



Alton's

# Main Street

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## TWENTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE TO ALTON

As Russell Sample approached the Function Hall at the Christian Campground on July 23rd, he must have wondered why so many people were gathered. After all, he was just picking up his wife.

Inside, he was greeted with applause from his family, friends and fellow firefighters. Jean Sample organized his Retirement party and upwards of one hundred and fifty people came from all over the state to celebrate. Russ Jones, a former Fire Chief, who had encouraged Sample to join the Fire Dept., greeted him.

Tales of Sample's years of service included the story of Sample's swim from the Weirs to Alton Bay to raise money toward a new fire truck (\$15,000). This kind of dedication and work - day and night - has continued for twenty-nine years.

Recognition came from Gov. Benson, Senator Sununu, Rep. Jeb Bradley and Councilor Ray Burton. Lakes Region Mutual Aid presented an award. Plaques and citations came from fellow Fire Chiefs from all over the state.

Deputy Fire Marshal Bill Degnan presented him with a leather fire bucket and a citation. In praising the retiring Fire Chief, each presenter emphasized the total sincerity, expertise and caring he brought to his job.

The emotional evening was brought to a close by Jaime, Sample's daughter, who sang "God Bless America", followed by refreshments. Russ thanked his family, friends and all his fellow firefighters for all the support he has received for twenty-nine years. We salute you and thank you for these many dedicated years, Chief Sample.



## BIG CHANGES IN ALTON'S LANDSCAPE?

Speculation and rumors concerning a major supermarket chain locating in Alton somewhere on Route 28 circulating for weeks came suddenly out into the open at a meeting of the Alton Planning Board on Monday, August 11. A standing room only crowd heard chairman Thomas Hoopes explain that this was not a formal application but a "Conceptual Consultation" by long time owner of the New Hampshire International Speedway (and soon-to-be Alton resident) Robert Bahre.

Bahre questioned the full Planning Board on what they would be looking for and what the process would be to have a formal application approved. Bahre has already purchased a 6.5-acre parcel on Range Road abutting the Traffic Circle. Bahre, who has experience with similar developments, circulated a rough plot plan showing a 36,000 square foot market/drug store building and a 6,000 square foot restaurant. He did not disclose prospective tenants but told an informal group after the meeting that he is consulting with three supermarket chains. Board member and wetlands professional Cynthia Baicus recused herself from the Board and joined Bahre in making the presentation.

Although the Planning Board appeared favorable, encouraging Bahre to move forward with the application process, considerable concern was raised in retaining the rural architecture and appearance of Alton and not building "boxes". The Board wanted to see drawings showing peaked roofs and clapboard sided walls. They also wanted to see landscape architectural drawings showing trees and bushes and the retention of as many current trees as possible. Mr. Bahre explained that many trees would have to be removed in order to pave a parking lot but every effort would be made to save some of the big ones.

After Bahre promised the Board that he would keep them well informed in order to move the process forward, Town Planner Peer Kraft-Lund said he and his associates would "get right on it" as soon as information was received.

*In the Photo at Left, George Krause (r), chief of the Barnstead Fire and Rescue, presents a plaque to Chief Russell Sample (l). The Plaque recognizes Sample's service on the Lakes Region Mutual Aid Association's Board of Directors from 1999 to 2003.*



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## ALTON OLD HOME DAY 5K ROAD RACE

The Alton Old Home Day 5K Road Race was a great success with over 100 runners participating. The race was sponsored by the Bank of NH and was held on Saturday, August 9, 2003 for runners of all ages.

The race was certified by the USA Track and Field Association and timing was provided by Granite State Race Services. The race was a flat-fast course, which started and ended in Alton Bay. Runners were treated to beautiful views of the mountains and Lake Winnepesaukee during their run through Alton Bay.

Many runners came from all over the U.S., the race drew participants from as far away as Colorado, Pennsylvania, New York and Rhode Island.

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank all of the runners, cheering fans and volunteers for a great event. A special thank you to the Bank of NH for sponsoring the event, L & C Springwater for supplying water to all of the runners, the Alton Police Department and the Alton Highway Department for directing race traffic, and the Alton Fire and Rescue for being available during the race. Race results are posted on-line at [grrs.com](http://grrs.com). For more information on the 5K Race call 875-0109, [altonparks@metrocast.net](mailto:altonparks@metrocast.net).

### Race Results:

- 1st place male overall- Peter Kutcher, New Ipswich, NH, age 18, time: 17:30
- 1st place female overall- Mary Dunne, Wellesley, MA, age 38, time: 21:59
- 1st place Alton male- Josh O'Neil, age 15, time: 22:28
- 1st place Alton female- Michelle DeRoche, age 34, time: 22:40
- 1st place female- 14 and under- Nicole Davis, age 11, time: 27:56
- 1st place male- 14 and under- Ryan Travis, age 14, time: 22:29
- 1st place female 15-19- Holly Hinckley, age 19, time: 23:06
- 1st place male 15-19- Billy Mulrain, age 17, time: 17:48
- 1st place female 20-29- Carrie Callahan, age 22, time: 22:44
- 1st place male -20-29- Steve Hooper, age 28, time: 19:50
- 1st place female 30-39- Michelle DeRoche, age 34, time: 22:40
- 1st place male 30-39- Neil Amidon, age 35, time: 18:27
- 1st place female 40-49- Carol Marcin, age 43, time: 24:47
- 1st place male 40-49- Chuck Racey, age 41, time: 18:24
- 1st place female 50-59- Judi Lemaire, age 51, time: 23:06
- 1st place male 50-59- Lou Ruggiero, age 54, time: 18:39
- 1st place female 60-69- Nancy Reed, age 69, time 35:12
- 1st place male 60-69- Fred Bertelsen, age 62, time: 26:56
- 1st place walking-Karen Shirley, age 53, time: 42:38

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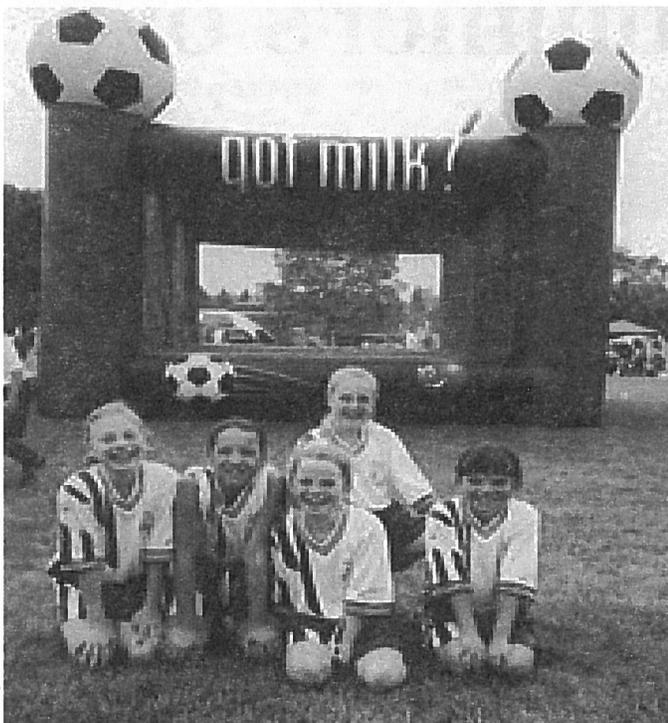
## ALTON'S FABULOUS FIVE GO NATIONAL

Five Alton Central School fourth grade students will be competing at Walt Disney world in Orlando Florida this January in the National 3 V 3 Tournament. They are all members of the Lakers United Girls U 11 Travel Team. Approximately one thousand young soccer players from the northeast gathered together in Springfield, Massachusetts on August 1 for a weekend long 3 V 3 tournament. The Nationwide tournament is sponsored by the "Got Milk." Campaign. It features players from seven years of age through eighteen. The players are grouped in age appropriate categories. The ultimate goal for all competing teams is the awesome opportunity to play at Disney's Wide World of Sports Arena in Orlando, Florida at the National 3 v 3 tournament. Information and rules of this tournament are posted at [www.3v3soccer.com](http://www.3v3soccer.com).

