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Did their duty!



The Bucksport Fire Department on Tuesday honored its club of those who have retired from the department. From left, Harry Wade, Richard Bowden, Billy Stubbs, Larry Bridgham, Gene Sanborn, Clayton Burgess, Robert Gross, and Mike Swazey. Kneeling are Lisa Drake and Gary Grindle. Another photo on Page 5.

Orland man dies in blaze

NORTH ORLAND — The body of a 40-year-old man was recovered late Monday in the rubble of a ranch house at 5 Winkumpough Road after the house burned to the ground that evening.

Sam Crawford initially had escaped the fire in his home, along with the rest of the four others inside, but he went back into the burning house, reportedly to locate his dog.

Investigators found the man's body in the basement of the house about 11:30 Monday night - about five hours after the initial call came in about a garage fire at that location.

Crawford initially moved his skidder to a neighbor's property, and when he returned he told the survivors he was going to look for his missing dog. The dog was not located.

The four others who escaped the fire are Cassandra Morse, 26; Alex Chaffee, 19; and Crawford's two daughters, Lillian Crawford, 9, and Ella Crawford, 5.

The fire at the rental proper-

ty was reported by the home's residents about 5:30 p.m.

All five residents initially made it out of the house.

The intensity of the fire resulted in a total loss of the home, and the rubble fell into the basement, where the man's body eventually was located.

Benefit supper planned Details on Page 5

Orland Fire Chief Robert Conary said that while there was sufficient manpower at the scene, the firefighting effort was tougher because the fire was so far advanced by the time the first personnel arrived.

As a result, the firefighters could not safely enter the structure and had to concentrate on dousing the flames and keeping the fire from spreading.

He said he and many of the personnel remained at the site into the early morning hours on Tuesday.

An initial report suggested the fire might be traced to the explosion of a space heater. Later, with five state fire marshal's office

investigators on the scene, the Maine agency confirmed a heater had caused the fire.

Fire departments from throughout the region converged on the scene, but the property was engulfed in flames when the first units arrived.

Firefighting also required shuttling tanker trucks in and out of the scene to keep the firefighters supplied with water. There was no easy access to water near the scene.

Dedham firefighters pumped water from the Moosehorn Stream, but that required a long, slow uphill haul as the trucks shuttled back to the scene in North Orland.

A second water source was opened at the Winkumpough Brook, but that proved inadequate, according to the fire chief.

Chief Conary said, "we used all of the water we had."

More than a half dozen departments responded, with several providing personnel to man the fire stations that were emptied to provide equipment and manpower for the North Orland fire.

MMA lot backed by Planning Board

One more technical hurdle lies ahead

BUCKSPORT — Getting a fourth lot carved out of the paper mill property moved ahead Tuesday with all the ease of a hot knife slicing warm butter.

That further opened the door for the Maine Maritime Academy to purchase the 4.1-acre parcel for a mariner training safety school.

The only remaining hurdle to the purchase of the lot appears to be passage of what is known as the long-discussed Appendix K, an omnibus measure which is aimed at streamlining some of the town's land use regulations. The Town Council is expected to endorse that package next Thursday (2/14).

Tuesday's Planning Board session had the members sailing through more than a dozen-and-a-half of the required criteria to allow the subdividing of a lot.

In about a half hour, the motions were made, seconded and unanimously approved, and the board appeared ready to endorse the extra lot.

Then came some last-minute sparring between the chairman of the board and Michael L. Lane, the Augusta attorney for the American Iron & Metal, affiliate that owns the

property.

Lane was filling in for another attorney, and seemed surprised when members of the board found discrepancies in some of the technicalities on some of the legal paperwork they were being asked to approve.

While eventually, with some nudging from board members and the board's staff person, Jeffrey Hammond, the town's code enforcement officer, a final compromise was reached. Lane put in the appropriate legal changes to make it possible to record the subdivision agreement, and the deal was done.

However, Lane's 15 minutes of efforts to force the board's immediate acceptance did not go unanswered.

The lawyer was publicly chastised for not having done his homework, requiring corrections to be made at the last minute.

"We don't like being rushed," one member said.

Lane did not help his case when he made an off-hand comment in an effort to lighten the tension. He suggested the board might need more diversity because, "you're all old men wearing glasses." Later, he apologized for his "little joke."

Church vote stands

BUCKSPORT — A simmering controversy between former Mayor David Keene and the town's code enforcement officer over a Planning Board's decision to allow the fitness center at the former paper mill to become a church apparently will just continue to simmer.

The Planning Board voted 5-2 - with Jay Durost and Bishop dissenting - to let the earlier decision stand.

The Bucksport United Methodist Church is working its way toward the end of its due-diligence period under a purchase-and-sales agreement. On Tuesday, church representatives said they are moving ahead with the purchase of the River Road property from an affiliate of

American Iron & Metal (AIM).

On Jan. 8, Keene disputed the decision that allows the center to be converted into a church. He believes the center should not have been ruled a non-conforming use, and believes the church should have to go through the full contract zoning process.

He asked the board to reconsider, and on the advice of Jeffrey Hammond, the code enforcement officer, decided to continue the discussion at their next meeting (Tuesday, (2/5) as an agenda item.

That was done, but the issue quickly was spiked on the 5-2 vote.

Keene did not attend.

PLEASE SEE CHURCH, PAGE 5.

