

Main Street

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ALTON. N.H.



SANTA CLAUS visited the performers in the Elementary Christmas Concert on December 15. (Photo by John Duffek)

ALTON RANKS LOW IN EQUALIZED TAX RATES

The December issue of the monthly <u>BUSI-NESS NH</u> magazine in its annual "Corporate Report" listed the equalized tax rates generated by the Department of Revenue Administration as a basis for comparing equally all 234 municipalities in New Hampshire.

Alton's full value tax rate was 17th from the bottom of all 234 towns and cities. Area towns and cities showed the following:

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FILING PERIOD TO OPEN FOR TOWN AND SCHOOL CANDIDATES JANUARY 25

The filing period to run for office at the Tuesday, March 14, town and school elections will open on Wednesday, January 25, and close on Friday, February 3. Filing is in the Town Clerk's office open from 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.

Tuesday, February 7 at 4:30p.m. is the deadline for 10 or more registered voters to file petitions with the Board of Selectmen to include articles on the Town Warrant.

According to Town Clerk Gwendolyn Jones, the following positions are open for filing this year:

One Selectman for Three Years
One Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years
One Cemetery Trustee for Three Years
One Library Trustee for Three Years
One Water Commissioner for Three Years
One Fire Ward for Three Years
Two Planning Board Members for Three Years
One Planning Board Member for Two Years
One Planning Board Member for One Year
Three Budget Committee Members
for Three Years

One Budget Committee Member for Two Years

One School District Moderator for One Year One School District Clerk for One Year One School District Treasurer for One Year Two School Board Members for Three Years

POLICE CHIEF HONORS DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

Charles Hillsgrove and Patricia Pellowe were each presented the Commendation Bar for Honorable Service by Chief of Police Thomas Mynczywor and Board of Selectmen Chairman Russell Jones.

Hillsgrove received the award for alertness resulting in the arrest of several individuals involved in a series of burglaries." Pellowe was honored for "10 years of
dedication and continual quality performance."

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SCHEDULES

CHURCHES:

Advent Christian Church - Sunday 11a.m. & 6p.m., Pastor Dr. Warren Harris

Baha'i Fireside - Wednesday 8p.m., Gustafson Residence, 293-7845

Community Church - Sunday School 9:30a.m., Morning Worship 11a.m., Congregational Meeting House, Rev. Dwight V. Meader Hosanna New Testament Fellowship - Sunday School 9:30a.m.,

Church 10:30a.m., American Legion Hall, Pastor Dick Veilleux St. Joan of Arc - Saturday 5p.m., Sunday 8 & 11a.m.,

Msgr. Leo F. 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 Noon to 8p.m.

Friday ?a.m. to Sp.m. Saturday ?a.m. to Noon 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. LANDFILL:

Open Daily Ba.m. to 3:30p.m. except Sunday and Wednesday SENIOR MEAL SITE:

Monday through Friday 8:30a.m. to 2p.m., Community House ORGANIZATIONS:

ALTON CONCERNED TAXPAYERS - Meets on Call

AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday 7p.m., American Legion Hall AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - 2nd Monday 7p.m., Legion Hall 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 KNISHTS 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.a., Church Hall

SENIOR CITIZENS - 2nd Tuesday 10a.m., St. Joan of Arc Rectory

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BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ALTON BAY IMPROVEMENT STUDY COMMITTEE - Meets 1st Wednesday in the Town Hall and 3rd Wednesday in the Alton Bay Community House, 7:30p.m., Co-Chairmen Cathy Mars, 875-6277, and Scott Williams. 875-3315.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Meets every Monday at 8a.m. in the Town Hall. Chairman Russell Jones. Call 875-2161 for appointment. BUDGET COMMITTEE - Meets on Call.Chairman Kim Kroeger 293-8830 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE - Meets on Call.Chairman Thomas W. Varney, 875-7110.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES - Meets on Call. Chairman Thomas Hoopes, 875-3400.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meets Every Other Thursday at 7:30pm Chairman Thomas Hoopes, 875-3400.

FIRE WARDS - Meet on Call. Chief Russell Jones, 875-7510.

GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Anna Haase, 875-5611,

Eleanor Hayes, 875-7420.

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES - Chairman Juliet E.E.Peverley, 875-7232.

LAND TRUST TASK FORCE - Meets on Call. Chairman to be elected.

OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE - Meets 4th Monday at 7p.m. in the
American Legion Hall. Co-Chairmen Pat Brady and John Irving.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS COMMITTEE - Meets 1st Tuesday at 7:30pm.

