

# EAST MONTPELIER Signpost

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## SPOTLIGHT ON MILDRED HELLER

True to her spontaneous and unpredictable nature, Mildred Bellows Heller was born two weeks early on October 2, 1922. Only her father was in attendance at her birth in their farmhouse in the Catskills. Evidently, he rose to the occasion and he successfully delivered his third daughter. Later, a fourth daughter was to be born in this farming town two-and-a-half hours from New York City. Mildred's family did better than most during the depression, always having enough to eat from their diverse 300 acre family farm which was part of a cooperative. Mildred stayed on this farm until she was sixteen and then left to attend nursing school. She met her husband, Paul, at a small town square dance not far from the family home. They married shortly thereafter.

Paul's job as an artificial breeder took him and his new wife to other towns in New York and also to Connecticut, where four of their five children were born. In 1960, Paul was offered a position in Vermont and later became employed by the Vermont Meat Inspection Department. The Hellers settled into a neat white farmhouse on Dodge Road in East Montpelier.

At the time, there was only one other house on the road and Mildred felt that there were many similarities between her life in the Catskills and the one she began to create in East Montpelier. Both areas were rural and their winters brought plenty of snow.



Neighbors were few and far between.

Mildred became accustomed to being a homemaker and also helped her husband care for the partments they owned in Montpelier. Later, their fifth child, Jim, was born.

Mildred describes Jim as her "one and only Vermonter" who now is employed in Alabama as a state geologist. Her daughter, Pat, lives in Montpelier and is a caterer. Son Paul lives in Northfield and works as a librarian at Norwich University. Carol, the oldest, lives in

Connecticut and works for Traveler's Insurance and Brenda lives in Pennsylvania and computer designs bathrooms for Lowes. At the latest count, Mildred has nine grandchildren (all of whom have jobs, Mildred notes) and two great grandchildren — presumably too young to have jobs just yet.

As anyone who knows Mildred will attest, her self-reliance and determination are prominent features of her colorful personality. As an example, Mildred recalls being particularly determined to teach Jim to swim when he was five years of age. Since no one in the area was offering lessons at the time, Mildred and her daughter, Pat, investigated several swimming holes nearby in order to provide their instruction. One that seemed appealing at

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## Top of the Signpost

A neighbor of ours died yesterday. We consider it a personal loss, not made any the less so because he had lived a long and useful life. The passing of a friend, a member of this community, makes us think on the very word "community" and how we relate to it. Each life in a community is part of the fabric of that community, giving it its unique personality. The town down the road will never look like our town. Both may have certain common qualities - the will to work together, strong positive leadership, the sharing of fun times - but in the end each is defined by the individuals living there.

A man driving through town stopped for gas and asked the attendant what kind of a town this was to live in. Long pause. "What kind of a town do you live in?" he was

asked. "Oh, it's miserable - people squabble over everything". Another pause, then the man at the pump replied, "You will find this one the same." Perhaps the message never reached the traveller, but the townsman knew that every town is exactly what the people there make of it. Contentious people make contentious towns. Cooperative people create a sense of community. Just look around you if you doubt it.

George Fitch's life and passing show us that people do not need to be well known to be contributing parts of a community. Quiet ordinary folks who are good neighbors and willing workers are the ingredients of a strong community. Thank you, George.

*Jean Cate*

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first was Bliss Pond. Mildred found that the pond needed to be "raked" regularly, however, to make it swimmable. This proved to be more of a maintenance chore than she and Pat had bargained for so, with the help of the Red Cross, they approached the Montpelier Recreation Department which offered them the use of the city pool for lessons on Saturdays and Sundays. Pat became a certified swimming instructor and even went through further rigorous training in order to join the staff. When Wedgewood opened up several years later, the swimming lessons were moved to the comfort of the indoor, temperature-controlled pool.

When Mildred's husband, Paul, passed away in 1986, she decided that she had to learn to drive in order to maintain her independence, and at the age of sixty-five, got her driver's license. Now, five days per week, except in particularly icy or snowy weather, Mildred can be seen driving to and from First in Fitness in Montpelier. She said that her daily work-out regimen is designed to help her avoid a second stroke. Two years ago, Mildred explains, she suffered a mild stroke while doing chores at home. With the help of medication and moderate physical activity, she has since improved her health and manages to keep quite fit. When Mildred is not working out, she is a volunteer at the Benefit Shop, an establishment she has been associated with for some twenty years. A self-described crossword puzzle addict, she also loves to read and play cards with friends. Mildred is an active member of the Friendly Circle and AARP. The friendly circle was formerly called the Home Dem Club.

