



Main Street

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Alton, New Hampshire

CIVIC PROFILE GROUP ANNOUNCES FUTURE PLANS

It has been a year since 80 Alton residents came together in a two-day Civic Profile Forum designed to identify community strengths, areas for increased emphasis, and specific priorities for study by five task forces made up of some of those volunteers who took part in the Forum.

Rene Pelletier and Ellen Mulligan have co-chaired a GROWTH task force. Donald Gedney earlier and more recently John Irving have headed a task force related to INFORMATION SHARING. Michael Burke guided an earlier one on COMMUNITY GOALS. Suzanne Livingston has headed one on YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES and Greg Fuller chairs one on CITIZEN PARTICIPATION.

Firm recommendations in each area are beginning to surface and will be part of a final report to be reviewed in draft form at a meeting on November 11 and the report finalized at a December 30 session of the Profile Steering Committee and Task Force chairs. All who participated in the original Forum in October 1991 will be invited back to a "Forum Revisited" session on Saturday, January 16 from 9:30 to 11:30a.m. to be the first to receive a presentation on the final report.

Following this the report and recommendations will be presented to the Board of Selectman and School Board and copies will be available at the Gilman Library. Concurrently the GROWTH task force has been sponsoring a three-session "Community Renaissance Program" by the University of New Hampshire Office of Economic Initiatives. The program is designed to help a community create its own economic development program. The final session will be on Thursday, November 12, at 7p.m. in the Town Hall.

A small number of recommendations with urgency for possible budgetary consideration in 1993 will be presented early to the Board of Selectmen as they prepare their budget.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION RULES ADOPTED FOR TOWN CONTRACTS

The following was adopted by the Board of Selectmen during a meeting last month:

"Every contractor/subcontractor performing work for the Town of Alton shall be required to provide the Town with a certificate of insurance documenting worker's compensation insurance coverage for themselves and their employees. The Board of Selectmen may waive this requirement only for contracts with a total dollar value less than two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) per calendar year, provided the contractor/subcontractor signs a contract agreement and a waiver form to be supplied by the Town."



CABOOSE GIVEN TO RAILROAD SQUARE

An unused caboose belonging to the Simplex Corporation has been donated to Alton for use in the Railroad Square area surrounding the Alton Bay Community House. Possible uses for the caboose include the Chamber of Commerce Information Center and ticket booth for the M.S. Mt. Washington. The cost of relocating the caboose from its present site in Portsmouth is estimated to be \$1,800.

Main Street CAN HELP YOU!

Getting the word out can be easier than you think! This is especially true for organizations in Alton who, by following a few simple guidelines, can get the word about their upcoming activities into every Alton home free.

Main Street is a totally volunteer organization. As such, it has to have early deadlines - normally the 15th of the month (November 15 for the December issue which will be out by December 1). Thus, if you want to "plug" a December event, the details need to be planned early enough to make the November 15 deadline.

You'd rather not have to write it yourself? Fine! Main Street has reporters who'll do the job. Those volunteer reporters must follow the same deadline, so give them a break and ask for help early. Again, that means having your planning done early. Often we anticipate "annual type" events and activities and assign a reporter to get a story. Sometimes they come back and say the event details aren't planned yet. Then there's nothing we can do to help.

The bottom line is: PLAN EARLY AND WE CAN HELP YOU TELL THE STORY!

