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– CHRISTMAS IN THE DEER YARD, Bucksport –

## Rebuilding field at Middle School may prove costly

BUCKSPORT – The RSU 25 is preparing some big plans to finally bring the athletic fields at the Bucksport Middle School up to the standards of the system's other fields, and that won't be cheap.

Initial wild guesses suggest the project could cost \$200,000 and, perhaps, half again that much or \$300,000-or-so. The final cost will depend on the extent of the work that's needed and when the project can be started.

The field behind the school has been substandard since the \$8 million school was opened in 2003. The soil that was excavated from under where the school foundation was poured, was hauled to the area to provide a

surface for the athletic fields. However, the soil did not drain well and the the fields were not properly graded to the drains.

As a result, "sometimes there are ducks swimming in left field," according to Supt. of Schools James Boothby.

Trucking in some "real soil," installing new drainage after the fields are re-graded and curbing serious erosion problems all are needed to provide a proper playing surface, Boothby said.

The clay-like earth under the school has resulted in having to replace the gym floor twice in the school's 17-year history, but Boothby has been assured the extensive problems there now have been resolved.

## – A 'magic tree' sprouts in Bucksport –

BUCKSPORT – Earlier in the year Alvion Kimball had the idea of erecting a Bicentennial Tree of lights on the flagpole at Historic Fort Knox in Prospect...a symbol that would be visible to folks from U.S. Route 1, Verona Island, and Bucksport. Unfortunately he didn't get around to pursuing the idea until late last month. When he first suggested the idea there was some hesi-

tancy on the part of the Bureau of Parks and Lands; because they were dealing with a lighted star atop Mount Battie around Christmas time. Apparently some people didn't want anything "religious" on state property.

This year some members of the Friends of Fort Knox were concerned about damage to their flagpole so, as a member of the

Bucksport Garden Club, Kimball called Rich Rotella to see if the town might be interested in something on the waterfront.

As Kimball tells it, "Rich said 'sure' and pitched in with access to the halyard and a protective mat for where the electric cord crosses the walkway."

PLEASE SEE MAGIC TREE, PAGE 4.

## IN THE WORKS . . . Tidbits from week's news

**BALL WON'T DROP** – The brightly illuminated ball that has dropped on New Year's Eve in downtown Bucksport will remain in storage this year. The organizers apparently decided this is not the time to be drawing a crowd, masked or otherwise, so area folks will have to find other ways to mark the dawning of 2021.

**LET THE SEARCH BEGIN** – The Town of Bucksport now has the long-sought owners' permission to clear some brush and other undergrowth that has taken over the Old Methodist Burial Ground at 917 River Road. The town crew will do the work, so an outside consultant can come in next spring and do underground radar testing to

find out where the bodies were buried. The approval came in the form of a telephone call last Thursday (12/17).

Acting at the request of the previous owner of the site, the stones marking those graves were removed by the town roughly three decades ago.

Once the interments are located, the site will be maintained twice a year by the town, and a fence and marker will be installed. Among those buried there are veterans of the Revolutionary War era. The land will remain privately owned, and the public will not have access except with per-

mission.

**BEHIND CLOSED DOORS** – The annual evaluation of Supt. of Schools James Boothby started last week. While conducted behind closed doors (they shut off the streaming videocast to the public as required by law when personnel matters are being discussed), it safely can be reported that Boothby continued to draw rave reviews from the RSU 25 School Board.

The board months ago extended Boothby's contract through June of 2024. That's when he plans to retire, no doubt to do more trout

See you in  
**2021**

This is the final  
**Bucksport Enterprise**  
issue of 2020. The  
next one will be  
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In keeping with our  
custom, the staff – both  
of us - will take the final  
week of the year off.  
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## Happy New Year!

First, there'll be ice, ever-thickening ice and happy ice fisherpeople. Then comes the thaw, the beautiful thaw we thought never would come again, as the fish will pop up to take in splendors of Silver Lake. On to yet another wondrous always-too-short Maine summer

before the majesty of autumn explodes in all directions. Finally, the thinnest pane of ice will form atop the water yet again, and the cycle will repeat itself. Nature cares not a whit about pandemics or politics. Maybe that's why nature endures.





