

EAST MONTPELIER SIGNPOST

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Sophisticated Mudpies

Delia Robinson lives in what appeared to be, at first glance, a small white ranch, nestled in the woods at the intersection of Jacobs and Hill Roads. But upon entering her house, I was struck by the wide-open expanse and view of the Worcester range that she had out the back. A wiggly, blind pug named Buddha greeted me at the door, bumping into my legs in a friendly manner. Dd (as she spells the name she uses) held her other "dump dog" named Pasha to keep her from racing off to visit the neighbor.

Over coffee with grapes and blueberries, Dd shared some of her life story. Busy woman as she is, she was bubbly and relaxed and willing to sit down and fill me in.

She was born on Halloween, the same day as her father, the third girl of a marriage that ended when she was 2½ years old. She lived first in Princeton, New Jersey, and later in Bloomington, Indiana. Both of her parents remarried and these new marriages gave her three younger step-sisters.

Dd and her sisters, Nona and Charlotte, "fought like tigers" for the fun of it and spent long hours in the woods, pretty much raising themselves. "I don't remember grown-ups being around", she says. "We were kind of like little weeds". There were goats, rabbits and dogs. They swam and played in the creek, covering themselves with the mud that would later become such a crucial part of her life.

High school was not a challenge, so Dd started Indiana University at the age of 16 to study literature. Reading is and was always a passion of hers. She recalls that her father always read aloud to the family and to this day, still does. At age 17, she took time off from college to live in Italy and had the opportunity to drive from Italy to India. This experience really

opened her eyes to cultures vastly different from her own.

After finishing college, she lived in Europe and, through some rather odd circumstances, she was present during the birth of a baby at a hostel where she was staying. An African woman was the midwife. She spoke little English and when the baby was born, she slapped it on the mother's stomach and pronounced "baby boy" and that was that. This was the impetus that led to Dd's first career of nursing.

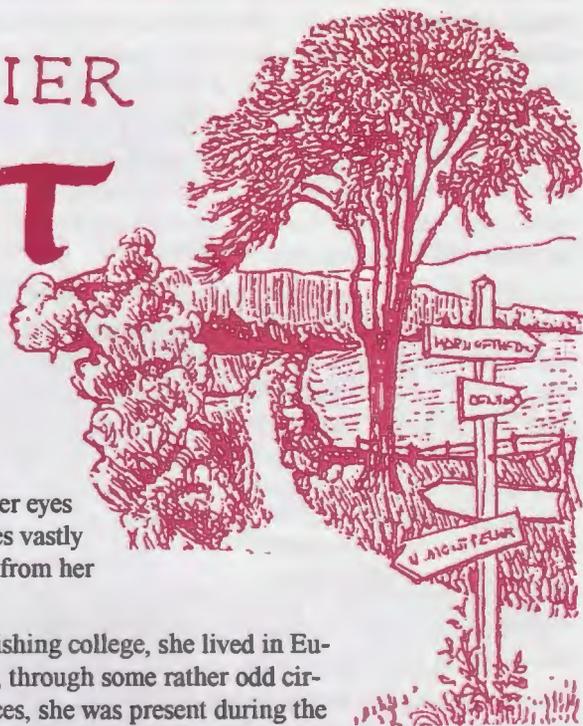
After working for five years in Intensive Care, she went back for her Master's Degree in Neonatal Care. She met and married an orderly, Robert Robinson, who was putting himself through medical school. They moved to Vermont to be closer to her sister, Nona, when their own girls, Sarah and Lizzie, were toddlers. Dr. Robinson set up practice in Barre. Dd worked in the Emergency Room at CVH and then for Dr. Jordan until he terminated his practice.

It was then that she embarked on her second career, making clay whistles. Dd credits Mary Stone, a friend and neighbor, for the idea of selling the whistles for a living.

Mary asked Dd to show her how to make them, and then for several years, they sold whistles together.

Whistle-making was an old family tradition for Dd. Her grandfather made slip-bark whistles and her mother made both whistles and dolls. At age twenty or so, Dd made her first whistle, and she would make them in the spring "when it was time to put your hands in the dirt."

