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celebrates**

The pandemic year

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Manager suggests budget changes

BUCKSPORT – The town manager tonight (6/11) will offer some last-minute recommendations to cut the 2020-2021 budget previously endorsed by the Town Council by more than a quarter of a million dollars.

The moves would cut the budget by \$264,854, or just over 1 percent.

Susan M. Lessard is suggesting taking \$215,235 from the paving budget because the town is floating bonds to pave 20 miles of roads this year and still more paving in the two years after that.

As part of a reallocation of the town's money, she also said

she'll recommend cutting the proposed economic development from \$38,000 to \$22,000 to reflect the recent demise of the chamber of commerce and the Lighthouse Arts and Education Center, and the fact the Wednesdays on Main cultural program won't be offered this summer.

Lessard continued her support of the \$20,000 for Main Street Bucksport and \$2,000 for the Friends of Fort Knox.

These and other suggestions will be review by the town councilors at 7 p.m. tonight.

PLEASE SEE BUDGET, PAGE 8.

IN THE WORKS . . .

BALLPARK – Don't expect the traditional varsity baseball field adjacent to the Lumen Warren School to be moved anytime soon. While the idea was floated at the last Town Council and RSU 25 facilities committee meetings, let's just say that ball didn't exactly leave the park. Town and school officials now are huddling to come up with a plan to make extensive repairs on the left field retaining wall, which has collapsed in sections from the buildup of freezing ice behind the stonework.

OPENING – Whole Oceans is opening a business office in

the former town office on Main Street for a more aggressive start on building its Atlantic salmon farm on the former paper mill property on the River Road. Officials said they're working on "the details of the design plans and contract negotiations for construction"

The firm wants to break ground this summer, "but as with all major construction projects, the current pandemic situation requires careful coordination with construction coordinators as they adjust to new working conditions."

PLEASE SEE IN THE WORKS, PAGE 8.

Graduation: As unique as the class

BUCKSPORT – Given the circumstance, there'll be less pomp at tomorrow (6/12) night's Bucksport High School commencement. Still, the ceremony promises to be as unique and memorable as the graduates.

Limited to one car per gradu-

ate, and their guests, the vehicles will be in rows - a coronavirus distance apart - in the parking lot of the middle school parking. At the big moment, the graduates - five at a time from each side of the lot - also properly spaced - will walk up and pick up their own diploma

from a table on a tastefully decorated truck platform. Photographs will be okay, but from cars on lot.

The School Board, the superintendent, the principal will offer their congratulations, but also from a slight distance.

PLEASE SEE GRADS, PAGE 8.

Town's trash again going to landfill

BUCKSPORT – The troubled Fiberight trash processing plant once again has a major problem.

The state Department of Environmental Protection has given the firm 30 days to get things operating correctly after it failed in its promise late last month for 115 communities, including Bucksport.

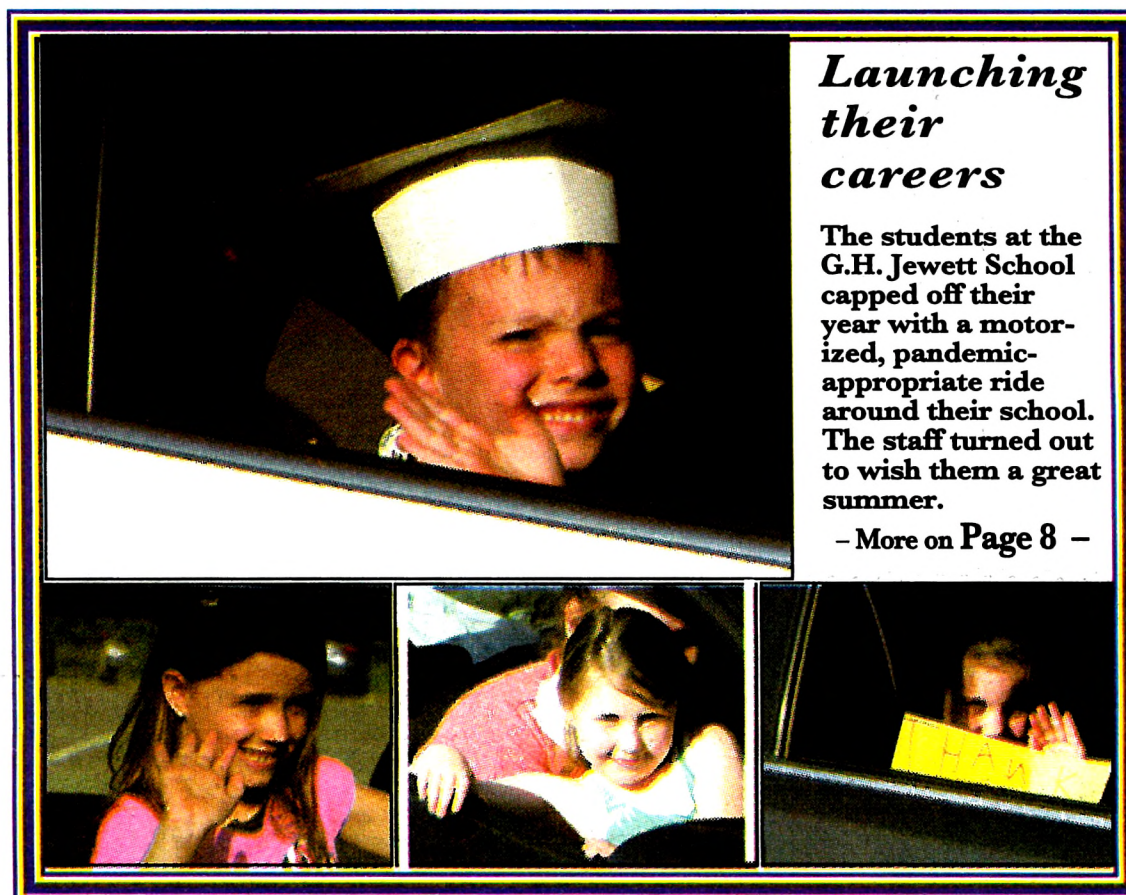
The trash that was to be sorted and burned at the new Hampden plant, once again is being buried at Juniper Ridge or Waste Management landfills.

Bucksport again is sending recyclables - temporarily - to the Penobscot Energy Recovery Co. (PERC) plant in Orrington.

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**Launching
their
careers**

The students at the G.H. Jewett School capped off their year with a motorized, pandemic-appropriate ride around their school. The staff turned out to wish them a great summer.

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Back in the swim?

BUCKSPORT – The lone bidder to repair the municipal swimming pool, Wardwell Trucking and Construction, has offered to do the job for \$68,000.

While the work does not include installation hand rails for the disabled or a dust filter, the repairs will cost far less than the estimate by town officials of up to \$1 million to replace the pool.

The pool could be ready by August, but the coronavirus regulations could keep it closed this summer.

There is money in a reserve account to underwrite the repairs, eliminating the need to issue the up-to-\$1 million in bonds town officials successfully got voters to approve last year. A committee headed by former Mayor David Keene spearheaded the effort to repair and not replace the decades-old pool.

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Friends & Family

GOT THE SPIRIT? It's that time again, the time for the Town Council to name a local recipient of the **Spirit of America** award for Bucksport.

Town Manager **Susan M. Lessard** has asked the councilors for nominees, but anyone can offer a suggestion for who should receive the annual honor.

Time is critical, however, for the councilors will consider naming someone tonight (6/11) at 7 p.m. Lessard can be reached at 469-7368 or on-line at slessard@bucksportne.gov.

BACK IN CHURCH – The Bucksport-based Stella Maris Parish has a new schedule of Masses.

Masses at the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church here will be held on Monday at 8:30 a.m., Thursday at 8:30 a.m., Saturday 4 p.m., and Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

The parish also is offering Masses at

the St. Mary, Star of the Sea Church in Stonington on Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. and Sunday at 8 a.m. The Masses at the Our Lady of Holy Hope Church in Castine are on Friday at 8:30 a.m. and Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

Masses are limited to 50 people, so the diocese is suggesting parishioner who can consider a weekday Mass to help those who only can attend on the weekend.

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place, and the long list of live-streamed Masses at Maine parishes remains in place

DEMOCRATS – Hancock County Democrats took to their computers to elect new members to the party's state committee.

Their selections: **Karen Balas-Cote** of Orland, state Rep. **Brian Hubbell** of Bar Harbor, and former state Rep. **Walter Kumiega III** of

Deer Isle.

Alfred Judd of Surry, the county chair, also is a member of the state committee.

Acting via computers on-line instead of at the traditional state convention because of the pandemic, the state 's delegates from across Maine elected

Drew Gattine of Westbrook and **Rachel Talbott Ross** of Portland as new members of the Democratic National Committee.

ON PATROL? – A member of the **Seniors for Bucksport Bay**, Rusty Wait, at right wearing her bright fluorescent yellow safety vest, joined in the effort to keep Bucksport beautiful. She went out and picked up litter in her neighborhood, and gained exercise, plenty of fresh air and a sense of satisfaction in the process.



FOR THE CHILDREN – The **Northern Light Maine Coast Hospital's** "Chefs' Gala" was canceled this year by the pandemic, but businesses and individuals came through with \$43,000 to help improve pediatric care in the emergency room.