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### New Listing



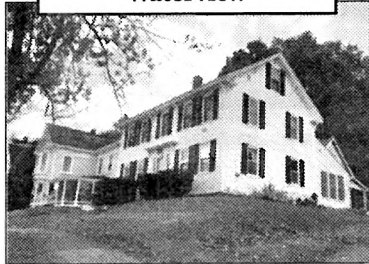
**Stockton Springs**—Centrally located, affordable building lot. Located right on Route 1A this surveyed and soils tested .68 acre lot has easy access to Bangor, Belfast and surrounding towns. Power pole nearby on road. Close to Sandy Point Public Beach, Penobscot Narrows Bridge & Observatory, Bucksport Marina and Verona Island public boat ramp.

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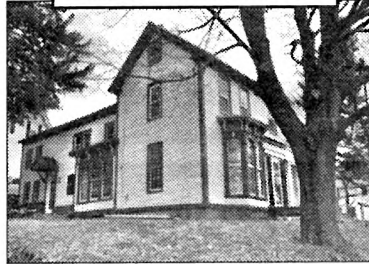
**Searsport**—Spacious and immaculate 3 bedroom 1.5 bath home on 3+ acres. Move-in ready! Private back yard with shed and a bubbling stream. Updates include re-insulation, siding, roof, windows & doors. Lot being separated from a larger subdivision parcel subject to town approval.

### Waterview



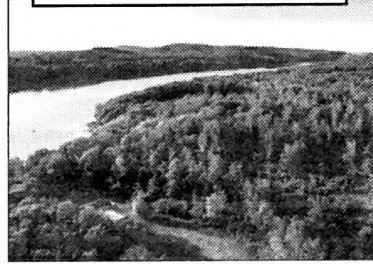
**Bucksport**—This stunning 1800's colonial home overlooks downtown Bucksport with Penobscot River views. Its spacious layout features a living room, den, eat-in kitchen, formal dining room w/built-in, sun-room, office & full bath on the first level. The second floor offers 3BR & a bath w/claw foot tub. 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.

### Renovated & Insulated



**Bucksport**—Tastefully updated with a fresh feel, welcome to 109 Main St. in downtown Bucksport. Sit & enjoy the water views of the Penobscot River from an elegant living room w/re-finished hardwood floors & a grand bay window w/southern exposure. Recently renovated, this 4 BR 1.5BA home features updated windows, interior & exterior paint, LED light fixtures, appliances and more. A spacious first floor w/large open kitchen complete w/laundry hookups, formal dining room & workshop area. Second level offers 4BR's, full bath & large south side master w/water views. A great opportunity for your coastal Maine getaway, rental property or year-round living. Home shares common wall w/neighbor home.

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## BMS HONOR ROLL

BUCKSPORT – Here is the honor roll for the first trimester that was posted this week at the Bucksport Middle School:

### Eighth grade

Highest Honors - Julianna Atherton, Paige Bowden, Alia Cough, Nina Emery, Brianna Grass, Ruby Pereira, Aislyn Reardon, Mackenzie Rodriguez, Lily Therrien, Laycee Tweedie, Rylee VanScoy and Dylan Wombacher.

High Honors - Chloe Bratcher, Nicholas Clair, Isaiah Eaton, Brooke Elden, Abigail Farricker, Mckenzie Grant, Halle Orcutt, Maeve Palazzo, Bo Provencher, Matthew Reedy, Natalie Simpson, Jason Terrill, Emily West, and Derak Whitmore.

Honors - Christina Degiso, Peyton Gray, Lindsey Grindle, Zachary Lubin, Zoey McGinty,

Cole Ray and Jason Saunders.

### Seventh grade

Highest Honors - Charlee Bivins, Evangeline Burgess, Addison Goss, Trent Goss, Allison Hanscom, Kylie Patterson, Alexia Raymond and Layken Varnum.

High Honor s- Trinity Allen, Lindsey Carrier, Lydia Carter, Addison Crockett, Victoria Foster, Cadence Hills, Jack Morrison, Brianna Rotella, Alyssa Sanborn, Peyton Savage, Alivia Shute.

Honors- Ryann Allen, Cole Casey, Bela Gatcomb, Zachary Hanscom, Zachary Havey-Chambers, Sophie Jackson, Aliza Robinson, Haley Rose, Madison Rose, Dawson Sukeforth, Stella Williams, Abigail Wilson and Ryan Winchester.



