# EAST MONTPELIER

# Signpost

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#### TO MOTHER WITH LAUGHTER: HELEN ALLEN

Although the phrase, Town Fathers, has been used for years, we rarely hear about Town Mothers. Yet if you know Helen Allen, you will realize that she is certainly one of the East Montpelier women who should hold this title. Helen brings to this town the special skills and concerns that mothers have, and she makes no dividing line between using these gifts for her own family and using them to serve the needs of the community.

Helen and her husband George and their first three children, Kate, Beth, and George, moved in 1950 to the lovely old home where Helen still lives, on Route 14 just across the bridge in the Village. Before moving here, they had lived in Essex Junction while George attended UVM. Following graduation, he was hired by the Soil Conservation Service in Montpelier. After searching for a house in Montpelier, they extended their search to East Montpelier and decided to buy a house which had stood empty for some time and needed work, inside and out, but seemed to be the right house for them. Helen says that after the decision was made and the house purchased, she and George went to the Essex Fair where they happened to meet several people they knew and of course told them their news. George and Helen were amazed to learn that a few of those people had words of warning about East Montpelier -- a small town, gossipy and in-grown.



Helen Allen

"Well", says
Helen, "we
couldn't change
our plans then, so we went ahead
with the move and intended to live
by George's grandfather's axiom,
"You have as good neighbors as
you are a neighbor.""

Apparently from the very beginning those good neighbors began to appear. Jane (Page) Glen arrived on the steps to offer her sister, Patty, as a baby sitter; their mother, Susan, brought over four jars of raspberry jam; Marshall Hodgeman (whom they had known in their mutual hometown of Newport) showed up to do some electrical work; Phyllis (Dudley) Duso invited Helen to be part of the Brick Church Club; and of course the list goes on — establishing neighborly connections that bonded the Allens with their town.

Four more children, Lynne, Nancy, Timothy, and Wendy, were born. With a family of seven children needing community activities in which to grow, Helen became involved with Bible School and Sunday School and was one of those who helped the Old Brick Church resume a full schedule of regular church activities. She supported the hiring of Don Sears to lead worship and often invited him to Sunday dinner. She was a Cub Scout den mother for eleven years, helped with 4-H activities, and worked a couple of years with the hot lunch program at the new elementary school, after they hired her as a "substitute" at the last minute and then needed her to stay on. After she worked at the elementary school, Tom Keck recruited her to work as an assistant in the Industrial Arts Department at U-32 High School. She continued working at U-32 in the Living Arts Department and the Resource Center until she and George retired in 1980. Helen continues to serve on the Advisory Board for the Human Services Vocational Program which is now located at the Barre Vocational School.

Through those years, if a child needed an extra touch of mothering, Helen was there, showing a Cub Scout how to take care of his tie, transporting kids to activities, taking a sick child to her house until a parent could come, or just giving a listening ear and a sense of stability in what for many children was a topsy-turvy world. Now Helen does these things for her 13 grandchildren when they have the opportunity to be with her, for an eight-year-old boy for whom she serves as a guardian *ad litem*, and for other children, and grown-ups too, who are fortunate enough to have their paths cross with hers.

Helen's talent as a cook is another of her skills which was first used for her family but also shared with the larger community. As Helen says, "I learned quantity cooking at home with my large family." Then not only did she cook at the school, but she was, and still is, one of those in the Old Brick Church kitchen whenever there's a church meal to be prepared. For Helen, a natural part of attending a church meeting is bringing the refreshments.

The surroundings in Helen's home glow with her talents. From the empty neglected house it was when the Allens bought it, she has created a warm, inviting home of comfort and charm. The house speaks of her love and caring. Among its treasures Helen is especially pleased to display a quilt, each piece contributed by a family member, depicting something special to that person. Their children gave it to Helen and George just a few years before George's death in 1985. Helen notes, with pride and sadness, that it was the support of her husband George that made it possible for her to have such a full life.

Helen's many interests still keep her very busy. She enjoys learning about other countries through AFS, and she continues to travel, especially when she can visit her children in the USA or abroad. She spends time at her camp on Echo Lake each summer where many of her children and grandchildren visit her. Music is also a continuing source of enjoyment.

