

EAST MONTPELIER SIGNPOST

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RALLY DAY!

Declaring that Rally Day "is a time when each of our citizens can pause to appreciate the values of small town living, touch again the lives of our neighbors, and glory in our town's natural surroundings," East Montpelier Selectmen have proclaimed **September 8** as Rally Day and urge everyone to participate in the day's activities.

Organized by the Community Activities Committee of the Planning Commission, the day's program will include several of last year's successful features as well as new attractions.

There will be softball games and "new games" at the Elementary School, which will also serve as headquarters for the day. A craft and hobby show where East Montpelier citizens can exhibit their skills and interests will occupy the gym. Those wishing to participate in the show should call Sylvia Tosi (223-3240 (h) or 223-3313 (w)) or Jennifer Boyer (223-8926).

The popular afternoon bus ride around town will be repeated focussing on historic buildings and homes and include a stop at the Old Meeting Meeting House in the Center with refreshments available. The tour is \$3, payable in advance. Call Anne Sherman (223-2693) to reserve your place on the bus.

A special feature will be the dedication of the Town Forest, with hikes through the forest. Tours of several farms will be offered as well as a number of hikes in different parts of the town. A "wheel show" is also planned with historic vehicles.

The day's activities will conclude with a baked bean supper at the Old Brick Church at 5:30 (reservations should be made with Shirley Wright, 223-5705, \$5 adults, \$2.50 children) and a variety show at the elementary school at 7:30 in the East Montpelier tradition of local fun and entertainment. You are all cordially invited to join in the activities.



NEWSPAPER DEBUTS

The concept of "community" comes up a lot in talking about East Montpelier. The sense of working together, of caring for each other and for the town, seems to be in the soil and the blood of this town. Perhaps then, it's no surprise that a group of residents decided to create a newspaper to foster "community-ism" and to keep people in touch with what's going on in town.

The *SIGNPOST* committee has met since spring to lay the groundwork for a paper that will report town government meetings and local events, and provide features on people and businesses. It will be mailed to every household in town, with subscriptions for out-of-town readers at \$8 a year. And oh yes,...we hope it will be fun to read!

The *SIGNPOST* welcomes community help: for reporting, writing, ideas, and money. We need your suggestions and words of encouragement! We will depend on individual contributions for operating expenses, though some advertising may be added later. We encourage your financial support. Call and ask how you can help!

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THE TOWN WEATHERVANE

Agriculture and Open Space Retention Committee

Chair: Bruce Chapell

For the past 2 1/2 years, members have hammered together, pulled apart, and rehammered an Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA) document with definitions and point value system for rating the agricultural land in town, and the agricultural portion for the Town Plan.

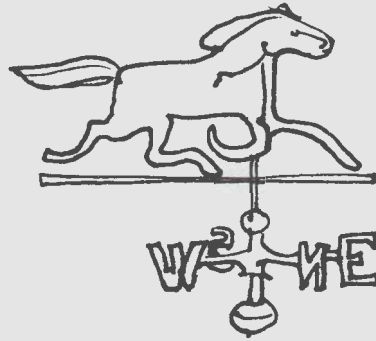
Michaela Stickney, a UVM graduate student, has been working with the committee, keeping it focused on the task. Now, with the LESA system in hand, she has been rating farmland parcels in town. She and Paul Cate prepared maps showing all the agricultural land in town, whether it is leased or owned by a farmer and whether it is cropped, pastured or is sugar-bush. The maps are eye-opening ways of looking at the town, for it becomes readily apparent that East Montpelier has much open farmland still remaining. Michaela also reports that the East Montpelier LESA is the most workable one yet developed by a Vermont community.

The Committee welcomes anyone to join their meetings. See Calendar for time and place.

Commercial and Industrial Development Committee

Chair: Peter Wells

The committee welcomes Peter Wells as its new chairperson. We are currently contacting local business people to find out their visions about the future and direction of development in town. We seek new ideas and energy from other residents as well. If you are interested in participating, contact the Town Clerk's office.



Housing Committee

Chair: Stuart Friedman

Initially formed in response to issues raised at the Town Forum in February 1988, the Housing Committee has been active in two major areas.

We learned about the problems and opportunities present in assuring the availability of housing at all price levels. We concluded that there was a growing gap between median housing costs and median family income. This makes decent housing unaffordable for a growing number of young families. Helping to bridge that gap are a number of state programs that subsidize the initial cost in return for a commitment of permanent affordability.

