

TOWN TRIBUTES

ANNUAL REPORT
UNDERHILL. VT.

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1967



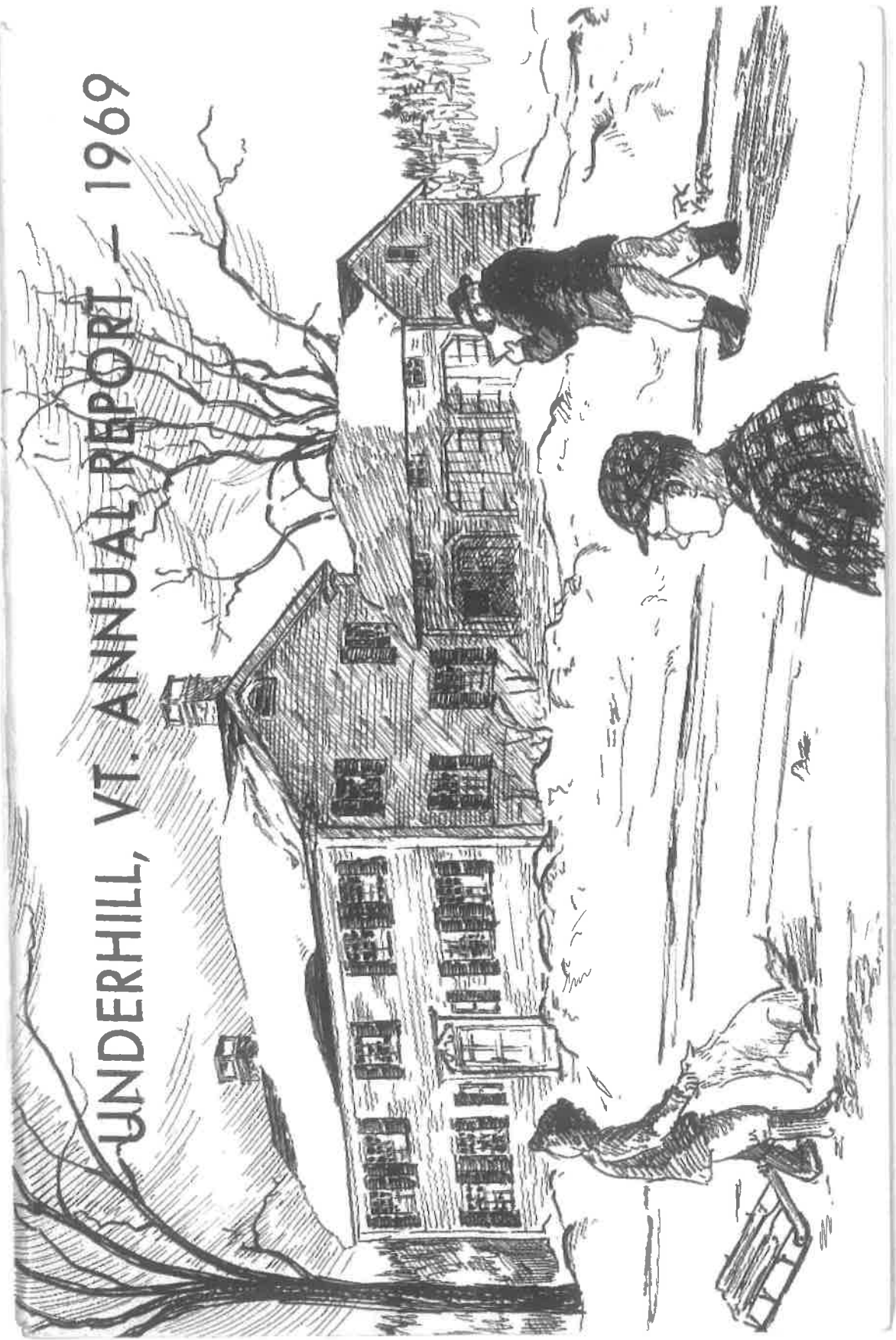
DEDICATION

This year's Town Report is dedicated to the memory of our friend and neighbor, Arthur Bogue. Arthur in his honesty projected his personality into the hearts of many. Passing through Underhill Center one was usually sure to see his tall angular form bent on some errand of kindness. Neighbors, shut-ins, and town officials alike relied on his daily visits and the newsy bits of information he carried. Never in a hurry, yet never idle, his warm grin and hearty wave were an integral part of the life of Underhill Center.

Arthur will be missed for many reasons—but mostly because he was Arthur.

Once again Underhill is fortunate in having the talents of our 'artist in residence', Roy Kennedy to depict a scene familiar to all. This year Roy shows us Underhill Center from above St. Thomas's Cemetery with our own Mansfield in the background. Roy's past covers have helped make the Underhill Town Report a stand-out among others in the state. Our thanks again to Roy for a job well done.

UNDERHILL, VT. ANNUAL REPORT - 1969



This year's Town Report cover depicts the Barney Tavern, also known as the Benedict Place. It is now the summer residence of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Heatherington of Washington, D.C. and formerly of Richmond, Vt.

This well-known landmark is believed to have been built in 1800 by Mathew Barney, grandson of Governor Thomas Chittenden, and was run as a tavern until 1857.

Purchased by Dr. Hiram Benedict, it remained in the Benedict family for some 85 years.

Recently restored in 1968, it won an award by the Chittenden County Historical Society as an example of early American architecture.

The addition on the right was recently built. The main building is as it appeared in the early 1800's.

Sketched by Roy A. Kennedy, artist-sculptor of Underhill Center, the home is shown after the heavy snowfall of late December – early January (1969-70). In the foreground are shown two local residents returning from the Post Office as a child with his sled pats a friendly dog.

DEDICATION

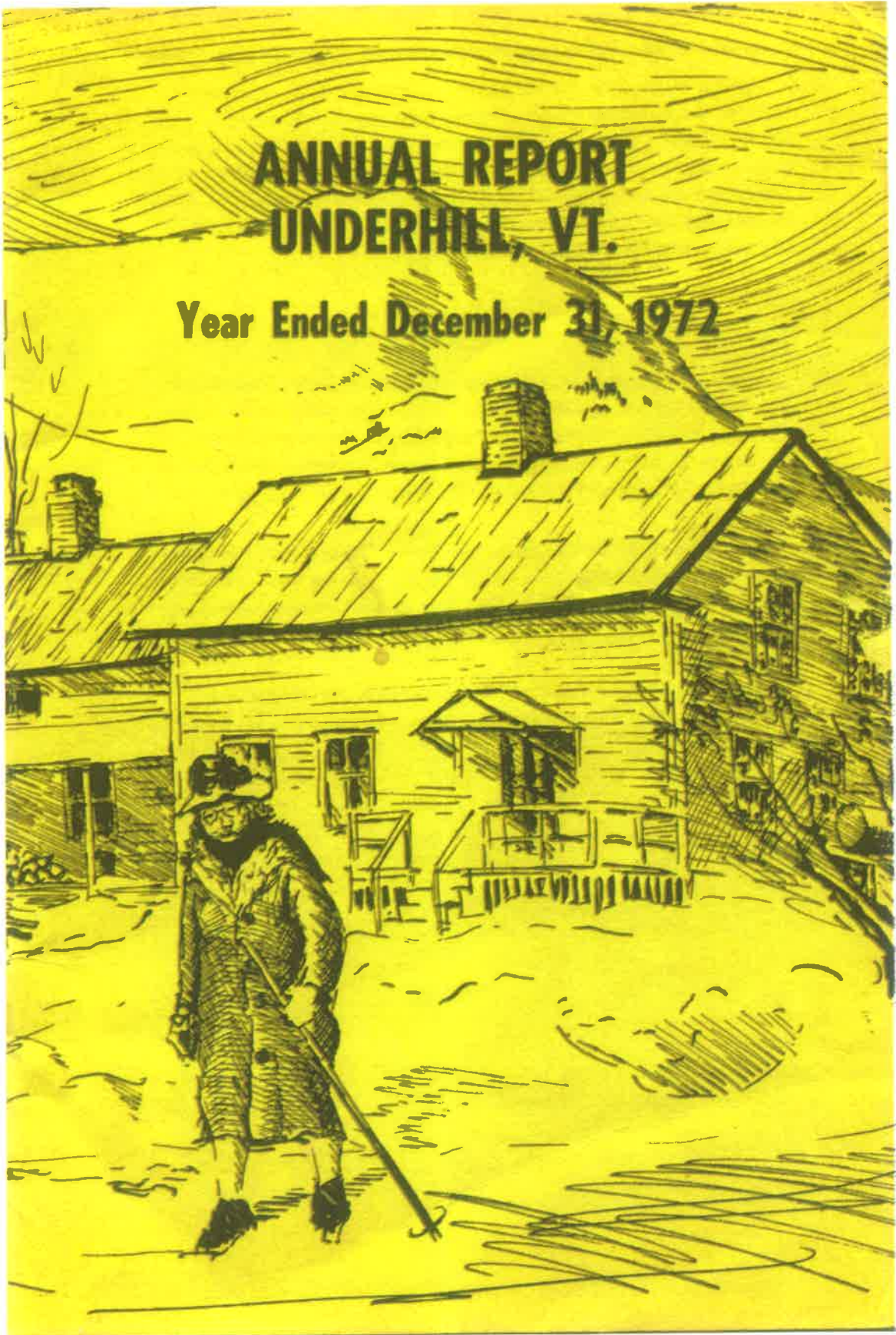
This year's Town Report is dedicated to the memory of George Barrett who has served the townspeople for many years as "Justice of the Peace". He was also "Overseer of the Poor" for a little while.

