

# EAST MONTPELIER SIGNPOST

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## SEVENTH ANNUAL RALLY DAY

Rally Day is fast becoming a tradition in East Montpelier. It is the only day in the year - besides Town Meeting - when our townspeople gather and spend the day together. Each year the day's program has some new features as well as the old favorites. Here are a few highlights.

**RALLY DAY 1995 IS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9** (Rain date is Sunday, September 10. All events except the Auction, Supper, and Variety Show are moved to Sunday.)  
*Remember to look in your tax bill envelope for the complete program.*

### WHAT'S NEW?

Two hikes are new: the **Sparrow Farm Hike** at 8 a.m. and the **Magic Hike** at 2 p.m. The first will be a sneak preview of the trails planned for the newly conserved Sparrow Farm property. The Magic Hike grew out of the Arts Residency workshops led by tarin chaplin, and will provide some delicious surprises to the hikers entering the Town Trail headed north at the Town Garage.

Also new this year is the 11 a.m. **East Montpelier Stories on Stage**. It too is a product of the Arts Residency, when Michael Keene in his workshops developed and dramatized some of our townspeople's stories. The STORIES project is still going on, and the Arts Residency welcomes the stories, written or on tape, of everyone in town.

A totally new activity this year will be a **Bike Tour**. Why didn't we think of it before? With East Montpelier's beautiful back roads, we expect lots of cyclists to choose one or more of the routes laid out by Jan and Dave Burrus, Richard Czaplinski and their helpers. Tours start at 1 p.m.

### AND OLD FAVORITES

There's the **Road Race** which was so much fun last year. Runners should preregister for the races which start just south of the school. Details are in the Rally Day program. From 9 to 11 Jack Pauly runs his annual **Hoop Shoot**, and the **Fire Department** will show

off their new engine at 10. Then there are the perennial favorites, the **Kids Hike** (10 a.m.) and the **Badger Hike** (4 p.m.).

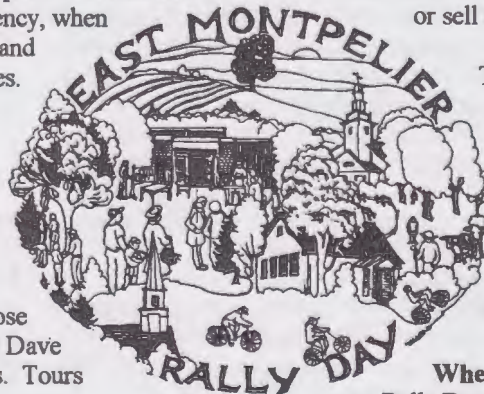
Inside EMES the **Town Fair** goes on all morning. Bruce Chapell and his helpers have chosen a list of categories of baked goods, vegetables and flowers (details in the program). Deliver them to the school from 8 to 9 and they'll be judged; youth and adult divisions will be judged separately and sold to benefit the *Signpost*.

**Memory Hour** at 1 p.m. will feature brief East Montpelier stories by anyone in town who would like to share them. No rehearsal, no writing, these stories simply tell of a special event or personal experience that connects each resident with this town. The annual **Rally Day Auction** takes place all day inside the school. Townspeople have donated a wonderful variety of goods and services which you may bid on to benefit the *Signpost*. Loring Starr (229-0007) and her team are still looking for specialty donations. Do you bake birthday cakes - or type resumes - or sell rabbits? Call her.

Then there's the **Variety Show**. How we love the Variety Show, with its amazing and hilarious acts. It's wise to come early, for the EMES gym is likely to be full. Since the Auction doesn't close till after the show's intermission, there is also apt to be some spirited last minute bidding, as well as some tasty refreshments served by the PTO.

**When do we eat?** Good food is a feature of Rally Day. The Fire Department ladies spread a table of drinks and snacks from 8 a.m. on. At noon the Old Meeting House serves a sandwich lunch with homemade pies, and the Old Brick Church presents an old fashioned baked bean supper from 5 p.m. on - also with homemade pies.

