



# Main Street

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ALTON, N.H.

## TAX RATE INCREASES 33%

The cold winds of March 1988 and the enthusiastic votes of townspeople at the Annual Town Meeting and School District Meeting put in a second appearance recently as tax bills hit the mails!

The tax rate is up 33%, exactly the increase predicted by town officials and the budget committee after voters made their choices at the annual meetings.

The overall rate goes up from \$27.97 per thousand to \$37.25. Second half tax bills are due for payment without penalty by December 1. Since the first half bill was based on the previous rate, this tax bill picks up the difference for the year.

A breakdown of the rate total shows \$24.53 going to the school, \$8.02 to the town, and \$4.70 to Belknap County.

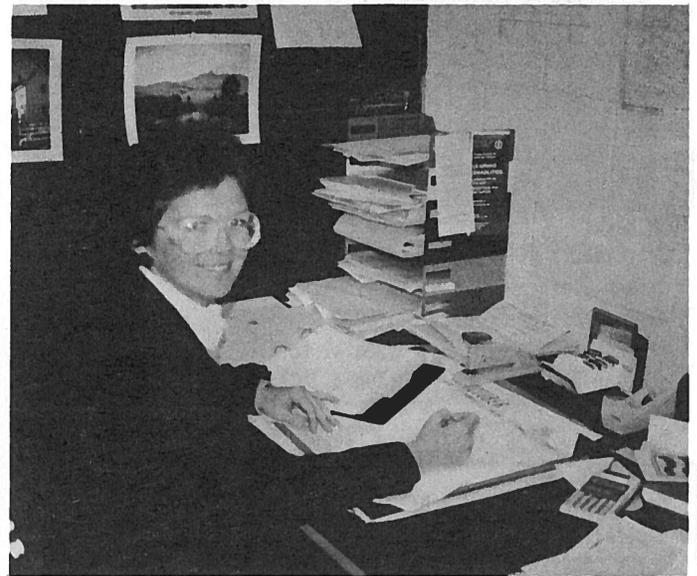


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## DOROTHY BRISTOL CHOSEN ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

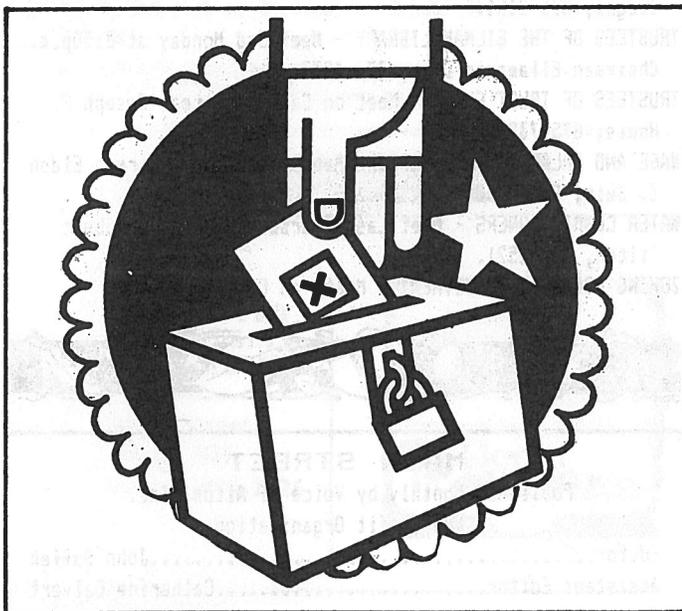
Dorothy M. Bristol, has been selected assistant principal of the Alton Central School. She succeeds George Rogers who became principal when Sherwood Fluery was chosen as the assistant superintendent for SAU 51.

Bristol has been with the Alton School as director of special needs since February 1987. Prior to that she was the special education administrator for the Manchester School District. Other positions in education include learning disabilities specialist for Merrimack Valley Regional School, a self-contained classroom teacher in Manchester, a primary level teacher in Raymond, and teacher, evening supervisor, and acting guidance counselor for the Adult Learning Center in Manchester.

Bristol received her bachelor's degree in elementary education from the University of New Hampshire and a master's degree in education from Notre Dame College specializing in language and learning disabilities.