George was born in Underhill and has always shown interest in Town affairs. The Civil Board members always turned to George for advice when we weren't quite sure about certain things. His experience and knowledge of the town and its people was always an asset to our many meetings.

George also served as a Selectman during the 1930's.

**ANNUAL REPORT
UNDERHILL, VT.**

Year Ended December 31, 1972



Eleanor Clark lived in Underhill for fourteen years, and during the years of her retirement, she contributed many hours of her time and skills to the Town—as a hard-working member of the Planning Commission, helping with the Town history, organizing last year's Town Report, and in many other little ways. She was a person of strong convictions, never afraid to speak her mind, especially if it concerned the good of the Town, and her dedicated service to Underhill will be missed.

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Some thirteen years ago Sally Soule moved to the North Underhill Station Road to become involved in our Town affairs; active in the Underhill Historical Society, Town Auditor and going on to become Delinquent Tax Collector, taking her duties seriously and precisely; determined to meet the requirements of the office to the letter of the law and insisting the same in return.

Upon her retirement she opened the Tureen Dining Room which was well patronized. She became a member of the Vermont Arts and Crafts Society; became a judge in the Free Press gourmet contest; took active participation in Church work doing everything she undertook to the best of her ability.

We will miss her quiet smile and intense interest in our Town affairs.

Here is the Cavanaugh house on the green in Underhill Center; one of the older houses in town, its records going back at least 130 years. Marguerite is just starting her daily round of library, Church, store, post office, while local children are at play in the background.

ANNUAL REPORT

UNDERHILL, VT.

Year Ended December 31, 1973



When Underhill Had a Railroad

Homer N. Bogue (1890-1973)

A long time resident of Underhill and one who served the town in many capacities, died Oct. 31, 1973. Homer N. Bogue, born June 5, 1890 in Enosburg, served the Town of Underhill as Selectman, as Lister, and as Justice of the Peace for a total of 34 years.

Homer lived much of his life in the Valley and there witnessed the coming of things that today we take for granted. In his farming days, there was no energy crisis unless the horse took sick and no brownouts unless the wick needed trimming.

For those of us who knew him, admiration for his ingenuity, respect for his honesty and dedication to his Town are traits that we will long remember.

ALL ABOARD!

From 1877 to 1938, Underhill residents could climb onto the cars of the Burlington and Lamoille Railroad and travel to Burlington to do their trading.

Farmers loaded their potatoes, livestock, maple sugar and syrup in barrels. Logging companies shipped rough lumber to Burlington.

Trains did not always adhere to fixed schedules. Interruptions in service were frequent what with cows on the track, snow drifts or ice covering the rails. But the important thing was, that **THE CARS ALWAYS GOT THROUGH.**

The depot is the present home of Arthur and Ruth Seymour.

ANNUAL REPORT UNDERHILL, VT.

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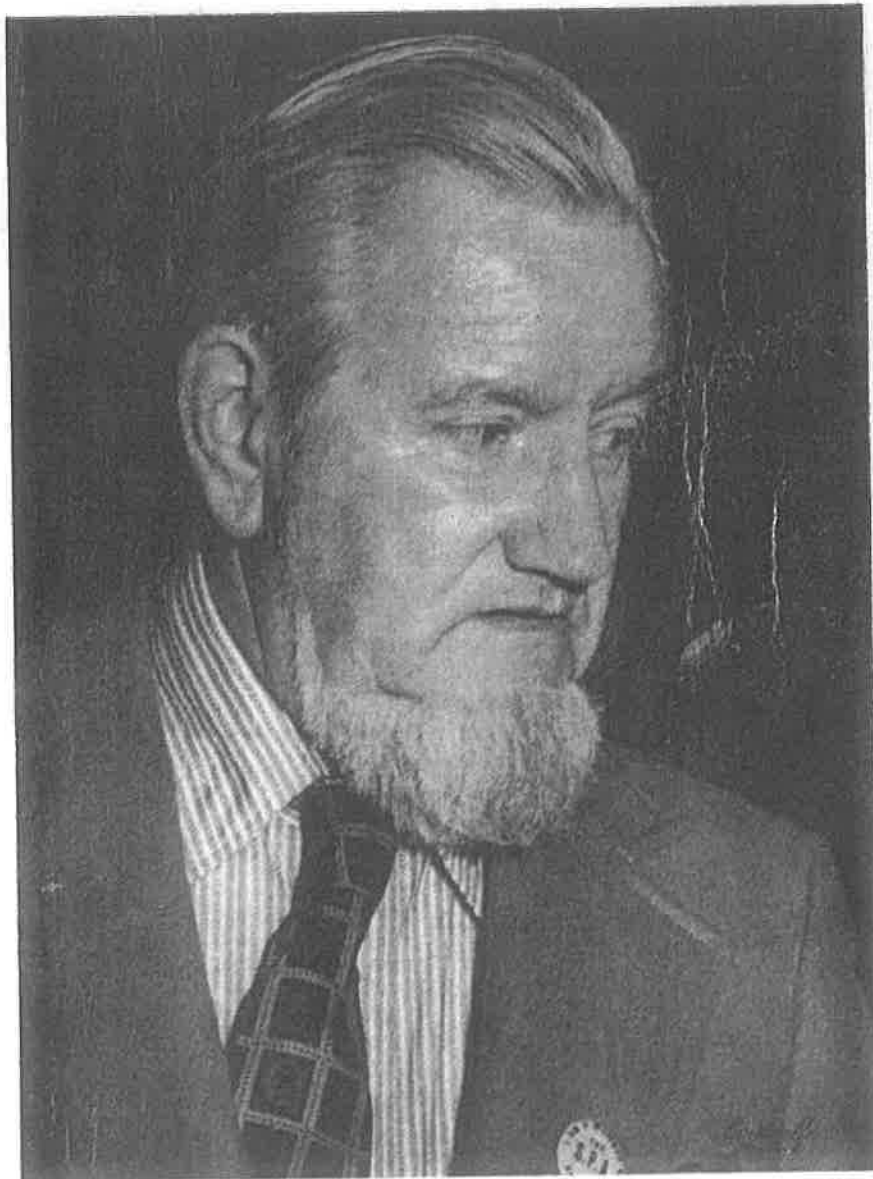




Once again the pen of the versatile artist, Roy Kennedy, has etched a lasting scene for us in the continuing story of Underhill. Yes, that's our own Lawrence Casey, affable postmaster of Underhill Center, 05490, dispensing the mail to Henry Mitchell and following. Lawrence retires from his official duties this month after fifteen years of steady service. A lifelong resident of Underhill, Lawrence has lived nearly his entire life in the tidy farmhouse on the Pleasant Valley Road. Originally a farmer, Lawrence also served as Justice of the Peace and Road Commissioner as did his father before him. In those days horse power was of a singular nature, not governed by Detroit, and plowing the roads meant just that. Lawrence, in reminiscing recently, recalled how most teams wore bells and on clear days their sound carried quite a distance alerting farmers along the route of their coming. Generally it meant upon arrival at the gate that a hot glass, or two, or three, of cider from the previous Fall's apple crop awaited them. "It could get real warm, before we got home," he said, that Casey twinkle in his eyes, and you knew he was thinking of good times past. Lawrence has seen the Town change from a strictly "stay at home" community to a Town where most of the labor force works "away".

Throughout it all, Lawrence has remained Lawrence. Those who know him realize that the word retirement was never meant with Lawrence Casey in mind. We all join in wishing Lawrence and Yvonne the very best in the happy years ahead.

ANNUAL REPORT
UNDERHILL 1978



**In Memoriam
Lucius Jackson
1915-1978**

In 1956, Lucius Jackson purchased property in Underhill and until his passing did his utmost to make people happy. 'Jack' loved his place, his hobbies and the people who made up his world. He was a giver and he gave generously. He drew people to him, and lasting friendships were formed. He was self educated and although advanced formal education may have eluded him, he truly earned a Doctor of Humanity degree from all who knew him.

An associate in his business said of him; "Jack as everyone knows him, had great intelligence and appreciation of the finest in music, painting, literature and theater. His native New England wit made association with him a great joy, and his philosophy of life was an inspiration. . . ."

His close friend of many years, Paul Cook presented him with a plaque on a special night at the Town Hall which characterizes eloquently the feeling of his Underhill neighbors and friends.

He settled in the shadow of our mountain,
but was never dwarfed by it.
Countless are the flames of friendship
that by his fireside were lit.
Jack's joy of life is living it
and doing things of worth.
He has made a bright and better place
of this tiny piece of earth.
Great men and famous men
will doubtless come and go.
But Jack is as fine a man
as we ever hope to know.



