

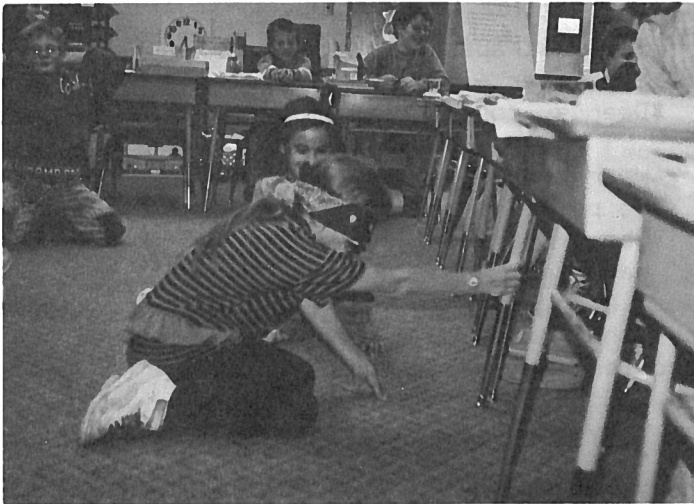


Main Street

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NOVEMBER 1990

ALTON, N.H.



FIRE SAFETY was discussed and demonstrated at the Alton Central School during a recent visit by Firefighters Dave Jensen and Steve Bell as part of Fire Prevention Week.

BUDGETING FOR 1991 GETS UNDERWAY NOV. 8

The 1991 town budgeting process is underway and the Budget Committee under Chairman Ruth Messier will meet at the Town Hall on Thursday, November 8, to review the budgets of the Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Elections and Registrations, Welfare Department and Police Department.

On Thursday, November 15, they will review requests of the Board of Adjustment, Planning Board, Library, Water Department, and Building Inspector.

The Conservation Commission, Cemeteries, Fire Department and Parks and Recreation are scheduled for Thursday, November 29.

Scheduled future dates include: December 6 - Landfill, Highway Department, Town Offices, Debt Service and Insurance and miscellaneous budgets; and December 13 - Petition Articles and Special Articles.

The School Budget will follow (date to be selected) and then dates will be set for public hearings on all budgets and announced in the December issue of Main Street.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROTECTS 86 ACRES

Sally and Ted Barbarossa have placed 86 of their 100 acres in permanent protection through a conservation easement donation to the town of Alton.

Under the terms of the easement, the Barbarossa's retain ownership of the property, but have relinquished forever the rights to subdivide, mine minerals and gravel, or develop the land. The town is obligated to monitor the land to ensure the agreement is being followed. The Barbarossa's can sell the property or pass it on to their heirs, but the easement remains intact.

In donating the easement, the Barbarossa's objectives were to protect the land from development, and to ensure it remains productive forest land forever. The property is located on the west side of Route 28 north of Coffin Brook and is part of the Merrymeeting Marsh - Coffin Brook aquifer, which was identified for protection by Alton's Committee of the Trust for NH Lands. The property includes over 60 acres of pine, hemlock and oak forest and 26 acres of wetlands with important water fowl, beaver and moose habitat.

GENERAL ELECTIONS ARE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

The polls will be open on Tuesday, November 6, at the Alton Central Fire Station from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for the election of U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative (1st District), Governor, State Senator (District 4), Representatives to the General Court, County Commissioner and other county slots.

Absentee ballots must be returned to the Town Clerk's Office by 5 p.m. on Monday, November 5. Town Clerk Gwendolyn Jones reminds those who will be away next March (Town Meeting and Annual School District elections) to come in and request absentee ballots before leaving for the winter.

It will be interesting to hear today's teenagers tell their own children what they had to do without.

**SUMMER SOCCER CAMP
PLANNED FOR ALTON**

The Alton Youth League will sponsor a summer soccer camp conducted by North American Soccer Camps, Inc., August 5-9 at the school field for children from age 7 through high school. Players will be grouped according to age and ability by qualified instructors.

N.A.S.C. has developed a reputation for quality and performance. They are the largest such organization in this country. They had over 25,000 children across the country participate in their programs this past year.

The cost of \$85 per participant includes all camp activities, a national team replica jersey, and a soccer ball. A discount of \$5 applies to the second child in the family and \$10 off for the third child.

Registration forms and a \$30 deposit must be mailed to Gary Noyes, P. O. Box 301, Alton, by December 1. Forms are available from Bubba Noyes 875-7140 or Larry Alting 293-0431.

