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## **SAFETY FACILITIES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS EXPANSIONS By Richard Cunningham**

The Alton Safety Facilities Committee is composed of Residents, one representative each from the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, and Budget Committee, the Police Chief, Fire Chief, Town Planner and the Town Administrator. After hundreds of hours of research and meetings the Committee has compiled their findings and recommendations in a report to be presented to the Board of Selectmen.

Recommendations in the report address the immediate needs of Alton, based upon the rapid population growth of both year round and seasonal residents, highway traffic, school growth and commercial growth. Projected growth through 2020 results in future safety services growth and the need for expanded facilities.

The Summary Report below, along with a detailed Needs Report and a Demographic Prospective will be presented to the Selectmen at their regular meeting on November 3, at 6pm at the Town Hall. All concerned citizens should make every effort to attend.

### **Summary of Findings and Recommendations Safety Facilities Committee**

#### **Findings**

- Alton's year 2003 estimated total population ranges from 7,269 in winter to 17,465 in summer. (These totals include second home and seasonal residents)
- Alton's year 2020 estimated total population ranges from 11,892 in winter to 27,485 in summer.
- The current Central Fire Station is in critical need of space for equipment and personnel which needs to be addressed immediately.
- The current Police Station is cramped and overcrowded and can go no longer than five years without becoming a critical and immediate need.

- A new Joint Safety Facility would be the ideal solution offering optimum joint operations management and sharing of assets. The 20,500 square foot facility would require 5 to 7 acres of land. The joint facility probably could be constructed on the existing Central Fire Station lot at the expense of relocating the tennis and basketball courts.
- Two new separate facilities would require: (a) an estimated 14,000 square foot facility on 3 to 5 acres for Fire/Rescue and (b) an estimated 9,000 square foot facility on 2 to 3 acres for Police. This appears to be the most expensive solution.
- It appears that both the existing Police Station and the existing Central Fire Station are expandable to meet future needs to 2020 and beyond. While there are issues to be dealt with in both cases, realistic options are available. This appears to be the least expensive solution.

#### **Suggested Timeline**

- Add a bay to the Central Fire Station in 2004
- Contract for Engineering Design Services in 2004
  1. Preliminary design and cost of rear two story addition to Central Fire Station.
  2. Preliminary design and cost for Police Station expansion
  3. Preliminary design and cost for Joint Safety Facility
- Final decision on solution(s) in 2005
- Contract for construction of selected design(s) in 2006 or 2007

...For Recommended Selectmen Actions, see page 2.



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**NEW RESIDENT MV REGISTRATIONS**

**By Lisa Waterman, Alton Town Clerk**

New residents to Alton from another state have 60 days to register their vehicle(s) and obtain a NH driver's license. The registration process is done at the Town Clerk's Office in the Town Hall. The following documents are required:

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- cash or two checks, we do not accept debit or credit cards

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**SAFETY COMMITTEE  
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**Recommended Selectmen Actions**

- Support a 2004 warrant article for an expansion to the central Fire Station that would add an additional 20'x40' bay.
- Support a 2004 warrant article for engineering services to develop preliminary design and cost estimates for the expansion and joint facility options.
- Support a 2004 warrant article to create a capital reserve fund for expansion of the existing Central Fire Station and the existing Police Station or construction of a Joint Safety Facility.



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## COMMUNITY HEALTH & HOSPICE ANNOUNCES "GOURMET DINING FOR TWO" COUPON BOOKS

Just in time for early holiday gift shopping, the Community Health & Hospice 2004 "Gourmet Dining For Two" Coupon Books are on sale at the Sundial Shops in Laconia, Gilford and Meredith; the main office of Laconia Savings Bank on Pleasant Street in Laconia as well as the Gilford and Moultonboro branches of Laconia Savings Bank; at Village Bank and Trust in Gilford; and at Community Health & Hospice, 780 North Main Street, Laconia. All branches of Meredith Village Savings Bank will be selling the Coupon Books after November 1.

Each coupon allows the participant to buy one dinner at the regular price and get the second meal, of equal or lesser value, for only \$5.00. The price of the Coupon Book is \$30.00. The coupons are generally valid from January 2, 2004 through late April, 2004 and include some restrictions, which are explained on each coupon. Some coupons also offer bonus days in certain months. More information is available by calling (603) 524-4339, ext. 345.

Participating restaurants in the 2004 coupon book are: Abondante Tuscan Trattoria/Wine & Espresso Bar, Meredith; The Black Cat Café, Laconia; The Boathouse Grille, Meredith; The Brick Front Restaurant & Lounge, Laconia; Camp, Meredith; Christmas Island Steakhouse, Laconia; The Common Man, Ashland; The Common Man, Concord; The Corner House Inn, Center Sandwich; Foster's Steakhouse, Plymouth; Fratello's, Laconia; The Galley, Laconia; Giuseppe's Pizzeria & Ristorante, Meredith; Hart's Turkey Farm, Meredith; Hector's Fine Food and Spirits, Laconia; Hickory Stick Farm, Belmont; The Homestead, Bristol; The Italian Farmhouse, Plymouth; Las Piñatas, Laconia; Mame's, Meredith; The Manor on Golden Pond, Holderness; Nadia's Trattoria, Gilford; Patrick's Pub & Eatery, Gilford; Steele Hill Resorts, Sanbornton; Tilt'n Diner, Tilton; The Top of the Town, Belmont; The Victorian House, Gilford; Walter's Basin, Holderness; and The Woodshed, Moultonboro.

Jackie Bonafide, CH&H Director of Development says, "We're delighted to have six new restaurants this year and a total of 32 coupons. We're very grateful to all of the excellent restaurants who support this and to everyone who buys the Coupon Books." She adds, "The 'Gourmet Dining for Two' Coupon Books make great holiday, birthday, or anniversary gifts for family, friends, and business associates- and they are a delicious way to support the work of Community Health & Hospice!"

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I'd like to thank the residents of Dudley Road for their patience while we continued repairing the road, our apologies for the inconvenience.

Jewett Farm Road has been overlaid, Old Wolfeboro Road is in the process of laying curbing and sidewalks. The road is still closed for travel, we apologize for this delay.

Alton Mountain Road is 99% complete. We will be out ditching, grading the roads, cold patching pot holes to prepare for winter.

Now that fall is here fall please check your culverts and runoffs for leaves and areas that may hold water; your efforts are greatly appreciated.

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### IN Main Street FIFTEEN YEARS AGO . . .

. . . Alton Cub Scouts joined a nationwide food drive. John Irving, Cubmaster, said food collected will be distributed by the New Hampshire Food Bank...New Hampshire Council of the Arts has given a grant to have four artists come to Alton Central School. They will lecture, demonstrate and discuss literature and folklore...Selectmen are asking cooperation from residents when revaluation teams visit their property...