Chairman Jonathon Downing, 875-7243.

PLANNING BOARD - Meets 1st Tuesday at 7p.m. Chairman Thomas

W. Varney, 875-7110.

SCHOOL BOARD - Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays. Chairman David McKenney, 776-7931.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST - Meet on Call. Chairman Alice Ziegra, 875-2151.

TRUSTEES OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY - Meet 3rd Monday at 3:30p.m. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833.

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - Meet on Call. Chairman Joseph R. Houle, 875-7321

WAGE AND SALARY REVIEW BOARD - Meets on Call. Chairman Eldon C. Swim, 875-5158.

WATER COMMISSIONERS - Meet Last Thursday, Chairman Robert Tilton, 364-2521.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meets on Call.

MAIN STREET

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THE CHECKOUT DESK
By Pat Merrill, Librarian

PBS VIDEOS AVAILABLE FOR LIBRARY PATRONS

Good News! The PBS video collection is now ready for circulation. Each video may be signed out for two days. The collection includes: The Shakespeare Plays; America; The Constitution: That Delicate Balance; The Story of English; Heritage: Civilization and the Jews; The American Short Story; The Jewel in the Crown; Civilisation; I, Claudius; Great Performances; Life on Earth; The Ascent of Man; A Walk Through the 20th Century with Bill Moyers; American Playhouse; The Living Planet; Nova; Vietnam: A Television History; Planet Earth; The Heart of the Dragon; and The Brain.

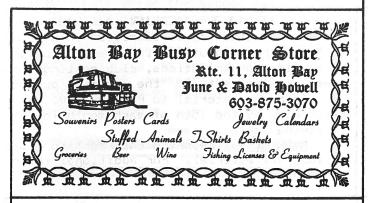
This outstanding collection for your library has been made possible by generous donations of many friends of the Library. The Library salutes you!

HAVE YOU READ....

....A Victim Must be Found by Howard Engel, Pearl by Tabitha King, Thornyhold by Mary Stewart, Stop by Richard Wheeler, or One Day: A Poem in Three Parts by Donald Hall? They are now available in your Library.

WOODSTOVE INFORMATION

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SENIOR MEAL SITE ACTIVITIES

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



SUNRISE LAKE - Well kept three bedroom ranch under tall pines on Sunrise Lake about 1½ hours from Boston. White sandy beach, 36' dock for your ski boat. Separate large gambrel style garage with spacious 2nd floor for "the kids' own place", expansion, or storage - you name it. Drilled well, insulation, gas heat and fireplace makes this the perfect all season vacation spot. \$175,000

RESIDENTIAL

EAST ALTON- CHESTNUT COVE ROAD - New large ranch on 6 acres, 9 rooms, 4 bdrms, 3 baths. Spectacular sunsets over Mt Major. \$142,500 GILMANTON IRON WORKS - Well built Cape on large 5 AC lot. Roomy kitchen opens on to spacious screened porch. Two fireplaces, 6 rooms, 3-4 bedrooms, 1-3/4 baths. \$149,900

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RORI BOYCE TO ATTEND LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

Alton High School Sophomore Rori Boyce has been selected to attend the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation State Leadership Seminar to be held next spring.

The Foundation has conducted annual expenses-paid State and International Leadership Seminars since 1958. The seminars offer tenth graders an opportunity to meet, interact with, and question renowned leaders during the three to four day event.

HELP WANTED

Anyone interested in participating in Main Street is encouraged to call Editor John Duffek at 569-4441.

No talent will be turned away! We need reporters for general and feature stories; salespersons to call on prospective advertisers; and collaters, folders and staplers to help put it all together once a month.

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Space for classified ads is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. <u>Main Street</u> 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 preceeding month.

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PERSONALS

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SUBMIT YOUR NEWS

Information may be submitted in writing to <u>Main Street</u> about special events sponsored by Alton organizations, club meetings, and news of interest to the general public.

Send any material to P.O.Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810, by the 15th of each month for the following month's issue.

Main Street reserves the right to limit or edit all material. For additional information, call 569-4441

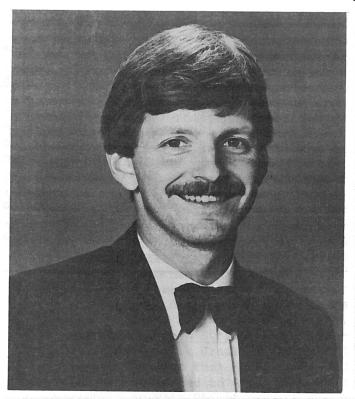
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GILMAN CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS GUITARIST

Classical Guitarist Christopher Kane is the featured artist in the second Performance of the Gilman Concert Series. The program begins at 8p.m. on Friday, January 13, in the Alton School Recital Hall.

