



# Main Street

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ALTON, N. H.

## CANDIDATES FILE: ONLY FOUR RACES, FOUR POSTS VACANT

The only competition in town and school elections this year is found in the three-year Selectman's post, the one-year openings on the Planning Board and the Budget Committee, and School Treasurer. No one filed for Town Auditor, School Moderator or two of the three-year openings on the Budget Committee.

John T. Conboy and Patricia C. Merrill will compete for the Selectmen's post. Gregory Lindland and Donald R. MacDonald are running for the Planning Board and Roger O. Clark, Jr. and Darlene E. Schmidt are seeking the Budget Committee slot. The position of School Treasurer will be decided between Diane Hall and Shirley Young.

All other positions are sought by candidates who are unopposed. They are: Selectman for two years - Russell E. Jones; Tax Collector for one year - Valerie A. Fogg; Trustee of Trust Funds for three years - Harold A. Copeland; Cemetery Trustee for three years - Harold A. Copeland; Cemetery Trustee for two years - Brenda J. Bowman; Library Trustee for three years - Shirley G. Copeland; Water Commissioner for three years - Robert L. Tilton; Fire Ward for three years - Harold A. Clough; Planning Board for three years (2) - Mike MacDonald and Thomas W. Varney; Budget Committee for three years (3) - Harold A. Clough; Budget Committee for two years - Kim J. Kroeger; School Board for three years - Richard Quindley; School Clerk for one year - Gwendolyn Jones.

## CANDIDATE CLARK WITHDRAWS SEEKS WRITE-IN POSITION

Although his name appears on the ballot as a candidate for the Budget Committee for one year, Roger O. Clark, Jr. has withdrawn from that race and asks voters to add his name as a write-in candidate for the Budget Committee for three years.

## ALTON TRIVIA

When did the first Town Meeting of New Durham Gore (later Alton) take place?

Answer: March 27, 1777



Photo by Sylvia Countway

## CARNIVAL BALL ROYALTY

Carnival Ball Queen Kori Hillsgrove and King Mark Thomas celebrate their coronation at the 52nd annual event.

## IMPORTANT MEETINGS SCHEDULED IN MARCH

March 10, 11 and 14 are just around the corner with important meetings on each of these dates.

On Tuesday, March 10, the polls will be open at the Central Fire Station on Route 140 from 9a.m. to 6:30p.m. and all voters are urged to schedule a few minutes in their busy day to vote on the several town and school positions on the ballot /as well as zoning amendments. Those who cannot vote in person on that date must request an absentee ballot and return it to the Town Clerk's office by 5p.m. on Monday, March 9, the day before the elections, in order for their vote to be counted.

On Wednesday, March 11, activity will continue at the Alton School Gym as Town Moderator Marion MacDonald gavels the annual Town Meeting to order at 7:30p.m. Voters will be seated on the main floor and any non-voters in attendance will sit in the bleachers.

The Annual School District meeting will conclude the series of gatherings on Saturday, March 14, at 1p.m. in the School Gym.

**SCHEDULES****CHURCHES:**

Advent Christian Church - Sunday, 11a.m. & 6p.m.  
 Baha'i Fireside - Wednesday, 8p.m., Gustafson Residence,  
 293-7865  
 Community Church - Sunday School, 9:30a.m., Worship Service  
 11a.m., Congregational Meeting House, Rev. Dwight V. Meader  
 Hosanna New Testament Fellowship - Sunday School, 9:45a.m.,  
 Church, 10:45a.m., American Legion, Pastor Gene V. Beaudry  
 St. Joan of Arc - Saturday, 5p.m., Sunday, 8 & 11a.m., Msgr.  
 Leo Hines

**GILMAN LIBRARY:**

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

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

Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector,  
 Town Administrator, and Town Clerk  
 Welfare Officer - Call 875-2000  
 Planning Board - 10a.m. - Noon, Wednesday

**LANDFILL:**

Sat. & Sun., 7:30a.m.-3p.m., Mon., Thurs., Fri., 8a.m.-3:30p.m.  
 Closed Tuesday, Wednesday & Holidays