IN THE WORKS . . . Weekly tidbits about things yet to come

COMING TO A HEAD! — The Town Council has plenty of issues to resolve in the weeks immediately ahead.

• WILSON HALL — Deciding how best to dispose of Wilson Hall fairly now that the town has a bona-fide offer for the three-story landmark. (At issue is whether to seek competing bids or accept the one that arrived unsolicited on Jan. 10. That bid seeks the building for \$1 plus the town providing a \$65,000 incentive in the form of a no-interest, forgivable loan.)

• SPRING FOUNTAIN — The town councilors will be weighing the pros and cons of issuing an innkeeper's license for the Spring Fountain Motel on U.S. Route 1. Meanwhile, a number of health and safety concerns are under scrutiny. State and local agencies are preparing reports

on health, safety and sanitary conditions at the motel so any action on the license now may be further delayed. The motel is continuing to operate under a license issued to the former owner, the uncle of the current owner. A new license was not requested by the new owner when the motel's ownership changed hands last year.

(In a telephone call yesterday (2/6) the new owner agreed conditions have deteriorated at the motel, and he blamed that on the former manager here. He acknowledged the manager continues to reside at the motel; but he said a new manager now is in charge, and he said all of the deficiencies found in the recent rounds of inspections will be remedied shortly.)

• ROAD WEIGHT LIMITS —

Finally resolving whether to lower the weight limits on trucks allowed to use some of the town's key roads. The debate on this issue has gone on for several months, drawing both those who want lower limits and those who say maintaining the current limits are vital to their livelihoods. (The council appears to be against making any major changes that would hurt truckers or the owners of Bucksport pits where gravel and crushed stone are produced.)

• TRASH — The clock is ticking on Fiberight LLC to get its trash-to-energy plant under construction in Hampden up and running by April 1. That's the "drop dead date" set by Town Manager Susan Lessard, an early backer of the Fiberight effort. If Fiberight misses the latest of its

several deadlines, Lessard now believes Bucksport - like some other communities in this area already have done - should shop for an alternative site to handle the town's rubbish if the Fiberight plant is further delayed.

• RECYCLING — A related nagging issue is what to do about all of the recyclable trash now that virtually nobody wants to buy it for reprocessing. Lessard doesn't want to lose the momentum as many Bucksport residents are taking the time to sort out recyclable items but, without buyers, those materials again are being buried in landfills.

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Bucksport—This charming 3 BR 2 BA home on 1.9 acres is an excellent equestrian property or a private Maine residence. Horse barn has 7 stalls, direct pasture access, tack room, grain room, garage door & lift storage for 500 bales. House has a master BR suite on lower level w/ cedar walk in closet, living room, dining room, heat pump for heating & cooling, cove wood stove, deck & a wonderful gazebo on a small pond.
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Well & Septic!



Bucksport—Great spot for your new home, this 0.95 acre lot offers well, septic and is located less than 5 minutes from downtown Bucksport. 1988 14x70' mobile home currently on property has been abandoned and is in need of removal. Home is uninhabitable. The lot is wooded and has a nice level driveway.
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Sold!



Bucksport—Stately 1843 Colonial Revival home rich in local history and known as the Bernard House. Located on a tree-lined street with other historic homes, just up the hill from the Presbiterian River. This special property has a large open entry, formal dining room, living room, music room, 6 large bedrooms and 7 fireplaces. Other special features include a sweeping staircase, a low window, exterior architectural details, hardwood floor, butler's pantry & large open kitchen. Beautiful single family home or excellent setting for a B&B w/ separate owner's living quarters.
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2+ Acres



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 soil 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.
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Orland—Relax at Alamoosook Lake in this 3 bedroom 1 bath lake-side cottage. Offering a peaceful 0.43 acre lot and smooth calm waters this location is perfect for swimming. Open interior layout with kitchen, cathedral living room with woodstove overlooking the porch. New driveway to be installed summer 2018! This convenient but private location has much to offer and is only a couple minutes from town.
Call Dan Burpee 735-5337 \$124,900

11 Acres



Bucksport—Private, wooded building lot on dead end road with desirable Southern exposure. This 11 acre parcel is close to the public boat ramp to Jacob Buck Pond and conveniently located near downtown Bucksport and about 1/2 hour or less to Bangor, Belfast, Ellsworth & Blue Hill. Build your dream home!
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5+ Acres




Prospect—Wooded 5+ acre parcel on paved road with electric at road. Private setting but close to Bucksport, Belfast, and Bangor. Build your secluded home or use for recreation.
Call Kathy Coogan 469-9930 \$15,900

Commercial Property




Ellsworth—Commercial property in a great downtown Ellsworth location. Most recently a counseling office, the first floor can be adapted to a variety of office uses and the second floor can be additional office or possible finished for a separate living unit. Charming interior touches include some wide pine floors, curved walls and nooks. Public water and sewer, many replacement windows and paved driveway. Previous seller indicated they removed asbestos and the exterior has had old siding removed so it is ready for painting or new siding. Creative possibilities!
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SOLD




BLUE HILL—A cabin in the woods. This 2 Bedroom 1 Bath log home sits on a 20 acre lot abutting 865 acres of land owned by Blue Hill Heritage Trust and known as Kingdom Woods Conservation Area. Great location only minutes to the village of Blue Hill. The home has a solar electric system but was recently tied to the grid. Recent improvements include a new roof, heating system, flooring, as well as a new deck and interior finish work. Established gardens in place and ready for new homeowners!
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$164,900

13 Acres! On Hancock Pond!




BUCKSPORT—Interesting find! This 13ac parcel has approximately 1000' of frontage on spring fed Hancock Pond! Bring your development plans or enjoy the privacy of this large waterfront lot. No long camp road or costly infrastructure costs here! Located a short ride from the village of Bucksport. Come take a look!
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$149,000

On Toddy Pond!