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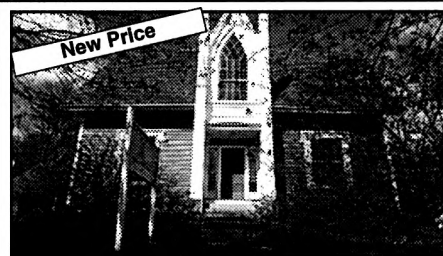
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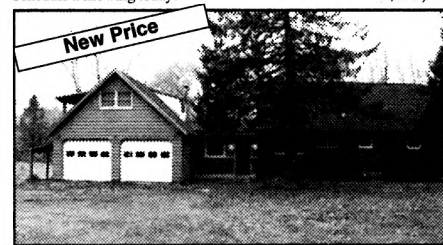
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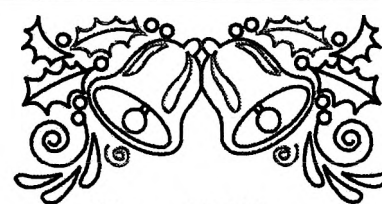
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**GOIN' TO CHURCH** without goin' to church! – A number of area churches have carried on spreading the word during the pandemic, thanks to electronic technology.

Some area pastors have found people looking forward to the weekly streaming of their worship services, and one, the Bucksport United Methodist Church, is continuing its practice of broadcasting its service to those gathered in vehicles in the church's River Road parking lot.

The Elm Street Congregational Church offers an archive of its past services, while live streaming its Sunday services each week.

With Christmas upon us, the clergy are inviting their congregants to invite their friends to tap into the services on their computers as well.

**POSTSCRIPT** ... Last week's Enterprise had just gone to the printing press when another contribution to our column of positive comments from readers about 2020 arrived. **Ellie Shorey**, an educational technician at the **Miles Lane School**, shared this thought:

"I am thankful for my family and friends and many coworkers that are always there for others when they are in need. I am truly blessed!"

Positivity is contagious.

**PERSONNEL, STRICTLY** – **Gary Moulton** of Orland, the long-time maintenance director for the RSU 25 school system, will be retiring at the end of the current school year.

The superintendent of schools and the RSU 25 School Board last week discussed the process that will be used to

locate a successor.

The board ratified the decision of **Kevin Morey**, a custodian at Bucksport High School who will retire at the end of this month.

An extended leave of absence was granted to **Amanda Roy**, a member of the faculty at the Bucksport Middle School.

The board also approved the hiring of **Lauren Greenlaw** as education technician at the Miles Lane School.

Appointed **Mike Garcelon** as the coach of the Bucksport Middle School's girls' 'A Team' basketball squad; and **Tyler Pye** as a volunteer with Bucksport High School basketball team.

**SEATS AT THE TABLES** – State Sen. **Kimberley Rosen** of Bucksport has been appointed the lead Senate Republican on two legislative panels: the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government and the Joint

standing Committee on Marine Resources.

"I chose these two committees to finish out my time in the Senate because I believe my presence there will be of great value to my community," said Rosen. "For example, being on the Marine Resources Committee will be of value given the growth and expansion of salmon farming in Bucksport."

During the past two legislative sessions she served on the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee.

**SPIRITED AWARD** – The **Hancock County Commissioners** have presented the staff of **The Bucksport Enterprise** with a certificate for the newspaper's service to the **Town of Bucksport**.

The certificate is part of the "Spirit of America program," an annual recognition of people and groups.

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# — 2021 —

Never in the memory of those now alive has the world experienced what it is experiencing today.

(Yes, some centenarians were around in 1919, but it's unlikely they have any real memory of what their families experienced during the pandemic back then. You can look at grainy photos of what it was like back then or even read in some detail about that

## EDITORIAL

time that seems so long ago. But, as we all know from the year we have just shared one must truly experience a pandemic to grasp the global impact of what has changed so many lives forever.)

It seems somehow a paltry effort to try to capture in words what we've all experienced throughout most of 2020. It seems equally pointless to bemoan the past or seek to suggest what an obviously very uncertain future will bring.

Let's not dwell on that which cannot be changed or wildly pontificate about an immediate future that is so unclear. Let's we encourage one another to bask in the present. Be warmed by the glow of all things Christmas or in the memories gleaned from the recently concluded season of Hanukkah or Festival of Lights. We all need the silence and peace of a flickering candle in the darkness.