**ORGANIZATIONS:**

ALTON ACTION ALLIANCE - Last Thursday, 7p.m., Sackos Resi-  
 dence, 875-7359  
 ALTON CONCERNED TAXPAYERS - Saturdays, 10a.m., 859-2021  
 AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall  
 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - 2nd Monday, 7p.m., American  
 Legion Hall, Frances Cassidy, 859-4741  
 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  
 EASTERN STAR - 2nd Tuesday  
 GARDEN CLUB - 4th Tuesday, 875-6426  
 FLYING CLUB - 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30p.m., Dockside Rest.  
 HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB - 4th Friday, 875-6750  
 HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday, 7:30p.m., Cong. Church  
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 1st Tuesday, 7p.m., St. Joan of Arc  
 Church Hall, 293-7749  
 LIONESSE CLUB - 1st Wednesday, 6:30p.m., Alton Bay Community  
 House, 875-5645  
 LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30p.m., Alton Bay Com-  
 munity House, 776-7931  
 MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Thursday, 875-6610  
 NEW DURHAM CAMERA CLUB - 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7p.m., New  
 Durham School  
 OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE - 3rd Monday, 7:30p.m., American  
 Legion Hall  
 ST. JOAN OF ARC LADIES GUILD - Last Wednesday, 7:30p.m.,  
 Church Hall  
 SENIOR CITIZENS - 1st Monday, 1p.m., Alton Bay Comm. House  
 COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM:  
 Mon. & Fri., 1 - 3p.m., Wed., 9a.m. - 3p.m., Alton Bay  
 Community House, 875-7102

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CALL 875-3070 TO UP-DATE THE ABOVE LISTINGS

**SCHOOL CLOSINGS**

In the event of bad weather, closing of  
 the Alton School is announced on WASR in  
 Wolfeboro (AM 1420), WLNH in Laconia (FM 98.3),  
 and WWNH in Rochester (AM 93).

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

ALTON BAY IMPROVEMENT STUDY COMMITTEE - Meets on call.  
 Chairman J. Leo Meehan, Jr. 875-5311  
 BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Meets every Monday at 8a.m. Chairman  
 Jonathon Downing. Call 875-2161 for appointments  
 BUDGET COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Chairman Albert V. Fisher  
 875-5616  
 CABLE TV COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Elaine MacDonald 875-6389  
 CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meets every other Thursday at 7:30pm  
 Chairman Thomas Hoopes 875-3400  
 FIRE WARDS - Meet on call. Chief Russell E. Jones 875-7510  
 GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Anna Maase 875-5610  
 MUNICIPAL BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE - Meets on call. Chairman  
 A. William Heidke 875-2000  
 OLD PHOTOGRAPH COMMITTEE - Meets on call.  
 PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS COMMITTEE - Meets first Tuesday at  
 7:30 p.m. Chairman Herbert Persan 875-6779  
 PLANNING BOARD - Meets first Monday at 7:00p.m. Chairman  
 Nancy Moore, 859-5040, Secretary Laura Whittemore 875-2171  
 SCHOOL BOARD - Meets second and fourth Mondays. Chairman Dick  
 Quindley 875-2910  
 SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST - Meet on call. Chairman Alice  
 Ziegler 875-2151  
 TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY - Meets third Monday at 3:30pm  
 Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833  
 TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - Meets on call. Chairman Joseph R.  
 Houle 875-7321  
 WAGE AND SALARY REVIEW BOARD - Meets on call. Chairman Eldon C.  
 Swin 875-5158  
 WATER COMMISSIONERS - Meet on call. A. William Heidke 875-2000  
 ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meets on call. Chairman Rodger  
 Matthewman 875-3964

**COACHES NEEDED**

Anyone interested in coaching softball  
 or junior high baseball should call School  
 Athletic Director Mark Dickson at 875-7500.

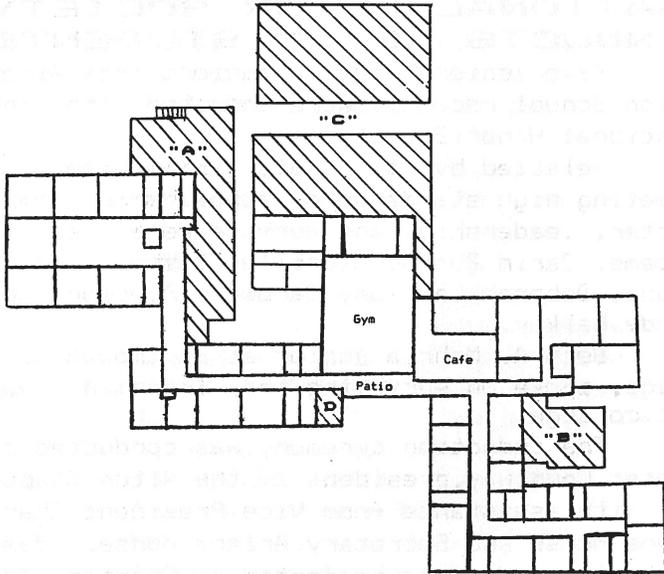
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### SCHOOL EXPANSION PLAN PROPOSED BY THE BOARD

The Alton School Board will present a proposal to expand and improve the facilities of the School at the District Meeting on March 14.