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Dd as the Fortune Teller at Rally Day in September

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Last year, after an article written by Tom Slayton in Vermont Life about her whistle-making, Dd got lots of letters from people admiring her work. This inspired her to enter some contests. The first contest was in New Zealand. She sent a picture of a piece. It was accepted for the show!

She then entered two pieces in the Orton Contest, which travels all over the world (currently in Japan), and this time she received monetary awards! In her third contest, in California, called the *Feat of Clay Contest*, she won two awards, receiving both ribbons and money.

Recently, she had a solo show in New York City at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine that lasted for ten weeks. She had eight cases full of her own work, one case being a complete circus made up of 76 pieces alone. Her whistles range in size from 1/2" to 9x12". There were approximately 200 pieces in the New York show. She spoke fondly of her recent opening and showed me pictures of the warm reception she received. A number of friends from Vermont went down to show their support.

While she was in New York, she taught three whistle-making workshops for children, similar to the many workshops she has taught in Vermont schools.

Whistle-making has become a full-time job for Dd. She typically works in the evenings, after dinner, until late at night, in a converted laundry room for her studio. I took a tour and saw whistles from all over the world. It was absolutely fascinating! While I was there, she received a call from Frog Hollow, a retail store, telling her they had sold a piece that she had not yet had time to make.

Before I left, I asked her how one makes a clay whistle. She explained the following. You start with a ball of clay, put it over your thumb and make a cup. Then you close it up to make a balloon. You decorate it how you want it. Then you put the holes in at precisely the right angles (this is the tricky part), so that the air you blow in one hole goes across the other hole just right.

I also asked if the whistle-making tradition continued in her own family. She said that both of her daughters have made whistles. In fact, Lizzie taught other kids at Farm and Wilderness Camp how to make whistles, so the art is being passed down, generation to generation.

Sue Chickering lives on Chickering Road with her husband, John Ayers, and their three boys. She works as a guidance counselor at Spaulding High School.



HEARTSENER

After-school care

Exploring environmental & artistic expression for 6 to 12 year olds

At HEARTSENER children create poetry, write songs, and make two- and three-dimensional art projects inspired by nature and cultural discoveries. Cooperative games and a nutritional snack conclude the day at 5:30. *Special Holiday art workshops (\$15/session): December 4th & 11th.* For more information, call Heidemarie Heiss Holmes at 802/223-1227.

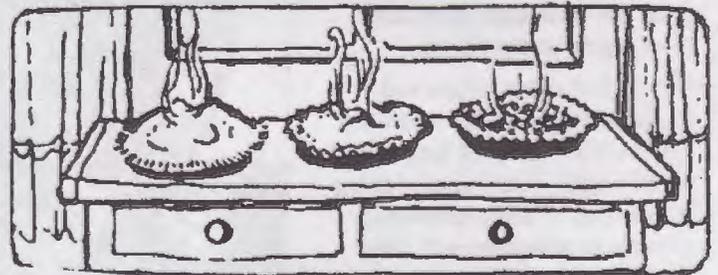
TOP OF THE SIGNPOST

I've heard more comment in praise of the Trails issue than about any previous special edition of the *Signpost*. I think that means that townspeople are realizing that we have a real treasure in our growing trails network. Of course their use is hard to measure exactly, but it surely seems to be popular for walkers, horseback riders, and cross country skiers. The message in our trails issue is worth repeating: respect our trails and they will serve us for a long time. Keep them clean, use only non-motorized equipment and even then, restrict your use in muddy wet weather. And help out on trail maintenance by being in touch with East Montpelier Trails Inc.

Woodland trails are not our only wonderful outdoor resource. Walkers, runners, bikers, and horse riders make frequent use of the town's beautiful back roads. For the most part these roads are pretty safe for recreation, since traffic is light, but I've observed that drivers do not always slow down and leave plenty of room when passing people and animals.

It seems almost superfluous to say this, and of course it should be. Then I observe a motorist speeding on a dirt road - or even a paved one - and I picture the risk to which some runner or a child waiting for the school bus is exposed. Remember that there are many people in our town who must cross the road to get from house to barn or to the Post Office. Remember them when you are hurrying to meet a deadline. East Montpelier should be not only a wonderful and beautiful place to live, but also a safe one.

