

BLOSSOMINGS, HATCHINGS, FLOWERINGS, BUDS,
CHANGES AND CREATURES OBSERVED ON THE
TILGNER TRAIL BY CHARLIE BARGAMIAN'S
FOURTH GRADE CLASS AT SHAFTSBURY
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FROM OCTOBER 1996
TO JUNE 1997.

Lincoln Benedict

Jada Bishop

Brittany Bourne

Jonathan Carver

Allison Cowan

Holly Davis

Rich Galusha

Angela Glass

Eli LaPorte

Chris Ludwig

Becca Martin

Caley Martin

Mallory McGuire

Erin Picton

Felisha Piscottano

Will Pratt

Jenel Prescott

Stephanie Ruggles

Erica Secor

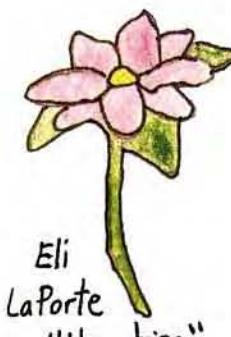
Aaron Thomas

Alan Watson Jr.

Kyra Williams



Caley Martin



Eli LaPorte
"Hepatica"



Nature Trail Map & Brochure

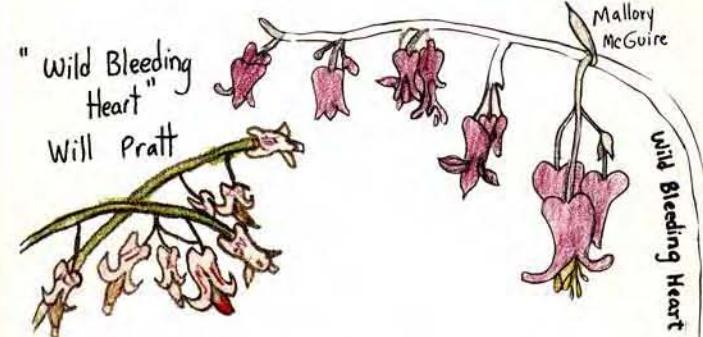
Linda Tilgner Memorial Nature Trail

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SPECIAL THANKS GO TO THE FOLLOWING FRIENDS
whose efforts made this project wonderfully unfold...
parents and grandparents!!

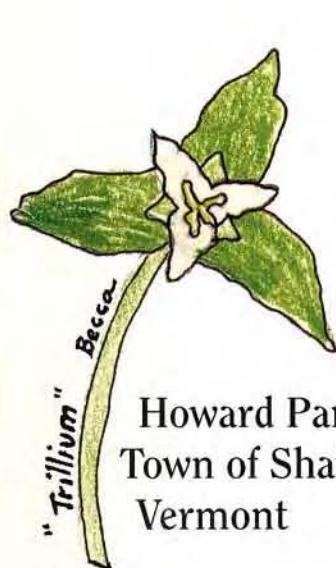
*Charlie Bargamian; *Shelly Stiles, Ben. County Conservation District
*Angie Cannon, Merck Forest and Farmland Center; *Michael Carver
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*Jim Henderson, Bennington County Regional Commission *Lyn &
Norman Lear Foundation; *Jenny Kimberly, Natural Resources
Conservation District *Learn and Serve America
*Shaftsbury Elementary School *Town of Shaftsbury
*Adrian Sweeney, Art Teacher ~THANK YOU!