Members of the Committee have provided technical assistance and advice as various opportunities have presented themselves. This resource will be available to town officials and landowners. And in spite of the recent softening in local housing prices, there is no evidence that the shortage of affordable housing will end.

Community Activities Committee

Chair: Jean Cate

Since Spring of 1988 this committee of 8 to 10 very active members has met to carry out the Planning

Commission's assignment: to research nine areas which might be in the new Town Plan. Topics included Trails, Wetlands, Natural Areas, Scenic Resources, Recreation, Citizen Resources, Neighborliness, Community Participation, and Religion.

The committee also wished to live up to its name by fostering community activities which would be fun for everyone and would encourage community spirit. Rally Day last September was just such an event. It was designed to show off some of East Montpelier's special places, people and activities, and was judged a success although it was nearly wiped out by a tornado. This September 8 we will hold our second annual Rally Day. We hope that towns-folks will all come and have fun!

Conservation Fund Advisory Committee

Chair: Richard Angney

The Committee appreciates the support of the townspeople with the addition of \$10,000 voted for the fund on town meeting day, bringing the total fund balance to \$50,000. Since that time we have received our first private donation.

The committee meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 at the town office building. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Current members are: Richard Angney, chair; Edie Miller, vice-chair; Dennis Carver; Sue Chickering, secretary; and Charles Johnson.

We are reviewing our first request for funding which involves a 25 acre wetland area. Other sources of funding for the preservation of this unique area are being looked into to leverage conservation fund dollars.

The Blackboard
Elementary School
Principal: *Laura Johnson*

School will open Wednesday, Aug. 29th for grades 1-6. Screening for Kindergarten will be held Aug. 29-31st, with the first regular school day on Tuesday Sept. 4.

“Kidwatch,” a childcare program for schoolage children, will open this fall at the elementary school. Children may arrive after 6:45 a.m. and may stay until 5:45 p.m. The daycare will operate daily including all school holidays but will close for summer vacation. Rates are \$2.00 per hour with financial assistance available for qualifying families. The program is being designed as a model program for other schools by Emily Shedeker and Lisa Aubrey. Call Emily at 229-0965 for information and registration.

The school breakfast program was implemented this past year, meeting the needs of 22 to 30 students per day. Margurite Hurlburt was the organizer and cook. For 85 cents, children enjoyed eating fruit, bagels with cream cheese or peanut butter, pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, cereal and toast, or blueberry muffins. Seconds are always available! The price will remain the same for this year.

The school lunch program will be managed by Audrey Lafirira and Margurite Hurlburt this year. The hot lunch price will be raised to \$1.25 due to increased food and labor costs, and to make the program self-supporting.

After reviewing the results of a school climate survey, the School Climate Committee made a number of observations and recommendations. Seventeen staff members and 91 parents returned the survey. While there is no problem of drug or alcohol abuse in the school, each teacher will teach one drug and alcohol unit

during the year. More information will be available during the fall Open House.

To dispel stereotypes regarding sex, race, religion or national origin, the school will encourage multi-cultural events during the school year. Possibilities include LEAP courses like French, inviting visitors from different countries, Interfolk, and studies of other cultures.

Nearly half of the parents felt that there was a need for childcare services to be provided by the school. A few parents saw the need for improved fairness and consistency in the school discipline policy. Although teachers have their own ways of handling problems and different situations or different students require different approaches, teachers' expectations of student behavior are very much alike. The greatest area of concern is for non-classroom behavior, for which guidelines will be developed in August.

Four Corners Schoolhouse Association

During the past several months the Board of Directors of the Four Corners Schoolhouse Association has been busy gathering information, editing, and submitting narratives and applications for grants to obtain money for the major renovations needed for frequent and continuous use of the building. To date we have not received a grant, but still have some applications in progress.

Our first priority has been to comply with the State Fire Marshall's safety orders pertaining to the furnace, electrical work, exit work, and signs. The donations from townspeople this spring are being used for this work. Our second priority is a potable water system, which cannot be worked

on until we obtain grant monies or some large donations from local businesses and townspeople.

Paul Cate of the Town Forest Committee recently planted an elm tree from the New Hampshire Research Institute on the lawn near the flagpole, as part of a program to replace elm trees in town. We plan to have the building open on Rally Day in September and hope to have a special event on that date.