ORLAND—Lakeside living! This 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath Contemporary home sits just off the shores of Toddy Pond with exceptional craftsmanship and attention to detail. The kitchen boasts SS appliances, quartz countertops with an open concept feel while the dining/living area enjoys natural light and views of the pond. Quality materials through out with Maine Red Oak floors and ceramic tile in the kitchen and baths. Additional amenities include a large composite deck for summer entertaining, an oversized garage with storage above, paved driveway and potential for additional living space in the basement. Utilities in place across the road could allow for a guest cottage or a place for family or friends to park the RV for the weekend!
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$599,000

29 Acres!




BUCKSPORT—Get away from it all yet only minutes to the village of Bucksport. This 29 acre parcel is wooded, has a decent seasonal road into the property. Great area for hunting or just getting back to nature. Priced to sell!
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$27,000

Opportunity Knocks!



ORLAND—Looking for a project? This 2 Bedroom 1 Bath New Englander has a solid house needing some finish work. Septic was updated in 2000 has a FHA heating system and a 1 car detached garage. Easy commute to Ellsworth, Blue Hill or Bucksport.
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$59,900

Waterviews!



ELLSWORTH—Build a room(s) with a view! This 5 acre lot is located in an area with lots of recreational opportunities. From fishing the nearby streams with native brook trout, hiking in the Great Pond Mountain Conservation Trust or exploring Branch Lake. This area has a lot to offer. Did I mention the Happytown Farm (organic) located down the road? A great area that is convenient to Bangor, Ellsworth, Blue Hill or Bucksport. Lovely views of the lake. Calling those who love the sunrise!
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THINGS TO DO

PUBLIC EVENTS

Friday, February 8

GOOD SKATES! — From 6 to 8 p.m. the municipal ice rink at 29 Miles Lane will be alive with skaters, music and more. The Bucksport YMCA will have the fire pit glowing, the rink lights on and music will be blasting. The YMCA also is supplying "smore's." It's all free!

February 8, 9, 10, 15, 16 & 17

GILBERT & SULLIVAN — The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Maine will present "Iolanthe" at The Grand in Ellsworth with performances at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8, and Friday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. with matinees at 2 on Saturdays, Feb. 9 and 10, and on Saturdays, Feb. 16, and Sunday, Feb. 17. Reserved seating is \$20 for adults and \$15 for those 15 and younger.

Sunday, February 17

UPS & DOWNS — A 4.4-mile run and walk on snowshoes (or not), on snow-covered dirt roads and a bit of single track trail with plenty of up and down running will be offered at the Great Pond Mountain "Wildlands" conservation area in East Orland. (The distance may be modified, based on conditions. Registration starts at 11 and the race begins at noon.) The Wildlands can be accessed via the Craig Brook National Fish Hatchery, off U.S. Route 1. There will be a few sets of snowshoes for those needing them. First come, first served. *Peter Keeney at 288-3909,*

Thursday, February 21

BUCKSPORT'S GOALS — The Bucksport Town Council will hold a special meeting to set its goals for the town during 2019. The session in the Council Chamber at the Town Offices will be open to the public.

Thursday, February 21

'LOBSTER WAR' — The University of Maine Hutchinson Center and the UMaine Lobster Institute will present the documentary film, *Lobster War* at 6 p.m. The film at the UMaine

Hutchinson Center is open to the public and free of charge. Richard Wahle, director of the UMaine Lobster Institute and one of the researchers interviewed for the film, will introduce the documentary.

ON DISPLAY

Through March

ALL ON PAPER — *Paper and Light*, an exhibit featuring lampshades by Brooklin papermaker Gigi Sarsfield, with lamps made by several local artists, is on display in the Blue Hill Public Library's glass cases. 374-5515.

HELP OFFERED

Tuesdays

CO-DEPENDENCE Anonymous, meetings are held each Tuesday at 4 p.m. at the Bucksport Regional Health Center at 110 Broadway.

Wednesdays

AL-ANON — This group offers help and hope to families and friends of alcoholics. It meets each Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Elm Street Congregational Church in Bucksport.

Wednesdays, starting Feb. 20

DRUG VICTIMS — A group is being started to support those who have lost some one to drug overdose. The group will meet weekly on Wednesdays through March 20 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County. For more information or to sign up call Janice Ronco at 667-2531. Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County.

Thursdays, starting March 13

GRIEF SUPPORT — Northern Light Home Care & Hospice will host a grief support group being held Thursdays beginning March 14th and ending April 18 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the hospice office at 885 Union Street, Suite 220, in Bangor. The program will aid adults cope with grief, share experiences and practice healthy coping techniques. This free group is open to those 18 or older and dealing with a death of a loved one. Anyone interested in attending must speak with a bereavement coordinator, Joel Wiggins, at 973-8269 to reserve a spot.