Even though Mildred is not officially a "native Vermonter", she considers herself to be one due to her heritage. The town of Bellows Falls, she explains, was named for her ancestor, Benjamin Bellows. He came to Vermont from England and initially apprenticed as a land surveyor. An astute businessman, Benjamin later became known as a major property owner and as a philanthropist. His brother, James Bellows, also came to Vermont and endowed the schools that bear his name, Bellows Free Academy in St. Albans and Fairfax.

The winter of 1816 was particularly harsh and inhospitable. It snowed continuously. There was a mass exodus from Vermont to the west that year and Mildred's great-grandfather was among those who left. He sold off all of his property and left behind huge quantities of corn which were given to the neighbors to nourish them and their livestock through the long frigid winter. His travels led him to the Catskills where he settled down and raised his family.

At this point in her life, Mildred has no intention of leaving East Montpelier, the place that she has called home for the past 37 years. She loves her tidy vegetable garden, the flowers that adorn her yard in summer, and the balsams that she clips to create wreaths for the holiday season. Even more, she enjoys the warmth of friends and family and the sense of independence she has achieved.

*Jamie O'Hare*

Jamie O'Hare and her husband Michael and family are neighbors of Mildred Heller. Jamie teaches kindergarten at EMES.



**MILESTONES**

**Marriages**

- Bernard J. Salerno to Nancy O. Metcalf, September 20, 1997
- Darrell Paul Neddo to Jennifer Lee Paquin, October 18, 1997

**Births**

- Nathaniel Robert Johnson, August 8, 1997, son to Harriet Elizabeth & Karl H. Johnson (this is a birth date correction from last issue)
- Travis David Gallison, August 18, 1997, son to Janelle Ann & David Roger Gallison, Jr.
- Eliza Rae Merrylees, August 26, 1997, daughter to Lucy Patti & William Reid Merrylees
- Derek Michael Cote, September 10, 1997, son to Anita Kim & Michael Bernard Cote

**Deaths**

- Ryan Paul Kitchen, September 7, 1997, son of Ronald Kitchen and Elizabeth Kitchen
- Alice Mildred Goslant, October 7, 1997, mother of James Goslant

**Land Transfers**

- A. John Holden Jr. & Polly B. Holden to Elizabeth Holden Carter, Templeton Rd., Corrective deed/access.
- Elizabeth Holden Carter to John C. Holden and Janet MacLeod, Templeton Rd. Access.
- Colman Parker to D. Thomas & Linda H. McSweeney 10.2 acres, Cherry Tree Hill Rd.
- Todd L. Parker and Cooleen M. Parker to Todd L. & Bethany Parker, dwelling on 3 acres, Bliss Rd.
- Joanne V. Kulaga to Michael S. Kulaga, dwelling on 3.2 acres, County Rd., quit claim interest.

- Charles C. Codling and Merlene B. Codling to John J. Audy Jr. and Kathleen C. Tremblay, dwelling on 0.89 acres, Rt. 2 village.
- Charles T. Wanzer, Lydia Wanzer Faesy and Thomas Robert Osborne to Thomas Robert Osborne, 18.3 acres, Kelton Rd.
- Charles T. Wanzer, Lydia Wanzer Faesy and Thomas Robert Osborne to Charles T. Wanzer and Lydia Wanzer Faesy, 10.1 acres, Kelton Rd.
- Charles T. Wanzer, Lydia Wanzer Faesy and Thomas Robert Osborne to Charles T. Wanzer and Lydia Wanzer Faesy, 26.9 acres, Kelton Rd.
- Paul R. Perry and Wendy W. Perry to Wendy W. Perry, dwelling on 0.43 acres, Rt. in village.
- Clifford W. Bowman to Tammy Trahan Lot 3 - 3.1 acres Lot 5 - 5.1 acres, Off Schoolhouse Rd.
- Roger Weingarten and Ellen Lesser to Ellen Lesser, 10.05 acres/dwelling, Towne Hill Rd.
- Bradley R. Perry and Nichole Perry Ainsworth to Bradley R. Perry, Mobile Home/Sandy Pines Tr. Pk.
- Grace Mekkelsen to John E. & Grace I. Mekkelsen, Trustees of Grace Mekkelsen Revocable Trust, 113 .73 acres, Rt. 2, Towne Hill Rd.
- Eleanor N. Barber to Dana N. & Cecile L. Barber, 2.6 acres Upper North St.
- Todd Fitch to Trevor R. Lewis and Priscilla B. White, dwelling on 15.08 acres, County Rd.
- P & G Sales/Ray's Homes to Julie & Brian Moody, Mobile Home Sandy Pines Tr. Pk.
- Carol Decker to Todd Fitch, dwelling on 15.08 acres, County Rd., quit claim of interest.