Board of Selectmen

Peter Hill, Allan Couch, Austin Cleaves

JUNE 27:

- * Voted to hire an assistant for Richard Czaplinski, Town Sewage Officer;
- * Approved a proclamation declaring September 8 as Town Rally Day and urging all town residents to attend;
- * Signed the contract for paving a section of the County Road;
- * Completed financing arrangements on the new grader with the Vermont National Bank.
- * Hired a VSAC student to paint and do other upkeep this summer.

JULY 10:

- * Welcomed a proposal for a mural on the Bicentennial for the elementary school; referred to the Bicentennial Committee.
- * Ann Danforth expressed thanks to the town for cleaning out a culvert near her home that beavers had plugged. Selectmen suggested an electrically operated device set near the culvert entrance might stop future building.
- * Accepted some valuable historic documents connected to the town from a Montpelier resident.
- * Established new tax rate of \$2.02, down from last year's \$2.09 due to approximately \$2 million increase in the Grand List.

Planning Commission

Chair: Johanna DeMartino

JUNE 21:

- * Scheduled meeting to hear plans of both the Solid Waste District and the C.V. Landfill, inviting selectmen and the public.
- * Met with Planning Commission from surrounding towns to discuss mutual concerns.
- * Received a report from Michaela Stickney and Diane Abendroth on the Land Evaluation and Site Assessment project, including maps on the Otto property now being offered for sale.

JULY 5:

- * Approved the site plan for the Donald Cote 15-lot subdivision proposal on Route 2, with conditions which included a bank letter of credit to guarantee rehabilitation of any land from which topsoil is taken.
- * Continued work on the various sections of the town's new Plan.

Bicentennial Committee

Over the past year the Montpelier/East Montpelier Bicentennial Steering Committee has been organizing for the big year-1991. Our representatives are Helen Allen, Phyllis Duso, Gladys Dunkling, Ellen Hill, Charlotte Karr, and Florence Young. June 1991 has been designated for East Montpelier's commemoration of Vermont's entry into the U.S.A. as the 14th state.

There will be an open meeting on September 16th at 7:30 p.m. in the Center Community Hall for anyone interested in helping East Montpelier celebrate an important year! Let's brainstorm!

Thank you, L. Brown and Sons Printing Company for donating the printing for this issue of the SIGNPOST!

ART EXHIBIT AT FOUR CORNERS SCHOOL

The Four Corners Schoolhouse Association presented its second annual exhibition of Art and Crafts July 7th & 8th. Over 100 enthusiastic viewers were treated to the pictures and sculptures of many talented local artists.

Ray Brown, Vice President, chaired the show, and Clerk Marion Codling managed the refreshment table, with the assistance of Board members. Over \$75 was added to the Association funds from refreshments and donations. A special thanks goes to Marion Codling whose tireless commitment to community service is an inspiration to us all!

The following artists participated: *Mary Cydear, Kevin Gough, Foster Sperry, Cherie Langer, Nona Estrin, Sharon Shatney, Patty Crossman-Babic, Frieda Battles, Marilyn Piro, Heidemarie Heiss Holmes, Katie Langer, Suzanne Rexford Winston, Ruth Pope, Strown Brubbs, Carolyn Shapiro, Jody Wilson Brown, Ray Brown, William Rollins, Evelyn Springstead, Jennifer Boyer, Delia Robinson.*



LET'S MEET AT...

Need to schedule a meeting?
There are a number of available spots in town!
Municipal Building: Sylvia Tosi, Town Clerk, 223-3313
Elementary School: 223-7936 to reserve a room or the gym
U-32: 229-0321 to reserve a room
Four Corners School: Kathy McGinley, 229-4740
Old Brick Church: Don Atkins, 223-7527
Old Meeting House/Community Hall: Janice Waterman, 223-5826.



TOWN FOREST TO BE DEDICATED

A very special event will take place as a part of the 1990 Rally Day celebration when the East Montpelier Town Forest will be dedicated to the original Town Forest Committee and in memory of George Allen. In the early 1960's the town recognized the value of setting aside forestland as an investment in the future and started purchasing tracts to form the forest we know today. The first Town Forest Committee set an example of conservation which continues still.

At 10:30 a.m. on September 8th a brief dedication ceremony will take place at the Town Forest on Haggett Road. Afterwards some of the older residents will share reminiscences of how the land was used before it became the Town Forest. Several easy walks are planned to explore the tract. Plan to bring a picnic lunch and eat together.