## VETERANS DAY SERVICE

On Friday, November 11, at 11a.m., the Claude R. Batchelder Post 72 of the American Legion will hold its traditional Veterans Day observance in the American Legion Hall. The public is welcome and invited.



NOVEMBER 8 IS ELECTION DAY

MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!

## ELECTION DAY RAFFLE AND BAKE SALE

The Alton Lioness Club will hold an Election Day Raffle and Bake Sale at the Central Fire Station from 7a.m. to 7p.m. on Tuesday, November 8. The winners of the six prizes will be drawn after the polls close.

**SCHEDULES**

**CHURCHES:**

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- Baha'i Fireside - Wednesday 8p.m., Gustafson Residence, 293-7865
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- Hosanna New Testament Fellowship - Sunday School 9:45a.m., Church 10:45a.m., American Legion Hall, Rev. Gene V. Beaudry
- St. Joan of Arc - Saturday 5p.m., Sunday 8 & 11a.m., Msgr. Leo Hines

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- AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday 7p.m., American Legion Hall
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- BOY SCOUT TROOP 53 - Tuesday 7p.m., American Legion Hall
- CHESS CLUB - Monday 7:30p.m., Busy Corner Store
- CUB SCOUT PACK 53 - Last Tuesday 7p.m., American Legion Hall
- EASTERN STAR - 2nd Tuesday
- GARDEN CLUB - 4th Tuesday
- FLYING CLUB - 2nd Wednesday
- HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB - 4th Friday 7p.m., Community House
- HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday 7:30p.m., Cong. Church
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 4th Tuesday 7:30p.m. St. Joan of Arc Church Hall
- LIONESS CLUB - 1st Wednesday 6:30p.m., Community House
- LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30p.m., Community House
- MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Thursday
- NEW DURHAM CAMERA CLUB - 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7p.m., New Durham School
- ST. JOAN OF ARC LADIES GUILD - Last Thursday 7:30p.m., Church Hall
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- SCHOOL BOARD - Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays. Chairman David McKenney, 776-7931.
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- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meets on Call.



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## THANKSGIVING BASKETS CHEER MANY RESIDENTS

By Jeanne Cole

As the holidays approach, let us not forget those in need, in sorrow, or those who are alone.

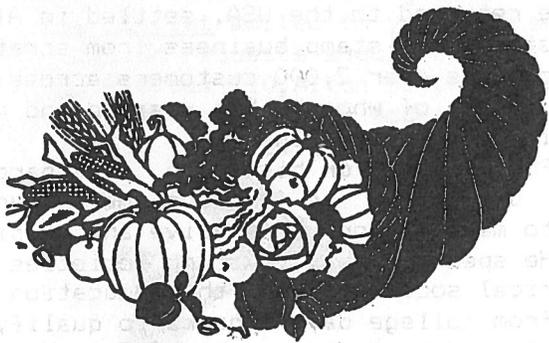
A committee of townspeople, headed by Marilyn Dame, is already at work on this year's Thanksgiving Baskets program. They will coordinate the shopping, packing and distribution of baskets throughout the community on Sunday, November 20.

To make this a success, there must be lots of help from the community. The committee needs money to buy the turkeys, fresh fruit and vegetables. They also need canned goods - pumpkin, vegetables, fruits, dressing mix - all the things that would be served at a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. And, of course, volunteers are needed to pack the boxes and deliver them on the 20th.

Last year there were 26 food baskets delivered, just full of things to make a bountiful Thanksgiving meal. Also, there were 96 fruit baskets delivered to those who need to be remembered - those alone, those who had been in the hospital, or those who had lost a loved one.

Several organizations sponsor this project: the Community Church of Alton, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, the Alton Bay Advent Christian Church, Knights of Columbus, American Legion Post 72, and the Police Association.

If you can donate money or food, or can volunteer to help, call Marilyn Dame at 875-2211.



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### THE CHECKOUT DESK

By Pat Merrill, Librarian

## VIDEO FUND NEARS GOAL

Through generous contributions of various Alton organizations and residents, the goal of \$6,000 to purchase the PBS videos has almost been reached. The fund now stands at \$5,065!