The fabulous five is coached by Michael Hillis, John Dwyer and Steve Beranger. The young athletes entered in the U 9 category and with only three weeks of preparation they set off to Springfield. The 3 v 3 has only three players on the field and each team can carry a maximum of five players, much different than traditional soccer rules. These rules make this competition a wide-open shootout.

The dynamos from Alton were fantastic, outscoring their opponents for a weekend long tally of 36 goals for and 21 against. Earning the team an invitation to Orlando in January 2004. These girls are perfect examples of how determination and perseverance along with a sincere desire to succeed can create champions. We wish them luck and continued success!

Pictured from left to right, Samantha Hillis, Danielle Burwell, Nicole Dwyer and Kirby Beranger. Kneeling behind, Josie Couch



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### ALTON GARDEN CLUB MEETING

The Alton Garden Club will meet on September 23rd at 1:30 PM in the Congregational Meeting House, Alton. Betty Mackay will instruct members and guests in making Berry Bowls. Please bring a small glass bowl in which to place the sand, moss and partridge berry plants which Betty will provide. We'll add a little moisture, cover the top with plastic wrap and secure the plastic with bright ribbon. Voila! We will each have a wee terrarium to last for months.

In addition to the Berry Bowl Workshop, we will have a Plant Exchange. This will be a good time to trade some of your excess perennials (or indoor plants) with other members.

Hostesses for this meeting will be Marion Davis, chairman, Ruth Conway, Claire Fitzgerald, Peg Kayser, Diane Norton, Doris Selfridge and Dorothy Woughter. You can be sure that they will have a delicious beverage and plenty of tasty "finger foods".

### TOWN BEACH COMMITTEE

The Town of Alton is searching for volunteers to serve on a Beach Study Advisory Committee recently approved by the Board of Selectmen. The Committee will be reviewing the potential locations for a new Town Beach. If you are interested in serving on the Committee please send a letter of interest to the Parks and Recreation Commission, P.O. Box 659, Alton, NH 03809

### ALTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

The Alton Parks and Recreation Commission is looking for volunteer, alternate members to serve on the Commission. The Commission meets on the third Wednesday of the month in the evening.

The purpose of the Commission is to set policies; advise on needed parks and recreation programs; plan, acquire and develop recreation facilities, parks and open space areas to meet future needs as the town grows. If you are interested in serving on the Commission please contact Kellie Troendle at 875-0109.

### BEACH PHOTOS NEEDED

The Parks and Recreation Department is looking for photos of the Town Beach from 1992 or earlier. If you have a photo you would like to share we would like to make a copy for our Beach File. Please contact Kellie Troendle at 875-0109.

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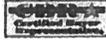
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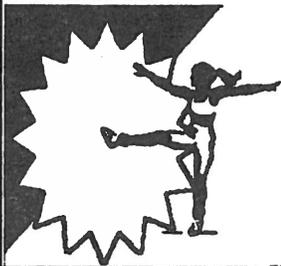
**ABOUT ROUTE 28 SOUTH -  
 MORE CHANGES COMING?**

An informal fact finding meeting was held this month to gather information about the status of Route 28 south of the Alton traffic circle. Representatives of Alton, the police, highway, selectmen, Administrator, School District, Planner, residents of Route 28 south as well as our State Representatives met with Commissioner Carol Murray and a Deputy, Jeff Brillhart.

Those present are directly impacted or concerned with the plans for reconstruction, renovation and/or repairs to the road. Discussion centered around factors that influence prioritizing work on the road. Some factors are age, condition, liability and availability of funds.

The Commissioner is well aware of the need for reconstruction, which is presently scheduled for 2012. She proposed that the work could be done in segments starting as early as this fall. Work could begin on preliminary engineering plans, and surveying. There are "Betterment Funds" available to repair the worst problem areas. This too can be accomplished before 2012. The State of New Hampshire will pay two thirds of the costs if the town will contribute one third.

In October the Department of Transportation will be holding Public Hearings to gain input on road needs. Watch the local papers for the exact dates. The nearest Hearings for Alton will be in Laconia and Wolfeboro. Plan to attend and express your thoughts about the need for improvement or repair of Route 28 south. Commissioner Murray assured us that we would have attention and action from the DOT.



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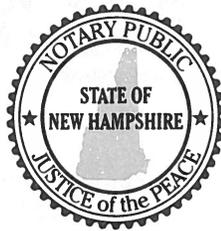
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**MARGARET FRANCKHAUSER  
 NAMED "NURSE OF THE YEAR 2003"**

Margaret Franckhauser, of Community Health & Hospice, was recently named "Nurse of the Year, 2003" by the NH Nurses Association. This award is given each year to a member of the New Hampshire Nurses' Association who displays the highest standards of excellence and leadership in all aspects of their professional role. Nurse of the Year is the highest honor NHNA bestows in its award program.

Franckhauser has served as Executive Director of Community Health & Hospice, which serves Alton and Belknap County, since 1996. She is a graduate of Catholic University in Washington, DC (BSN); the University of Maryland, (MS); and the University of North Carolina (MPH). She has worked as Director of Ambulatory Programs at LRGH; Program Chief for the Communicable Disease Epidemiology Program for the State; as a Nurse Consultant to the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health of the NH Division of Public Health Services; and as a Nurse Practitioner at Belknap Family Health Center.



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## HISTORIC ALTON: BICKFORD'S DAIRY

Just over the Alton/New Durham town line, on Old New Durham Road (also known as Old Bay Road and Old Route 11) sits the Bickford farm, formerly the home of Bickford's Dairy.

In 1939 George Bickford took an agriculture course in high school. George was 16 and his brother Robert (Bob) was 13. George bought a heifer as part of a school project, bred it, and when the calf was born discovered.... milk!

George and Bob sold the excess milk to local buyers. They soon discovered that there was more demand than there was supply, and started to expand. They worked to build their milk business until World War II stepped in. George went off to war and Bob remained to work the farm and continue the burgeoning milk business. By the time George returned from the war in 1945, the Bickford farm boasted seven cows and a Jeep to deliver the milk. George was 22 and Bob was 19.

After the death of their father in 1949, George took work as a mailman and started working on a house of his own. By 1951, Bob had bought out Georges share of the business, and continued to run the Dairy until 1977.

A typical day during the early years consisted of rising at 5am, milking the cows and doing the chores. Breakfast was at 7am, followed by delivering milk until 1:30pm. In the afternoons, if the crops were taken care of and there were no

emergencies, the woodlot was worked. In the evenings, the cows were milked again.