The event is a wonderful way for townspeople to get acquainted with this rather unknown resource. It can be found by turning onto Haggett Road either from the County Road or in Adamant.

The Town Forest Committee:
Janet MacLeod, Harry Morse, Steve Sinclair, Bradford Lane, Earle Ellingwood, and Paul Cate.

NEXT ISSUE

News for the November/December issue should be submitted by October 1 to Janice Waterman: RR1 Box 4330, Montpelier 05602, 223-5826.

CHURCH CHIMES

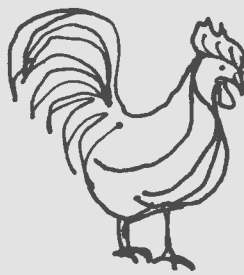
A series of forums were held this spring by the two churches in East Montpelier, discussing people's experiences on a variety of subjects. The Spiritual Life Committee also assisted the Planning Commission in hosting forums in July and August on the town plan.

Planned for this fall are forums on the topic of "What roles do schools fill in our children's lives?" The first will be held on September 30, at the Old Meeting House and the second on October 21 at the Old Brick Church. Child care is available.

The Missions Committee, which has three members from each church, decided this spring that the churches would become a "Partner in Service" with the Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services, a pilot project for Vermont. They have become a support network for a local social worker, filling individual needs of the young people with whom she works. The congregations also frequently give both food and money to the North Montpelier Food Shelf.

In the past one or both churches were closed for years except for occasional services. In 1966, the congregations became yoked by agreement to share the support of a pastor and became a federation of United Church of Christ, Baptist, United Methodist, and Universalist members. Rev. Hamilton Coe Throckmorton has been serving the parish since September 1987.

Services are held at 9:30 a.m. at the Old Meeting House and at 11:00 a.m. at the Old Brick Church. Sunday School is held during the services. All are welcome.



MOOSELIPS

GEESE POLICE: Poultry has proved an effective traffic speed control on Center and Dodge Roads. The Saudeks and the Palmers find the method successful...maybe it will catch on!

SPARE PARTS NEEDED: Boys and girls, 10-11, smart, likeable, science types, seek cows, pigs, other animals, any age, w/ sense of humor, willing to part with hearts, lungs, eyes, intestines for science projects. Call Linda Royce at the Elementary School, 223-7936.

RILEYS RETURN: John, Rose, Jason and Joshua Riley are back in their home after the January fire which gutted their house.

VCR TAPE: on estate planning and land conservation available at Town Clerk's Office for town residents to borrow.

MOOSE SIGHTINGS: Mildred Heller and Anne Sherman have seen moose traveling East Montpelier's fields this summer. Have you?

CONTEST WINNERS: Mrs. Gannon's fourth grade class entered the Vermont Energy Calendar contest last spring. Tommy Syvertsen's entry was chosen as one of twelve pictures that will appear on the 1991 energy calendar. Allison Goyette received an honorable mention and a certificate. Tommy received a certificate and a backpack, and will be recognized by Governor Kunin at a reception in the fall.

It is with regret that we note the recent deaths of Carroll Badger, Lorraine Parker and Diane Ribolini.

CONTRIBUTORS

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VOTING IS EASY

To vote in the primary election on September 11 or the general election November 6, you must register in advance unless you are already "on the checklist". You can register at the Town Clerk's Office, Monday-Thursday 9-5, and Fridays 9-12. Also, the Town Clerk's Office will be open 10-12 on Saturday, Aug. 25 and Oct. 20, to allow last-minute new voters to register. You may also request an application by mail from the Town Clerk at 223-3313. To register, you must be a U.S. citizen; be an East Montpelier resident; be 18 years old by election day; and take the Freeman's Oath. ELECTIONS ARE HELD FROM 10:00-7:00 AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

GREEN MOUNTAINS ATTRACT BROWNS

When Larry Brown followed his bliss to Vermont, he didn't know he'd be operating a family-owned business on a hilltop in East Montpelier, but that's exactly what he does. Sitting in his small office surrounded by paper products and filled with the sounds of printing machines from the adjoining shop, Brown muses over how he got to this point in his life.

"It's simple. Vermont was attractive to my wife, Diane, and to me. We liked the atmosphere. So, after thinking about it for a time, in 1980 we decided to pack up our family and move here.