Jean Cate



WE THANK OUR LATEST CONTRIBUTORS

Richard and Esther Hill

Earle Ellingwood

Elliot and Florence Morse

Kendal and Ruth Frost

Bradford and Ruth Lane

Want to join this select group? Anne Sherman will be pleased to accept your contribution. Send it to her at RFD-1, Box 80, E. Montpelier, 05651.



THE TOWN WEATHERVANE



SELECTBOARD

Frank Pratt (Ch.), Tom Brazier, Edie Miller

July 10, 1996

- Accepted paving bid of Gorman Bro., Inc.
- Reviewed hours Barre Town ambulance will be available.
- Renewed Arthur Montague's junkyard license to 7/1/2000.
- Will warn public hearing for 7/31 regarding Conservation Fund Advisory Committee's recommendation to use \$3,000 toward Friihauf property, 117 acres on County Road between Templeton and Haggett Roads.

July 31, 1996

- Set tax rate for 1996 at \$2.18.
- Held public hearing on Friihauf land. Would allow snowmobiling and hiking. Old Pike Cemetery is on property. Approved using \$3,050 from Conservation Fund. Town will be a co-holder of the conservation easement. [State did not approve its share of funding so project will not go forward. Ed.]
- Excess weight permit approved for E.E. Packard.
- Discussed repairs to Coburn Bridge.

August 14, 1996

- Heard monthly road report from Mike Garand.
- Heard Lori Trothier of Barre Post Office about plans for celebrating the 100th anniversary of rural delivery. A horse and buggy will reenact early delivery on Coburn Road.
- Accepted Paul White's resignation as Health Officer - he is moving to Barre.

August 28, 1996

- Reviewed pending application for construction of sewage sludge composting facility for City of Montpelier at Packard Industrial Park.
- Town Attorney Bruce Bjornlund attended meeting sponsored by Dept. of Public Service concerning possible formation of a fire district to serve current customers of Crystal Springs Water Company.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Stephen Rauh, Chair

July 18, 1996

- Ratified Parker permit for circus performance.

August 2, 1996

- Approved permit to change proprietorship of Don's Discount Store to Dawn's Discount Store.
- Granted permit to Rich Tousignant for archery range on site of old town gravel pit.

of property as long as A-frame remains as a dwelling unit.

Sept. 9, 1996

- Approved Bigelow application allowing a variance of 30 feet on proposed horse barn/shed building on his property on Horn of the Moon Road.
- Discussed proposal to allow Montpelier to store sewer waste in East Montpelier Industrial park.

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Jan Aldrich (Chair), Loring Starr, Susan Stephen, Nancy Thomas, Paul White

September 5, 1996

- Approved request of Ann Parker to purchase new math materials for second and third grade.
- East Montpelier has received a Goals 2000 grant. A plan must be written by December.
- Accepted bid of Eagle Lumber Company to provide wood chips at \$32 per ton, pending satisfactory answers to some questions.
- Will recommend the superintendent include specifications for seat belts in future bus contracts.
- Paul White has moved to Barre Town, resigned from EMES board.

Tax Notice East Montpelier

All Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes are due and payable to the Town Treasurer, without discount, as provided by law, and must be received on or before 5:00 p.m. on November 15, 1996, to avoid penalty and interest costs.

Payments received by mail after November 15 deadline will be late regardless of date of postmark. (Voted at Town Meeting on March 3, 1996.)

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday	9 a.m. to noon.
Friday Nov. 15	9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

September 5, 1996

- Approved sketch plan for subdivision by Norman and Carla Messier.
- Reviewed site plan for proposed City of Montpelier composting facility to be located at Packard Park. Will discuss with Selectboard, representatives of City of Montpelier, owner, Dufresne - Henry.
- Approved request by Andrew Christiansen for home occupation to include website design, information retrieval and internet literacy training.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Jeff Cueto, Chair

August 12, 1996

- Approved application of Jessica Taylor to install septic and water in the A-frame cottage on her property with conditions: to be no expansion of A-frame, and no subdivision

U-32 BOARD

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

July 30, 1996

- Arranged to interview finalists for principal's position.
- Accepted Booth Brothers bid for milk for three years.
- Voted to name the new building the Shapiro Community Building.

