



Main Street

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ALTON, N.H.



Photo by Sylvia Countway

WINTER CARNIVAL Queen Carolann Simpson and King Daniel LaCroix were crowned during the 1988 Carnival Ball. (Story on Page 4)

33 CANDIDATES FILE FOR TOWN AND SCHOOL POSTS FIVE POSTS CONTESTED FOUR POSTS VACANT

Town and school offices are being sought by a total of 33 candidates. Seven of them are competing for the job of Highway Agent. Other races include the positions of Tax Collector, Treasurer, Water Commissioner, and member of the Planning Board for one year.

Two vacancies remain for three year members of the Budget Committee and one opening exists for a two year member of the Budget Committee. No one filed for the position of Trustee of Trust Funds for three years.

The complete list of candidates and their statements may be found on pages 6-8.

**PLEASE NOTE
VOTING HOURS
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POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM
7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1988
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MARCH 2 BEGINS SPECIAL WEEK FOR ALTON VOTERS

Within a space of seven days, Alton Voters have within their power to set directions for the town for 1988 and beyond. Four dates are highly significant, and everyone is urged to mark them on the calendar and participate.

Wednesday, March 2, at 7:30p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, Main Street will host a "Meet Your Candidates Night". All candidates have been invited, and voters are urged to come out to meet and hear them. The elections for these candidates (town and school) will be held on Tuesday, March 8, from 7a.m. to 6p.m. at the Central Fire Station on Route 140.

On Saturday, March 5, at 1p.m. at the Alton Central School, the Annual School District Meeting will be gavelled to order by Moderator Marion MacDonald. This, the first of two twin meetings, will determine about 60 to 65% of Alton's total budget for 1988.

The second of the twin meetings will be held in the same location at 7p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, and billed as the Annual Town Meeting. Here about 30 to 35% of 1988's budget and taxes will be determined.

The balance of the budget comes from the county-assigned share of expenses.

To have a say in the total budget of Alton for 1988 and in turn the size of the tax increase, one must attend both meetings. To attend just one is in effect writing off a big portion of the decision-making that will ultimately determine the 1988 tax rate.

Do you have those dates?

March 2 - March 5 - March 8 - March 9!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOW FOR 1988 OLD HOME WEEK

With all the recent winter snows, it's hard to visualize Alton's Old Home Week on the horizon. But, it's later than we think!

The Selectmen are anxious to get a strong committee in place soon. It is hoped that some with prior experience will step forward as well as people new to the event.

Perhaps local clubs and organizations could pledge one or two volunteers from their group to start things. Please contact the Town Administrator's office now and say "I'll Help!".

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 Hall, Rev. Gene V. Beaudry
 St. Joan of Arc - Saturday 5p.m., Sunday 8 & 11a.m.,
 Msgr. Leo Hines

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM:

Monday & Friday 1 to 3p.m., Wednesday 9a.m. to 3p.m., Alton
 Bay Community House, 875-7102

GILMAN LIBRARY:

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

TOWN HALL:

Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator,
 and Town Clerk - 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.
 Welfare Officer - Call 875-2000
 Planning Board - Monday 9:30a.m. to 4:30p.m., Tuesday and
 Wednesday 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m., Closed Noon to 12:30p.m.

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ORGANIZATIONS:

ALTON CONCERNED TAXPAYERS - Meets on Call, 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
 CHESS CLUB - Tuesday 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, 875-6426
 FLYING CLUB - 2nd Wednesday
 HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB - 4th Friday, 875-6750
 HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday 7:30p.m., Cong. Church
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 4th Tuesday 7:30p.m., St. Joan of Arc
 Church Hall, Henry Soucy, 364-7816
 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, 875-5916
 MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Thursday, 875-6610
 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
 SENIOR CITIZENS - 1st Tuesday 12:30p.m., Community House

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CALL 569-4441 TO UP-DATE THE ABOVE LISTINGS

DOLLS WITH A BROGUE!

The Happy Hobby Doll Club will recog-
 nize St. Patrick's Day with a special pro-
 gram featuring "Irish Dolls" at its next
 meeting on Friday, March 25, 7p.m., at the
 Alton Bay Community House.