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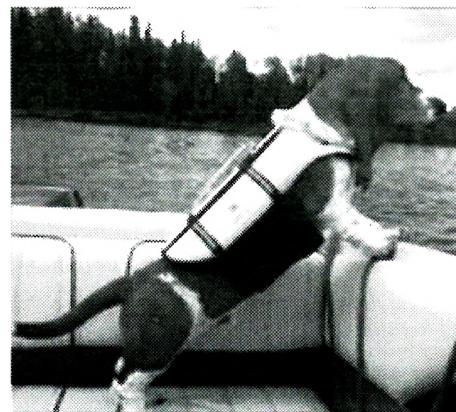
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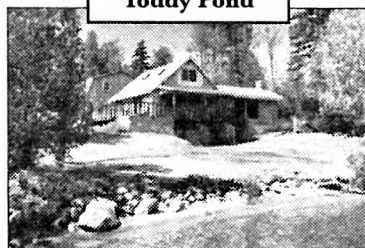
Price Reduced



Bucksport—Live and work in the heart of Bucksport's Main Street Downtown. Commercial storefront building with apartment above (renovation needed). Excellent location and visibility with an open space & large windows facing the street, and proximity to the Riverwalk restaurants & other downtown businesses. Updates in 2019 to commercial space include a new wheelchair accessible bath plus electrical, plumbing & insulation upgrades. Second floor offers possible living quarters after remodel.

Call Kathy Coogan 207-632-5246 \$148,000

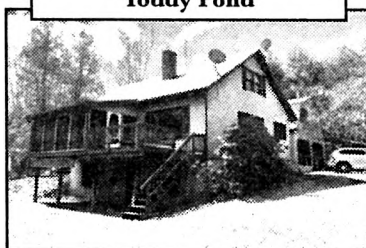
Toddy Pond



Orland—Year round lakeside living in this 3BR/1.5BA home w/ 1.04 acres & 116.7' on Toddy Pond. Interior features warm wood tones with wood floors, beams & custom wood arched accents. The kitchen, dining room & living room offer an open design each w/ water views. Large windows, custom stone fireplace, wrap around deck with screen porch, auto generator, heat pump w/ AC & an oversized 3 car garage are just a few of the highlights. See 168 Violette Way also for sale, two homes side by side, buy both for a special opportunity!

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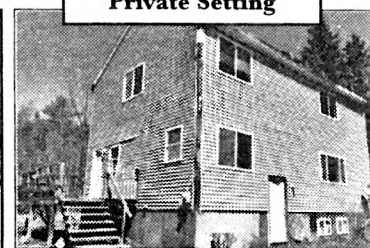
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Orland—Explore the waters of Toddy Pond, secure your new lake home today. Accompanied by a panoramic view of the water sits this spacious 3BR/2BA cape style home on 0.93 acres with 116' of frontage. Offering 1,944 sq.ft. w/open rooms, 1st floor BR, decks, screen porch, walk-out basement & fireplace. Enjoy excellent swimming/fishing & a large yard w/ plenty of room at the dock for your boat. Also includes a two-car garage w/ 2BR/1BA apartment. *See 168 Violette Way also for sale, two homes side by side, buy both for a special opportunity!

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Private Setting



Bucksport—Privacy & much potential with this 3BR/1BA home located on a wooded 5.85 acre lot. Home offers plenty of space w/ a cathedral master, full basement and all systems operational. Home has many unfinished areas and is in need of significant interior/exterior repairs. Property includes a yard with many nice shrubs & an out-building.

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Two Rivers Realty sold ... Sellers will remain on staff as active real estate brokers

BUCKSPORT - Kathy Coogan and Paul Hansen have sold Two Rivers Realty to their long-term broker, Dan Burpee, but both former owners will remain brokers with the firm.

Burpee was the first broker to be hired by Two Rivers, and has helped Coogan and Hansen greatly expand the company.

"The transition will be a positive and smooth one with a focus on supporting our clients and our agents, as well as the local economy and community, according to the sellers.

All of the rest of the agents also will remain with the Bucksport agency.

Burpee began working for the real estate firm when he 12, after responding to an ad in *The Bucksport Enterprise* seeking someone to mow lawns on a part-time basis.

Through the years, the Bucksport High School graduate learned the business of selling and purchasing real estate from the ground up.

He went on to launch the rental and property maintenance

side of the agency.

The president of his high school class all four years, Burpee has a bachelor's degree in law enforcement. However, he said he found what he wanted in real

estate. He joined the firm shortly after it was founded in June, 2009, and earned his broker's license a year later.

"I've had a unique opportunity and great mentors" he said.

"It's an honor to carry on a small business in my hometown," he said.

Burpee and his wife, Ashley, and their daughter reside on the River Road in Bucksport.



DAN BURPEE, left, has purchased Two Rivers Realty from Paul Hansen and Kathy Coogan.



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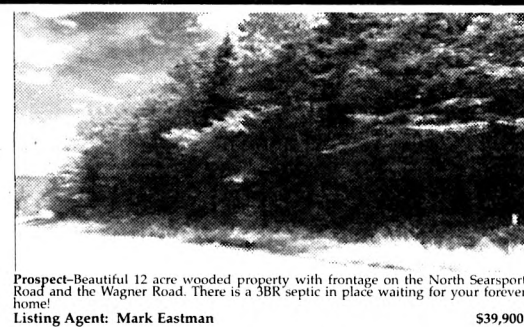
New Listing



Ellsworth—Looking for a place to find some solitude? This 60ac parcel is located 10 minutes from downtown Ellsworth and just a short ride to Blue Hill or Acadia NP. The property has a modest cabin overlooking a beaver pond and brook that might have a trout or two for fishing fun! Great area for recreational fun with public land on Branch Lake and a local 5,000 ac land trust just a short ride away. Come take a look!

Listing Agent: Mark Eastman

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Prospect—Beautiful 12 acre wooded property with frontage on the North Searsport Road and the Wagner Road. There is a 3BR septic in place waiting for your forever home!

Listing Agent: Mark Eastman

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2 Unit



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Class of 2020

This editorial is for those who are graduating this year, but probably should be stowed for 20 or 30 years before reading, we fully understand nothing written or spoken by anyone over 30 is worth wasting time on when one is younger.

Those in the Class of '20 truly are unique. While wars have interrupted the lives and futures in the past, your class found itself thrust into the real world a few months early. A pandemic, a sudden collapse of the economy, a complete re-examination of social contact, all have fallen upon you - and everyone else on the globe - in the past five months.

These forces beyond your control have robbed you of your final bonding year, a final fling at spring sports, a prom, even a proper commencement in the traditional sense. Such is the way of the real world.

We offer our sincere condolences for what you have lost, the last vestige of your protected youth.

Now, it's time to seize the challenges, even incredible opportunities, to do great things. Never was your zest and I-can-do-it resilience needed more. In a world beset by negativity, you and your generation have a chance to show what you can accomplish. No, you can't right every wrong, or find a cure for every problem that ails our planet. But you can try.

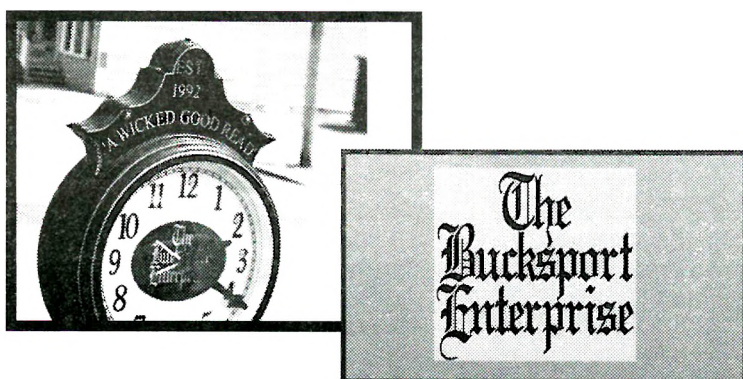
Whether your role in life is to become a dazzling entrepreneur, the dedicated nurturer of the next generation or skilled practitioner of your most-beloved vocational or artistic talent, you have that opportunity. In fact, you have that obligation.

If more people worked harder to become the best they can be - ethically, compassionately and deliberately, the world would be better for us and those who follow us.

Our world has not built by those who were the richest when they were carried to the graveyard. It has been crafted by people, many of them achieving far more than they first thought possible, and they did it without compromising their innate support of the others they encountered in their journeys.

As for the days immediately ahead, remember a recent Bucksport High School graduate's comments when he returned a year-or-so ago to talk with the students: "Pursue your heart and you'll find happiness," and, "If you knock on the door and it does not open, knock again. If that doesn't work, go around to the side door. And then there's probably a back door!"

(That graduate is still young enough to still have credibility.)



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It's been a wild ride these past five months for the teachers, and in fact, the entire school staff. Some parents, participating in the mobile procession around the G.H. Jewett School, took note of all of the special efforts. The words scrawled on their car read, "Thank you, G.H. Jewett staff, for a wonderful year!"

What a year!

In a world turned topsy turvy in what seems an eyeblink, the task has been thrust upon educators and those who support them to try to maintain as much a sense of normalcy as possible in an abnormal world. They did it for our children.