ALTON COUPLE HIKE APPALACHIAN TRAIL

By Lori Durkee

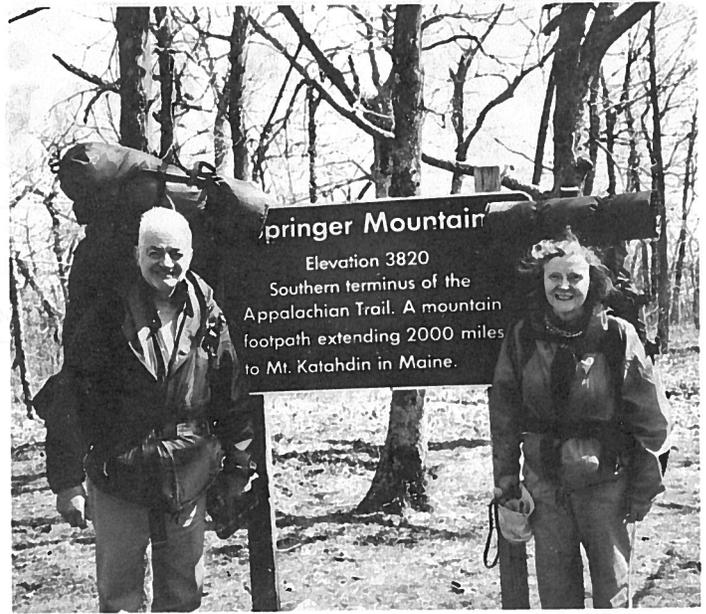
This four-part series is an amazing story about a husband and wife who braved the challenging call of the Appalachian Trail.

They are unique as they are not teenagers or seasoned mountain climbers. They are 70 years young Calvin "Batch" and 69 years young Mary "MMMMB" Batchelder.....married 47 years with four children. Calvin is retired and Mary is a retired teacher now working part-time at the Gilman Library.

Now, part one of the trip as told by Mrs. B.

Calvin and I used to climb small mountains with our children when they were young. In August of 1980 we decided to climb Mt. Kearsarge as it intrigued us. We enjoyed it enough to start climbing the Presidentials. That started us reading up on the surrounding mountains. My husband read about the Appalachian Trail and said we should be able to hike it, so we started preparing. First, we sent for a set of ten AT maps and some guide manuals.

The trail covers 2,142.9 miles and crosses 14 states beginning atop Springer Mountain in Georgia and ending atop Mount Katahdin in Maine. Other preparations included equipment, breaking in boots, carrying full packs while



walking Ogunquit Beach during the winter months. Then we readied our packs and we packed 13 boxes with food and other essentials to be mailed to designated post offices.....called "drops". We resupplied every five to seven days.

Our hiking started March 13, where we spent the night in a shelter on Frosty Mountain, Georgia. The next morning we climbed eight miles to the top of Springer Mountain, the starting point of our journey. A ranger offered to take a picture of us standing beside the sign. We followed the "White Blaze AT" signs which was the longer and harder trail.

In the North Carolina Smokies, we slept in bear-proofed stone huts with built-in fireplace and windows covered with strong iron fencing. April 1 and 2 was cold and snowy. On the 3rd we awakened to a temperature of 24 degrees, clear blue sky and frosty trees. (Continued on Page 3)



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We averaged seven to ten miles a day, covering Georgia and North Carolina the first month. Our discomforts were adjusting to our packs and Calvin collecting a few blisters on his feet. The highlight of our first month was on April 14, atop Clingman's Dome which is the highest point, 6000+ feet. When we reached the hut, five male hikers, we'd met and talked with earlier, surprised my husband with a birthday cake, for this was Calvin's 70th birthday. The cake was a three-tiered rarity. The bottom layer consisted of pistachio pudding, the middle was chunks of cut-up Snickers bars and lemon pudding made the third layer. The guys topped it off with 70 M&M candies surrounding a large survival candle.

More adventures in next month's issue!

MAIN STREET SALUTE TO.....

.....all those who made the Las Vegas Night a success and supported the American Legion's community programs.....the participants and donors involved with the NH Chapter of the Head Injury Foundation's "Walk By The Sea", that raised \$14,000. Alton Participant Laurie Boyce had the highest number of pledges and raised \$645.50.

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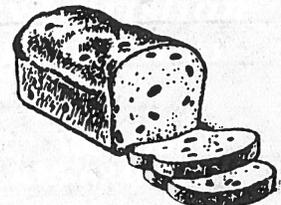
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ANNUAL THANKSGIVING BASKETS PROVIDED BY POLICE ASSOCIATION
By Lori Durkee

The Alton Police Association is coordinating the annual Thanksgiving food and fruit basket program. They will be assembled at and delivered from the Central Fire Station on Sunday, November 22, with the help of organizers Elaine MacDonald and Pat Pellowe and hopefully, many volunteers.