The family quilt was the beginning of an idea for Helen, and now one of her many sewing projects includes making a family quilt for each of her children using squares that they make and send to her.

"Well," says Helen, "at 75 I hope I still have something to contribute." Indeed she does!

Barbara Ploof
Barbara lives on Barnes Road and works at
Central Vermont Adult Basic Education.





#### TOP OF THE SIGNPOST

Have you ever had the feeling that just when everything's going well, the other shoe is about to drop? That's where the Signpost was when we entered our fourth year last fall. We were proud that the paper had gotten that far, then as the months wore on we began to view our dwindling bank account with alarm. Would you miss us if we stopped publishing? We hoped so. Would we miss working on each successive issue around the year? You bet we would!

We told you of our plight. Your immediate response, written on your checkbooks, filled the mailbox, and we marveled again at what a supportive town we live in. Thanks to your vote of confidence, we are close to affording the remaining issues of this volume. Some of you have given before, some are new supporters. We thank you all. We know we mustn't stop checking the mailbox, but we <u>are</u> solvent for the moment.

Here's a brief review of how our budget works. We publish six issues each year, and each issue cost us between \$500 and \$600, postage and all. Since we have no angel to underwrite us nor any outside grant money, we raise all our funds in our own community. Subscriptions, you say? A poor solution since they take so much record-keeping and, more importantly, the Signpost's goal is to reach every household in town. Advertising doesn't pay for the extra space it requires and also takes more staff. So we come back to you readers. Every September our "Angel Committee" organizes a giant Rally Day Auction to benefit the Signpost. The two we've had so far have each raised enough to pay for about two issues. For the other four, we depend on you.

So far you have certainly responded. Thank you all. Keep your support coming and if you haven't paid your share yet, help out if you can. East Montpelier is a town with many unique things about it. We would like the Signpost to be one of them.

Jean Cate

#### **TOWN MEETING**

March 1: at the Elementary School, 9:30 a.m.

School District Meeting, 1:00 p.m.

CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

MODERATOR . . . Martin K. Miller (Town & School District)

TOWN CLERK . . . . Sylvia M. Tosi (3 years)

TOWN TREASURER Sylvia M. Tosi (3 years)

SELECTMAN (3 years) . . . Frank Pratt LISTER (3 years) . . . . James Goodall AUDITOR (3 years) Holly Ann Edwards TRUSTEE FOR PUBLIC FUNDS

(3 years) . . . . . Pauline E. Coburn TOWN LAW AGENT . . . . Peter Hill TOWN GRAND JUROR

(vote for no more than one)

Tim Carver
...... Weston A. Cate, Jr.
FIRST CONSTABLE . Dennis Carver
SECOND CONSTABLE

PLANNING COMMISSIONER

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER

(5 years) . . . . . . No Candidate ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR (3 years - vote for no more than one)

..... Susan O. Stephen
..... Carson Stone
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR
(2 years - vote for no more than one)

..... Nancy Thomas ..... Ila Touchette

There will be child care available during the meetings, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and from 1:00 to 3:00 at the Elementary School. Donations would be appreciated if you plan to take advantage of this service.

There will be a **Town Meeting Lunch** put on by EMES cooks.

Menu: Corn chowder
Choice of sandwich
(vegetarian choice available)
Beverage
Dessert

\$5.00 adults, \$2.00 children, and the proceeds will be used for kitchen equipment.

#### HELPING YOUR NEIGHBORS

#### Vermont Food Bank

While East Montpelier does not have a foodshelf located in town, townspeople do go to the foodshelf located in the Community Building in Marshfield. The two churches in town also collect food items each week to take there.

But the biggest source of foodstuffs for local food pantries and other meal providers is the Vermont Food Bank, at a cost of about a third of retail prices.

A benefit dinner for the Vermont Food Bank is being held Monday evening, March 7, at National Life Insurance Co. More than 30 restaurants will be showcasing their talents.

Tickets are \$30 and if you'd like to reserve them, and/or would like to be seated with a church group, please call Edith Stedman at 229-5079. Please leave a message on her answering machine if she's not there, and she will get back to you.