"OFFICE UPSTAIRS"

He came to town in the Fall of 1940, and for the next 34 years, until his passing, gave unstintingly of himself to others. Doctor Raymond Towne epitomized all that is fine and fair in life. He came to us from Richmond, Vermont, via the University. If he had an enemy, he must have been a silent one for no one ever heard a harsh word against him. It made little difference how you addressed him, "Doc" or "Raymie" — he was the same to all. His storehouse of yarns and anecdotes were legendary and none can measure how much sickness or pain was lessened by one of Doc's stories. Patient, kind and unselfish — he gave much and asked little from us in return. In a world that tends to gage success by material gains, Doc was indeed the exception. His infectious grin and hearty wave are no longer a part of our world, but for those fortunate to have known him, he will remain a permanent memory. In fairness, it may truly be said: "Doctor Raymond Towne, Office Upstairs."



"I LIKE TO HELP THE FOLKS OUT"

What better than his own words to sum up this dedicated man's attitude toward the responsibilities of his elected task. As our Road Commissioner, Leslie Fuller witnessed the rapid growth of Underhill, from a rural independent community with simple demands to our present position with the resultant additional requests for his services. Loyalty and dependability were two of his many traits. He was a kind man — a good family man. He was indeed, "the captain of his ship," as he piloted the grader over the many miles of Town Roads — his cap set jauntily to one side, a cigar clamped tightly in the corner of his mouth. Leslie enjoyed people. He, like Doc, will be sorely missed. To have known him was a privilege in itself.

UNDERHILL, VERMONT FISCAL YEAR 1988-1989

ANNUAL REPORT

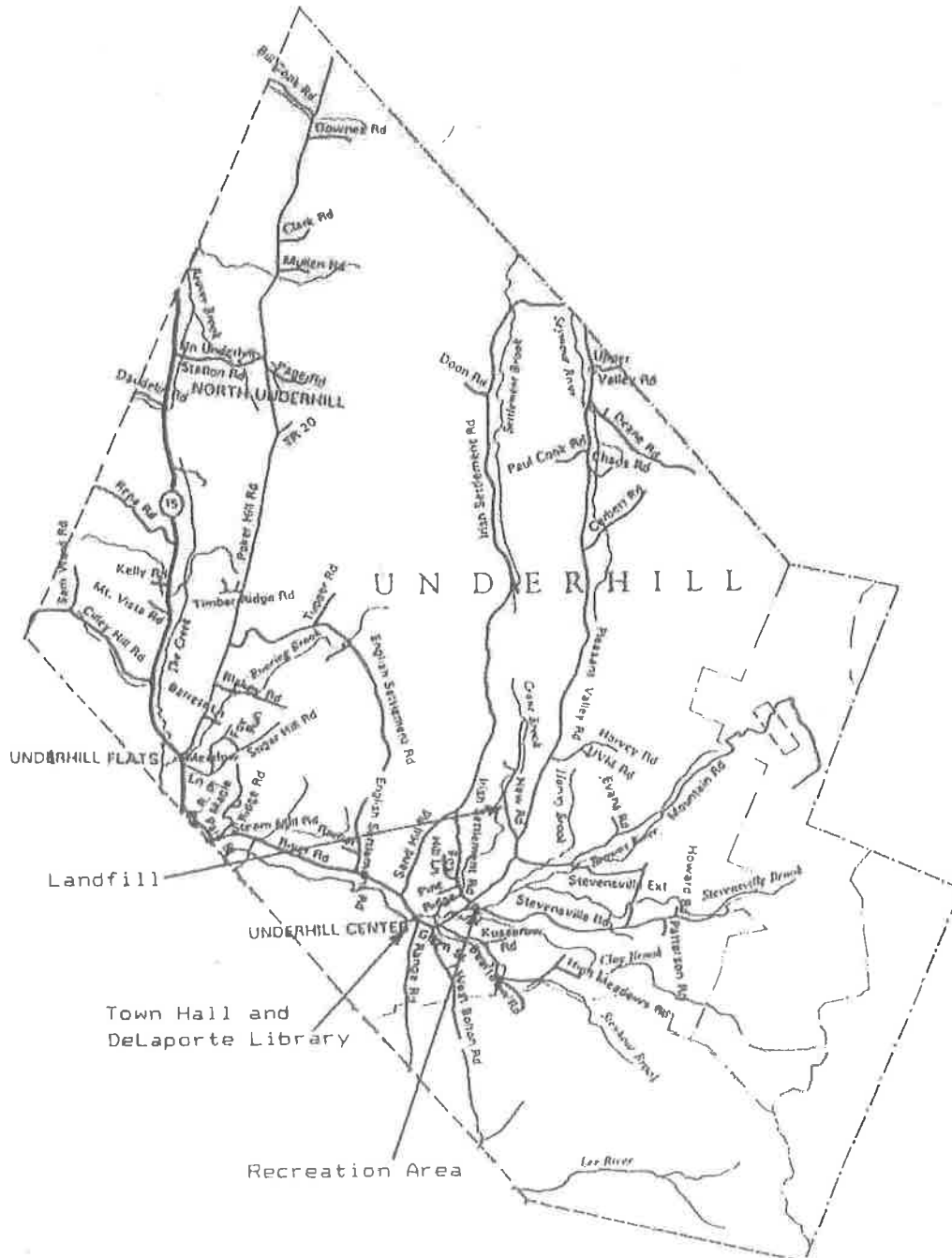


COVER
ZILDA METCALF

This Annual Report is dedicated to Zilda Metcalf, who is resigning as Town Clerk after serving the Town of Underhill for 24 years. The residents of Underhill are grateful to Zilda for her guidance as the Town changed from a community of mostly farms and seasonal camps to a rapidly developing residential town. The future will be difficult without her, but the townspeople wish her a happy, healthy future.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal year ending June 30, 1991



Dedication



Beyond the view and architecture, our most special asset is our people. Here are Roland Ellis and Roy Kennedy (l. to r.) two who have done many special things for Underhill. They are pictured here with one of the almost 200 Town Hall chairs they painstakingly stenciled and numbered many years ago. (Roy was told that stenciling a curved surface couldn't be done, so he made his own stencil.) These men have supported the Scouts, the Historical Society and other Town projects. Roland was responsible for restoring the Town Hall chandelier, and Roy provided the historic woodcuts for many of the Town Annual Reports. Their works linger on, and we hope that you will get to know and remember them -- special Underhill people.

Roland and his wife, Mary, live in Stevensville in one of Underhill's historic houses. For many years they had the only nationally known circus in Underhill. Roland is an accomplished artist, collector, specialist in antiques and one-time white-water canoeist. He is a founding member of the Underhill-Jericho Boy Scout Troop No. 7.

Roy and his wife, Lorraine, live in the old Green Mountain Academy building in Underhill Center. Roy guided many budding artists at the Underhill Central School, was the artist in residence at St. Michael's College and is nationally known for his fine metal sculpture. Lorraine is also an artist and does striking animal paintings. Roy's stonework skills are evident all over Underhill; he makes great home brew and can create most anything from most anything.

COVER: Map courtesy of HomeTown Publishing of Hinesburg, Vermont, publishers of HomeTown Directories.

L. Dwyer

**TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT
ANNUAL REPORT
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1992**