**RALLY WITH THE REST OF US ON RALLY DAY - September 9.**







## SELECTBOARD

Allan Couch (Chair), Edie Miller, Frank Pratt

### May 24, 1995

- Review of three lot commercial/industrial subdivision off Route 14 (adjacent to Sandy Pines Mobile Home Park) which was originally approved in the mid 1980's. State approvals required that the permit be updated once actual uses were identified to verify water and wastewater designs. One parcel will be occupied by two companies-Blackmark Coal Co. and Wal-Mar Transport. Greg Pelchuk is requesting the Selectboard to submit an Act 250 municipal impact questionnaire for State review. Voted to authorize Chairman Couch to complete the Act 250 paperwork as requested.
- A Conservation Fund Study Task Force is being formed as a result of discussion at Town Meeting. The Selectboard asked Ed Blackwell to chair the group. Selectperson Miller passed out a charge to the committee which included a list of persons who volunteered to serve with the group.
- Helen Eldred was present to discuss a letter she received from the Zoning Administrator concerning a fifth wheel camper trailer which her son has parked on her property. Mr. Chapell has inquired whether the trailer is being used as a dwelling. Mrs. Eldred explained that the camper is a registered motor vehicle and that her son uses it to watch TV or entertain friends but that he lives with her.
- Request from Peter Duhamel for right-of-way approval for subdivision road for a three lot subdivision of his property off Route 14. The property is served by a private right-of-way and the new lots will not have frontage on a public road. Some discrepancy between sketch plan submitted to Planning Commission and Selectboard. A letter will be sent outlining concerns.
- Voted to approve the agreement with the City of Montpelier for Ambulance Services for July 1, 1995-June 30, 1996 at the rate of \$11.25 per capita. Committee continues to meet to explore options for the future.
- Voted to grant an extension to the Listers for completion of the Grand List.
- Voted to sign the deed between the Town and Richard and Mary Tousignant for the purchase of the old gravel pit.
- Received a report of rebar being placed vertically at the lawn and road edge along Earl Montague's property and within the Town's right-of-way. The rebar sticks out

and is a road hazard. A letter will be sent asking Mr. Montague to remove the rebar.

### May 31, 1995

- Royce drainage project; site visit held to review plans for improvement to a drainage swale across Royce property.
- Met with Mark McEathron of the Vermont Land Trust and Sandy Woodbeck of East Montpelier Trails, Inc., to hear update on the Sparrow project. There was discussion concerning the location of the project's trail easement for which the Town will be a co-holder. The easement will be for a four season recreation path of six feet width with five feet for maintenance on both sides. Liability issues will need to be worked out before closure.

### June 14, 1995

- Awarded contract for roadside mowing to Doug Grout.
- Bid for summer paving awarded to low bidder, F.W. Whitcomb.
- Voted to authorize Chairman Couch to sign the closing documents as agent for the Town in the Sparrow Farm Project. There was lengthy discussion about the liability agreement in the trail easement. Selectperson Miller indicated that she favored the program but wished to be on record in opposition to the liability agreement and for this reason voted against the motion and did not sign the Resolution. The warrant for the payment of the Town's \$31,000 contribution to the project was also approved.

### June 28, 1995

- Greg Pelchuk was present to discuss his application for tax stabilization for the trucking depot and coal delivery business he is planning to build off Route 14 adjacent to Sandy Pines Mobile Home Park. Voted to grant conceptual approval of the application and enter a contract once construction of the buildings is complete.
- Contract for winter sand bids awarded to McCullough Crushing.
- Appointed Maurice Brown to the Planning Commission to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Richard Blanchard; effective through March 1996 Town Meeting.
- Received an appeal from Peter Duhamel regarding denial of access to public records - namely invoices of the Town Attorney for services involving litigation with Mr. Duhamel. A response will be drafted after further review.
- Dr. Ken Pearson was present to discuss

his interest in preserving the Town's Class 4 roads as open to the public. He reviewed several examples where the road is disappearing as abutters block or otherwise use it. It was agreed to generate a list of Class 4 road abutters and to draft a letter reminding them that these roads are available for recreational and property access uses.

## PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair: Richard Curtis

### June 16, 1995

- Final plat review for estate of Gerald Hawkins for a four lot subdivision of 44 acres on Route 14 and Hammett Hill Road approved.
- Preliminary plat review of a two lot subdivision presented by Jon Winston at the end of Johnson Road off Dodge Road. Lot size is seven acres.
- Approved request for home business presented by Justin and Kathleen Parry. Landscape business would be located on Fair Road near Route 14.
- Approved Baird estate subdivision, consisting of 140 acres divided into three parcels, contingent on right-of-way being widened to 60 feet.