## They did it again!

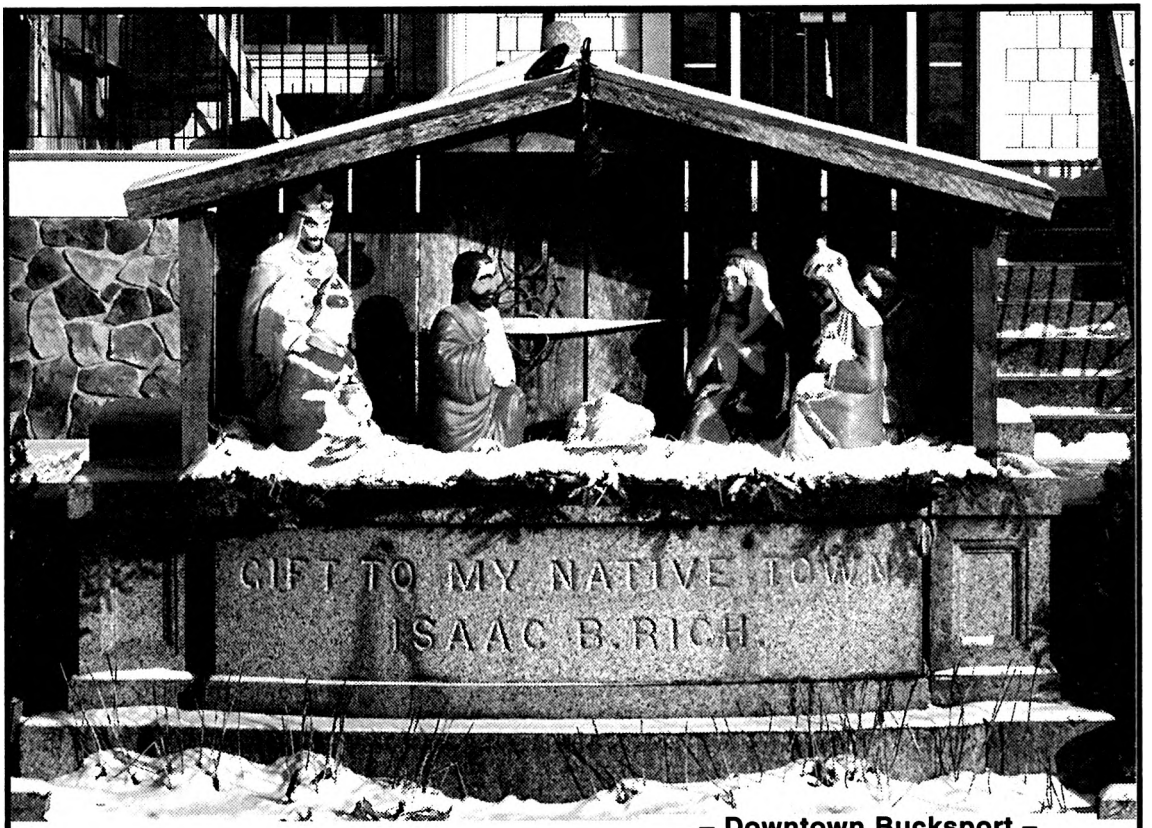
The deal done in Congress this week, uncorking a new round of relief checks could have been a triumph, a bipartisan response to public misery and, in some cases, despair. Instead it was politics as usual, a package that could have been delivered four or five months ago if our leaders could actually lead.

Instead we have a 5,500 page, bailout measure passed by legislators who had but six hours to read before they voted on it. As usual with must-pass legislation it's salted with pork. (Our own favorite is \$10 million to study gender inequality as practiced in selecting statutes for public display. Too many old white men!)

There's much in the bill that's needed, but there's other stuff that, given the pain inflicted by the pandemic, make many Congress people look and sound like the quote that has been commonly attributed to Marie Antoinette. Told that the peasants couldn't buy bread, she is said to have replied, "Well, let them eat cake."

The checks to families and businesses are much-needed, but at a time when the nation is borrowing a trillion dollars at a time does anyone believe the public is so stupid it can be bought off with pennies, while those with political connections reap the big bucks? And can a country so evenly divided be united by fifty cent words and the continuing savagery of one side by the other, especially when so many on both sides are guilty of intolerance? We need cooperation and statesmanship, not conduct more befitting tykes squabbling in a sandbox.