**THANK YOU TO THESE LOYAL SUPPORTERS!**

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**DESIGN YOUR HOME LANDSCAPE**

A 5-week course, Wednesday evenings, 7-9 P.M. March 4 - April 1, Four Corners Schoolhouse. Cost \$60. For more information, call Jean Vissering 223-3262.

The *Signpost* welcomes contributions. Any amount would be gratefully received - \$5, \$10, \$25, even \$50. Send your donation to Anne Sherman, The *Signpost*, RFD 1, Box 80, East Montpelier, VT 05651. All new contributors will be recognized in the next issue.



**SELECTBOARD**

*Edie Miller, Chair, Tom Brazier, Tim Meehan*

**September 25, 1997**

- Conrad Ormsbee, East Montpelier's representative to the C.V. Solid Waste Management District, present to discuss proposed Montpelier sludge composting facility.
- Public Hearing on changing road names and address concerns for E- 911 implementation. Discussion to continue at next meeting.
- Ken Senecal of The Housing Foundation present. Selectboard Chairperson Miller signed agreement for community development grant for Sandy Pines septic system replacement.
- Two school bus stop signs to be installed on Center Road at Cacicio property.

**October 8, 1997**

- Road Foreman Garand submitted monthly report. Expect surplus left in the paving project.
- Appointed Carol Welch to Planning Commission through March 1998 Town Meeting.
- Discussion of road names. Will recommend 4 inch numbers for posting addresses.
- Met with dog owner Merrill Cray regarding her two dogs, promised to keep them restrained.
- Reviewed loan agreement with Housing Foundation.
- Met with Collector of Delinquent Taxes, Norma Raymond. Only \$16,218 outstanding at this time.
- Approved staff recommendation for purchase of computer equipment to be compatible with requirements of Act 60.
- Had received request for white fog lines to be painted on edges of repaved roads, especially County Road. Not provided by State and would be significant annual expense.

**October 22, 1997**

- Ken Senecal present. Board approved issuing public notice concerning completion of environmental review for Sandy

Pines grant for septic system.

- Will ask Town Attorney for opinion on liability issues of requiring or not requiring posting of addresses for E-911.
- Will ask Sheriff's Dept. to do radar survey on Kelton Road. Complaints of traffic speed.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

*Doug Johnson, Chair*

**October 2, 1997**

- Approved sketch plan for 3-lot subdivision on Towne Hill Road submitted by Hugh, Susan, Dennis and Nancy Hawkins.
- Approved sketch plan for 3-lot subdivision on Horn of the Moon Road presented by Brian Stone.

**November 6, 1997**

- Approved Hawkins Preliminary Plat review.
- Approved Preliminary Plat review of Brian Stone.
- Approved request to construct 60' x 80' building and operate auto body repair business on Route 14S presented by Donny Yates.

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

*Jeffrey Cueto, Chair*

**September 8, 1997**

- Hearing on Paul Dayton's project to build 2 regulation size clay tennis courts and offer tennis lessons to children and adults. Also build 12' x 16' service cabin and use portable toilets. Approved Conditional Use with conditions.

**September 22, 1997**

- Election of Officers. Gene Troia elected chairperson, Earle Ellingwood vice-chair. Ginger Hopkins will remain as secretary.

**EAST MONTPELIER  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

*Jan Aldrich, Chair, Richard Curtis, Cheryl Rus, Loring Starr, Nancy Thomas*

**October 2, 1997**

- Discussion of small kindergarten size,

nine in the morning and nine in the afternoon session. Jamie O'Hare asked to form an ad hoc committee to look into a full time kindergarten. Board authorized continuation of two classes for current school year.

- Auditors presented 1996-97 audit report. Board approved as amended.
- Front door of school will be locked at 4:00 p.m.
- Scheduled forum for Jan. 28, 1998 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. to receive input from parents, the community and staff regarding having straight grades or multi-age classrooms.
- Approved hiring Barbara Dall as ESL tutor for one or more hours a day. Also approved hiring Suzanne Friedberg to do student assessment and monitoring of ESL tutor.
- Approved plan of first grade teachers to have portfolios for first term instead of report card. Report cards for other three quarters.