### TEN YEARS AGO . . .

. . . The Board of Selectmen adopted new guidelines of conduct for elected town officials. A. Code of Ethics, B. New Hampshire Right to Know Law, and C. Rules for meetings and committee organization... The Bicentennial Committee is seeking a Logo for the celebration in 1996. The contest is open to students, summer and year 'round residents... The Town Hall was dedicated two hundred years ago on May 7, 1894 at a cost of \$15,098.75, completely furnished.

### FIVE YEARS AGO . . .

. . . After more than fifty-nine combined years of service to Alton, Russell Jones, Fire Chief for twenty years and member of the Fire Dept. for nineteen years and his wife, Gwendolyn (Penny), who was Town Clerk for twenty-three years, are retiring. Each made many improvements to their respective jobs for Alton's betterment...Alton Chamber of Commerce has disbanded. Other Chambers covering the Lakes Region and Alton and lack of volunteers and resources are the reasons given...With funds from the Clough-Morrell Trust Fund improvements to windows, lighting and electric systems were installed and a new concrete ramp and granite steps were completed at the Town Hall...

## ALTON FIRE DEPARTMENT LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

By Al Johnson

The Alton Fire Department is actively seeking volunteers to join the department. Applicants must be 18 years of age and in good physical condition, have a current driver's license, and be able to attend training on four Tuesday nights a month.

All members will be required to attend and pass a Firefighter Level 1 class within their first year of membership with the department. Personnel are compensated for their time in class and time worked. Members are required to live in Alton.

The Department is looking for members who live in the West Alton and the West Alton areas also. Applications may be picked up at the Alton Fire & Rescue Department on Route 140 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday - Friday.

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

By Molly Souliere

The National Honors Society is beginning several community service projects. These projects are to benefit children and people of all ages. There will be a coat drive during the winter months. There will be a canned food drive during November. Lastly there will be the Toys for Tot's drive around Christmas. If you would like to donate anything for any cause, please feel free to drop items off at the Alton Central School between 8:00am and 3:00pm or contact the school and we will be happy to pick it up for you.

The National Honor Society Induction ceremony for new members will be held on Wednesday, November 13 in the Music Room at the Alton Central School. For more information please contact Mrs. Hikel at the school.

The NHS will be sending six students and the adviser, Mrs. Hikel, to Orlando, Florida on November 14 for the National Conference. Once again, we would be more than happy to help with any community service projects. Please contact the school with any question, concerns, comments or thoughts at 875-7500. Thank You!



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**SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER**  
By Nancy Mooney Hebert

We know November all too well-  
First, some warmth and then a cold spell-  
A little rain, black ice and sleet  
And maybe Indian Summer heat-  
Our snowbirds now are on the go  
While we say "Let it snow, snow, snow!"  
No matter what weather comes our way  
We'll still be grateful on Thanksgiving day.

Thirteen members attended our October meeting-hope that is not an unlucky number! We have about 50 paid members, so we appeal to those who are not attending to make an extra effort to participate.

Once again, we thank John Brooks and John Hagen, our trip coordinators, for arranging some splendid outings for us this past summer. They took over a thankless job and soon became very competent at it.

Jeanette Barton, chairperson of the card party club, announces that there will be no more Monday card sessions until further notice. Whist will still take place on Thursdays, and bingo on Wednesday and Friday.

While we have little space left for donated items at the center, we do need a tv! Our old one has given out, and if anyone has one in good working condition that is no longer needed, we would be most grateful to be the recipient! Senior volunteers will be helping out at the American Legion Sunday Buffet on November 23rd. The Legion has done much to help many. If you wish to volunteer some time, call the center to be put on the list. We will receive a donation from the Legion for our help.

The slower months ahead are a good time for newcomers to sign up for meals at the center and also join the Association. Also, please remember that the blood pressure clinic is held the second Thursday of the month at the center from ten-thirty a.m. until noon. We can not emphasize too much the importance of keeping a close watch on one's blood pressure. The Visiting Nurses who conduct the clinic are very good at keeping records and counseling those who attend. We welcome Betty Ballard of Wolfeboro who recently joined our organization. We hope she enjoys our group and activities.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Evelyn Nardo, our past President, who is seriously ill.

Do not forget to pay tribute to our veterans on Veterans' Day!

Thanks to Georgiana Nason and Jean Sheusi for the refreshments. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 12 at 1 p.m. There will be a silent auction, so if you have items to auction bring them with you or the day before.

This correspondent is a snowbird and will resume writing the column in the Spring. Happy holidays to all of you and have a great winter!



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**ALTON OUTDOORS  
By Jack Miller**

The month of November means only one thing to the outdoor person—deer hunting! Though archery deer hunting season has been open since September 15, November 2nd opens the muzzleloader season. Any deer may be taken Nov. 2-4, but Nov. 5-12 is antlered deer only. Muzzleloaders must be single shot with a minimum of 40 caliber. With only one shot, one must be sure of their target, shoot accurately, and limit shots to standing or slow moving deer only. Quite the challenge! Good luck.

Nov. 13th opens the firearms (rifle) deer hunting season. In the Alton area (J2 WMU) any deer may be taken on the 13th or 14th. Only antlered deer may be taken from Nov. 15-Dec. 8. If you hunt different parts of the state, be sure to check the regulations as they vary depending on which WMU you hunt.

The wet weather we had this summer was good for the mast crop (acorns and beech nuts) Deer are feeding on them heavily and should be able to fatten up for the winter. Find where oaks and beeches have dropped lots of nuts and you should find deer near by.

There are still people who hesitate to use Alton's outdoors during the hunting season. Hunting is a safe sport. All hunters must take a hunter education course. There were 78,500 licensed hunters in NH last year, and only 5 hunting incidences with no fatalities. NH had 8 straight years of Triple A rating for safe hunters by the National Hunter Education Organization until 2001 when there was 1 fatality involving hunters in the same hunting party. It did not involve any non-hunter out enjoying the woods.

If you are worried about hunters in the woods surrounding your home, the Fish and Game Department will give you "Safety Zone" signs to be posted around your house to notify hunters that they are approaching an occupied residence. Contact the department's Public Affairs at 271-3211 for more information.

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT By Donald E. Parks

The first quarter student report cards will be going to parents in early November along with individual student results on the New Hampshire Educational Improvement and Assessment Program (NHEIAP) and the Stanford 9 Achievement Tests. I am proud to tell you the results on both assessment instruments are excellent. I am very pleased with the results on the NHEIAP tests, particularly at grade 6 and grade 10. The percentage of students scoring basic (acceptable progress) improved significantly as demonstrated on the charts below. We (teachers, administrators, staff and School Board) attribute this growth to a number of factors, but the most noteworthy one was the alignment of Alton's curriculum to the NH Curricular Frameworks. By doing so, there was greater awareness on the part of the faculty of what should be taught at each grade level. A special thank you to the faculty, staff, building principals and School Board for their commitment, focus, and effort, and in particular, the teachers who provide the instruction.