The plan includes: (A) five new classrooms; (B) renovation and expansion of the Science Room; (C) a two-level extension behind the gym to house the Music and Art Departments above, and athletic locker rooms below; and (D) renovation of the present Guidance Office to provide a teachers' room.

According to the Board, the proposed expansion, which addresses deficiencies previously noted by NH educational authorities and the New England Regional Accreditation Association, is designed to accommodate a student population increase of 51% above the present level of 530. Since the growth rate of Alton cannot be projected with certainty, the extended period during which the expansion will meet community needs is not predicted. However, foreseeing future growth, the presentation includes suggestions for future expansion which would be compatible with the present proposal.

Projected cost for the proposed expansion is \$2,254,895. The Board advises that present heating and septic systems have been determined adequate for the increased facilities.

Copies of the School Board proposal are available at the School and Town Hall.

### OPEN HOUSE AT LEGION

The Claude R. Batchelder Post 72 of the American Legion will celebrate its 67th anniversary with an Open House from 1 to 3p.m. on Sunday, March 15.

Everyone is invited to tour the Post and learn about the programs sponsored by the American Legion.

### NEW PARKING ORDINANCES

Responding to persistent citizen complaints, the Selectmen adopted Highway and Traffic Ordinances which define the regulations for parking, stopping and standing of automobiles in Alton and provide for penalties for violations.

Police Chief Thomas J. Mynczywor advises that the new ordinances, which go into effect March 9, give the police authority to ticket illegally parked vehicles whether or not the operator is present.

Attention to safe parking procedures is particularly important when heavy snow and ice buildup along roadways creates hazards of access and visibility. Details of the new regulations are posted in the Town Hall.

### LOCAL LEGION SEEKING VIETNAM VETERANS

The Claude R. Batchelder Post 72 of the American Legion is seeking the names of veterans from Alton who served in the Armed Forces during the Vietnam conflict. If you or someone you know lived in Alton at the time of enlistment and served honorably anytime between December 22, 1961, and May 7, 1975, please write to the post at P.O.Box 814, Alton, 03809, or call 875-3461.

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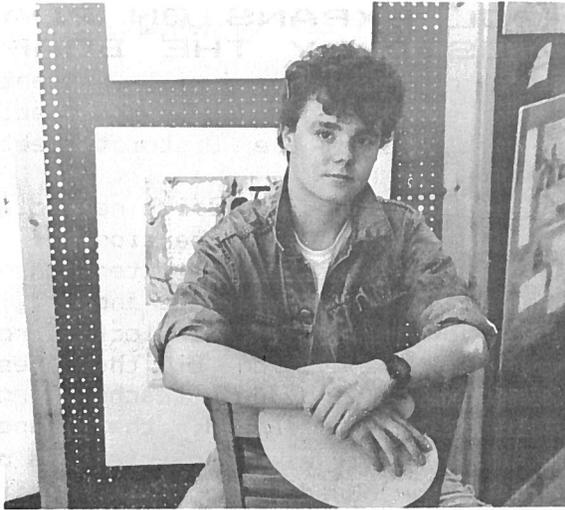


Photo by Jeff Bartlett

**JEFF RYAN PRESENTED BOSTON GLOBE AWARD**

Longfellow's "The Secret of the Sea" provided the theme for Alton High School Sophomore Jeff Ryan's prize-winning watercolor entry in the Boston Globe Scholastic Art Competition last month. Jeff, who received his Gold Key Award at a February 8 ceremony held at Notre Dame College in Manchester, is one of 79 New Hampshire high school students honored, from 249 entrants.

The Globe Awards program is part of the National Art Competition designed to foster achievement in many areas of creative art and to encourage the artistic development of students.

Ryan's illustrations are often featured in Main Street. His award-winning painting will be on display in the Gilman Library in March, in observance of Arts in Our Schools Month.

**PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC OFFERED BY LIONS**

A Pre-School Vision and Hearing Clinic will be conducted on Wednesday, March 18, at the American Legion Hall from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. All pre-schoolers, ages 3 to 5, are eligible for this free testing program sponsored by the Alton-New Durham Lions Club and the Nurses Association of NH.

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS SEVEN STUDENTS**

Five seniors and two juniors from Alton High School recently were inducted into the National Honor Society.

Selected by a faculty committee for meeting high standards of scholarship, character, leadership, and service were Deborah Adams, Darin Burke, Michelle Essig, Sharon Kunz, Deborah Laurion, Carolann Simpson, and Andy Walker.

Beth A. Mohr, a junior at Dartmouth College, spoke on surviving the freshman year at college.

The induction ceremony was conducted by Peter Countway, president of the Alton Chapter, with assistance from Vice President Charlene Morse and Secretary Arlene Morse. Membership cards were presented by Chapter Advisor Marjorie Mohr.

**STAFF CHANGES NOTED BY VOICE OF ALTON, INC.**

Bill Watkins, president of Voice of Alton, Inc, the publisher of Main Street, recently announced the election of Marion MacDonald to the Board of Directors where she will serve as Treasurer of the corporation and business manager of the monthly newsletter. David McKenney formerly served in those positions and will remain a member of the Board.

Robert Smith has been appointed Circulation Manager of Main Street, a position previously held by Chris Consentino.

**LAST TIME TO REGISTER**

Alice Ziegra, supervisor of the Checklist, has set Wednesday, March 4, as the last opportunity to register before the School District Meeting on March 14. The supervisors will be at the Town Hall from 4 to 5p.m.

**ST. PADDY'S POT LUCK**

St. Patrick's Day will be celebrated at the Alton Bay Community House Senior Meal Site with a Pot-Luck Supper on March 17 at 5p.m. Call 875-7102 for more information.

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1. The Adult Education Program is intended to meet the needs of the community. The course list has been developed on the basis of past successful classes and from survey information. If you would like to take a course that is not offered this session, or would like to teach a course during another session, please indicate this to George Rogers, Assistant Principal, at the Alton Central School.
2. On days that school is not in session or has been cancelled for some reason, there will be no Adult Education Classes.
3. Registration may be done in person at the main office of the school between 7:30a.m. and 3:30p.m. daily until March 2, 1987. Payment for classes must accompany the registration form. Registration is done on a first come, first serve basis. Class sizes are listed on the course description sheet available in the main office.
4. Classes may be cancelled if minimum enrollment is not reached.
5. Tuition and registration fee refunded only if the class is cancelled or the student withdraws before the second meeting.
6. The Alton Central School assumes no responsibility for accidents or for any personal property left in the building.

For additional information or course descriptions, call 875-7500.

ALL CLASSES ARE HELD AT THE ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

COURSE	# OF WKS	FIRST CLASS	TIME	COST	INSTRUCTOR
WALLPAPERING	8	Mon. 3/2	6:30-8:30p.m.	\$25	R. Hutchinson
APPLEWORKS	8	Mon. 3/2	6:30-8:30p.m.	\$25	S. Brown
SLIMNASTICS	8	Mon. 3/2	6:30-7:30p.m.	\$25	E. Conboy
QUILTING	8	Tues. 3/3	6:30-8:30p.m.	\$25	B. Lemery
ESSENTIALS OF SOCIAL PSYCH.	8	Wed. 3/4	6:30-8:30p.m.	\$25	Samuels
PREP. FOR THE POSTAL EXAM	2	Tues. 3/3	6:30-8:30p.m.	\$30	Johnston

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### CANDIDATES STATEMENTS ON SEEKING OFFICE

The following statements from candidates in response to the question "Why are you seeking this office?" are provided as a public service by Main Street.

#### SELECTMAN FOR THREE YEARS:

John T. Conboy - "I am seeking the office of Selectman because I have a deep concern for the Town of Alton and its future growth. I believe that the future growth of Alton must be controlled and regulated for the good of all the citizens."

Patricia C. Merrill - "The fact that no one seemed willing to run prompted me to file. Important goals: implementation of Master Plan and recommendations of Alton Bay Improvement Committee, and open communications among us all. Qualifications include: some knowledge of town affairs, administrative experience, ability and desire to learn, and determination to fulfill commitments. I welcome the challenge this position offers."

