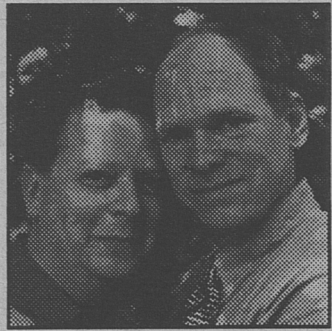


## == milestones ==

On January 22, 2000, Putney residents John Calvi and Marshall Brewer hosted 60 friends at their home to celebrate the couple's tenth wedding anniversary.

Bellows Falls caterer Linda King and her daughter, Katharine, kept the ample food thoughtfully and attractively served throughout the event. Vermonters in attendance included lesbian social activist Eva Mondon and physical therapist Cheryl Elinsky, the first Vermonter to swim the English Channel.



By happy circumstance, several of the couple's noteworthy greenhouse camellias were in bloom, including Nuccio's Gem, Rudy's Magnoliaflora, and C. reticulata Cornelian.

About half of the guests had attended the couple's wedding 10 years ago under the care of Putney Friends Meeting in a traditional Quaker ceremony attended by 200 of the couple's friends and families. (As a historical footnote, the Brattleboro Reformer's wedding announcement was the first for a couple of the same gender ever printed by a main-

stream newspaper in the United States, and was later read on National Public Radio's *All Things Considered* by Noah Adams and Linda Wertheimer.)

John Calvi continues 18 years of working with survivors of trauma and the organizations that serve them. He travels nationwide conducting workshops for people who have endured trauma, including women healing from sexual abuse, refugees who have been tortured, and people with AIDS, among other groups.

Marshall Brewer, employed by World Learning of Brattleboro, counsels applicants to master's degrees at the School for International Training. The school has recently announced expansion of its academic programs, enrolling professionals in the fields of language teaching, international education, sustainable development, intercultural relations, and organizational management.

Carrie Rampp of Middlebury was promoted to Manager of Web Communications for Middlebury College in early May.

To celebrate her upcoming 65th birthday in July, Lynn Martin created an art exhibit called *Free to Fly*. The theme of the exhibit was.

The theme of this exhibit is Emily Dickinson's poem, which begins "Hope is the thing with feathers/that perch-

es in the soul."

"The idea came from a visit to the Farmer's Market last summer, and falling in love with Eric Slayton's photographs of birds. I picked up one his note cards, saw a barn owl staring back at me, and said "I have a poem about a barn owl. I wrote it after seeing a program at one of our local schools given by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science." He looked at me and said, "That's the same owl." Later, on the way home, I thought, I wonder if we could do something together? Free to Fly is the answer to that question."

The exhibit was a multimedia event consisting of computer-enhanced photographs of birds by Eric Slayton, woodcuts by Margot Torrey, and poems by Diane Lischer, Lynn Martin, and Nan Heminway. It ran at the Hooker-Dunham Theater in Brattleboro from May 5 to May 28.

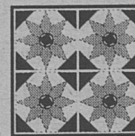
M. Maxwell Stroud of Burlington received her Master's of Social Work degree from the University of Vermont on May 21. Max participated in the Title IVE program at UVM, and will be working for the State of Vermont SRS. During her graduate career at UVM, Max focused on issues of social justice such as livable wage, gay rights, and youth rights. Max has researched and presented on health issues for older lesbians, is an organizer

for the bisexual community, and writes and takes photographs for Out in the Mountains. She is also a member of the Vermont Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. Max's graduate portfolio titled "Testimony" summarizes her passion for civil rights in conjunction with artistic creativity through music, stories, photographs,

and testimony.

### Coming up:

June 25: Timothy Buffi and Shane Stanley of Thetford Center, VT, will be married at their home at 2pm.



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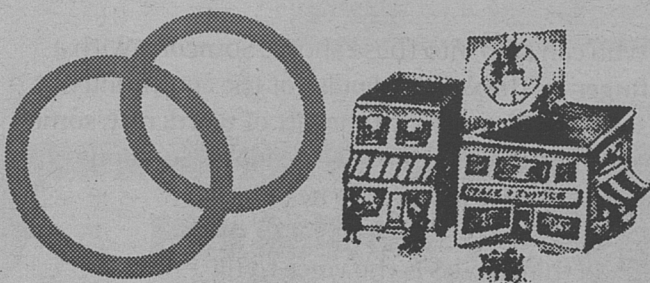
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