Call Ruth Messier at 875-6750 for more
 information.

APACHE PLAYERS PRESENT TWO ONE-ACT COMEDIES

By Jeanne Cole

The Apache Players, directed by Eliza-
 beth Lent, will be presenting two one-act
 plays at the Alton Central School on Friday
 and Saturday, March 11 and 12, at 8p.m.

The first is a comedy by John McNamara
 entitled "Personal Effects". It deals with
 the problems a teenager has when he tries to
 throw a wild party while his parents are out.
 Plans go awry and chaos breaks out, but, after
 the dust has settled, the experience has
 taught him a lot and pointed him in the
 right direction for the future.

The cast includes Steve Burke, David
 Roberts, Gabe Biderman, Jennifer Decatur,
 and Sara Woods. The Stage Manager is Eric
 Kleeberg assisted by Patty Callahan.

The second play, also a comedy, is "Loud-
 er, I Can't Hear You" by William Gleason.
 This covers an aspect of life that is so
 common today - everybody talks and nobody
 listens. In the end, the members of this fam-
 ily do try to improve their ability to com-
 municate with one another. Members of this
 cast are Emma Ferry, Carol Young, Dana Sackos,
 Mike Roberts, Ann Marie Joy, Bryan Scoville,
 David Quindley, and Amy Armer. The Stage Man-
 ager is again Eric Kleeberg aided by Wendy
 Beck.

The evening of entertainment is availa-
 ble for \$3 for adults and \$2 for students
 and senior citizens.

For the fifth time, the Apache Players
 will be performing at the New Hampshire Edu-
 cational Theater Guild Drama Festival held
 at Gilford High School on March 19. They will
 present "Personal Effects" in this regional
 competition. The top four schools will go on
 to compete at the State level at Plymouth
 State College in April.

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MARCH EVENTS

- Wed. 2 - STORY HOUR:3 to 5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.
MEET YOUR CANDIDATES NIGHT-Sponsored by Main Street,
Town Hall Auditorium, 7:30p.m.
BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Fri. 4 - BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Sat. 5 - ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING - School Gym, 1p.m.
- Tue. 8 - TOWN AND SCHOOL ELECTIONS - Central Fire Station,
7a.m. to 6p.m.
- Wed. 9 - STORY HOUR:3 to 5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - School Gym, 7p.m.
BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Thu. 10 - PRESCHOOL SCREENING CLINIC - Sponsored by the Alton
School and Alton-New Durham Lions Club, Alton School
9-10a.m.
- Fri. 11 - THEATER - Two One-Act Plays presented by the Apache
Players, Alton School, 8p.m., \$3 for adults, \$2 for
students and senior citizens
BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Sat. 12 - THEATER - Two One-Act Plays presented by the Apache
Players, Alton School, 8p.m., \$3 for adults, \$2 for
students and senior citizens
- Wed. 16 - STORY HOUR:3 to 5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.
BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Thu. 17 - ST. PATRICK'S DAY
- Fri. 18 - BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Wed. 23 - STORY HOUR:3 to 5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.
BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Fri. 25 - "IRISH DOLLS" - Sponsored by the Happy Hobby Doll
Club, Alton Bay Community House, 7p.m.
BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall
- Sun. 27 - PALM SUNDAY
- Wed. 30 - STORY HOUR:3 to 5 Year Olds - Gilman Library,1-2p.m.
BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion,Legion Hall



FLEA MARKET PLANS SPUR THOUGHTS OF SPRING

It's not too early to begin thinking about the pleasures of spring, like budding flowers, baseball, warm breezes, and flea markets.

To put us in the mood, the Alton Fireflies announce the return of their annual Flea Market on Saturday, May 21, at the Central Fire Station.

Proceeds are used to purchase equipment for Alton firefighters and the Central Station.

Vendors can obtain advance information from co-chairmen Marion MacDonald and Judy Fry.

MAIN STREET SALUTE TO
.....the members of the Alton Police Department who are donating their time to help complete the new police station.....Gladys Howe upon her retirement as Town Treasurer after 19 years of service.



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THE ROYAL COURT



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Reunions are where you hear the same family story told by 10 different people and never hear it the same way twice.



