most dealing with church history and politics, as well as inspirational. Among his best known are "Five Women of the English Reformation", "The First Christian: Universal Truth in the Teachings of Jesus", and "Grace in Practice: A Theology of Everyday Life." He is married and has three sons.

On the other hand, this is the opening line of Eda Kristin's first novel called *Fluffy Butch:* "Mary learned to love men when she started dating women."

Eda Kristin went to Bennington College in Vermont and majored in literature. She moved to New York and had a successful acting career during the 1970s, co-starring with famous actors like Jason Robards and Maureen Stapleton in plays by Clifford Odets and Neil Simon. She moved to Los Angeles, a city she loves, and had guest roles on TV shows like "Roseanne", "Dallas", "Knot's Landing", and "Eight Is Enough". For several years Eda also worked for a production company that made movies like "Hoosiers".

That first novel, *Fluffy Butch*, was published in England in 1994 and got good reviews and was popular, but wasn't released in the U.S. Eda has returned to writing in recent years. She has one book circulating among agents, "about murder! But it's not a murder mystery", and is at work on third. It's also been suggested to her that she write a biography about her father and family. She lives in Los Angeles with her partner Jack Favere.

I asked Eda if she thought her father had any regrets in his very successful life. Without hesitation she said, "Cancer. He wanted to find the cure for cancer."

In a sad irony, Paul A. Zahl passed away of prostate cancer in 1985, at the age of 75. At the National Geographic Society headquarters, they hung the flag at half mast.

WEB WANDERINGS – BOTANICUS (WWW.BOTANICUS.ORG) AND THE *SPECIES PLANTARUM*

MIKE BALDWIN • mike@carnivorousplants.org

Are you like me? Have you ever been curious about those early carnivorous plant citations, and maybe even wanted to look at the original source? I mean the EARLY ones? Well, now you can from

the comfort of your own home. In my Web Wandering I came across a great find, Botanicus; a free to access web-based digital library of historical botanical literature scanned from the Missouri Botanical Garden Library.

I haven't explored the full depth of Botanicus yet, but I did find *Species Plantarum* by Carl Linnaeus the father of modern taxonomy and plant nomenclature! So, when you see "*D. rotundifolia L. 1753*" in a text somewhere, now you can look at the original citation.

Published in 1753, the Species Plantarum, in two volumes, lists over 7,000 species including Aldrovandra vesiculosa, Drosera (D. capensis, D. indica, D. rotundifolia), Nepenthes distillatoria, Pinguicula (P. alpina, P. lusitanica, P. villosa, P. vulgaris), Sarracenia (S. flava, S. purpurea), and Utricularia (U. bifida, U. caerulea, U. foliosa, U. gibba, U. minor, U. subulata, U. vulgaris).

Have fun and go check out Botanicus!