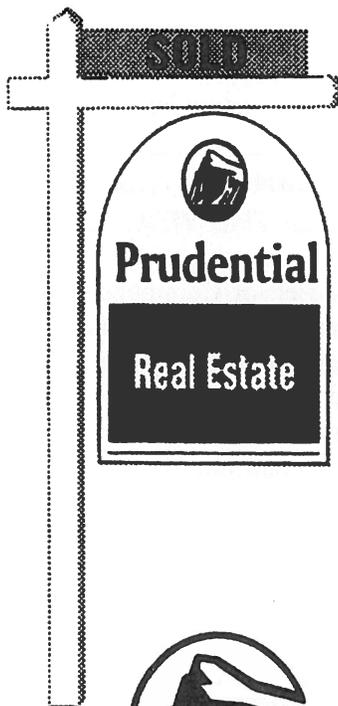
Besides simply taking care of the herd, there was much extra work to be done. During the summer, Bob pastured the herd on his property and mowed surrounding fields for hay to feed his herd during the winter. During the winter, there was ice to be gathered.

Since Bickford's Dairy did not have modern refrigerated trucks, Bob cut ice from nearby Downing's Pond. He and his helpers would go onto the pond and cut into the ice with hand saws. They'd cut blocks approximately 16"x24", pull them out of the pond with long handled ice tongs, and haul them onto a truck. In later years they began using a power saw and a ramp.

Enough blocks of ice were cut to fill a 12'x14'x8' room that had been built into the barn. Then they'd fill the boiler room of the old Allen Manufacturing Company, a brick building down by the river. In total, about 40 tons of ice was harvested. To keep the ice from melting, a foot-thick cushion of sawdust was placed around the outside of the ice and over the top. This ice was used to keep the milk cold on the truck during delivery.

Bob's nephew (George's son), David Bickford, recalls his days working on Uncle Bob's farm. "In the evenings, we'd go shovel out a block of ice from the ice house," he recalls. "We'd brush off as much of the sawdust as we

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could, then take the block down to the river and dump buckets of water over it until it was clean. Then we'd put the block of ice in the milk refrigerator for the night. In the morning, we'd chip the ice up in the chipper, and fill up bags with the chipped ice. The bags went on top of the crates of milk ready for delivery."

Things didn't always go smoothly. David recalls, "one day I was driving up a steep hill on the back of Merrymeeting Lake. Uncle Bob told me I shouldn't downshift the truck on the hill, but I did. The back doors of the truck opened up and spilt the whole load into the road. It just spewed out into the road, and not much broke, but we had to stop and pack it all back in."

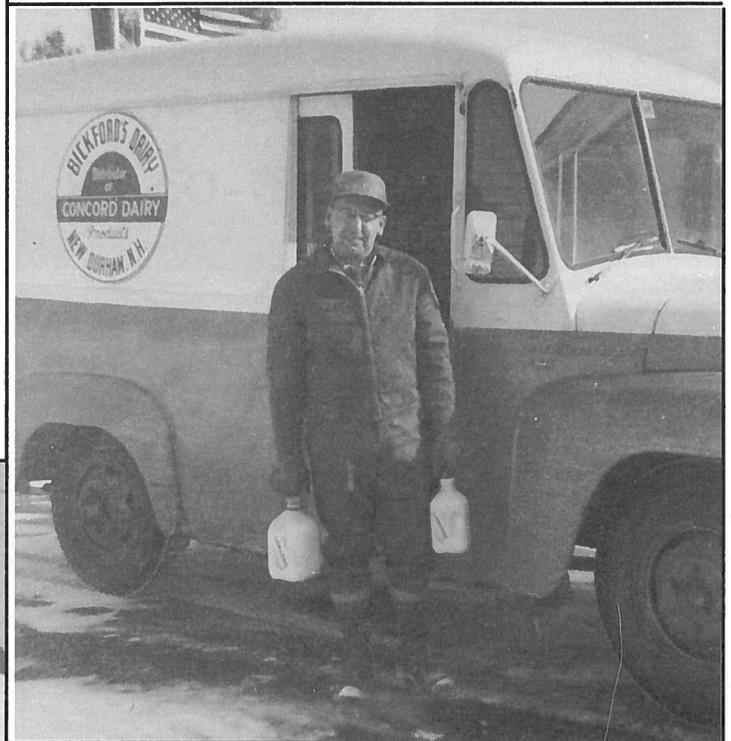
Most of the old-timers in Alton remember drinking milk from Bickford's Dairy. Bob recalls, "my first wholesale customer was the First National Store (formerly on Main Street near the intersection of Old Wolfeboro Road). We delivered to all the stores in Alton and New Durham. We delivered to McGraths, Blue Jay, the Pavilion, Sandy Point; they all bought their milk from Bickford's Dairy. We also delivered to the schools in Alton and New Durham. Plus the residential customers. If people were at work we'd just take the milk in and put it in their refrigerator. We couldn't leave it on the steps all day or it would spoil."

While Bickford's Dairy sold only milk and cream from the herd, the Dairy also sold other products through a distributor. Milk, ice cream, bacon, eggs, and bread were all delivered from the Bickford's Dairy trucks.

By 1960 the herd numbered 35. At that time, Bob decided to sell the herd and continue to run the Dairy only as a distributor. In 1977, Bickford's Dairy was sold for the last time, and operations ceased. At that time, the dairy route included Chichester, Pittsfield, Barnstead, Gilmanton Iron Works, New Durham, Alton, and Farmington.



*In the photo above, Bob Bickford holds milk ready to be delivered, while brother George sits in the drivers seat. This was the first car used to deliver milk.*



*This 1963 photo (above) shows Bob Bickford in front of one of the modern Bickford's Dairy trucks.*

*The photo at left shows ice being cut on Downings pond with a gas powered ice saw.*

*All photos courtesy of Robert Bickford.*



## NEW LOCAL VIDEOS AT THE LIBRARY

Alton's Gilman Library has added several more videos of local significance to its collection. "The Union Forever!" is a Civil War living history presentation by the Charles W. Canney Camp #5 of The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War made before the Friends of the Gilman Library at their August meeting. The tape runs just under two hours.

The "Conceptual Hearing" before the Alton Planning Board on the proposed supermarket (see story, cover) is also available. The video is available on either a two-hour videotape covering the entire meeting or a much shorter version containing just the conceptual hearing, which takes 16 minutes.

The videotapes were produced by Alton resident Bob Longabaugh and donated to the Gilman Library by spouse MaryBee.

Videotapes of the Alton Selectmen's meetings, taken by volunteer Greg Fuller, also are available at the library for check out after they are shown on cable channel 26.

## THE CHECKOUT DESK

By Holly Brown  
Librarian

We wish to thank everyone who took part in the summer reading program for 2003 entitled "Reading Rocks the Granite State". Summer readers enjoyed over 800 hours of reading books, magazines and newspapers!!! Congratulations to Natalie Stackhouse, winner of the stuffed dinosaur and Bryana DeCoff, winner of the Disc Man. Our walls are still decorated with the many beautiful pictures offered by those who took part in the coloring contest and the coloring games for prizes. Thanks to all of you who help to make our library such a pleasant place to see!!! Guessing game winners are as follows:

Week One: Ally Cleary – Week Two: Julie Emerson and Haley Gowland – Week Three: Megan Bemis, David Fowler, Anna DeRoche, Melissa Pryor and Hannah Mellon.

Week Four : Lindsey Daniels and Kyle Barrett – Week Five : Rebecca Tinkham.

Those of you who took part in the program by keeping track of the hours you have read should stop at the circulation desk for your certificate and award.

We hope you all join us again next year. Keep Reading...Reading Rocks!!!

Alton's Book Chat will be meeting on Monday, September 8, 2003 at 6:30 PM in the Agnes Thompson Meeting Room at the Gilman Library to discuss 5 Quarters of an Orange by Joanne Harris. Please stop by the library if you need a copy of the book. New members are always welcome.