Kane has been a prize-winner and finalist in a number of international guitar competitions, has performed throughout the United States and Europe, and has made numerous
appearances on radio and television both as
a soloist and in ensemble.

He attended the Boston Conservatory of Music before earning his bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Maine. Formerly on the faculty of Bowdoin College and the University of Southern Maine, Kane is now guitar instructor at Plymouth State College and the Concord Community Music School.

Kane was awarded an Individual Artist Fellowship by the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts in 1987.

Concert admission is free, although tickets are required and available at the Gilman Library, the Farmington National and Savings Bank, and the Alton Central School. The Gilman Concert Series is funded by the Gilman Lyceum Trust Fund, Farmington National and Savings Bank, and the School.

Future concerts include Dornin-Loring, piano duo, on March 10 and the Freese Brothers Swing Band on May 5.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY TO DEDICATE COMPUTER

The Friends of the Gilman Library are planning to purchase a computer for the Library and dedicate it to the late Folly Bakeman, a former president of the organization. Proceeds from the sale of the Alton Past and Present calendars and other fundraising events will be used for the purchase.

There are still some 1989 calendars available for sale and donations also would be accepted.

MAILING LIST

Main Street is distributed free to all residents of Alton. Each postal patron with the Zip Code 03809 or 03810 should receive a copy automatically.

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RESCUE training took place on recent Saturday morning in Sandy Point's cove. (Photo by John Duffek)

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Because of its third-class status, Main Street may not be forwarded to those away from home for a period of time. However, anyone who wants to receive this publication year-round with first-class delivery may do so by subscribing to Main Street for \$5 per year. This will insure receiving twelve issues of Main Street mailed to your address.

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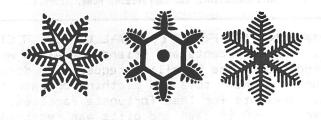
As the first ice fishermen, snowmobilers, and cross country skiers start to brave the ice on the lake, it is time for Main Street to announce its annual Ice-Out Contest. Get out your crystal ball and decide when you think official Ice-Out will be.

Ice-Out is defined as that moment when the M/S Mt. Washington could navigate its regular route to each of its ports unobstructed by ice.

Last year the date was April 16 and Cindy and Ricky Finethy were the lucky winners. The earliest date on record is March 8 in 1921, and the latest is May 12 in 1888, the year they first recorded the event.

This year's winner will enjoy dinner for two at the Edgewood Restaurant. All entries become the property of the Voice of Alton, Inc., publisher of <u>Main Street</u>, and the decision of the judges is final. Entries must be postmarked no later than February 28 and participation is limited to Alton Residents and subscribers to Main Street.

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FREE THROW COMPETITION SPONSORED BY KNIGHTS

On Saturday, January 14, there will be a Free Throw Basketball Shooting Contest at the Alton Central School Gym from 1 to 3p.m. The event is sponsored by the local Knights of Columbus Council #7533.

The contest is open to boys and girls from the ages of 10 to 14 years from the towns of Alton, New Durham, Barnstead and Gilmanton. There will be a boy and a girl winner in each age group. All entrants will receive a certificate of participation and winners will be eligible to go on to the State level.

For additional information call Phil Laurion at 875-6300.

CARNIVAL BALL PLANNERS SEEKING SUGGESTIONS

The Alton High School Student Council, sponsors of the Annual Winter Carnival Ball, is seeking ideas and suggestions from the community for this year's event. The theme is "Imagine..." and the date is Saturday, February 11.

Call Assistant Principal Dorothy Bristol at 875-7500 by January 15 to offer your thoughts.





ALTON COUNTRY SUPPLY

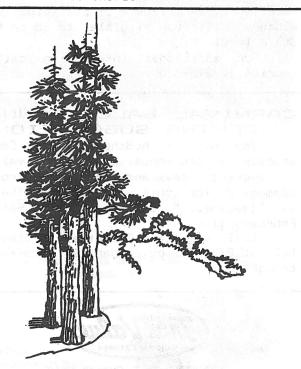
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DECORATION CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Glidden family on Pearson Road took first place in the residential category and Sanborn's Garage was the winner in the commercial category of the Christmas Decoration Contest sponsored by the Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce.