**GARDEN CLUB LUNCHEON
IS FINAL 1990 MEETING**

A luncheon meeting is planned as the final meeting of the Garden Club for 1990 on Tuesday, November 13. Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift for the Christmas gift exchange. The location of the meeting was not determined at press time.

**HOLIDAY COFFEE MEETING
AT GILMAN LIBRARY**

The Friends of the Gilman Library will hold its annual Holiday Coffee on Saturday, December 1, at 10a.m.

Everyone is invited, but they particularly want to encourage working women to come and bring their children. Coffee, tea, fruit punch and cookies will be served.

Madeline Griffin, Anna Haase, and Pat Merrill are in charge of arrangements.

5 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH

.....voters, at a special town meeting, turned down a proposal to purchase part of Camp DeWitt to be used as a town beach and recreation area.....the Apache Players presented "Wiley and the Hairy Man.....the Chamber of Commerce sponsored a logo contest.....the volleyball team finished the season with a 10 and 6 record.

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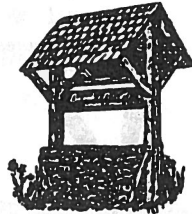
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NOVEMBER EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Dr. Peter E. Roussaki, pastor of the Community Church of Alton, has announced a schedule of church activities for November.

On Sunday, November 11, "Let's All Come to Church with Our Neighbors and Friends" will be held at 11a.m. at the Congregational Meeting House.

The Fall Church Business Meeting on Wednesday, November 14, will begin with a pot luck supper at 6:30p.m.

Thanksgiving services will be held Sunday, November 18, with the Children's Service at 9:30a.m. and the traditional service at 11a.m. The community is welcome.

SUSAN NELSON HONORED FOR SERVICE TO ALTON

Susan Nelson, R.N., received a commendation from Governor Judd Gregg and First District Executive Councilor Ray Burton during last month's joint meeting of the NH and Massachusetts Executive Councils in Wolfeboro.

Nine area residents and Brewster Academy were honored.

Nelson, who was nominated by the Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce, works for the Visiting Nurse Association of Wolfeboro and Vicinity and was cited for her "outstanding service to the people of Alton."

A portion of the commendation said "Without Susan Nelson's great support and care, many patients and families would not be able to be together at home."

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

The first "Business After Hours" sponsored by the Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Farmington National Bank on Wednesday, November 7, from 5:30 to 7p.m.

"Business After Hours" is planned as an opportunity for business people to meet one another at an informal social gathering and everyone is encouraged to bring their business cards or brochures to exchange.

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HAMPSHIRE CONSORT TO OPEN GILMAN CONCERTS

The Hampshire Consort, a Renaissance Brass Quartet, will open the third Gilman Concert Series on Wednesday, November 7, in the Recital Hall of the Alton Central School at 8p.m.

The Hampshire Consort is one of New England's leading early music ensembles. Founded in 1979 as a resident early music ensemble at UNH, the Consort specializes in Renaissance music on early brass instruments bringing to modern audiences the unique sound of the cornetto and sackbutts. Just as sixteenth century musicians did, members of the Consort "double" on other instruments, including recorders, krummhorns, cornamuse, flutes, shawms, gemshorns, pipe and tabor, trumpets, psaltry and percussion, making Consort programming a bright tapestry of Renaissance tone colors.

More than an early music group, the Hampshire Consort also plays music by twentieth century composers, as well as arrangements of modern popular music, even combining sounds of sackbutt and synthesizer.

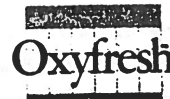
All Gilman Concerts are free and tickets, required for guaranteed seats, will be available on Thursday, November 1, at the School, the Gilman Library and Farmington National Bank.

Future concerts include the New Hampshire Gentlemen on March 15 and the Annual Freese Brothers Big Band Concert on May 3.



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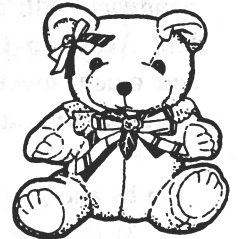
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The list is available at the school libraries and additional information is available from Cindy Miller at 875-7500.

**HEALTH OFFICER NOTES
RAW DOUGH DANGER**

A small cluster of salmonellosis in preschool children occurred in mid-July of this year in the Keene area, according to Health Officer Edward Boncich.