#### SELECTMAN FOR TWO YEARS:

Russell E. Jones - "It has been a pleasure to work with the board this past eight months and I have enjoyed it. I hope to be able to help out with the decisions over the next two years. I am concerned with the vacancies there are in elected positions and encourage people to be involved as they are on the volunteer boards, a great asset to the town."

#### CEMETERY TRUSTEE FOR TWO YEARS

Brenda Bowman - "To let the people of Alton know that there are more than 100 small cemeteries in town that desperately need repair and I hope that in the future, some of these will be repaired. Someone has to care about them."

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Shirley Copeland - "I am proud of our library and feel it is an important cultural addition to the town. We aim to serve all ages with reading material, services and activities. I am pleased with our facilities and competent librarian, but desire to interest more people in utilizing the building and strive to keep it up to date."

#### PLANNING BOARD FOR THREE YEARS

Thomas W. Varney - "I am concerned about the impacts of our tremendous growth on our land and our community. I offer my background in civil engineering, familiarity with the town and "native" outlook to assure good planning and wise land use."

#### PLANNING BOARD FOR ONE YEAR

Gregory Lindland - "Becoming a father recently has heightened my awareness of the tremendous growth occurring in Alton. I would like to help ensure that this growth is a QUALITY growth that takes into consideration the needs of ALL of the citizens of this community, while maintaining this town's unique charm and character."

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**STATEMENTS CONTINUED**

**BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR TWO YEARS**

Kim J. Kroeger - "I'm seeking this office to better understand the overall budget process of the town. I'd like to see if I could help initiate a larger trust fund for major capital improvements which are now addressed each year on the warrant. I feel with a larger trust fund built up in the long run it would ease the tax pressure on the citizens of Alton."

Roger D. Clark, Jr. - "Because I feel as a resident of Alton that I should become more involved in town affairs. My background and education are most closely related to financial. I feel I can do a good job and be honest and impartial in my decisions."

**BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR ONE YEAR**

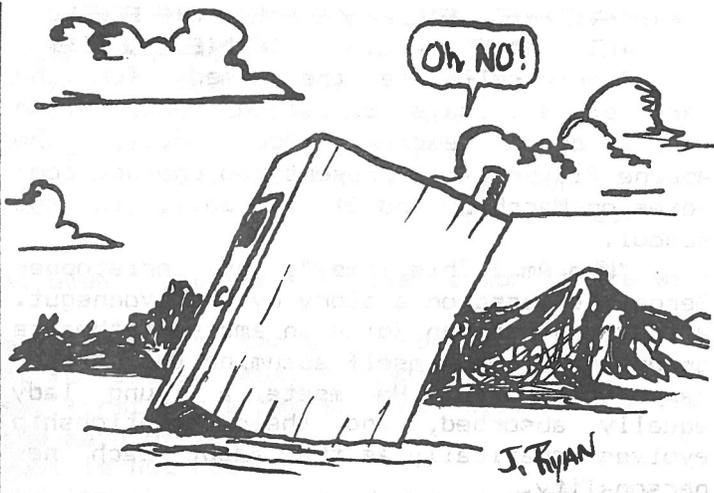
Darlene E. Schmidt - "I am running for a seat on the Budget Committee for the Town of Alton because I believe my past experience on this committee will enable me to help make beneficial judgements on how the tax revenues of each and everyone of us should be disbursed so as to be in the best interest of the community as a whole."

**SCHOOL TREASURER FOR ONE YEAR**

Diane Hall - "I would like to become a more active participant of our community. I feel that the knowledge I possess, as well as my twelve years of banking background, will enable me to serve the Town of Alton best in the position of School District Treasurer."

**SCHOOL CLERK FOR ONE YEAR**

Gwendolyn M. Jones - "The position is very similar to my work as Town Clerk as it involves recording official minutes of the annual meeting and acting as an election official at the School District Election which is held at the same time as our town election. I am only involved at these times with the school but I enjoy it and would like to continue."



**ALTON YOUTH LEAGUE PLANNING 1987 SEASON**

Registrations are still available for the Alton Youth League for boys and girls between six and twelve. Participants may not be 13 before August 1, 1987.

There are plans for an "A" team, three to four minor league teams, a girls softball team, and a T-ball team. All teams except T-ball will travel to surrounding communities.

Registration forms are available from School Nurse Connie Racine and should be returned to her with the \$3 registration fee.

**POT-LUCK LUNCH BEGINS ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING**

The School Support Group will host its 3rd Annual Pot-Luck Luncheon on Saturday, March 14, at noon in the Alton School Cafeteria. Those attending are asked to bring a main dish, salad or dessert.