The collection of video tapes includes 20 series which have been featured on public broadcasting television such as The Brain, Planet Earth, Great Performances, Civilization, and The Story of English.

There is still time to participate in this exciting project. Checks, payable to the Gilman Library, or cash may be dropped off at or mailed to the Library. This magnificent display of community participation will benefit many of our residents.

## LANDFILL RULE CHANGES

Some changes are about to be made at the Alton Landfill. Effective November 28, 1988, several specific refuse items such as mattresses, furniture, scrap metals, and tires must be deposited only in designated areas and only on Mondays and Saturdays.

Metal cable must be cut into two-foot lengths and each tire dumped will cost \$1.

Additional information is available by calling the Town Hall at 875-2161.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT** students at Alton Central School collected 242,515 pennies last spring to be used towards new playground equipment?

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

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**FOCUS ON  
ELWYN J. DOUBLEDAY**

By Bob Calvert

Elwyn J. "Dub" Doubleday of Alton is a philatelist/historian, a character in a recently published New York Times best seller he describes as a "non-fiction mystery/detective story" and the subject of a Cable News Network interview.

His records have been used by the Attorney General's office in Utah, and the FBI has sought his help here. He probably never thought that when he started his stamp business some 16 years ago, that he would be a key figure in the final breaking of the infamous "Mormon Murders" case and its prime figure: Mark Hofmann. But Doubleday's expertise helped solve the case of the man who killed two people with pipe bombs.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints began some 150 years ago. Many letters and documents from the early days were written in northeastern U.S. and new "finds" are turning up all the time. Mark Hofmann began selling documents to the LDS Church - some were complimentary and apparently some not so complimentary. Eventually he faked many documents and sold them to the church and others as genuine. He acquired a so-called "Salamander Letter" from a third party. The implication was that Doubleday had sold it for \$25.00 and when it came into Hofmann's hands, he sold it for more than \$40,000. When some of Hofmann's customers were ready to blow the whistle on him, he eliminated them with pipe bombs. He was arrested and his attorneys plea bargained for two consecutive five year to life sentences.

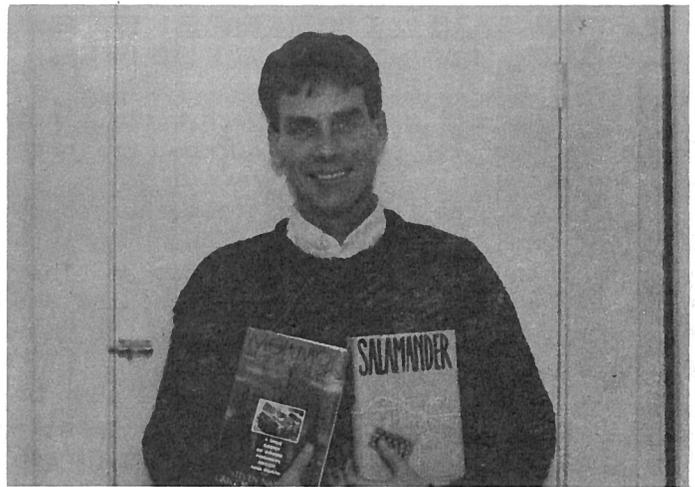


Photo by Judy Biggar

The case had been finally cracked in this small N.H. town when postage cancellations were proved incompatible with the period claimed.

All this happened a year ago, and now books are out telling the story. Gathering of Saints by Robert Lindsey has an entire chapter on Doubleday and perhaps 20-30 other references throughout the book. Other books dealing with the Hofmann story are The Mormon Murders and Salamander. "Dub" thinks that a movie will follow.

Doubleday graduated from the University of Massachusetts and while in college he caught his interest in stamps, covers and related documents. He wrote a monograph on post offices in Massachusetts. He has taught handicapped youngsters and later went to Uganda in Africa where he taught "until things got too hot in the era of Idi Amin" and he returned to the USA, settled in Alton and started a stamp business from scratch. He now has over 2,000 customers across the U.S., many of whom he has visited and made some lasting friendships.