### July 6, 1995

- Final plat review of a two lot subdivision off Johnson Road approved.
- Sketch plan review of 2 three lot subdivisions presented by Chris Pratt. Access to three lots off Brazier Road by use of Class 4 unmaintained town road. Discussed the issues of improving the unmaintained Class 4 section of Johnson Road which will service the other three lots. Mr. Pratt stated he had correspondence from the Selectboard giving him authorization to make improvements to the road.
- Approved permit request of Lawrence Griffen to operate an auto/body repair, painting and auto sales at intersection of Routes 2 and 14 on property owned by Gloria Biron. Approval of this request will be contingent on compliance with the prior site plan approval.

## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Chair: Jeff Cueto

### June 12, 1995

- Voted to recess the scheduled Benoit hearing as Lanny Benoit unable to attend.

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## Top of the Signpost

Over the past five years of reading the *Signpost* you have been introduced to some of our local businesses. They have represented a real variety of business types - printers, farms, gift shops, boat and RV sales, auto repair and general stores. One thing they all have in common is that they are pretty visible, and most - except the farms - have locations other than the owner's home. As we wrote these stories, we were aware of how many many businesses there are in East Montpelier, many run out of peoples homes, as well as all the out-of-town businesses owned and managed by East Montpelier residents. We knew that these would make up an issue in themselves.

What we have assembled here is a potpourri of small businesses, home occupations, and our townspeople's out-of-town businesses. It is not intended to be a definitive list, nor would it be possible to make it so. What we want to share with our readers is a sense of the diversity in the ways people make a living when they go to work for themselves.

In addition to the list, we also want to present what we found out by interviewing a few of these business people. Why do they choose to work for themselves? Why the particular business? How long have they been doing it? Is it what they expected? Do they have advice for others who are thinking about going it alone?

We've tried to assemble this list of businesses in a useful way. You may wish to keep it handy for reference when you need a particular service. Supporting our local business people helps build a strong community. And by the way, we're sure that some of the businesses we didn't find out about will come to our attention right after we go to press. Never fear - we plan to follow up with an update later this fall.

Jean Cate

## EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

### Accounting/Bookkeeping

Joyce Wheeler  
Paul Crossnan  
John Riley - Capital Accounting Service  
Putnam Clayton

### DAVID POPE

David Pope has been a plumber for 28 years. After working for someone else first in Boston then locally, he started his own business on the County Road and says he's glad to be in charge of his own decisions. "Vermonters are great" according to David, and they respect good work. His only advice to anyone contemplating going into business for himself is to be dependable. "Do what you say and say what you mean".

### Airplane Repair/Restoration

George Landry

### Antique Dealers

Jeffrey Cueto  
Dick/Sally Donaghy  
Cheryl Potter/Kevin Rice -  
Village Antiques  
Ken/Nancy Mason - Wood 'n' 2 Antiques

### Appraisers

Earle Ellingwood

### Architectural Services

David Blosser

### Artist Supplies

Raymond Brown -  
Drawing Board (Montpelier)

### Automobile Sales

Wayne Emmons  
David Guilmette -  
Guilmette Nissan (Barre)  
Dick Blake - Blake & Loso -  
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Dwayne Senter - Senter's Motor Sales

### BRUCE FITCH

Bruce has been doing all sorts of excavation work for the last eleven years, a business he first built around farming with his parents but now does full time. He likes the work for its outdoors nature and the nice people he meets, but he "sure didn't get in it to get rich. The work doesn't end at 5, and if you think working for yourself means you can take off to go fishing Thursday afternoon - uh-uh. Probably won't even get there Thursday night!"

### Automotive Repair

A & T Transmission

Peter Hill - Hill's Repair -

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Elliot Morse

Ken Santor - Auto Body Repair

Michael Winchester -

Winchester Collision Repair

Patricia Woodward -

Utton's Mufflers (Montpelier)

### SALLY AND RICK LONGHI

After working in the corporate world for 25 years, Rick and Sally decided they wanted control of their way of earning a living. They now own the Barre Street Beverage and Redemption Center in Montpelier and feel they have created a better way to recycle. They encourage others to emulate them, but caution that they must expect a lot of around-the-clock hard work!