**November 6, 1997**

- Heard budget requests from Library, Art, Physical Education, Guidance, School Nurse, and Music.
- Approved the Technology Plan. Plan and Technology Literacy Grant will be submitted to State for certification.
- Authorized Laura Johnson to advertise for two part-time people to work in first and second grade classrooms. About \$8000 of Title 1 money available, about \$1000 needed from General Fund.
- Approved Guidelines for Home-Schooled Students.
- Accepted with regret resignation of Laura Johnson effective June 30, 1998.

**U-32 BOARD**

*(Chair, Peter Bluhm), Ginny Burley and Tony Klein, East Montpelier members*

**October 7, 1997**

- Sarah Dodge winner of contest to design school logo. Received \$50 savings bond from Board.
- Heard committee reports.
- Christopher Bowles, Justin Briggs,



received Certificate and Letter of Commendation from board for National Merit Program achievement in academics.

- Approved hiring winter sports coaches.
- Accepted Auditor's Final Report as written.

**October 21, 1997**

- Peter Bluhm announced that three team leaders resigned as team leaders (but not as teachers), leaving one team leader in place. Discussion of duties of team leader versus duties of department head.
- Budget process has begun. Areas funded with a desire to see results before expanding (such as new math curriculum) will have to be funded again before results are seen. Same with facilities issue. Finalized budget on timeline for first week in January.
- Dot Blake reported on status of SIMS computer software and current implementation schedule.

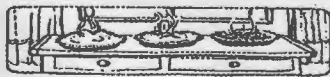
**November 4, 1997**

- Report from Facilities Committee. Request for architectural proposals being prepared.
- District agreed school reports would be prepared in uniform manner for elementary schools and U-32.
- Marta Cambra spoke about middle school in general and what is appropriate for that level.

**FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE**

*Weston Cate, President*

- Current functions taking place at the schoolhouse are the Vermont String School, meetings of the Junior Girl Scout Troop #528, rehearsals by the Village Harmony group, and Balkan Dance instruction.
- For use of the schoolhouse for town groups or a family party, please contact Marion Codling, 223-2058.



**EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

*Chief Jon Winston, President Bill George*

With people pushing up their furnace thermostats as the weather gets colder, the members of the East Montpelier Fire Dept. are receiving telephone calls regarding the dangers of carbon monoxide. Three most frequently asked questions are:

What is Carbon Monoxide?

Burning any type of fuel produces carbon monoxide. Therefore, any fuel-burning appliance in your home is a potential carbon monoxide source. When appliances such as oil, gas, or wood furnaces or stoves are kept in good working condition, they produce little carbon monoxide. Improperly operated appliances can produce fatal carbon monoxide in your home. Likewise, using charcoal or gas grills indoors or running a gasoline or diesel engine in a closed garage can cause carbon monoxide poisoning.

What are the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning?

Initial symptoms are similar to the flu (without the fever). They include dizziness, fatigue, headache, nausea, and irregular breathing. These symptoms usually go away when you go outdoors. If they go away and reappear when you're back inside, you may have carbon monoxide poisoning.

What do I do if I suspect that there is a carbon monoxide problem in my home?

If either your carbon monoxide detector has gone off or you are experiencing the above symptoms, the first thing you should do is vacate the premises and call the fire department. They will come with a carbon monoxide detector and check your house. Please, do not turn any heating appliances off or ventilate your home. This will replace the contaminated air with fresh and the fire department will not be able to detect if there is a carbon monoxide danger. If a problem does exist, you will

be advised to contact the appropriate appliance technician to remedy the problem.

Remember, if you suspect a carbon monoxide problem, vacate your residence and call the fire department. If you should have further questions concerning carbon monoxide contact Bill George of the EMFD at 223-7741.

**CONSERVATION FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

*Sue Chickering, Chair*

The committee has two interesting maps of East Montpelier that have been provided by the State. One shows the winter deer yards and fragile areas and rare plants. The other shows the wetlands in East Montpelier. If anyone is interested in this information, please contact Sue Chickering at 229-6232.

 **CHURCH BELLS** 

**OLD BRICK CHURCH**

*Rev. Marcheta Townsend, Pastor*

Worship and Sunday School - 11 a.m.  
Community Koffee Klatsch continues on the first Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Sunday School Building.  
Everyone in the community is welcome.