Nation wide, they responded well, and in RSU 25 they did it superbly for our community. They have managed to respond to the unique nature of the times, expanding minds, calming emotions, and even feeding those so suddenly deprived of

their vital school breakfasts and lunches.

We salute them all, teachers finding new ways to impart their knowledge, cooks making sure the many extra meals got delivered, the staff that worked so hard to produce "normal" sendoffs for all of their - our - students.

... and a postscript

Graduates, this weekend thank your parents, your guardian, a teacher . . . even your crazy uncle. Thank anyone who so believes in you - and in your potential.

Take a "selfie" when you do it. The looks on all of those faces will prove priceless throughout the years ahead.

Letters . . . to the editor

Moving toward future

Thank you, Don Houghton, for your words "A just peace and true harmony only can be achieved by listening to one another...The focus now must be on those who build..." in last week's editorial "Stand Tall".

Thank you, Generals Mattis, Mullen, Kelly, Milley, Colin Powell and Allen for reminding people that their (and all) public officials' oaths of office are to protect the Constitution. Admiral McCraven said officials' actions need to be moral, legal and ethical."

Thank you, Vice President Joseph Biden, for your speech in Philadelphia, pledging to restore the soul of America.

Thank you, President Barack Obama, for being hopeful that the marchers can bring needed change.

Thank you to the tens of thousands of protesters of all ages, races and ethnic groups, who have gone to the streets to hold leaders accountable for the years of racial injustice - criminal, social, economic, health and environmental - including in Bangor, Ellsworth and Castine.

Thank you to the police and protesters who are talking with each other, listening to each other, walking together...even hugging each other.

I am a 76-year-old white woman who lived near the 1968 riots in the District of Columbia after the killing of Martin Luther King, have worked on campaigns since 1960, and marched in the district of Columbia and Maine to hold leaders accountable and increase rights.

I've seen the videos of too many blacks being killed. I am starting to feel hope that, if we work hard enough, we can start to move toward a better future for our beloved democracy.

Pam Person
Orland

Merger in the offing?

I appreciate the sensitive treatment your editorial gave to the murder of George Floyd. I agree that it was horrific, wrenching and abhorrent.

I also agree that looting is not to be condoned, whether it is by rioters in the cities or by the Trump family looting the federal treasury.

I am surprised, however, that your journalist's eye did not focus upon Mr. Trump's behavior. While Mr. Floyd's murder fits into a sordid but too-frequent pattern of police behavior, the behavior of President Trump went beyond anything this republic has ever experienced.

When Trump unleashed the military on peaceful citizens assembling before curfew in Lafayette Park, driving them out with rubber bullets and tear gas, he committed a grave and unprecedented violation of their rights to free speech and assembly guaranteed under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. The sole purpose for this unlawful and despicable act was to be able to strike a pose with the Bible in front of a church. Fortunately, military leaders such as General Mattis and General Kelly saw this constitutional violation for what it was, and condemned it. Unfortunately the Republican Senate does not have similar regard for the Constitution.

I am looking forward to Joe Biden's presidency when constitutional rights will be honored, the rule of law restored and we make some real progress towards the American ideal that all men are created equal.