Many of you have indicated that you find it difficult to keep track of all of the books that you have read in the past. In an effort to help remedy this problem, we are placing a slip of paper in the back of the book. If you choose to do so, you may initial or leave your own personal "code" in a space on this sheet to help you determine if you have already read the book. We are making an effort to place these slips in all of our new books. If you find a book that does not have a slip in it please don't hesitate to let us know.

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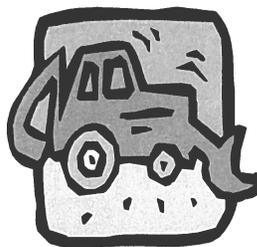
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The excavator has arrived and we are working on Dudley and Stockbridge Corner Road, we are also blasting some ledge, please be aware that there will be delays and we apologize for this inconvenience

The school parking lot has been completed.

N.E.Earth Mechanics have started on the Old Wolfeboro Road, this project is expected to take the end of the year for completion. Again, there will be delays. The road is open to the local residents, with caution, travel traffic please use alternate routes.

We are grading and raking and rolling the graveled roads, and we are working on getting our sweeper fixed and as soon as we do we will be out sweeping.

Please call the highway dept. any time if we've overlooked anything, 875-6808 or [highway@alton.nh.gov](mailto:highway@alton.nh.gov)

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**FIFTEEN YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . The Alton Bandstand celebrates its' sixtieth anniversary. Originally built in 1928 for \$1573.10 by builder Olie Barnes and volunteers, it was used for concerts and for judging speedboat races...Alton Women's Club donated a set of sixty volumes, The Library of America, to the Gilman Library. It is an anthology of America's best literature...the latest expansion of Alton Central School will open when school starts. The modular classrooms will be gone...

**TEN YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . Improvements to Levey Park, the ten acre park donated in memory of William C. Levey, were dedicated. Picnic area, parking area and relocation of public water are the latest improvements...Alton citizens lent a helping hand to Mississippi River flood victims in our sister towns of West Alton, Missouri and Alton, Illinois...

**FIVE YEARS AGO . . .**

. . . Dakota Benedetto was awarded the John L. Bucher Scholarship. She is an Art Education major at Plymouth State College. The scholarship is in memory of J. Lawrence Bucher, a long time English and History teacher in Alton...Alton's Fire and Rescue boat has been in Alton for a year and has been modified and had supplementary equipment added...

**SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER**

By Nancy Mooney Hebert

**Serenity surrounds us  
Each shimmery September morn-  
Pause we must- for beauty abounds!  
Take it before the days are shorn.**

Twenty members attended our annual meeting. Acting President John Brooks reported that our organization is stable and solvent and looking forward to a productive and fun filled year. A hearty welcome to Dorothy Folsom, Barbara Ingoldsby, and Richard and Mary Downing, all of whom joined our association recently. Also, we were very pleased to see Marge and Harold Favreau at our meeting and happy that they are able to be "out and about" again.

Trip Committee chairman John Brooks announced that the Indian Head Trip on Sept. 26 is filling up fast. Member Peg Bowman announced that a trip to Foxwoods Casino combining Alton, Farmington and Wolfeboro is being planned. Call 875-7102 or visit the senior center for further information. Paul Gamache is no longer on the trip committee. We thank him very much for all he has tried to do for us.

The seniors also gave John Brooks and John Hagen a round of applause for the great job they have done in arranging our trips this year.

Jeanette Barton, administrator of the Card Party Club, is seeking more people to come and play whist with them on Monday and Thursday afternoons. A reminder to all that the Card Party Club is a separate entity from the Senior Association, but many Seniors belong and can vouch for the competitive fun they all have.

In the final order of business, Dom Giuliano, in his own inimitable style, inducted the officers for the year 2003-2004. John Brooks, Dom Giuliano, Claire Fitzgerald, Laurie Hagen, Nancy Hebert, Georgiana Nason and Liz Roberts will assume office at the September 10 meeting.

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Thanks to Jessie Bakeman for the refreshments, and congratulations to Laurie Hagen for winning the attendance raffle. Finally, we will never forget September 11, 2001. Our prayers go out to those who suffered losses at that time and to the families who have lost loved ones in the armed forces, brave men and women who dedicated their lives to help preserve our freedom.

**LIVE THE LIFE**

By Cindy &amp; John Duffek

**FLOODWALL ART**

Paducah, a city of over 26,000 people in western Kentucky, overlooks the confluence of the Ohio and Tennessee Rivers. Like most cities along the banks of major rivers, Paducah is aware of the damage that flooding can cause. After the 1937 flood that covered 90 percent of the city, a 12.5-mile floodwall was built to control the river.

Downtown revival in the 1980's led to a contract with Robert Dafford, a well-known muralist, to depict the history of Paducah in a series of murals on the floodwall panels. Dafford has completed 22 of the panels, each supported individually by donations of at least \$10,000.

Bronze interpretive panels explain the content of each mural. More recent additions to the attraction is an African American history panel and an "1873 Bird's Eye View" of Paducah from the Ohio River. Many of the panels tell the story of life on the rivers and early scenes of the downtown areas. Dafford contributed a mural depicting the village life of Native American Indians as a gift to the city. The Mound Builders were the original settlers of the area.

Each October, the city celebrates the murals through a living history drama, in which actors portray mural characters. The drama is held during the Arts in Action Festival, which also features a Community Art Walk, demonstrating artists, a Taste of Paducah, and various downtown arts-related activities.

Paducah is probably best known for the world's largest quilt museum and the American Quilter's Society Annual Quilt Show and Contest that attracts 35,000 visitors.

Our visit there was part of our RV river barge caravan that traveled the Tennessee, Ohio and Mississippi Rivers.

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





**ALTON OUTDOORS**  
By Jack Miller

September is the month that starts the fall season, and to the outdoor person, it's the start of the hunting seasons.

September 1st is the start of the general bear hunting season throughout the state. The bear baiting season runs September 1-28 in the J2 Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) which includes Alton. The use of dogs season starts here September 22. If you plan to hunt bear be sure to check the regulations as they vary, depending on which WMU you hunt in. Remember you must have written permission to place bait on private land, and you must notify your local conservation officer of the location.

In the early season bear will be after blueberries, raspberries, blackberries and choke cherries. It is easy to see where a bear has fed on berries because they rake them with their claws, breaking bushes and leaving quite a mess. I have seen 4" diameter cherry trees snapped off where a female bear bent the tree to bring the fruit down to where her cubs could feed on it. As the season goes on, the bears will seek out beech nuts and acorns.

September 15th opens the archery turkey hunting season in all WMU except A, B, C1, and C2, which have no archery turkey season. Either sex is legal until the season ends December 15th.

September 15-December 15 is also archery deer season. Six WMUs allow either sex all season. The other ten WMUs, which includes Alton, change to bucks only Nov. 1-Dec. 15. As always, be sure to check the regulations.

The fishing seasons wind down this month with the ending of lake trout and salmon fishing on September 30th. If the weather cools towards the end of the month, there can be some good salmon fishing.

What to do? Hunt or fish this month?

**VOLUNTEERING: A WORK OF HEART**  
by: Laurie Boyce, Volunteer Coordinator

It's that time of year again, when children HAVE to (or GET to, depending on how they look at it) go back to school.

Among the papers sent home from the school at the beginning of the year, there will be a Volunteer Registration Form. Please take a minute and look it over to see if there is a way you can help. ACS's volunteer program has been active for twenty years, and has had hundreds of volunteers.