**OLD MEETING HOUSE**

*Rev. David W. Connor and Rev. Susan Cooke Kittredge, Joint Pastors*

Worship and Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

**CROSSROADS CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

*Rev. Bob Walton, Pastor*

Worship and Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.



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and process orders. As for the future of Internet businesses, it is still uncertain whether they can be economically viable. He points out that it is still faster to flip a catalog page than to download one, so he sees future success being contingent on the availability of faster modems and more bandwidth to carry Internet traffic. For some time to come, we agreed, it is going to be a slippery path on the "Information Highway".

If you have a computer and a modem, you can find CAMSCO on the Internet at <http://www.camsco.com>. If you don't have a computer but have an interest in the old songs, call them at 479-5722. They're always glad to talk to people who have an interest in traditional folk songs.

Have you given up trying to figure out where the name CAMSCO came from? It's the first part of Wally's last name spelled backwards and the first part of Berta's last name spelled forwards - CAMSCO.

*Andy Christiansen*

*Andy Christiansen is also a musician and WWW expert. He is a former legislator and lives on the family farm with his wife Jennifer and family.*

### TRAIL NEWS

Happy winter trails from the Trail Committee!

PLEASE respect landowners' property. Some town landowners are concerned because trail users are wandering through their yards and property. Please remember that trails begin at public roads -- so respect landowners' property and use the trail heads at roads to get to the trails.

And remember, no bicycles or horses on town trails between December 1 and June 1: they tear up the trails. If we respect all the trails, we can have happy showshoeing, snowmobiling, skiing and whatever else.

See you on the trails!

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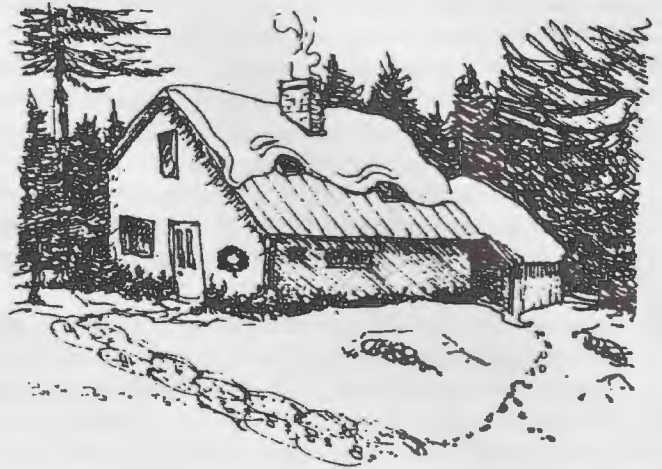
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### MUUSLIPS

- A new resident in East Montpelier wrote us a note asking if we could include maps to locate places we discuss in our newspaper. Good idea, but we couldn't figure out a practical way to do this. We will, however, try to include road names in our stories. Then we urge people to ask the Town Clerk for a copy of the useful town map. This will help especially when E-911 is activated. And by the way, the Town Office and the Selectboard are busy preparing for this new system which is targeted for May 1998.

- The *Signpost* staff is now at full complement and working very well together. Trishia Thompson started doing our photography this issue. Janet MacLeod is back in town and ready to draw new sketches. Hooray! We'd love to hear from you. Any comments? Ideas?

- Town Auditors will be meeting in the Town Municipal Office commencing after January 1, 1998, to begin an audit of town accounts for the year 1997.

- Town Clerk's new e-mail address:  
[EASTMONT@TOGETHER.NET](mailto:EASTMONT@TOGETHER.NET)

- If anyone wants back issues of the *Signpost*, ask Jean.



## CAMSCO - East Montpelier's First Cyberstore

Unknown to most citizens in town, an Internet milestone occurred last October. East Montpelier's own folk music store, CAMSCO, became the first business in town (or so it would seem from a quick look at the search engines) to launch a "shopping basket" presence on the World Wide Web.

Whoa! Wait a minute! What is CAMSCO? What is the World Wide Web? And what's a "shopping basket" if it is not the little metal basket on wheels I push around the grocery store? To answer these questions, I asked my friends, Wally Macnow and Berta Scott-Macnow, who founded CAMSCO. So what does CAMSCO mean? They said it was a puzzle that could be solved by looking at their names. (If you can't figure it out or hate puzzles, look for the answer at the end of the article). CAMSCO sells compact discs, audio cassettes, and books of traditional folk music. The business began shortly after they had moved to East Montpelier in 1995. For those who attended the Variety Show at Rally Day that year, you may remember that they led the audience in singing some very funny songs.