George Schelling
Orland



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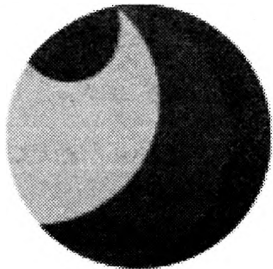
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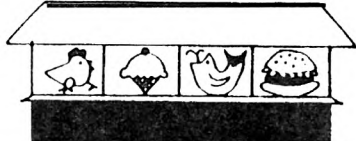
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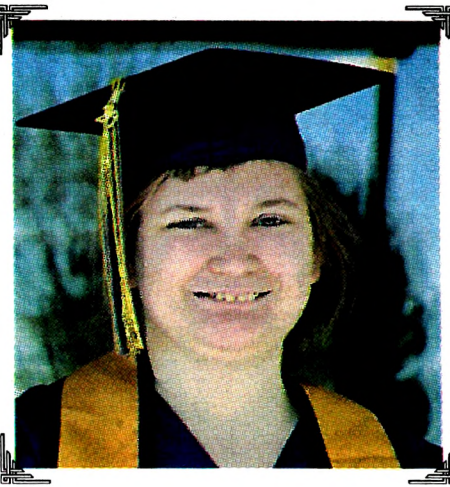
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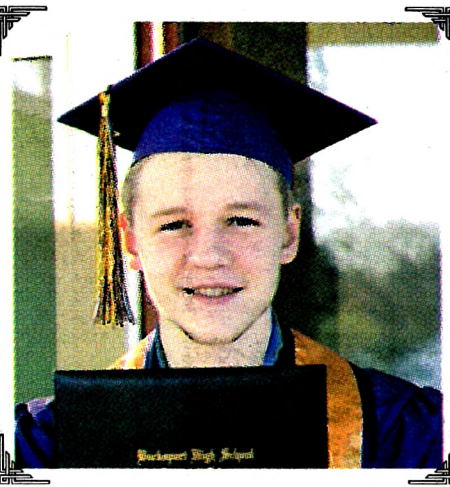
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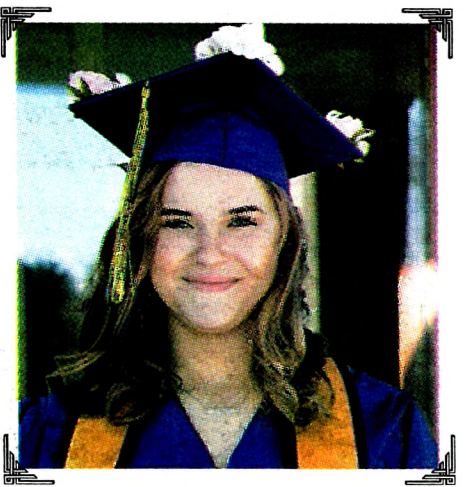
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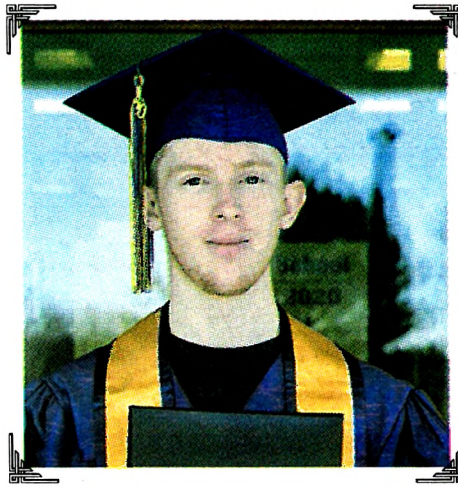
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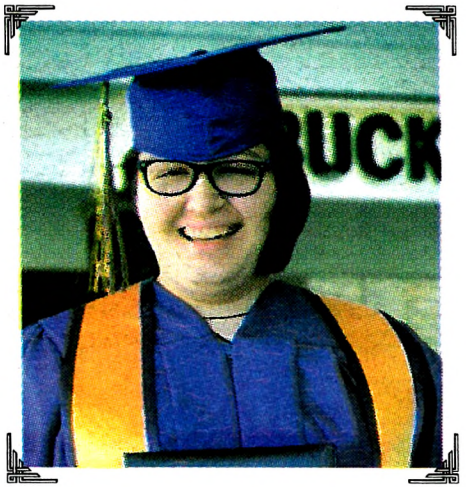
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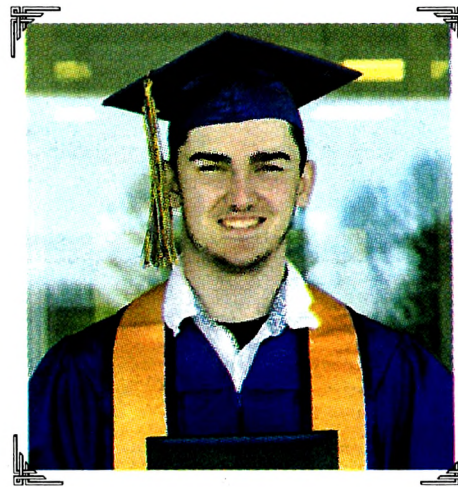
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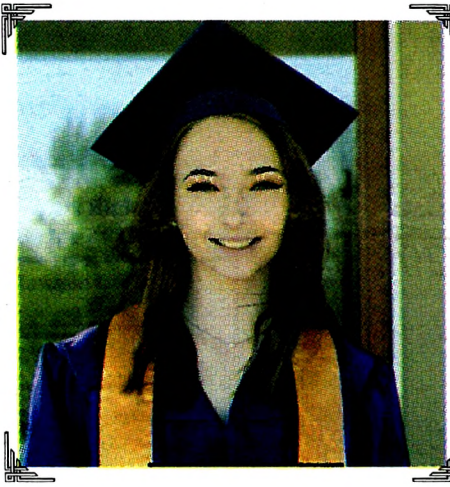
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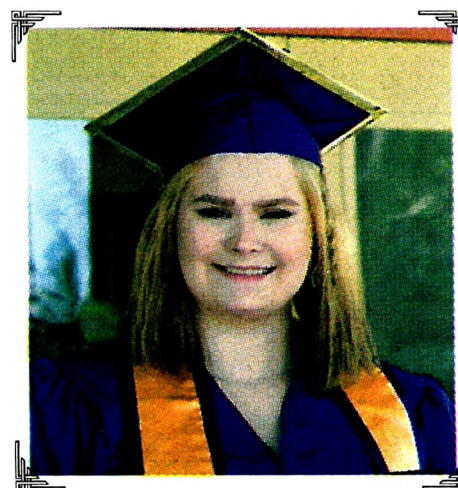
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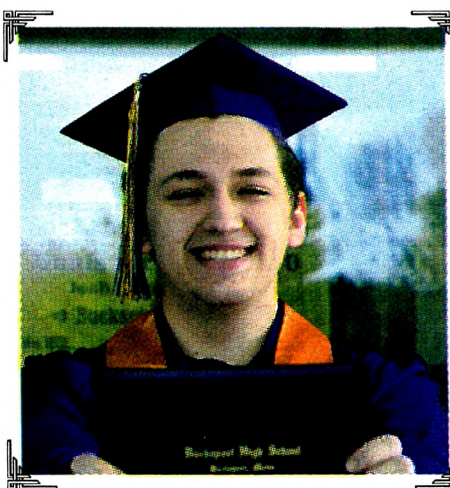
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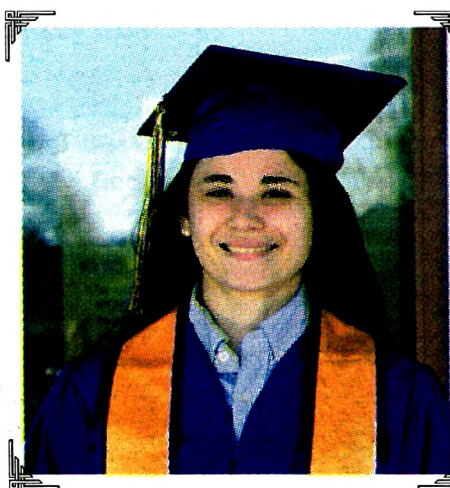
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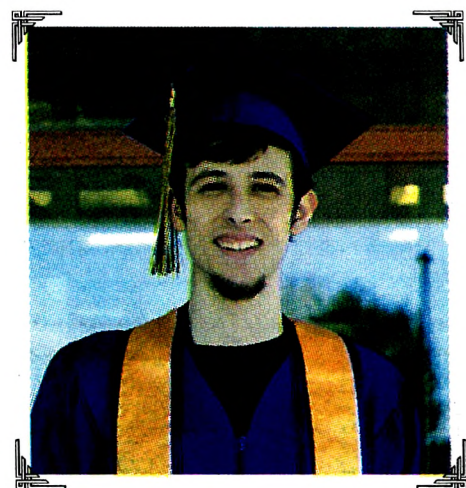
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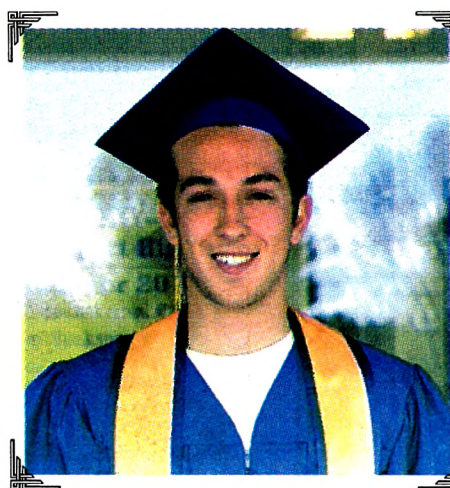
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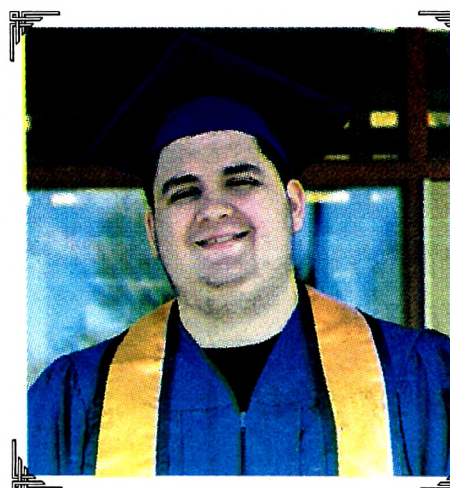
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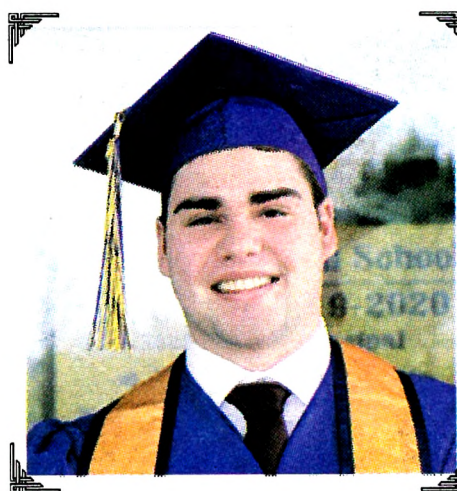
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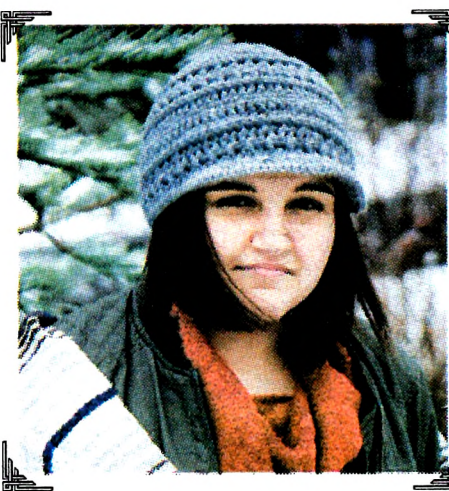
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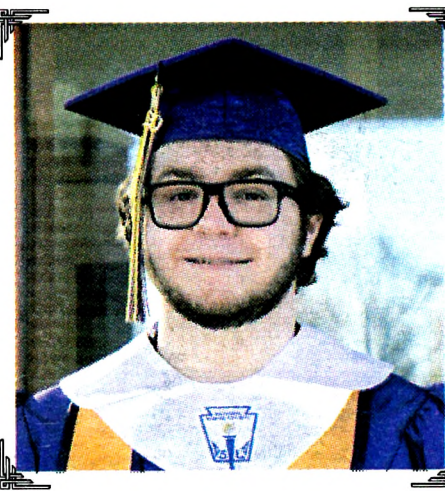
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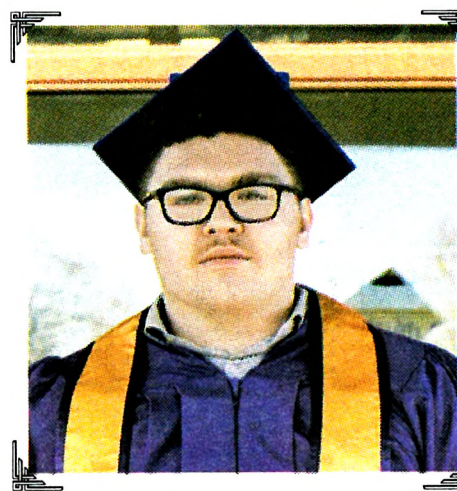
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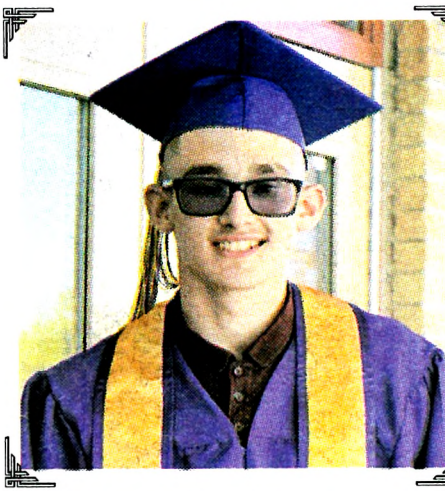
