

EAST MONTPELIER SIGNPOST

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THE MESSIERS: WHEN YOU WANT TO MOVE THE WHOLE HOUSE

There's one East Montpelier business that may be better known outside our town than within it. Whenever homeowners in Vermont and parts of New Hampshire and New York State need to have a house moved from one location to another they are likely to call on the Messier House Moving firm located on Route 14, between Barre and East Montpelier Village. Norman Messier and his wife Carla take a good deal of pride in the reputation their company has achieved for efficiency and know-how. They are proud, too, of the history of their industry. In the words of the international trade organization they are affiliated with, the house moving business is the "oldest and largest recycling industry in the world."

Norman is mild-mannered and soft-spoken, a bearing that sharply contrasts with the heavy equipment and massive weights he deals with daily. Listening to him discuss the many and varied aspects of his business, one begins to appreciate the intelligence and the wide range of abilities and aptitudes required for success. Like his father who started the business and whom he describes as creative and an inventor, Norman is not happy unless he is improving or modifying some piece of machinery in order to save backbreaking labor and achieve greater efficiency.

One of seven children born to Joseph and Edna Messier of East Montpelier, Norman grew up with the business in his blood. He recalls visiting the job site at age five as his father was preparing to move a house. In his teens he was working with his father, and, following his father's death in

1974, he took over the business at age 22. With modern equipment and new technology, he and his four to six employees can now do in two days what may have taken his father a month.

The technical side of the house moving business is awesome. Many times have I passed the shop on Route 14 and wondered what mysteries went on inside. Not until my tour of the shop had I ever seen such power and might concentrated in one place. Like hibernating dinosaurs, a crane truck and a powerful bulldozer sat awaiting the spring thaw. Other weird-looking objects were scattered about: moving dollies, air compressors, and hydraulic jacking systems no bigger than a suitcase yet capable of lifting 25 tons. I was shown a conventional moving dolly (it's the wheeled object that goes under the frame of a house to be moved), and for contrast, an improved dolly that Norman, the inventor, was building in the shop at a savings of 25% from the market price. The total cost of the equipment on hand (not to mention the cost of renting equipment as needed) exceeds half a million.

How much business is out there? In good times Norman will move sixty houses a year, bidding on as many as two hundred jobs. The current recession has brought a slow-down in jobs with the result that not much capital is



Two views of "The Big Job"

available to plow back into the business. This could mean that instead of buying a new truck to replace the aging one, a used truck (still costing \$40,000) may have to be purchased. But there are trade-offs; a local machine business is kept healthy by the work they do for Messier House Moving.

The largest job the Messiers have done was a mansion that weighed 300 tons, was 65 feet wide and 100 feet long. The most interesting job was the Colby-Sawyer College library complex, assembled from two pre-Civil War barns that had to be moved across the campus. All moving jobs, regardless of size, require much preparation. Permits must be obtained from each town through which the move is to take place. Bridges have legal requirements that determine the number of dollies to be used. Damage to the building being moved can be minimized by using 8-ton beams with heavier load bearing capacity, a factor in beating out the competition.

Carla and Norman now live on Richardson Road in Barre Town with their sons Norman Lee, eleven, and Jason, ten. They still own a home in East Montpelier on Route 2, to which they may return when the children are older. Norman's mother, Edna, occupies the family homestead next to the shop. Family and work pretty much define the scope of the Messiers' life. Leisure? "Well," recalls Norman, "there was a three-week elk-hunting vacation a couple of years ago." Perhaps there's challenge enough in work when you're constantly trying to figure out how to move heaven and earth, and to do it at a price that will beat the competition.

Alban Richey

Alban Richey is retired and lives in North Montpelier. He frequently sings tenor with the Vermont Opera Theatre and the Barre Choralceers.



Carla and Norman Messier

FROM THE TOP OF THE SIGNPOST

Today is the last of March. When you read this, no doubt you will have completely forgotten the thick pea soup of our March roads and how your car lurched from side to side through the stew. But today is March 31, and after my exciting trip through the mud, I reflected on how fickle we human beings are. Today I want firm dependable roads to travel on, but tomorrow I'll protest with vigor any suggestion that my roads be paved.

That's the way we are, isn't it? We all have our reasons for choosing to live in the country. I look around and see some of mine. Strapping on snowshoes outside my back door for a quick hike across the field, filling my windowsills with seedlings to go outdoors in May, indeed the gardens themselves where I'll spend much of my summer - these are a few of the joys I wouldn't trade for all of the city's advantages.