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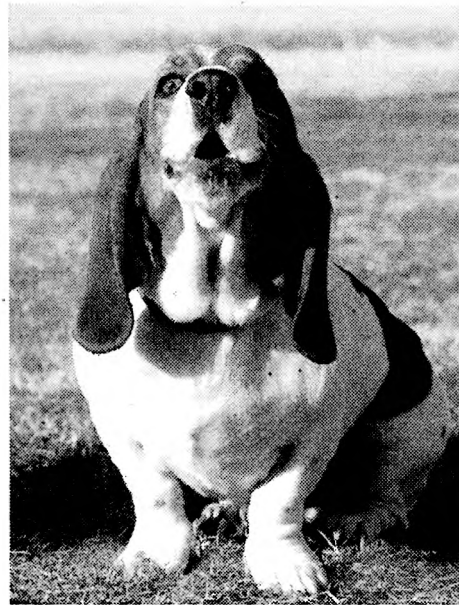


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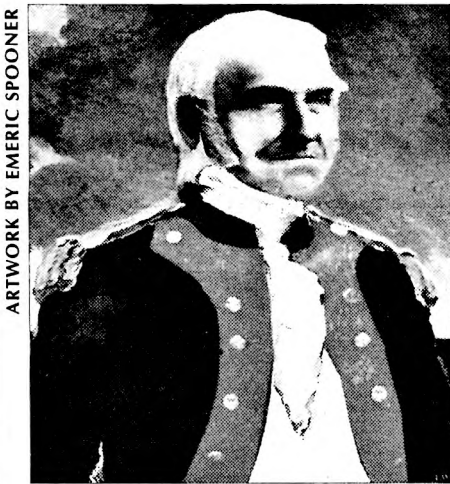
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Col. Jonathan Buck

A conceptualized portrait, based on historic records and other renderings of members of his family. No actual portrait of Jonathan Buck exists.

Originally called Buckstown but later renamed Bucksport, the town's municipal roots are intertwined with those of **Jonathan Buck** and his descendants.

In an 1857 history of the town by Buck's grandson, Rufus, the founder was recalled as standing, "5'10" with a countenance very expressive of what he felt."

He was said to have, "had what is called a Roman nose, large black arching eyebrows, dark penetrating eyes, which made everyone feel that when he looked at them that he meant what he said."

Buck also was described as, "a man of ardent temperaments and iron not easily changed, who would not turn out of the way he thought right to please anyone."

"He was a staunch Whig, and so ardently devoted to the revolutionary cause that he freely sacrificed all of his property here and barely escaped from the hands of the British when Castine was taken in 1779.

Claimed his grandson, Jonathan Buck, "often was heard to say he would

sooner lose his head than take the oath of allegiance to Great Britain."

The **Buck Memorial Library** is not letting the 300th anniversary of Buck's birth go unnoticed for this month it is offering a display of various historic records, books and other items related to the Buck heritage.

But don't be confused: The Buck Memorial Library is not named for Jonathan, but for Richard Pike Buck, Richard's wife and daughter provided the cash to start the private institution. While privately operated, the library's resources are available to the public and any resident of the area can obtain a card to borrow books.

IT'S OVER! — Help is needed to take down the holiday decorations in downtown Bucksport.

A group of volunteers will work their way along Main Street on Saturday, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

Organizers are asking volunteers to dress warm, bring a friend and give the

community a couple hours of your time. No special skills are needed. Simply show up.

Have an hour? Great. Have a couple of hours? Wonderful! Those willing to help are asked to contact **Brook Minner** of the **Main Street Bucksport** program at brook@main-streetbucksport.org or call 479-39331

STAMP OUT PLASTIC BAGS? A group asking the Town Council to ban plastic bags here - the **Citizens Initiative for Reducing Plastics** - will meet publicly on Monday at 4 p.m. at the Bucksport Bay Chamber of Commerce office at 54 Main Street.

HEART & SOUL — The Bucksport Heart & Soul Stewardship Group will have a brown bag lunch meeting on Tuesday from 11:30 to 1 at the Bucksport Chamber of Commerce office, 54 Main Street, Bucksport. The public is welcome. (Snow date: Thursday (2/14).

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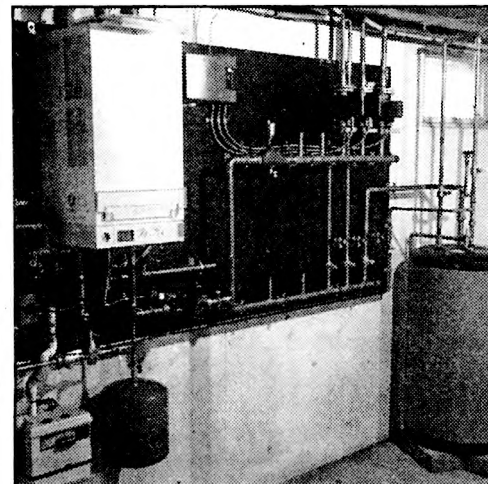
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It's time to act!

Health and safety concerns at the Spring Fountain Motel have escalated to the point they cannot be ignored.

Two recent rounds of inspections by state and local personnel uncovered problems that should concern all of us, and raise questions about whether the prominent U.S. Route 1 motel is fit for public accommodations.