### Grade Three – Percentage of Student Scoring at Basic Level and Above

<u>Year</u>	<u>English Language/Arts</u>	<u>Math</u>
1999-2000	80	77
2000-2001	83	85
2001-2002	81	89
2002-2003	90	88
State 2002-2003	76	79

### Grade Six – Percentage of Students Scoring at Basic Level and Above

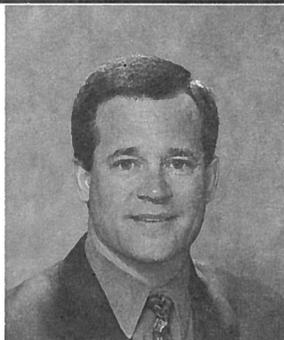
<u>Year</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>S.S.</u>
99-00	56	67	47	57
00-01	68	69	68	61
01-02	66	73	51	61
02-03	75	80	71	74
State 02-03	71	74	57	65

### Grade Ten – Percentage of Students Scoring at Basic Level and Above

<u>Year</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>S.S.</u>
99-00	76	64	60	53
00-01	76	61	60	47
01-02	83	51	53	47
02-03	73	66	66	61
State 02-03	69	63	54	50

Many of you are familiar with the federal government's passage of a law called No Child Left Behind. This is the most significant and important legislation passed in the history of American education other than state laws for compulsory education. The focus of this legislation is on school accountability and that is done by looking at the assessment of student achievement. Each state in the United States has had to submit a plan to the U.S. Department of Education as to how that state would hold schools accountable by way of an assessment program that demonstrate schools are making Acceptable Yearly Progress. In the State of NH, students will be tested in reading, writing and math in grades 3-8. At the present time, students will continue to be tested in using the NHEIAP tests until the new tests are developed. In addition to looking at student achievement, schools must also demonstrate that they are testing at least 95% of the eligible number to be tested including disabled students, have a high graduation rate (expect 90-95%), and have a high attendance rate. (expect 95% or above) These new additional requirements will not create a problem. Alton's current percentages in these areas exceed the ones being proposed.

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**12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ZONTA HOLIDAY HOUSE  
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**By Purr Whalley**

Zonta Club of the Lakes Region is pleased to announce its 12<sup>th</sup> annual Holiday House to be held at the Corrigan home at 346 Liberty Hill Road in Gilford, Saturday Nov. 22 from 10am to 4pm and Sunday Nov.23 from 11am to 3pm.

Using local arts and crafts, as well as the talents of three local professional interior decorators, the 4,000 square foot home will be transformed into a festive and fun location guaranteed to inspire visitors to start their holiday shopping and help contribute to a worthwhile cause.

For those of you not acquainted with Zonta, it is an organization of professional women in the Lakes Region with a primary focus of providing support and care for women and families of need in the area. Members of Zonta of the Lakes Region come from all over the area, from Alton to Rumney. Holiday House is Zonta's largest fundraiser and has enabled the Club through out the years to provide scholarships to Lakes Region students of all ages, as well as contribute to various women's and children's groups as well as to Community Health and Hospice.

A Champagne reception with Hors d'oeuvre and desserts kicks off the event on Friday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> from 7-9pm and gives guests an advanced opportunity to select from the crafts and artwork on display. Tickets are \$30.00 each and available by calling 366-2463. Ticket sales are limited for the evening, so be sure to make your call early!

Tickets for Saturday and Sunday will be available at the Corrigan's door at \$8.00 per ticket for admission to the fully decorated Holiday House. Parking and a shuttle will be available at Village West in Gilford. As in previous years, decorations can be reserved but not removed before the end of the day on Sunday. Many items will also be available for immediate purchase at the Holiday House store in the lower level of the house.

Please mark your calendar and plan on spending time shopping and touring the Corrigan's fascinating home with views of Gunstock, the Ossipee and White Mountains and even Mount Washington on a clear day.

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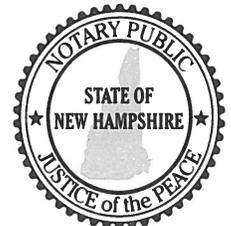
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**Newborn/Maternal Home Visits:** Community Health & Hospice Young Family Program nurses provide free home visits for pregnant women who are Medicaid-eligible and also offer a free visit by a Registered Nurse to any parent of a newborn in the greater Lakes Region. The program teaches infant care, what to expect in their child's growth and development, and parenting skills. For more information, contact the Young Family Program at Community Health & Hospice at (603) 524-8444.

**Shots For Tots, Teens, and In-Betweens:** provides immunizations for children to age 19. For dates and location, contact the Young Family Program at Community Health & Hospice at (603) 524-8444.

**"Caring Caregivers" Support Group:** a support group for caregivers of the memory-impaired and others in long term caregiving situations. The day group generally meets on the first and third Monday of the month from 10:00 to 11:30am. The evening group meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 8pm. Regular meetings are held at Community Health & Hospice, 780 North Main Street, Laconia. Please contact Pat Marceau at CH&H (524-8444, ext. 343) for additional information.

**Community Health & Hospice** welcomes volunteers and provides training in all programs. For more information on volunteer opportunities please contact Bev Nelson, Volunteer Coordinator, at Community Health & Hospice, 780 N. Main Street, Laconia, NH 03246 or call (603) 524-4339, ext. 348 or (toll-free) (800) 244-8549 in New Hampshire.

**Bereavement Support Group:** Community Health & Hospice offers a Bereavement Support Group at Community Health & Hospice, 780 North Main Street, Laconia. Call Carolyn Stevenson, 524-8444, ext. 321 for more information.

**Overeaters Anonymous:** Starting July 10, Overeaters Anonymous (OA) will meet weekly on Thursdays at the Alton Bay Community Center on Route 11 from 5:30-6:30 pm. Contact person: Nancy - 875-5875. All are welcome.

**Young Family Program:** the Community Health & Hospice is offering a free Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) to parents of children ages four months through five years. The ASQ is a parent-completed screening system to help identify children who should be referred for a comprehensive assessment for medical, special education, early childhood education, mental health, and social services. For more information or to request a questionnaire, call Carol at 524-4339, ext. 346.

**Blood Pressure Clinics:** Blood Pressure Clinics are held in the following locations: Belknap Mall on the second Tuesday of the month from 10:00 am - noon, near Shaw's Supermarket and Belmont Senior Center on the third Wednesday of the month from 12:30 - 2:00 pm.