The School District Meeting follows the luncheon. Call 875-5001 for more information.

**CLEAN-UP PLANNED**

Organizations are reminded of the clean-up scheduled for the basement of the Alton Bay Community House on Saturday, March 7 at 8 a.m. Committee Chairman Forest Tilton is asking for volunteers with trucks and representatives of organizations to help sort out the accumulated "treasure".

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**APACHE PLAYERS OFFER TWO ONE-ACT COMEDIES**

"Comic relief is the remedy for the March blues", says Elizabeth Lent, Alton School drama teacher. Accordingly, the Apache Players will present two one-act comedies on March 20 and 21 at 8p.m. in the school.

"Who Am I This Time?", by Christopher Sergel, is based on a story by Kurt Vonnegut. A lonely young man joins an amateur theatre group and finds himself assuming the character of his roles. He meets a young lady equally absorbed, and their relationship evolves erratically as they adopt each new personality.

In "Baby", by Conrad Davidson, the audience is offered a different view of the first year of life, as the baby experiences the well-intentioned, but often absurd, attentions of amateur parents, doting grandparents, and other adults who clutter up her world.

The cast of "Who Am I This Time?" includes Jeff Bartlett, Michelle Essig, Robert Gilmore, Jill Landry, Ann Marie Joy, Patty Callahan, Wendy Beck, Cherie McKenney, Carol Young and Tanya Itchkawitch.

"Baby" features Dana Sackos, Shawn Vigue, Debbie Adams, Darin Burke, Amy Armar, Joe Barnes, Jennifer Decatur, Patrick Moore, Rori Boyce, Daniel Roberts, Gordon Dunham, and Charlene Morse.

Stage Managers are Debbie Adams and Patty Callahan. Robert Witham is Technical Director. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children and senior citizens.



Photo by Jeff Bartlett

**APACHE PLAYERS** Debbie Adams, Dana Sackos, and Darin Burke prepare for the March 20-21 presentation of "Baby" at Alton Central School.

**\$100 VIETNAM BONUS**

Veterans who served in the Armed Forces between 1961 and 1975 are eligible for a one hundred dollar Vietnam Bonus from the state of New Hampshire. More information is available from Mr. Gullage, State Adjutant General's Office, at 225-1254, and applications are available from Kim Kroeger, American Legion Post Commander in Alton, 875-3461.

**YARN ENDS NEEDED**

Do you have any yarn left over from that sweater you knitted last year? If so, the Alton Fireflies are collecting yarn to be knit into mittens as Christmas gifts for some of our less fortunate neighbors next December. Any color, any length, will be much appreciated. Donations are being accepted at the Selectmen's Office in the Town Hall.

**ALTON TRIVIA**

What was the population of the town at the time of the first census in 1790?

Answer: 445

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- Mon. 2 - ADULT EDUCATION REGISTRATION DEADLINE  
WHIST PARTY - Sponsored by the West Alton Fire Auxiliary, West Alton Fire Station
- Wed. 4 - STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.  
VOTER REGISTRATION - 4-5p.m., Town Hall  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 6 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 7 - CLEAN-UP DAY - Alton Bay Community House, 8a.m., Sponsored by the Alton-New Durham Lions Club
- Mon. 9 - ABSENTEE BALLOT DEADLINE - 5p.m., Town Hall
- Tues. 10 - TOWN AND SCHOOL ELECTIONS - 9a.m.-6:30p.m., Central Fire Station, Route 140
- Med. 11 - STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.  
TOWN MEETING - 7:30p.m., Alton Central School
- Thurs. 12 - CONCERT - School Music Department, 7p.m., Belknap Mill, Laconia
- Fri. 13 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 14 - POT-LUCK LUNCHEON - Sponsored by the Alton School Support Group, Noon, School Cafeteria  
SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING - 1p.m., Alton School
- Sun. 15 - OPEN HOUSE - American Legion Hall, 1-3p.m.
- Mon. 16 - OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE MEETING - 7p.m., American Legion Hall  
WHIST PARTY - Sponsored by the West Alton Fire Auxiliary, West Alton Fire Station
- Tues. 17 - ST. PATRICK'S DAY POT-LUCK SUPPER - Alton Bay Community House Senior Meal Site, 5p.m.
- Wed. 18 - PRE-SCHOOL SCREENING CLINIC - Sponsored by the Alton-New Durham Lions Club, 9:30-11:30a.m., American Legion Hall  
STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 20 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.  
THEATRE - "Who Am I This Time?" and "Baby", presented by the Apache Players, 8p.m., Alton School
- Sat. 21 - FIRST DAY OF SPRING!!!!  
ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE - Knights of Columbus  
THEATRE - "Who Am I This Time?" and "Baby", presented by the Apache Players, 8p.m., Alton School
- Wed. 25 - STORY HOUR:3-5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.  
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 27 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 28 - CONCERT - Alton and Profile HS Bands, 7p.m., Alton Central School