The innkeeper's license - the one issued to the former owner, not the present one - is up for review. The Town Council will decide if one should be issued. The issue was to have been aired at the last council meeting, but now it's been delayed to await the results of a second round of inspections by state and local fire safety officers, the town's code enforcement officer and the town's public health officer.

Those reports come amid more than a dozen-and-a-half police visits to the motel last month alone. Some of those staying at the motel are facing serious criminal charges, as is the former manager, Kaleem ("Danny") Ullah Adman. Among other charges, the ex-manager was arrested and subsequently released to await trial on a charge of assault on a young girl who was staying at the motel at the time. The owner said Adman continues to reside at the motel, but isn't managing it.

There are fire safety, plumbing and hygiene issues, including rat and mice feces found inside some of the rooms. A weasel recently was trapped by an exterminator after the animal came through a hole in a lobby wall.

Some of the owner's checks reportedly have bounced, and there's dispute between over some allegedly missing money.

Enough is enough.

Tap into this!

Forget the groundhog. We suggest that in Maine, the only true sign that spring is about to be sprung upon us, is when the sap starts to flow. Just as sure that there'll always be a mud season, you can count on maple trees to provide Mainers with its special fifth season each year.

Warmer days, cooler nights, and the miracle of the sweet nectar of New England will commence.

You can sense it by simply spotting the smoke curling above the few remaining saphouses. You can savor it just by stepping into the saphouse and letting the aroma of boiling sap work its way into winter-deadened nostrils. Even better yet, you can take a nip of the final product that has delighted all of the senses of New Englanders for centuries.

And so we say to the groundhog: go back in your hole. We prefer to wait for the sap to become syrup, for it's the next best thing to crocuses and daffodils when it comes to reminding us that another wonder-filled spring is about to be discovered.

Small town crime-stoppers

In a tiny town well over 100 miles from here, the town's very much part-time police force, like Rodney Dangerfield, never got much respect.

The five guys tried, but advancing age had reduced them to but three, still able to go out on patrol and only two of those could even consider subduing anyone.

Still, they did what they could, taking occasional four-hour patrols through the village and out into the boonies, that is if the weather was decent. If it was too cold, the heaters in their pick-ups couldn't keep up, and none of their trucks had air conditioning.

There was little point in setting up somewhere to lie in wait for speeders or other miscreants. For one thing the passing vehicles were few and far between. For another, everyone for miles around already knew where they were and what they were doing there. (*In a very small town you don't have to use your signal lights for everyone knows where you're going - and where you've been.*)

Only the bad guys, and there were very few of those, could move about in the darkness.

In a town where the leading employer - with a payroll of three - was the "antique factory" where "every item is aged while you wait", there wasn't a lot for the police to see or do. On the rare occasions when something did occur, the state police would be summoned.

Still, the town's police officers were beginning to put pressure on the selectmen to get them a used car; one they could paint up into what would at least appear to be a proper cruiser. They'd grown tired of chasing down passers-through in their personal pick-ups. That meant, whenever a traffic stop seemed in the offing, picking the blue light up from the floor and slapping it atop the large mound of upside down duct tape plastered on the dash.

Sometimes, an officer would forget to plug the thing into the cigarette lighter, and then wonder why it was taking the fleeing motorist so long to stop.

None of the trucks had a siren, simply a whistle on a cord around the officer's neck.

Once the stop was made, the officers, in their official police shirts and tattered work pants or overalls, would step out. If they still had one, they'd don their policeman's cap with the official looking badge. That badge was to assure the motorist they now were in the clutches of an officer of the law, not just some yahoo in a pick-up.

Some sport in town claimed one of the policemen had used a hair dryer to simulate a radar gun, but the selectmen never could document that. The officer adamantly declined to talk about it, only observing "everyone knows that guy is a liar!"

The selectmen eventually relented and author-

ized the purchase of an eight-year-old Ford Galaxy. With a few dollops of Bondo and two coats of black paint and the word "Police" stenciled on the doors, that car with more than 150,000 miles on the odometer became the town's first-ever police cruiser.

(*That purchase led the cruiser-less police in the next town to convince their selectmen to get a ten-year-old Thunderbird that had been seized in a drug raid. That meant anyone arrested would have to crawl into the back seat of the sporty-but-rusting two-door. Still, the T-bird worked extremely well as an unmarked cruiser during speed traps on the main road, for it sure didn't look like a "cop car".*)

The local police department did have one specialty: they did a fine job of corralling those who had over-imbibed. They'd bring them to the one-room "police station" upstairs in the town office, to sleep it off. Once that was accomplished, the fellows were free to go; no charges, no bail, no records.

The police knew 'em all by their nicknames, including the identical Gould twins ("Butch 1" and "Butch 2") Those fellows always seem to drink together, usually to the point they could not tolerate one another. They'd grow raucous but they always wore different colored sweatshirts which helped the inevitable responding officers to determine who was who.

One evening, one of the officers had "Walrus" Woodard in custody, waiting for him to return to reality. However, the officer didn't tell the selectmen about Walrus still being in the station, as he headed home for supper.

It being cool and then downright cold, one of the selectmen went over and kicked up the thermostat. Soon the radiators were gurgling with a fresh supply of newly heated water. Time passed.

Suddenly, there was a bellow from above. Walrus had come about to the point where he realized he was in pain, some very real pain. The selectmen ran up the stairs and threw open the police station door. There, they found Walrus securely handcuffed to a very hot radiator.