### Beauty Shop/Hair Dressing

Kelly Phillips - Shear Attractions  
Ellen Demers - Shear Elegance by Ellen  
Diana Clark/Elizabeth Kappel/Diane  
Paulger - Heritage Beauty Salon  
(Montpelier)  
Janice Crossan - Jan's Beauty Boutique  
(Montpelier)





**Boats & Snowmobiles**

Benoit Sport & Power  
Joey Laquerre - Laquerre Marine -  
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**MARY ANNE CERASOLI**

Mary Anne recently created Mary Anne's Typing Service and obtained her Notary license in order to keep busy when she wasn't working for area lawyers. After 24 years in the legal field for the Federal Government, she took an offered "buyout" and now hopes to build a full-time business out of her home on Route 2. She will prepare simple wills, type legal work, indeed type term papers or any other typing people want.

**Building Supplies**

East Montpelier Home Center  
Lawrie Morrison - Gallery of Cabinets  
Twin City Masonry Supplies  
Don/Barbara Cote - Delair's Carpet Barn

**Campgrounds**

Emile/Ginette Gosselin -  
Green Valley Campground -  
[Signpost Vol 3 #6]

**Carpentry/Contractors**

Stanley St. John  
Timothy Hudson  
Earl Smith  
Lawrence Babic  
Stephen Connor  
Ronald Durgin  
Eugene F. Troia  
Duane Wells  
Steve Phillips - Central Vt. Builders  
Chester Cookson  
Duane Wheeler

**Childcare**

Wendi Coburn  
Joyce Cliche  
Sue Hawkins  
Donna Leno  
Ila Touchette  
Joanne Velandar

**Clothing Sales**

Nancy Durgin - Brides Beautiful -  
(Montpelier)  
Robin Blanchard -  
Robin's Peach Tree - (Montpelier)

**Consulting**

Timothy Meehan -  
Vermont Resolutions Associates -  
(Montpelier)

**Credit Union**

North Country Federal CU -  
[Signpost Vol 5 #3]

**Day Schools**

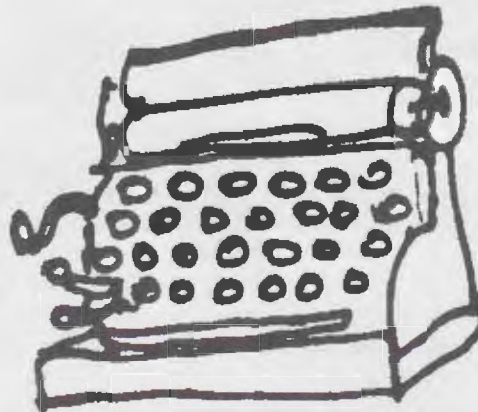
Heidemarie Heiss Holmes - Ideas Camp

**Dentistry**

Dr. Kenneth Pearson (Berlin)  
Dr. Robert Nist (Montpelier)

**Desk-top Publishing/Typing**

Mary Ann Cerasoli -  
Mary Ann's Typing Service -  
Joanna Day - Publications Services



**Dog Kennels**

Dennis Carver  
John A. Hall  
George Hood  
Ben G. Muennink

**JOANNA DAY**

Joanna started her home business, Publications Services, about two years ago when she moved from Montpelier to East Montpelier. She does all kinds of editorial and design work and loves the variety provided by helping people solve their publishing problems. She says that the chief ingredient to being in business for yourself is to believe in yourself and your abilities.

**Electricians**

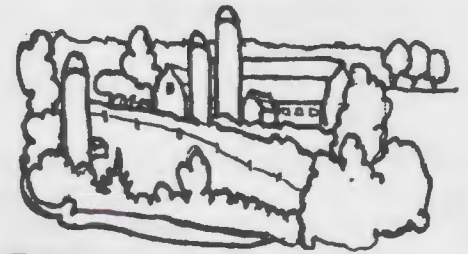
Charles Bond - Bond Electric  
James Goslant - Jim's Electric Service  
Stanley Pierce - Electrical  
James Kelley - Kelley Contractors

**Engineering**

Norman Rice - Dunroven Associates  
Bernie Chenette - Chenette Engineering

**Excavating**

Bruce Fitch  
Chester Cookson  
David E. Rogers



**Farms**

Cleaves/Hall Families - Fairmont Farms  
Allen Butler Family  
Richard Wiswall - Cate Farm  
Seth Gardner  
Diana Chace  
Richard Atkinson  
Brian/Lisa Stone [Signpost Vol 5 #5]  
Henry/Lena Brazier  
[Signpost Vol 1 #5]  
Stanley/Joyce Christiansen  
[Signpost Vol 4 #3]  
Lylehaven 1,2, & 3  
Jeff/Bonnie Sibley  
George Annis

