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ALTON SCHOOL PUPILS PARTICIPATE IN NATIONWIDE YOUNG ASTRONAUT PROGRAM

by Rolf Dutzmann

Astronauts in Alton? Hardly probable! However, a group of students at the Alton Central School can call themselves "Young Astronauts."

On October 17, 1984, President Reagan announced a private sector initiative to stimulate scientific inquiry in the nation's youth, called the Young Astronaut program. Schools and communities were invited to form chapters involving teachers and volunteers. A national Young Astronaut Council was formed in Washington, D.C., under the chairmanship of columnist Jack Anderson. Corporations nationwide were solicited to become sponsors to assure a steady source of educational material and other support.

In January 1985, the Alton Central School decided to file a chapter application. It was accepted and the Alton Young Astronaut Chapter became Chapter #316 of 1000 charter chapters across the country. Since then over 15,000 chapters have been formed.

The Alton Chapter, under the lead-ership of Mary Batchelder, a teacher, and Rolf Dutzmann, a retired aerospace engineer, is meeting regularly after hours at the School. Twenty first, second and third graders are presently involved with full parental support and assistance.

Using material supplied by the Young Astronaut Council and other sources, activities are conducted to get the youngsters, boys and girls, interested in science, and technology with emphasis on space.

The first two sessions involved an introduction to space, what it is like, how we have and will benefit from activities in space, what is gravity, etc.

Future activities will consist of assembling and launching model rockets, conducting "star gazing", performing



science experiments, discussing space posters, etc.

Alton has taken an active step to prepare our youth for the future challanges in space. And, who Knows, someday we might be able to refer to a person from Alton as "our Alton astronaut".

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

A special Town Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, at 7:30p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider buying a portion of Camp Dewitt to be used as a Town Beach and Recreation Area. The piece of land is approximately 17 acres with 1100 feet of lake frontage.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

This is the fifth issue of <u>Main</u>
<u>Street</u> and, to date, we have received little criticism, comments or recomendations. We are not seeking compliments. We want to Know what you would like to see included in future issues. We want to Know what you dislike about this publication. We want to Know what you think?

Send your thoughts to <u>Main Street</u>, P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810.

THE CHECKOUT DESK by Pat Merrill, Librarian

NEW PURCHASES ADD COLLECTION

New volumes at the Gilman Library include Lake Woebegon Days by Garrison Keillor, The Immigrant's Daughter by Howard Fast, <u>The Road to Paradise</u> Victoria Holt, Yeager by Chuck Yeager, Out of the Blackout by Robert Barnard, After the Reunion by Rona Jaffe, and Too Much. Too Soon by Jacqueline Briskin.

A new series by Better Homes and Gardens includes Your Furniture, Storage, Renewing an Old House, Solar Living, Your Windows and Doors, Your Baths, Your Kitchen, Your Walls and Ceilings, Stretching Living Space, and Your Family Centers.

The Library would like to thank the Friends of the Gilman Library for new fiberglas flagpole and the American and State flags which were dedicated October 12. The Library also would like to thank Village Video for supplying films for the children free of charge since last Spring.

The Librarians remind you that they are available to answer reference questions during Library hours at 875-2550.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

In the event of inclement weather, closing of the Alton School is announced on WASR in Wolfeboro, WLNH in Laconia, and WWNH in Rochester.

Official school closings are broadcast only on these stations. Do not call the school, your teachers, your bus driver, or the bus company.

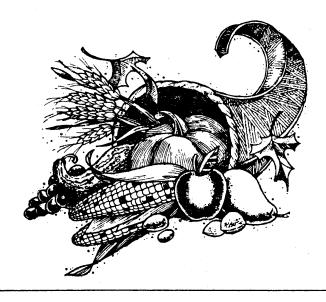
HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS by Al Fisher

There are 14 communities named Alton from the East Coast to California. More than half of them were given the name "Alton" by sons of Alton who moved westwardly across the country in the century.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS OFFER EXTRA CHEER

A long-standing Alton tradition is the provision of Thanksgiving baskets for a little extra cheer to those in need among us. The Community Church, St. Church, and the Advent Joan of Arc Christian Church join with the American Legion Post #72 and the Alton Police collecting, Association in preparing, and delivering these holiday gifts.

Anyone in the community who would like to enter into this expression the spirit of the season should call Marilyn Dame at 875-2211.