Preliminary investigation by the Bureau of Disease Control revealed that the children had helped mothers make cookies and had eaten raw cookie dough.

All food preparers need to be aware that raw or undercooked eggs or egg products are no longer considered safe for eating. Eggs and egg-containing foods must be kept refrigerated and fully cooked before eating in order to prevent salmonellosis.



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Sally & Ted Barbarossa for their conservation easement donation of 86 acres to the town.....Christine Sanborn, Florence Holway, and Carrie Duncan, winners of awards at this year's Rochester Fair.....the Chamber of Commerce for its coordination of water station volunteers during the relay race around the lake in September....whoever was responsible for cleaning up the lot across from the Town Hall.....High School Senior Tony Dunham who was named a Commended Student by the National Merit Scholarship Program.

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November Events

- Fri. 2 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
Sat. 3 - CROSS COUNTRY at Meet of Champions in Manchester
Mon. 5 - SEMINAR: How to Help Your Heart, Chamber of Commerce, Gilman Library, 7p.m.
Tue. 6 - GENERAL ELECTIONS, Central Fire Station, 7a.m.-7p.m.
Wed. 7 - STORY HOUR: 3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.
BUSINESS AFTER HOURS, Farmington National Bank, 5:30 - 7p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
GILMAN CONCERT: The Hampshire Consort, School Recital Hall, 8p.m.
Thu. 8 - BUDGET HEARING, Town Hall, 7p.m.
Fri. 9 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
Sat. 10 - CROSS COUNTRY at the New Englands
SCOUTING FOR FOOD Bag Distribution, 9a.m. - Noon
CHRISTMAS FAIR, Community Church, 9a.m. - 1p.m.
Mon. 12 - VETERANS DAY - Town Hall & Landfill Closed
Tue. 13 - GARDEN CLUB LUNCHEON
Wed. 14 - STORY HOUR: 3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
SEMINAR: How to Market Your Arts and Crafts, Chamber of Commerce, Gilman Library, 7p.m.
Thu. 15 - BUDGET HEARING, Town Hall, 7p.m.
Fri. 16 - REPORT CARDS ISSUED
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
Sat. 17 - SCOUTING FOR FOOD Pick-up, 9a.m. - Noon
CHRISTMAS FAIR, St. Joan of Arc, 9a.m. - 2p.m.
Mon. 19 - PUBLIC HEARING: Landfill Ordinance Changes, Town Hall, 7p.m.
Wed. 21 - NO SCHOOL
STORY HOUR: 3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL vs. Alumnae, 6p.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
BOYS BASKETBALL vs. Alumni, 7:30p.m.
Thu. 22 - THANKSGIVING
Fri. 23 - Town Hall, Landfill & School Closed
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
Wed. 28 - STORY HOUR: 3-5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10-11a.m.
BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
Thu. 29 - SEMINAR: How to Advertise on a Shoestring Budget, Chamber of Commerce, Gilman Library, 7p.m.
BUDGET HEARING, Town Hall, 7p.m.
Fri. 30 - BINGO, American Legion Hall, 7p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL at Pittsfield, 7:30p.m.

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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.

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The Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce will present two "How To" seminars at the Gilman Library at 7p.m. on:

November 14 - How To Market Your Arts & Crafts

November 29 - How to Advertise on a Shoestring Budget

The cost is \$1 per seminar. Call 875-2244 for registration or more information.

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ALTON CUBS JOIN SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Cub Scout Pack 53 will participate in the annual Scouting For Food program sponsored by Boy Scouts of America and New Hampshire's Daniel Webster Council.

On Saturday, November 10, bags will be distributed to homes between 9a.m. and noon and the following Saturday, the 17th, the scouts will return to each home to collect the bag containing your donation of food.

Last year the Daniel Webster Council collected and distributed 455,000 cans of food to 175 soup kitchens and food pantries. That represented over 270 tons of food for the needy people in NH.

Call John Irving 875-2791 or Debbie Burton 875-5188 for more information.

PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED FOR LANDFILL ORDINANCE

A public hearing has been scheduled by the Board of Selectmen on Monday, November 19, at 7p.m. at the Town Hall to hear suggestions and input to a proposed plan to amend the current Landfill Ordinance to include warnings first and then potential fines for violation of the mandatory recycling section of the ordinance.

Currently there is no penalty for violation of mandatory recycling which has been a requirement for over two years.

