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Here's what  
**YOU**  
have to say!

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## Man killed when truck hit by SUV

BUCKSPORT — A 58-year-old Frankfort man died on the afternoon on Sept. 30 on State Route 46 when a woman lost control of her sports utility vehicle and it rolled over and struck a pick-up truck head-on.

The truck driver, Ronald Baker, 58, succumbed at the scene. The driver of the SUV was taken to a hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Baker was driving a pick-up north when the accident occurred a mile or two before the Bucksport-Dedham line.

Rosemary Corco, 62, was driving south when she lost control of her 2018 Cadillac SUV when she swerved to avoid a downed power line in or near the highway. The SUV rolled over and came to rest on its side, blocking the lane Baker was driving in.

The accident still is being investigated by Bucksport Officers Matt Schmidt and Christopher McCrillis. Bucksport and Dedham public safety personnel assisted.

This was the third fatal accident in Bucksport since July.



PHOTO BY EMERIC SPOONER

LAST WEEK'S windstorm brought down huge trees and many power lines. This decades-old beauty fell at the former Blodgett mansion off School Street.

## MMA project quickly endorsed

BUCKSPORT — It took but an hour-and-a-quarter for the Planning Board to review and unanimously approve the next multi-million phase of the Maine Maritime Academy's (MMA) investment here.

The detailed plans cover a fire-fighting tower installation to simulate shipboard firefighting conditions, a

completely enclosed fuel storage structure and, later, a structure to house a swimming pool. All are to be built at the MMA's mariners safety school at the former paper mill.

The approval provides a two-year period in which to get the work underway, but at this point only the financing for the firefighting structure

is in place, according to an MMA official.

Most of the questions on Tuesday were about the firefighting process, including the smoke, chemicals and other materials that will be used to train mariners in firefighting under conditions that simulate what they may face at sea.

## Ballfield versus housing?

*Councilor urges  
option be studied*

BUCKSPORT — A town councilor is urging his fellow members on a new committee studying the long-term possibilities of the varsity ballfield to consider moving the field to the Miles Lane area, nearer the schools. That, said Councilor Mark Eastman, would open the prime downtown site between Elm and McDonald streets for development into housing.

"Growing up here I remember we used to play soccer on that field, my parents' generation remembers football on this field. Considering options isn't a stance against the past, but we also have to consider the needs of the present population as well as the future of the town."

"We need more housing to fill the schools, allow for a more vibrant business district and move the community forward. Making decisions only based on the past isn't moving forward," Eastman wrote this week.

PLEASE SEE BALLFIELD, PAGE 2.

## Buck library being spiffed up

BUCKSPORT — Renovations, including a lot of interior painting, by the trustees and other volunteers are continuing at the Buck Memorial Library, but no date has been set for re-opening.

The privately owned library has been closed for months as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic but the trustees have offered an update on some of the changes being made inside the landmark granite building

at Main and School streets.

Douglas Knobloch, the chairman of the board of trustees, reported, "the trustees have spent many hours cleaning, painting and reorganizing. The office has been renovated and a leaking toilet and hot water heater have been replaced in the public bathroom."

He said the main entryway, which had sustained water damage, is being repaired. The WiFi internet signal also

has been increased and now has a stronger signal outside the building.

"Over the next few weeks, we will begin the barcoding process," he said. The barcodes on each volume will make it easier to monitor everything within the library's collection, and make it easier to receive or exchange material via inter-library loans.

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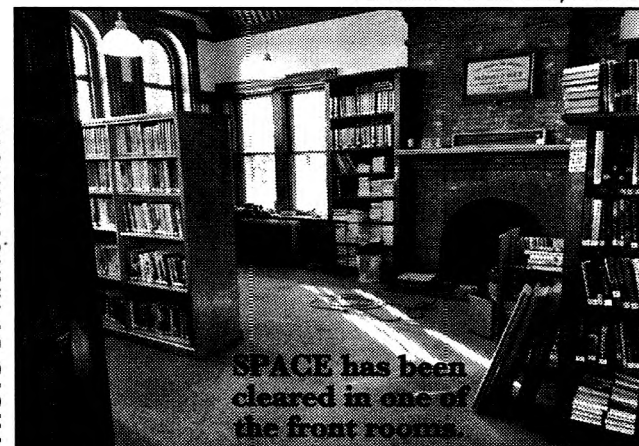


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## IN THE WORKS . . . Local tidbits gleaned from the week's news

**MOVING ON** — Brook Ewing Minner of Bucksport has confirmed she will "transition away" from the Main Street Bucksport community development group she helped found six years ago. She said the transition will be completed by next spring.

Minner also said that while a number of people have asked her about applying to be the next librarian at the Buck Memorial Library here, she's not interested. She said she's happy as the part-time librarian in Brooksville, and

is not interested in full-time work at this point. She's been working half-time as the executive director of the Main Street group since that post began.

### GRAVEYARD BUYERS

The residential property at 917 River Road that includes the old Methodist Burial Ground has been sold to Letitia Phan and Jacob Schwab. The couple, who bought the property on Sept. 25, reportedly now live in Winterport after relocating to this area from Manhattan, KS. Some of the oldest gravestones at the site were moved to the Riverview Cemetery in North Bucksport, as requested by the then owner of the property. However, the bodies were left behind, and some of the broken headstones were piled in a hole

nearby and covered with dirt.

A Cemetery Committee meeting on Tuesday drew but two people, Town Manager Susan M. Lessard told Kathy Downes, the chairman of the panel, she will press ahead to reach an agreement with the new owners to formalize the town's access to the cemetery and use ground penetrating radar in an attempt to pinpoint the graves. A fence is planned, along with a commemorative marker.

**VOTIN'** — Yes, the voting has begun for the Nov. 3 national election. People can register and vote by visiting the town offices in the various communities.

Bucksport voters will not contested municipal races on the ballot. However, there is a single referendum question, asking to raise the amount the Town Council can

spend without seeking additional voter authorization to \$300,000 from the current \$250,000.