**Furniture Building**

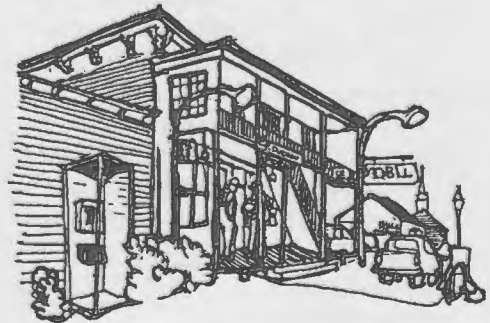
Robert Smith - Tinker & Trade

**Furniture Refinishing**

Francis Farmer  
Ken Mason

**General Stores**

Robert/Nancy Bisson -  
Brookside Country Store (Barre)  
Gloria/Jeffrey Biron -  
C.P.Dudley General Store -  
[Signpost Vol 2 #2]  
Patrick Sikora - Capital Market -  
(Montpelier)  
William/Carole Shouldice -  
Country Store (Montpelier)  
Creamery Country Store  
Robert/Karen VanZandt -  
Riverbend Store  
Rick/Sally Longhi -  
Barre Street Market (Montpelier)



**Gift Shop**

Douglas/Barbara Bragg -  
Bragg Farm Sugar House & Gifts -  
[Signpost Vol 2 #4]  
Linda Royce - Cottage Shop  
Gail Eastman  
Legare's Farm Market

Harry & Dot/Burr & Betsy Morse -  
Morse Farm - [Signpost Vol 1 #6]  
Willis Backus - South Pacific Wholesale  
[Signpost Vol 5 #4]

#### Home Parties

Margaret Langer - House of Lloyd

#### House Moving

Messier House Moving -  
[Signpost Vol 3 #5]

#### Horse Shoeing

Seth Gardner  
Robert Duff

#### Insurance

Karen Blosser - State Farm Insurance -  
(Montpelier)

#### Janitorial Services

Conrad Belanger -  
Belanger Cleaning Service  
Stephen Ribolini -  
S-R Janitorial Service  
Bonnie Bailey  
Howard Stone -  
Dun Rite Custodial Service

### HEIDEMARIE HEISS HOLMES

The IDEAS program was founded by Heidemarie Heiss Holmes. Heidemarie has a Master's Degree in Fine Arts and Women's Development. She is a certified teacher, an experienced day care provider and artist who has exhibited her work throughout Vermont and Europe.

The IDEAS program offers environment and fine arts enrichment programs for children age 6-11. The program runs as a day camp during the summer months and as an after school enrichment program during the school year.

The goal of the program is to enhance each child's awareness of the environment, the arts, and themselves in a way that schools aren't able to teach. Heidemarie sees education as a tool to get on a path of self expression, but feels you can't use your knowledge without art. She states that "art can teach you to do what you want with what you've got".

#### Junk Dealer

Arthur Montague

#### Karate

Michael Carriveau

### MARGARET LANGER

Margaret is in her 13th year of representing the House of Lloyds toys. She has been in business for herself for quite some time. She originally started out owning two Dunkin Donuts franchises and decided she wanted to do something that was more fun. What could be more fun than toys. Margaret's business is comprised of selling toys wholesale, fund raising (with schools and other organizations), and home parties. She says she prefers the home parties because they are the most fun. When asked if this was a business that she runs alone, her reply was "No matter what you intend originally, when you run a business out of your home, the entire family will get involved".