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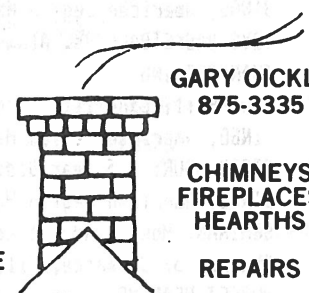
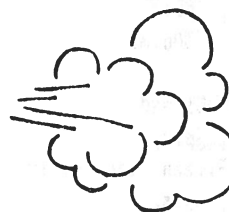
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NEW BOOKS

- A City of Strangers by Robert Barnard
- Spy Sinker by Len Deighton
- Snare of Serpents by Victoria Holt
- Four Past Midnight by Stephen King
- Family Pictures by Sue Miller
- Memories of Midnight by Sidney Sheldon
- Now You Know by Kitty Dukakis

TRICK OR TREAT HOURS

Chief of Police Tom Mynczywor advises that Halloween will be celebrated in Alton on Wednesday, October 31. Trick or treat will take place between 3 and 6p.m.

The Alton Police Association will sponsor their annual Halloween Party for children in kindergarten through grade six at the Police Station beginning at 3p.m.



BENEFIT DINNER DANCE ON NOVEMBER 10

A benefit dinner dance featuring the Freese Brothers Big Band will be held at the Alton Central School on Saturday, November 10, from 6:30 to 11p.m.

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VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE CONTINUES TRADITION OF THANKSGIVING BASKETS

By Jeanne Cole

Thanksgiving will be here soon, and, as we think about our own preparations, we also should give thought to those less fortunate than we are. In these difficult economic times, there are many of our neighbors who need help in providing a traditional Thanksgiving dinner for their families.

Marilyn Dame and a committee of Alton residents are already starting to make preparations for the distribution of Thanksgiving Baskets on Sunday, November 18. Between now and then they can use help from all of us in the community. They need money to purchase the turkeys, fresh fruit and vegetables that go in a basket. They need canned goods - pumpkin, vegetables, fruits, dressing - things that would be served at a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. They need volunteers to help sort the donations, to pack the baskets and to deliver them on November 18.

Last year there were 24 food baskets delivered and they expect that number to be larger this year. There also were 118 fruit



Illustration by Jeff Ryan

baskets delivered to people who are elderly, alone, or had been in the hospital.

This endeavor is sponsored by the Community Church of Alton, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, Alton Bay Advent Christian Church, Knights of Columbus, American Legion Post #72, and the Police Association.

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LOWER BACK PAIN - Thurs., Nov. 15th 5:30 pm.
PMS - Tuesday, Nov. 20th 5:30 pm.

Call 875-3838 for reservations

ALTON CHURCHES PLAN CHRISTMAS FAIRS

The Community Church will hold its annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 10, from 9a.m. to 1p.m., featuring Christmas items, baked goods and plants. Luncheon will be available.

A week later on the 17th, St. Joan of Arc's Christmas Fair will be held downstairs in the rectory from 9a.m. to 2p.m. Tables of baked goods, arts and crafts, children's items, a white elephant table and lunch will be available.

HALLOWEEN DANCE

Members and guests of American Legion Post #72 are invited to a Halloween Costume Dance on Saturday, October 27, from 8p.m. to midnight at the Legion Hall.

Life, for most of us is a continuous process of getting used to things we didn't expect.

SHOPPERS ANONYMOUS OFF TO BOSTON

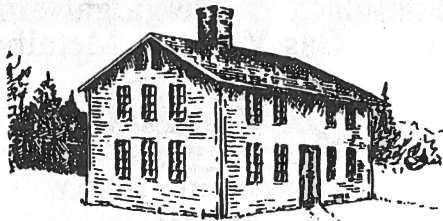
A shopping trip to Boston is planned by Shoppers Anonymous of Alton.

On Wednesday, November 14, a bus will leave from Wayside at the Alton Traffic Circle at 8:30a.m. and arrive at Faneuil Hall Market about 10:30a.m. with return at supper time.

The cost \$24 and reservations and full payment are required by Wednesday, November 7. Call Ann Bodwell 875-5665, or Jean Roberts 569-2629 for more information.

WOODSTOVE INFORMATION

Anyone contemplating the installation of a woodstove is urged to contact Fire Department Lieutenant Jack Woodland, 875-2691, for a free consultation on guidelines and safety measures. Lt. Woodland also is available to inspect existing installations.



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