Several procedural issues involved in the Bucksport election are expected to be resolved as part of tonight's (10/8) Bucksport council agenda.

**GOIN' TO COURT?** — The Bucksport Town Council tonight (10/8) will be asked to allow the code enforcement officer to take Travis Kepner to court over alleged violations on a property at 131 Upper Long Pond Road.

**AT LAST . . .** The paving of the parking area behind a row of Main Street businesses, a project under discussion for years, finally appears headed tonight (10/8) to a council vote to get the job done.

The project began three town

managers ago when Roger R. Raymond convinced the council to buy the former Nason residential property to clear the way for the lot. That building long since has been razed, but the lot has gone unbuilt.

One downtown business owner is concerned the latest specifications for the lot do not fully resolve concerns about walking and drainage problems which have persisted behind the commercial buildings for years.

**IN VERSE** — This week's Town Council meeting will begin with a recitation of a poem commemorating Indigenous Peoples' Day. The author of the poem: Patricia Smith Ranzoni, the town's poet laureate.

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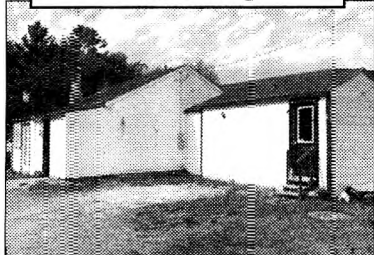


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### New Listing



**Bucksport**—This well established commercial business is currently being operated as a seafood processing facility. Plenty of room to expand, or turn into a different business. Property has a walk in cooler, also a huge crab, lobster cooking pot, with stainless sinks and tables. Everything you need to start your own business. Cleared level lot for parking, and storage. Don't miss your chance.

### New Listing



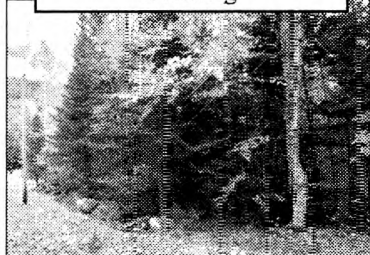
**Bucksport**—This stunning 1800's colonial home overlooks downtown Bucksport with Penobscot River views. Its spacious layout features a living room, den, eat-in kitchen, formal dining room w/built-in, sun-room, office & full bath on the first level. The second floor offers 3BR & a bath w/claw foot tub. Additional two bonus rooms on the third level! This 0.35 acre lot offers a large private backyard, paved circle driveway, large barn w/carport & a charming screened-in porch.

### New Listing



**Orland**—Conveniently located, this 4BR/1.5BA cape style home offers a wooded 0.31 acre lot with public sewer. Spacious interior rooms include a bright eat-in kitchen w/wood stove hookup, laundry room, formal dining room & living room all on the first level. Efficient on-demand propane hot water heater. Some cosmetic work including painting will need to be completed. Great investment potential with close proximity to Maine Maritime Academy.

### Pending



**Orland**—Build your new home at Winkumpough Crossing! Conveniently located for easy access to Ellsworth, Bangor, Bucksport, Orland. This subdivision includes 7 wooded lots ranging from 2.91 to 1.18 acres. Or buy all 14+ acres. All lots have been surveyed and soils tested. To protect your investment and value covenants require minimum 1000 sq ft single family homes. Only 4 miles to Branch Lake public beach and boat launch and close to Great Pond Mountain Wildlands for hiking, snowshoeing and canoeing. Less than an hour from Bar Harbor and Acadia National Park!

### SOLD



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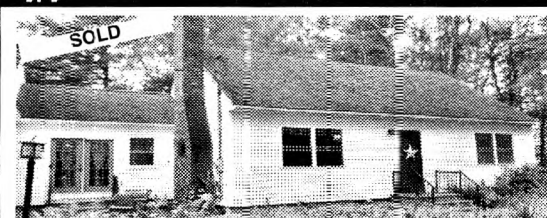
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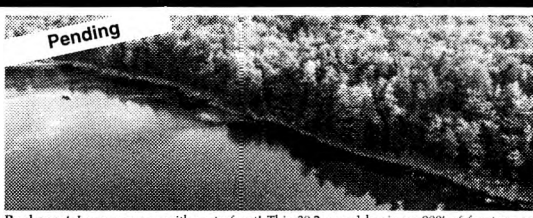
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**Bucksport**—This wonderful, move-in ready home is less than 1/4 of a mile from downtown Bucksport. Yet it is totally private. The large 3+ car lot on route 15 is commercial/residential. Live in this lovely home and run your business on this lot as well. The gas kitchen features plenty of cabinet space, as well as a roomy pantry. Hot water on demand means you can make your morning coffee or tea directly from the tap. It is possible that one of the two first floor bedrooms could be used as a TV room, den, or office. The other first floor bedroom is covered in natural light. Upstairs, are two very large bedrooms, either of which could be a master because of its size. This house is completely finished and accessible, since there is a ramp in the garage that makes entry possible. The deck off the kitchen is large and very private overlooking the Penobscot River. Penobscot Bay through the trees. This is one of the largest lots, close to town that offers the size and possibilities.



**Bucksport**—Quality! This 3 Bedroom 2 Bath home is located in the 'Town Site', a short walk from Main Street and all of the village. Recent improvements include many new windows, refinished wood floors as well as spray foam in the basement to help with winter heating costs. Move in ready! Act fast before it is gone!



**Bucksport**—Large acreage with waterfront! This 39.2 parcel has over 900' of frontage on Thurston Pond, a quiet pond with limited development on the shore. Great place to get away yet only 15 minutes from the village of Bucksport. Property has been surveyed with 5 lots created and 4 of them on the water. Preliminary soil work has been done. Rare offering!