ROYALTY CROWNED AT ANNUAL CARNIVAL BALL

Carolann Simpson and Daniel LaCroix will reign for a year as the Queen and King of the Winter Carnival at Alton School. They were selected by the vote of the students and those attending the Carnival Ball. Kori Hillsgrove and Mark Thomas, last year's winners, were on hand to crown the new royalty.

Other candidates were Maria DiFerri, Tracie Phillips, Emma Ferry, Richard Reese, Dean Rines, and Alton Whittier.

The coronation procession was led by trumpeters Jacob Tharpe and Jebediah Christy of the second grade. Crown Bearers Amanda Quindley and Blake Kellar and Flower Girls Alyson Galus and Shemry Brown also represented the second grade.

Princes and princesses from grades seven through eleven completed the royal court. They were Jocelyn Kellar and Kim Kroeger (grade 7), Amelia McKinney and William Meehan (grade 8), Jessica Miller and Robert Waterman (freshmen), Wendy St. Laurent and Todd Brown (sophomores), and Melissa Fifield and Mark Rines (juniors).

The ceremonies took place at the 53rd Winter Carnival Ball in the Gym that was transformed into the theme "Winter Wonderland". Music was provided by Destiny and English Teacher Mary Christy was the master of ceremonies.

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By Pat Merrill, Librarian

**INCOME TAX FORMS,
FAMILY RECORDS &
OLD-TIME RADIO**

The Gilman Library has received its usual supply of information and forms concerning the 1987 income tax. As there is a copier in the Library, forms can be duplicated. The cost is 10 cents per copy.

Town Historian Nina Liedtke has prepared a file of Alton family records with information about births, deaths and marriages. This information, available at the Library, was taken from the Vital Records of 1766-1850. Our thanks to Nina for this effort.

Is there anybody "out there" who is a student of radio history, lover of good current programming, or a collector of radio programs? If so, there is an organization just for you called SPERDVAC (Society to Preserve and Encourage Radio Drama, Variety And Comedy). In addition to monthly newsletters and a yearly magazine, it offers its members a reel-to-reel tape lending library, a cassette library, and an archives library on both reel-to-reel and cassette. Cynthia Watkins has left a notebook in the Library that is chock-full of interesting material on the subject. Anyone is welcome to drop in and look at the notebook.

**KNIGHTS ANNOUNCE
FREE THROW CHAMPIONS**

The winners of the first annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship were announced recently by Alton's Council #7533.

They are Sara Wyatt and Joshua Luscomb (11 year old division), Keri Pelletier and Marc Newlin (12 year olds), Lisa Racine and Jeff Irvin (13 year olds), and Kerri Newlin (14 year old girls). There were no entries in the boys 14 year old category.

Participants from Alton, New Durham, Barnstead, and Gilmanton were eligible to compete and 26 youngsters entered the event.

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CANDIDATES'

As candidates filed for election, they were given a form that asked "Why are you seeking this office?". These forms were to be sent to Main Street for publication in this issue. The statements of those candidates who chose to participate follow.

ONE SELECTMAN FOR THREE YEARS

ROBERT L. CALVERT

Alton is at the crossroads of growth and the costs to provide the services that growth requires. School Board and Selectmen must work cooperatively in planning total town expenses and income. I bring experience from past service on Planning Board, Selectman, Master Plan, Budget and Capital Improvements Committees.

ONE TOWN CLERK FOR THREE YEARS

GWENDOLYN M. JONES

As Town Clerk since 1975 I would like to continue in this office. It has been very interesting and challenging and I thoroughly enjoy the work.

ONE TAX COLLECTOR FOR THREE YEARS

KENNETH B. GILBERT

I have served in a major elective office in Alton for over twenty years. Six years on the School Board; twelve years on the Budget Committee, elected chairman most of those years; and from '82 to '85 as Selectman. Having recently retired from a corporate managerial position, I would like the privilege of serving as your Tax Collector.

ANNE M. KROEGER

As the current Deputy Tax Collector and Deputy Town Clerk, I feel qualified to assume the duties of Tax Collector. I am familiar with procedures at the Town Hall and have worked in the bookkeeping department as well as in the Selectmen's Office. I have a strong bookkeeping background. I have been a resident of Alton for 17 years.