September 3, 1996

- Final cost of new building was \$47,800. \$53,400 was budgeted. List of suppliers and contractors who donated supplies was read.
- New principal, Inga Duktig, reported on plans for opening day, building and grounds, traffic pattern, and bus schedules.
- Approved hiring Barbara Marcouillier for 1/5 math and 1/5 business education and

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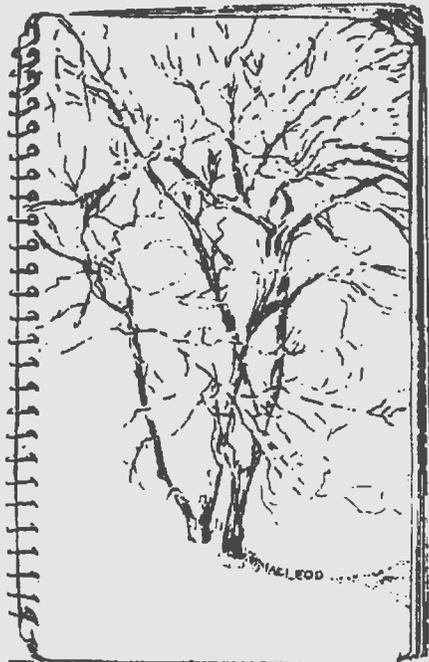


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Rufus Ainsley for driver's education. Will hire Martin McMahan for one year to teach technical education with administration to seek one year emergency certification.

September 24, 1996

- Appointed Ralph Leonard as middle school associate principal and Jackie Gahagan as high school associate principal.
- Heard two proposals to increase bus service to Calais to reduce length of bus rides. Will discuss at another meeting.



RECREATION BOARD

Pat Fitzsimmons and Rachel Senechal,
Co-Chairs

- We want to hear from the community with suggestions for activities, resources to develop. Recreation Board meets third Monday of each month, except for December, at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.
- We need donations of equipment such as a pick ax, a lawn mower, a step ladder, a snow blower.
- We need groups that will "staff" the concession stand during spring sports games and practices.
- We are building a recreation library. Sports coaching videos and books are needed.
- We sponsor parents to attend soccer, basket-

ball, and baseball coaching clinics.

- It's lip balm time again! We are selling Autumn Harp lip balm at \$1.00 apiece to raise money to buy soccer goals and other equipment. This year we have four flavors to tempt your lips! Please look for them around town or call a board member.
- Jon Dunkling has retired as person in charge of the ice rink at school. We need people to be in charge of this wonderful recreation for our kids and for ourselves. Please be the one to volunteer.

If you want to talk to us call: Pat Fitzsimmons at 223-1075, Rachel Senechal 223-0539, or Jon Dunkling 223-7493.

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE

Ruth Frost, President

On Rally Day many hooked rugs were on display. Five women spent the day at the schoolhouse demonstrating this craft. We also sold books left from the July Book Sale.

New shades are in the making for the four large classroom windows.

A basketry workshop by Carole Casavant was held at the schoolhouse on Sept. 21.

At our September meeting we discussed events/meetings in which townspeople might be interested. Please phone the board member listed if you would like to participate in:

- * Bridge game instructions during winter months - Ruth Frost 223-6892
- * Swing dances - Hobie Guion 223-1808
- * Games such as whist, dominoes, cribbage - Marion Codling 223-2058
- * Discussion on books, or music, or ethics, or your suggestions - Douglas Johnson 229-5005.

Discussed Halloween party to be held for preschool and elementary school children on Oct. 31st.

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPT.

Chief Jon Winston, President Bill George

Bill George is now the president of the East Montpelier Fire Department.

Fall is here and winter is not far behind. Many of you have already turned on your heating system. Before you did, if you heat with oil and gas did you have a service technician take a look at your furnace to make sure it was operating properly?

If you use wood, did you check your wood stove to see if it was in good repair, check your stove pipe to make sure it was clean and

secure, your chimney to make sure it is clean and free of cracks? If you are worried or unsure about your wood heating plant, maybe a phone call to the local chimney cleaning company is in order.

One last item to check, your smoke detector. When was the last time you tested it? How old is the battery? Now may be a good time to replace it with a fresh one. Do not throw the old battery away, recycle it.