PHOTO BY EMERIC SPOONER



— Downtown Bucksport —

## The Reason for the Season

### Celebrating by the radio!

There was a man who had many millions of dollars, but that was not always the case. In the beginning he put every dollar he had into a very used car. He then sold it and bought another, slightly better model, and then sold it, too. One car became two and then four . . . and, years later, his new large lot was full.

The man amassed enough to start a bank, which grew to be the fifth largest in Kentucky.

But, in the beginning, he and his wife would sit by their radio each New Year's Eve, in their minds toasting with those in Time Square. They would raise their tiny glasses, for while the contents were, most would think inexpensive, they saw it as an extravagant indulgence.

They would toast the new year, and then take another sip as they would toast each other.

They would stay there by their radio to await the new year's celebration in Chicago, and yet another hour later in some major city further west. They'd stay up to hear the new year marked in the center of the nation, again with a sip of wine. They'd go to sleep before the new year reached the West Coast. They would call it a night and forego the celebration in San Francisco.

Each year they would repeat their simple ritual, even as their auto sales business prospered.

Years later, when he could throw massive catered banquets for all sorts of occasions, including, of course, the Kentucky Derby and New Year's Eve, he confided to a reporter that those early evenings by the radio were the best New Year's Eve celebrations ever.

### From the margins of an editor's notebook

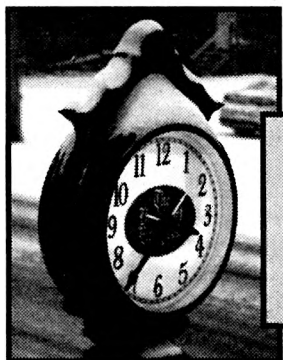
We relate this tale as there will be no New Year's Eve celebrations this year, at least not like in years past.

Times Square will be all but empty. Warehouses full of unsold 2021 paraphernalia, items ordered by optimists months ago, will still house unsaleable inventory. (Psst. Want to buy some 2021 glasses - cheap?)

It's now up to each of us to distract ourselves this New Year's Eve. Some will take refuge in the watered-down offerings on television. Others will be streaming their New Year's Eve drivel on the internet.

Gee, what do you suppose will be on the radio at midnight on New Year's Eve?

— DON HOUGHTON



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## — 'Magic tree' grows in Bucksport

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Kimball wanted the "tree" to be made up entirely of green lights to symbolize Maine's official state tree, the pine. However, in the end he had to settle for what he had on hand.

Having waited until December to acquire more lights, he found the strings of bulbs were as scarce as toilet paper at the beginning of the pandemic.

As a result Bucksport's waterfront now is graced by a "stylistic" white pine that celebrated the winter solstice on Tuesday. and, Kimball hopes, will endure until the lunar new year on Feb. 12 and, possibly, the vernal equinox on March 19. That means the tree could be up almost until St. Patrick's Day. Is that a hint, perhaps turning the tree green for the occasion, if the green bulb makers are back making bulbs again?

The power for the tree is courtesy of Tom Goodman, the friendly operator of the nearby Financial Solutions investment advisory service.

As Kimball sees it, the "tree" will remain up until Goodman takes it down.

The project was made possible with the collaboration of the Bucksport Town Office and the Bucksport Garden Club.

Kimball offered his thanks to both for their "can do" attitude," which he said encourages innovation.

The Orland man and his wife are used to lighting things up, for they launched the annual luminaria night to mark the Christmas season up and down the streets of Orland Village each December. The event went on as scheduled this year despite the pandemic, thanks to the many volunteers who filled the sacks, with sand, added flickering candles and then distributed them throughout the village last Sunday.

### Same old news hot off the press!

In the now-ancient days of newspapering when lines of

molten lead were transformed into metal slugs of type, sometimes the fellow making up a page would come up a line or two short. Rather than slip strips of spacing metal between the lines, one such fellow we

knew would reach into his pocket and pull out a slug. Each one bore the same line.

Week after week, readers would pore over his paper seeking his signature, the line that read, "Turtles have no teeth."



## OBITUARIES

### Durward A. Meade, 1923 - 2020

VERONA ISLAND – Durward A. Meade passed away peacefully after a brief illness on Thursday, Dec. 17, 2020.