#### THE ADDRESS BLUES

If you don't receive this issue, tell us!

Has your address changed from Calais Stage to HCR 32? Have you moved to a new address in town since you registered to vote? Do you have a new neighbor who doesn't receive the Signpost?

These and other address problems plague us. They also cost us 29 cents or more each time they occur. Our mailing list was laboriously worked out from the checklist, property lists, and any other information we had. Postal people are increasingly particular about complete and correct addresses. Lifelong residents may be stamped "Unknown" if their addresses aren't precise. Please help us out.

The Signpost will have a table at Town Meeting Day with our complete mailing list. Take a minute to check your address as you pass by. Also to list folks you find aren't on the list at all. We'll also have plenty of back issues if your file is incomplete. See you there.





#### THE TOWN WEATHERVANE



## THE SELECTBOARD Weston Cate, Allan Couch, Edie Miller

#### November 18, 1993

- Heard request of Norma Raymond for a blind driveway sign near her driveway on Towne Hill Road. Voted to have Mike Garand look at location and determine appropriate place.
- Discussion about whether delinquent tax list should be published in Town Report. Agreed that list should only be included if voters at Town Meeting determine that it should be.
- Task force on Fire & Emergency Medical Service - reviewed and adopted the draft as presented.

#### December 8, 1993

- Discussion with EMFD regarding request for a new truck in 1994.
- Heard concerns of EMFD members about newly formed task force set up to review options for future relationship between Calais and East Montpelier and the possibility of forming a fire district.
- Approved filing of personal property liens for 1993 taxes not paid by December 31, 1993, as recommended by the tax collector.
- Heard concerns from residents about speeding problems on Towne Hill Road.
- Appointed Fire & Emergency Medical Services Task force: Patricia Hambro, Courtland Perry, Austin Cleaves (chair), Morris Cerutti, and Paul White.

#### December 15, 1993

- Alexandra Altman, Calais Selectboard Chair will serve as the Calais liaison to Fire & Emergency Medical Services Task force.
- Adopted policy on sexual harassment using VLCT model.
- Received letter from Nature Conservancy requesting Selectboard place an article on Town Meeting Warning asking for tax exempt status for their 24.5 acre parcel known as Chickering Bog Preserve.
- Received request for town funding (\$1,300) for support of Kellogg-Hubbard Library after deadline set by

funding request study committee. Library will need to petition for a special article on Town Meeting Warning.

• Voted on salary adjustment for town employees.

#### December 29, 1993

- Discussed sale of old town sand pit off Route 14 to Mary & Richard Tousignant. Decided to put an article in the Town Meeting Warning asking for authorization to sell this 10 acre property.
- Voted to have Selectman Cate be town's voting delegate at VLCT special meeting to determine VLCT position on property tax reform.
- Accepted with regret Larry Brown's resignation as Emergency Management Coordinator for the town.

#### January 12, 1994

- Met with the Fire & Emergency Medical Services Task Force to review purpose and charge of the group.
- Met with Listers in executive session to discuss matter of Rappaport v. East Montpelier.
- Discussed upcoming reappraisal with Listers. They plan to hold a Town Forum to review what reappraisal means and how it will be conducted. Selectboard asked Listers to prepare a budget for next meeting.
- Reviewed and approved contract for property maps annual update.
- Met with EMFD to review proposed budget.

#### January 19, 1994

- Discussion re: draft Town Meeting Warning.
- Approved emergency health order issued by Health Officer to landlord Greg Carriveau to restore water service to a rented trailer.
- Discussion with Don Donnelly about Four Corners Schoolhouse Assoc. budget.
- Continued working on 1994 Budget.

### PLANNING COMMISSION Chair: Johanna DeMartino

#### December 2, 1993

- Recessed public hearing on Sparrow subdivision until January 20, 1994.
- Roger Chapell gave interpretation of zoning bylaws in regard to a portable greenhouse. Concluded that greenhouse would not require a permit provided it remained portable and for temporary agricultural purposes.

#### BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT Chair: Jeff Cueto

#### November 22, 1993

• Public hearing on Wardle/Unangst application for construction of house and garage on their property on County Road with less than required 75' of front setback. Application states denial of application would cause hardship due to ledge and drop off on property and that open land is limited by wetlands and soft woods. Voted to recess for site visit on December 13.

#### December 13, 1993

- Public hearing on Steven Connor application for construction of shed needing side setback variance on Brazier Road. Straw vote indicated board was not in favor of granting variance. Voted to refer back to Roger Chapell as an amended application.
- Reconvened Wardle/Unangst hearing. Straw vote indicated board was not in favor of granting variance. Wardel/ Unangst withdrew application.



#### EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Jan Aldrich, Jim Hiner, Tony Klein, Burr Morse, Sue Stephen

#### **School News**

Visit the Family Room at School!

The Family Room is a new addition to East Montpelier School this year. The Washington Central Early Education Program is offering a drop in center at the school for families with children aged birth to five. The Family Room offers a comfortable space where children and families can begin to get acquainted with their local school and neighbors. Children's toys and activities, as well as a lending library for parent resources and children's books are available. Stop in for a visit soon!

Regularly scheduled events include:

Monday - Play group 9:00 to 10:30, staffed by W.C.S.U. Early Education Staff

Tuesday - Room open 9:00 to 12:00, unstaffed

Wednesday - Play group 9:00 to 10:30, staffed

Thursday - Room open 9:00 to 12:00, staffed

School library open to families 9:00 to 11:00

Friday - Room open 9:00 to 12:00, unstaffed



#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

1994 is turning out to be a very busy year for the East Montpelier Fire Department. During the month of January, the EMFD and Fast Squad responded to 19 emergency medical and 11 fire calls. Many members have enrolled in various schools to acquire or enhance their fire fighting and/or emergency medical skills. The EMFD will be hosting a six-hour hazardous materials school at the fire station during the month of February.

The Department has started to convert the newly acquired Dodge pickup into a grass/brush fire vehicle with a completion date of March 1, just in time for the "grass fire season." Engine One, which is housed in the village station, has had major mechanical work and will soon have some body work done on it to alleviate serious rust problems.

The Fire Department has found that having Engine One in the Village greatly reduces our response time to the east side of town. The Department's lease of the space in the Washington Electric garage across from the town municipal building is working well.

In the past couple of years, we've been looking at higher repair bills for aging fire apparatus. The current apparatus ranges from 14 to 25 years old. With this in mind and along with training and maintaining equipment, the members have been busy putting together the specifications for a new pumper/tanker. The plans are almost complete and it is expected to cost \$160,000. The citizens of East Montpelier and Calais are being asked to pay for this pumper/tanker on a two-thirds, one-third share, the same proportions as the operating budget is based on. East Montpelier's share will be \$106,700. If any citizen of East Montpelier has any questions regarding the purchase of this new truck, contact any member of the Department.

Bill George

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#### FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE ASSOCIATION

President: Don Donnelly

Still looking for quilts (old and new) to be exhibited at a future quilt show. If you're interested, please contact Ruth Frost at 223-6892.

The last travelogue of this winter's series will be on March 6, with Jean Vissering, Bob Klein and their children telling about their travels last year in Spain. Come to the Four Corners Schoolhouse Sunday afternoon March 6, at 4 p.m.

Rachel Grossman who organized the series says they will be resumed next fall. If you know of someone with an interesting travel story to tell (maybe you?), contact her at 223-3177.



# CHURCH CHIMES Old Brick Church Old Meeting House

Mark your calendars for March 18, 19, and 20 and be sure to come and see GODSPELL! Performances begin at 7:30 each evening with a matinee on Saturday, the 20th, at 2:00, all at the Old Brick Church. Godspell was written and first performed in the 1960s and continues to captivate audiences with its rhythms, beauty, laughter, and love. Admission is \$6, children \$3.

A Lenten book study group is reading and discussing Thomas Moore's *Care of the Soul*. A number of young people are undergoing confirmation by working with individual adult mentors in discovering the many ways of faith.

The Vermont Senate honored the Old Brick Church on its 160th anniversary, noting its earlier leader Olympia Brown, the first woman ordained in the U.S. as a Universalist minister.