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Mallory McGuire

Wild Bleeding Heart



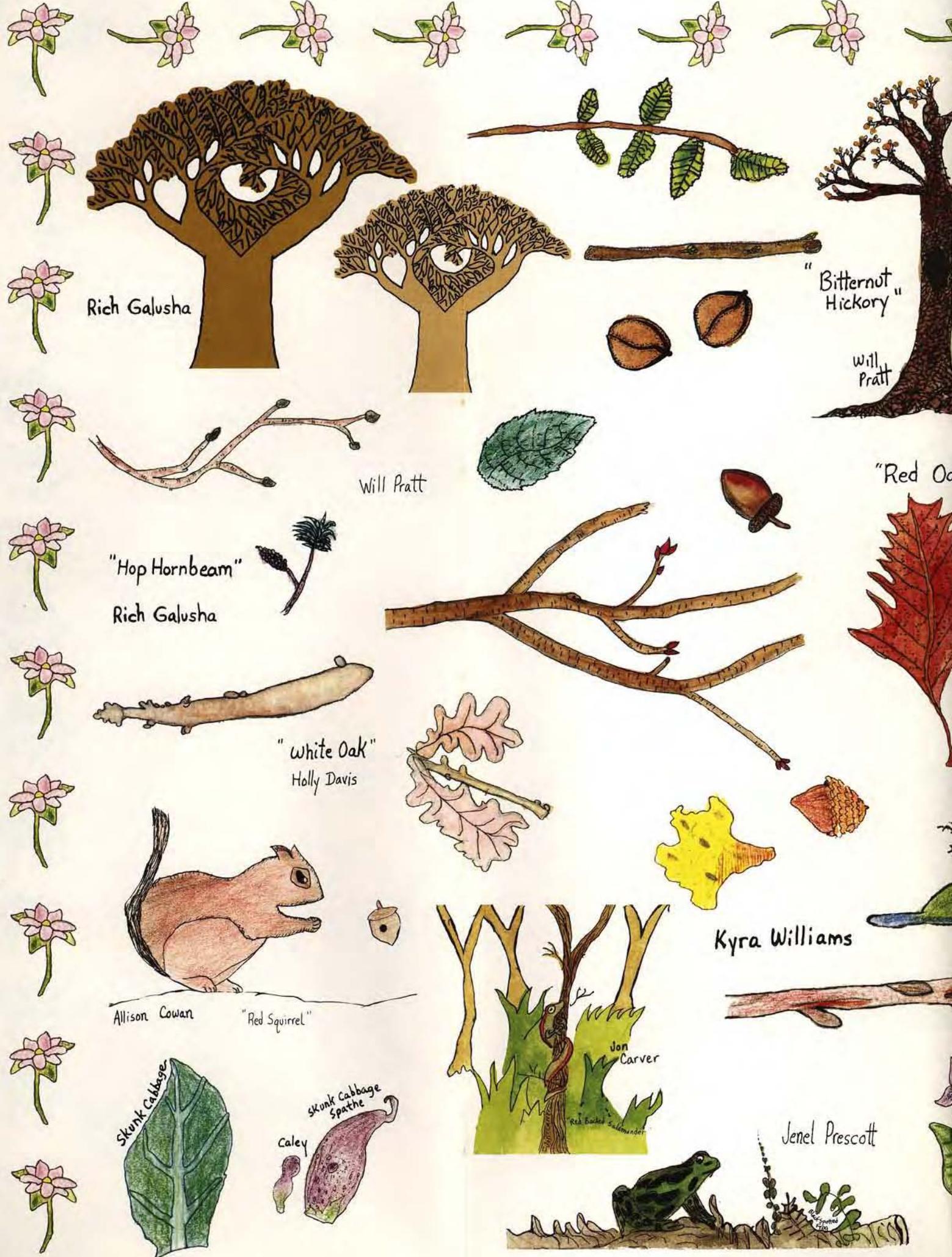
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Town of Shaftsbury
Vermont