**Verona Island**—Beautiful and immaculately maintained 1 1/2 story home nestled on 18 acres, more or less, with open concept living perfect for entertaining with a kitchen that boasts granite counter tops and a large island with a built in cooktop and an eat-in kitchen. The living room has cathedral ceilings with access to an enclosed porch with plenty of windows. Hardwood floors throughout the first level with radiant heat on the first floor and HWBB heat on the 2nd level. The first floor includes a Large Master Bedroom that has french doors to an outside porch with ensuite and walk in closet. Another large bedroom with its own entrance to a covered porch with a full bath with tub/shower combo. The 1st floor also includes a formal dining room and another space which includes a home office. The second floor has a large bonus room above the garage with a catwalk to another large bedroom with its own 1/2 bath. Plenty of storage, walk in closets, pantry, and 1st floor laundry. Enjoy the scenery and frequent deer visits while sitting on any of the 3 covered decks. Heated 3-car garage with door openers. The basement is a handyman's dream with plenty of separate areas for workshops. Quality and comfort at its finest with lots of privacy. This is a must see!

## — Ballfield vs. housing

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He asked his colleagues on the Baseball Field Wall Committee tonight (10/8) at 6 p.m. to begin considering all of the options. The panel initially was set to come up with a plan to make expensive repairs to the outfield retaining wall along McDonald Street, but Eastman believes there are better alternatives to keeping the nearly four-acre ballfield there.

In his letter, Eastman said, "I am not advocating for any particular development on the site but examples of the housing options include a continuation of the Gardner Common's concept, some type of cooperative housing situation that keeps housing costs low, or a condo development."

Eastman, a local real estate broker, cited findings in the town's recently updated comprehensive plan, the ADAPT plan

done by Saratoga Springs, NY consultants, as well as the Heart and Soul value statements.

He said, "as a council we adopted all three of these plans and should honor the work of the community members who participated by making the process we are undertaking inclusive of these ideas."

The Ballfield Wall Committee will hold its initial meeting at 6 p.m. tonight (10/8).

The group is to seek a long-term solution to stabilizing the retaining field in left field at the ballfield. Temporary repairs costing under \$5,000 will be done this year to keep the wall from collapsing.

The field could be ready for use in the spring, but repairs costing over \$100,000 are considered likely to keep the retaining wall that separates the field from McDonald Street from becoming a danger.

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## Friends & Family

**DOING IT AGAIN - Dr. John Hunt**, the former Bucksport veterinarian, has just released the third volume in his *Useful Little Book* series.

It's called, *Enjoy Your Pets and Don't Forget To Give Them A Hug*, with the title taken from his sign-off on his WERU radio show: *Pet Sounds. Let's Talk Animals.*

Half of the latest book answers questions from Miles Lane elementary school students, and now the youngsters' insightful - and, sometimes, less-than-insightful but very delightful - questions are in the book.

The other half includes timely tips on pets, pet care and more, ranging from COVID-19 to concussions to pet foxes.

The covers feature photos of his family including the three children, who all attended Bucksport schools. As well as Sally the dog and Henry the cat.

His daughter, Jane, now an English

teacher (and new mother) in Kennebunk, edited the book. Autographed copies are being sold at BookStacks in town. (Unsigned) copies are listed on Amazon.

### 104 - Ruth Bunt

truly appreciated the shower of many birthday cards from her family, friends, and other well-wishers. Days after her 104th birthday, the River Road resident said, "I really enjoyed them and it made my birthday special this year! Thank you all!"

### AND 100 - Ruth Bowden

also reported in this week, saying, "I sincerely thank my friends and relatives who helped celebrate my 100th birthday on



### - RUTH BUNT, 'Happy 104th'

Sept. 19. It was really nice of you to come in this time of wearing masks and social distancing."

**IT'S NO FAIR!** - The Fryeburg Fair became the largest in-person sales and outreach event each year since the Bucksport-based **Northeast Historic Film** began setting up its shop there in 1989. The 1930's logging film, *From*

*Stump to Ship*, was shown continuously and the Farm Museum kept running out of order forms.

With no Fair this year, Northeast has launched a new webstore during what would have been fair week. The first phase focusing on DVDs, while the next includes even more options for downloads and streaming. [oldfilm.org](http://oldfilm.org).

**ROSARY** - The Catholic diocese has dedicated October to the celebration of the Most Holy Rosary at a number of outdoor events across the state.

October is the month in which Mary is said to have appeared for the last time to shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal, urging them to "say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world."

Parishes holding Rosary gatherings are listed on-line at [www.portlanddiocese.org/holy-rosary-month](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/holy-rosary-month).

On Saturday, the Rosary will be recited outdoors at the **St. Mary Church**, 768 Ohio Street in Bangor, at 11:30 a.m.

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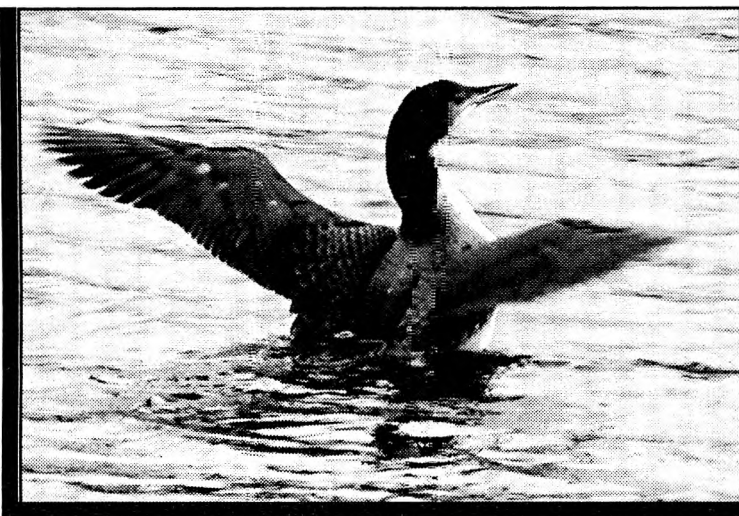


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**A LONE LOON** does what loons do out on Silver Lake. He's a mite plumper than when he made his inaugural appearance on this page earlier in the summer.