Elizabeth O'Neil is the new coordinator helper. She was a very active volunteer last year, and accepted my plea to be a coordinating helper. I'm sure she'll be great.

Again, please fill out the Volunteer form, send it back to school, and I'll get in touch with you. Thanks in advance!

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Funding from the US Dept of Justice, OJJDP, through the Division for Juvenile Justice Services, NH Department of Health and Human Services

## TOWN HALL NOTES

By E. Russell Bailey  
 Town Administrator

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and assistance. The Selectmen are addressing several projects and these involve the E911 Addressing System and the closure/cleanup of the septic lagoons.

The Target date for the new address numbering system will be October 15, 2003. Notices will be mailed to every property owner that will include his or her new address, the E911 Ordinance and Post office regulations. The new E911 address will provide every property with a street number that will assist the police department and the Fire & Rescue Department, in the event of emergency calls.

Although the septage lagoons have been closed for several months, we need to complete the cleanup of the site, which will entail removal of the material. The Town is required to monitor the groundwater to ensure the site does not pollute adjacent properties. The monitoring also provides information on the stability of the site. There are no plans to construct a new facility and the septage is now being hauled to waste treatment facilities in other communities.

The Selectmen have approved the formation of a Downtown Revitalization Committee, their meeting dates will be posted and we urge citizens to provide their input.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call or stop by the Town Hall.

## LAKES REGION CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

The Lakes Region Christian Women's Club will be celebrating their 25th Anniversary at a party on September 17th at 10am at Harts Turkey Farm Restaurant, 233 Daniel Webster Highway, Route 3, Meredith.

The event will be a fashion show with fashions designed by Martha Fellure, our Special Feature and Special Speaker, all sewed up into one fabulous lady for your enjoyment. This will be a "Morning Coffee/Tea", continental breakfast at a cost of \$7.95.

Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling Melissa at 776-2224 in the Alton area, and Faith at 293-8073 in the Gilford area.

The club has changed it's venue to Meredith in hopes of attracting ladies from other areas around the Lakes Region. No formal membership is required. Everyone is welcome to join us.

For information regarding child care, call Karen at 364-9670.

# 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, 9:30 am, 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, 9:30am; Worship Service, 10:30 am; Evening Service, 6pm; 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,

- 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. Wentworth, 875-4200
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT -- 1st Thursday, 7 pm, Chairman Richard Quindley, 875-5095.
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William Ryan, 875-2112      James C. Washburn, 364-7413

# Clubs and Services

**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.

**"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.

**Immunizations and Flu Clinics:** Community Health & Hospice sponsors flu shot clinics which are open to the public. The cost of the vaccine is \$17.00, fully covered by Medicare. Medicare patients must bring their Medicare card. We cannot bill Medicaid or private insurance, but cash or checks are accepted for non-Medicare individuals. For more information about any of these clinics call CH&H at 524-8444:

October 22 10 to 11:30 Belmont Senior Center, Mill St, Belmont

October 23 9:00 to 11:00 Laconia Senior Center, 17 Church St, Laconia

October 28 9:30 to 11:00 Sunrise Towers, 25 Baldwin St, Laconia

October 29 1:00 to 2:00 Stafford House, 7 Church Street, Laconia

October 30 10:00 to 11:30 Briarcrest Estates, Diamond Place, Laconia

November 3 3:00 to 4:00 Lake Village Apts., 765 Union Ave, Laconia

November 5 3:00 to 4:00 Victoria Woods, Charlivoix Place, Laconia

**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. A six-week session begins September 11th.

**Overeaters Anonymous:** Overeaters Anonymous (OA) meets 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.

**Senior Wellness Festival:** Community Health & Hospice will be participating in the 2nd annual Senior Wellness Festival at the Winnepesaukee Expo Center on Oct 3. Contact Pat Marceau at CH&H (524-8444) for information.

## ORGANIZATIONS:

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., JP China, Alton

Bay; 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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**COMMUNITY YOUTH ACTIVITIES (CYA)  
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For The ALTON YOUTH CENTER  
by: Linda C. Roy, Member**

The CYA is asking for help to get the new Alton Youth Center (AYC), co-sponsored with the Alton Park and Recreation Department, ready to open in October at the Pearson Road Community Center. Our plan is to initially gear up for youth in grades 5 through 8 with intentions of expanding in the near future to accommodate other grade levels.

We are in need of items such as: board games, videos (music, dance, exercise, movies, DVD's), CD's, arts/crafts supplies, scrap-booking materials, snack donations (non-perishable), paper products, playing cards, card games, age appropriate magazines, decorations (birthday, holiday, room), models to build (car, truck, animals), prizes/awards.

Large items we are looking for are: pool table/supplies, ping-pong supplies, TV, VCR/DVD, stereo/cd player, fozzeball table, small gaming tables (bumper pool, hockey) projector and screen, and always - cash donations.

If you are having a fall cleanup or if you remember that old box of games up in the attic, please keep us in mind. You may leave your donations with Kellie Troendle at the Alton Parks and Recreation building on Main Street or make arrangements with Linda Roy for a pick-up by calling 569-3063 (after 4:00pm).

This is an important community venture for the Youth of Alton. Our goal is to put together a fun place to go that is safe and supervised. We need both adult and youth volunteers to make this center successful. If you would like to donate your time or ideas by volunteering, please contact Dick or Carol Wallace (875-8221) or Linda Roy at the Alton School 875-0382. A background check will be submitted for all volunteers in order to protect our youth. Thank you in advance!

**GINNY DOUGLAS PARK ADDITIONS**

Thanks to a generous gift, special decorations have been purchased for the gazebo at Ginny Douglas Park. New lights, swags, flags, and red white and blue hanging flower baskets were placed by Mrs. Douglas' daughter, grand-daughter, and great grand-daughter in time for the Fourth of July. The Alton Garden Club and Parks and Rec. continue to maintain the park.

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## HAROLD S. GILMAN MUSEUM SUMMER EVENT

The Museum sponsored a doll carriage and bicycle parade, crafts for kids and croquet and hand-cranked ice-cream during Alton Old Home Days. The event was co-sponsored by Alton Parks and Recreation.

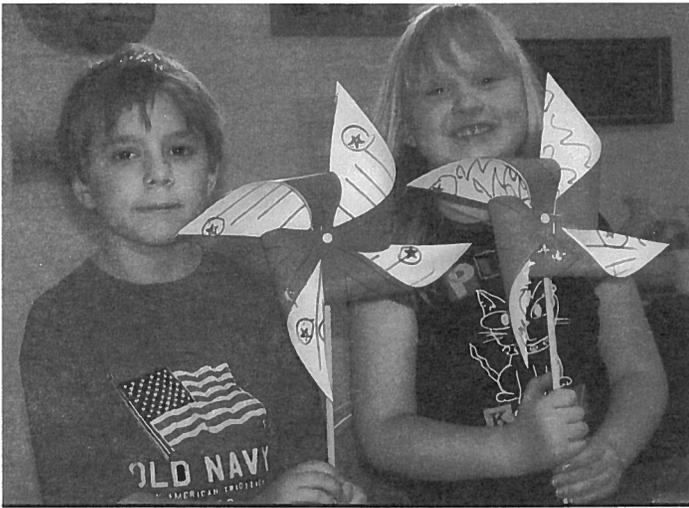
The Committee wishes to thank the following volunteers: William Crocker, Cathy and Manuel Breest, Robert Rockwood Sr., Carol Breest, Jamie and David C. Rockwood.