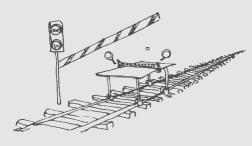
Church services are held at 9:30 at the Old Meeting House and at 11:00 at the Old Brick Church. Sunday School is held at the same times.

#### **MOOSE LIPS**





- © On December 20, 1993, Mildred Sibley Nelson, sister of Susan Page, died at a nursing home in Waltham, Mass., where she had been since her husband Ralph Nelson died in February, 1988. In the 40's and 50's Mildred, Ralph and their son, Michael, spent several weeks in the summer at the home of Wayland and Susan Page in E. Montpelier.
- © Steve Justis went to Finland and Russia in November.
- ♥ We heard that pingpong is no longer being played at the Christiansens.



# MILESTONES (Received by the Town Clerk by February 1)

#### **BIRTHS**

- ♥ Connor Francis Kelley, born November 19, 1993 to Patricia & Jeffrey Kelley.
- ♥ Julia Emily Elizabeth Barstow, born June 29, 1993 to Linda & Richard Barstow.
- ♥ Andrew Thomas Kaiden, born November 28, 1993 to Susan Lynn & Thomas Kaiden.
- ♥ Alexander Ray Nicholson, born December 16, 1993 to Corine & Douglas Nicholson.

#### **MARRIAGES**

- ♥ Donald Gaston Cote and Barbara Gail Allen, January 14, 1994.
- ♥ Mark W. Earle and Tammy A. DeForge, January 15, 1994.

#### **PASSINGS**

- Roger LaPerle, died December 5, 1993. Husband of Theresa LaPerle.
- Stephen Lawrence Charles Taylor, died November 30, 1993. Son of Jeffrey Taylor, former principal of East Montpelier Elementary School.

#### LAND TRANSFERS

(Received between October 29 and January 15)

- Joyce Haggett LaMountain to David & Sherry Gallison; 0.78 acres on Haggett Road.
- John Mekkelsen to Grace Mekkelsen; 113.73 acres on U.S. Route 2.
- George E. Lee & Ellen L. Clay to Edward C. & Joanna B. Day; 1.9 acres and dwelling, Center Road.
- Courtland E. Perry, Jr. & Donna G. Perry to John P. Wardle & Anne L. Unangst; 13.1 acres on County Road.
- Douglas Nicholson to Douglas Nicholson & Corine E. Nicholson; 0.08 acres and dwelling on U.S. Route 2 in East Montpelier Village.
- Ingrid L. Lukas to Marlene A. Betit & Kenneth B. Lorden, Jr.; 10 acres and dwelling on Horn of Moon Road.
- Estate of Eleanor Hughes to Wendell Blanchard & Lori Bigras-Blanchard; I acre and dwelling on Route 14 North.
- David and Darlene Grundy to James Grundy; 17.4 acres on Clark Road.
- Estate of Gerald M. Hawkins to Jean Clark and Mable R. Clark; 5 acres on Route 14 North.
- Thomas & Teresa Knickerbocker to Donald G. Cote; 10.6 acres on County Road.
- Estate of Beatice Anderson & Nancy Ryea to Thomas & Irene Morrill; mobile home in Sandy Pines Mobile Home Park.



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#### DANFORTH SUGAR HOUSE: A LONG-TIME SWEET

If you are a sugarmaker in Central Vermont, or New England for that matter, you probably already know the name of Nate Danforth. But really getting to know Nate is like getting to know one of the maple trees that he is so fond of. The visible tree seems whole and complete, but there is so much more below the ground. As with the tree, Nate's family roots run deep here in Vermont and are responsible for much of what he is today. His forebears farmed and sugared in Norwich, Vermont, until 1888 when they moved to the farm in Tunbridge where Nate grew up. There his grandfather gathered in the sugarbush. By the '30s Nate's father "Shorty" Danforth was the driving force in the family's sugaring operation. Over the years he became very active in Vermont Sugarmakers Association while continuing to expand the operation until it peaked at 5,500 taps in the 1960s.