A lifelong resident of Verona Island, Durward was born at home on Sept. 29, 1923 to Roy and Ethel Meade. Growing up on the saltwater at the southern end of Verona, Durward enjoyed boating, hunting, and the family horse, Steve. Durward maintained his love of animals, especially horses, throughout his life and the horses responded in kind.

As a young man, Durward developed an interest in Harley Davidson motorcycles. Moosehead Lake was one of his favorite destinations. He was a talented mechanic, and had a knack for making almost anything run.



**Durward A. Meade**

He was happiest when around family and friends, although he enjoyed his solitude and time on the "mountain", cutting his winter firewood, which he did well into his nineties.

At the end of a summer day, you could find Durward at the camper enjoying a Bacardi and orange juice, no ice. Durward was, perhaps, best known to scores of people as their bus driver. He drove school bus on Verona and in neighboring towns for over 40 years.

Durward is survived by many nephews, nieces and friends.

A graveside service will be held at the Silver Lake Cemetery in Bucksport in June of 2021.

Arrangements are under the care of Mitchell-Tweedie Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

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### Carol Edith Mathiesen, 1945 - 2020

– BLUE HILL – Carol Edith Mathiesen, 74, passed on Nov. 11, 2020 at the home of her daughter in Blue Hill, surrounded by her two children and her grandson.

Carol was born on Nov. 23, 1945 on Staten Island, NY to Edith and Trygve Mathiesen.

She obtained her registered nurse training at the St. Vincent's Nursing School on Staten Island in 1965. After graduating from nursing school she worked throughout the eastern United States as a registered nurse before relocating to Maine in 1994 and settling in Orland, where she worked as a hospice home care nurse until her retirement.

She was a member of the Unitarian

Universalist Church of Ellsworth. In her free time she enjoyed knitting and quilting. Traveling was another of her joys. Over the past couple of years she enjoyed participating in the Penquis Foster Grandparent program, working with school-age children.

She is survived by her daughter Rebecca; son-in-law Brett; grandson August; son Trygve, and brother Donald and his wife Maren and their children Erik and Christine.

She will be missed by all that knew her. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at

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### Lucinda Scott Gomm, 1980 - 2020

BUCKSPORT – Lucinda Scott Gomm, 40, born on June 19, 1980, passed away peacefully in her Bucksport residence on Dec. 16, 2020.

She leaves behind two young adult girls, Naydia and Katharyn Stanhope; her mother, Frances Pomeroy; her father, Scott Gomm, step mother Dianne O'Brien; two younger sisters, Veronica Gomm and April Allison; as well as three nieces and three nephews.

Lucinda was a wild spirit to be reckoned with, so much love to spread even to countries afar with a pirate mouth and fierce convictions, she spoke her mind freely.



**Lucinda Scott Gomm**

She was known by many for not only her work at Subway and in the public throughout the years, but a smile that could light up any room. She will be greatly missed by her friends and family, especially her two daughters.

A potluck celebration of her life will be held on June 19, 2021 at The Cape Jellison Docks located in Stockton Springs, ME at 1 p.m. We would love for all family and friends to attend.

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### Sock it to the center!

BUCKSPORT – The Bucksport Senior Center now is collecting new clean socks for seniors this winter.

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William Foster, the town's director of senior services, offers his and the center's thanks for helping keep area seniors warm this winter.

### Weekly menus

BUCKSPORT – Here are the menus for the take-out and delivered meals offered three times a week by the Bucksport Senior Center. The meals are \$6 each and are available to anyone within ten miles of the center, regardless of age or income. Call 469-3632 before 9 a.m. on the day of the meal.

• **Monday, Dec. 28** - Chicken alfredo, broccoli,

and a cookie

• **Wednesday, Dec. 30** - Pot roast and gravy, mashed potato, corn and fruit.

• **Friday, Jan. 1** - No meal. New Year's Day.

• **Monday, Jan. 4** - Salisbury steak, mashed potato, green beans and coffee cake.

• **Wednesday, Jan. 6** - Spaghetti with meat sauce, dinner roll, tossed salad and a cookie.

• **Friday, Jan. 8** - Chicken noodle or minestrone soup, corn bread and a chocolate doughnut.

• **Monday, Jan. 11** - Baked haddock, rice pilaf, peas and a crisp.