ONE CEMETERY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS

THOMAS HOOPES

No candidate's statement submitted.

ONE WATER COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

ROBERT L. BOUDROW

As a 30-year Alton resident, I have worked for two major water distribution suppliers/installers in Alton, as well as being a plumber (self-employed) for 12 years here in

Alton. I currently hold a N.H. Master Plumber's license. I feel that my knowledge and background would be beneficial to the Town of Alton.

ROBERT SEDERQUIST, JR.

No candidate's statement submitted.

ONE TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS FOR THREE YEARS

No candidates filed for this office.

ONE LIBRARY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS

ELLAMARIE N. CARR

No candidate's statement submitted.

ONE FIRE WARD FOR THREE YEARS

RUSSELL E. JONES

No candidate's statement submitted.

ONE HIGHWAY AGENT FOR THREE YEARS

RICHARD J. BASSETT

Resident of Alton for thirteen years, working twelve years for the highway department and appointed interim Road Agent for the last ten months. I am seeking the office of Road Agent as I know our roads well and enjoy serving the community in anyway to maintain a safe environment.

CARL C. CIAMPO, JR.

If ELECTED my first priority would be to upgrade the problem roads in this town and try to get rid of these conditions. I also would clean up the deplorable conditions and attitude at the Landfill. Thank you.

RICHARD P. DREW

No candidate's statement submitted.

RICHARD E. HELIE

I have been a resident of this town for the past forty years and I would like to help solve our road and our land fill problems. I have worked off and on for the town highway for the past twenty years and I would like to help improve our community.

ALBERT D. MORSE, JR.

No candidate's statement submitted.

JAMES E. NEWTON

No candidate's statement submitted.

MALCOLM F. SIMONDS

1. Seven years experience, highway dept.
2. The road's need to be improved year round.
3. The work force need's to be improved immediately highway and landfill depts.
4. As a Alton native, and a concerned taxpayer I feel so I can improve these problems.
5. More work will be accomplished for the taxpayer's dollars.

STATEMENTS

TWO MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR THREE YEARS

MICHAEL M. BURKE

I was appointed to the Planning Board in Oct. 1987 to fill a vacancy. Since then I have learned how important the Town Planner is to the Planning Board. Having the Planner review subdivisions and site plans for compliance with town regulations, allows the Board to focus its time more on planning than on the technical aspects of the subdivision. In the past the Planning Board has not had much time to do any planning, but with the support of the Town Planner future boards can plan Alton's growth so it benefits everyone. I look forward to serving Alton for the next three years.

NANCY J. MAYVILLE

As a registered civil engineer, I bring my professional expertise to the Planning Board which is developing more professional, objective procedures according to local and state regulations. In this manner, and with the aid of the Town Planner we can manage the growth in Alton thoughtfully, fairly, and carefully while maintaining an awareness of the environment, the character of the town, and the impact on town facilities.

TWO MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR ONE YEAR

WILLIAM W. BUNKER

I am very concerned about rapid development in Alton. As a N.H. Registered Civil Engineer and Certified Septic Designer, I believe I have the background and experience necessary to provide knowledgeable input to the Planning Board. I would like to be an active member of the board responsible for guiding the town's development to benefit all Alton residents.

KENNETH W. CHAMBERLAIN

Having been born and raised in the town of Alton, of which my ancestors were among the founders and early settlers, I have a deeply rooted interest in the community and its development. Possibly I can serve the community best in the area in which I am most concerned - the Planning Board, where there seems to be a lot of work and responsibility for a small group of dedicated people.

DANIEL J. GIBSON

I am seeking this office with hopes of being elected so as to be able to serve the people and community of Alton in which I have decided to make my Family's Future as well

as my professional life. I feel that Alton's a town with a great potential future. Also that things are changing fast, sometimes too fast. If elected I will listen to the Fore Fathers as well as the new blood of this important community and try to convey the people's ideas through the planning of any future changes and development.

JOHN F. TAUSCHER

I am seeking a position on the Planning Board because I have the background to contribute to the Town of Alton. Being a registered Land Planner/Landscape Architect and dealing with a variety of Planning Boards throughout the State, I am experienced in both environmental and developmental matters.