These are the treasures I keep in mind on Town Meeting Day. Why then? Because that is the day out of the whole year when we are most conscious of what it takes to keep a small town a good place to live. Then more than any other time we realize how each of us must share the work of running the town, as officers, volunteers, and active participants. With the delights of rural living come responsibilities. We pay our dues.

So instead of complaining about the mud of March I'll stop and appreciate the trade-offs. Then I'll give the road crew a pat on the back!

Jean Cate



ARE YOU READY TO GET OUT AND GREEN UP?

Green Up Day is upon us and May 1 is the time to get out and spruce up the neighboring roadsides.

The Central Vermont Solid Waste District will be accepting old tires and all metal goods (including appliances) on Saturday, May 1, from 9:00 to 2:00. East Montpelier residents can bring these items to the C.V. Landfill on Route 2. There are fees from \$1 to \$5 depending on the size of tire, \$1 for an appliance or metal item, and \$3 for refrigerators and freezers.

The District is also accepting empty burn barrels at no charge at the C.V. Landfill on May 1. If you have questions, call 229-1350. You can also call Sylvia Tosi at the Town Clerk's office, 223-3313.

JUST A REMINDER

We haven't mentioned advertising in the *Signpost* in the past year for the wonderful reason that we've had sufficient funds to print each issue, thanks to everyone who contributed to the auction at Rally Day.

We'd just like to remind townfolk that we would be more than happy to run your small advertisement. The rates are listed on the back cover.

SPRING

How many of you wondered how all that snow dumped on us in March would ever melt by mid-April? It was indeed difficult to imagine, but when a few robins showed up on the last Saturday in March, we knew that the spring tide would not be frozen out, just a little late. The redwing blackbirds didn't hurry either, but their calls finally echoed up the hillside. The killdeer's loud whistle and stiff-winged flights over the corn stubble were the next harbinger.

Then came the rain that brought the green back to the grass -- you know, that brown grass that just emerged from the melting snow. Then it rained. Suddenly the lawns glowed emerald in the slanting rays of light.

Do you listen for the spring peepers as eagerly as we? These nights haven't been warm enough for those first trills, but hopefully by the time you read this, they will be making the night sing.

If only we could hold, say, the middle of May for a month of days, when the shadbush is out and the leaves just opening and the birds are in their finest voice. Then, maybe, we would finally have enough spring.



CHURCH CHIMES

*Old Brick Church
Old Meeting House*

The joint Spiritual Life Committee sponsored a forum on Liberia with former Peace Corps volunteers Alan and Barbara Ploof and Rob and Renee DeGeus describing the country and their experiences.

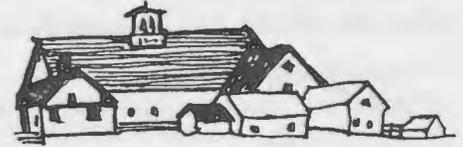
Rev. John Nutting of Waterbury and the Vermont Conference of the United Church of Christ was guest minister at the Palm Sunday services.

A particularly thought-provoking sermon of Rev. Throckmorton's discussed instances of violence against women from Old Testament times to today. It was followed by an evening where people shared personal experiences and reactions. Another meeting will be held on May 5th at the Old Brick Church at 7:30.

The Strawberry Festival at the OBC will be held on Thursday, July 1, at 5:30. The last two years there haven't been enough local strawberries ready to pick by the last Thursday in June so it's been moved to a later date.

We've been asked to include an announcement about our neighboring Adamant United Methodist Church:

A small church just over the town line in Calais off the Center Road, the Adamant United Methodist Church holds Sunday morning worship at 9:15 led by Rev. Barbara Lemmel, with a Sunday School held during worship.



HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS GRANT

The Preservation Trust of Vermont announced that a matching grant of \$6773 was awarded to replace the roof of the 1899 barn on Sibley Road. The grant was made by the Division for Historic Preservation.

One of the largest barns in town, the 1899 barn is truly a landmark and is located on the farm owned and operated by Jeff and Bonnie Sibley and George Sibley (George was profiled in our January/ February 1992 issue).