Second place went to the Russell family on Rand Hill Road and Nelson Realty for the Century 21 Building. The Copeland family of the Letter S Road and the American Legion Post 72 finished third.





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JANUARY EVENTS

Sun. 1 - NEW YEARS DAY

Mon. 2 - LANDFILL & TOWN HALL CLOSED

Tue. 3 - SCHOOL REOPENS

GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Epping, Home, 7:30p.m.

Wed. 4 - STORY HOUR - 3 to 5 Year Olds, 6ilman Library, 10a.m. BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.

Thu. 5 - BUDGET HEARING - School Budget, Town Hall, 7p.m.

Fri. 6 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
"MAKING DOLL SHOES" - Happy Hobby Poll Club, Alton
Bay Community House, 7p.m.

Tue. 10 - GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Ashland, Away, 5:30p.m.
BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Ashland, Away, 7p.m.

Wed. 11 - STORY HOUR - 3 to 5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10a.m. BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.

Fri. 13 - GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Derryfield, Away, 6p.m.
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Derryfield, Away, 7:30p.m.
GILMAN CONCERT SERIES - Classical Guitarist Christopher Kane, School Recital Hall, 8p.m.

Sat. 14 - FREE THROW CONTEST - Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, School Gym, 1p.m.

Wed. 1B - STORY HOUR - 3 to 5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10a.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Linwood, Away, 6p.m. BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m. BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Linwood, Away, 7:30p.m.

Fri. 20 - BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.

Mon. 23 - OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.

Tue. 24 - GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Moultonboro, Home, 5p.m.
BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Moultonboro, Home, 6:30p.m.

Wed. 25 - FILING PERIOD OPENS for Town and School Offices STORY HOUR - 3 to 5 Year Olds, Silman Library, 10a.m. BINGO - American Legion Hall. 7p.m.

Thu. 26 - GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Concord Christian, Away, 6:30p.a.
BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Concord Christian, Away, 8p.a.

Fri. 27 - GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Linwood, Home, 6p.m.
BINGO - American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Linwood, Home, 7:30p.m.

Sat. 28 - ALL CLUBS NIGHT - American Legion Hall, &p.m.

Tue. 31 - GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Derryfield, Home, 6p.m.
BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Derryfield, Home, 7:300.m.

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BUDGET HEARINGS SET BY COMMITTEE

Chairman Kim Kroeger and members of the Budget Committee continue on a busy schedule of reviewing elements of the town and school budget. On Wednesday, March 15, at the Annual Town Meeting, all voters will pass on the results of the town portion and similarly at the School District Annual Meeting, also in March, voters will decide on the school budget.

Upcoming hearings by the Budget Committee, all at the Town Hall at 7p.m., include the following: January 5 - School Budget presentation with January 12 reserved for continued discussion, if necessary.

On Wednesday, February 1, a public hearing will be held at the Alton Bay Community House on the overall Selectmen's Budget. This is the time for voters to get familiar with what they will vote on at Town Meeting and to have an impact on it.

The next night, Thursday, February 2, a public hearing will be held at the same location on all town special articles and petition articles. Together with the so-called "town budget", these articles make up the real town budget for 1989.

At press time, a date for the public hearing on the school budget had not been established. It will be in February and the next issue will advise exact time and place.

FINANCIAL AID IDEAS OFFERED TO PARENTS

The Alton Central School Guidance Department will offer the second session of a two-part workshop on financial aid for seniors, juniors and their parents.

Elizabeth Marcotte, assistant director of financial aid at the University of New Hampshire, will present a program on completing the 1989-90 Financial Aid Form beginning at 7:30p.m. in the School Library.



FIREFIGHTERS battle the flames at a recent trailer fire in Alton. (Photo by John Duffek)

ALTON ATHLETES NAMED TO ALL-STAR TEAMS

Four Alton High School students have been named to all-star teams following the fall sports schedule. Senior Steven Burke has been named to the Granite State League Soccer All-Star Team and freshman Jannis Burke is on the New Hampshire Class M & S Cross Country All-Star Team. Members of the Granite State League Volleyball All-Star Team are seniors Cheryl Hillsgrove and Sara Woods.

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CONCORD CORNER

By Alice Ziegra, Representative

STATE REPRESENTATIVE BEGINS NEW COLUMN

Activity never stops in the Legislature. There are slow times and very busy times.

On Wednesday, January 4, a new legislative term starts in Concord. Before the late spring adjournment, we expect to address many thorny problems and hopefully solve at least a majority of them. Each month in this column, there will be an attempt to update you folks in Alton.