Their business is different from most in that there is no storefront, no shingle hung by the door, and no set operating hours. How does it work? CAMSCO is a cyberbusiness that operates 24 hours a day on the World Wide Web (WWW). The WWW is a large complex of sites on the Internet that are characterized by user-friendly graphics, forms, and text. "Hypertext links", which appear as buttons or colored text on the computer screen allow one to go to other parts of a particular Web site or to "travel" to a site on the other side of the world, hence the name "World Wide Web". A "shopping basket" is set up so that visitors can order CD's or tapes and the computer will keep track of each purchase, shipping cost, sales tax, etc. and generate an invoice for the customer and an e-mail order for the store owner.

Sensing the opportunity for an informative chat and some good humor, I interviewed Wally and Berta about their business

and their love for traditional folk music, music that is usually oral tradition and that moves from generation to generation and from person to person. The idea for the business came in May of 1995, just before the move to East Montpelier. As folksingers them-selves, they knew that many of the records sold by their friends at concerts were unavailable in most stores and catalogs. Poor distribution meant that few people would be able to enjoy this wonderful music. CAMSCO would fill the gap, offering distribution to the artists, titles previously unavailable to the public, and for themselves, a niche for a home business.

Wally and Berta moved to East Montpelier in June 1995 and started the business a couple of months later in August. With only 40 titles in 1995, they now offer nearly 500, including some hard-to-find titles that they import from England and Ireland. While CAMSCO's competitors may offer more titles, none have the breadth of choice of labels and performers of English language folk music that CAMSCO has. Its emphasis on traditional folk music also sets it apart from other companies.

I asked Wally how he became interested in music. He said that as a boy growing up in New York in the 40's and 50's, he was exposed to American and English folk music, remembering in particular Tom Glazer, Richard Dyer-Bennett and Burl Ives. When he went to Hunter College (now Lehman College) in the Bronx, he joined the folk music club. He sang and played the guitar mostly with friends with occasional appearances in coffeehouses, on the radio, and at folk festivals, while holding various daytime jobs.

Berta grew up in Baltimore, Maryland, and heard folksingers who used to come to Quaker conferences. She contra danced in Junior High and High School and later did Morris dancing. She met Wally at a contra dance in Baltimore in 1978 and four years later they were married. She is a registered nurse, RNC (Certified for Inpatient Obstetrics) working at the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center Birthing Pavilion. She has worked in labor and delivery since 1978. Now she is playing a critical role in helping to deliver a home business as her job has been important in providing startup and working capital that all beginning businesses need to have. She said that her Vermont roots played an important role in their moving to Vermont. Her great-grandfather was a Congregational minister in Springfield, Vermont, and as a child she heard many wonderful things about Vermont.

Wally concluded that their cyberbusiness was similar to other start-up businesses in one respect - they require a lot of energy and work. He needs to work seven days a week and from 5-16 hours a day in order to keep the information on the page current, (continued on page 6)



## COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDER

Selectboard	2nd & 4th Wednesday	7:15 Town Office
Planning Commission	1st & 3rd Thursday	7:00 Town Office
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2nd & 4th Monday	7:30 Town Office
Conservation Fund Advisory Comm.	2nd Thursday	7:30 Town Office
Volunteer Fire Department	Every Tuesday	7:00 Fire Station, Templeton Rd
U-32 School Board	1st & 3rd Tuesday	6:30 U-32 High School
Elementary School Board	1st Thursday	6:30 Elementary School
Recreation Board	3rd Monday	7:00 Town Office
Town Clerk's Office Hours	Mon-Thur: 9-5, Friday 9-12	Town Office
Zoning Administrator	Tuesday & Thursday	1-2:30 Town Office
Four Corners Schoolhouse Assn.	3rd Wednesday	7:30 Four Corners Schoolhouse

Meeting times are subject to change.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, January 22, 1998 - 5 P.M.	Last day to file petitions with the town clerk, signed by at least 5% of voters, for articles to appear on the warning.
Monday, January 26, 1998, - 5 P.M.	Deadline for filing nominating petitions with the town clerk for town offices to be filled by Australian Ballot.
Saturday, February 21, 1998.	Deadline for voter registration. Town clerk's office will be open from 10 A.M. until noon for receiving voter registration applications. Applications are available at the office.

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