The pipes and the steel cuff around Walrus' wrist were growing hotter by the second.

Without the key to the cuffs, there was nothing they could do but bucket brigade cold water from the nearby restroom. Walrus was disappearing in the resulting steam. The officer was summoned from his ham sandwich.

Walrus didn't drink again for nearly two weeks. He attributed his brief sobriety to a bum wrist.

— DON HOUGHTON

LETTERS...to the editor

Taking a stand

To the editor,

This winter I have been to a few basketball games. I have noticed a rather upsetting trend. When the band plays the school song, virtually no one stands up and claps to the music. None of the student body stand.

On two occasions this past week I took notice. The only people standing other than Jean and I, were Jane Donnell and her aunt Francis (formerly Francis Fellows and a cheerleader from back in the day), and Frank and Jackie Dunbar, graduates from long ago.

The standing during the school song is not a reflection of the team currently on the floor, many of which are struggling.

It is about the spirit and respect for *Alma Mater*. We stand in remembrance of our time at good ole Bucksport High School, and the friends and team mates we shared our time with, especially those who are no longer with us.

The lack of respect for that tradition and the lack of school spirit is very disappointing to those of us that still carry that spirit in our hearts.

When I played basketball we

had a rather poor team, but there were fans there to cheer us on and provide a boost in spirit, even though we were not a great team.

We need an administration, boosters group, and leaders that see the importance of school spirit. With this comes the need to re-install school spirit.

A school with out spirit is an empty vessel.

Bob Mercer,
BHS Class of 1964
Bucksport

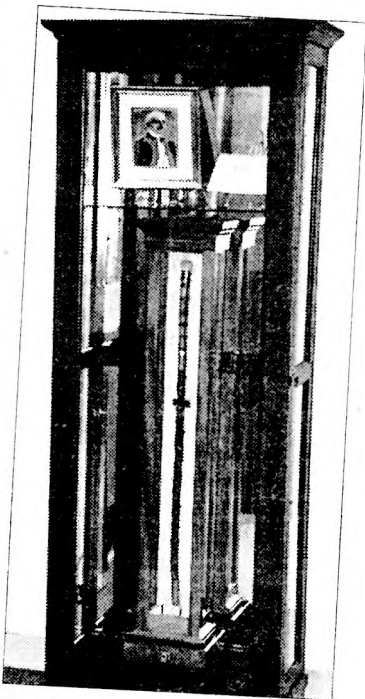
300 Years

To the editor,

February 20, 2019 is the 300th birthday of our founding father, Jonathan Buck.

We at the Buck Memorial Library are honored to have on display his cane which he used, "when he designated the site of the settlement which is now the thriving little Town of Bucksport...used until his death. The cane had been handed down to the eldest son in each generation for seven generations."

The cane was gifted to the library in 1953 by the widow of Dr. Albert Buck and sometime later loaned to the Bucksport Historical Society, which houses other Jonathan Buck items such



Jonathan Buck's cane.

as the transit that he used to lay out the Town of Bucksport. These items can be viewed this summer when the museum opens.

For more on Col. Jonathan Buck and to view his cane visit the Buck Memorial Library.

(*Quote from the Torrington Register, Aug 29, 1940*)

Larry Wahl, Chairman
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237 years!

Each of these men has more than 30 years of service to the Bucksport Fire Department. Collectively, they have put in 237 years of service to the community. From left, they are: Dave Denis, Terry Grindle, Steve Bowden, Craig Bowden, Mike Denning, Mark Bowden, and Gene Bass. They were honored at the annual firefighters' dinner on Tuesday.

Public meals

Saturday, February 9

BREAKFAST — The Bucksport United Methodist Church at 71 Franklin Street in Bucksport, will host a public breakfast buffet from 6:30 to 9:30 a.m. The all-you-care-to-eat meal is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children, and \$25 for a family of

four or more. 469-3622 or Ed Petravic at 469-9979.

Saturday, February 16

BENEFIT SUPPER — There will be a benefit bean supper at the Orland United Methodist Church from 5 to 6 p.m. to raise money to assist the Chaffee and Crawford families,

whose rented home was destroyed in North Bucksport on Monday evening. The meal is \$8 for adults and \$25 for a family of four or more.

The menu includes hot dogs, beans, cole slaw, rolls and dessert.

Donations will be welcome.

A LITTLE OLDER, A LITTLE WISER

Simply taxing situation?

BUCKSPORT — Maria French, the deputy director of the income and estate tax division of the Maine Revenue Service, will be at the Bucksport Senior Center on Friday, Feb. 15, at 10 a.m.

She will discuss how to prepare tax returns and offer direction and resources available to anyone who needs help with preparing a tax return.

Luncheon menus

BUCKSPORT — Here are the luncheon menus at the Bucksport Senior Center on Outer Broadway:

• **Friday, Feb. 8** - Chicken cordon bleu, rice, carrots and peas and cake.

• **Monday, Feb. 11** - Pot roast, mashed potatoes, snap peas and whoopie pie.

• **Wednesday, Feb. 13** - Chop suey, baked roll, garden salad and pudding.

• **Friday, Feb. 15** - Roast chicken with gravy over mashed potato with stuffing and cranberry sauce and fruit.