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NOVEMBER EVENTS

- 1 CHILDREN'S MOVIES: "Little Mermaid" Sponsored by the Gilman Li-Fri. brary, 3p.m., Gilman Library (50 min.) HALLOWEEN DANCE - Sponsored by the American Legion and Auxiliary, 7p.m. - Midnight, American Legion Hall
 - PLAY: "Wiley and the Hairy Man" Presented by the Apache Players of Alton High School, 8p.m., School Auditorium
- 2 PLAY: "Wiley and the Hairy Man" Presented by the Apache Players of Sat. Alton High School, 2 and 8p.m., School Auditorium
- 3 OPEN HOUSE Sponsored by the Alton Fire Department, 8:30a.m.-Noon, Sun. Central Fire Station, Wood Stove and Chimney Information Available
- 4 PLANNING BOARD MEETING 7p.m., Town Hall Mon.
- 5 PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30p.m., Town Hall Tues.
- 6 DEER SEASON BEGINS Wed. STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, 6:30p.m., American Legion Hall
- 7 SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE Call 875-7102 Thurs.
- 8 CHILDREN'S FILMS: "The Secret of the Sword" Sponsored by the Gil-Fri. man Library, 3p.m., Gilman Library, (91 min.)
- 9 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR Sponsored by the Alton Community Church, Sat. 9a.m. - 1p.m., Church Street
- 11 VETERANS DAY No School, Landfill Closed Mon. VETERANS DAY SERVICES - Sponsored by the American Legion, 11a.m., American Legion Hall
- 12 SELECTMEN'S MEETING 7p.m., Town Hall Tues.
- 13 COMMUNITY CENTER PLANNING MEETING 1:30p.m., Alton Bay Community ₩ed. STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library SCHOOL SUPPORT GROUP - 7:30p.m., Alton Central School
- Thurs. 14 SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE Call 875-7102 CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING - 7p.m., Town Hall BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING - 7:30p.m., Town Hall
- 15 CHILDREN'S MOVIES: "Once Upon a Time" Sponsored by the Gilman Fri. Library, 3p.m., Gilman Library, (83 min.) BOYS BASKETBALL SCRIMMAGE - Alton vs. Pittsfield, 4p.m., Home
- 18 SENIOR SLAVE SALE Sponsored by the Senior Class, Alton Central Mon. School GILMAN LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING - 3:30p.m., Gilman Library PLANNING BOARD MEETING - 7p.m., Town Hall
- 19 BOYS BASKETBALL SCRIMMAGE Alton vs. Winnisquam, 4p.m., Home Tues. SPECIAL TOWN MEETING - 7:30p.m.
- Wed. 20 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion, 6:30p.m., American Legion Hall
- Thurs. 21 SENIOR SLAVE DAY Sponsored by the Senior Class, Alton Central School SENIOR CITIZEN BUS SERVICE - Call 875-7102
- 22 TEACHERS WORKSHOP No School Fri.

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Hosanna New Testament Fellowship -Sunday, 9:45a.m., American Legion Hall

St. Joan of Arc - Saturday, 5p.m., Sunday, 8 & 11a.m.

GILMAN LIBRARY:

Monday & Wednesday, 2 - 8p.m. Friday, 9a.m. - Noon & 1 - 5p.m. Saturday, 9a.m. - 1p.m.

TOWN HALL: 8:30a.m. - 4:30p.m.

Selectmen's Office

Town Administrator

Town Clerk

Tax Collector

Welfare Officer - Call 875-2000

Planning Board - 10a.m. - Noon, Wed.

LANDFILL:

Saturday & Sunday, 7:30a.m. - 3p.m.
Mon., Thurs., Fri., 8a.m. - 3:30p.m.
Tuesday, 11a.m. - 3:30p.m.
Wednesday & Holidays - Closed
ORGANIZATIONS:

AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall, 875-3461

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BOY SCOUT TROUP 53 - Tuesday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall, Steven Temple, 859-6270

CUB SCOUT PACK 53 - Last Tuesday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall, Steven Temple, 859-6270

EASTERN STAR - 2nd Tuesday

GARDEN CLUB - 4th Tuesday

FLYING CLUB - 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30p.m., Dockside Restaurant

HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB - 4th Friday, 875-6750

HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday, 7:30p.m., Congregational Church

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 1st Tuesday, 7p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall,

293-7749

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ALTON BAY IMPROVEMENT STUDY COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Chairman J. Leo Meehan, Jr. 875-5311

BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Meets every Tuesday at 7p.m. Call Town Administrator Jack Henderson for appointments 875-2161

BUDGET COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Chairman Albert V. Fisher 875-5616

CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meets every other Thursday at 7:30p.m. Chairman Linda Mazalewski 875-2661

MUNICIPAL BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE Meets on call. Chairman A. William
Heidke 875-2000

NEW TOWN BEACH SEARCH COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Chairman Kenneth B. Gilbert 859-2021

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Chairman Jonathon Downing 875-7307

PLANNING BOARD - Meets second Monday at 7:30p.m. Secretary Laura Whittemore 875-2171

SCHOOL BOARD - Meets first and second Mondays. Chairman David McKenney 776-7931

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - Meets on call.