Donations of canned goods ... money is also welcome ... begins Monday, November 9 at the Police Station. Make checks out to the Police Association, making sure to write "Thanksgiving Basket" on the check or on a piece of paper if sending cash.

Volunteers for assembling or delivering baskets may contact MacDonald at 875-6389 or Pellowe at 875-3752 for more information or to suggest the name of a shut-in or a needy family.

COMMUNITY CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Community Church of Alton will hold its Christmas Fair at the Congregational Church on Church Street on Saturday, November 14, from 9a.m. to 1p.m.

Luncheon will be served from 11:30 to 1 o'clock. Crafts, plants, homemade fudge, gifts and baked goods will be offered for sale. New this year will be a children's table and a face-painting booth.



PATRICIA A. ROCKWOOD NAMED TOWN SECRETARY/WELFARE OFFICER

When you visit the Alton Town Hall you may see a friendly new face in the person of Patricia A. Rockwood. Friendly and experienced! She served in a similar role with the selectmen in Ayer, Massachusetts, for three years before coming to Alton two years ago. She and her husband, David, have three children: Catherine, 25, and David, 24, both of whom work in Massachusetts, and Benjamin, 21, who is a student at NH Vocational Technical College in Laconia.

Rockwood was educated at Leslie College in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Berkshire Christian College and was very active in her community of Ayer as a Girl Scout troop leader for 10 years and as a Cub Scout den mother and Sunday school teacher.

She plays the dual role of Town Secretary (succeeding Judy Biggar) as well as Welfare Officer (succeeding Linda Troendle). She's greatly impressed with the quality and spirit of helpfulness of Alton employees. "They've just been great in welcoming and helping me!" She's particularly impressed with the extensive role of the Town Clerk in Alton.

Her husband, retired after a career with Polaroid, recently began a second career and, in addition, serves as vice commander of the Marine Auxiliary Patrol on the Big Lake. Avid travelers, the Rockwoods have been to every state in the Union twice, except for Alaska (once).



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GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting and luncheon of the Alton Garden Club will be on Tuesday, November 10, at 12:30p.m. at Pheasant Ridge Country Club in Gilford. Officers for the coming year will be elected and donations accepted for the Mrs. Santa Fund for Alton children.

Ethel Mielke is chairman of the event assisted by Madeline Griffin, Geraldine Besse, Shirley Lane, and Shirley Ferry.

GARDEN CLUB EFFORTS BEAUTIFY TOWN

The town of Alton was outlined with gardens and planter tubs at strategic locations such as Town Hall, Gilman Library, Gilman Museum, Ginny Douglas Park, Alton Bay Community House, and the corner of Route 140 and Letter S Road thanks to members of the Garden Club.

Marion Davis and Jane Hennessey were responsible for the garden adjacent to the Community House. Other floral plantings have been tended by Winifred Alden, Shirley Barnes, Margaret Birdsey, Kay Connolly, Agnes Coney, Shirley Copeland, Jean Doucette, Mary Downing, Anna Haase, Ann Hoaglund, Betty Locke, Ruth Latham, Jeanne Perkins, Gay Stevens, Elsie Trull, and Laura Whittemore.

Work is for people who don't know how to play golf.

ALTON CUB SCOUT PACK 53 AIDS ANNUAL 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 14, bags will be distributed to homes between 9 and 11a.m. and the following Saturday, the 21st, the scouts will return to each home to collect the bag containing your donation of food.

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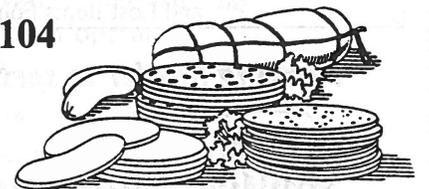
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SCHOOL YEARBOOKS ON SALE

The 1993 Alton Central School yearbooks will be on sale until Friday, November 20. The cost for the high school version is \$25 and the K-8 yearbook is \$15. To purchase a yearbook, contact Mary Christy at 875-7500.