October 5 -12 was fire prevention week and fire department personnel presented fire and burn prevention seminars in the local schools.



The Trails Committee is looking for a treasurer. We're now managing substantial grants, and would love to find an accountant who would be interested in joining the board and taking care of our finances. Trail work continues on the Sparrow Farm Trail!

CEMETERY COMMISSION

George Fitch, Chair

Voted to exchange presently unused lawn sweeper for five years rent of space to house the commission's mowers and maintenance equipment at the Fitch farm.

CHURCH BELLS

OLD BRICK CHURCH

Worship Service and Sunday School at 11:00 a.m.

Minister: Rev. Marcheta Townsend.

The Community Koffee Klatsch is held on the first Thursday of each month, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

OLD MEETING HOUSE

Sunday service and Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Interim Minister: David Connor.

The search committee continues to look for a full-time spiritual leader.





MILESTONES

BIRTHS

- Sophia Eliza Gardner; daughter to Michelle & Seth Gardner - July 13, 1996.

DEATHS

- Asha Day Marie Colombe; April 28, 1996. Infant daughter of Christopher Colombe & Maria Edson.
- Cecile Rock; July 24, 1996. Mother of Annette Martin and Laura Hawkins.
- Lillian Elsie Dodge; August 5, 1996. Wife of William Dodge.
- Eleanor Hatch Schneider; September 9, 1996. Mother of MARY Azarian.

MARRIAGES

- Steven Bailey to Laurie E. Coburn; June 22, 1996.
- Stephen Joseph Kemp to Marcia Theresa McDonald; July 13, 1996.
- Kent Frances Codling to Michele T. Watson; July 26, 1996.
- Gregory Scott Tosi to Erin Marie Lussier; July 26, 1996.
- Mark A. Fitzgerald to Karen Jean Bishop; August 10, 1996.
- Erik Jason Gann to Nicole D. Friot; August 16, 1996.
- Bruce Edward Currier to Diana Roberta Lee; August 29, 1996.
- Brian Gene Phillips to Tracy Michelle Ouimet; September 4, 1996.
- Jay Gary Chambers to Dawn Marchelle Chambers; September 20, 1996.
- Derek Howard Holden to Danielle Lynn Gosselin; September 21, 1996.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

- Lynn Osborne to Michael Osborne; dwelling with 11.93 acres on Rt. 214.
- Mary L. Baird to Vt. Land Trust, Inc.; 45.73 acres on North St.
- Carlton C. Smith Estate to Albert D. Smith & Everett H. Smith; dwelling with 1 acre on County Rd.
- Victor I. Knapp Estate to Paul O. Knapp & Clara K. Edwards; 1 acre on County Rd.
- Isabelle F. Plummer to James B. Hiller; dwelling with 13 acres on Fair Rd.
- Paul & Beverly Knapp, Harrison & Clara Edwards to Karl Hammer & Rosana Vestuti; 1 acre on County Rd.
- Jacqueline Walker to Mike Bilodeau; mobile home in Sandy Pines MHP.
- John P. & Patricia A. Connor to Daniel E. & Christina M. George; 4.95 acres on Cherry Tree Hill Rd.
- Isabelle F. Plummer to Richard G. Casavant; release of easement on Fair Rd.
- Charlotte E. (Langer) Staples & Marilyn S. Wingersky to Charlotte E. Staples & Marilyn S. Wingersky; dwelling with 12 acres on Lyle Young Rd.
- Michael Rus to E. Gary Pletzer, apt. dwelling with 0.5 acres on Rt. 2 in E. Village.
- Wayne A. & Sandra J. Fair to Roxanne Farnham; 3.38 acres on Fair Rd.
- Lois D. Brush & Roger Griswold to John D. Buckley & Barbara R. Blackman; dwelling with 7 acres on Perkins Rd. (Lot #1)
- Lois D. Brush & Roger Griswold to John D. Buckley, Barbara R. Blackman & Patricia P. Buckley; 7 acres on Perkins Rd. (Lot #2)
- David S. & Anne W. Goodrich to Ralph F. & Catherine S. Leonard; dwelling with 6.3 acres on Powder Horn Glen Rd.
- E. May Slayton to Paul J. & Erika G. Dayton; dwelling with 65 acres, Cummings Rd.
- P & G Sales, Inc. dba Ray's Homes to Steve & Lisa Gilman; mobile home in Sandy Pines MHP.
- Harry A., Lena P., Thomas H. & Ann M. Brazier to Todd L. & Cooleen Parker; 3 acres on Bliss Rd.
- Nathan R. Danforth to Nathan R. & Dorothy Danforth; dwelling with 3.7 acres and commercial with 1.7 acres on Rt. US-2 .
- Bradford & Ruth Lane to Clair G., David I. & Stanley H. Lane; dwelling with 1.7 acres on Morse Rd.
- Douglas E. & Elisabeth K. Schaefer and Michael J. & Martha J. Vickers to Laura Medalie; dwelling with 0.3 acres, Barnes Rd.