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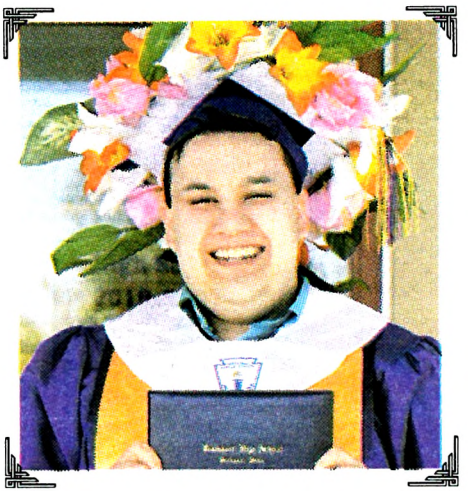
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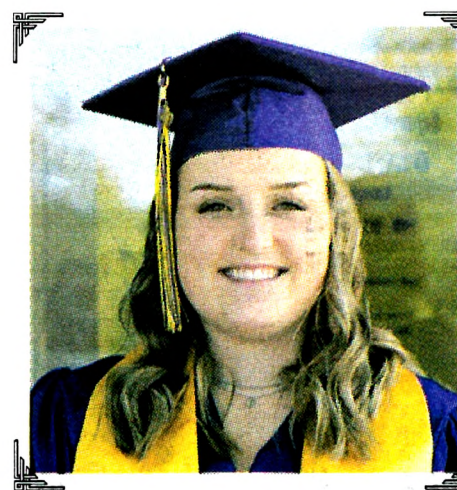
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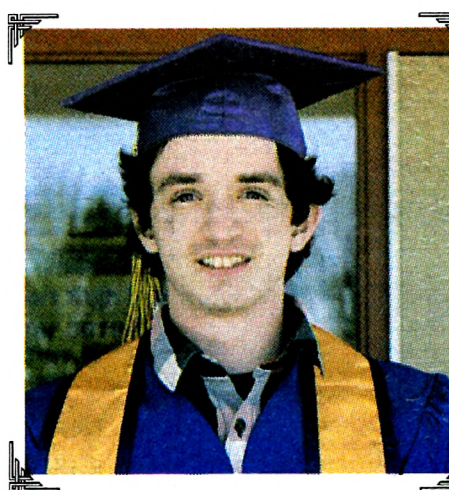
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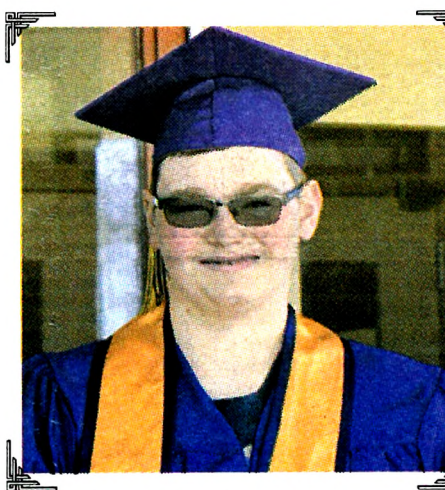
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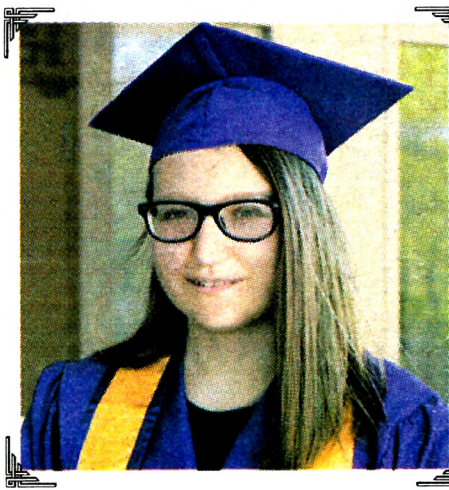
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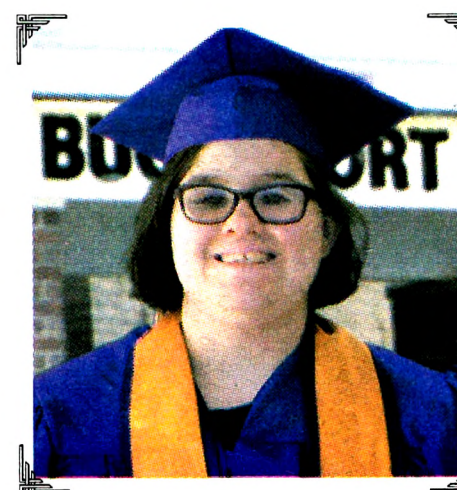
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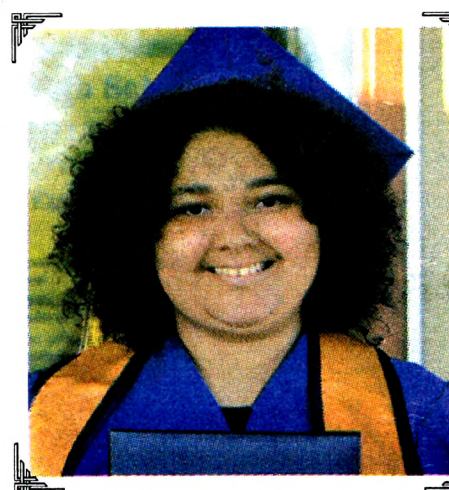
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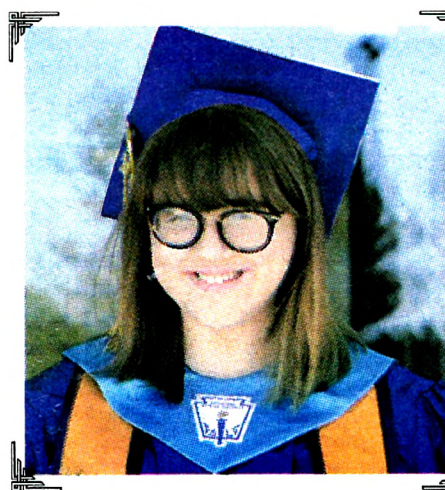
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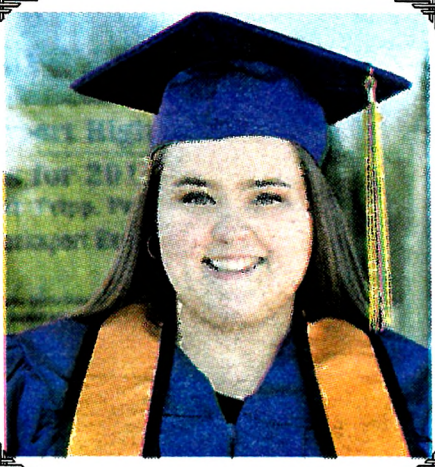
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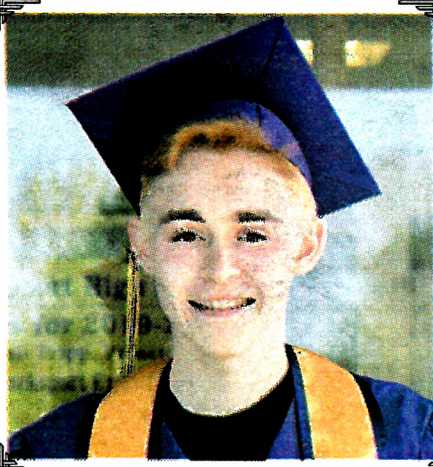
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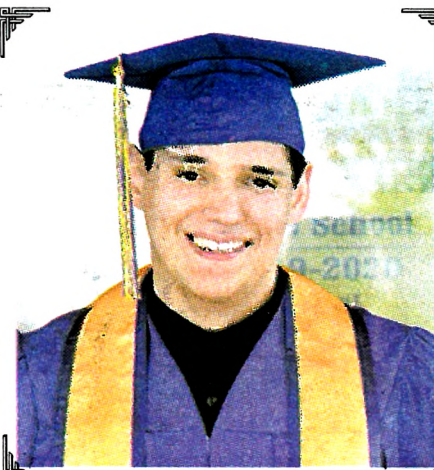
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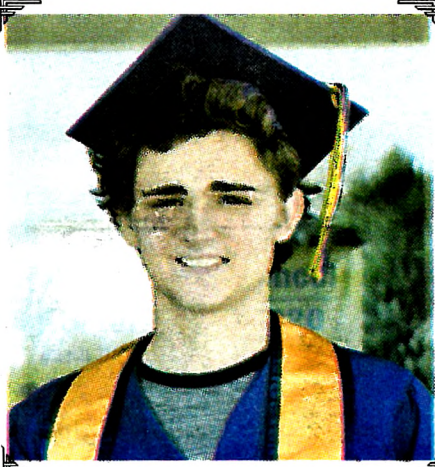
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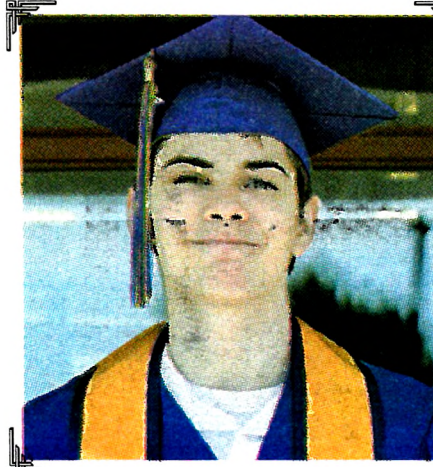
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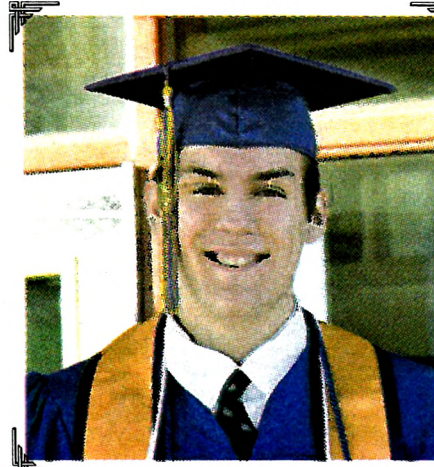
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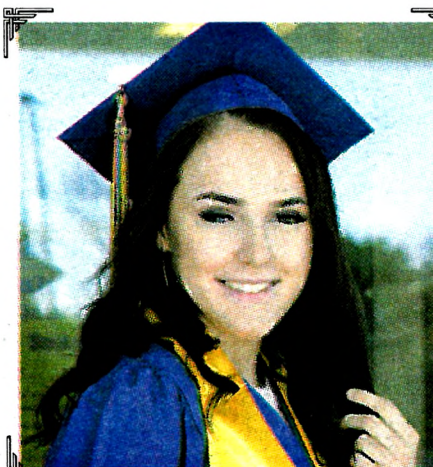
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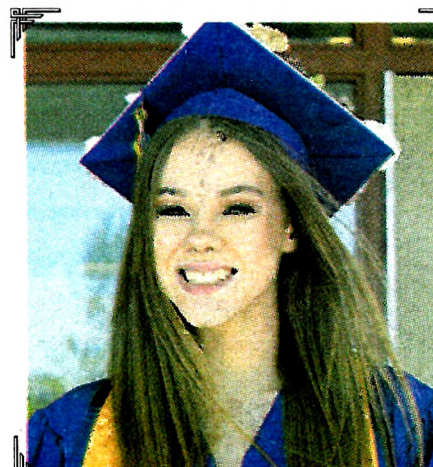
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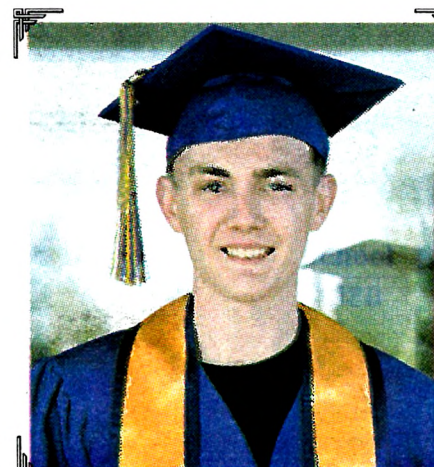
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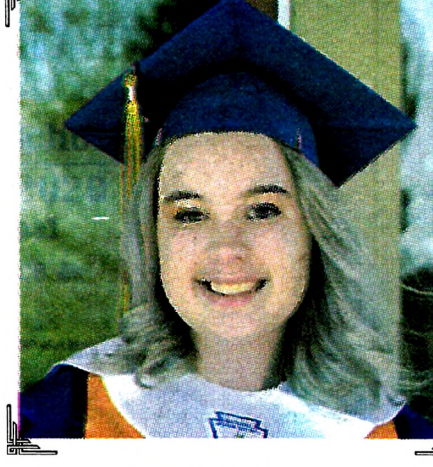
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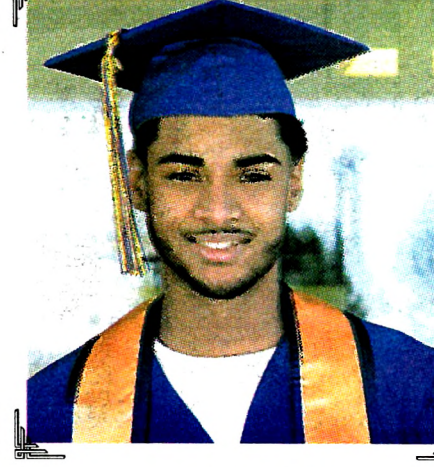
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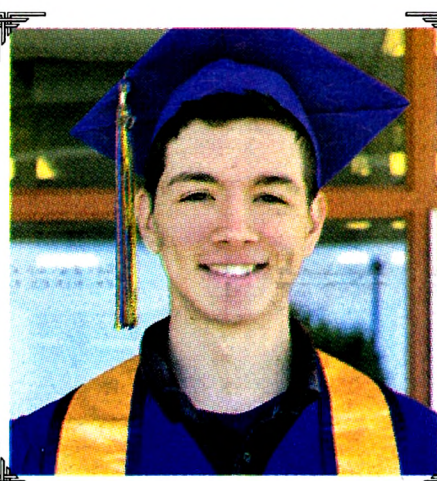
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Dedication