• **Monday, Feb. 18** - Presidents' Day - No meals served at the Senior Center.

• **Wednesday, Feb. 20** - Pot roast, mashed potato, green beans and a lemon tart.

• **Friday, Feb. 22** - Roast tenderloin pork, baked potato, carrots and bread pudding.

• **Monday, Feb. 25** - Baked haddock, rice pilaf, snap peas and a cookie.

• **Wednesday, Feb. 27** - Spaghetti and meatballs, garden salad and cake.

Call 469-3632 no later than 9 a.m. on the day of the meal at the Bucksport Senior Center to reserve your spot.

*Experience counts,
even in Super Bowls!*

— Church decision

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At issue apparently is a major difference in opinion between Keene and Hammond.

Orrington fire victim identified

ORRINGTON — State fire marshals reported this week the man who died when a fire early on Jan. 19 destroyed an Orrington house has been identified as 51-year-old Burton Hagelin Jr.

Hagelin had lived at the two-story home at 359 Brewer Lake Road for a couple of months.

One reason for the long delay in confirming his identity was that he had told others in the home that he was someone else.

Hagelin originally was from Dover-Foxcroft.

A woman, Shelly Lynn Murphy, 55, also died in the fire while three people escaped uninjured.

Smoke detectors alerted the occupants on the first floor, but those on the second floor were trapped because the stairwell was on fire.

with Hammond citing a legal opinion he received a lawyer working the Maine Municipal Association and Keene, who contends he received a sharply different opinion from an attorney he consulted.

Members of the church attended the meeting Tuesday, but quickly found they were not needed after the opening vote by the Planning Board.

Later, in a general discussion members of the board agreed with Hammond's suggestion that they review the language that governs their board with an eye to defining how appeals will be handled in the future.

However, the members seem to favor the status quo, which requires those with concerns about their decisions to timely file with the Board of Appeals.

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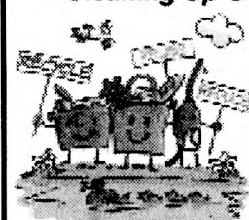


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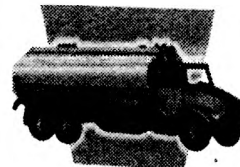
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SPORTS

Bucks finishing regular season

DEXTER — It's now on to Dexter today (2/5) after Bucksport's Golden Bucks last week downed Stearns 77 to 57, The Bucks will end their regular season with today's game in Dexter.

Golden Bucks (9-7) 77
Stearns Minutemen (2-14) 57

Playing on their home court, the Ralph J. Jewett Gymnasium, the six seniors on the basketball team rode off in winning fashion with a 77 to 50 victory over the Stearns Minutemen of Millinocket.

Wrapping up their senior year with a win were Nolan Soucie, Dylan Wight, Jakob Donnell, Tyson Gray, Cam Grindle and Nate Russell. Their coach, Larry Deans, reported that Each of these individuals have represented the best aspects of high school basketball during the past four years here.

Stearns: 11-28-44-50
 Bucks: 23-39-53-77

Score by quarter
 Stearns: 11 17 16 6
 Bucks: 23 16 14 22

Players
 Bucks: Chase-Hurd 3-0-6, Grindle 1-0-2, Giberson, Stanley 1-1-3, Howard, Wight 4-0-8, Soper 4-2-10, Soucie 1-0-3, Gray 9-5-23, Donnell 5-0-15, Russell 2-3-7

Stearns: Kenyon 1-2-5, Kowalski 5-0-12, Shearer 3-2-9, York 1-2-5, Clark 8-1-17, Dunston 1-0-2

Three-pointt. goals Kenyon, Kowalski, Shearer, York, Clark, Donnell, Soucie.

— LARRY DEANS

Bucks third at conference

Next stop: regionals

GUILFORD — The Golden Bucks wrestling team was at Piscataquis Community High School here on Saturday to compete at the Penobscot Valley Conference Championship.

It has been a strong regular season for the Bucks, with several team members coping with injuries last week but they pulled the season together.

The Bucks had but eight wrestlers on the mats but a half dozen of those placed in the top three. Seven scored points for the day and for the team.

The Bucks scored 111 total team points, and finished third as a team on the day.

The wrestlers and their placements were David Gross, champion; Alex Burbank, second; Kaleb Nightingale, second; Travis Hutchinson, third; Ricky Perkins, third; and Jacob Coghill third.

Bea Bernier also won two matches Saturday.

It has been a great year for the Bucks, and now they'll be in Ellsworth on Saturday, competing in the Class B Northern Regional championships.

— DAVID GROSS



FRESH from a great competition last Saturday in Guilford, Bucksport's Golden Bucks will be in Ellsworth this Saturday for the Class B Northern Regional championship match-ups.

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Local firefighter injured during training session

ORLAND — An 18-year-Orland man, serving with the Bucksport Fire Department, was seriously injured when he fell off a ladder during a Hancock County training session.

Jesse Jenkins fell about 20 feet, injuring his right elbow and fracturing his pelvis. He was hospitalized overnight, and is recovering at home.

Jenkins will need surgery, according to Bucksport Town Manager Susan M. Lessard.

Tax help offered

ORLAND — For those with low to moderate incomes who need a little help with preparing their tax returns, there is a free service available at the H.O.M.E. Inc. learning center at 90 Schoolhouse Road in Orland.