## Magnificent nine

Where is it written that the public has a say in who will serve on the United States Supreme Court? Here's a clue: Nowhere. It never has been, and many - and, probably, most - jurists never want to see any justice be appointed as the result of a general election or popularity poll.

The lifetime nature of being named a Supreme Court justice is but one of the hallmarks that separates these nine final defenders of our Constitution from all of the other positions in our republic.

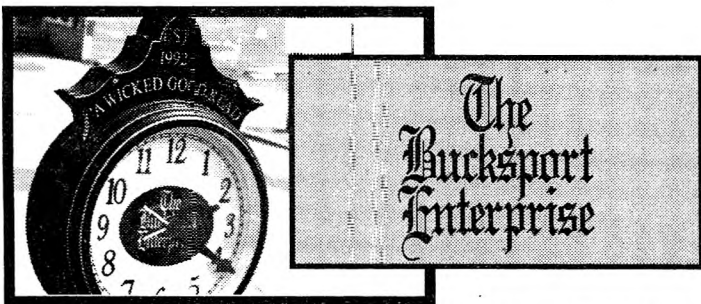
### EDITORIAL

History has shown us, over and over again, that some of the finest jurists who ever served on the highest court evolved over the years. Many were feared when they were appointed, chastised by one faction or party or the other. In the end the best kept their ears open to their savvy colleagues and learned how to write both tour de force defenses and equally polished minority opinions that continued to influence the court long after a particular case was thought firmly decided.

Among the most-rigorous defenders of the nine-member Supreme Court system was Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg. Ginsberg repeatedly spoke against anyone who suggested a larger court might yield a better one.

Division within the court is healthy, and leads to greater wisdom about that which can be declared right. However, diversity is not achieved by race, creed or any of the rest. It is achieved through open vigorous minds, each with the wisdom to pursue courses with which they initially may adamantly disagree.

This doesn't disrespect the tried and true role of the "advise and consent" process the Senate again is about to embark upon. However, any roadblocks must be based on things other than a nominee's religious beliefs or lack thereof. Even critics must recognize that one's personal beliefs are off-limits when doing the public's hiring. Our Constitution says so.



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## LETTERS . . . TO THE EDITOR

### Making all our lives matter in this world

Why would I want to support a group that encourages violence, hatred, looting and turns their back when a black child or adult is killed by a black person. When the time a black death counts to Black Lives Matter is when it involves a police officer.

So, according to BLM, it doesn't matter if the person shot by police was committing a crime, if a sexual assault was committed, if drugs and guns were involved, drugs sold within the community to make poor people's lives even worse. The majority of crimes and murders committed against blacks are committed by blacks. Yet BLM doesn't demonstrate against this or offer any guidance.

There were people found burned alive in some of the vandalized and burned stores. I saw a photo on one news report, I saw it reported once, but never again. I find it hard to see the difference between the Ku Klux Klan and BLM.

Violence is violence and hatred is hatred, no matter who is promoting it.

I ask have you ever demonstrated, to show support for police officers who have given their lives to protect you. Have you ever shown support for their families.

So I ask the demonstrators on the bridge, what is it that you are promoting and for what reason? Sometimes people just want to feel important and that is their only reason. So, what is your reason? I also ask the following, did you ever live in a black community? Did you ever live in an apartment building that was 70 percent black? Did you ever volunteer and go into black homes to tutor the children? Did you ever work in a home for abused children in a black community? How many black friends' funerals have you had to attend, some of whom had died a violent death by other blacks? Were you ever elected by different, predominately black members to represent them? One group did for 25 years straight. Do you have any black relatives?

Well, I can answer "yes" to all of the above. Does that make me a good or better person? No. What matters is the realization that color does not make or separate people, but values do. There are only two types of people in the world, and that's people that love and people that hate, good people and bad people. You just have to choose your side.

Since we are on the topic of color, to BLM, open your eyes, if not your hearts, very few people are black, very few people are white. In reality, we ALL are just a different shade of brown. We are all actually the same, something that BLM may find too hard to accept.

I am entering my 74<sup>th</sup> year and I still do volunteer work with four organizations to try to help better the human condition. So, here's a challenge to you demonstrators.

Last week I failed in mediating a rent conflict between a soon-to-be homeless person and a motel. Some of you people live in large houses, with a lot of bedrooms, alone. Why not really help, take the person in and help change their life for the better?

Hey, you know, I believe there are some African-Americans and immigrants residing there. Here's your chance to really make a difference, I know, it requires work and it's not as easy and as much fun as demonstrating or just making cookies, but it really makes a difference in peoples' lives. Let me know.

Joseph A. D'Avanzo  
Bucksport

### Honor the Spooners

As Joanne Grunwald wrote in her letter in the *Enterprise*, I also say thank you to Gerry and Emeric Spooner for the excellent, wonderful librarians service they have given to our community for so many years.

Also, we offer personal appreciation to both for the special attention and service they gave us and my family and also the extra special things they did for the children in the community. Also the extra acts of assistance for the Bucksport Child Care Center where they aided the staff with special requested books.

The children also made on-site visits to the Buck Memorial Library that always were special and each received well-given instructions.

We need to show our community appreciation to Gerry and Emeric in a special way.

Thank you, and good luck to them in their future plans,  
Valerie and Joseph Sulya  
Bucksport

### A grand day in Bucksport!

Please consider me one of those who were happy with your coverage of the Republican road and boat parade.

As a newspaper, I was pleased to see coverage that was fair and honest. Too often our news is more editorials than actual news. Most of the media has editorialized all news.

I attended the rally and was happy to see people acting normal. There was no negativity, the speakers gave short speeches about their policies and beliefs. There was no name calling, etc.

A veteran handed out flags that were taken off veterans' graves before winter. Usually, they give them out on Memorial Day but this year there were no parades.