THE CHECKOUT DESK  
BY Pat Merrill, Librarian

**NEW REFERENCE VOLUMES  
ADDED TO COLLECTION**

The Gilman Library has purchased two new sets of encyclopedias which will be available for circulation. The first is a 27 volume set, Popular Mechanics Do-It-Yourself Encyclopedia. The other is a 13 volume set, The Prevention Total Health System.

In addition, the Library is the recipient of two recent gifts. The Alton Lioness Club donated the 13-volume Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia and Jeannette and Richard Collins are giving the Library approximately 25 audio cassettes which will about triple the collection.

To make life easier, the Internal Revenue Service has provided video and audio cassettes on "How to Prepare Your W-4 Form" and two tapes on preparing Internal Revenue Forms.

**NEW BOOKS**

Recent acquisitions include The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood, The Mirror of Her Dreams by Stephen Donaldson, Night of the Fox by Jack Higgins, Masterpiece by Thomas Hoving, The Eyes of the Dragon by Stephen King, Windmills of the Gods by Sidney Sheldon, New Hampshire Notables by Charles Bereton, and New England Glassworks: New Hampshire's Boldest Experiment in Early Glassmaking.



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**NEW SMOKING RULES FOR ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL**

The following policy was recently adopted by the Alton School Board:

"It is the policy of the Alton School Board that the smoking rules for the Alton Central School will comply with the provisions of RSA 155:45 and the New Hampshire Smoking Rules for Enclosed Public Places issued by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, 1986; the rules are hereby declared regulations for this policy.

"There will be no smoking on school premises during school hours except by staff in areas designated by the building principal.

"Smoking during public events will be outside the building; public entrances such as the patio area will be designated as non-smoking areas.

"The Principal of the Alton Central School is responsible for implementing all rules referred to in this policy."

The policy will be in effect starting March 2, 1987.

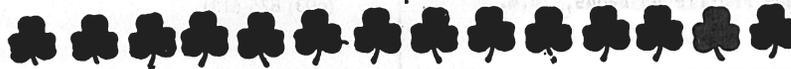
**BLUE AND GOLD BANQUET HELD BY CUB SCOUTS**

Alton Cub Scouts held their Annual Blue and Gold Banquet on February 24 to honor local scouts and observe Scouting Month.

Awards and badges were presented to a number of scouts by Cub Master Ron Sayles. The top seller in the recent fund-raiser was John Irving followed by Jarrod Brown, Alan Givet, Justin Sultzbach, and Alec O'Meara. They received a US Savings Bond or Scouting equipment.

The pot-luck supper provided by parents was followed by the Sayno Magic Show, a drug abuse prevention program presented by Larry Frates.

The Scouts are sponsored by American Legion Post 72 of Alton.



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### BICENTENNIAL OF THE CONSTITUTION PLANNED

The Alton Bicentennial Committee on the U.S. Constitution is making preparations to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution and the ratification of the Bill of Rights. This is a national celebration and is scheduled to last from 1987 to 1991.

The NH Commission on the U.S. Constitution is focusing on the years 1780 to 1800. Research on the life in NH's geographically and historically diverse regions has been conducted by historians and the Commission is bringing this knowledge to NH communities through a travelling exhibit (on display at the Wolfeboro Library), a dramatization entitled "A Collage For Town Voices", and a speaker's bureau.

The Commission is encouraging local groups to undertake further study and activities, and Alton is responding with its volunteer committee of: Nancy Johnston, chairman, David Johnston, Jean Roberts, Pat Merrill, Gwen Jones, Gerard O'Rourke, Milton Jensen, Marilyn Dame, Maureen Kalfas, Aida Downing, and Alton High School students Barbara Simpson, Kathy Harriman, Noelle Strong, Patty Callahan, and Greg Boelzner.