**American Red Cross Blood Services:** Red blood cells have a shelf life of only forty-two days, so new reserves must be added to hospital inventories every day. If you would like information about becoming a regular blood donor, contact the American Red Cross Blood Services - New England Region at 1-800-843-3500, or go to [www.newenglandblood.org/nh](http://www.newenglandblood.org/nh) for a list of blood drives.

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Alcoholics Anonymous -- Tue., 8 p.m., Alton Bay Comm. Ctr.  
Alton Community Services Prog., Sat., 10 a.m. - 12 noon., 875-2273

Alton Masonic Lodge #75 -- 2nd Thu. except July & Aug., 875-7448

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  
Cub Scout Pack 53 -- Last Wed., 7 p.m., Legion Hall

4-H Club, see website <[www.alton4H.org](http://www.alton4H.org)>

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., 364-7413 for directions

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., The American Legion, 6:30 p.m.

Moms In Touch -- Tue., 12:30 p.m., 875-2866

Mt. Major Snowmobile Club -- 2nd Tue., 7 p.m., Sr. Center  
; 875-3858 or <[info@mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com](mailto:info@mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com)>

OES, Warren-Alpha #10, Wolfeboro -- 3rd Tue, 7:30 p.m., 539-7898

Overeaters Anonymous (OA), Thursdays, 5:30, Alton Bay Community Center. Contact person: Nancy - 875-5875.

PTSA. -- 3rd Wed., Alton Central School HS Library, 7 p.m.

Senior Citizens -- 2nd Wed., 1 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

VFW -- 3rd Mon., 7:30 p.m., Pearson Road Community Center

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# Information Center

## SCHEDULES

### CHURCHES:

Baha'i Fireside -- Thu., 7:30 p.m., Holway Residence, Old New Durham Road  
 Bay Church -- 9 am Waterfront Services, ABB.  
 Services on the grounds of the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center - Worship Service, 10:45 am and 6 pm. Rev. Robert H. Hett, Pastor; 875-6765  
 Community Church -- Sun. Service, 9:30am, Main Street Church Rev. Peter Bolster, Pastor; 875-5561  
 First Free Will Baptist Church -- Sun. School, 9:45 am; Church, 11 am; Evening Service, 6 pm; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 pm; Depot St., New Durham; Pastor James Nason  
 North Barnstead Congregational Church -- Sun. School and Worship Services, 10:30 am, 504 N. Barnstead Rd, Rev. Gray Fitzgerald  
 St. Joan of Arc -- Weekend Masses in the Rectory -- Sat., 5 pm and Sun., 8 and 11 am; weekday Masses, Mon., Wed., and Fri., 8 am at St. Cecilia's, Wolfboro; Tue., Thu., and Sat., 8 am at Rectory Chapel; Sun. Mass St Paul's in Barnstead, 9:30 am; Rev. George Ham; 875-7191  
 Wolfboro Bible Fellowship -- Sunday School, 9:30 am; Worship Service, 10:30 am; Evening Service, 6 pm; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 pm; Route 28; Pastor Scott Button

GILMAN LIBRARY: 875-2550

Tue. and Thu., 11 am - 7 pm; Wed. and Fri., 9 am - 5 pm; Sat., 9 am - 1 pm; closed Sun. and Mon.

SENIOR MEAL SITE: 875-7102

Mon - Fri., 10 am - 2 pm; Pearson Rd. Community Center

SOLID WASTE CENTER: 875-5801

Sun., Mon., Fri., and Sat., 7 am - 4:45 pm.  
 Closed Tue., Wed., and Thu.

Rines Road Pit -- As of April 19, Sat. and Sun., 8 am - 2:45 pm.

TOWN HALL: 875-2161

Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator, Town Clerk, and Welfare Officer, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.  
 Building Inspector -- 875-5095 for hours and appts.  
 Parks and Recreation -- 875-0109 for info and appts.  
 Planning Director -- 875-5095 for hours and appts.

## BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN -- 1st & 3rd Mondays, 6 pm.

(re-plays on Channel 26 following Thurs. and Fri.),  
 Chairman Don Irvin, call 875-2161 for appointment.

BUDGET COMMITTEE -- 3rd Thursday (twice a week in "budget season"), 7 pm, Chairman Cydney Johnson, 875-7448.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES -- Meetings posted at Town Hall and Post Office, Chairman Shirley Lane, 875-5864.

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

FIRE WARDS -- 2nd Wednesday, 7 pm, Central Fire Station, Chairman Ken Roberts, 875-6808

GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE -- Meets on call,  
 Chairman Bill Crocker, 875-2161.

LAND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM -  
 Meets on call, Chairman Juliet Peverley, 875-7232.

LEVEY PARK TRUSTEES -- Meets 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 Thomas Hoopes, call 875-5095 for appointment.

SCHOOL BOARD -- 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6 pm,  
 Chairman Lawrence Alting, 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 pm, Chairman Nancy Jordan, 875-2550.

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

WATER COMMISSION -- 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 9:30  
 am, Water Department Office, Chairman Reuben L.  
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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT -- 1st Thursday, 7  
 pm, Chairman Richard Quindley, 875-5095.

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### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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<u>Alan Sherwood</u>	

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

**Country Line Dancing Lessons**

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department (APRD) is sponsoring Country Line Dancing Lessons on Thursdays at the Alton Bay Community Center from 1:30-3:30pm for seniors. Learn a new dance every week and practice your favorite line dances in an organized, group setting. Bring your dancing shoes and water bottle. Line Dancing is a great social experience and program to increase balance, coordination and cardio exercise. Registration fee is \$3.00 for the fall season. We will not meet on Thursday, November 27, 2003 due to the holiday.

**Senior Bingo**

The APRD is sponsoring a free Senior Bingo program for seniors over 60 at the Pearson Road Community Center on Friday, November 14, at 1pm. We will play novelty Bingo games to challenge our mind and socialize with other seniors. Prizes will be awarded for each game and we also have door prizes. Refreshments will be served. All Alton seniors are invited to attend.

**Recreation Soccer Program- Awards Night**

The APRD is sponsoring an awards night for the Recreation Soccer participants on Thursday, November 6, 3 at the Alton Central School gymnasium at 6:30pm. Players and coaches will be recognized for their efforts this season with an ice cream social and soccer awards. Families are encouraged to attend. Volunteers are needed to help set up chairs in the gym and serve ice cream, please call 875-0109 if you are interested in helping out. The Parks and Recreation Department would like to recognize and thank the soccer players, parents and coaches for a positive, fun season.

A special thank you to the following coaches and

parent helpers for their leadership roles and volunteer coaching this season: Glen and Sharon Lamper, Peter Clifford, Steve Beranger, Tod Wilkinson, Rick Henderson, Tim and Kerry Mucher, Wayne Fraser, Rob Carpenter, John and Heather McGrath, Bryce St. Cyr, Keith Rogers, Kelsey Yelle, Ernie Gillan Jr., Joe Monasky, Ms. Bothwick, Diana Petschauer, Wayne and Phyllis Brooks, Mike Hillis, and many more parents. Thank you very much for your contribution of time, positive energy and knowledge. The soccer program is only able to exist because of your volunteer support and the Town sincerely appreciates your contribution.