ONE MODERATOR FOR TWO YEARS

MARION MacDONALD

No candidate's statement submitted.

ONE SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST FOR SIX YEARS

JEAN P. ROBERTS

This will be my second term as Checklist Supervisor if I am elected. Registering new voters is an excellent way to meet many of our new residents. Participating in the election process in any way is exciting and rewarding, and I like the people I work with.

ONE TREASURER FOR THREE YEARS

HELEN M. SULLIVAN

No candidate's statement submitted.

CRYSTAL WYATT

A former member of the Alton Planning Board, I have remained interested and involved in Town affairs. I seek this office as a means of continuing that involvement and providing the Town with not only my fiscal experience but the time and energy required to carry on the responsibilities of our outgoing treasurer.

MORE ON NEXT PAGE

HAVE YOU READ.....

.....Mortal Fear by Robin Cooke, Fortunes by Vera Cowie, Winter by Len Deighton, The Tenants of Time by Thomas Flanagan, Talking to Strange Men by Ruth Rendell, Sarum by Edward Rutherford, The Vulgar Boatman by William G. Tapply, The Gates of Exquisite View by John Trenahile, The Bonfire of the Vanities by Tom Wolfe, or The Education of a Yankee by Judson Hale at the GILMAN LIBRARY?

**STATEMENTS
CONTINUED**

**THREE MEMBERS OF THE
BUDGET COMMITTEE
FOR THREE YEARS**

RUTH A. MESSIER

I wish to serve the town, become more involved in town affairs and learn all I can about the various functions of Alton town government. As a member of the Budget Committee, my efforts will be to preserve the quality of our small town way of life while serving the needs of the community as a whole.

No other candidates filed for this position.

**ONE MEMBER OF THE
BUDGET COMMITTEE
FOR TWO YEARS**

No candidates filed for this office.

**ONE MEMBER OF THE
BUDGET COMMITTEE
FOR ONE YEAR**

CYNTHIA M. WATKINS

I've watched the tremendous growth of the town of Alton since I moved here in 1979 and I feel that more interest and involvement in the town is needed. I would consider it a privilege to serve on the Budget Committee and in so doing serve the citizens of Alton

**ONE SCHOOL MODERATOR
FOR ONE YEAR**

MARION MacDONALD

No candidate's statement submitted.

**ONE SCHOOL CLERK
FOR ONE YEAR**

GWENDOLYN M. JONES

I have served as School Clerk since 1979, duties include preparing the ballots for school district election and recording the minutes of the annual school meeting.

**ONE SCHOOL TREASURER
FOR ONE YEAR**

SHIRLEY E. YOUNG

No candidate's statement submitted.

**TWO MEMBERS OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD
FOR THREE YEARS**

JAMES E. NEWTON

No candidate's statement submitted.

TERRI A. NOYES

No candidate's statement submitted.

**27 ARTICLES ON THE
1988 TOWN WARRANT**

By John Duffek

Alton voters will be asked to express their opinions on a variety of civic matters when they vote at the polls on Tuesday, March 8, from 7a.m. to 6p.m. and again at the Town Meeting on Wednesday, March 9, at 7p.m.

In addition to the usual warrants to elect town officers, to hear reports, to authorize the Selectmen to borrow monies, etc., there are a number of articles that are expected to generate discussion and differences of opinion.

A ballot vote will be required to determine if the town will adopt state statutes that provide that tax sales to private individuals for non-payment of property taxes on real estate be replaced with a real estate tax lien procedure under which only a municipality or county where the property is located or the state may acquire a tax lien against land and buildings for unpaid taxes.

Matters relating to the operation of the Landfill will be addressed by three articles. One calls for the construction of a recycling storage facility and the equipment necessary to operate it for \$45,000. Another will authorize the expenditure of \$2,028 to participate in a regional hazardous waste collection day. The third article requires a compulsory recycling program at the Landfill to prolong the life of the Landfill and produce income.