Plans are already being formulated to include a float in the Old Home Week Parade, and several lectures at the Gilman Library with speakers from the state speaker's bureau. The possibility of a long-lasting memorial is also being explored with one suggestion of a mural painted on the walls of Town Hall. Other ideas are being solicited from members of the community.

### LIONS PLAN VCR RAFFLE

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club will award a Magnavox Studio 8 VCR to the lucky winner of the Annual Penny Sale and Jamboree Raffle. The drawing is on April 11 and tickets are available at local businesses and from members of the Club for \$1 each.

### SCHOOL MUSICIANS PLAN EXCHANGE OF BANDS

Something new.....a musical exchange between the Alton School and Profile Regional High School in Bethlehem. Some 40 musicians in the Profile School Band will come to Alton on March 26 for a three-day visit. Guests will be welcomed into nearby homes Thursday and Friday nights, spending their days with the Alton School Band counterparts in a varied schedule of rehearsals, volleyball, pot-luck dining, and a generous mixture of camaraderie. On Saturday, March 28, the public is invited to a joint concert at 7p.m.

Alton Music Teacher Robert Stevenson believes the opportunity to share both musically and socially with the visiting students will be as instructive as it will be enjoyable.

Noting that the Alton Band will pay a return visit to Profile in May, Stevenson would like to hear from Alton families willing to offer hospitality to the visitors. He may be reached at the Alton School, 875-7500.

### NEW STAFF APPOINTED AT ALTON SCHOOL

Dorothy Bristol is the new Director of Special Needs at Alton Central School. She previously served in a supervisory position in the Manchester Special Education Department. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of New Hampshire and a master's degree from Notre Dame College. She is certified as a Learning Disabilities Specialist and Reading Specialist. She resides in Alton Bay with her husband and two children.

The new Industrial Arts instructor is Stephen Bobotas who taught Agricultural Mechanics at Alvirne High School in Hudson. He has a bachelor's degree in Occupational Education from the University of New Hampshire and lives with his wife in Laconia.



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### STUDENTS PREPARE FOR OLYMPICS OF THE MIND

One of the lesser-known extra-curricular activities at Alton Central School is participation in a nationwide creative problem solving program called Olympics of the Mind. Currently a 7th grade team is preparing for the New Hampshire regional competition at Spaulding High School in Rochester on Saturday, March 28.

Ten students are currently on the squad from which a final team of five will be selected. They are Noah Magnifico, Heather Andrade, Danielle Fogg, Jim Clark, Bo McMullen, B. J. Quindley, Danny O'Blenes, Erin McAuliffe, Kenny O'Blenes, and Amelia McKinney.

Their "problem" is to design a vehicle that when disassembled will fit in two suitcases. They have ten minutes to assemble the vehicle and move over a course that includes rescuing a person in distress, rescuing a lost kitten, breaking up a crime in progress, performing two good deeds of their choosing and then return to the starting point to disassemble the vehicle and close the suitcases.

The top five teams at each of two regional meets will go on to the state finals on April 4 at Merrimack High School. State winners go on to the national finals in May at Central Michigan University.

Last year, Alton's sixth grade team went to the state finals before being eliminated.

### ALTON SOPHOMORES WIN WINTER CARNIVAL WEEK

The Alton High School sophomore class scored in all of the eight contests during Winter Carnival Week including three first place finishes to be the overall winner of this year's event.

The Senior Class was the runner-up with four first place finishes including the snow sculpture contest. They lost out to the 10th graders by failing to score in two of the events.

Third place went to the junior class and the freshmen finished fourth followed by the seventh and eighth grades.



Photo by Sylvia Countway

### FUTURE QUEEN CANDIDATE

Emily Sydow, daughter of Cindy and Jeff Sydow of Alton Bay, enjoyed the 52nd Annual Winter Carnival Ball.

### ARTS IN OUR SCHOOLS IS BELKNAP MILL EXHIBIT

Arts in Our Schools Month is being highlighted for the Lakes Region by two weeks of musical and visual artistic presentations at the Belknap Mill in Laconia. A dozen area elementary schools will participate in "Arts Alive in '87" between March 9 and 19, including students from the Alton School Arts Department.

Sponsored by the Belknap Mill Society, the visual arts exhibit will be open Monday through Friday from 9a.m. to 8p.m., on Saturday from 9a.m. to 1p.m., and on Sunday from 1 to 4p.m.

The Music Department will present a performance at the Mill from 7 to 8p.m. on Thursday, March 12. Admission is free.



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