#### Landscape Design

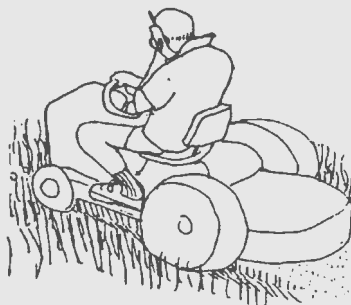
Jean Vissering

#### Landscaping/Land Planning

Sonny/Dennis Hawkins -  
Land Care - [Signpost Vol 4 #6]

#### Lawn and Garden Equipment

Henry Parker -  
Parker Sales and Service



#### Lawyers

Ernest Audino  
Patrick Biggam  
Bruce Bjornland  
Charles Bristow  
James Brock  
Paul Erlbaum  
Frederic Emigh  
Gregory McNaughton  
Richard Saudek  
Mark Stephen  
Martin Miller

#### Legal Assistant

Karen McCarthy

#### Maple Products/Equipment

Rick Barstow [Signpost Vol 1 #4]  
Douglas/Barbara Bragg -  
Bragg Farm Sugar House  
[Signpost Vol 2 #4]

Bruce Chapell  
Nate Danforth -  
Danforth's Sugar House  
[Signpost Vol 4 #4]

Bruce Fitch

Gerald Ibey

Harry & Dot/Burr & Betsy Morse -  
Morse Farm [Signpost Vol 1 #6]  
William Smith

#### Medical Doctors

Dr. Ruth Ann Crose (Plainfield)  
Dr. Royal Bartrum (Berlin)  
Dr. Gregory MacDonald (Berlin)  
Dr. Robert Robinson (Berlin)  
Dr. Robert Riggan (Berlin)

#### Music Lessons

Andy Christiansen

#### Newspapers

Gary Hass, Deborah Phillips - World

#### Nurseries and Orchards

Alice Wright - Alice's Perennials  
Tim Carver - Carver Tree Farm -  
[Signpost Vol 1 #3]  
Dennis White - Cold Pocket Farm  
Legare Farm Market  
Joyce LaMountain - Pick-a-Posie  
Dexter/Sue Merritt -  
Winooski Valley Orchards &  
Green Mt. Transplants  
Robert Morse - Morse Xmas Tree Farm  
Douglas Miller - Wintergreen Nursery -  
[Signpost Vol 3 #4]

### ROBERT & NANCY MORSE

Bob and Nancy had cleared the brush from the meadow near their house on Coburn Road and kept it mowed for a while. Once the novelty of that wore off, they decided to plant it to Christmas trees. That was some eleven years ago. Since it takes several years for a tree to get big enough to sell, they have only been harvesting for about four years. It is a "choose-and-cut-your own" operation, although Bob will take you up to the pasture with his tractor and cut it for you if getting around is a problem. Raising trees is a lot of work and not the road to riches, according to Bob. His advice to newcomers, "Do a lot of research and know the business before you start."

#### Nursing Home

Wayne Fair - Hampshire House

#### Office Equipment

Todd Fitch -  
Vermont Business Equipment -  
(Montpelier)



**Pest Control**  
Kayal Service



**Pets**  
George Doner - Fancy Feathers  
Maurice & Sue Cerutti -  
Cerutti's Rabbits

**BOB SMITH**

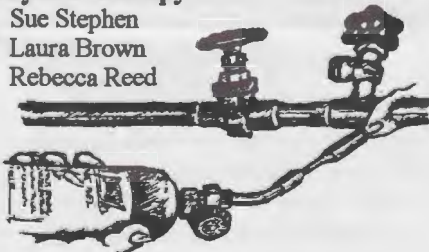
In 1982, Bob became serious about what had been a casual interest that had evolved over time and started "Tinker and Trade". He had bought and sold used furniture — a lot of bureaus — but began, at that time, to build new furniture. His specialty is bookcases with a bureau thrown in now and then. With a business that depends primarily on word-of-mouth advertising, Bob has built custom bookcases for lawyers, doctors, and writers; anyone who would like one. "It is a way to keep busy during retirement (Bob worked for the Agency of Transportation for many years) and to meet great people."

**Psychologist**

Dr. Michael O'Hare (Montpelier)  
Dr. Rudolph Moz (Montpelier)  
Dr. Anne Unangst (Montpelier)

**Physical Therapy**

Sue Stephen  
Laura Brown  
Rebecca Reed



**Plumbing & Heating**

Patrick Phillips - Al's Burner Service  
Innovative Plumbing and Heating  
David Pope - Pope's Plumbing

**Pottery and Ceramics**

Jennifer Flagg Boyer -  
Thistle Hill Pottery -  
[Signpost Vol 2 #3]

**Printing**

Larry/Dianne Brown -  
L. Brown & Sons Printers (Barre) -  
[Signpost Vol 1 #1]  
Northlight Studio Press  
[Signpost Vol 4 #3]