We also want to acknowledge the children who participated: Old Woman in the Shoe - Kassie Breest, Oregon Bound - Jadrien and Journey Bennet, Butter Fly - Alexandra Spurlock. Toy Story Tricycle - Max DeRoche, Tank Bike - Matthew Johnson, Tank Bike - Timothy Douglas, American Trooper - Brenton Dale, Patriotic Bike - Robbie Rockwood.

There was much enthusiasm for these events and the Museum hopes to continue the tradition at future Old Home Days.

The Gilman Museum is open Wednesdays and Saturdays and other days by appointment. We encourage everyone to enjoy our current display and other exhibits from the collections of the Gilman Family.

*Photograph at left by Carol Breest  
Robbie Rockwood and Kassie Breest display pinwheels  
created at the Gilman Museum Old Home Days, August 9*



### Community Youth Activities (C.Y.A.) ALTON YOUTH CENTER - OPEN HOUSE by: Linda C. Roy, Member

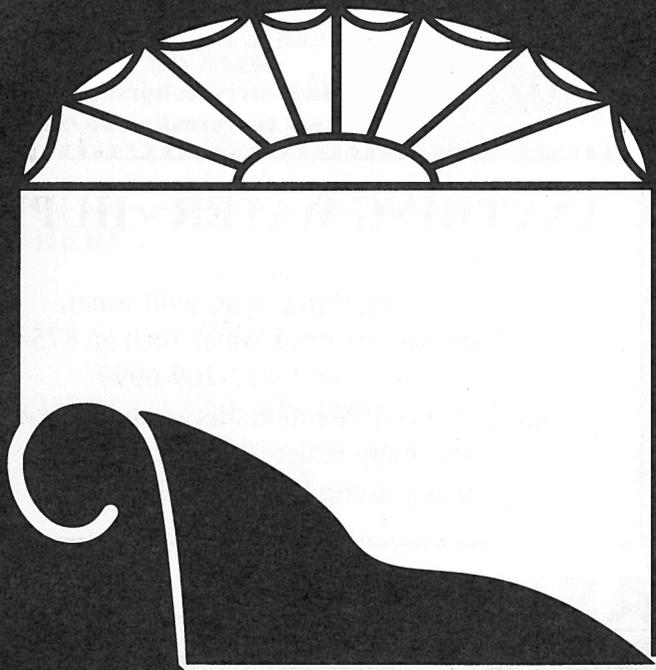
Alton Parents and Youth: Please join us on Wednesday, October 1, 2003 at the Pearson Road Community Center for our Open House from 6pm to 8pm. Activities are planned and refreshments will be served. Our initial youth activities will be for youth in grades 5 thru 8. Both parents and youth are welcome to attend this Open House. Come and see our location, meet our staff and get some information about our plans for youth activities. We hope to see you there.

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### Juvenile Offender Locator Team One Year Old

The Juvenile Offender Locator Team (J.O.L.T.) program, administered through the Belknap County Sheriff's Department that began in July 2002 has just completed a very successful first year, according to Sheriff Dan Collis.

"We have the State's only countywide JOLT and I can easily say it is one of the most effective juvenile programs in the system," stressed Collis.

JOLT pairs a Juvenile Probation and Parole Officer (JPPO) with a law enforcement officer to make unannounced visits at the homes and neighborhoods of juvenile offenders to monitor their compliance with court orders. By collaborating with the Laconia Police Department, who also provide law enforcement officers for the JOLT teams, JOLT is able to work throughout Belknap County.

"If the youths are at home obeying curfew, then we immediately congratulate them and their parents," states Collis. "If the youth is not around, then the JOLT team goes out and finds the kid and brings him or her back home and then issues a sanction for the youth to appear in Juvenile Court.

"This is an immediate consequence. It's positive reinforcement if the youth is home and a swift and effective response if they are not. It sends the message that we mean business when we ask them to stick to the rules," said Collis.

During this past year, 717 JOLT visits were made in 10 Belknap County communities, most of these visits directed at curfew restrictions. The JOLT teams found about two-thirds of these youths were home where they should be, just slightly higher than the average of the other JOLT programs operating in the State.

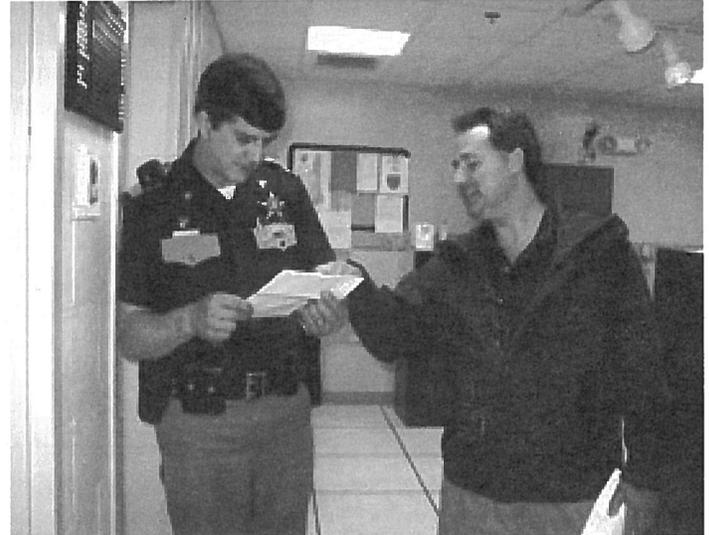
"These kids got a pat on the back, perhaps the first positive interaction with an adult they 'd had in awhile," continues Collis, "The other youths not at home were handled in a variety of ways, but all experienced some ratcheting up of consequences, hopefully steering most of them away from deeper involvement with the Courts."

Collis explained that building accountability skills in juvenile offenders "is really citizenship training and should help them when they get back to normal life. Being able to offer county-based programs like this is more cost-effective than using placements and treatment programs outside of this County".

The Belknap County JOLT is one of about three-dozen community-based JOLT programs in NH and all have been supported by Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG) funds awarded by the NH Division of Juvenile Justice Services through the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Collis acknowl-

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edges that these federal funds are now in jeopardy due to budget cuts and reorganization of juvenile justice priorities by the Bush administration in Washington, but that he is working with the Belknap County Citizens Council on Children and Families, a JOLT partner "who helped us prepare the original grant proposal", and others to find ways to "keep JOLT alive in Belknap County".



*Sgt Christopher Cost, a 12-year veteran with the Belknap County Sheriff's Department, and Dan French, a Juvenile Probation and Parole Officer with the Laconia District Office of the NH Division of Health and Human Services, review the itinerary of planned JOLT visits for the evening.*

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## ALTON KIDS AT SALVATION ARMY CAMP by Paulette Wentworth

This is the fourteenth year organizations in the community have sent children to the Salvation Army Camp at Lake Sebago in Maine. Thanks to the generous donations of the Salvation Army, Alton Firemen, Inc., Alton-New Durham Lions Club, Winnepesaukee Lodge #75 F. & A.M. and the Town of Alton, eleven children enjoyed a week at camp. I would also like to thank the Alton Police Dept. for transporting the children back and forth to camp.

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

Troop 53 has had a very busy summer this year. We have been to a Spring Camporee, on a few hikes from Hidden Valley Scout Reservation to Mt. Major, and also attended Seneca Run in Center Barnstead and the highlight of the summer, summer camp. This year for our summer camp the troop went to Camp Roosevelt in East Eddington, Maine. Each day, the scouts would go to their merit badge classes, which ranged from the Waterfront to the Nature Lodge, to Shooting Sports and to Wood Working. Overall, the troop had a great week at summer camp and we would like to thank Mr. Chet Porter, Mr. Ken Quigley, and Mr. Dave St. Cyr for spending the week with the troop at camp.