• **Wednesday, Jan. 13** - Shepherd's pie w/corn hamburger and gravy, mashed potato and fruit.

• **Friday, Jan. 15** - BBQ pulled pork sandwich, potato salad and a whoopie pie.

• **Monday, Jan. 18** - No meal. MLK Day

• **Wednesday, Jan. 20** - Stuffed shells, tossed salad, garlic bread and ice cream.

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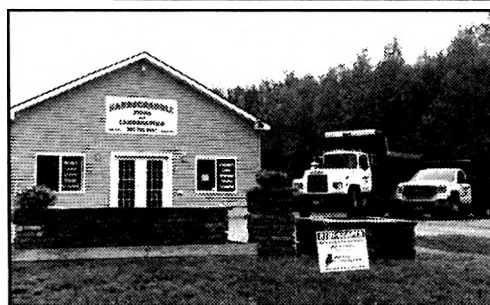
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**— Latest caper —**  
**Wild chickens  
 attack UPS man,  
 then take flight**  
 BUCKSPORT — That marauding flock of some three dozen chickens that terrorized a resident's dog here two weeks ago was back last week - twice.  
 This time, the birds descended on the dooryard of a home in the Outer Millvale Road area on the afternoon of Dec. 16. They were said to have "attacked" a UPS driver and the resident's cats. The animal control officer was called in.  
 Then, on Thursday (10/17) the chickens returned, this time wandering (the police report says "vandalizing") about on another property in the area. The animal control officer was called again. She had a chat with the owner of the chickens about how better fences make good neighbors.  
 Still, be alert! The little flock now has a growing reputation for hitting and then running just as fast as their little chicken legs can carry them.

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## JOY to the world

At left, a couple who reside at Pond and Bridge streets last weekend decided to push aside the inflated Santa on their front porch, and at least for a few hours replace him with one that needed no inflation. Socially distanced from the public, they waved to all of the passers by, spreading the joy of the season.

At right it's clear the occupants of this home truly revel in the holidays, and want to share the spirit with anyone and everyone.

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# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Arrest listed

BUCKSPORT – Andrew Gerrish, 41, of Brooksville was arrested on U.S. Route 1 about 1:15 a.m. on Sunday for driving after a license suspension or revocation being wanted on multiple warrants and attaching false license plates.

He also was charged with violating the terms of his bail in an earlier case.

## Accidents - Deer

BUCKSPORT – There are still more run-ins with deer:

- Samantha Fox, 47, of Bucksport encountered a deer on Central Street about 8:30 p.m. on Saturday.
- Cindy Pye, 53, of Bucksport reported a run-in with a deer on the Bucksmills Road on Dec. 16 about 5 a.m.

## Death probed

BUCKSPORT – The untended death of a 40-year-old woman inside her home was reported early in the afternoon on Dec. 16.

While there were no immediate signs of foul play, the death remains under investigation.

## Accidents tallied

BUCKSPORT – It's happened before, and it probably will happen again – the driver of a box truck too tall to fit under the overhang above the drive-through at the Dunkin' Donuts shop found that out too late last Saturday.

The truck hit the overhang about 5:30 a.m.

The driver of the out-of-state truck was not identified in the police report.

He probably would have been more alert, but he apparently had not had his morning coffee when the accident occurred at the U.S. Route 1 business.

Here are other recent accidents reported locally:

- Makili Allison, 19, of Bucksport lost control of her vehicle while driving on the Williams Pond Road, and it slid off the road about 10:30 a.m. last Thursday (12/17).

## Summonses

BUCKSPORT – The police issued these summonses recently:

- Tyler Miranda, 23, of Levant was stopped on U.S. Route 1 about 3 p.m. on Saturday, and was found to be driving a vehicle without proper liability insurance and an out-to-date vehicle inspection sticker.
- Danielle Shaw, 33, of Ellsworth was given a ticket for allegedly driving after a license suspension or revocation. She was stopped while driving along the Heritage Park Road in the town's industrial park about 5 a.m. on Dec. 14.
- Jessica Bishop, 37, of Bucksport was given a court summons for allegedly using a cell phone improperly while



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

driving. She was stopped on U.S. Route 1 about 9:15 a.m. on Dec. 14.

- Bobbi Oxtan Blake, 49, of Camden was written up for reportedly misusing her cell-phone while driving on U.S., Route 1 about 9:45 a.m. on Saturday.