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- Wed. 4 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10 to 11a.m.
BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 6 - BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 7 - CROSS COUNTRY at Meet of Champions
- Tue. 10 - ANNUAL MEETING, Garden Club, Pheasant Ridge Country Club, 12:30p.m.
- Wed. 11 - VETERAN'S DAY, Town Hall, Transfer Station, School and Library Closed
BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 13 - REPORT CARDS ISSUED
BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 14 - CROSS COUNTRY at New England
CHRISTMAS FAIR, St. Joan of Arc Rectory, 9a.m. to 2p.m.
CHRISTMAS FAIR, Community Church, 9a.m. to 1p.m.
- Mon. 16 - PARENT CONFERENCES, No School K-5
- Wed. 18 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10 to 11a.m.
BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Fri. 20 - BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Sat. 21 - SCOUTING FOR FOOD Bag Pick-Up, 9 to 11a.m.
- Sun. 22 - THANKSGIVING BASKETS, Central Fire Station
- Wed. 25 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds, Gilman Library, 10 to 11a.m.
SCHOOL THANKSGIVING RECESS BEGINS
ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAMES, Alton Central School
BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.
- Thu. 26 - THANKSGIVING DAY
- Fri. 27 - DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING, Town Hall & Transfer Station Holiday
BINGO, Legion Hall, 7p.m.

"SHAPE UP THE BAY" GROUP TO CONTINUE EFFORTS IN '93 By Debbie Beckett

When Nancy McKone and I first conceived the idea of the "Shape Up The Bay" group, we had a lot of ideas and hopes of making the Bay a more enjoyable place to be. We shared the dream of helping to make Alton Bay the beautiful, tranquil place it once was - a place for families to swim, to have a nice picnic, watch the boats, or just sit and enjoy - a place townspeople could be proud of.

Originally from a big city, I was amazed at the interest and caring that was shared by everyone to whom we told our plans. The selectmen, town planner, business owners, and citizens were very enthusiastic about helping us accomplish our goals. Of course, that is what a small town is supposed to be about. I know that is what Alton is about. In spite of all the political and economic problems going on, people cared enough about their town to put it all aside and contribute time, energy, money and materials.

We have finished only a small part of what we would like to accomplish. Our efforts will continue in the spring and summer of 1993. We still must seed and fertilize the lawn areas, create several walk ways, build the "doggie doo" area, and continue to plant shrubs and perennials.

Between the work that the town is doing and the work that we will continue to do with donations and volunteer help, I'm sure it won't be long before we can all say, "Look what we've done! Isn't it great?" Please call me at 875-2244 to offer your help. (See related story on page 11)

Boards and Committees

- ADDRESS COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman David Jensen, 875-5637.
- BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE - Meets 1st Thursday at 7p.m. at Gilman Library.
- BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Meets Mondays at 9a.m. Chairman Reuben Wentworth. Call 875-2161 for Appointment.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE - Meets 3rd Thursday at 7p.m. Chairman Ruth Messier, 875-6750.
- CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Donald MacDonald.
- CEMETERY TRUSTEES - Meet 1st & 3rd Monday at 1p.m. Chairman Florence Shaw, 875-2220.
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meets 2nd Thursday at 7p.m. Chairman Tom Hoopes, 875-3400.
- FIRE WARDS - Meet on Call. Chief Russell Jones, 875-7510.
- GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Ellamarie Carr, 776-4833 or Anna Haase, 875-5611.
- LAND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM - Meets on Call, Chairman Michael Burke, 875-5492.
- OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE - Meets 4th Monday at 7p.m. in the Legion Hall. Chairman George Smith, 875-3229.
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Meets on Call. Chairman Cathy Mars, 875-5095.
- PLANNING BOARD - Meets 1st Tuesday at 7p.m. Chairman Harold Finethy III, Call 875-5095 for Appointment.
- SCHOOL BOARD - Meets 2nd & 4th Monday at 6p.m. at School. Chairman Jack Henderson, 875-6030.
- 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 Fred Engelbrecht, 293-4975.
- WATER COMMISSION - Meets 2nd & 4th Thursday at 6p.m. Chairman Richard Quindley, 875-2910. Office, 875-4200.
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meets on Call. Chairman Milton Jensen, 875-5990.