Joseph R. Houle 875-7321

WAGE AND SALARY COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Chairman Eldon C. Swim 875-5158 ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meets on call. Chairman David Birdsey 875-5250

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Alton Bay Community House, 875-2791
LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30
p.m., Alton Bay Community House,
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MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Thursday
NEW DURHAM CAMERA CLUB - 2nd & 4th
Wednesday, 7 p.m., New Durham School
ST. JOAN OF ARC LADIES GUILD - Last

Wednesday, 7:30p.m., Church Hall

SENIOR CITIZENS - 1st Monday, 1p.m.,

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AMERICAN FOLK MYTH TO BE PRESENTED BY THE APACHE PLAYERS

by Chris Hardie

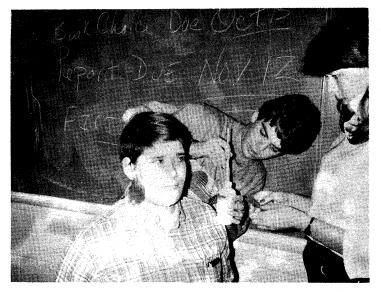
Wiley and the Hairy Man will be pesented by the Apache Players November 1 and 2 in the School Auditorium.

The play by Jack Stokes and Alice Molter is based on an old American folk myth in which Wiley must fool the Hairy Man three times or he will suffer the same fate as his pappy - to become enchanted and lost forever.

The Hairy Man is played by Gerard O'Rourke, Deidre Fortier is Mammy, and Wiley is portrayed by Dana Sackos. Cast members include Debbie Adams, Greg Boelzner, Rori Boyce, Jennifer Brady, Patricia Callahan, Lois Fried, Patrick Moore, Chris Shorrock, and Kim Shorrock.

The show will be performed on Friday, November 1, and Saturday, November 2, at 8p.m. with a special matinee Saturday at 2p.m.





Cast members Gerard O'Rourke, Chris Shorrock, and Debbie Adams prepare for the Nov. 1 and 2 production of Wiley and the Hairy Man.



Support Your Local Volunteer Fire Department

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Sat. 23 - "COLLECTING BARBIE DOLLS" with Maureen Parker - Sponsored by the Happy Hobby Boll Club, 2p.m., Gilman Library

Mon. 25 - PLANNING BOARD MEETING - 7p.m., Town Hall Tues. 26 - SELECTMEN'S MEETING - 7p.m., Town Hall

Tues. 26 - SELECTMEN'S MEETING - 7p.m., Town Hall Wed. 27 - NO SCHOOL

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GIRLS BASKETBALL - Alton vs. Alumnae, 6p.m., Home

BOYS BASKETBALL - Alton vs. Alumni, 7:30p.m., Home

Thurs. 28 - THANKSGIVING DAY - No School, Landfill Closed

Fri. 29 - NO SCHOOL, LANDFILL CLOSED

CHILDREN'S MOVIES: "The Little Princess" - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 3p.m., Gilman Library, (91 min.)

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RAFFLE THANKSGIVING SPONSORED BY LIONS

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club has announced its annual Thanksgiving Raffle of 8 turkeys to be awarded on Thursday, November 21.

Tickets are available from any member of the Lions Club and are 3 for Proceeds from the raffle are used various community projects as well assisting needy community members eye and hearing problems.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNOUNCES CONTEST

The Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a contest to design a logo to be used on all printed ial prepared by the organization. final design will be reproduced in green ink. However entries should be submitted in black and white only.

The prize is a year's membership in the Chamber for someone in business or a gift certificate of comparable value for a non-business winner

Entries should be submitted by November 15 to the Chamber of Commerce, POB 550, Alton, 03809.

All entries become the property of the Chamber of Commerce and the decision of the Board of Directors is final.

POLICE CHIEF URGES CRIME PREVENTION

"Tighten up for Fall", is the advice of Alton Police Chief Thomas J. Mynczywor. The seasonal rash of breakins and thefts, which unfortunately companies the splendors of New Hampshire autumn, is upon us.

Residents and visitors should aware of the problem and look to the security of home and other property. There have been reports of stolen boats and burglaries with the disruption of closing up summer facilities offering opportunities to would-be thieves.

Public awareness can be an effective deterrant. Investigation of some incidents suggests that timely reporting by witnesses could have resulted in prevention. Chief Mynczywor urges citizens to report immediately to the police 875-3752 any situation or activity sual enough to arouse suspicion wrongdoing.