Brown had been interested in printing ever since high school when he studied graphics. After high school, he worked at a major printing company in his home town just outside of Worcester, Mass. He was still working in the printing business when the family decided to move to Vermont. But the move was going to signal a change in career for him and when Brown crossed the border to Vermont, he was planning to leave the printing business behind. A twist of fate changed those plans.

Brown was set to work for the Christian Record Braille Foundation, a job that would have him travelling around the state. But the person who had offered him the position was tragically killed in an auto accident. The district he would have taken over was divided and suddenly, there was no job. He went back to printing, working for the Leahy Press as pressroom and bindery supervisor. He was there for eight years until he left in 1988 to start his family business.

"We're sitting in what was formerly a horse and cow barn," Brown says of his print shop and office. "We bought the property eight years ago from Harold MacLeod. After five years we converted the barn to a small print shop and thought we might like to have a family business."



The Brown family and printshop.

All the family members work in the business. Diane is the bookkeeper and receptionist; older son Bob is the plant manager; younger son Jim is sales manager and is responsible for the computer system; daughter Carol helps out in the bindery. L. Brown and Sons also has five full-time and six part-time employees, a mix of men and women from Plainfield, Montpelier, East Montpelier and Williamstown.

He also likes working close to home, "Working with the family is rewarding," he says, "and we not only work together, we play together. And," he adds with a smile, "having a business on your own property means you have no snow days. There's no inconvenience."

Brown likes being in business for other reasons too. He's proud of what he calls his basic philosophy of treating people fairly and honestly. "Being in business is a challenge," he says, "I like to meet people and offer service and quality at a reasonable price. I like to feel that I charge people according to how I'd like to be charged. I like to base my prices on a fair profit margin and good savings and not on what the market will bear."

He is proud, too, of the family business's growing reputation as a service-oriented quality printer. "We try to make all our customers feel they're important to our business--because they are," Brown says, as he notes that he'd rather have 20 small business accounts than one large one. But he also emphasizes that the company is a full-service commercial printer and has everything from layout, design, typesetting, and full-bindery service to the latest in four- and five-color capability. "We've done work for the government," he notes and points with pride to the *Pathways to Prosperity* report, a job Brown's company won in bidding competition with 11 other printers.

Brown is a leader in the area in using recycled materials. The company encourages its customers to use recycled stock, and the company itself recycles paper waste, silver, film, and any used chemical products that can be recycled.

He takes pride in being a part of East Montpelier and wants to be involved in community projects and services, "Of course," he says, "East Montpelier residents may not know it, but they are already familiar with our work. We printed the Town Report for the past two years."

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JOHN HOLDEN: 90 YEARS ON THE GO

Not too many people can celebrate their 90th birthday with the enthusiasm for life that John Holden has, nor spend the previous summer acting in *The Devil is a Woman*, although he admits, "I can't commit lines the way I used to." He didn't start acting until he retired, but the roots go back to high school with a drama teacher who wrote plays and knew the New York theater. Later, in Bennington after college, he got involved in "play readings," where a group of people would get together for an evening of reading parts of whatever play was chosen. John has since been a frequent performer on stage in central Vermont.



John and Polly Holden

But that was after he retired. Before retirement, he had a long career as an educator, beginning with teaching one year in Maple Corner in 1931 and then the Morse School on County Road for three or four years. He moved quite a bit, to school superintendent in Danville, on the faculty at Middlebury College, and as Coordinator of Field Services at Geneseo (New York) State College, before finally returning to Vermont in 1949 to become the Commissioner of Education for the State, from which he retired in 1965.

John first got involved in the state's education process after his return from a travelling fellowship in Germany and Austria in 1930. When reminded that that must have been an exciting and perhaps scary time to be travelling in those two countries, he said he was "politically naive" and unaware of the political upheaval other than there were "Blacks," "Reds," "Greens," and "Blues." He was looking for the process and the atmosphere in one-room schools found in those countries, in light of the condemnation that the one-room school was suffering in Vermont. Returning in 1931, he worked for the Vermont Commission on Country Life, a group of committees which researched every aspect of living in Vermont, from schools to handicapped people to tourists, and which published *Rural Vermont: A Program for the Future*, by Two Hundred Vermonters. His experience in travelling all over the state laid the groundwork for his later support for local control of the education process.

In his stint as Commissioner, he was President of the Council of Chief State School Officers during the time when Krushchev allowed a slight thaw in American-Soviet relations. Under a cultural exchange agreement, he was one of a delegation of educators who visited Russia in 1957. "If I were 25 years younger," John thought at the time, "I would want to study Russian and get into this business."