TOWN MEETING ELECTION RESULTS

Moderator	.....	Martin Miller
Selectman	.....	Allan Couch
Lister	.....	Rosendo Cueto
Auditor (3 years)	...	Anne Sherman
Auditor (2 years)	....	Holly Edwards
Trustee of Public Funds	.....	Richard Angney
Town Law Agent	.....	Peter Hill
Town Grand Juror	...	Don Donnelly
First Constable	.....	Dennis Carver
Second Constable	.....	Arthur Montague
Cemetery Commissioner	.....	George Fitch
Planning Commission	.....	(3 years)
		Richard Ormsbee
		Richard Curtis, Jr.
		Richard Blanchard
Planning Commission	.....	(1 year)
		Frank Pratt
Elem. School Director	....	(3 years)
		James Hiner
Elem. School Director	....	(2 years)
		Janice Aldrich
U-32 School Director	.....	(3 years)
		Richard Angney
U-32 School Director	.....	(2 years)
		Philip Cookson



THE SELECT BOARD

Weston Cate, Allan Couch, Edie Miller

January 26, 1993

- * 1993 General Budget work session.

January 27, 1993

- * Continued work on General Budget.
- * Signed Warning for Town Meeting.
- * Wrote letter to area legislators protesting Legislature's decision that Agency of Transportation will no longer paint center lines on town highways.

* Received letter from lawyer representing Ross Hazel concerning property damage at Earth Construction gravel pit on Coburn Road.

* Received request from Norman Rice to post horse riding caution signs on Towne Hill Road at his stable. Decided to forward request to Agency of Transportation as road project is not complete.

February 10, 1993

- * Heard monthly report of road department from Mike Garand.
- * Approved revised draft of Winter Road Maintenance Policy.
- * Vehicle permits signed for S. T. Griswold, Anderson Supply, and A. G. Anderson.

* Read report from Sewage Officer Rich Czaplinski. He recommended decreasing application fee for replacement and mound systems. Board agrees to this. Mr. Czaplinski will host an information meeting for engineers, technicians, town officials and installers on March 31. Area towns will be invited.

February 24, 1993

- * Town Meeting preparations done.
- * Voted to enter in contract with C. V. Humane Society for one year.
- * Voted to make entire town eligible for the Forest Legacy Program, a federally funded program for voluntary sale of development rights on forest land to preserve forests.

March 10, 1993

- * Elected Weston Cate Chairman of Select Board.
- * Heard monthly road report. Agreed to purchase 500 yards additional road sand, agreed to prepare specifications for purchase of new dump truck, signed application for VAOT bridge & culvert program to replace two culverts on Center Road.
- * Discussion of resident request for town equipment assistance in opening up driveways. Voted to approve road crew assistance as time permits at rate of \$35 per hour.
- * Reviewed application of Roy and Joanne Bair and Roger and Genevieve Chapell to sell development rights on their two farms. Voted to spend \$4,000 from Conservation Fund toward purchase of these development rights contingent upon approval of Vermont Housing and Conservation Board as recommended by the Conservation Advisory Committee.

- * Regretfully accepted letter of resignation from Cy Ferris on Board of Adjustment.
- * Directed that letters of appreciation be sent to John Hall, John Riley and Douglas Kievit-Kylar for their valuable services on the Planning Commission.
- * Voted to approve the addition of the Town's radio frequency to Selectman Couch's portable radio which belongs to VAOT to aid in communication with the road crew.
- * Municipal Building has some damage caused by leaking roof.



PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair: Johanna DeMartino

January 7, 1993

- * Received application from Jeff Biron to sell new and used motor vehicles, boats, RVs and farm equipment at site of former Crossroads Body Shop and lot adjacent to Old Brick Church. Site plan needed before review process can begin.
- * Discussed proposal by C.V. Landfill to build a five-acre lined landfill. No action taken.

January 21, 1993

- * Approved final plat review for 5-lot subdivision for LaJack, Inc. on the former Blake & Loso lot.
- * Reviewed site plans for Jeff Biron application. Concerned about traffic flow. Asked Joe Landry, District Engineer for the Agency of Transportation, to review the site and plans to assess traffic problems.

February 4, 1993

- * Received letter of resignation from John Hall.

February 18, 1993

- * Heard traffic safety concerns of VAOT about Jeff Biron's application for car lot at intersection of Routes 2 and 14. Approved proposed site plan with several conditions.

March 4, 1993

- * Jeff Cueto, representing the BOA, discussed appropriate jurisdiction for deciding the matter of a variance from requested width of a right-of-way requested by Michael Czok. Claudia Bristow suggested that proper jurisdiction for the matter was with the BOA.