**Annual Town School Meeting- March 1, 1993
Annual Town Meeting- March 2, 1993**

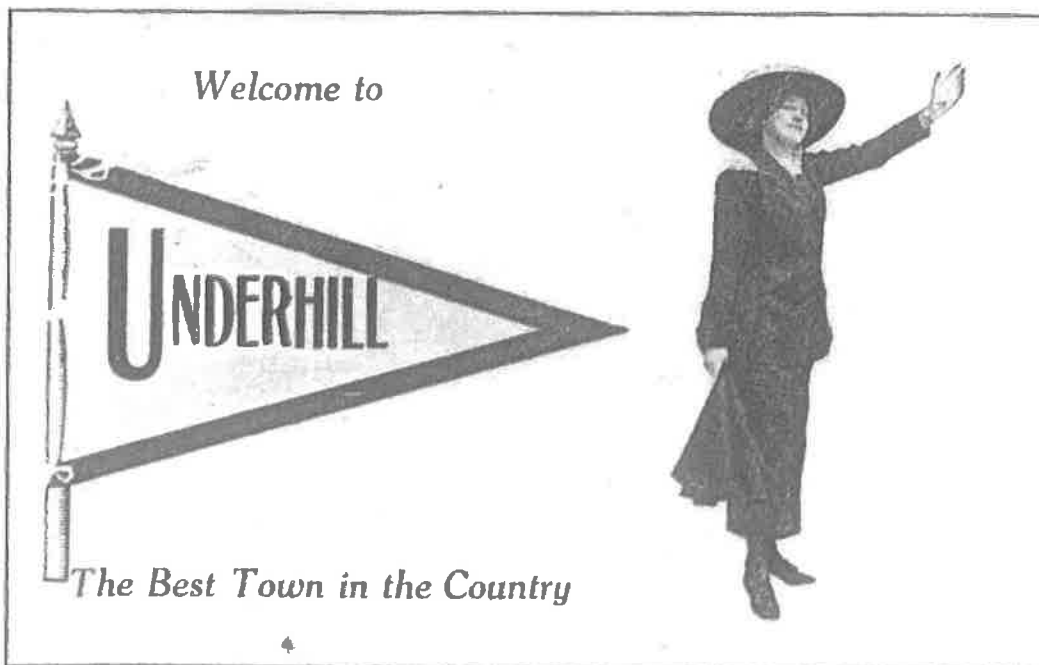


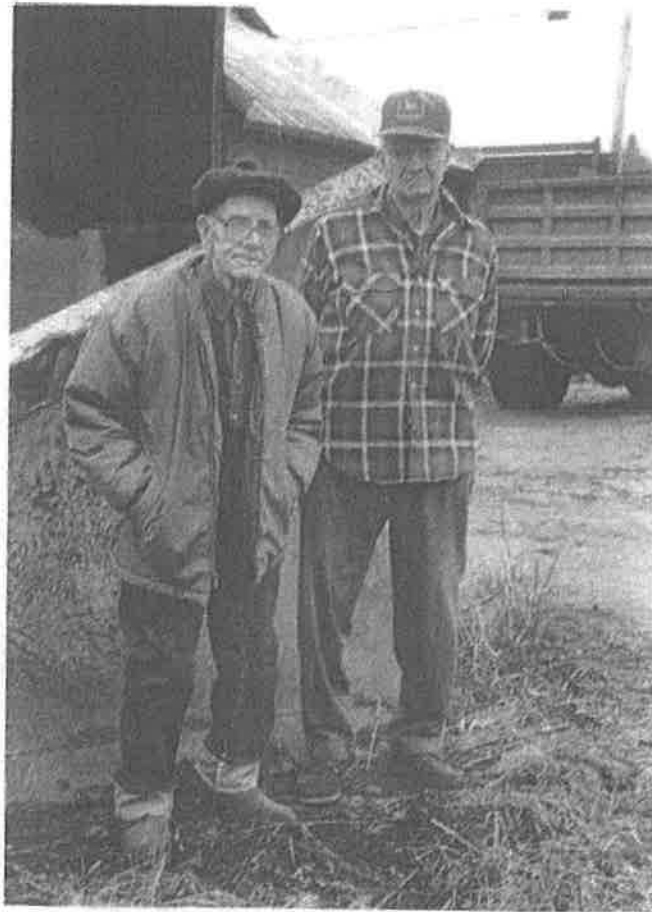
Luella Lamphere and Marian Fay, former Selectwomen of Underhill, are reputed to have been the first women in the State to have held that position. Both have held many other positions in town; among them, Luella as Town Clerk and Marian as Chair of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Both still lead busy lives -- Marian from her old homestead on River Road and Luella up on the former Lamphere farm, now known as High Meadows.

On the cover: Lou Farmer, Town Clerk and, for many years, Town Treasurer, who is retiring this year. Her pleasant attitude and wish to serve has won her many friends. Her plans for the future include playing with her grandchildren, gardening and quilting. We wish her happiness and success in all her ventures. Thank you, Lou.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal year ending June 30, 1994





Lawrence Casey (left) and Lynford Lamphere

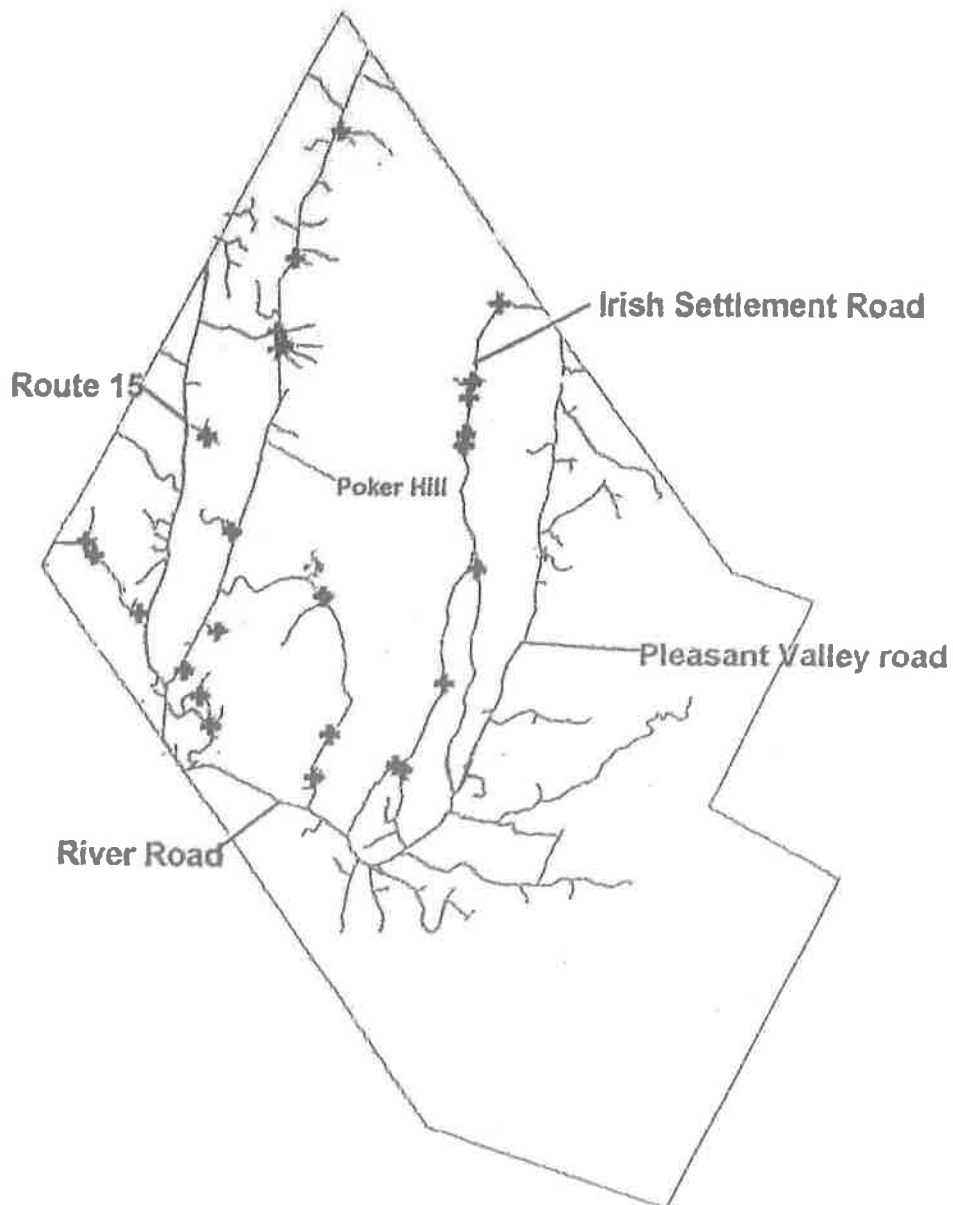
Lawrence Casey and Lynn Lamphere have seen a lot and done a lot in their many years in Underhill. Both were Postmasters—Lynn delivered our mail for many years and Lawrence sorted it for even more. Both worked on our roads when we looked after them with an old Dodge truck and a D4 Caterpillar bulldozer. Both talk about horsepower when it meant how many horses. Casey's sliding hill is an Underhill institution, and Lynn's years on the Planning Commission show how both have made a mark here for us. Truly Town Fathers, we hope that your interest in our Town will encourage you to make their acquaintance. We are proud of them and wish them well.

COVER:
Postcard from the Gary Irish collection.

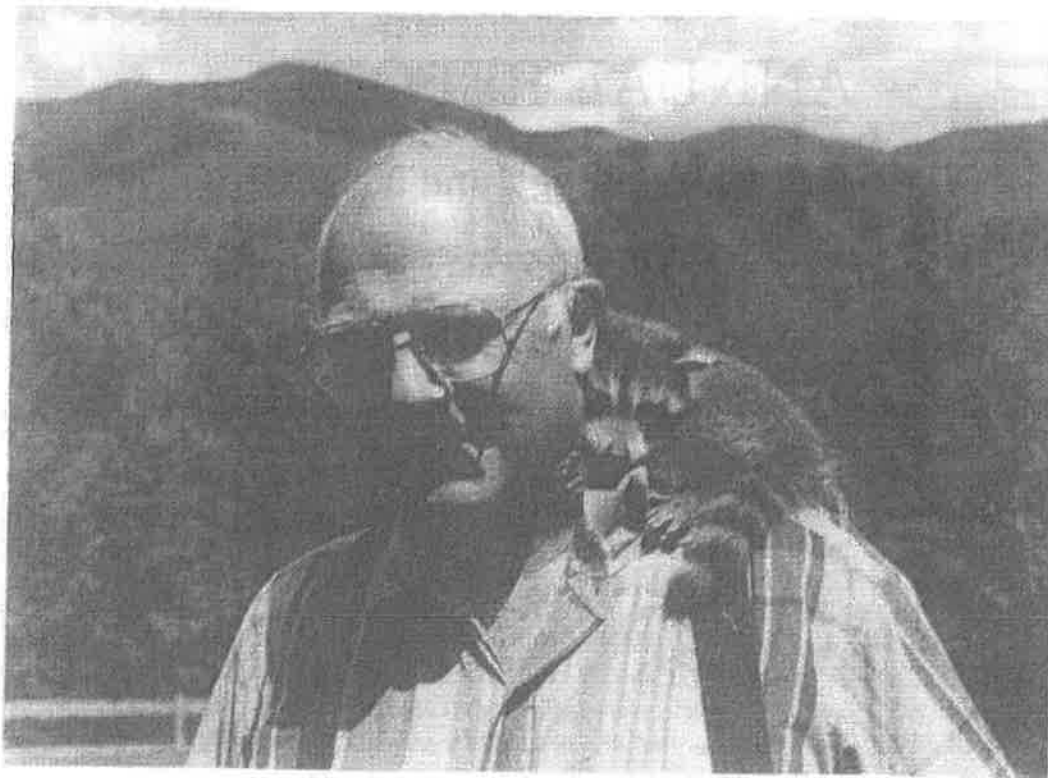
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Fiscal year ending June 30, 1998