The help is part of a collaborative effort by the AARP Foundation, the Ca\$h Coalition and the Internal Revenue Service.

Appointments from now through April 11 are available by calling 469-7961. Help is available with simple state and federal returns, although there are some restrictions applicable to those with more complicated tax issues.

BENEFIT SUPPER

Saturday, February 16

A supper to benefit the Chaffee - Crawford families will be held at the Orland United Methodist Church from 5-6pm.

The menu will be: beans, hot dogs, rolls, coleslaw & dessert.

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Cat's me-ow!

BUCKSPORT — There are several cats available at the municipal shelter, but no dogs.

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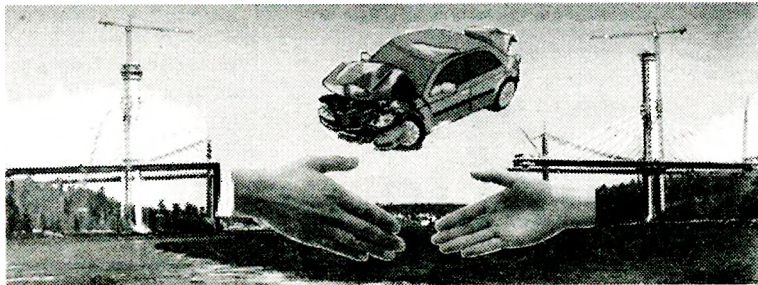
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PUBLIC SAFETY

Booked at jail

ELLSWORTH — Here's a list of Bucksport-area residents or incidents that resulted in bookings into the Hancock County jail here:

• David Fred Glidden, 61, of 45 Elm Street, Bucksport was booked about 2 p.m. last Thursday (1/31) after being sentenced to two days in jail. He previously was arrested in Ellsworth for driving while under the influence of alcohol.

• Tabitha L. Hart, 26, of 1197 River Road, Bucksport was arrested in Ellsworth Saturday evening for allegedly failing to be in court to answer earlier charges.

• Chad Michael Christensen, 23, of 114 Monroe Road, Winterport was jailed for 90 days for reportedly driving while under the influence of alcohol with prior convictions for that offense.

• Jeffrey Ross Warren, 38, of 51 Bowden Road, Castine was arrested in that town on Friday (2/4) for trafficking or furnishing imitation scheduled drugs, theft by unauthorized taking, eluding an officer and aggravated driving after a license revocation with prior convictions for that offense. He posted bail.

Other arrests

BUCKSPORT — Local police record-

ed these recent arrests in which bail was posted and each then was released:

• Earnest Morse, 39, of Milbridge, a passenger in a vehicle at the McDonald's restaurant on U.S. Route 1, was arrested on a warrant about 11 a.m. on Feb. 3.

• Christopher A. Conlon, 24, of Florida was picked up after a traffic stop on U.S. Route 1 on Feb. 3. He was charged with driving while under the influence.

• William Paquet, 54, of Dedham, charged with shoplifting at the Hannaford Bros. supermarket on U.S. Route 1 about 11 a.m. on Jan. 29.

Summonses

BUCKSPORT — Local police issued these court summonses:

• Sierra Bowman, 21, of Unity was charged with speeding on the River Road about 10 a.m. on Jan. 27.

• Amanda Gray, 36, was charged Jan. 27 with driving on the Williams Pond Road without a license.

• Brenda Pierce, 51, of Hermon was charged with speeding on Nicholson Avenue about 2:15 p.m. on Jan. 28.

• Katina Howes, 41, of Prospect was stopped on Nicholson Avenue about 7:15 a.m. on Jan. 28 and charged with speeding.

• Laura Salisbury, 26, of Newport was charged with speeding on Nicholson Avenue about 2:45 p.m. on Jan. 29.

• Raymond Garcia, 29, of Stonington was charged with driving after a license suspension or revocation. He was stopped on Nicholson Avenue about 8:30 a.m. on Jan. 29.

• Brandy Appleton, 36, of Orland was stopped on McDonald Street about 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 3, and was charged with criminal driving after a license suspension or revocation and for allegedly driving an unregistered vehicle.

• Jason Lowell, 41, of Bucksport was cited for driving without a license after being stopped on Pine Street about 12:45 p.m. on Feb. 2.

• Casey Jerome, 19, of Bucksport was ticketed for speeding on the Millvale Road about 2 p.m. on Feb. 2.

• Todd J. Gifford, 37, of Bangor was stopped for speeding on the Millvale Road about 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 2.

• Cheston Barbour, 29, of Bangor was issued a ticket for failing to have reported a change of address in a timely way. He was stopped on Main Street just before noon on Feb. 2.

Accidents tallied

BUCKSPORT — Two vehicles collided in the parking lot of Jerry's Hardware Store on U.S. Route 1 about 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 1, resulting in an estimated \$1,600 worth of damage.

The drivers were listed as Tomarco Campbell, 27, of Orland and Dylan Wight, 17, of Bucksport.

In another accident, vehicles being driven by Jody Reynolds, 53, of Bailey Island and Rozanne Adams, 50, of Penobscot collided on Main Street about 2:45 p.m. on Feb. 1.

Safety statistics

BUCKSPORT — The Bucksport Fire Department's emergency medical personnel logged 15 ambulance runs last week. There were six fire calls. During the same week, police personnel responded to 119 calls for service.

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