The troop has been planning many activities for the rest of the summer and fall. One of our planned trips is going up to Gorham, Maine. We are going to hike in on the Rattle River trail about 2 miles and go swimming in a natural waterslide which we had discovered last summer. The next adventure is to go up the Ammonusuc Ravine trail up to Mt. Washington. The troop will also be attending the Daniel Webster Council Jamboree in October at Gunstock.

The troop has many scouts. There is Jeff St. Cyr, Senior Patrol Leader and Ben Berry, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader. Zach Porter is the Patrol Leader for the Frontiersman patrol and the other members are Mark Wood, Jonathan Yelle, Cameron Quigley, and Ethan Cookman. Josh O'Neil is the Patrol Leader for the Dragon Patrol and the members of his patrol are Jordan Yelle, J. T. Whissel, Jeremy Kim, and Steve Kelley. Bryce St. Cyr is the Patrol Leader for the Flaming Arrows, which are the troop's newest scouts. His members are Aaron Wilkinson, Zach Whissel, Jacob Vanmalden, Joseph Monasky, Scott Brunelle, and Scott Quigley. Our adults leaders are Mr. Bruce Yelle, Scoutmaster; Mr. Kevin Wood, Assistant Scoutmaster; Mr. Chet Porter, Assistant Scoutmaster; Mr. Ken Quigley, Assistant scoutmaster and Ben King.

If anyone is interested in joining the Boy Scouts of America, contact Jeff St. Cyr at 875-5473. You must be entering at least the 6<sup>th</sup> grade and be younger than 18 years old. We meet on Wednesday nights at the Alton Central Fire Station from 7pm to 8:30pm.



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**By Lisa Waterman, Alton Town Clerk**

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- 3) "Moose" or "Construction" Renewals - current registration or photo copy is required.
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- 6) Transfer - current registration is needed to transfer a registration from one vehicle to a new vehicle - you cannot transfer onto a vehicle you already own.
- 7) We cannot take credit cards, cash or checks only.

Hopefully these hints will help you save tiem when registering your vehicle. If you have any questions, please call the Town Clerk's office at 875-2101 Monday-Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm.

**LIONS CLUB NEWS**

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club has been maintaining a highly visable profile in the area this summer. On July 20th, members were hard at work serving breakfast at the American Legion. On July 26, members were spotted manning a water stop for the New Durham road race.

Of course, Lions were everywhere during the ir major fundraiser, the annual Alton-New Durham Lions club car show held August 16th at the Station Restaurant in New Durham.

None of this would have been possible without a place to meet and plan. The Alton-New Durham Lions Club would like to take this opportunity to thank the American Legion for opening it's doors to us and enabling us to continue our community work.

Anyone interested in joining us, please contact Lion Steve Parker at 875-3117.



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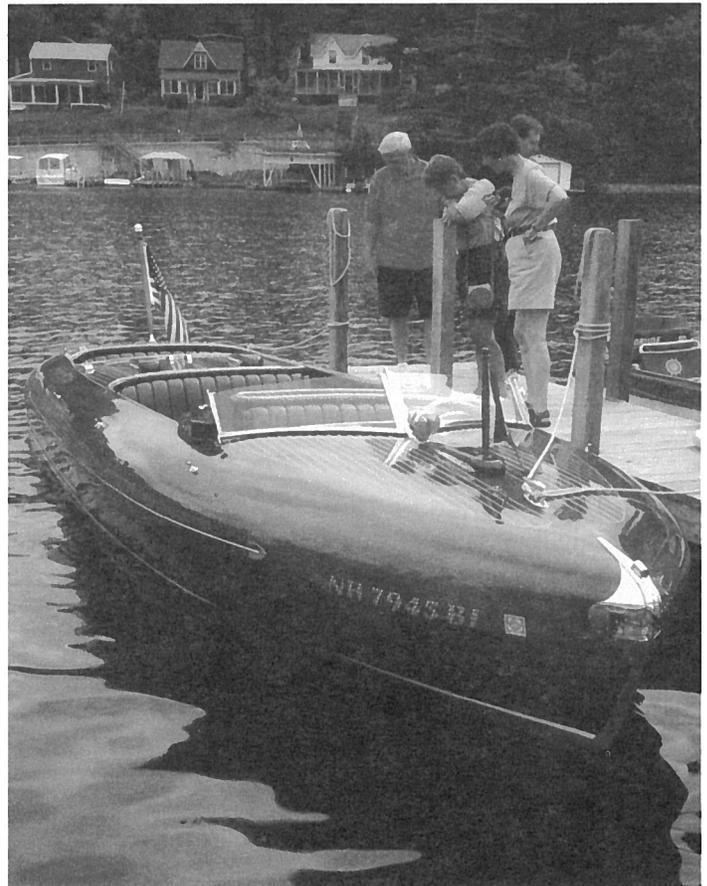
By Jill Gardner

The New Hampshire Boat Museum in Wolfeboro held its' annual Alton Bay Boat Show at the town docks on Saturday during Old Home Days. The docks were overflowing with beautiful wooden boats and the people who came out to see them.

Judging for the three trophy winners was done by the people who came to look at the boats and cast their vote for the best ones, hence Peoples Choice Awards.

Donald Minor, a founder of the Museum, presented the first place trophy to 'Wet Woody', owned by David Witcher. Second place winner was 'Comfy', owned by Donald Minor, and third place winner was 'Real Twenty-Seven', owned by Patti and Charlie Hoffman. After the presentation, all participating boats paraded around the Bay for everyone to enjoy.

Special Thanks go to the sponsors of the show, The Wolfetrap, Shibleys at the Pier, Avery Insurance and West Alton Marina. Thanks also to everyone who turned out for the event and cast their votes.



*David Witchers' 'Wet Woody'  
 First Place Trophy Winner  
 at the Alton Bay Boat Show*

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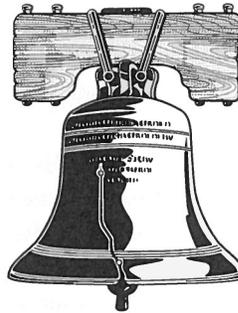
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Molly Connelly, M.Ed., will lead the series. Molly is a family therapist and parent of twelve children. The series will meet from 6:30-8:30 on Monday nights starting September 22. There is no charge for the program. It is open to all parents. Free childcare is provided. Pre-registration is required, please call Alton Central School at 875-7500.

**ALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
UPCOMING PROGRAM**

The Alton Historical Society will present its' next program on Tuesday, September 16th at 7pm at the Gilman Library. The program is entitled "Number Please: NH Telephone Operators in Pre-Dial Era." Judith Moyer will be our featured speaker. Alton residents and friends know they can look forward to this program, because she previously spoke to our Library Community. Perhaps some people in our audience will have experienced this time in our history, and will relate their own personal tales. Refreshments will be served by the members of the Alton Historical Society.

"Number Please: NH Telephone Operators in Pre-Dial Era" is one of over fifty programs and exhibit available to non-profit organizations state wide, through the New Hampshire Humanities Resource Center. For more information, contact the New Hampshire Humanities Council in Concord at 224-4071.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER A SUCCESS  
By John Brooke**

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While on your property it must be contained not to wander off. Containment could include a chain, a fenced in yard or invisible fence. Fines and penalties for non compliance vary for first or additional offense or damage. An animal who bits humans or attacks other domestic animals could be classified as a vicious dog. Any dog who attacks managed wildlife will be in violation of NH Fish and Game Statutes.