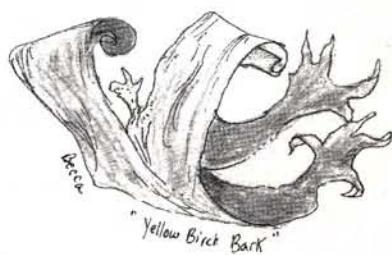
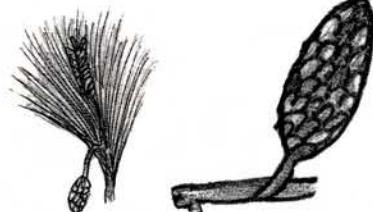
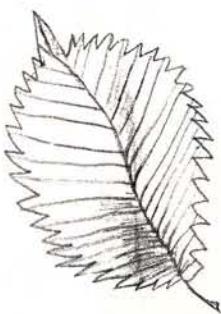
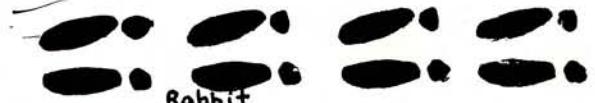
"Red Eft"

"Adder's Tongue"
Becca Martin









Jon Carver

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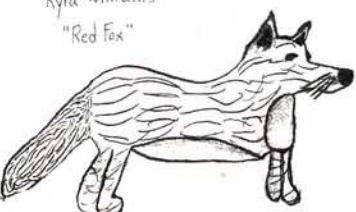


Notes on things seen on our walk with Angie Cannon from Merck Forest: Dog family tracks show claw marks, cat family tracks don't.

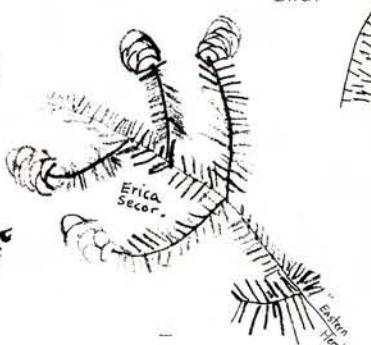


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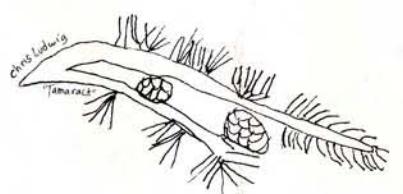
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Allison Cowan
"Birch"



"Eastern Hemlock"



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"Red Squirrel"