SERVICE OFFERED BUS SENIOR CITIZENS FOR

Every Thursday, a bus is available to take senior citizens, who are without transportation, to area shopping centers free of charge.

Participants are provided door-todoor service, lunch at the meal site in Alton Bay, and shopping in Laconia.

For more information, call the Community Action Program Senior Meal at 875-7102.

1985 DEER SEASON

Wednesday, Nov. 6, through Tuesday, Nov. 12, for either sex and Wednesday, Nov. 13 through Sunday, Dec. 1, for antlered deer only.

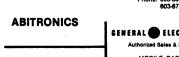
HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

by Al Fisher

The bricks used in the construction of the Wentworth estate in Wolfeboro were taken from Clay Point (Cove Road) East Alton. (1773-75)



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HALLOWEEN DANCE PLANNED BY LEGION

The Activities Committee of Ameri-Legion Post #72 and its Auxiliary has announced plans for a Halloween Dance open to the public on Friday, November 1, at the Legion Hall on Main Street.

The dance begins at 8p.m. following a pot luck supper at 7 o'clock. Music will be provided by Bittersweet and prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. Tickets are \$5 per

Future plans of the Activities Committee include dances for New Year's Eve and Valentines Day and tournaments pocket billiards, darts, and table tennis. Committee members are Chairman Roger Guichard, Auxiliary President Frances Cassidy, Legion Commander Ed Russell, Hazel Potter, Jackie Poulin, Linda Hanley, Peggy Fogg, Archie Thibeault, Thibeault, Charles Shields, Steve ple, Mary Murray, Ronnie Rojek, and Jane Rojek.



HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS by Al Fisher

The first Alton man to be hanged for murder (of his wife) was Enos George Dudley in Haverhill, N. H., in 1849. The last man executed in N. H. man from Alton named Long in the 1930's.

COMMUNITY CENTER FACILITY PLANNED

At a recent meeting, Town Adminis trator Jack Henderson fielded questions and heard a variety of views regarding the establishment of new community a center in the facility purchased by the Town at the corner of Pearson and Old Wolfeboro Roads. The purchase was authorized at the 1985 Town Meeting.

A second meeting is planned for November 13 with all potential groups and organizations urged representatives with suggestions as to how such a center could best meet needs. The meeting is set for 1:30p.m. in the Alton Bay Community House.

MAIN STREET SEEKS DONATED PRINTER

The computer printer used to prepare Main Street is no longer working. Its publisher, Voice of Alton, Inc., is a non-profit organization of volunteers and is unable to purchase a new printer at this time.

Anyone who has a printer they longer use and would be willing to nate it to Main Street or sell it at a very reasonable price should contact the editor at 875-3070 as soon as possible.



CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Annual Community Church Christmas Fair is November 9 from 9a.m. p.m. on Church Street.

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VARSITY SPIKERS END VOLLEYBALL SEASON

The Alton Varsity Volleyball team finished their regular season with a record of 10 wins and 6 losses. The final week was a flurry of triumphs over Gilford, Ashland, and previously undefeated Nute, which qualified Alton to play in the State Tournament.

In the first tournament match, Alton defeated Raymond. However, the second round match against Nashua resulted in a loss for Alton.

In spite of losing four starters, Coach Brian Davidson is optimistic for next year and looks for solid performances from Sara Woods, Kori Hillsgrove, Carol Ann Simpson, Sherri McKenney, Julie Beaudry, and Monique Bourke.



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BASKETBALL PROSPECTS LOOK GOOD FOR APACHES

The Alton School coaching staff is excited over prospects for Apache Bas-Ketball this year.

Boys Coach Brian Davidson notes the return of four of last year's starters, with a healthy reserve of talent behind them. Returning seniors are Mickey Rogers, Dan Francis, Rob Mullins, Lloyd Perkins, Carleton Woods, and Mike Nickerson. Returning juniors are Mark Thomas and Andy Walton

Rene Pelletier, Coach of the Girls Varsity Team, expects an exciting and competitive season with some changes in opponents. Coe-Brown, Epping, and Farmington have been replaced by Derryfield, Gorham, and Linwood.

Veterans returning this year are seniors Karen Morse, Jennifer Shapleigh, Jill Ouellette, and Bonnie Roche. Under-classmen returning are Carol Ann Simpson Arlene Morse, Charlene Morse, and Kori Hillsgrove.

The coaches noted that the enthusiastic support of Alton fans has been a factor in the winning records of the past and that this year the fans will again have something to cheer about.

REPORTERS NEEDED

Anyone interested in volunteering in the production of <u>Main Street</u> is invited to call Editor John Buffek at 875-3070.

Individuals are needed as regular contact persons for organizations and town committees and boards.

Time and enthusiasm is more important than experience.



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