**Yuletide in Alton**  
**Light Up Night**

The Community is invited to join in the celebration of "Light Up Night" which is the official day of turning on the holiday lights in the downtown Alton area. Light Up Night will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2003 from 5:00pm-7:00pm, all events are free. Santa will arrive at the Town Hall by Fire Truck at 5:00pm. The following community buildings will be open with scheduled activities: Alton Town Hall- visit with Santa from 5:00pm-6:30pm, holiday music and youth program; Gilman Library- holiday music and special event TBA; Gilman Museum- toy exhibit and seasonal music; Community Church of Alton on Church Street: paper village display, holiday carolers and refreshments. The tree lighting will take place at 7:00pm at Ginny Douglas Park. Light up Night is a free event designed to promote community spirit and celebrate the holiday season. Residents are encouraged to join the Town and turn on their holiday lights on December 6, 2003. Please look for more information on Light Up Night in the December issue of Main Street. Organizations interested in adding to this community event are invited to call 875-0109 to participate.

**COLLEGE WORKSHOPS OFFERED TO  
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The guidance office of Alton Central School has planned a College Admissions/Financial Aid Workshop on Thursday, December 2, 2003 in the Alton Central High School Library. The program is planned for juniors and seniors and their parents. However, all interested students, parents, and community members are invited to attend.

There will be a workshop on the College Admissions Process by Mrs. Marilyn St. Cyr, Guidance Director, at 6:30pm, followed by a Financial Aid Workshop by Mrs. Beth Cilley, University of New Hampshire, Financial Aid Administrator at 7:30pm

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**ALAN SHERWOOD APPOINTED SELECTMAN**  
**By Richard Cunningham**

Alan Sherwood is a well known volunteer who has been very active in town service. He was recently appointed Selectman to fill the unexpired term of Don Irwin, who resigned in July. Although Sherwood has only lived in Alton a little over 4 years, he has served on the Planning Board where he became Chairman, the Budget Committee, the Conservation Committee and the Capital Improvement Committee. He has also been a member of the Safety Facilities Committee.

Sherwood moved to Alton from Danville, NH where he was also very active as a Selectman, Planning Board member and a member of the Conservation Committee. He was an Air Force Officer and had a long career as an Electrical Engineer. He has impressed everyone with his work ethic and his attention to detail. Alton is very fortunate to have him.

**BRIGHTEN THE HOLIDAYS!**  
**SUPPORT MRS. SANTA FUND**

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

Once again, your generosity is needed by Mrs. Santa's elves. New clothing and toys may be dropped off at the Alton Town Hall until December 1st. Cash donations, which are used to purchase warm coats and boots, are also welcome. Donations are to be made payable to Mrs. Santa Fund. Send donations to either PO Box 755 or c/o Bank of New Hampshire, Main Street, Alton, NH 03809.

If you need help in providing necessities for your children or know of a family who would benefit from this program, contact Mrs. Santa's elves by December 10th: elf #1, Daryl Czech (875-3815), or elf #2, Sharon Hannafin (875-3079).

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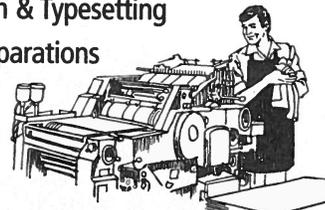
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## LAKERS UNITED GIRLS WIN TOURNAMENT! By Peter Clifford

Thirty-four soccer teams from around New England came to Exeter NH over Columbus Day Weekend to compete for the Columbus Cup. The Lakes Region Soccer Club entered their Lakers United U11 Girls team. Eleven girls, nine from Alton and two from surrounding towns, traveled to the Stratham Middle School both Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday October 11th, Lakers United's first game was against the Candia Cougars. Lakers Nicole Dwyer scored the first goal, from a great pass by Josie Couch. Although the soccer game saw action both ways, the Lakers dominated and won game one 1-0. Lakers goalie Danielle Tidd had a very good game for us.

The Lakers second game was against Londonderry NH, of the Granite State League. Londonderry came out strong, taking the first shot on Megan Pollini, Lakers keeper. She came up with some big saves and took one for the team when she held on to the ball as she was knocked over by two Londonderry players. Ten minutes into the match, Lakers left midfielder Nicole Dwyer smartly had her second goal of the day when she took advantage of a mistake by the other team. No goals scored second half, Lakers win their second game of the day!

Sunday October 12th, Lakers United's third game was against the Fremont Fighters. Both teams had beaten Candia and Londonderry the previous day. After two thrill-

ing scoreless 25 minute halves, the game ended in a tie!

There was only one hour to wait for the Championship game, Fremont vs. Lakers, both teams with 7 points. Both teams were excited to battle for the Tournament Cup, but then it started to rain. That made the ground and the ball very slippery.

The action was back and forth, both sides trying to attack the other with neither side giving in. Defense on both teams was strong, but the Laker's passing ability made the difference. Five minutes before half time, Kirby Beranger in the right corner passed the ball to Sarah Clifford in front of Fremont's goal. Knowing she was covered, she passed back to Josie Couch who chipped the ball over the keeper's head for the first goal!

In the second half the Lakers were winning every loose ball, and outrunning Fremont to every pass or tackle. Laker's double team defense was too much for Fremont to handle! Lakers second goal started with a great tackle by Samantha Hillis, she then passed the ball to Kirby Beranger, who crossed the ball to Sarah Clifford then with her left foot blasted the ball over the hands of the Fremont keeper. 2-0 Lakers United win the Columbus Cup. For the tournament the Laker's scored only 4 goals but more important gave up none!