Stocking Stuffer



Looking for a great gift for that friend who moved away? For your mom? For the kid at college?

A subscription to the *Signpost* — just \$10.00 for a whole year — would make a dandy.

Send your ten bucks to Anne Sherman at RD-1, Box 80, East Montpelier, VT 05651 by Dec. 10 and we will send them a nice card to tell them it's coming.

OH, HOW WE RALLIED!



Eight must be our lucky number, for on Rally Day 1996 — our eighth year — everything fell in place perfectly. The weather was like July — sunny and warm. The hikers hiked, the bikers biked, the runners ran, while those of us less athletic brought luscious goodies to the Town Fair, viewed the beautiful hooked rug display at Four Corners, and watched the Fire Department demonstrate its expertise.

And the Food — the all-day food— created by the two churches, the PTO and the Fire Department Auxiliary! A measure of the day was the way Ben and Jerry's four cartons of donated ice cream vanished with unprecedented speed.

The high point of the day was East Montpelier's Circus Berserkus. Hobie Guion, Jim Grundy, and Sharon Gouveia produced a fun show complete with parade, band, midway, and circus acts. Scores of local people furnished the talent. What a show! And yet more talent appeared on stage for the evening's Variety Show, another winner.



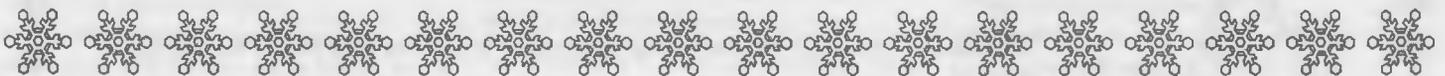
Clowning Around on Rally Day



The Circus is Coming!

Rally Day was invented eight years ago to provide a special day for our town. It certainly served its purpose September 7. We lost count of the number of townspeople who helped make it happen, but it was somewhere between 75 and 100.

The *Signpost* is deeply indebted to all the wonderful people who put together the Rally Day Auction and to those who donated and bid on the bargains. It netted a record \$1858, which insures about half of the *Signpost's* annual budget!



Headed South for the winter? Want the *Signpost* to follow?



So you are going to miss the snow? Well, don't miss out on the January-February and March-April issues of the *Signpost*.

Let Dave Coburn (223-6886) know when you are going to leave and when you will be back and he will try to attach the right address to the right issue(s).



Edie Miller - Renaissance Woman

I was delighted to be asked to interview Edie Miller. I'd known Edie for years. She's a perfect choice for a *Signpost* bio. The interview would give us an excuse for dinner and a chat.

As we waited for dinner to be served, Edie told me that her family lived in Hartford, Connecticut, where she and her brother and sister were all born and raised. Her father was in the automobile business; her mother was a school teacher and later a social worker. Edie received her elementary and secondary education in the Hartford public school system. She went on to earn a degree in biochemistry from Smith College.

After graduating from Smith, Edie enrolled in Cornell Graduate School. Her goal of obtaining her master's in biochemistry was sidetracked, however, by some personal chemistry when she met her husband-to-be, Marty. They were married in 1964 and moved to Philadelphia after Marty finished law school. Edie worked until her daughter Alison was born. Alison was soon joined by Ben.