YEAR OF THE FLOODS



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TIME FOR A WORD OF THANKS

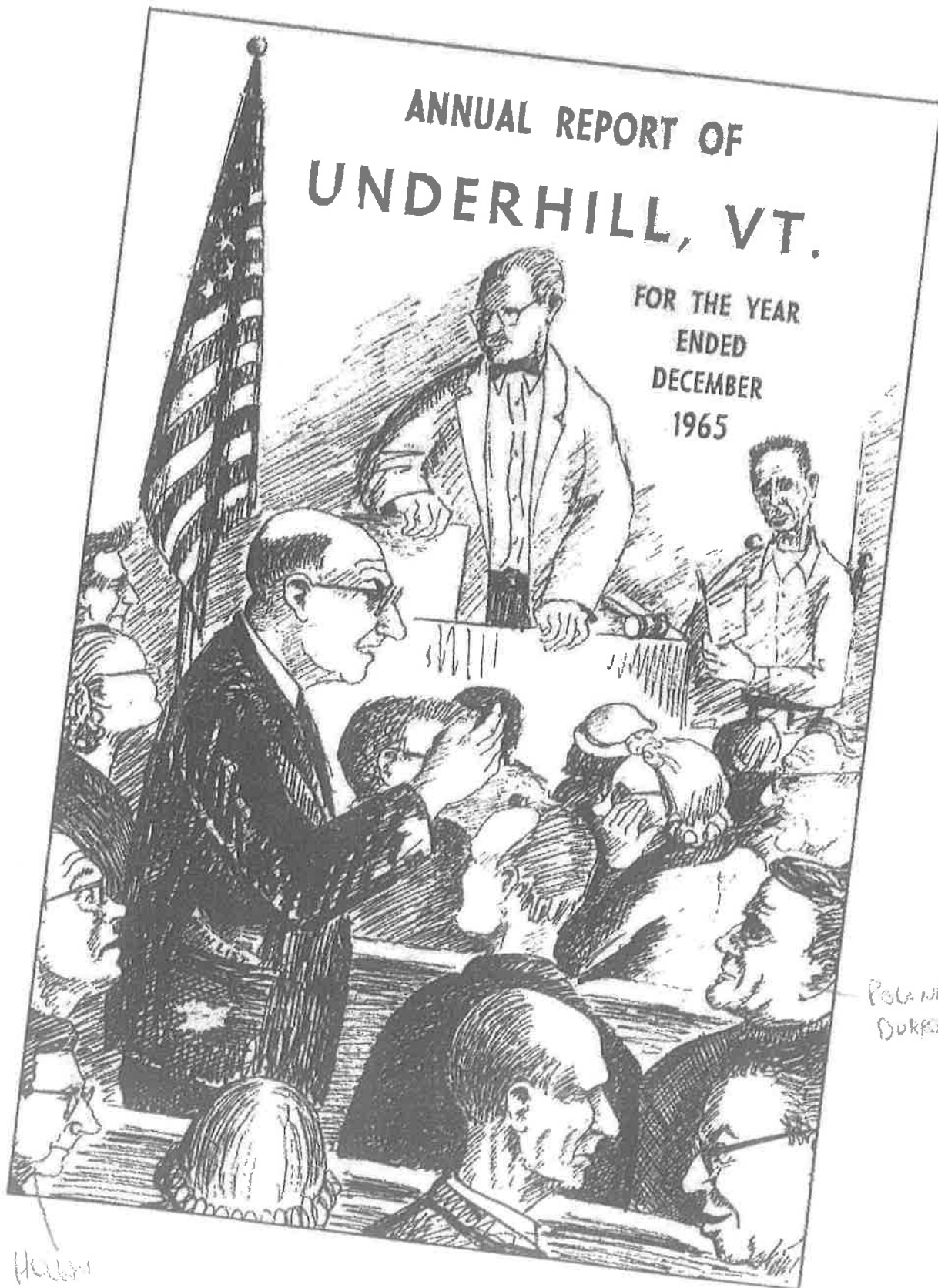
To Ed Moore,

- Selectboard member from 1970 through 1979.
- Moderator, Town and School Annual Meetings from 1986 through 1991.
- Organizer and supervisor of volunteers in the Great Town Hall Restoration project.
- Computer whiz, installing the first computer system for the Town offices and generously trouble-shooting for Town personnel at the drop of a hat).
- Generator of survey maps for the entire Town, followed up with the new GIS mapping and maps for the Town's E-911 program.

THANK YOU ED!

TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT ANNUAL REPORT

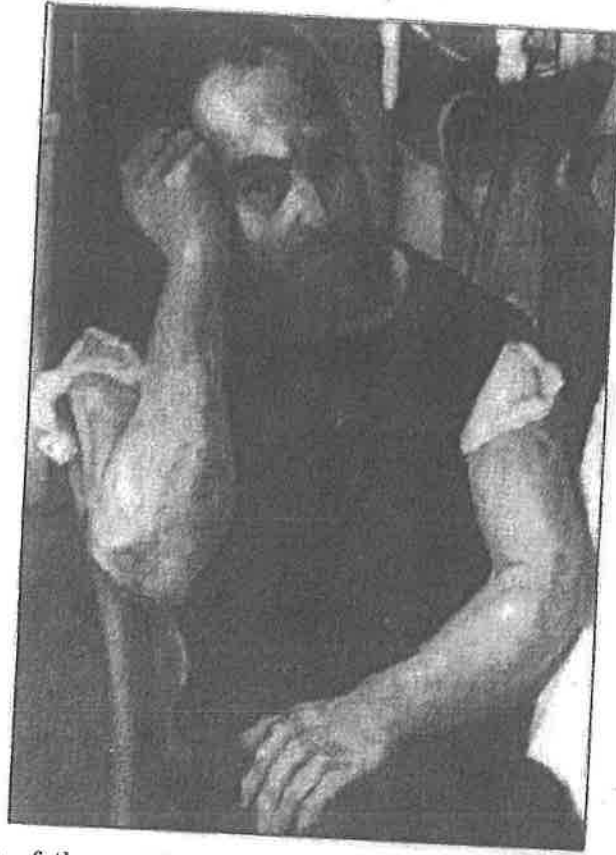
Fiscal year ending June 30, 2000



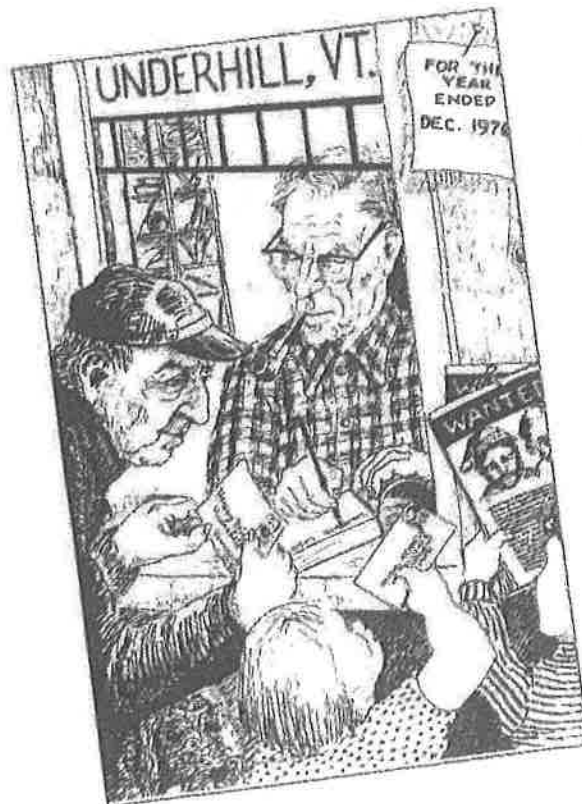
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Helen
Smith

DEDICATION



Roy Kennedy - Self-portrait of the world-renowned artist, surrounded by copies of some Town Report covers he contributed over the years. Roy volunteered in the art program at the Underhill Central School for many years and was active in the earlier restoration of the Town Hall, including replacing spindles of the stage railing and (in collaboration with former resident Roland Ellis) the silk-screening of the eagle design on the Town Hall chairs. Many thanks from your Town, Roy.