March 18, 1993

- * Recommended to Select Board that Stuart Friedman be town representative to Regional Planning Commission with Ed Blackwell as alternate. Also recommended Roger Chapell be reappointed as Zoning Administrator.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Chair: Jeff Cueto

February 8, 1993

* Continued discussion of Larry Brown's application.

February 23, 1993

* Continued Larry Brown application. Took testimony by applicant and general comments. Asked applicant for lighting plan and record of work that occurred on Sunday for the last six months. Recessed until March 8.

March 8, 1993

* Reopened Michael Czok hearing regarding right-of-way. Voted not to grant variance on a substandard right-of-way. Questioned as to why BOA has jurisdiction over this issue instead of Planning Commission. Recessed hearing until March 22 with Planning Commission representative present.

* Reopened Larry Brown hearing. Questions answered about hours of operation, signs, lighting. Voted to adjourn to deliberate and decide on application.

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE ASSOCIATION

President: Don Donnelly

The annual snowshoe hikes were held on February 20 with Clifton Wright leading the way. Refreshments were served in the schoolhouse after each hike.

The Select Board has appointed Edie Miller as their new representative on our Board of Directors for 1993.

There will be a nature walk on May 5 beginning at 9 a.m. Paul Cate will lead a hike through the beauties of spring (hopefully it will be here for good by then).

A two-day photography exhibit will be held on June 12 and 13. If you'd like to exhibit, give Don Donnelly a call at 223-8697.



HISTORY NIGHTS

This is an invitation to people with an interest in East Montpelier's past to meet for a series of History Nights. The first one will be on Wednesday, May 5, at 7:30 at the Four Corners Schoolhouse. The second one will be on June 2. To make the discussion more interesting, you might look up the first five chapters of our town history, *Across the Onion*. They cover the earliest years and will be the subject of the first meeting.

How much is covered that evening and where the next meeting will start depends on your interests. You are encouraged to bring your own stories and items of interest from those early days as well.

These History Nights came about after several townspeople got to talking about the "old days" and went to *Across the Onion* for some information. Paulie Coburn organized meetings and Ellen Hill, co-author of the book, agreed to act as resource person. Ellen says that they found lots more information about East Montpelier than there was space for in the book, so look for some new and interesting tidbits. So whether you're longtime residents or newer to town, join us on May 5 and June 2!

SCHOOL NEWS

The third grade's traditional operetta will be held on May 28 at the Elementary School.

You can pick up the plants ordered through the RIF program on May 21 at 6:30.

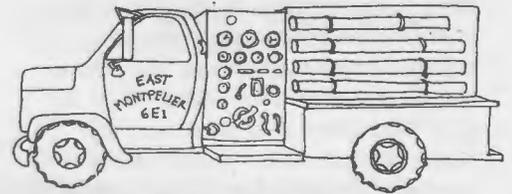
The last day of school for the Elementary School will be June 18 with the sixth grade graduation occurring that evening.

The last day of school for U-32 High School will be June 21 with graduation to be held on June 25.

The Elementary School will say good-bye this June to Dorothy Naylor, who is retiring. Dot has taught for 20 years in the school including several years of managing the sixth grade class in the Four Corners Schoolhouse.

TOWN OFFICE TO GET REPAIRS (AT SOME POINT)

As you may have read in the earlier Select Board minutes, the roof of the Municipal Building has been leaking and the septic system is in bad shape. The Board plans to have the roof repaired and the septic system replaced during this summer.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

In the first four months of 1993 the East Montpelier Fire Department and Fast Squad has responded to a record number of emergency calls. Over this period there were 63 calls compared with 51 in 1992 and 42 in 1991. There is no specific reason that this high number of calls can be attributed to except maybe the extreme weather that has been experienced this year.

To obtain emergency services in the Town of East Montpelier:

- * If you live in the 223 or 229 telephone exchange, dial 911.
- * If you live in 454, 476, or 479 exchanges, dial 223-5555.

Please post this number next to your telephone or, better yet, ask a member of the fire department for a sticker with these numbers printed on them. They may also be obtained at your local stores.

With the snow melting and a warm sun shining, thoughts run to working in the yard and cleaning up around the house. Before burning grass or lighting an outside fire, a permit must be obtained through Bob Van Zandt, the Town Fire Warden at 454-7101, or Chris Reed, Assistant Fire Warden at 223-7707. Failure to do so could result in a fine and/or a possible visit by the fire department. If your fire gets out of control, please call the fire department immediately.