**Real Estate Sales**

Rosendo Cueto  
Donald Donnelly  
Lori Pinard - Vermont Realty Exchange -  
(Montpelier)  
Richard Thurston - Capital Realty -  
(Montpelier)

**MAURICE & SUE CERRUTI**

Most people call him Moe, but Moe and Sue have lived in East Montpelier since 1992. They moved to the 1843 farm (home of their grandparents, the Wheelers) from Worcester, where their rabbit business first started, and their business came with them. They raise Mini Lops, Holland Lops, Netherland Dwarfs, and Mini Rex rabbits to sell as pets, and New Zealand Whites to sell for meat. They supply rabbits to several pet stores in the area, as well as selling them to people right off the farm. Moe and Sue are members of the Rabbit Breeders Association, and the North East Vermont Rabbit Breeders Association. Moe says "we have raised a lot of different animals in the past, but there seems to be a profit in rabbits, where the others just seemed to be a never ending investment".

**Recreational Vehicles Sales**

Mekkelsen Trailer Sales & Rentals,  
[Signpost Vol 2 #6]  
T & M Motor Sports

**Satellite Television Systems**

Sherwood Morse

**Security Systems**

Earle Montague -  
Green Mountain Answering  
Mountain View Security Systems Inc.  
Earl Montague - Signal Security Systems

**Sewing**

Marion Palmer

**Signs**

Michael Rus - Sign Here

**Surveying**

David Hudson -  
Vt. Survey & Engineering



**Upholstery**

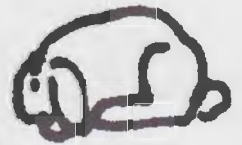
Joyce Bean

**Vending Service**

Dennis Carver -  
Northern Vermont Snax -  
Pine State Tobacco & Candy Co.

**Video Rental**

Video Box Office



**ALICE WRIGHT**

Alice and Bob Wright returned to Vermont from Alaska several years ago and settled on top of a hill off Vt-14 between East and North Village. This June, after having worked as a floral designer for a floral shop with a greenhouse, she opened her own perennial garden called "Alice's Perennials", specializing in fresh-dug flowers. Her customers like the "walk-through" beds and the spectacular view. Alice enjoys not having to "work out" and the chance to do something for herself. Her advice? "Don't go into debt."

**Water System**

Dean Hedges - Crystal Springs Water

**Welding**

David Gauthier - Gauthier's Welding

**Well Drilling**

A & W Artesian Well Co.

**MARK STEPHEN**

After 20 years of working as an attorney for the State of Vermont, Mark decided it was time for a change in direction. He has worked from his new office in East Montpelier Village for two and a half years, and reports that the change is "more rewarding to me than I could have dreamed". He advises others contemplating such a step "to have clear goals, to believe in yourself, and to enjoy the loyal support of your family".





**B. O. A. (continued)**

**July 10, 1995**

- Hearing on Lanny Benoit's request to move his snowmobile business from its present location on Route 2 (Zone B, Industrial) to the Rus property on Route 14 (Zone D, Rural Res./Agric.). Mr. Benoit is not fully prepared and the plan is relatively undefined. He decided to withdraw his application.
- Duhamel vs. Zoning Administration - Hearing on the Duhamel appeal to BOA decision not to require a zoning permit for construction of a road by L. & D. Brown to serve printing business. The Browns constructed an extension road to the new business area without a permit. Zoning Administrator ruled that a permit was not required. BOA needs to determine if the Zoning Administrator's action was proper. Board voted to recess hearing and go into deliberative session.

**RALLY DAY AUCTION**

A sampling of items up for bid at the *Signpost* Auction on Rally Day:

- A Madras curry dinner served in your home
- A guided fern walk
- Dessert of the month club
- A granite carving
- Several loads of manure (horse or cow), delivered
- Fancy decorated cloth bags for gifts
- A Japanese dinner served in your home

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| Judith Hinds   | Lois McKnight   |
| Martha Holden  | Joan Kirby      |
| Henry Murray   | Frances Donaghy |

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- Allan & Nancy Couch
- Jeffrey & Charlotte Green
- Martin & Edith Miller
- Edward & Caroline Schnitger
- W. K. Pratt & Eva G. Pierce