The day was warm and windy, and people stayed a reasonable distance from each other. There was music, laughter, children running and laughing, and a general feeling of wellbeing. The boats and bikes were decorated with flags. It was the first time in a long time that I felt relaxed and happy.

I realize we are in a pandemic, but people need some relief from the shutdowns and politics. I am proud to be an American and it was wonderful to share some time with others who feel the same way. I still get chills when the National Anthem is played.

Thank you for giving this equal coverage.  
Sally Howard  
Bucksport

### Forget Columbus Day?

A reflection on Dick Campbell's notice to rally Trumpers on Monday for a "Columbus Day Ride" under the "Friends and Family" section of last week's *Bucksport Enterprise*.

Is Rep. Campbell's apparent denial of the name change of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day in Maine an example of denying reality? As a Maine state representative in the 129th Maine Legislature, Campbell must be fully aware of the majority vote cast on LD 179/HP 142 enacted by the governor on April 26, 2019 to change the name of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day. The fiscal impact was minor, but the social impact is huge.

To honor our state's indigenous peoples represented today by the nations of the Wabanaki ("People of the Dawnland"): Penobscot, Passamaquoddy, Micmac and Maliseet, is to recognize the reality of their ancestral struggles to survive all attempts to annihilate their cultures throughout history.

We have the opportunity to debunk the myths and teach our children the full implications of Columbus' arrival in the "new" world. We can learn with them to respect Wabanaki cultures and honor their sovereignty. It's time to recognize with humility that those of us who live, work, and study in the Penobscot River area are living on the ancestral lands of the Penobscot.

Let's accept our shared responsibility to protect the waters, land and wildlife from environmental destruction and pollution. Let's do what we can to minimize the spread of disease that always affects the least privileged among us with the greatest severity.

I wish the President and First Lady a full recovery from COVID-19. At the same time I hope his supporters will fully recognize the harsh reality of this ten-month-long global pandemic.

Maybe when they are gathered together in Trump's name they will decide it would be prudent to wear face masks for the minimal protection recommended by the CDC, our medical professionals and epidemiologist experts.

Katie Greenman  
Orland

### We were wrong

ORLAND - The name of the large bar and event center now being built at U.S. Route 1 and Wardwell Road here was listed incorrectly in last week's *Enterprise*. The business will be called Sandy's Saloon, in honor of the owner's late wife.

Also, the food business named in the same article, "Crazy Dave's BBQ", is located several miles east down the highway toward Ellsworth. That East Orland business was given Orland Planning Board approval early last month.



## OBITUARY

### Pauline A. E. Hutchins, 1923 - 2020

PENOBSCOT - Pauline Alfreda Elliott Hutchins died on Sept. 26, 2020, surrounded by her devoted family. She was born June 21, 1923, to Sherman Frank Elliott and Alta Vivian Brewer Elliott, and was the center child of eleven children.

The family lived in Topsham and Brunswick, and, while attending Brunswick High School, Polly enjoyed lead parts in many plays and musicals. She graduated in 1942, and within a short time she was working as a shipfitter's helper at the Bath Iron Works.

Becoming a World War II "Rosie the Riveter," she was assigned to work with Hoyt Hutchins. The two welded on World War II Class destroyers, and the sparks that flew between them obviously, were not just from the welding torch. They were married in 1943, a union which lasted over sixty years.

They had three children: Marcia Joyce, Sherman Hoyt and Gertrude Nancy. Through Sherman and his wife Patricia (Leach) are three grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren: Sherman II and his wife Rebecca (Cunningham) and their children Erika Lynn and Julie Ann and her husband Collin Ciomei; Joyce Nancy and her husband David Tarr and their children Ellenore Olivia, Grace Pauline; Ruth Miriam Babirye, and Margaret Joy Nakato; and Allison Harland and his wife Stacey (Peasley) and their children: Hoyt James, Cora Evangeline, Trafton Lowell, and Harland Elliott. Polly was very fortunate to still have four of her siblings living; two brothers, Sherman and Harold Elliott, and two sisters, Joyce Caldwell and Nancy Atkins, as well as many nieces and nephews.

While Hoyt provided nicely for the family, Polly took pride in raising their three children and being involved within the community. She led community talent shows and plays, engaged in cantatas with her church, decorated birthday



Pauline A. E. Hutchins

and wedding cakes, gave lessons in her ceramic shop, knitted, and made quilts. For twenty-five years she was so very pleased to work at the front desk of the Wilson Museum in Castine, Maine, greeting people from all over the world who enjoyed the museum as well as the John Perkins House, which Hoyt had restored, and the Blacksmith Shop he had built and where he worked as a smith.

Polly was a life member of the Wilson Museum and served on the Board of Trustees; a founding member of the Penobscot Historical Society; and a member of the South Penobscot Baptist Church.

As much as Polly enjoyed these activities, she most enjoyed cooking for her family. At the age of 96, Polly still could, on her good days, master the art of baking an amazing apple pie or a pan of yeast rolls.

Her most cherished companion was her daughter Marcia, whom she sorely missed during her last two years. The family rests in the comfort that she is now with her daughters and husband.

The family is very appreciative of the kindnesses shown to Polly during her last two years. Hospice was amazingly helpful and kind - special appreciation is extended to Julie and Chrissy and her friend Nancy Peers.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like you to remember her by giving encouragement to someone in need. One of Polly's favorite songs to sing was "Amazing Grace." May we all come to realize how amazing His grace is.

A graveside service will be held on Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Bayside Cemetery; a celebration of her life will be held on Sunday, Dec. 6. Because of COVID-19, both services are limited to the family. The services be officiated by her pastor, Jacob Clement. The arrangements are being made by the Mitchell-Tweedie Funeral Home in Bucksport.