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Baha'i Fireside - Wednesday 8p.m., Holway Residence, 859-5191
Community Church - Sunday, Congregational Meeting House, 11a.m., Dr. Peter E. Roussaki, 875-5561
Cornerstone Bible Church - Sunday 9:30a.m. & 6p.m., Sunday School 11a.m., Pastor Scott Button, 875-2865
First Free Will Baptist Church - Sunday School 9:45a.m., Church 11a.m., Evening Service 6p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7p.m., Depot St., New Durham, Pastor James Nason
St. Joan of Arc - Saturday 5p.m., Sunday 8 & 11a.m., Msgr. Leo F. Hines

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Planning Board - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30a.m. to 3:30p.m., Wednesday 1 to 3:30p.m., Meetings with Planner by Appointment, Closed Noon to 1p.m.
Building Inspector - Wednesday 1 to 4p.m., Friday 4 to 8p.m., Inspection Appointments Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8a.m. to 4p.m., Wednesday 8a.m. to Noon, Friday 1 to 3p.m. Closed Noon to 1p.m.

LANDFILL:

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Sunday - Noon to 3:30p.m.
Wednesday & Thursday - Closed

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ORGANIZATIONS:

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Tuesday 8p.m., Alton Bay Community House
AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday 7p.m., Legion Hall
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - 2nd Monday 7p.m., Legion Hall
CHESS CLUB - Tuesday 7:30p.m., Busy Corner Store
CUB SCOUT PACK 53 - Last Tuesday 6:30p.m., Legion Hall
DIVORCED/SEPARATED PARENTING SUPPORT GROUP - 2nd & 4th Fridays 5:30p.m., Congregational Meeting House
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
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RECREATION DIRECTOR AND BUILDING INSPECTOR APPOINTED

Kellie M. McGrath of Barrington, has been named to the part-time Recreation Director position by the Board of Selectmen.

McGrath is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire where she majored in leisure management and tourism. She recently served as a recreation assistant in the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department at the Air Force Station in New Boston, New Hampshire. She is certified in Advanced First Aid and Emergency Care, was a Special Olympics volunteer at UNH, and a Special Events Coordinator for the Swift Water Girl Scout Council.

The interim Building Inspector is Richard G. Canuel who will serve part-time for four weeks until the search for a permanent appointment is completed.

Canuel, a former code enforcement officer in Concord, attended Northern Virginia Community College where he studied architectural and construction technology.

He, his wife, Pam, and son, Brandon, live in Gilford.

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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Damon Hall, a 99 year old World War I veteran who rode in the Knights of Columbus float during the Old Home Week parade, was honored recently by the K of C.

Hall received an award of appreciation at the Veteran's Home in Tilton. The award was presented by K of C Council 7533 representative George Smith. Hall commented that it was an honor for a 45-year Mason to receive an award from the Knights of Columbus.



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November is the month for deer hunting. The whitetail deer is the reason so many hunters take to the woods this month. Whether for the love of the hunt, getting out with fellow hunters, or the taste of venison, more people will be in the woods in November than any other time of the year.

The first week of the month hosts black powder season for deer of either sex. The regular firearm season starts November 11 with either sex legal until the 15th. After the 15th, the rules vary depending on which Wildlife Management Unit you hunt in. Alton is in Unit J where one may take antlered deer only through December 6.

The State is divided into 14 Wildlife Management Units which aid the Fish and Game Department in managing its deer herd by varying the number of does that may be taken. If you plan to hunt in an area other than Alton, be sure to check the regulations.

This year the deer hunting season has been pushed back about one week from previous years. November 15-20 is the peak of the breeding season when bucks throw all caution to the wind and can be seen any time of the day searching for does. This late opening date will provide some good buck hunting and there's always the possibility of some early

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Though most deer hunters dream of big racked (antlered) bucks, many will view the white "flag" of a doe as she bounds away from the unsuspecting hunter. Having been caught off guard more times by does, I view both sexes as fair game. The harvesting of doe deer helps keep the herd in balance.