For any other information, or to view the full ordinance, contact the town hall or the Alton Police.

**COMMUNITY CHURCH OF ALTON  
 ANNOUNCES CHILD CARE PROGRAMS**

The After School Day Care Program at the Community Church of Alton is ready to open. The Community Church will be offering a safe, fun place for your child to learn and play. The Church will offer games, tutoring, and crafts.

Additionally, the Community Church will be offering a Pre-School program for children three and four years old. Children can learn and play from 9-11:30am Monday through Friday. For more information or to get your name on the waiting list, please email the Community Church at [cmchurch@worldpath.net](mailto:cmchurch@worldpath.net), or call 875-5561.

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This free service to children is available the first Saturday of each month. The next clinic date is Saturday, September 6 from 9:00 - 3:00PM. The clinic is located at Homeopathic Health Care at the Mountainside Business Center in Ossipee. Parents are reminded that homeopathy is not a substitute for primary care or counseling but works in conjunction with those treatments. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Homeopathic Health Care at 539-8168.

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## ALTON'S BOOK CHAT By Debra Laurion

"Alton's Book Chat" was selected as the new name for the Gilman Library book discussion group. The name was submitted by Brittany O'Neil of Alton, who received a trophy donated by Tut's Trophies and Awards.

'Vernon Can Read', by Vernon E. Jordan, was the book discussed at our August meeting. It is a biography focusing on his life as an African American during segregation in the 1950's and how he overcame prejudice to become a successful leader in the Civil Rights Movement.

The book we will be discussing at our next meeting, September 8th at 6:30pm, is '5 Quarters of an Orange' by Joanne Harris. New members are always welcome.



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**Thank You...**

...for all your gifts and best wishes on the occasion of our twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Special thanks to Glenna and David Morse, who opened their home to us, our friends Ron and Millie Lariviere for standing up for us, and Father Ham for performing our wedding ceremony.

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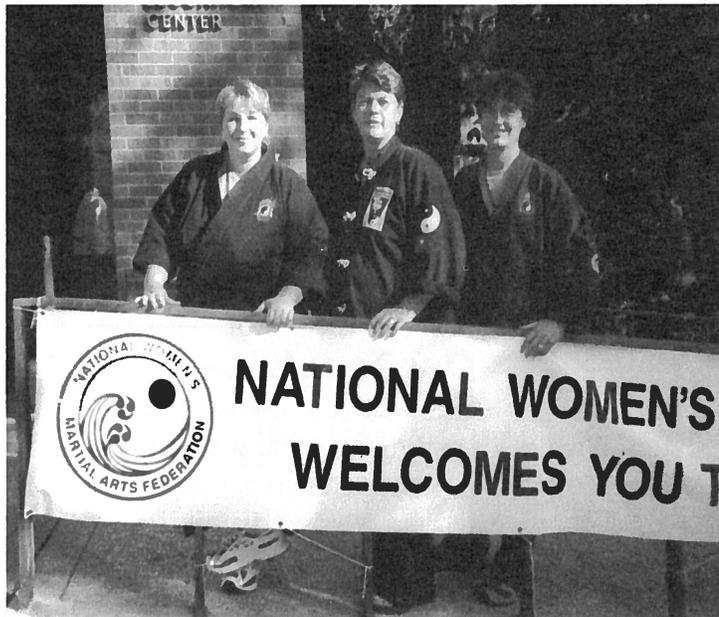
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**ALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By D. Wentworth, Director



**LOCAL MARTIAL ARTISTS ATTEND EVENT**

Jen Chardon (r) and Meg Jones (l) of Kwoon Karate joined Georgianne Verigan (c) at the National Women's Martial Arts Federation's Special Training held this year in Oberlin, Ohio. Over 350 women Martial Artists attended the four day session, which offered training in all areas and aspects of Martial Arts.

The Alton Community Services is entering their fifth year in serving the area aiding the distressed and the less fortunate. We would like to be able to reach more individuals and families. It is very important to seek help through the Towns Social Directors office and ACS before you get that disconnect or eviction notice.

We have just received the annual income for eligibility to receive USDA commodities. The food pantry has a very good selection of food to help you and your family. You may call 875-care (2273) to see if you qualify.

There is very little to no assistance with subsidized housing from the State in the this area. Rents are from \$650.00 and up to \$1,000.00 some with utilities and some not. A family of three with a gross income of \$1,200.00 a month has a very hard time to manage.

It was voted on at the meeting in August to have a campaign to raise monies to help these families starting in September. The ACS has received over \$4,000.00 from St. Vincent De Paul, monies from the churches and \$3,000.00 from a special grant. Several of our volunteers have returned to work full time. If you have time and could be of service to the community please call 875-care (2273).



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## LATE NEWS INSERT

# E-911 BECOMING A REALITY

At a Public Hearing called by the Alton Board of Selectmen Monday evening, August 25, 2003, the final process for Alton to become E-911 compliant was reviewed and approved to proceed. This brings to a culmination the combined efforts of many volunteers and town officials from 1990 through 2003. The implementation of an E-911 system was placed as a top priority of new Town Administrator Russell Bailey.

The goal of the Town is to have an implementation date of October 15, 2003. Chairman Jim Washburn called the meeting to order at 6:00. Present were Selectmen Pat Fuller and Alan Sherwood and Town Administrator Russ Bailey.

Introductions of Alton Postmaster Daniel Wolkovich, and State E-911 Staff Sean Goodwin, Mapping and Addressing Coordinator and Michael Kelheler, E-911 Field Representative was presented to the approximately 30 members of the public present.

A review of the Town of Alton draft Street Numbering Ordinance was discussed among the selectmen with questions to State Officials and the Postmaster. The purpose of the Ordinance is to:

- A. To establish a uniform system of numbering primary buildings located in the Town of Alton
- B. To identify the locations and names of all streets and roads
- C. To promote efficiency in locating primary buildings
- D. To promote an expeditious emergency response system
- E. To provide a consistent system for mailing addresses.

To accomplish this, every street or access way, whether public or private will be named and

every primary building will be given a number. The ordinance has covered every possible exception that could occur and will be mailed to all current Postal Address in the Town utilizing the current Tax Billing List as well as the E-911 Excel List before the end of September.

Property owners will have the responsibility to place the Street number on their Primary building where it can be seen from the Street or if it cannot be seen from the Street, the street number must be predominately displayed on a post at the beginning of the driveway. Properties that receive mail from rural carriers must eliminate their current box number and place the street and number on their box.

All rural deliveries to the West Alton section of town will be through the Alton Bay Post Office (03810) beginning October 15th instead of the Laconia Post Office (03246). All other rural deliveries will be through the Alton Post Office.

A packet will be mailed to everyone at their current mailing address. It will contain a letter from the Alton Board of Selectmen, the final approved E-911 Street Numbering Ordinance, a letter from the USPS Postmaster with Postal Instructions. The packet will also include Change of Address Postcards which must be sent to people and businesses that send you mail, and Record Change Request cards that must be sent to the N.H Department of Safety to change address for Driver's Licenses and Registrations.

After you receive your packet, all Postal Questions should be addressed to Daniel Wolkovich, Postmaster and all E-911 questions to Russell Bailey, Town Administrator. If it is necessary to have a second Public Hearing, you will be advised.