- ★ The Four Corners Schoolhouse Association invites everyone to their Open House on Rally Day from 10 to 3, to celebrate the progress on the building. It truly belongs to everyone in East Montpelier. All are invited to make use of it. Also presented on Rally Day will be an exhibit of Dan Neary's photography.
- ★ The Recreation Committee is sponsoring a Winter Sports and Fitness Consignment Sale. They need good used sports and exercise equipment: skis, cleats, bicycles, field hockey equipment etc. Clean out those closets- 80% for you, 20% for Rec. Committee.
- ★ Congratulations to Kyle Evan Bjornlund who was named All American in lacrosse. The state is allowed to pick two senior players and Kyle was one.
- ★ Remember Customer Appreciation Day at the East Montpelier Post Office on September 20. Watch for a story on stamp collecting in our next issue.

**BIRTHS**

- ♥ Anne Louise Arcoleo, daughter born April 18, 1995, to Diane Peel & Adam Arcoleo.
- ♥ Laran Elizabeth Bell, daughter born June 1, 1995, to Leslie & Douglas Bell.
- ♥ Alice Rose Breer, daughter born July 5, 1995, to Virginia & Cary Breer.

**MARRIAGES**

- ♥ Gregory James Farnum to Kimberly Krystal Gagnon; June 3, 1995.
- ♥ John Chandler EuPere to Barbara Jean Schneider; June 4, 1995.
- ♥ Patrick Michael Seitz to Rebecca Lyn Badger; June 17, 1995.
- ♥ James R. Ward to Erin K. McGuire; July 8, 1995.
- ♥ Dennis Laurence McHugh to Freda Grace Messier; July 21, 1995.

**PASSINGS**

- Gaynor Lloyd Sargent; May 25, 1995.
- Thomas Jenner Moore; May 30, 1995. Husband of Celina Moore of North Montpelier.
- Robert Stanley Preston; June 3, 1995.

**Church Chimes**

Beginning September 10, worship services will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Old Meeting House and 11:00 a.m. at the Old Brick Church.

**FOUR CORNERS  
SCHOOLHOUSE**

- Historic preservation work on the foundation, windows, eaves and clapboards has recently been completed.
- The schoolhouse has been a busy place this summer. Many groups have used the building for meetings and workshops including a local geology group, Vermont String School, Irish Music Group and Artist In Residency. Call Marion Codling to use the building (223-2058).
- There are two workshops planned for this fall - Rug Hooking with Sylvia Dole and Basketry with Carole Casavant. Call Ruth Frost for dates (223-6892).

**SPARROW FARM  
TRAILS**

A long anticipated event took place recently. The efforts of many individuals and organizations established permanent easements for recreation on property long enjoyed for this purpose.

The opportunity to provide a recreational trail for the residents of East Montpelier is unparalleled in any other part of town. The varied terrain, floral, animal life and exquisite views will provide enjoyment for everyone.

Montpelier is progressing with a project of its own which will connect our Sparrow Trail with the Recreation field and eventually with Hubbard Park. The work on their portion is already under way and a section of the trail will be ready this fall.

Our people are getting ready to work on the Sparrow Farm and are in need of volunteers of all ages to handle the many different tasks. Let's make this a community project to be enjoyed by everyone who loves the outdoors.

If you would like to help to make this year-round trail a reality, come and help work on the trail on Sept. 16 and Sept. 30 from 10-1. For more information about the trail, contact Nona Estrin at 223-7745.

*Sandy Woodbeck, President  
East Montpelier Trails, Inc.*



# COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR

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	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

**Meeting times are subject to change**

# EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 30	School Begins	EMES, U-32
Monday, September 4	Koffee Klatch	Old Brick Church, 9:30 - 11:00
Saturday, September 9	Rally Day	EMES, All Around Town
Saturday, September 16	Sparrow Trail Work Bee	Sparrow Farm, 10:00 - 1:00
Saturday, September 16	Chicken Pie Dinner	Old Meeting House, Noon & 5:30
Wednesday, September 20	Customer Appreciation Open House	East Montpelier Post Office, 9:00 - 4:00
Saturday, September 23	Recreation Committee Consignment Sale	EMES, 10:00 - 1:00
Saturday, September 30	Sparrow Trail Work Bee	Sparrow Farm, 10:00 - 1:00
October	Stamp Collecting Month	U.S.A.

**Let's Rally All Around Town!!!**

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