*Photo: front Goalie Megan Pollini, Second row L-R Sarah Clifford, Nicole Dwyer, Josie Couch, Kirby Beranger, Third row L-R Kelly Jones, Danielle Tidd, Danielle Burwell, Heaven Aimes, Kendall Graupner, Samantha Hillis Fourth row L-R Coach Pete Clifford, Manager John Dwyer, Coach Mike Hillis*



**ALTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY**  
**September 1 thru October 15th, 2003**

Number of Calls for Service:	284
Number of Non-Criminal services:	80
Number of Reported Crimes:	58
Number of Arrests:	13
Number of Citations Issued:	32
Warnings	114

**Description of Activity Investigated:**

Reported Kidnapping/Abduction/False Imprisonment	01
Death Notification/Investigations	03
Aggravated/Second Degree Assault	02
Simple Assault	02
Stalking/Witness Tampering/Harassments	05
Burglary/Break-ins	01
Theft/Fraud	06
Vandalism/Criminal Mischief/Destruction of Property	10
Drug/Narcotic	01
Bad Checks	01
Disorderly Conduct/Inappropriate Behavior	08
Driving Under the Influence	03
Liquor Law Violations	02
Runaway/Children in Need	01
Criminal Trespassing	02
Littering	01
Reckless Conduct	03
Juvenile Offenses/Incidences	06
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Traffic and other Minor Offenses:</b>	
Town Ordinances and other	04
OHRV violation	01
Suspension of Registration/License	01
Habitual Offender (1st Offender)	01
Reckless Operation	05
Driving after Revocation	04
Conduct after Accident (Misd)	03
Following too Close	01
Violation of Speed-Basic Rule (Unreasonableness)	04
Speeding	92
Stop Signs and Traffic Control	07
Stop/standing and Parking Violations	04
Dog Menace and Nuisance	06
Other	13
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>146</b>
<b>Civil Tort and Non-Criminal services:</b>	
Alarms	15
General Assistance to Other Agencies	22
Assist Citizens	13
Civil Issues and services	04
Abandon Property	01
Alcohol Possession	01
Domestic Disturbances	06
Suspicious Activity Calls	05
Gunshots Fired Investigations	02
911 Hang up Investigations	05
Juvenile Involved	06
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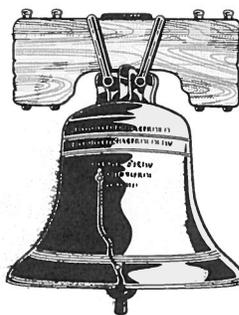
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## ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL CLASS OF 2004 ANNUAL SPAGHETTI SUPPER BUFFET

The Senior Class of 2004 would like to invite the community to their "Class of 2004 Spaghetti Supper Buffet" that will be held on Thursday, November 13, 2003 from 5:00pm to 7:30pm in the Alton Central School Cafeteria. The cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 12 years and under. Spaghetti and/or Lasagne will be served along with salad, bread, soft-drinks or juice.

Please come and show your support for the **final graduating class of the Alton Central School** and help us make this the best year ever. Bring family and friends to meet the students and enjoy a wonderful meal. Please contact the Guidance Office at 875-0382 if you have any questions. We hope to see you there

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## RED CROSS COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE By Lisa Finethy

The American Red Cross will be having a Community Blood Drive on Monday November 3rd from 3:45-7:45pm at the Alton Central School. Please show your support and come take time out of your busy day and donate blood to help save a life.

We can always use volunteers to make food to serve to the blood donors or helping out at the blood drive. If anyone is interested please call Lisa Finethy at 875-7653 or Ann Norman- Burke at 875-5492.

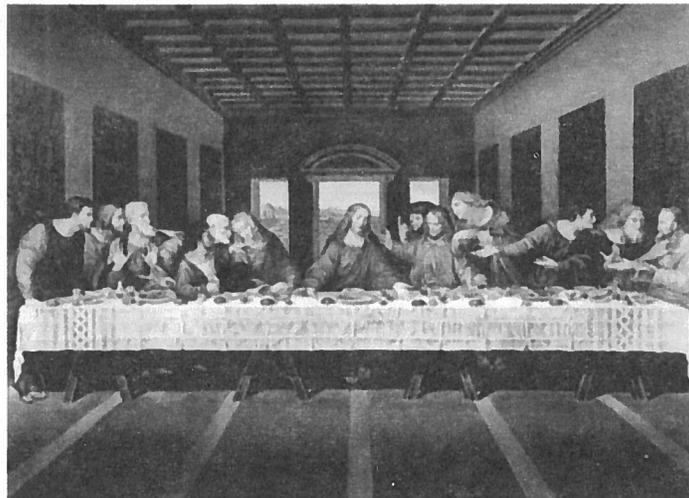
For more information on donating blood please call 1-800-262-2660 or on the web at [www.newenglandblood.org](http://www.newenglandblood.org)

## ALTON GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL MEETING By Polly Finch

Members and guests of the Alton Garden Club are looking forward to their Annual Meeting and Holiday Luncheon on Nov. 10th. Please note that this will be on a Monday at 12:30. It will be in the Skylight Dining Room, Vocational Center, Kingswood Regional High School, Wolfeboro. Please make your reservation at the October meeting or by phoning Daryl Czech. Daryl is chairman of the hostesses for this meeting and will be assisted by Mary Lou Brown, Phyllis Buchanan, Dot Folsom, Ann Hoagland, Barbara Ingoldsby and Barbara Itchkawich.

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**The Christian Churches of Alton**  
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**AMERICAN LEGION NEWS**

By Ray Nadeau

The American Legion in Alton will conduct a Veteran's Day Ceremony on Tuesday, November 11 at 11:00am at Monument Square. Afterwards, attendees will be invited to the Post Home on Route 28 for warm drinks and snacks.

Thanks to the support of the residents of Alton and surrounding communities, our kitchen is still open on Fridays and Saturdays from 4:00pm to 8:00pm, and breakfast is still served on Sundays from 8:00am to 12:00 noon. We appreciate your support of our efforts to raise money for American Legion family-sponsored charities and local non-profit organizations.

Breakfasts during the month of November will be sponsored as follows: Nov. 2, American Legion Auxiliary, Auxiliary Emergency Fund; Nov. 9, Alton High School; Nov. 16, Sons of the American Legion, Children's Miracle Network; Nov. 23, Senior Citizens Center of Alton; Nov. 30, Knights of Columbus.

The Junior Auxiliary is hosting a Spaghetti Supper on Wednesday, November 19 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. The cost is \$5.00 for all-you-can-eat. Please come by and support our Juniors!

The Junior Auxiliary held a raffle for a Halloween gift basket in October. The winner of the first place basket was Michael Corrier and the second place winner was Cheryl Ryan. Congratulations!

We now have "Proud to be a Veteran" and "Proud to be an American" T-shirts on sale through the Senior Auxiliary. "Veteran" shirts are \$14. ea and "American" shirts are \$12. ea.

The Saturday Meat Raffles are well attended and very successful. Come by some Saturday between 2:00pm and 4:00pm and try it. It is a lot of fun for all who attend.

On November 16, We will be raffling off 12 turkeys - one of which will be with an entire ready-to-cook Thanksgiving dinner. The fun starts at 1:00pm. Hope to see you there!

**COMMUNITY CHURCH OF ALTON  
PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM HAS OPENINGS**

The Community Church of Alton has openings available in their Pre School Program. We are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 - 11:30. Pre School is open to 3 and 4 year old children.

The After School program at the Community Church of Alton is open to all children in grades K-5. We offer a safe fun place for your child to learn and play. Our program offers games, tutoring and crafts.

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We all wish you and yours a blessed, peaceful Thanksgiving with lots of blessings to count!