John's experience in the '20's as a member of the Appalachian Mountain Club's first climbing expedition to Europe was memorable. With three other men and four women, he climbed Mount Blanc, the Aiguilles and other high peaks. One of the women was Miriam O'Brien (Underhill), who pioneered women's Alpine climbing. "Mountain climbing helped develop a certain kind of perspective," he said, "from surveying the landscape from the tops of mountains. Tall mountains, that is, not the mountains in Hot Springs, Arkansas."

Hot Springs has been the winter location of John and his wife Polly for the last several years. "A couple of little mountains," he said, "no more than an hour to climb." But he's continued teaching, leading a course called "Our Grandchildren's Earth." In the early '70's he taught "Man and Nature in Vermont History" at Johnson State College. In thinking out the course, he was spurred on by Aldo Leopold's *Sand County Almanac*, and helped by Stillwell's *Migration From Vermont*, and Wilson's *Hill Country of Northern New England*. "It glared at me," he said, "that nobody in history thought about the environment at all!"

He worked strenuously during the '70's supporting environmental actions by serving on the Board of Directors of the Vermont Natural Resources Council and chairing the District 5 Environmental Commission in its early days. With major development activity happening in the Mad River Valley and Stowe, he found it "interesting and frustrating," he said, "because even when you hated to see a development happen, if they played by the rules, they had to be approved." He also served on the boards of the Barre Opera House, Adamant Coop, and the Judicial Conduct Board.

Polly and John celebrate 57 years of marriage this summer. Each takes opportunities to pursue their mutual and their individual interests. "Polly opened my eyes to a great deal," he admitted, probably helped by their four children, Martha, Sally, Bonnie and Spike. Their home on the Templeton Road is a classic gray Cape purchased with one acre of land for \$500 in the early '30's. The front yard maples were set out by John many years ago.

What is always striking about John is that his joy in life shines. He has liked what he has done, and he looks forward to the next book to read, the next class to teach, and the next small mountain to climb.

Cherie Langer

COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR

Selectmen	2nd & 4th Wednesday	7:00 Municipal Building
Planning Commission	1st, 3rd, 4th Thursday	7:30 "
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2nd & 4th Monday	7:30 "
Conservation Fund Advisory Comm.	3rd Tuesday	7:00 "
Agland and Open Space	1st Tuesday	7:30 "
Commercial/Industrial Development	No regularly scheduled meetings	Call Peter Wells
Volunteer Fire Department	Every Tuesday	7:00 Fire Station, Templeton Rd.
Affordable Housing	No regularly scheduled meetings	Call Stuart Friedman
Community Activities	No regularly scheduled meetings	Call Jean Cate
U-32 School Board	2nd & 4th Tuesday	7:30 U-32
Elementary School Board	1st Thursday	7:30 Elementary School

Meeting times are subject to change

EVENTS CALENDAR

School Begins, grades 1-12	August 29, Wednesday	
Kindergarten begins	September 4, Tuesday	
Landfill Public Hearing	September 4, Tuesday	7:30 Elementary School
Town Rally Day	September 8, Saturday	8:30 Elementary School
Games, Crafts & Hobbies		8:30 Elementary School
Town Forest Dedication		10:30 Haggett Road
Bus Tour		1:00 Elementary School
Baked Bean Supper		5:30 Old Brick Church
Variety Show		7:30 Elementary School
Rally Day Rain Date	September 9, Sunday	
Primary Election Day- Vote!	September 11, Tuesday	10:00-7:00 Elementary School
Bicentennial Committee-Open Meeting	September 16, Sunday	7:30 Community Hall, Center Rd.
Fall Fair	September 22, Saturday	9:00-3:00 Old Meeting House
Chicken Pie Dinner	September 22, Saturday	12:00, Old Meeting House, 223-5175
Deadline for SIGNPOST news:	October 1, Monday	See Box on Page 4
Chicken Pie Supper	October 6, Saturday	5:30 Old Brick Church, 223-5105
Voter Registration Deadline	October 20, Saturday	10:00-12:00 Town Clerk's Office
Election Day - Vote!	November 6, Tuesday	10:00-7:00 Elementary School
Fall Fair and Luncheon	November 12, Monday	9:00-3:00 Old Brick Church

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