

**ALTON-BARNSTEAD HALF MOON LAKE ASSOCIATION
MEETING NOTICE**

The August meeting of the Alton-Barnstead Half Moon Lake Association will be held on Sunday, August 23, 1998, in the main hall at Camp Mi Te Na starting at 11:00 a.m.

Directions to the Camp for new members: On Route 28 north take the road on the right just before Bauman's Breakstop and take the very first right and follow the signs to Camp Mi Te Na.

We'll be discussing the Labor Day Weekend Boat Parade, water testing, the report Ann Bruhmuller received on the fish in Half Moon Lake, and electing new officers, so please plan to attend. If you'd like to serve as an officer of the Association or as an Area Representative please contact our president.

Bill Dugan clipped the following from New Hampshire Boating Regulations as jet skis are prohibited on weekends on Half Moon Lake. (At least six members called the Marine Patrol Officer [293-2037] to report the three jet skis on the lake on Sunday, August 2.)

Personal Watercraft: In New Hampshire "ski craft" means any motorized watercraft or private boat which is less than 13 feet in length as manufactured, is capable of exceeding a speed of 20 miles per hour, and has the capacity to carry not more than the operator and one other person while in operation. The term includes jet skis, surf skis, and other similar devices.

Bill O'Neil sent us an excerpt from the July 12, 1998 bulletin of Saint Joan of Arc Church in Alton and St. Paul Mission Church in Center Barnstead entitled "A Little of Our History" and which tells where Hollywood Beach (now part of Fern Hill) got its name. The excerpt tells how Billy Grady, internationally known talent scout and casting director for MGM in Hollywood, was one of the many well-known visitors to be attracted to the Alton community which was a nationally known summer resort even in the early 1930s. Grady bought a summer home near Half Moon Pond and called it another Hollywood. One summer he brought his friend the world's greatest jazz singer Al Jolson with him and told him about Saint Joan of Arc Church which had recently been formed. Jolson gave the mahogany altar rail in the church in memory of his wife, the late Ruby Keeler who was Catholic. Sections of it are still to be seen in St. Joan of Arc.

If you haven't paid your 1998 dues of \$5.00 you may do so at the meeting or send them to our treasurer Gordon Headley, 43 Forest Street, Londonderry, NH 03053.

See you on the 23rd!

Carl Johnson, President (776-6017)
Kevin Drum, Vice President
Elvia Hetu, Secretary (776-6934)
Gordon Headley, Treasurer

A Suggestion from Ed Blair — If each of us cleaned out the weeds in the water in front of our property, the lake water could circulate better and the whole lake would be cleaner.