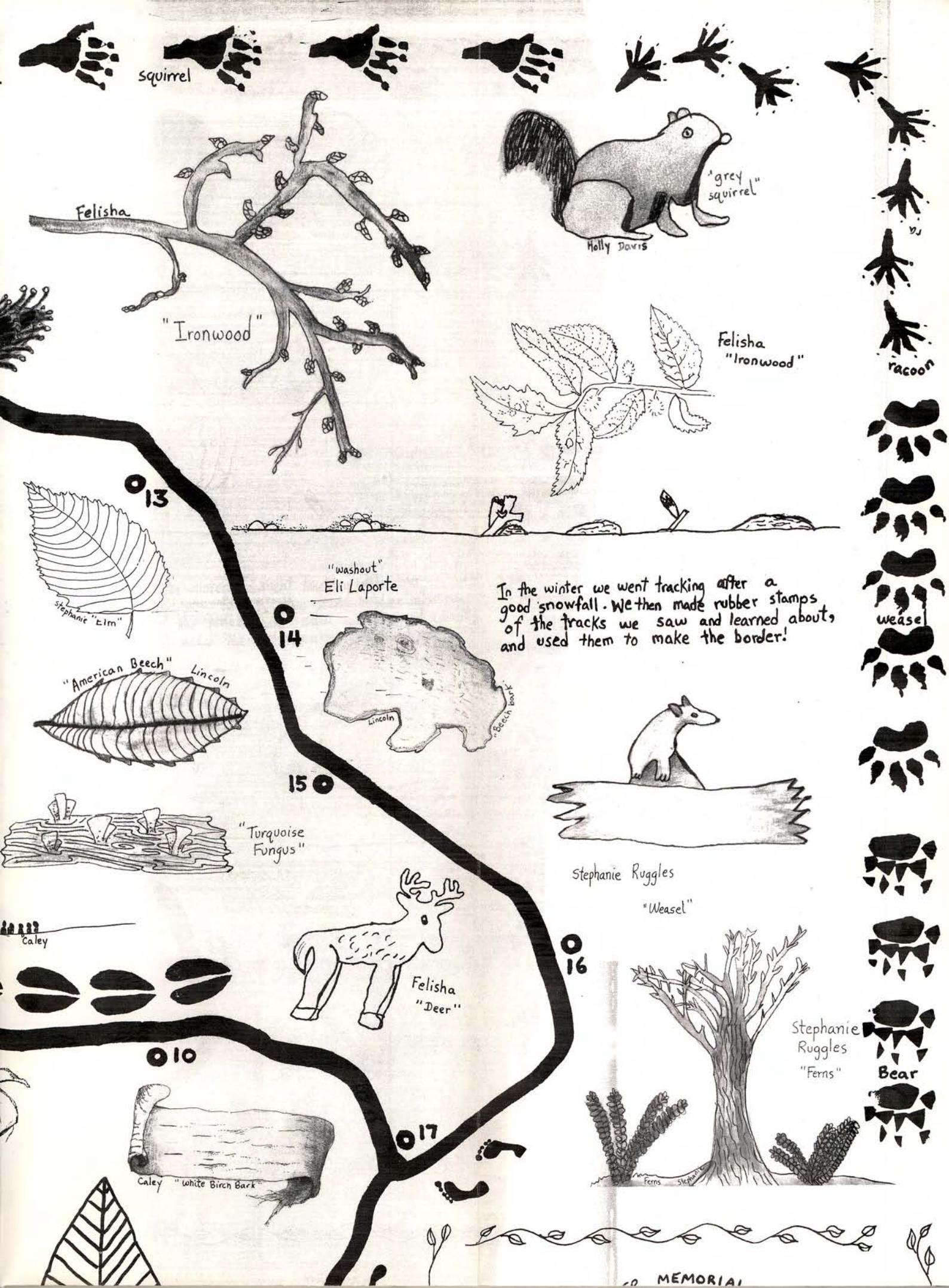


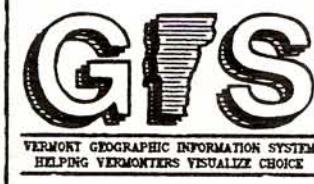
"Shelf Fungus"

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Students in Charlie Bargamian's 4th grade class mapped the trail with Jim Henderson in the fall of 1996. It is an extremely trustworthy map, for they used Global Positioning System equipment to create it. All of us involved in the project hope you will enjoy the trail and learn from it as much as we have!