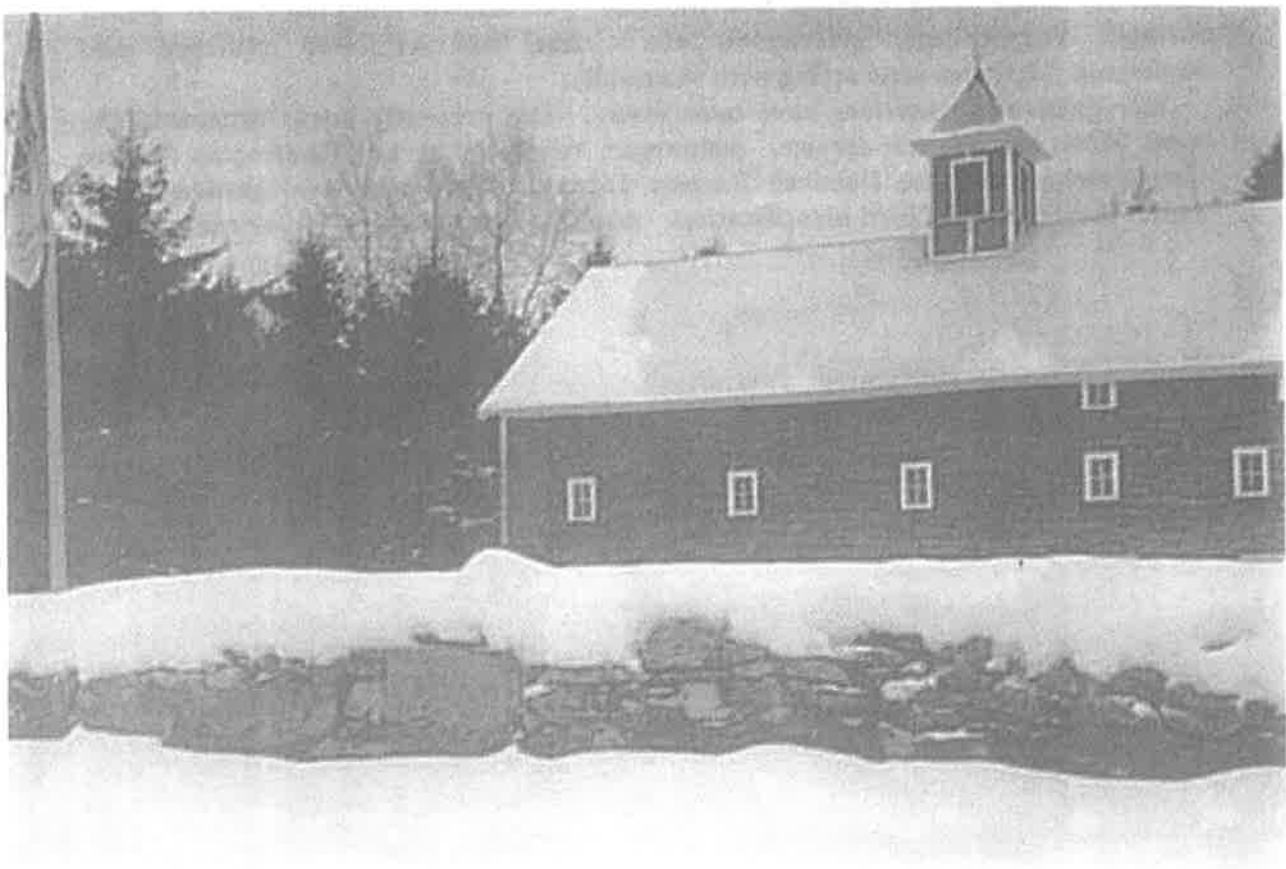


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TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT

ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal year ending June 30, 2001



Cover: John and Polly Connell barn before and after the record snowfall of 2001.



MARY FELL

One of the founding members of Underhill's Planning Commission (1971), supporting a land use plan, a zoning ordinance and solutions for solid waste and sewage disposal. She also serves on the Zoning Board of Adjustment and has been a Lister for many years, training new members and maneuvering the Listers' Board through reappraisals, grievances, etc. She has exhibited patience and understanding when interacting with the public.

Her community services have been many. She presently keeps organized the local Meals on Wheels service, volunteers regularly at the Huntington Nature Conservancy and the Deborah Rawson Library. She is an avid gardener and expert local source of bird identification. A truly giving member of our community.



Margaret Parmelee Hummel

Town government and the people of Underhill will lose the volunteer services of Margaret Hummel after this Town Meeting. Margaret is NOT leaving town. She is still our State Representative, but she decided not to run for re-election to the Selectboard this year so she could concentrate on her legislative duties.

Margaret began serving the Town in 1987 as a member of the newly formed Solid Waste Committee. When the State mandated the closing of our landfill, Margaret was a major contributor to the Committee's plan to close it and provide another means of disposing of town trash.

She also served for five years on the Planning Commission, and again she was invaluable in major decisions. She gave up her seat as Chair of the Planning Commission when she was elected to the Selectboard in 1991.

Those who have served with her on those three boards over the years have marveled at her seemingly limitless energy and knowledge of town governance. When she doesn't know the answer to a question or a problem she studies it, talks with local or State officials and comes up with what is invariably the right solution. She has always striven to do what is best for the Town and its residents. Her intelligence, common sense and selflessness have been hallmarks of her service to the people of this community. We salute her and honor her for the good she has done for all of us.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT ANNUAL REPORT



Fiscal year ending June 30, 2003

DEDICATION

Loraine Dwyer – Long-time Underhill resident.. Loraine has recently moved to Burlington, but during all her years in Underhill she took part in many community projects: She was a Town Lister for some years and was a member of The Seed and Weed Garden Club, the Underhill Historical Society, the Old Cemetery Association and the Folklore Society. She is the author of *The History of Underhill* and has done many genealogical studies for many people from many states. Loraine was a graduate of UVM 's School of Engineering and has been helpful in her researching and appreciation of our historical buildings. Underhill salutes her and wishes her well in her new surroundings..



COVER PICTURE: *Humphrey Homestead, c. 1808*, now owned by Robert Best & Julia Johnson, at the corner of Main Street (Route 15) and Poker Hill Road. Jonas Humphrey was among Underhill's earliest settlers, and the rear ell of this house is among the town's earliest permanent structures. The brick main house, c. 1835, features a Greek Revival entrance and heavy stone lintels over the door and windows.

Underhill Historical Society picture.

Photo enhancement by Tim Durbrow

TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal year ending June 30, 2004

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- 65 years 2004
35 years 2004



Please bring this report to Town Meeting

JIM NASSAU

Jim Nassau created by hand the basic parcel map of the town. The boundaries of Underhill lie within 18 orthophotomaps – photographs of the ground taken with specially equipped aircraft. Zilda Metcalf, then Town Clerk, copied the deeds and available survey maps for the properties on each road. Jim studied them carefully and made meticulous scaled engineering drawings for each property. Using these as templates, he fitted each property on a transparent mylar overlay on the orthophotomaps. It was nearly a four-year project, completed in 1988. Jim's maps were then traced on an electronic digitizer and entered into a computer mapping program. These computerized parcel maps, based on Jim's work, are the foundation of the 911 emergency system and are used for listing and town planning as well. They are fundamental for town governance and are now taken for granted. Thanks Jim for these gifts to the town!



MARY JANE LEDERMAN – Underhill Flats Postmaster

Mary Jane had a long and varied career in the U.S. Postal System. She began her career by unloading mail bags at the Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Processing Center and moved on to operating a Zip Code machine. As Underhill Postmaster, Mary Jane renovated the Cambridge/Underhill delivery system, helped design the new Post Office, worked hard to improve the upward mobility of women in the Postal System, exhibited local art work in the Post Office and showed many individuals and small businesses how to better utilize available postal services. A reception at the Town Hall also celebrated her 20-year service in Underhill and offered best wishes for her retirement.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL, VERMONT ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal year ending June 30, 2005