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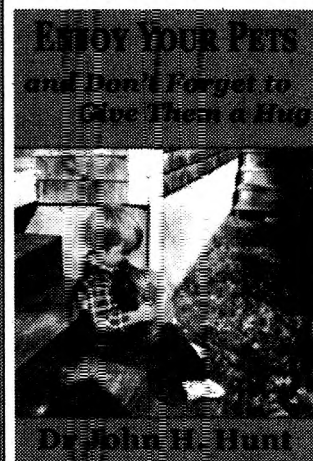
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Right:  
Molly at age 2, sits  
on Sally's back

## — Buck library

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The trustees previously have reported they are working on plans to broaden the library's services, especially when it comes to using electronics.

Acting at the trustees' request, the two librarians culled the collection by some 2,500 volumes with an emphasis on boxing up books seldom used by the library's patrons.

The two staff members had been kept on the payroll since the library was closed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic late last winter. They continued to work inside the building, culling the books and handling telephone inquiries.

However, in mid-August the trustees announced they had made the decision to close the library entirely until it can be reopened safely under state's pandemic safety guidelines.

The plan, announced in August is to reopen with a single full-time librarian. There was no mention this week about whether the recruitment process has begun to try and fill that position.

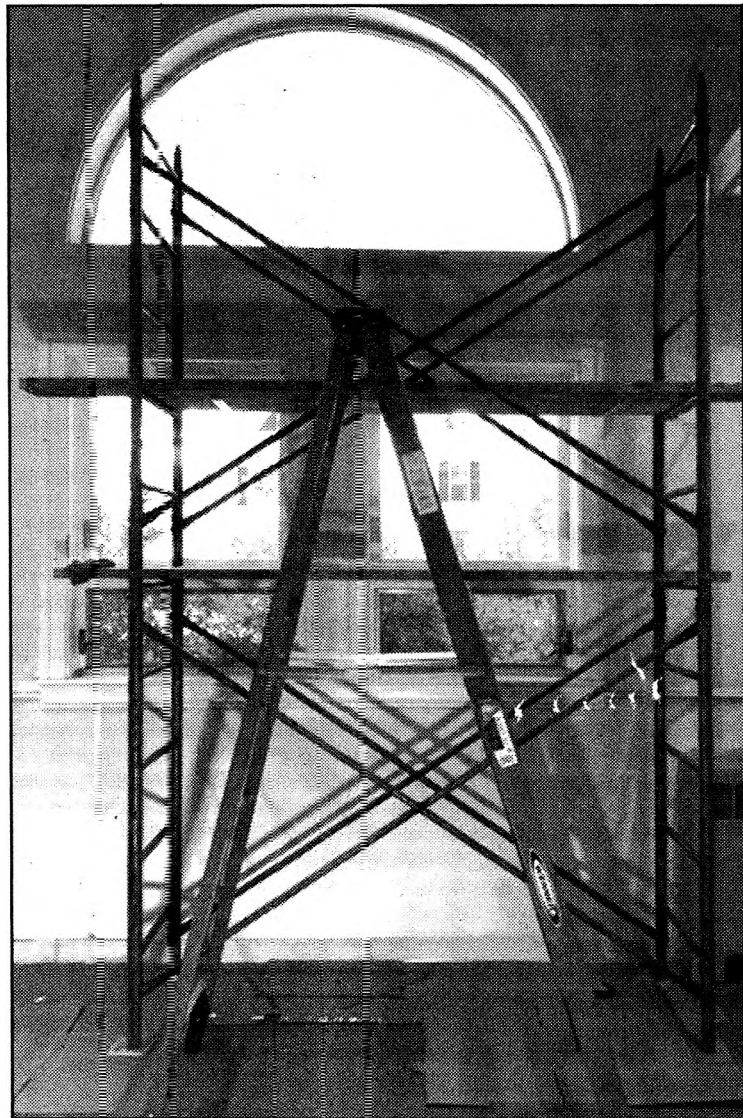


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**THERE ARE** a lot of freshly patched and repainted walls, and new furniture has begun to arrive at the Buck Memorial Library. Much of the work has been done by volunteers, but professionals will install the new lighting and perform some of the more substantial projects aimed at giving the landmark a fresh, open look.

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To order one or more meals call 469-3632 before 9 a.m. on the day of the meal.

• **Friday, Oct. 9 -**

Chicken pot pie, stuffing, cranberry sauce and a cookie.

• **Monday, Oct. 12 -** No

meal. Indigenous People Day (formerly Columbus Day).

• **Wednesday, Oct. 14 -**

Fish chowder, corn bread and ice cream.

• **Friday, Oct. 16 -**

Salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and fruit.

• **Monday, Oct. 19 -**

Chicken alfredo, roll, broccoli and a cookie.

• **Wednesday, Oct. 21 -**

Meatloaf, baked potato, corn and pudding.

• **Friday, Oct. 23 -** Roast

turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, snap peas and a brownie.

• **Monday, Oct. 26 -**

Baked haddock, rice pilaf, green beans and a lemon tart.

• **Wednesday, Oct. 28 -**

Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, tossed salad and a cookie.

• **Friday, Oct. 30 -** Pork

tenderloin, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots and pudding.

## Give 'em shelter

BUCKSPORT — The municipal animal shelter has some cats, each of them ready for adoption into a loving home.

Call Dan Joy, the animal control officer, at 469-7951 for the details on the adoption process, or to arrange a visit.

## Bucksport meetings on TV, internet

BUCKSPORT – Tonight's municipal meetings in Bucksport can be viewed on cable-TV or as they are live-streamed on the internet.

The two sessions are:

• The Baseball Field Wall Committee, which meets at 6 p.m.

• And the regular Town Council meeting, which will include a public hearing on the latest update of the general assistance ordinance to meet federal and state guidelines.

Both meetings will be held virtually and may be viewed on local Cable Channel 1303 or via the internet at townhall-streams.com and by selecting Bucksport. Questions or comments may be submitted to slessard@bucksportmaine.gov before or during the meeting; and questions and comments may be called in to 469-7368 during the meeting.