In addition to these written notes, the Selectmen have granted space in the Town Hall once a month for me to meet anyone who wishes to give or receive information. The dates will be announced later.

ARROW OF LIGHT AWARDS

Cub Scouts Mark Damon and John Herman recently received the Arrow of Light Award as they moved up to Boy Scout Troop 64 in a Cross-Over Ceremony.

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"MAKING DOLL SHOES" TOPIC OF CLUB MEETING

The Happy Hobby Doll Club meeting on Friday, January 6, begins at 7p.m. in the Alton Bay Community House. The subject of the meeting, "Learning to Make Doll Shoes", will be presented by Ann Barden.



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COMMUNITY ACTION FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

By Dom Giuliano

Summer and Autumn have passed. Winter here and with it cold weather, ice, and snow. This means many of us will be housebound until the coming of Spring. With this thought in mind, one wonders what can be done to wile away the time. Do we just confine ourselves to staying indoors, watching television, eating and sleeping? The only time some of us leave the house is for church, go grocery shopping, or in extreme emergencies. Why? Have we given up, lost interest or just plain do not want to because we are satisfied as things are? This is the negative attitude, and it is wrong. Do we have a positive answer? Yes, we do! Community Action, a program for Senior Citizens.

We have a site in Alton Bay at the Community Center and one in Pittsfield at St. Stephen's Church. These are only two of the ten sites in Belknap and Merrimack Counties. The sites are open daily, Monday through Friday, and any senior citizen 60 years of age or over is most welcomne to join us. It has been proven that if you come and see us once you will be a regular visitor.

At the Alton site, Barbara Reinholz is the Site Manager. The number is 875-7102 and Barbara is there from 8:30a.m.to 2p.m. ready and willing to answer any and all questions. Won't you give her a call.

This is a great opportunity to socialize with other senior citizens, make new
friends and enjoy yourself. At the Alton Bay
site, we serve a hot luncheon at noon prepared especially for senior citizens. There
are absolutely no exceptions for eligibilty
if you are 60 years of age. Now some ask, is
this a program for the needy? Absolutely not.
Put this thought out of your mind. We want
all senior citizens to visit us and have a
good time. The cost of the meal is \$1.25 and
it is a suggested donation.

There are other kinds of entertainment at Alton Bay. We have exercise classes by Marion MacDonald on Monday and Thursday at 10:30a.m. and most days we have bingo after lunch. We celebrate all holidays with special programs and meals. Once a month, on the first Thursday, we have a blood pressure clinic with volunteer Abigail Daley.

So, senior citizens, why not take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to help fill those lonesome hours in your day. You will be pleasantly surprised and glad that you did.

Remember, Barbara at Alton Bay is most anxious to have you visit her. Don't delay --do it today!



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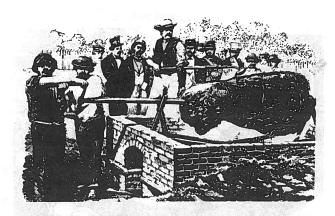
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ALL CLUBS' NIGHT TRADITION CONTINUES

On Saturday, January 28, the American Legion Post 72 will host Alton's "All Clubs' Night". The evening will start at 6p.m. with a social hour followed by a buffet dinner and the evening's program

All Clubs' Night was started 5 years ago by John Comboy, Charles Shields and Roger Guichard under the sponsorship of the American Legion. The aim of the evening was to encourage members from the 25 to 30 area clubs to review the accomplishments of the past year and coordinate the activities for the coming year. During the program, each club has the opportunity for sharing their club's activities and goals.

Invitations will be mailed after Christmas. If your club is interested in attending All Clubs' Night and would like more information, contact Kim Kroeger at 293-8830.

OLD HOME WEEK PLANS UNDERWAY FOR 1989

While August 11 through 19, the dates of the Annual Old Home Week for 1989, is several months away, the Old Home Week Committee has been busy preparing for the event since the successful conclusion of Old Home Week '88.

The present committee consists of Pat Brady and John Irving, co-chairpersons; Joanne Fiorini, secretary; Marion MacDonald, treasurer; John Conboy, advisor; and members Barbara Ciampo, Sheila Harris, Don and Linda Matson, Jerry O'Rourke, and Doris Selfridge.

Old Home Week will be run along similar lines as past Old Home Weeks. Bittersweet has already been booked for the Block Party.

The Committee will meet the 4th Monday every month at 7p.m. at the American Legion Hall. Anyone interested in Old Home Week is invited to attend. The next meeting is Monday, January 23.

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