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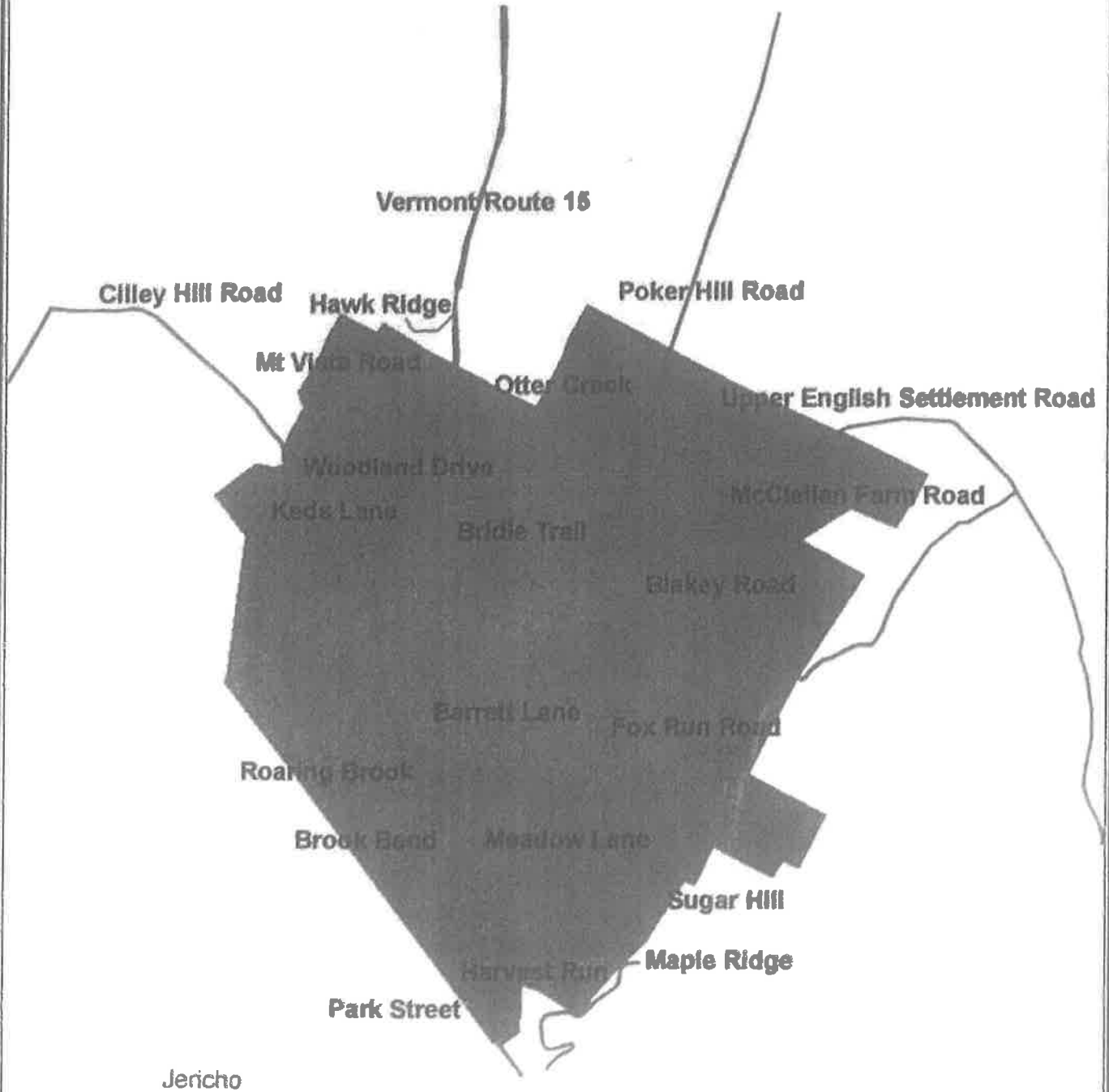
Underhill Town clerks gathered in the summer of 2005 for a historic photo!
Pictured are Luella Lamphere, Zilda Metcalf, Lou Farmer, Nancy Bradford and Sherri Morin.
Their terms cover the years from 1940 to 2006.

Photo by: Ken Morris

Can you identify the location of the sugar house on the front cover? Please let us know.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2007



*Please bring this Report and your School Report to the
Town and School Meetings*



Honorary Chief Randy H. Clark marked 50-years of membership with the Underhill-Jericho Fire Department in 2007. He joined the UJFD February 10, 1957 at the age of 16. Through the years he worked his way up the ranks and served as Chief from 1971 to 1987. Today Randy remains an active member and serves as Treasurer of the UJFD.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2008



*Please bring this Report and your School Report to the
Town and School Meetings. Pot Luck Lunch follows Town Meeting.*

A TRIBUTE TO LUELLE LAMPHERE

Following is a reciting of memories by one of Luella's sons, Patrick. The Town of Underhill is grateful for the years of service Luella has contributed to us all. As Town Clerk from 1939 to 1958 she gave her experience and general knowledge to the Town. This issue of the Annual Town Report is a small but sincere nod of thanks to her.

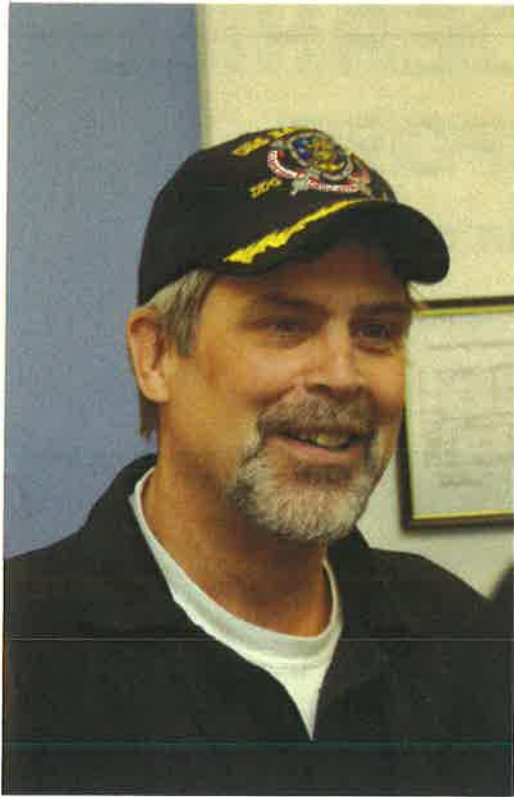
Some of my early memories of Mom include Town Clerk offices. Her father was treasurer for 41 years and clerk for 18. The clerk's office and Post Office were in their home. She assisted her father then took over the work when he became ill. She was elected Town Clerk and Treasurer in 1939 and continued for twenty years. In the early years before regular road plowing she sometimes skied to work. The office was moved to our house for a while and I would play there as a toddler. After starting grade school I would stay at the office until Mom finished work. I remember the clacking of the typewriter, hunters coming to our house at all hours to get their licenses and bringing stinky Porcupine ears which Mom had to count to determine the bounty. Men would come in barn clothes and boots and women wore aprons and hats. Mom would accept the tax payments, pay out the checks for town workers, look up information in huge ledgers, record documents and try to keep me from scribbling on important papers. I think her salary was \$25 per week. It seemed as though she was always involved in the community. She helped start the hot lunch program and later she served as Selectman for a two year term. It was reported that she and Marion Fay were the first women elected to that office in Vermont. She worked in the Burlington school system and was treasurer of the Chittenden East School District for fourteen years until retirement. She worked several years on cemetery maintenance and records. In recent years she has researched and compiled historical data and written stories about the old days. In her 94th year she still finds reasons to write to various town officials about important issues. I am very proud of her contribution to our community.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2009



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Town and School Meetings. Pot Luck Lunch follows Town Meeting.***



CAPTAIN RICHARD PHILLIPS

On April 8, 2009, Captain Richard Phillips, a resident of Underhill for a number of years, was taken captive by Somali pirates who had boarded his ship, the Maersk Alabama. On April 9, he was transferred to a small life boat by his captives. And three days later, on April 12th, the US Navy Seals were successful in rescuing him. His crew and ship had been escorted to their destination, Mombasa, Kenya and arrived on April 11. Captain Phillips and his family live on River Road and were the focus of much media attention during this past year. We are glad you are home, Captain Phillips!

JOAN LEHOULLER

Joan Lehouiller, a long-time resident and Town employee as lister and most recently as Town Treasurer, has decided to retire! She and her husband, Marcel, raised their family here in Underhill and have been involved in our community in a variety of capacities throughout the years. Joan has so many interests, including the grandchildren, we know she will be busy for years to come! Congratulations Joan and best wishes for the future.

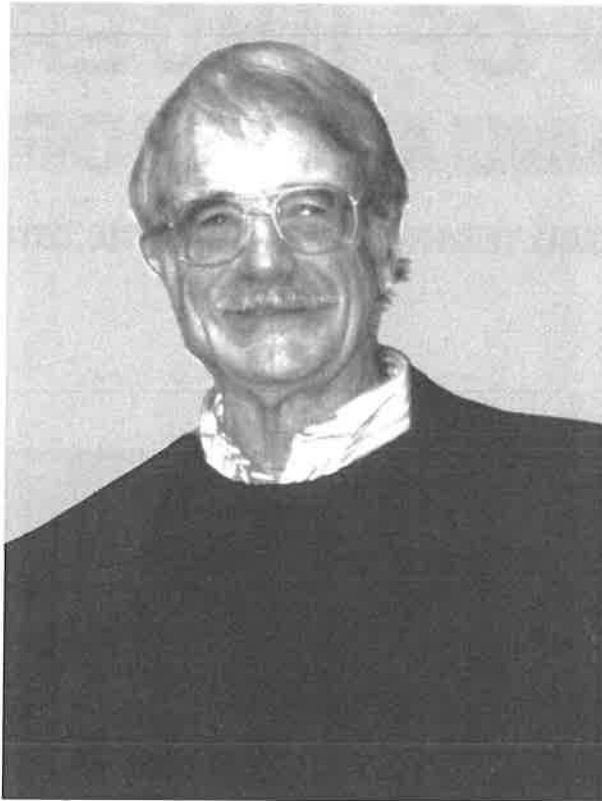


TOWN OF UNDERHILL ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2010



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STAN HAMLET

A tribute to and in memory of an able, willing and conscientious contributor to the Town of Underhill. An avid railroad/model railroad buff and baseball fan, he was also an historian of both fields, ready to fill in the dates of a certain train or the batting average of a baseball player - past or present. He was an architect and architectural historian, as well as, editor and illustrator of *The Short Line*, the monthly magazine of the National Railway Historical Society.