Philatelist or historian, it's hard to tell. One thing is for sure. He's found a way to make history come alive and meaningful. He speaks widely to stamp societies and historical societies. And this education major from college days appears to qualify as a topflite detective as well.

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**ALTON CUB SCOUTS JOIN NATION-WIDE FOOD DRIVE**

A giant nation-wide "good turn" by the Boy Scouts of America will have an impact in every nook and cranny of America this month as Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts go door to door to solicit non-perishable food products to replenish thousands of food pantries across the nation.

"Scouting for Food" is the theme. In New Hampshire, the Daniel Webster Council reports that close to 80,000 people are "existing" at or below the poverty level and that the N.H. Food Bank which works with 185 food distribution agencies dispenses over 650,000 pounds of food each year to hungry people.

Cub Scout Pack 53 will be Alton's participant in this program. The plan calls for the Cubs in pairs each accompanied by an adult to visit Alton homes and place a bag with information on door knobs between 1 and 3p.m. on Saturday, November 12. Then they will return on Saturday, November 19, to pick up the container. If not home, people can hang the container on their door. Canned goods and non-perishable foods only are sought. The N.H. National Guard is setting up reception centers, and adult volunteer Scouters from throughout the State will do the sorting and packing.

The local pack is sponsored by the American Legion and is led by Cubmaster John Irving, who announces that their special activity for November will be a bowling party on the 12th following the food bag distribution.

**CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAIR**

The Women's Christian Fellowship of the Community Church of Alton will sponsor a Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 5, from 9a.m. to 1p.m. The sale, at the Congregational Meeting House on Church Street, will feature baked goods, fudge, crafts, knitted goods, and other gifts. A lunch of sandwiches, chips, and coffee or tea will be served from 11:30a.m. to 12:30p.m.

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**ALL-STATE FESTIVAL HOLDS AUDITIONS**

Auditions for the NH All-State Music Festival will be held on Saturday, November 19, at Concord High School and seven Alton students will compete.

They are: Rori Boyce, Jen Brady, Jim Clark, Jackie Doubleday, Glenn Lamper, Matt Lord, and Archie Thibeault.

The students will audition in quartets before judges and compete with hundreds of students from all over New Hampshire for a spot in the Festival Chorus which performs at the annual Convention of the NH Music Educators Association held later this year at Kennett High School.



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## SNOWMOBILE CLUB SEEKS MEMBERS

The Mt. Major Snowmobile Club is looking for new members to participate in their active program of rides and trips through local trails and to area attractions scheduled for the coming season.

The organization meets on the last Saturday each month at Harold Clough's garage in West Alton at 6:30p.m. for a pot luck supper followed by the meeting. More information about the club is available from Elaine MacDonald, 875-6389, or Jay Sydow, 875-6792.



## ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE BROADEN SCHOOL PROGRAM

By Jeanne Cole

The Alton Central School has received grants from the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts and the Alton School Board to continue its Artists in Residence program.

At present, twelfth graders are working with Poet Marie Harris. Teacher Mary Christy, instrumental in obtaining the grants, says that students respond very differently when working with the artists. They have learned a new perspective and appreciation of poetry this fall.

In November-December, Andrew Schwartz, a well-known juggler, will be working with the children in kindergarten through grade 4. He will strive to teach them hand and eye coordination in a very entertaining way. On Friday, December 2, at 10a.m., he will perform at a school assembly and the public is invited.

James Patrick Kelly, a science-fiction writer, will come to Alton in December-January. He will instruct grades 9 and 11 in science-fiction as literature. With the 5th and 6th graders he will deal with the relationship between science-fiction and society.

In January, poet Elizabeth Kirschner will return to the Alton School. Mrs. Christy and she received a \$1,000 grant to write a Curriculum Collaboration on Poetry and the seniors will be using that.

And finally, in May, Dr. Linda Morley will share her knowledge of folklore. She will compare folklore with the mythology that the 10th graders are studying and she will teach 4 graders about folklore in New Hampshire to go with the other information they are learning about their state this year.

These exciting additions to the regular curriculum give students a broader experience in school.