Happy *65th* Anniversary, Mom and Dad!! Yours is a life of giving to others and we are thankful for you. *Many more happy, healthy years together!!*



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Help those who are in need during the holidays by donating food to the Scouting for Food Drive. The Alton/New Durham Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts will be putting donation bags on the doorknobs of houses in Alton and New Durham on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, to be picked up on Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> between 8 and 10 AM. Just put your donation bag back on your outside doorknob before 8 AM on Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> and a scout will be by to pick it up. If you get a bag on your doorknob, please fill it with canned goods, pasta, macaroni and cheese, cereal, baby food, soup, coffee, applesauce, crackers, and peanut butter, etc. PLEASE don't put anything in the bags that is perishable and NO GLASS, please. If you don't get a bag, don't feel like you can't help. Bring your donation to the Alton Food Pantry or the Daniel Webster Council Service Center located at 571 Holt Avenue, Manchester. Thank you for your help. It is greatly appreciated.

**LAKERS UNITED TRAVEL SOCCER TEAMS**

By Peter Clifford

Spring Registration and Tryouts, Kingswood H.S. Soccer Field

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**UNDER 11, U12 Boys**

**UNDER 13, U14 Girls**

Saturday, November, 8th

10:00 AM - 12 noon

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**UNDER 17, U18, U19 Boys**

Sunday, November, 9th

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**AGES; UNDER 15, U16 Boys**

**UNDER 15, U16, U17, U18 Girls**

Sunday, November, 9th

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Everyone must be accompanied by a parent, to sign registration forms. Please bring with you a copy of Birth Certificate, wallet size photo, Soccer ball, Cleats. The cost for returning players with uniforms \$50.00; the cost for new players without uniforms \$100.00

The Club has a scholarship fund for the needy. A letter and financial statement maybe requested by Club. If you would like to coach a team, or you have any questions please call; Pete Clifford Travel and Coaching Director. Nights 569- 6362 Days 875-1533  
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## MT. MAJOR SNOWMOBILE CLUB NEWS

By Joanne Shibley

It appears that everyone is anxious to ride! Memberships are coming in at a great pace as are donations. The club is anticipating replacing our oldest groomer with a 2004 Ski Doo Skandic with a Mogul Master 8x4 drag. This will be about a \$10,000 purchase. So please consider a donation along with your dues. If you would like to make a donation, please mail it to Mt. Major Snowmobile Club, PO Box 208, Alton Bay, NH 03810. Our newer equipment does a great job at twice the pace of the old equipment.

Our monthly meetings are being held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. The meetings are held at the Senior Center on Pearson Rd. in Alton. Please come and share your thoughts and input concerning trails, etc.

Trail maintenance is needed in all areas of town. Many people ask, "What can we do to help?" If everyone would 'snip' trails in their own neighborhoods, this would be a great help. Every year the trails grow in a little. Just take a pair of snippers and go for a walk. Pick up branches that have fallen into the trail. If everyone would just pitch in a little it would be a terrific help!

For more information call Joanne, at 603-875-3858, or the Bergerons, at 603-875-6714, or check out our web site at [www.mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com](http://www.mountmajorsnowmobileclub.com). And as always, many thanks to the landowners that allow us access.

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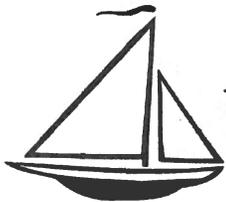
By MaryBee Longabaugh, Chair  
Supervisors of the Checklist

Your three Supervisors of the Checklist (voter registration list) attended a workshop in October presented by the New Hampshire Department of State and the Attorney General's Office. The focus of the four-hour session was to make sure all people involved with voting procedures know all the new rules that have been instituted.

One thing that was brought to our attention concerns the terminology of a voter who does not wish to be listed either as a Republican or Democrat. The program we inherited into which we place the voter information obtained on the registration card, was set up as Republican (R), Democrat (D), Independent (I), and Libertarian (L).

According to RSA 652:16-a the voter who does not show either Republican or Democrat automatically becomes Undeclared (U). Therefore, the supervisors will be working towards revising the list of nearly 3,000 names to either insert a "U" in place of the "I" or we will leave a blank space if "U" is not allowed.

Also, point of information to those who have chosen to register as Libertarians, we were told at the meeting that there is no such party designation in New Hampshire at this time. We hope those people will stop in at the Town Clerk's Office and fill out a form.



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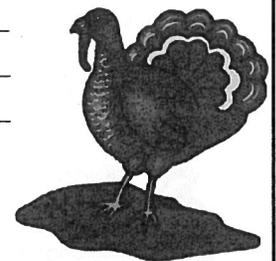
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**ALTON COMMUNITY YOUTH ACTIVITIES****NOVEMBER**

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 Fri 7 Youth Drop-in Center, grades 6-12, 3-6pm, CCOA  
 Open to all community youth.  
 Sun 9 Youth Sunday School Classes, 9:30am, CCOA  
 Fri 14 Youth Drop-in Center, grades 6-12, 3-6pm, CCOA  
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 Dance, Middle School, 6-9pm, PTSA at ACS  
 Cafeteria  
 Sun 16 Youth Sunday School Classes, 9:30am, CCOA.  
 Fri 21 Youth Drop-in Center, grades 6-12, 3-6pm, CCOA  
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 Sun 23 Youth Sunday School Classes, 9:30am, CCOA  
 Fri 28 Youth Drop-in Center, grades 6-12, 3-6pm, CCOA  
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 Sun 30 Youth Sunday School Classes, 9:30am, CCOA

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**HALLELUJAH! MESSIAH RETURNS TO THE LAKES REGION**

The Clearlakes Chorale of Wolfeboro, conducted by Andy Campbell, will present George Frideric Handel's beloved oratorio *Messiah* for one performance only on Saturday, December 13th at 8:00 p.m. at the Kingswood Regional High School Auditorium.

This season's performance will include all 21 pieces in the first part of the oratorio, traditionally known as the "Christmas section," as well as nine additional choruses from the second and third parts of the work, including of course the glorious "*Hallelujah*" and the soaring "*Amen*." The performance will also feature full orchestral accompaniment and professional soloists.

Tickets are \$12 or \$10 for students, and available now at Black's or Stay Tuned in Wolfeboro, or from any Clearlakes Chorale member. For more information, e-mail [andy\\_campbell@brewsteracademy.org](mailto:andy_campbell@brewsteracademy.org).

**GILMAN MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE**

By Florence Davis

The Harold S. Gilman Museum announces its annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, December 6, 2003 as part of "Alton's Light Up Night", from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

As you stroll through the Village stop at the Gilman Museum to see our holiday exhibit "*Toys, Toys, Toys*". What did girls and boys hope to find under their Christmas tree in Alton, NH in the 1890's? Who made these toys and what do they teach children about the world they lived in over 100 years ago? What holiday events were taking place in Alton at the time?