The 2020 Hillcrest yearbook dedication goes to Jen Skala. Although she was extremely stubborn and hesitant to accepting this dedication, Mrs. Skala is definitely deserving of this award. Mrs. Skala is the senior class advisor, and believe us when we say, it's not an easy task. She spends countless hours planning fundraisers and setting up opportunities to work concessions. Bucksport High School is basically her second home with the amount of time she spends here. Not only does Mrs. Skala help us with our senior class but she also is there for individual students. Although we may argue with her, she always is someone we can confide in and trust. Mrs. Skala is always there to give you advice and help you in any way she can, except when it comes to touching her pens. When Mrs. Skala isn't spending every waking hour at the school, she enjoys spending quality time with her family. She loves the outdoors, and spends her free time hiking, camping, and doing other outdoor activities. It might not be something she enjoys, but Mrs. Skala always is disinfecting something



Look out world, here comes the Class of '20!

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- Hannah Ames - Undecided
- Alexander Atherton - MMA Marine Transportation
- Megan Barrie - Park Univ. Lib. Arts
- Jonathan Basile - MMA Engineering
- Stephanie Bennett EMCC Culinary Arts
- Shawn Bernier - U.S. Marine Corps
- Berleeann Bouchard - Full Time Employment
- Christian Chase-Hurd - EMCC Elec/Auto Technology
- Kelsie Cirillo - UMaine Liberal Studies
- Katelyn Cloutier -UMF Elementary Education
- April Coleman - Full Time Employment
- Madison Colson - Thomas College Education
- Devon Courchene - Undecided
- Emily Crocker - U.S. Marine Corps
- Drake Deroche - SMCC Human Services
- Dawson Eaton - Husson University Sports Management Mgmt
- Brady Findlay - UMaine Forestry
- Kaleb Forgues - Undecided
- Jack Foster -Rensselaer Polytech

- Institute. Computer Science
- Logan Gilman - Undecided
- Jesse Ginn- UMaine Financial Economics
- Olivia Gray - Undecided
- David Gross - UMaine Computer Science
- Kobe Hamby - MA College of Pharmacy & Health Science Pre-Physician Assistant
- Justice Hazelwood - Full Time Employment
- Timothy Holcomb -MA College of Pharmacy & Health Science Pre-Medicine
- Zoe Hosford - UMaine Marine Sciences
- Quincy Howes-Mosher - EMMC Welding/Business
- Lucas Huffman - EMCC Business
- Suzanne Jack - Husson University Forensic Science
- Hayden Jellison - UMaine Financial Economics
- Kylie Johnson - EMCC Graphic Design
- Hunter Klenowski - EMCC Auto Technology
- Brookelyn Knowles - UMaine Music Education
- Sierra Marks - SNHU Digital Art

- Reighan McGuire - Full Time Employment
- Aubrey Merritt - UMF Secondary Education
- Isaac Moore - UMPI Environmental Science
- Michaela Morong - Full Time Employment
- Guy "Lucky" Mourredes - UNE Pre-Med/Biology
- Tyler Paulauskas - EMCC Diesel Mechanic
- Hunter Pelletier - UMaine Bus. Management
- Jacob Pyles - U.S. Marine Corps
- Jocelyn Radley - Full Time Employment
- Caleb Robidoux - Undecided
- Anthony Robles - EMCC Criminal Justice
- Matthew Sargent - EMCC Business Mgmt. & Operations
- Dmitri Shorey - Undecided
- Joshua Simpson - Full Time Employment
- Cameron Soper - EMCC Electrical Technologies
- Tyler Sweeny - MMA International Business & Logistics
- Rhiannon Swift - EMCC Human Services

- Erin Tanguay - Full Time Employment
- Hunter Terry - U.S. Marine Corps
- Scylvia Touponce - Full Time Employment
- Jocelyn Tozier - Husson University Healthcare Admin. and Occupational. Therapy
- Grayson Treece - UMF Political Sci.
- Aiden Trinity - Johnson & Wales Liberal Studies
- Abigail Trojano - Empire Beauty School Cosmetology
- Kyle Van Compennolle - U. S. Marine Corps
- Caleb Varnum - EMMC Electrical & Automation Technologies
- Elijah Warren - Undecided
- Charles Wescott - Full Time Employment
- Olivia West - Husson Univ. Journalism
- Kiah Wilson - UMF Secondary Ed.
- Mattie Wilson - UMF Secondary Ed.
- Tyler Winchester - Thomas College Criminal Justice
- Christian Winslow - EMCC Liberal Studies