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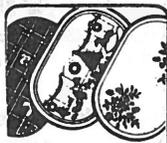
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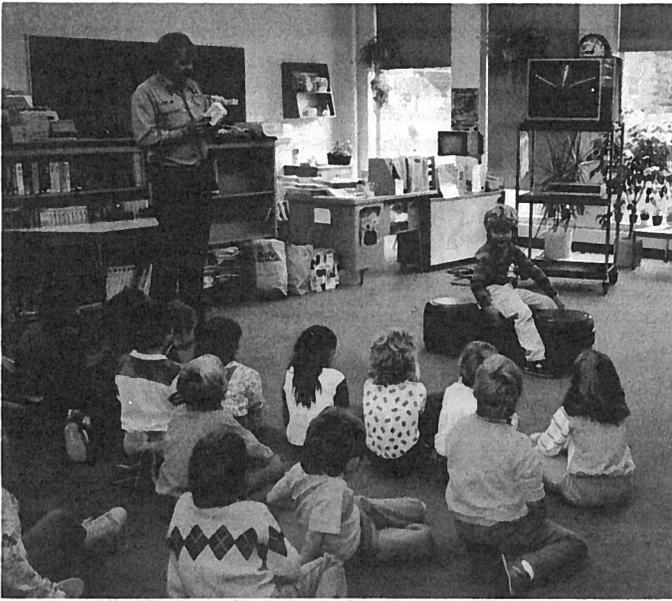
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**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

Alton Firefighter David Jensen presents a Fire Prevention Week program at Alton Central School. Modeling the firefighting uniform is T-1 Teacher Kathy Latchaw. Jensen was assisted by Firefighter Bruce Barrett.

**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY PLAN HOLIDAY TEA**

The Friends of the Gilman Library are planning a Holiday Tea to be held on Friday, December 2, at 3p.m. At this final meeting of the year, there will be a tribute to Pauline Bakeman, a former president and active member of the organization, who died in October.

**ALTON STUDENTS COMPETE ON PUBLIC TV PROGRAM**

A team from Alton Central School will compete on Granite State Challenge. David Roberts, captain, Dana Sackos, Dan Adams, and Brandon Potvin will meet a team from Derryfield School. The program can be seen on Channel 11 on Sunday, October 30, at 6p.m. or Tuesday, November 1, at 7:30p.m.

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### GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM OPENS SEASON DEC. 2

The 1988-89 Girls Varsity Basketball Team promises to be a very competitive and exciting squad. Scheduling talented teams such as Wilton, Epping and Derryfield should provide fans with very close and fast-paced games.

Only two seniors are lost from last year's team, leaving a solid, experienced group of veterans. Returning from last year's starting line-up are seniors Tammy Rogers, Cheryl Hillsgrove, Sara Woods, and sophomore Patty Troendle. This experience in conjunction with the returning varsity and junior varsity players should produce a very tough competitive varsity squad.

The girls season will begin with the opening day of practice on November 7. The annual Alumni Game on November 23 begins at 6p.m. and the first regular season game will be on December 2 against Laconia Christian.

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### FUTURE IS BRIGHT FOR BOY'S BASKETBALL

By Todd Brown

Alton Boy's Varsity Basketball is looking forward to a successful season this year. After a tough season last year, which can be considered a helpful, growing season, Coach Brian Davidson has high expectations with numerous goals for his team.

Davidson stated "the key to a good, if not excellent, season will be whether or not the team plays up to its potential. Every player must play to his utmost ability." The defense and hustle also will be major factors in the outcome of the 88-89 season.

The team is very solid, with four starters returning, juniors Chris Irvin, Ken Lurvey, Russ Troendle, and Rob Wyatt. Other key players expected to make major contributions are seniors Steve Burke and Keith Watts, junior Dan Adams, and sophomore Thad Gulbrandson.

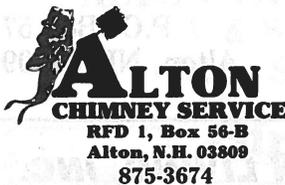
Davidson feels that experienced youthfulness dominates the team, an advantage and a potential weakness. "Whether this team can withstand the rigors of a tough schedule and come out on top will depend on an all-out effort and our bench strength. The ideal conditions for a coach is to have players who are dedicated and willing to work."