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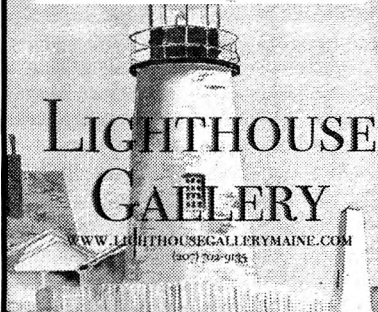
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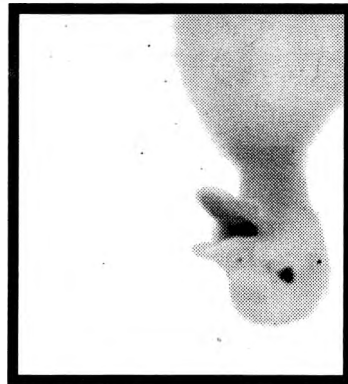
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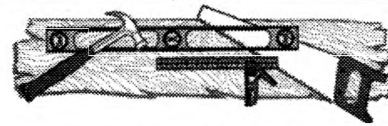
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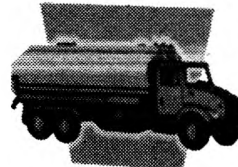
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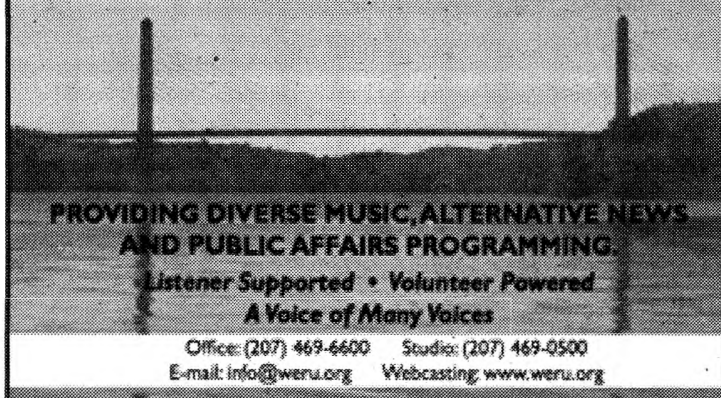
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## Booked at jail

ELLSWORTH — These arrests involving either Bucksport-area residents or stemming from incidents in the Bucksport area were reported:

- Dale Allan Brawn Pollard, 29, of 4 Old County Road, East Orland was arrested on Friday (10/2) after being sentenced to seven days for violating his probation in an earlier case and for an assault. On Sept 27, he was issued a summons for texting while driving on Main Street in Bucksport about 11:45 a.m.

## Summonses

BUCKSPORT — These court papers were issued:

- Liam Bishop, 18, of Orrington was clocked at more than 90 miles an hour before he was stopped for speeding on the River Road about 2:15 p.m. on Saturday. Officer Matt Schmidt also cited Bishop for allegedly driving so as to endanger.

## - Words of warning -

## Keep everything locked, police say

BUCKSPORT — When in doubt, lock it up . . . that's the word from the Bucksport Police Department.

The department has received a few recent reports of one or more people trying to enter homes and vehicles, including several in which the homeowners were inside at the time.

There is no pattern in the recent reports, as they have come from residents located throughout the town, both in the outback and in the more densely populated sections.

Deputy Chief David Winchester said it's not uncommon to have a rash of such

- Brandon Lapensee, 25, of Newport, was issued a summons for driving on ther Mast Hill Road when his license was either suspended or revoked. He also was given a ticket for failing to promptly notify authorities of a change in address.

- Mackenzie White, 18, of Hermon was given a court summons about 6:15 p.m. on Sept. 29 for allegedly misusing a hand-held device.

## Accident - Deer

BUCKSPORT — Betty Provost, 70, of Orland struck a deer while driving on Central Street shortly after 1 p.m. on Friday(10/02). The deer ran off.

## Accident - Bucksport

BUCKSPORT — A woman backing out of a driveway on the Silver Lake Road ended up off the roadway. The vehicle was towed back onto the road.

## Signs vandalized

BUCKSPORT — Police throughout the region reported numerous incidents in which political signs were damaged, destroyed or removed.

Someone using a box-cutter knife damaged signs from Ellsworth to Blue Hill and other departments reported incidents.

A police spokesman here reminded the public that such acts can - and will - be prosecuted.

## Phony \$100 bill passed

BUCKSPORT — A bogus \$100 bill was successfully passed at the Circle K convenience store at Routes 1 and 15. The incident was reported on the morning of Sept. 29.



**Compiled from official reports and interviews with police and fire personnel.**

## Shoplifting

BUCKSPORT — Someone ought to shoplift some items from the Family Dollar store on U.S. Route 1 late Friday (10/2) morning. The merchandise was recovered and the suspect was ordered to stay away from the store.

## Two vehicles stolen

BUCKSPORT — A vehicle reported stolen in Penobscot early Sunday evening was recovered in the Pond Street area here. However, the thief then apparently stole a second vehicle, and it was found elsewhere in Bucksport. The police have a suspect.

## Items stolen

ORLAND — A 29-year-old local woman reported early in the morning on Sept. 29 that some articles were taken from her greenhouse, and the building also was damaged.

She said she may have seen the suspect's vehicle a couple of days earlier.

## Man found in home

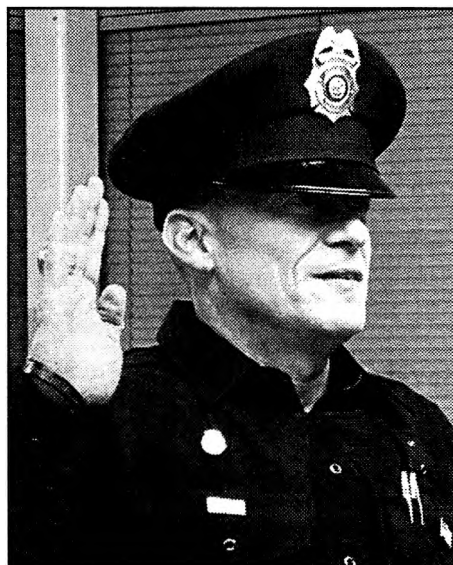
ORLAND — About 11:30 a.m. on Sept. 29, a 59-year-old Orland man called authorities to report suspicious conditions at some abandoned houses in Orland.