When Nate was quite young, his father had to stop dairy farming for health reasons, so most of his childhood memories are of the family sugaring operation. His involvement with sugaring began while playing with his older brother and sister

behind his grandfather's horsedrawn dray. While Nate was still in high school, his father let him install some of the first plastic tubing in Vermont on 500 hillside taps.

In 1966 Nate's father bought a small restaurant and cider mill in Royalton. He believed that a large scale centralized maple boiling factory was the way to go, so with Nate's help they cut timber from their farm in Tunbridge for the materials to convert the old cider mill into a sugar house. For this building they used a state-of-theart steam operated sugaring rig, a ten-wheel tank truck and a ¾-ton pickup with a tank to transport and boil the sap from 15-20,000 taps! Nate helped weekends and

vacations while attending the University of Vermont. Unfortunately, due to a heart condition, Shorty eventually had to end the operation and sell the equipment.

Nate finished his studies at UVM and graduated with a degree in civil engineering. He landed a job with the State of Vermont in the Agency of Transportation. After commuting for a year he moved to East Montpelier in 1970. By the mid-

70s Nate was sugaring back on the "home place" in Tunbridge with a second-hand evaporator he bought at a farm auction in Montpelier. Before long he had more than doubled his taps from 1,000 to 2,500 and replaced the evaporator with a larger one. Now he was not only working full time for the State of Vermont, raising a young family, and sugaring in Tunbridge nights and weekends, but he had started to sell maple equipment to friends and neighbors.

It is easy to see when you talk to Nate that money is not the prime motivational factor in all of this; rather, it is the love of maple sugaring. It is the need to be a part of a dynamic agricultural process, dealing and sharing with honest, hardworking people. As sugaring has become more complicated, Nate saw the genuine need for a "supermarket" approach to selling supplies, a place where everyone, from the backyard sugarmaker to the large producer, could go and get not only the items they needed off the shelf but also technical information any day of the week. As his business has grown, he has struggled to maintain a supportive atmosphere where

customers can feel free to chat or ask questions. It is in this spirit that Nate sponsors his annual spring sugarmakers' seminar where he brings together experts from government and the industry with as many as 200 people from all over New England and New York to exchange information. All donations for attendance are given to the UVM Maple Research Center in Proctor.

Nate lives behind the store on Route 2 with his wife Dotty. He has two daughters, Allison, a senior at Northeastern University in Boston, and Sarah, a senior at U-32, and two step-children, Eric and Shana, who also attend U-32. When he's not working for the State or at the sugarhouse you

State or at the sugarhouse you might find Nate dancing the Texas Two Step with Dotty or off canoeing or camping with the family. You might even find him behind the wheel of a BMW at New Hampshire International Speedway where he teaches the finer points of driving at 120 mph for the BMW Club!



Nate Danforth

#### Chris Reed

Chris, a fellow sugarmaker, lives in East Montpelier Center.

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Selecthoard Planning Commission Zoning Board of Adjustment Conservation Fund Advisory Comm. Volunteer Fire Department School Board Elementary School Board Town Clerk's Office Hours Zoning Administrator Four Corners Schoolhouse Ass'n. PTO Meeting

3rd Wednesday

2nd & 4th Wednesday 1st & 3rd Thursday 2nd & 4th Monday 2nd Thursday **Every Tuesday** 2nd & 4th Tuesday 1st Thursday Monday-Thursday: 9-5, Friday: 9-12 Tuesday & Thursday

7:30 7:30 7:00 Fire Station, Templeton Rd. 7:30 U-32 6:30 Elementary School Town Office 1:00-2:30. Town Office 7:30 Four Corners Schoolhouse 7:00 Elementary School

7:15 Town Office

7:30

Meeting times are subject to change

#### **EVENTS CALENDAR**

March 1, Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. March 6, Sunday, 4-6 p.m. March 18, Thursday, 7:30 March 19, Friday, 7:30 March 20, Saturday, 2:00, 7:30 April 3, Sunday, 6:00 a.m. April 3, Sunday, 9:30 & 11:00

Town Meeting Travelogue Godspell Godspell Godspell Sunrise Service Easter Services

2nd Tuesday

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