At the table, both buck and doe provide some mighty tasty eating. If harvested quickly, cleanly, and cared for properly, venison can provide some of the finest table fair. It's low in cholesterol, low in fat, no hormone injections, and no red dye #5. It's a very healthy meat.

For those with little experience caring for game, there are some good books which help you get your game from the field to the table deliciously. One we just received, Dressing and Cooking Wild Game from Prentice Hall Press, is an excellent reference.

Good luck and enjoy!

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Lisa Racine, Heather Patterson and Matt Northridge are part of a problem solving group in UNH's Project Search Program.

EIGHT ALTON STUDENTS IN UNH PROJECT SEARCH PROGRAM

Eight Alton Seniors are participating in the Project Search Program sponsored by the University of New Hampshire for advanced high school students. Students from 10 Maine and New Hampshire schools are involved in the program.

The Alton students are Karon Wentworth, Heather Swabowicz, Keri Pelletier, Kevin Carr, Jill Dunham, Matt Northridge, Lisa Racine, and Heather Patterson.

The program consists of lectures followed by small group discussions. Some of the topics are "Patenting Life", "Presidential Politics", and "Endangered Species".

Part of the orientation program was the "ROPES" course. This course is a series of outdoor obstacles in which a small group works together to complete a task to encourage cooperative learning and group problem solving.

MANY HELP TO "SHAPE UP THE BAY"

"Shape Up The Bay" coordinators, Debbie Beckett and Nancy McKone, recently recognized those that contributed to the beautification effort.

"First, hats off to the Selectmen for their quick and enthusiastic responses to our requests. Thanks to Town Planner Glen McLean who has been very instrumental in helping us accomplish our goals. A very big thanks goes to all those who donated money and/or materials: Farmington National Bank, Eye-Joy Cottages, Alton Village Store, Alton Home Center, Shields Gas Station, Tammy's Country Rose Florist, Jeri's Barbershop, Brook & Bridle Summer Homes, Ruth Barnet, Alton Village 5&10, Bruce Johnson, Alton Printing, Country Lilac, Kathleen Barry, Thomas DeCoff, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Stevens, Cynthia Watkins, James and Patricia Pellowe, Maxfield Real Estate - Buchanan Associates, Kenneth and Betty Bell, Parker Marine, First NH Bank, Forest and Pauline Tilton, Ed and Dawn Page, and Norma and Fuzzy Knight.

"A very special thanks goes to those who donated time and energy and got their hands dirty: June Howell, Mike Kimionakis, Matt Collins, Joanna Kimionakis, Judy Barone, Gary and Sharon Hannafin, John McKone, Bob Blackstock, and Joel McKone. Thanks to our husbands, Jack McKone and John Beckett, for being so supportive.

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A HISTORY OF VETERANS DAY

(The following history of Veterans Day is courtesy of the Department of Veteran Affairs)

The observance of Veterans Day goes back to 1921 when an American soldier - his name "known but to God" - was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. The burial site of this unknown World War I soldier became the personification of dignity and reverence for America's veterans.

Similar ceremonies occurred earlier in England and France, where an unknown soldier was buried in each nation's highest place of honor (in England, Westminster Abbey, in France, the Arc de Triomphe).

These memorial gestures all took place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the celebrated ending of World War I hostilities at 11a.m., November 11, 1918 - the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. The day became known as "Armistice Day."

Armistice Day officially received its name in America in 1926 through a Congressional resolution. It became a national holiday 12 years later by similar Congressional action.

If the idealistic hope had been realized that World War I was "the war to end all wars," November 11 might still be called Armistice Day. But shortly after the holiday was

proclaimed, World War II broke out in Europe and shattered that dream.

More than 16 million Americans served during World War II and more than 400,000 died in service during that period. The families and friends of these dead longed for a way to honor their memory - to honor veterans of all wars.

An answer to the dilemma of how to pay tribute to those who had served in this latest great war came in a proposal made by Kansas Congressman Edwin K. Reese. He introduced legislation to change Armistice Day to Veterans Day and make this an occasion to honor those who have served America in all wars.