A deputy sheriff found a 62-year-old man sleeping in one of the homes. The transient was warned for trespassing and was sent away.

## Orland collision logged

ORLAND — Ashley Orcutt, 35, was driving east on Acadia Highway about 8:38 a.m. on Friday (10/2) when she stopped to make a left turn onto State Route 46, and the vehicle behind her failed to stop in time to avoid a collision.

The other vehicle was being operated by Isabelle Thomas, 19, according to the report. Thomas's vehicle was towed, and the Orcutt vehicle also was damaged.



Officer Chris McCrillis

## Sworn in - virtually

**Bucksport's newest police officer - Christopher McCrillis of Hampden - was sworn in virtually over the internet recently. McCrillis, who now is serving as the resource officer for RSU 25, was at the Public Safety Building, while Town Clerk Jacob Gran was at home in Winterport.**

## Belfast jail escapees found in New Hampshire

BELFAST — On Sunday, the two inmates who failed to report back to a Waldo County penal institution after a work detail on Sept. 29 were arrested on Sunday in Ossipee, NH.

Ossipee police Department in New Hampshire received a report of a suspicious vehicle parked in the area of a boat launch at a local campground. Officers arrived, they located a 2002 Ford Ranger bearing Maine registration plates, and the vehicle had been reported stolen in

Searsport, Maine last Friday (10/2).

The two had been seen nearby shortly before, so a A K-9 unit was called in and quickly tracked down Cameron Dana, 24, of Owls Head and Dakota Raven, 24, of Knox. Both were arrested on the Maine Class C escape warrants. Each also was charged with New Hampshire offenses of receiving stolen property, a class A felony.

They were arraigned in Ossipee on Monday.

## - A FESTIVAL FOR THE AGES -

# WILL HILEMAN NINTH IN A FIELD OF 65 RUNNERS

## COACH CHRIS JONES

For the last 18 years the Golden Bucks have traveled to Belfast for the Festival of Champions. Last year, there were well over 1,500 runners and over 65 teams.

On Saturday, things were dramatically different because of COVID-19. There were only 127 runners and ten teams. All ten were part of the original group of team that first attended back in 2001.

The Bucks were one of only three class C teams folr all the rest were Class B or A teams. Each team was allowed a maximum of seven boys and seven girls for the meet, alsb because of the pandemic restrictions

The meet featured just two races, one boys and one girls. Each with two waves and a 30-second delay between each wave. The boys started first as they will all season and only two Bucks started in the first wave: Will Hileman and James Palkie.

Thirty seconds later the remaining five Bucks - Gage Bruns, Antoney Smith, Micheal Johnson, Liam Swift and Rylee Whalen - took off.

Hileman got off to a strong start but after the first half mile and was in a group of runners in about 20<sup>th</sup> place. As the race progressed Hileman would start to pick runners off and by the time he crossed the line he had improved to a ninth place finish and the fastest freshman at the meet.

It was the best finish by a Buck runner at the Festival of Champions although in a smaller field, and he now is the fastest Golden Buck runner on the course smashing the previous best by 44 seconds.

Ironically had this race been held in a non-COVID year he would have run in the all-freshman race. Instead, he is the fastest Golden Buck runner on the course smashing the previous best by 44 seconds.

Bruns, despite starting in the second wave, would place 34<sup>th</sup> overall and be the fourth fastest freshman at the meet.

## OFF TO THE RACES

The top 35 seeded runners stated in the first wave which made his run even more remarkable as he made up the 30-second gap between his and the first wave. The number three runner, Palkie,

would finish with his best effort on the course. His time of 19:40 eclipsed his previous best by 1:13 seconds the second-best improvement for the team this week.

Palkie would finish 5 places behind Gage in 39<sup>th</sup> place. Just 42 seconds behind was Smith. a senior, in a time of 20:22. He finished 10 spots behind in 49<sup>th</sup> place. The Bucks other freshman, Johnson, had the complete reversal of Smith's time 22:20 finishing in 59<sup>th</sup> place. The final two boys for the Bucks were Swift and Whalen. They finished 62<sup>nd</sup> and 66<sup>th</sup> place. The times for both of them were separated by exactly 2 minutes.

Swift finishing at 23:49 and two minutes later Whalen at 25:49.

The team finished in 9<sup>th</sup> place, beating out Ellsworth for that spot.

## THEY ALSO RAN WELL

Since there were no fans at the meet that meant the girls could not be there until well after the boys had finished. Only two of the three girls were able to run as Hope Rankin was recovering from an injury earlier in the week.

Becca Ireland, seeded in the first wave, started with 35 other runners while Ella Orcutt started in the second wave 30 seconds later. Ireland went by first half mile in the top twenty and even after the first mile on the long uphill was in a cluster of runners still in the top twenty.

She would fall to 26<sup>th</sup> after 1.5 miles before working her way to 22<sup>nd</sup> falling just short of the top twenty and a medal. However, there was a silver lining as she crushed her previous time by 2:47 seconds, finishing in 23:07.

Orcutt had a respectable race, finishing in 54<sup>th</sup> place in a time of 28:05. She'll be looking to build on that race this week. The girls didn't place as a team and will not do so for the rest of the season. At each race they will try to improve on last year's times and place well.

## ON FRIDAY

This Friday (10/9) the team will take a jaunt to Searsport to compete in a tri-meet against the host team, Searsport and George Stevens Academy, and then the following week they will compete on their home course.