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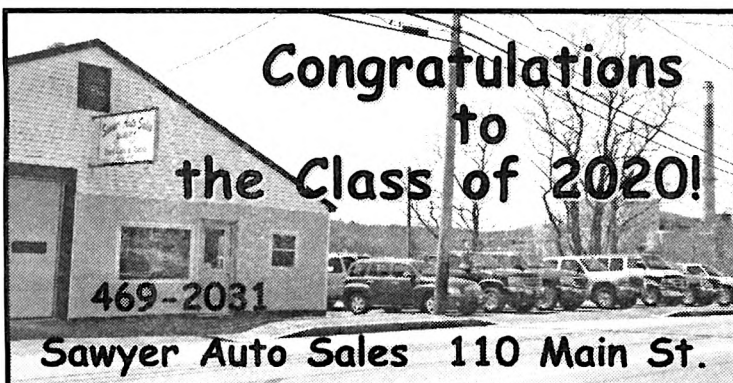
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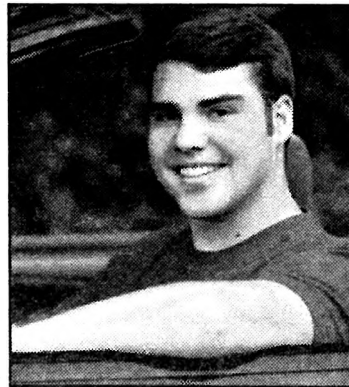
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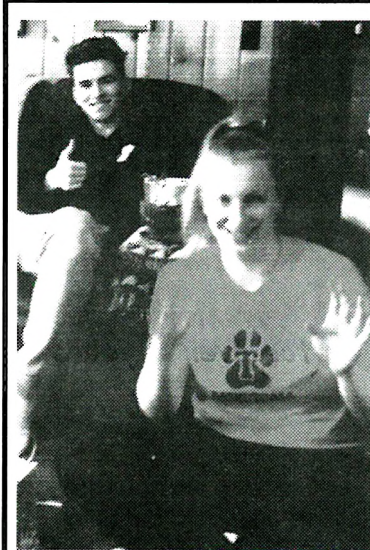
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Congratulations To Our Grandchildren Graduates of 2020

We would like to congratulate our grandson, Joel Stubbs, graduate of Edward Little High School, Auburn, Maine, Class of 2020.

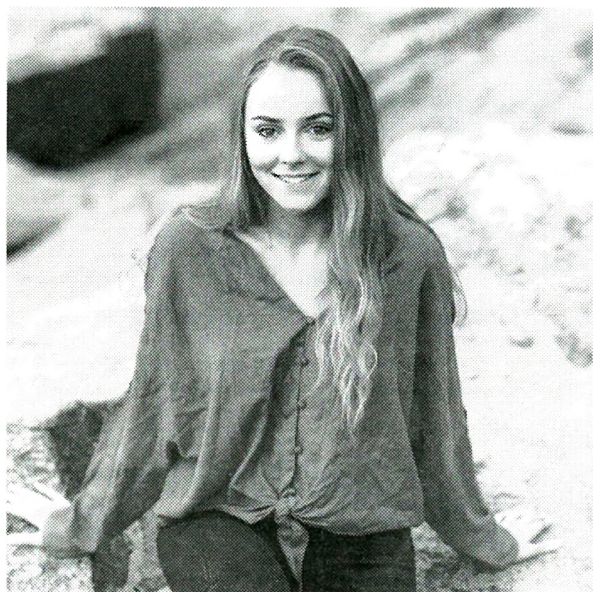
Congratulations to our granddaughter, Karli Stubbs, graduate of Thomas College, Waterville, Maine, Class of 2020.

We wish you the best. You have made us proud! A year you will never forget.

Grandparents - Bill & Nancy Stubbs of Bucksport, Maine

Parents - Mark & Tricia Stubbs of Auburn, Maine.

The money for these awards was raised from local firms, clubs and current and former residents.



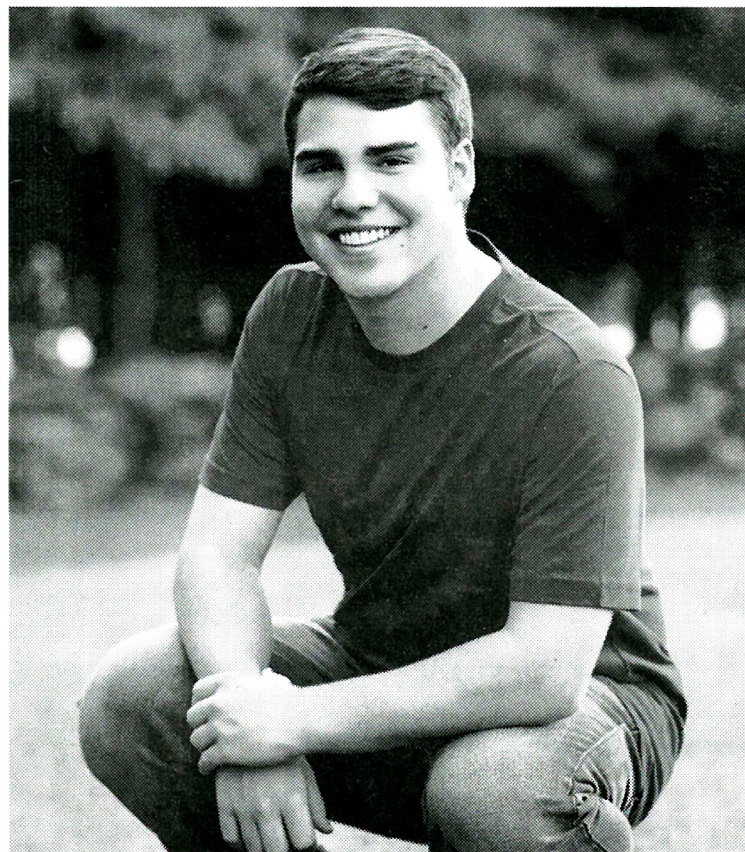
My dear Ricci,

When you were born, you were so teeny-tiny I was afraid to bring you home. Almost eighteen years later, I don't want to let you go.

They say it takes a village to raise a child; you were lucky to have the support of a 'village' of extended family. I stand with all of them, so absolutely proud of the woman you've become.

As you move on in your life, we know that the humour and intelligence and sweetness and kindness that you have shared so generously with your family will be poured out upon the fertile soil that is the people you have yet to meet. They have no idea how lucky they are.

We love you so,
Mom



***Congratulations Jack!
We are so proud of you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Harry and Victoria***

OBITUARY

Michele A. Burgess, 1943 - 2020

BUCKSPORT — Michele A. Burgess, 76, passed away on Wednesday June 3, 2020, with her loving family by her side.

She was born on Nov. 6, 1943 in Penobscot, the daughter of Urban and Phyllis (Robertson) Coombs.

Michele enjoyed gardening and adult coloring and being active with the Girl Scouts. She especially enjoyed anything that involved her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Clayton "Bubbah" Burgess; a son, Tony Burgess and wife, Brenda; daughters Cindy Pye and husband Daniel and Leslie Corbin and husband, Todd; a granddaughter that was like a daughter, Amanda Burgess-Thibodeau and husband, David, and nine other very special grand-



Michele A. Burgess

children; eight great-grandchildren and siblings Charlene Rocheleau, Doris Dion, Amanda Howard and Stuart Howard. Along with many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, a grandson, Leamen Allen; siblings: Steven Howard and Theron and Darrell Howard.

In following with Michele's wishes, there will be no services. A family gathering will be held when conditions allow.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Michele's memory may be made to the Maine Alzheimer's Association, 383 U.S. Route 1 - #2C, Scarborough, ME 04074.

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

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Arrests tallied

BUCKSPORT - These arrests were recorded locally:

- Taylor Louder, 25, of Ellsworth was picked up on Main Street about 11:15 p.m. on Saturday because he was wanted for allegedly violating the terms of his bail in an earlier case. He was taken to the county jail.

- Terrance Mansur, 55, was issued a summons about 6 p.m. last Friday (6/5) after an alleged assault.

- Felicia Moulton, 31, of Bucksport was arrested shortly before 1 p.m. on June 1 after an officer went to an apartment off Broadway in response to an excessive noise complaint. She was taken to the county jail.

Bridge incident

PROSPECT - Acting on a request from Waldo County authorities Bucksport police went to the Penobscot Narrows Bridge about 10:15 p.m. on June 1, where they helped persuade a man to seek an evaluation.

The Waldo County personnel arrived, and took the man for an evaluation.

Summonses issued

BUCKSPORT - These tickets were issued:

- Andy Pham, 22, of Vermont, was issued a summons for reportedly smoking marijuana in public. Pham was at Silver Lake about 6:30 p.m. on Saturday. A second person was issued a warning for allegedly drinking in public.

- Everett Stevenson of Bucksport was issued a ticket for failure to have proof of vehicle insurance,

Firefighters seek rescue truck

BUCKSPORT - The town's firefighters tonight (6/11) will ask the Town Council for a 2020 medium duty rescue truck costing \$141,756.

The money would be paid for with a four-loan, and Fire Chief Michjael Denni9ng suggested the town might get \$5,000 to \$6,000 for the current 1994 rescue vehicle. The chief sought a used heavy-duty model, but reported he couldn't find one at a cost-effective price.

failure to maintain his proper lane and an inspection sticker violation. He was stopped on Main Street about 9:30 p.m. about 9:30 p.m. on June 1.

- Mitchell Kohls, 27, of Bucksport got a ticket for allegedly using a cellphone while driving on the River Road about 9 a.m. on June 1.

- Cameron Burpee of Bangor was issued a court summons for allegedly speeding on Main Street just before noon Friday (6/5).

Bald eagle rescued

BUCKSPORT - The town's emergency medical personnel and the police responded when an injured American bald eagle was found on the side of the road on the morning of June 3. The bird was sent to an avian rehabilitation center.