The family liked Philadelphia very much, but in 1970 they moved to Vermont. What precipitated this move? As Edie explains it, there were two basic reasons. The first revolves around the Millers' unflagging commitment to public education. They were determined to send their children to public school, but were concerned about the children's safety in the Philadelphia school system. The other reason was one that motivated many folks to make Vermont their home in the early 1970s: the desire to avoid the pace of city living and the search for a better, healthier lifestyle. The family settled in Stowe and their third child, Jonathan, was born. Five years later, the Millers moved to East Montpelier. They have lived in their present location at the corner of Murray and Bliss Roads for the past 21 years.

During those early years in Vermont, Edie did not, as they say, "work out of the home." However, in addition to raising the children she was very busy with volunteer work. Her Vermont civic career began with Stowe's first Planning Commission. She remembers this stint of service as a challenging and exciting time, noting that some of the issues they struggled with then, such as transfer of development rights, are still being debated. During her tenure, the town wrestled with the issue of zoning, adopting its first town plan and zoning ordinance.

Edie went back to work once the children were in school, but her career followed a path she could not have anticipated when she worked as a biochemist in Philadelphia. She went to work for National Life as a computer programmer. And, if parenting,

working and volunteer activities weren't enough to keep her busy, she began working toward a master's in Business Administration at the University of Vermont. In 1983, however, school and work were put aside to care for Jonathan who had become terminally ill.

By 1987, Edie had completed her master's. She laughed when she recalled that she didn't get to attend her own graduation because Alison graduated from Yale on the same day. Not long afterwards, Edie left National Life and, in another interesting career shift, went to work for UVM. Today, Edie is the Director of University Outreach for Continuing Education for UVM. She is responsible for off campus programs, including those offered out of state. This challenging job fits nicely with her interest in education.

Edie's record of public service is as remarkable as her warm good humor, common sense and energy. She has consistently supported her commitment to public education by volunteering whenever assistance was needed. The ELF program and the Public

School Approval process at U-32 were just two of the many local projects that benefitted from her efforts. In addition, she somehow found time along the way to serve in a variety of appointed and elective offices. She has served on the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Elementary School Board. She was the chair of the first Conservation Commission and the first chair of the Four Corners School Board of Directors.

Edie is currently serving the second year of her second term as a member of the Selectboard. She says she has thoroughly enjoyed her tenure on the board. The challenges are unending. Unfortunately, it is a problem finding the time to address them in a thoughtful way. She believes, however, that the real benefit of being on the board is that, unlike the Zoning Board or the School Board which focus on particular subjects or relate to a certain segment of the town's population, the Selectboard's jurisdiction is broad. This gives her an opportunity to work with residents on a broad range of issues and to become familiar with a larger slice of town life.

It was daylight when we began this delightful evening, but when we concluded it was quite late. After we made plans to go biking soon, I asked Edie how she would sum up her feelings about Vermont and East Montpelier. She smiled and said, "It's a gift to live here."

Claudia Bristow, a lawyer, works for the Legislative Council. She and her husband Charles live on Horn of the Moon Road in East Montpelier.



Edie in her Garden

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 High School
Elementary School Board	1st Thursday (Except July)	6:30	Elementary School
Recreation Board	3rd Monday	7:00	Town Office
Town Clerk's Office Hours	Mon. - Thurs. 9 - 5; Friday 9 - 12		Town Office
Zoning Administrator	Tuesday & Thursday	1:00 - 2:30	Town Office
Four Corners Schoolhouse Assn.	3rd Wednesday	7:30	Four Corners Schoolhouse

Meeting times are subject to change

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday	October 31	Halloween party - pre-school & elementary students - Four Corners Sch. 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Saturday	November 2	Rug Hooking Class - Four Corners School - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. - for information: 223-6892
Fri./Sat.	November 15/16	Fall Play - U-32 High School - 7:30p.m.
Wednesday	November 27	Thanksgiving Eve Service - Old Meeting House - 7:30 p.m.
Sunday	December 15	Children's Christmas Pageant - Old Meeting House - 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday	December 18	Senior High School Holiday Concert - U-32
Thursday	December 19	Junior High School Holiday Concert - U-32
Friday	December 20	Holiday Parties and Sing-a-Long - EMES
Sunday	December 22	Candlelight Service - Old Meeting House - 7:30 p.m.

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