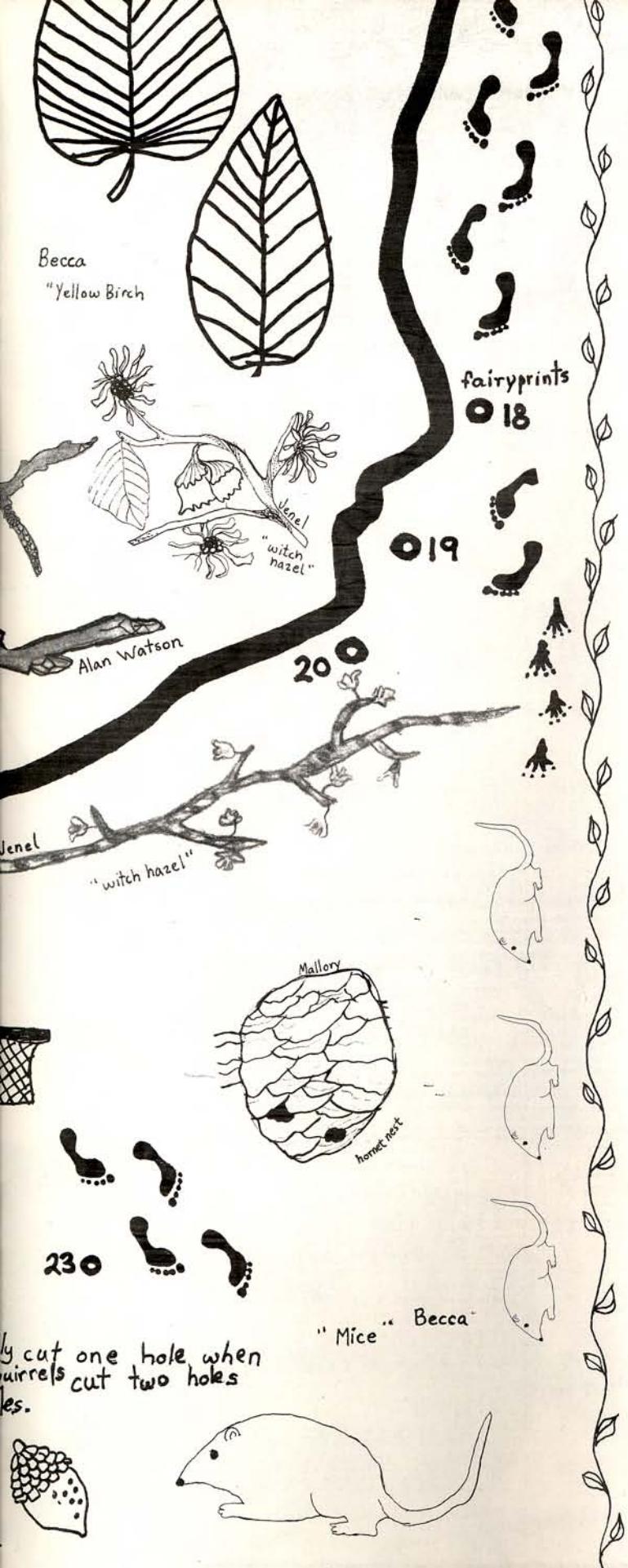
SHAFTSBURY, VT.



THE LINDA TILGNE NATURE TRAIL
Howard Park, Shaftsbury, VT.

1 inch = 50 feet

Special features we observed and mapped,
researched and depicted in pen, ink + pencil



1. This stream's water depth varies throughout the year (8 inches, spring; 3.5 inches, fall)
 2. A patch of trilliums surrounds this ash tree in the early spring.
 3. Look towards the wetland to see the tip-up about twenty yards away.
 4. Beautifully grained burls on the sugar maples!
 5. Wetland plants like marsh marigold and skunk cabbage abound here.
 6. All the birches of these woods are represented here ~ sweet, yellow, and white birch ...
 7. Canadian hemlock, a shade loving evergreen.
 8. Check out the various fungi on both rotting and standing trees!
 9. An up-close example of the fast-growing white ash.
 10. A tree cavity and, in season, a beautiful turquoise fungus, pennsylvania sedge, and japanese barberry.
 11. Moist-soil loving trees like American Elm, and white pines are here in abundance.
 12. A multi-stemmed yellow birch.
 13. Look for signs of the time when the stream overflowed, capturing and eroding the trail.
 14. In May this beech grove is full of violets.
 15. Take note of the moss on the north or shady side of these large tree trunks.
 16. A large patch of ferns and wild leeks.
 17. This shortcut was originally a game trail traveled by deer and other animals.
 18. Cavities in this fallen beech provide protection for many animals.
 19. One of the largest black cherries in the woods!
 20. In spring, this slope is covered with lots of yellow and purple hepatica flowers.
 21. A collection of oaks, elms, and many different trees ... can you identify them?
 22. This hornet's nest worries everyone who sinks a slam-dunk off the backboard!
 23. Remember the law of the Woods! Take only pictures and leave only footprints....
- this trail takes about 25 minutes to casually walk, 15 minutes with the shortcut.
- STREAM**
- CERAMIC TRAIL MARKERS IDENTIFYING SPECIAL FEATURES.