✧ A little explanation is in order. In our last issue, just before Town Meeting, we carried a feature on Doug Miller. We didn't learn that he was a candidate for the School Board until it was too late to get another interview completed. We didn't mean to be unfair to the other candidates. Sorry.

✧ A special note to new residents of East Montpelier: the elementary school is bringing its preschool census up to date. If you are new in town and have a child of preschool age, from birth to next fall's kindergarten age, the school would appreciate your calling them at 223-7936. They need the child's age, parent's names, address and phone number. (Neighbors or friends of new people in town can help by telling them about the census.)

✧ If you'd like to help the 5th and 6th grade classes travel to Mexico this spring, Rick and Sally Longhi have contribution boxes at their stores on Barre Street in Montpelier (Steve's Market & Barre Street Beverage).

✧ In case you missed this on an earlier page: to obtain emergency services in the Town of East Montpelier:
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✧ A profile of neighbor Ann Danforth is in the March/April The Silver Voice, Central Vermont Council on Aging newsletter. Ann is manager of the Brook Street Mealsite.

MILESTONES

(Received by the Town Clerk by April 1)

BIRTHS

♥ Hillary Shea Gilman born to Lisa Kathy & Steven Wayne Gilman on January 21, 1993

Deadline for the next issue is June 1.
Please get copy to
Janice Waterman,
RR 1, Box 4330, Montpelier,
VT 05602, 223-5826

MARRIAGES

♥ David Charles Parker and Michelle Renee Mureta on January 15, 1993.

♥ Leslie Vernon Howe and Candace Ann Ljungvall on January 16, 1993.

♥ Charles Stephen Smith and Sarah Parker Sheppard on January 30, 1993.

♥ Harold Matthew Lawrence and Darleen Anna Johnson on March 27, 1993.

PASSINGS

David Lawrence Slopnick on January 30, 1993, husband of Patrica Slopnick.

Beverly L. Laundry on February 4, 1993, wife of Reginald Laundry.

Gerald M. Hawkins on February 27, 1993, father of Don Hawkins and Gary Hawkins.

Victor Eric Chodrow on March 20, 1993.

Irma Butler on March 23, 1993, mother of Lisa Butler.

LAND TRANSFERS

(Received between February 1 and April 1)

Austin Cleaves to Fairmont Farm, Inc. - dwellings, farm buildings and 285 acres on Lyle Young Road.

John S. & Donna W. Hall to Fairmont Farm, Inc. - dwelling, farm buildings and 530.5 acres on Putnam and Vincent Flats Roads.

Richard H. & Bonnie R. Hall to Fairmont Farm, Inc. - 118 acres on Snow Hill Road.

J. Stuart & Robyn L. D. Hall and John S. & Donna W. Hall to Fairmont Farm, Inc. - dwelling, barn and 215 acres of land on Foster Road.

Richard G. Casavant to David A. Gauthier - 0.5 acres on Route 14 South.

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- Samuel & Barbara Starr
- Carroll Sr. & Helen Witham
- Florence Young

And remember that the Signpost is only possible because donors like these remember to contribute.

Allen J. & Deborah Lawson to Gregory C. & Debbie I. Graves - mobile home and 1.4 acres on Adamant Road.

Race and Custom, Inc. to First Vermont Bank & Trust Co. - commercial building and 1.5 acres on Route 14 South.

A. John & Polly Holden to Vermont Land Trust, Inc. - amended conservation restrictions on 84 acres on Templeton Road.

Carroll Jr., Joan & Helen Witham to Carroll Jr., Joan & Susan E. Witham - 18 acres on North Street.

Normand & Jeannine Leclerc to Normand & Jeannine Leclerc and John G. & Marion J. Leclerc - house, camp and 13.6 acres on Route 14 South.

Normand & Sherry Suprenant to Normand & Sherry Suprenant and William & Alice Millard - 1.52 acres.

Fairmont Farm, Inc. to Nancy Thomas - dwelling and 10.5 acres on Putnam Road.

East Montpelier School District No. 5 to The Four Corners School House Association, Inc. - schoolhouse and 0.2 acres at corner of Putnam, Vincent Flat and Snow Hill Roads.