"A team with positive attitudes could be the final push that sends them over the top," he said. Realizing what had just been stated, he approved with his usual smile, "Well, the conditions right now are somewhat ideal."

The season, which opens at Nute on December 9, "promises to be an exciting one for the fans." Pre-season activity includes the annual alumni game on Wednesday, November 23.

### HONOR SOCIETY OFFICERS

Steve Burke has been elected president of the Alton chapter of the National Honor Society for the 1988-89 school year. Other officers are Dawn Newlin, vice president; Melissa Countway, secretary; and Cheryl McKenney, treasurer.



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Photo by Judy Biggar

**S10 WINNER** Bill Hardy receives the keys to his new pick-up from American Legion Commander Gerry Fifiield. The raffle was conducted as a fund-raiser to support the Legion's community programs.

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**EIGHT BAND STUDENTS CHOSEN FOR FESTIVAL**

Alton Central School will be represented by eight band students in the annual New England Band Festival at Plymouth State College on Monday, November 21.

Rori Boyce, 1st flute; Jen Brady, 1st flute; Ron DeMille, 2nd trombone; Bill Essig, 2nd trumpet; Amelia McKinney, 2nd trombone; Mike Mitchell, 2nd alto saxophone; Archie Thibeault, 1st trumpet; and Rob Wyatt, 3rd trumpet; will be part of the 300-piece band under the direction of Dr. James Croft, Director of Bands at Florida State University.

The free public concert is at 7:30p.m. in the PSC Auditorium and includes performances by the PSC Symphony Band and Jazz Band.



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The Alton Fireflies are getting ready for Christmas! They are working to help fill Santa's sleigh with toys and clothing for Alton's needy families and they could use your help.

Their first need is for donations of new toys, new clothing, and/or money sent to Mrs. Santa Claus, Box 73, Alton Bay, 03810. Items can be dropped off at the Central Fire Station between 2 and 4p.m. on the last two Sundays in November or the first two Sundays in December or call 875-6389 to arrange to have your gift picked up.

The second need is for the names of families that would benefit from this program sent to the above address.

### MAIN STREET SALUTE TO

.....Melissa Countway, Alton Central School's DAR Good Citizen for 1988-89 and participant in the state level competition.....Volunteer Firefighters David Jensen and Bruce Barrett who donated many hours to present Fire Prevention Week programs at the Alton School...Concert Administrator Robert Stevenson for the successful opening night concert of the new Gilman Concert Series and to the Gilman Lyceum Fund and the Farmington National and Savings Bank for sponsorship of the Series.

### THANKSGIVING DOLLS

The Happy Hobby Doll Club invites all members and guests to bring their Thanksgiving dolls to the next meeting on Friday, November 18, at 7p.m. in the Alton Bay Community House.

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Space for classified ads is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Main Street reserves the right to refuse any ad.

Ads may be mailed with payment to P.O.Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810. The deadline is the 15th of the preceding month.

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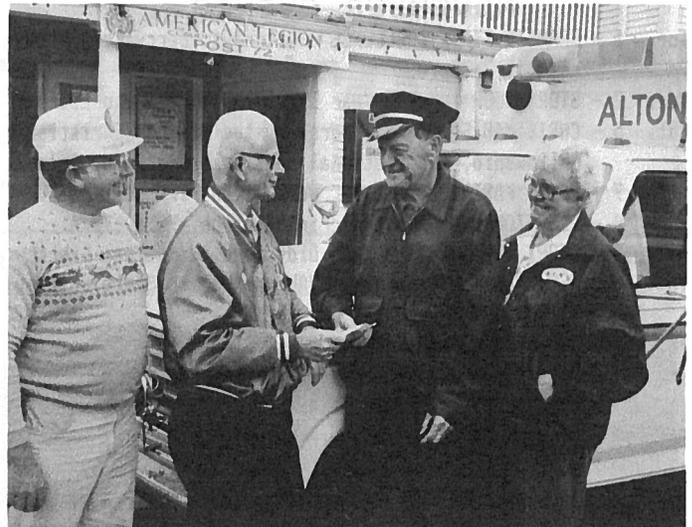