President Eisenhower, in 1954, signed the bill proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day, and he called for Americans everywhere to rededicate themselves to the cause of peace.

Additional significance was added to Veterans Day in 1958, when two more unidentified American war dead - one from World War II and the other from the Korean Conflict - were brought to Arlington Cemetery from overseas, and interred beside the World War I soldier.

On Memorial Day 1984, an unidentified American war dead from the Vietnam Conflict was interred alongside the other unidentified dead at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

From 1971 to 1975, Veterans Day was observed on the fourth Monday in October in compliance with a 1968 law that changed most national holidays to Mondays.

Believing, however, that the November 11 date held great significance for this country, Congress passed a law in 1975 which returned the holiday to November 11. The law became effective in 1978, the 60th anniversary of the World War I armistice.

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In June she travelled with seven other students from New Hampshire to Washington, DC, for the youth tour. There she was chosen to be the state's representative on the Youth Consulting Board and to return to

Washington in August and to speak at a regional meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on September 10. In February, Winterle will attend the annual meeting of the NRECA in Dallas, Texas, for five days.

This began as a homework assignment in her grade 11 college preparatory English class last March.

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Community members who are interested may contact Committee Chairman Cathy Mars at 875-5095 or Recreation Director Kellie McGrath at 875-2161.

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A member of the police force for three years, he is the evidence officer, photographer, and instructor in handcuffing and defensive baton for the department. Corporal Shagoury recently attended a course for investigating motor vehicle homicide.



Sergeant Susan Roberts graduated from the DARE school conducted by the NH State Police at the Franklin Pierce Educational Center. The two-week course is intended to train officers to teach the drug

abuse resistance program in schools.

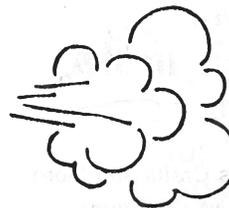
Sergeant Roberts will be working with Belknap County Deputy Sheriff Richard Batstone who is currently presenting the program in the Alton Central School.

REPORT CARDS ISSUED FRIDAY THE 13TH

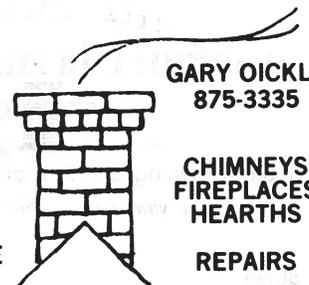
The Alton Central School will issue first quarter report cards on Friday, November 13. Parent conferences for students in kindergarten through grade 5 are scheduled for Monday, November 16. There will be no school for those grades on that day.

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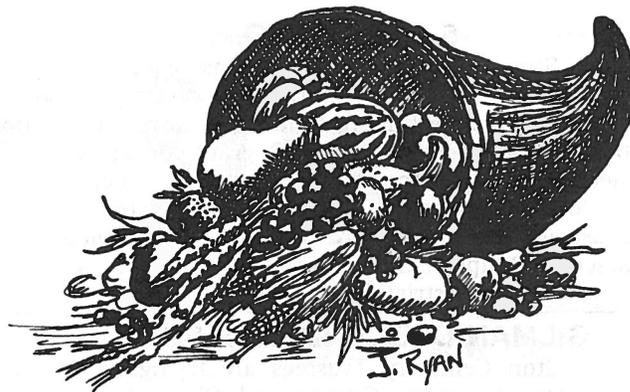
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The annual Christmas Fair at the St. Joan of Arc Church Rectory is scheduled for Saturday, November 14, from 9a.m. to 2p.m.

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GILMAN DESCENDANTS SOUGHT

The Alton Cemetery Trustees are trying to find any descendants of Octavia Gilman and Oliver J. Gilman of Alton. There is a need for some repair work on the fence surrounding Dr. John Morrison's cemetery on Route 11, and being a private cemetery, permission is needed to do the work. The repairs will be covered by the Cemetery Trust Fund. Please contact Trustee Jane Porter at 875-2747. If no answer, please leave a message.



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