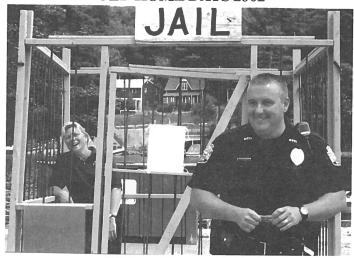


Photo by Christine Elliott A popular feature during Old Home Days was the jail whereby for a buck you could have a designated "felon" incarcerated for five minutes. Seen above is Officer Gary Hannafin who looks like he is about to throw away the key on his spouse, Lt. Sharon Hannafin of the Alton Fire and Rescue.



Photo by Bob Burg Children enjoyed the "Moon Walk" tent. It was one great leap for the enthusiastic youth enjoying the day.

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HOW TO PRODUCE THOSE TROUT By Bob Fawcett, Supervisor of Hatcheries

NH Fish and Game Department

My job title says I'm "Hatcheries Supervisor." But my business card says nothing about being an "Ace Angler," which is an accurate omission (although I do have some good days). Mevertheless, I do like to fish, and I like to try my luck occasionally at one of more than 200 ponds stocked with trout by the Fish and Game Department.

In June I checked out one pond we've been stocking with rainbows by going fishing with some friends. I like to use just one lure, so I usually give Peter (son of a friend) a razing about his wide selection. I showed him, his father, and younger brother the one lure I think is the "stock buster." They bought it and off we went.

Fish On!

It was a beautiful day. I thought we might catch some rainbows, and I chatted with some obvious regulars who had caught a lot of rainbows recently. I caught a lot of fish—one after the other, calling out "FISH ON!" each time to play up the event as if it was on TV. They do it now too. There was a time when I did not appreciate it when my fishing buddy used to do that to me, but now that he has taught me how to fish I'm passing on the cockiness.

It All Starts with Eggs

Although we didn't catch any rainbows that day, in the back of my mind I thought about all the time, labor, knowledge, skill, ability, and cooperation that goes into producing the trout that we stock for folks to catch and release, or hook and cook. I visited Milford Fish Hatchery to analyze some data and check on a few other complicated issues. I was there at 7 a.m. to help the people who work there load trout onto their live fish transport systems for stocking. They lift literally tons of fish each year into the stocking trucks.

The size of the trout was impressive: brown trout averaged a pound apiece, and the rainbows were larger still. The growth of the brook trout is a good example of the operation cycle at the hatcheries. The cycle started in Milford with eastern brook trout eggs in the fall of 2000. In April of 2001 they had grown to an average of 2.15 inches. By September they had grown to a mean of 6.92 inches (altogether, at that time the hatchery had a total biomass of 6,098 pounds of brook trout). Later still, at the end of February, the 86,000 brookies weighed a total of 41,000 pounds, and by March, when-stocking began, those Milford yearlings were an average of 10.86 inches. Some of those brook trout were approaching one foot long by the time the last of them was released in June.

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LIVE THE LIFE By Cindy & John Duffek

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We enjoyed workamping this past summer at the Lake Siskiyou Camp Resort at the foot of Mount Shasta, in northern California. The photo shows the mount as viewed from our campground beach.

We each worked 30 - 35 hours a week, with five hours each week per couple deducted for our campsite. We were paid minimum wage for the rest of our hours. Cindy worked in the campground store and John was a dockhand at the camp's marina. We spent last summer at the Indian Cove Resort in Virginia Beach, Virginia, where Cindy worked in the reservations/store complex and John was a security guard.

In addition to having a little extra income, we enjoy being off the roads in the summer when everyone else is out there. For more information about workamping, check out the website <www.workamper.com>.

You may have questions about our full-time RV'ing life style or thoughts for a future column. Please e-mail us at Livingourlife@aol.com.

Henry David Thoreau said, "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you've imagined." We agree.

MOMS IN TOUCH By Phyllis Brooks

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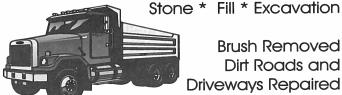
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FOR THE FUN OF IT By Kellie Troendle, CPRP **Parks and Recreation Director**

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Friday, September 6, we will play bingo at the Pearson Road Community Center from 1 - 3 p.m. Games are free, and refreshments will be served. All Alton seniors are invited to attend.

CHECK THAT WELL COVER!

By Brian Boyers, Alton Code Official

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

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The officers and I are asking for donations to be dropped off at Town Hall or Alton Home and Lumber Center during business hours. Our shelves need replenishing. Thank you again for your much needed support.

> /s/Dorothye S. Wentworth, Director, Alton Community Services Program

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September 2 - 6: Mon., Labor Day, closed; Tue., Veal Parmesan/Spaghetti Sauce; Wed., Cheese Omelet; Thu., Corned Beef; Fri., BBQ Chicken.

September 9 - 13: Mon., Breaded Pork Cutlet/Gravy; Tue., Baked Ham or Turkey; Wed., Batter Dipped Fish; Thu., Chicken Primavera; Fri., Sliced Beef.

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September 30 - October 4: Mon., Mandarin Chicken; Tue., Stuffed Peppers; Wed., Cheese Omelet; Thu., Chicken Fricassee; Fri., Meat Loaf/Gravy.

IN Main Street FIFTEEN YEARS AGO ...

. . . The Alton Fire Department hosted the 90th Annual Convention of the NH State Fireman's Association activities included a special cruise and dinner dance aboard the MV Mt. Washington . . . Alton celebrated the Constitution Bicentennial with an all-day program . . . The Happy Hobby Doll Club donated teddy bears to the Alton Fire Department rescue truck and to the Alton Volunteer Ambulance Service.

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

... John Jeddry's 1940 Ford Deluxe was judged Best in Show at the first Annual Car Show . . . Dr. Elaine Brigman was named Superintendent of SAU 51 . . . James Washburn was appointed to the Board of Selectmen, replacing Bonnie Joseph who resigned . . . Alton High School Class of 1942 held its 50th reunion at the home of class member Brenda Chamberlain Floro.

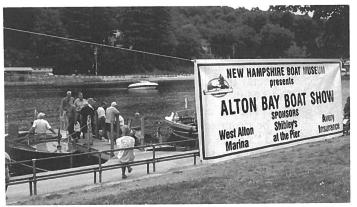
FIVE YEARS AGO...

... The 100th Annual Convention for the New Hampshire Firefighters Association was hosted in Alton... The Citizens' Firearm Academy was restarted by the Alton Police Department . . . Alton Central School reopened for the fall semester and once again the buses were on the road.

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OLD HOME DAYS 2002



One of the Saturday features of Old Home Days was the Antique Boat Show. The New Hampshire Boat Museum of Wolfeboro ran the event and awarded three trophies donated by the West Alton Marina.

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STILL TIME TO NAME THE NEW SCHOOL

There are a number of ways you can submit your ideas.

1) Mail them to Alton SAU #72, P. O. Box 120, Alton 03809;

2) E-mail them to <Schoolboard@alton.k12.nh.us>; or 3) Call Debi Winegar (776-4547), Barnstead member of the committee and leave your message on her voicemail.

If you need more information or have questions, you can visit the Alton Central School (ACS) website at www.alton.k12.nh.us or contact the SAU at 875-7890.

In the latter part of September the committee will gather all the suggestions and submit them to the Joint School Board. The board is hoping there will be maximum participation in joining in the fun and the creativity that starts here with this opportunity to "Name That School!"

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