Come and enjoy a glimpse of Victorian Alton, sing carols accompanied by the Museum's mid-nineteenth century Gilbert Piano, sip hot chocolate and taste sweet treats children of all ages have enjoyed during the holidays. While at the Museum sign up for a Saturday of children's activities on December 13, 10:00 am to 2 pm. For further information call the Harold S. Gilman Museum at 875-0201, Monday through Friday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.



Area children celebrated fire prevention week with a visit to the Alton Fire Department. The children, who attend Kims Kiddie Korner, enjoyed role playing and learned to dial 911. They also practiced stop, drop, and roll with the student firemen in residence at the Alton Fire Station.

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Purchasing a dove will help support our Hospice program while remembering a loved one. Those who wish to purchase a dove may contact VNA/Hospice at 569-2729 or Alice Calvert at 875-2151. Doves will be available the day of the ceremony as well.



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In addition, Bicentennial Posters, Alton Afghans, Alton Village Collectibles, Commemorative Bricks Canvas Book Bags, and T-shirts are still available for purchase, and it is not too late to "Adopt a Plant, Tree or Shrub".

#### HOLIDAY TEA

If you are finding it hard to get into spirit of the Holiday Season that is just around the corner, perhaps the Friends of the Gilman Library can help. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for the Holiday Tea hosted by the Friends of the Gilman Library on Tuesday, December 9, 2002 from 2PM to 4PM. As in previous years, the Friends are accepting donations of baked goods for the tea. A sign up sheet will be lo-

cated at the circulation desk for anyone who would like to contribute to this very special event. Everyone is welcome.

#### BOOK DISCUSSION

The Book Discussion Group will meet on Monday, November 10, 2002 at 6:30 PM here at the Library to discuss Cold Mountain by Charles Frazier. If you would like a copy of the book, please call 875-2550 or inquire at the circulation desk. New members are always welcome.

#### STORY HOUR BEGINS AGAIN

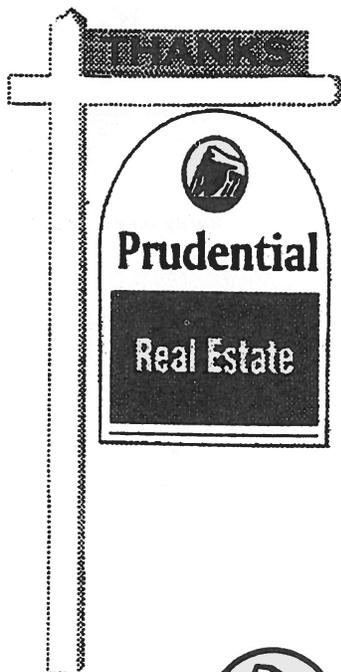
Pre-school story hour for children ages 3 to 5 will be held on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 to 1:45. Story hour will not be held when Alton Central School is not in session due to scheduled vacations or inclement weather. Welcome to all story hour parents and children!!!! We hope to see you there.

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**ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL AP SCHOLAR  
By: The Guidance Department**

Scott Baumgartner, a 2003 graduate of Alton Central School, has earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of his exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Program (AP) Exams.

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program offers students the opportunity to take challenging college-level courses while still in high school, and to receive college credit, advanced placement, or both for successful performance on the AP Exams. Almost 15% of the more than one million high school students in more than 14,000 secondary schools worldwide who took AP Exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition of AP Scholar.

Students took AP Exams in May 2003 after completing challenging college-level courses at their high schools. The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of year-long courses and exams (or their equivalent semester-long courses and exams).

Scott qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three AP Examinations, with grades of 3 or higher. Scott is currently attending Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut.

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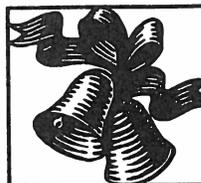
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## **BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, TROOP 53** **By Jeff St. Cyr, Patrol Leader**

During the weekend of Oct 3-5, the troop attended the 2003 New Hampshire Jamboree, which was held at Gunstock. Daniel Webster Council holds this event every four years. The last three jamborees have been held at Gunstock. The New Hampshire Jamboree is a gathering of the scouts from all over New Hampshire and troops from Maine, Massachusetts, and Vermont. At this jamboree, there were about 7,000 scouters that consisted of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturing Scouts, and Leaders. The New Hampshire Jamboree is always an exciting event because there is so much to do and learn.

There were 5 action areas consisting of Citizenship, Physical Fitness, High Adventure, Character, and Merit Badge midway. At the Citizenship area, scouts participated in tours of local fire trucks, the State Police Crime Scene van, Department of Transportation Highway vehicles, and the Manchester D.A.R.E. car.

At the Physical Fitness area, scouts participated in sporting games such as soccer, basketball, Frisbee, volleyball, and tug of war. One of the most attended areas was the High Adventure area. Scouts participated in Hiking, GPS instruction, rock climbing, and mountain biking. There was a small ropes course in the Character area. Merit Badge Midway was the most popular event at the Jamboree. This area consisted of exhibitors from around the state showing scouts about many of the different merit badges. Some of the exhibitors include U.S. Marshall Service, Belknap County Conservation, Disabilities Awareness, and Armed Forces Recruiting Agencies. After visiting all of these areas, the scouts were tired, but kept going until the Evening show.

The Saturday night show was to have been a concert, but was canceled due to wet weather. The fireworks display went on without a glitch. Despite the bad weather, everyone had a great time and we all look forward to the 2007 New Hampshire Jamboree.

## **TOWN HALL NOTES**

**By Russ Bailey, Town Administrator**

The E911 implementation was initiated as of October 15th, 2003, as the beginning of an ongoing process. The implementation allows for an eight (8) month period of time in which to install the new number you have been assigned in the 911 packet.

People are invited to call 503-875-0207 or to come directly to the Town Hall with any questions. It is understood there are some issues of concern (ie. street names, numbers etc) that are still being reviewed. The public is asked to please have patience. Responses to questions or other concerns will be answered over the next several weeks. Please note that the Post Office will be delivering mail under the old address during this period or longer if necessary.

If you have not received your new number assignment, please contact the Town Hall so that a 911 packet may be sent to you immediately.

Again, thank you on behalf of everyone working on the project for your patience and cooperation as we endeavor to implement this new address system.

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## **ALTON POLICE ASSOCIATION**

**By John Lobdell, President**

The Alton Police Association would like to say "THANK YOU!" to all of the local businesses and residents who supported our Annual Golf Tournament. The tournament was held at the Pheasant Ridge Golf Course on Saturday, September 20th. The weather was terrific and a great time was had by all.

Without everyone's support this event would not have been possible. Thank you again for making it a success.



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