Stan was a member of the Underhill Planning Commission, the Development Review Board, the Selectboard and the Town's representative to the Chittenden County Metropolitan Planning Commission.

TOWN OF UNDERHILL ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011



Photo courtesy of John P. Sheppard, M.D.

***Please bring this Report and your School Report to the
Town and School Meetings. Potluck lunch follows Town Meeting.***

Suzanne Kusserow is fondly known as 'Gramma Sue' at Underhill Central, where for many years she has played guitar and taught the children new songs. Some parents may remember her role in the creation and oversight of the Town Park and as a long-time member of the Conservation Commission. Many summers have been spent, along with her husband Bill Lewis, as visitor and sometimes guide at Yellowstone National Park. Professionally, she served with the Visiting Nurse Association for over 50 years, first as director, then on the Board, providing special care in Underhill and neighboring communities. But long-time residents will remember that long before Underhill was covered by EMS, our emergency service nurse was Sue



Kusserow. She seemed to be there for us at all times -- no matter what the needs or what time of day or night it might be. For so many memories, Underhill gives thanks, indeed.



Kathleen Blakey Clark, Kitty, was honored by the Underhill-Jericho Fire Department this year for being the first woman to become a Life Member, which takes 25 years of dedicated service. Kitty's association with the UJFD started over 50 years ago when she worked on the Annual Chicken Bar B Q, was a Red Phone Operator, a founding member of the UJFD Ladies Auxiliary in 1972 and remained an active member for 30 years when the auxiliary became a part of the Fire Department.

On August 24, 1986, Kitty was voted a member of the UJFD after serving the previous nine years as a fill-in dispatcher. She has served on many committees and received several awards in the last 25 years including the Building Committee for the Underhill station (Built in 1997) which met for over four years. In 1997, Kitty was recognized by her peers as the Underhill-Jericho Firefighter of the Year and in 1998, she was selected from a state-wide field of applicants and presented with the most prestigious award in the Vermont Fire Service for a non-officer, - Vermont State Firefighter of the Year. She was the first woman in the history of the Vermont State Firefighters (over 100 years) to ever receive that award. Kitty has served as Clerk of the UJFD for the last 20 years and also the Fire Prevention Coordinator. For the last 25 years, Kitty has been the UJFD's Most Dedicated Member. She has attended more emergency calls in those 25 years than any other member of the department and takes her position as Dispatcher as a priority, a true testament of her love for the UJFD. Thanks Kitty for all you have done for our community!

TOWN OF UNDERHILL ANNUAL REPORT

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'The Deer Chasers'

This group of Underhill deer hunters, who called themselves "The Mount Mansfield Deer Chasers," are shown on their return from a hunting trip in 1945. The group normally hunted in the Newfane area. From left: Earle Cross, Stanley Hoag, Otis Prior, Paul Lindner, Christian Walker, Ralph Wheeler, Cerrol Carpenter, George Flynn, Elbridge Fuller and Ed Fuller.

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DAVID L. SULLIVAN

When people move into a community like Underhill many of us want to give back to that community and Dave did that for 46 years. He gave freely of his time and expertise as a dedicated member of the Underhill-Jericho Fire Department and served for many years as a Chief Officer during the department's fast growing years. Dave was a quiet man but when he spoke he knew what he was talking about and you better be listening, because he was usually right! He served on seven truck and two building committees being sure that the taxpayers received value for their dollars without frills. Being a volunteer firefighter is different than serving on other committees...yes, you still have those weekly meetings but you also have training; truck; building; safety; officer meetings; and all those other things that make an organization run smooth but to top all that off, you have emergency calls to respond to and those are never planned, they could be on Christmas eve; during church; chore time; or when you just sit down to dinner with your family and you are requested to help a community member. Dave gave to the community through the UJFD and by being the Underhill Forest Fire Warden...he gave 110%. May God rest his soul.



IRENE LINDE

Long-time resident of Underhill Irene Linde is a woman who has quietly devoted countless hours to the town. Irene has served in numerous volunteer capacities over the years - as a member of the Underhill Energy Committee, as a Mount Mansfield School Director, as a Town Auditor, and, most notably, as a 32-year member of the Planning Commission. Now that's dedication! Her kindness, generosity, and, as you can see from her photo, great sense of humor have been what make Irene so well-loved in her community and beyond. So this year we recognize her contributions and say, from the bottom of our hearts, "Thank you, Rene!"

PETER SEYBOLT

In 2012 the town lost a long-time member of the Development Review Board with the passing of Peter Seybolt. Peter was a generous and giving member of the Underhill community, and provided a consistent voice for fairness and equity in matters relating to development within the town. Many of us only knew Peter through his volunteer efforts with our civic boards, but his life and the people he touched expanded far beyond the borders of the town. We feel honored to have made his acquaintance, and privileged to call him our friend. Our lives have been enriched by you. We miss you, friend.



TOWN OF UNDERHILL ANNUAL REPORT

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On June 8, 2013, the Town of Underhill came out in big numbers to celebrate its 250th birthday! After a fantastic parade, the residents proudly posed for the town picture and sang "Happy Birthday" to the Town they love! A fun filled day of activities, entertainment and great food followed behind the Town hall.

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PETER ALLENDORF

Peter Allendorf was active in town politics, serving as selectman from 1969-1971 as well as a Justice of the Peace and on the regional planning commission for Chittenden County. One of his accomplishments for the town he was most proud of was securing the former "dump" property with his fellow selectmen. He also served as moderator for the Chittenden East Supervisory District and was a member of the Chittenden East school board. He was instrumental in securing the land for the building of the Browns River Middle School, and the Underhill I.D. School. He was a member of Hannaford's Fife and Drum Corp's Color and served as auctioneer for the Harvest Market in the "early" days. Peter proudly served as a member of the Underhill/Jericho Fire Department and as a 3 term State Representative in the 1980's, where he co-sponsored the seat belt law and served on the Institutions Committee. Thank you Peter for your service to Underhill.



Town Clerks (Sherri Morin, Underhill; Amy Grover, Bolton; & Jessica Alexander, Jericho) at the Trimarker where Underhill, Bolton & Jericho meet.



The Underhill, Bolton & Jericho Trimarker is located on Ethan Allen Firing Range.

ED & BETTY MOORE

Ed and Betty Moore have always put the greatest value in life on family, faith, and community. For the past 47 years the Moores have called Underhill their home and they have unselfishly given countless hours to making Underhill a community in every sense of the word.

In 1967 Ed and Betty moved to Underhill, when Underhill's population was a mere 800 people. Shortly after moving to Underhill, Ed served his first term as Selectman and remained a member for 9 years. During those years, Ed was often called upon to serve the community in a variety of situations, from responding to domestic violence complaints to locating lost people on the mountain, to negotiating for land on Stevensville Road for the current recreation area. Ed also served as the Moderator for town and school annual meetings from 1986 through 1991.

E.T. Moore Computer Services was formed in 1983. Ed successfully installed the first computer system at the Town Hall, which allowed him to create computerized survey maps for the 1988 Town Plan. From there the town's E-911 mapping was created, along with cemetery maps and the road and culvert maps. Services that Ed contracted to other municipalities as part of his livelihood, he donated to his home town, and he continues to do so.

Betty's 25 years as a geologist served her well on the Underhill Planning Commission, as she was pivotal in drawing a zoning map based in large part on soil suitability for supporting onsite septic systems within the town. From 1978-1986 she served on the Zoning Board of Adjustment, followed by 6 years as a representative to the Regional Planning Commission. A year later Betty was asked by the Selectboard to return to the Planning Commission, where she served for the next 15 years.

Betty has written and illustrated with photographs a number of books depicting the community and history of Underhill. Her most recent editorial accomplishment is entitled: Some History of the Town of Underhill and Riverside, Vermont, an in-depth historical depiction of Underhill with chapters ranging from the area physiography to summer activities and winter sports.

The Town of Underhill wishes to thank Ed and Betty Moore for their generosity to the Town for all they have given in the past and continue to share today.



Cover: Painting entitled "Holiday Kinn" (1993, 24"x26", House Paint on Masonite) by long time Underhill resident Walt Scheffley, formerly of Stevensville Road. An exhibition of the Artist's works was sponsored by the Underhill Historical Society and hosted by the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library in November 2014.

Incorporating Underhill residents and landmarks; Mr. Scheffley's paintings are celebrated for their fine detail, humorous whimsy and for showing Underhill as it was... and as it might have been. Identified with various degrees of certainty are: Lawrence Casey, Michael Jacobs, Wayne Pollard (?), Roland & Mary Ellis, Lorraine & Roy Kennedy, Zelda & Wendell Metcalf, Dr. Elliot Danforth (?) and Matt Parisi. Painting provided courtesy of Gael Boardman, who self-identifies as the torsoless legs and would appreciate assistance in identifying the remaining individuals.