\$25,440 to establish the position of a Town Planner leads the articles related to planning matters. \$10,600 is requested to update the 1985 Master Plan and the Zoning Ordinance, and \$4,359 to support the Lakes Region Planning Commission. Another article asks if town owned land on either side of Route 11 in Alton Bay may be used for private septic systems or for any other private use by Ernest Gillan or any other abutter. Article 23 will authorize the selectmen to accept private donations of land, interest in land or money to be deposited into the Conservation Fund. The Town also will be asked to authorize a revaluation of property.

The Highway Department is asking for \$33,000 for a York rake, a brush cutter, a used tractor and a used ditcher. \$15,300 is requested to lease a grader and \$75,424 for road construction.

In other areas, \$80,000 is requested for renovation of the Town Hall to install an elevator or handicap lift, and \$28,331 to operate the Gilman Library.

A complete list of the articles in the warrant is contained in the Town Report available at the Town Hall.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



Photo by Sylvia Countway

The Alton High School chapter of the National Honor Society recently inducted 9 new members in ceremonies at the School.

They are Juniors Dana Sackos, Stephen Burke, Muffy Wyatt, Cheryl McKenney, Amy Armer, Dawn Newlin, and Melissa Countway, and Seniors Denise O'Brien and Laura Stetson.

Previous members Deborah Laurion and Carolann Simpson and Advisor Marjorie Mohr participated in the event.

CLASSIFIED ADS MAY BE PLACED IN MAIN STREET

Alton residents may place classified ads in Main Street each month. Ads are limited to non-commercial, private individuals who have items for sale, items wanted, free items, personals, or help wanted notices. The rate is \$1 for each ad per month.

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

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS

Judy Fry was elected president of the Alton Historical Society recently. Other officers are Norma Swain, vice-president; Maur- een Kalfas, secretary; and Brenda Bowman, treasurer.

Society Directors are Warren Bodwell, Nina Leidtke, and Jean Roberts.

Potential members are welcome to attend meetings of the Society on the third Tuesday of each month from March through October.

This month, the meeting is on the 15th at 7:30p.m. in the Community Church Meeting Room. Phyllis Chamberlain will speak on "An- tique Dolls". Ann Harris is refreshment host- ess and the public is invited.

SENIOR MEAL SITE ACTIVITIES

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

EVER HEARD OF WILLIAM R. CLOUGH?



William Rockwell Clough, 1844-1920, served in the Civil War with the 5th Massachusetts Regiment. He invented the corkscrew and the machinery to produce it. Clough returned to the Alton family home in 1890 and opened the Rockwell Clough Company to manufacture cork- screws. He was a justice of the police court, a member of the Board of Education, and he served in the New Hampshire legislature in 1896 and 1898.

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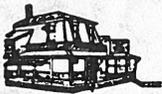
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LANDING MISHAP on the Alton Bay ice runway resulted in a badly damaged airplane.

ALTON SCHOOL AND LIONS TO SCREEN PRESCHOOLERS

Children who will be entering school in the fall of 1988 as well as present kindergarteners will be screened for hearing and vision loss at the Alton Central School on Thursday, March 10, from 9 to 10a.m. If a problem is detected, the child will be referred to his own private physician for corrective measures.

Students from Alton, New Durham, and Gilmanton are eligible for the testing which is done by the School in conjunction with the Alton-New Durham Lions Club.

MAIN STREET SEEKING ADVERTISING MANAGER

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OLD CEMETERY COMMITTEE TO RENEW RESTORATIONS

The Old Cemetery Committee, under the leadership of Chairman Tom Hoopes, will begin its restoration activities soon with planning meetings scheduled for the last Wednesday each month at 7:30p.m. in the Gilman Library.

The Committee is working in conjunction with the Historical Society and efforts are being made to protect and identify those gravesites without walls and fences with new granite posts.

Anyone interested in helping with this civic project should call Brenda Bowman at 875-6230 evenings.



Photo by Judy Fry

CLEAN-UP EFFORTS last fall at a West Alton Cemetery uncovered the fallen head stone for Anna Rollins, 1813-1881, that was covered for many years by leaves and dirt.

ALTON LEGION AUXILIARY MEETS MEMBERSHIP GOAL

Millie Pierce, president of Unit 72 of the American Legion Auxiliary received a pin from the Department President for reaching its membership goal. The presentation was made during the Mid-Winter Conference in Laconia. Muriel Stinson is membership chairperson.

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