JOYCE BEAN: KEEPING THE OLD LOOKING LIKE NEW

As I splashed through the mud and turned into Joyce Bean's driveway, I could sense an atmosphere of caring. About four bird feeders were nestled into the trees and bushes of the front door entrance and empty seed shells lay scattered on the dirty snow - The Last Supper having been celebrated by her feathered friends.

Talking with Joyce, I began to catch her vitality and brisk demeanor. This was a lady with get-up-and-go!

Joyce was born in Massachusetts but came to Vermont when only six months old. She graduated from Randolph High School, after which she worked as a nanny for a family in Westport, Connecticut. Chandler Secretarial School in Boston was her next destination. This led her into a job for the Vermont Department of Education.

Having moved to Plattsburg, New York, for a while, she and her husband, Harold, returned to Vermont in 1951, where they began to build the house in which they presently reside on Barnes Road. It was a daring and fun-loving adventure! From June to October they lived in a 16' X 24' tent on the property where the house was being built. Joyce did all the washing in a tub and hung it out to dry in the gentle, warm winds. "It was so free," she mused. While living in the one little section of the house during the construction, Harold and Joyce had an outside chimney with an extension piece on the top so the smoke wouldn't blow down into the house. They had to keep climbing a ladder in their nightclothes to put it back on as the wind frequently blew it off.

Have you ever seen a light blue Buick of 1964 vintage humming along the rolling roads of East Montpelier? That's our Joyce behind the wheel! I asked her how in the



Joyce Bean and her '64 Buick

world she kept this jewel in such great shape and she replied, "I get the older people to service her because they understand the mechanisms more."

Joyce's family deserves attention, too. Her father, Floyd Fuller from Randolph, is 91 years young and floats horses' teeth. In other words, he's a horse dentist! Using a rasp-type file, he smooths down the sharp edges of the

horses' teeth. He shares his skills with the 4-H by giving demonstrations - using a horse's head model with all the teeth. Imagine! Mr. Fuller has traveled 76,000 miles in four years performing this service.

Joyce's husband, Harold, has been a carpenter for Clark Builders for 40 years and is now retired and builds as a hobby. He also enjoys hunting and fishing and tending the well-manicured lawn of their attractive home.

Joyce has been in the upholstery business for about 35 years. She has a special gift for this craft and her business is good due to the lovely quality of her work. In addition she bakes all the bread for the Bean household and has a huge flower and vegetable garden. She has given service to the Town of East Montpelier by being involved with the P.T.A. while her children, Jeff and Lesley, attended the little red schoolhouse in the Center. She also helped to teach art in the school, made all the drapes for the 10 windows in the Elementary School, and served on the school board and planning commission of East Montpelier.

Squishing back home through the mud, I had a grateful heart that I had had the opportunity to meet such an interesting neighbor!

*Barbara Slayton
Barbara Slayton lives in the Center and teaches
at Spaulding Graded Middle School.*

COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR

Select Board	2nd & 4th Wednesday	7:00	Town Office
Planning Commission	1st & 3rd Thursday	7:30	"
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2nd & 4th Monday	7:30	"
Conservation Fund Advisory Comm.	2nd Thursday	7:30	"
Volunteer Fire Department	Every Tuesday	7:00	Fire Station, Templeton Rd.
U-32 School Board	2nd & 4th Tuesday	7:30	U-32
Elementary School Board	1st Thursday	6:30	Elementary School
Town Clerk's Office Hours	Monday-Thursday: 9-5, Friday: 9-12		Town Office
Zoning Administrator	Tuesday & Thursday	1:00-2:30,	Town Office
Four Corners Schoolhouse Ass'n.	3rd Wednesday	7:30	Four Corners Schoolhouse
Parent/Teacher Organization	2nd Tuesday	7:30	Elementary School

Meeting times are subject to change

EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 5, 7:30 p.m.	History Night	Four Corners Schoolhouse
Saturday, May 8, 9:00 a.m.	Nature Hike	Four Corners Schoolhouse
Friday, May 28	Third Grade Operetta	Elementary School
Wednesday, June 2, 7:30 p.m.	History Night	Four Corners Schoolhouse
Sat.-Sunday, June 12 & 13, 10:00-4:00	Photography Exhibit	Four Corners Schoolhouse
Friday, June 18	Last Day of Classes & Graduation	Elementary School
Monday, June 21	Last Day of Classes	U-32 High School
Friday, June 25	Senior Graduation	U-32 High School

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