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- Wed. 2 - STORY HOUR for 3-5 Year Olds, 10a.m., Gilman Library
- Sat. 5 - CHRISTMAS FAIR - Sponsored by the Women's Christian Fellowship, Congregational Meeting House, 9a.m.-1p.m.
- Mon. 7 - WHIST PARTY - 7:30p.m., West Alton Fire Station
- Tue. 8 - ELECTION DAY - Central Fire Station, 7a.m.-7p.m.
- Wed. 9 - STORY HOUR for 3-5 Year Olds, 10a.m., Gilman Library
- Thu. 10 - NEW ENGLAND CHORAL FESTIVAL - Plymouth State College 7:30p.m.
- Fri. 11 - VETERANS DAY - School, Landfill, and Town Offices Closed  
VETERANS DAY CEREMONY - American Legion Hall, 11a.m.
- Sat. 12 - SCOUTING FOR FOOD - Distribution of Collection Containers, 1 to 3p.m.
- Wed. 16 - STORY HOUR for 3-5 Year Olds, 10a.m., Gilman Library
- Fri. 18 - THANKSGIVING DOLLS - Happy Hobby Doll Club, Alton Bay Community House, 7p.m.  
REPORT CARDS ISSUED
- Sat. 19 - SCOUTING FOR FOOD - Collection of Donated Food
- Sun. 20 - THANKSGIVING BASKETS Distribution, Call 875-2211 to Offer Assistance
- Mon. 21 - WHIST PARTY - 7:30p.m., West Alton Fire Station  
NEW ENGLAND BAND FESTIVAL - Plymouth State College, 7:30p.m.
- Wed. 23 - STORY HOUR for 3-5 Year Olds, 10a.m., Gilman Library  
BASKETBALL vs The Alumni, Games Begin at 6p.m.
- Thu. 24 - THANKSGIVING DAY
- Fri. 25 - HOLIDAY CLOSING - Landfill, Town Hall, and School
- Wed. 30 - STORY HOUR for 3-5 Year Olds, 10a.m., Gilman Library

**NEW ENGLAND FESTIVAL INCLUDES ALTON SINGERS**

On Thursday, November 10, 12 students will represent Alton Central School in the Annual New England Choral Festival hosted by the Music and Theater Department at Plymouth State College.

They are Rori Boyce, Jen Brady, Heather Brown, Jim Clark, Ron DeMille, Jackie Double-day, Elizabeth Duffek, David Emerson, Glenn Lamper, Matt Lord, Noah Magnifico, and Archie Thibeault.

Students from all over New England form the 400-voice festival choir and will participate in an intense day-long session with Beverly Taylor, Associate Director of Choral Activities at Harvard University. This will be followed by a 7:30p.m. performance in a concert in the PSC Auditorium that will include the PSC Chorale, Chamber Singers and The Company, a jazz-show choir. The program is free and open to the public.

**SENIOR MEAL SITE ACTIVITIES**

- Mondays - Exercise Class and Bingo
- Tuesdays - Arts & Crafts and Cards
- Wednesdays - Bingo
- Thursdays - Movies
- Fridays - Exercise Class and Bingo

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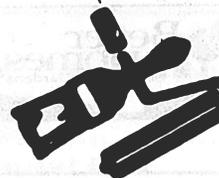


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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The cooperation of Alton property owners with the revaluation "team" has been extremely good. We appreciate this.

However, the recent mailing of tax bills has caused confusion for some property owners. There is "no connection" between the current tax bill and the revaluation process. These tax bills represent the net impact of actions taken by the voters in the annual School District Meeting and the annual Town Meeting, last March.

The revaluation process and fact-gathering was also authorized by the voters at the last Annual Town Meeting. The "team" employed is in the process of gathering these facts. They need to be given access to homes to be fair to property owners. We have heard of a small number who refused admittance and even asked them to leave their property. This is unfortunate. We urge all to be courteous and to help with the fact-gathering. To not do so, could result in higher valuation which would be unfair.

Also, if you are interested in the upkeep and maintenance of Alton's roads, there will be a public hearing to discuss the proposed 20 year Road Management Plan. This meeting will be held on November 3, at 7:30 P.M. at the Alton Town Hall.

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