## Scam reported

BUCKSPORT – A phony lottery-type scam was reported to police on Dec. 15 by a local resident.

## Missing anything?

BUCKSPORT – If you're missing something, the Police Department has all sorts of stuff that has been turned in for safe-keeping after being found in spots all over the area. The goods range from bicycles to wallets to cellphones ... to whatever people can – and do – lose.

## Snow way to go!

BUCKSPORT – The arrival of another winter has spawn reports to police of parked vehicles impeding snow removal operations. The police also are enforcing the no parking on the streets or in public lots policy to aid the highway crew in doing its winter tasks.

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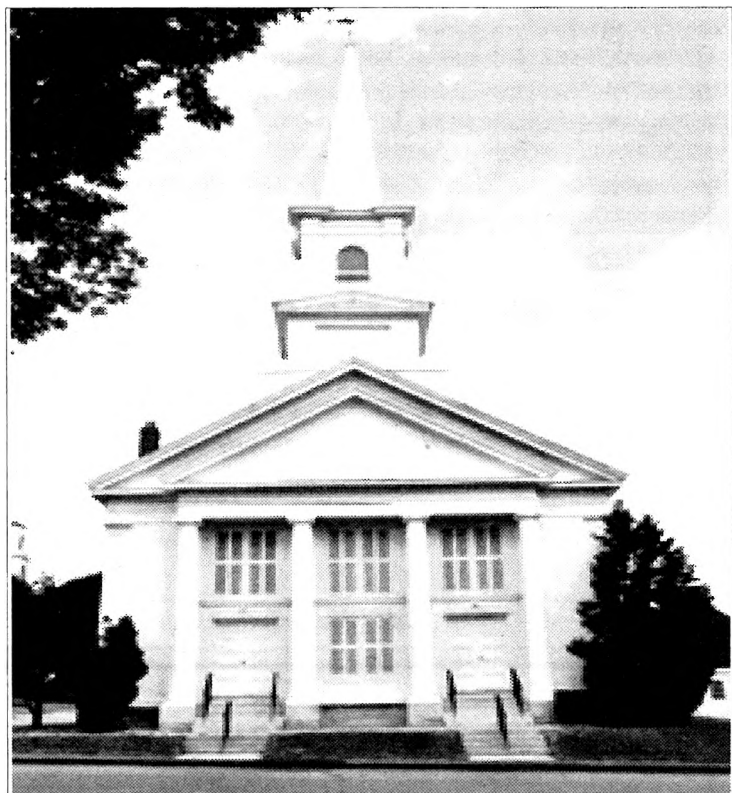
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## Bangor hospital tightens visitor rules

BANGOR — Here is the latest word on how the Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center continually will monitor patient and their visitors during COVID-19 environment.

There now are shorter visiting hours - 2 to 4 p.m. - daily, each day. Those hours took effect this week.

Most adult patients will be limited to one visitor per patient per stay. The visitor will be identified upon admission and a patient's spouse or someone living with the patient is considered the best choice. This visitor will remain the same for the duration of the patient's stay and will be allowed one visit a day during visiting hours.

There may be unique circumstances when visitation rules are adjusted, and nursing leaders will review any exceptions.

Some circumstances with adjusted visitation include, for example, patients who lack capacity or those who are intubated. Two visitors will be permitted for end of life, pediatric/neonatal ICU/pediatric IC, and trauma patients.

Circumstances in which visitation will be completely restricted include rooms where patients are undergoing an aerosol generating procedure such as a nebulizer, high flow oxygen, etc. and those under investigation for COVID-19 exposure or those who have tested positive for the virus.

Visitors must be healthy; 18 years or older; limit movement within the hospital; sign a con-

tact tracing log near the door each time they enter and exit the patient's room; remain in the room with the patient they are visiting; and stay masked at all times. This means visitors may not eat or drink in the patient's room.

"We encourage family and friends to connect with patients by telephone or video chat," according to Victoria Merry, MBA, system director for patient experience and relations. "We believe these additional measures will keep our patients, visitors and staff safe, so we can continue to care for all patients in our community."

Adult patients coming for

outpatient tests or appointments are encouraged to come alone unless it is necessary for a support person to assist with communication, disruptive behavior or mobility needs. Outpatient appointments for pediatric patients may have one support person accompany the patient.

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