Monthly statistics

BUCKSPORT - The local emergency medical personnel responded to 84 ambulance runs last week. There were 14 fire calls, and 23 permits were issued for outdoor burning.

You just can't stop a real bean supper!

BUCKSPORT — The bad news: the Elm Street Church has cancelled its public suppers this summer in response to the concerns surrounding COVID-19.

The good news: The church's unstoppable bean-bakers, however, will offer \$8 baked bean suppers "to go", starting Saturday, June 20.

Pre-ordering is required by calling 469-3333 or Louise Lowell at 949-4072 by noon on Friday, June 19. Orders can be picked up at the church at 31 Elm Street on June 20 from 4 to 5 p.m.

Each dinner will include baked beans (either large or small beans), rolls, coleslaw, hot dogs, and a slice of pie.

Bean-lovers also can order a quart of beans for \$5, or a pint for \$2.50.

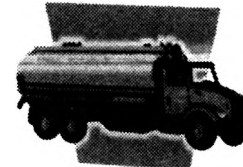
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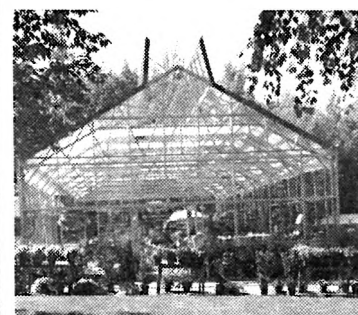
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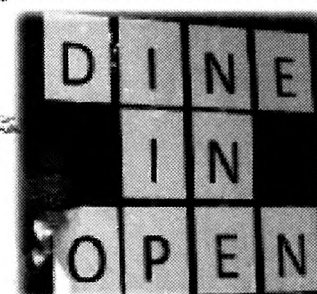
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Loon tunes

The calls of the loons have returned to Toddy Pond in Orland, a clear sign of more normal, natural springtime events ahead. All's well, for the loons are happy!

Building permits

BUCKSPORT – These building permits have been issued by Luke Chiavelli, Bucksport's code enforcement officer:

– MARCH –

- 537 Millvale Road - Rob Perkin took out a permit for a new 24 by 12 foot, enclosed front porch, March 10.
- 343 Jacob Buck Pond Road - Zachary Jones got for a 350 square-foot wrap-

around porch, March 24.

- 1541 Bucksmills Road - Jim Johnson for 24 foot, single-story garage, March 30.
- 100 U.S. Route 1, DMCC Enterprises, took out a permit for three exterior signs that had been posted outside the Spring Fountain Inn, March 30.
- 28 First Street - Sarah Falvey to build a 24 by 13 foot deck, March 31

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Senior Center Yes, there's a free lunch!

BUCKSPORT – The free Bucksport Senior Center meals for Bucksport residents, which were to end tomorrow (6/12), apparently will be extended through the end of July.

The program delivered 1,418 meals last month as part of the town's "Pay it Forward Program". That's up from the 992 in April.

The Senior Center won't reopen until at least next month.

The Pay It Forward fund will cover the additional free meals for town residents. So far, \$119,200 of the \$175,000 budget to help local residents and businesses has been spent.

The meals for those outside Bucksport are \$6 each.

The meals are delivered to anyone within ten miles of the center, and are available to those of any age or income.

To order a meal, call 469-3632 before 9 a.m.

• **Friday, June 12 -**
Meatloaf, baked potatoes, carrots and pudding.

• **Monday, June 15 -**
Chicken pot pie, stuffing, roll and fruit.

• **Wednesday, June 17 -**
Meatball subs, french fries and a whoopie pie.

• **Friday, June 19 -**
Haddock casserole, rice pilaf, salad and cake.

• **Monday, June 22 -**
Shepherd's pie with gravy, carrots, mushrooms and mashed potatoes, and pudding.

• **Wednesday, June 24 -**
Salisbury steak with gravy, baked potato, green beans and cookie.

• **Friday, June 26 -** Pot roast, mashed potatoes, carrots and ice cream.

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— Grads

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Last night's (6/10) Class Night was equally unique and moving as the staff and volunteers could make it without compromising safety. (Whoever heard of a "virtual class night" until now?)

The event was live-streamed allowing everyone with ties to the school to watch as each name and award was read. (The complete list is in today's special graduation section.)

The honor parts were delivered, each having been pre-recorded.

The graduates also revisited highlights of their days in local schools, for photographer Karin Bos produced her annual tribute to the seniors. The much-anticipated videotaped montage featured worthy-of-the-scrapbook moments.

Security will be tight tomorrow (6/12, as there's only room for 80 vehicles. Each one will be limited to the number of passengers for which there are seatbelts. Miles Lane will be closed to all public traffic. Even the faculty can't be accommodated.

The efforts to honor the graduates have been extensive, ranging from home delivery of personalized lawn signs recognizing each senior's accomplishment to a keepsake electronic record of all of this week's big moments.

— Budget

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The manager wants to use \$13,000 from the tax incremental financing program formerly earmarked for the chamber to divert \$19,000 from that account to provide \$19,000 to Main Street Bucksport and the Prospect historic site.

She's also is proposing to cut the police budget by \$6,080 because the proposed additional officer will take about two months to recruit.

Also in the works in her latest memo is a call to cut \$27,449 from Downeast Community Partners and WIC program request to amounts approved in the 2019-20 budget, returning them to the sums they got last year.

That leaves money to meet the requests of all of the other agencies who asked for it.



PHOTOGRAPHER Karin Bos took formal cap-and-gown portraits of the seniors, many of which are included in the special section in today's Enterprise. Then, after that was done, she suggested each graduate cut loose and strike a more informal candid pose, including those shown here.

CLOCKWISE, from top, are

DAVID GROSS, who is off to play football at the University of Maine at Orono;

TYLER PAULAUSKAS, capturing the special nature of this year's graduation.

KIAH WILSON, who definitely has the spirit that has fueled the unstoppable Class of 2020 through some difficult times - especially this year.

Want to share the excitement?

The graduation will be streamed on the internet as it happens tomorrow (6/12) at 6 p.m. Simply go to:

www.rsu25.org/graduation

• Because there's no safe way for the traditional post-graduation mingling, the graduates will come to you. Just be somewhere along Main Street, and they'll slowly drive by after the ceremony. That should be around 7:30 p.m., but check the internet. Well-wishers are encouraged to stay in their vehicles and be safe. Face coverings are advised.

• Want to re-visit Class Night? The videotape of the event will remain posted on YouTube for at least the next few days. Also, you can go to:

www.rsu25.org/classnight

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

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MEALS TO GO - The RSU 25 home delivery troupe youngsters throughout the area will end tomorrow (6/12), having provided 52,366 breakfast meals and 52,366 lunch meals to the students. On Monday, the traditional summer food program will be begin offering free "meals to go" to RSU 25 school-age students. Lunches will be available at the G.H. Jewett School between noon and 1 p.m.

CAMPAIGNING - Nicolas Delli Paoli, 26, of Bucksport, the previously announced candidate for the State House seat representing Bucksport and Orrington, formally will speak to his supporters here next week. A public live music session will be held at 5:30 p.m. next Thursday (6/18) near the gazebo on Bucksport's waterfront. Those

attending are being urged to wear facial coverings and to keep proper social distancing.

The Democrat is challenging former Kathy L. Downes, a Bucksport Republican, former town clerk and current town councilor.

RSU 25 - Because of a new wrinkle introduced in the state anti-COVID-19 rules, the RSU School Board today (6/11) is holding a special virtual session to ratify the proposed RSU budget for 2020-2021 meeting. The open-and-as-quickly-shut session will allow the budget to be forwarded to each of the four member towns for ratification.

In the interim all of the traditional budget data that each year is sent to all residents of the school district again will be in mail boxes this year before the final votings are held in each town on July 14. The usual public

hearing is being waived because it cannot be done within the public gathering requirements (See next item.)

SMALL CROWD? - The required public meeting on the Bucksport 2020-2021 municipal budget will be June 25, but the arrangements are far from typical. The session will be at the Performing Arts Center in the Middle School, but attendance will be limited to 50. Under the current pandemic rules, no more than 50 people can gather anywhere in Maine. Fortunately, this year's budget doesn't appear to be controversial and isn't expected to alter the tax rate.

Attendees will be spaced around the auditorium, which ordinarily accommodates almost 500. (Other rooms in the school can't be used if more than 50 show up.)

OPEN WINDOWS? - A resident is questioning the planned

public hearing later this month on a town councilor's call to have all electronic correspondence among the councilors and the town manager posted weekly on the municipal website. Chris Johnson, a long-time advocate of public transparency, thinks the council's approach, "could get out of hand quickly. If they go that route, Johnson suggested a call to immediately open all sorts of public data to the public."

Town Manager Susan M. Lessard said the decision is up to the councilors, but noted she's the council's only direct employee when it comes to setting municipal policies. The other town employees perform duties according to their detailed job descriptions, she said. Some of the disclosure matters already are covered by the state's open public records and meeting law, but some on and off the council want the details spelled out.)

Movin' on up to big leagues!

BUCKSPORT - Just about the time many of the area's youngest youngsters were comfortably acclimated to the rigors of going to school, a global medical disaster struck.

Returned to a world without professional teachers giving them guidance, they coped, but the faculty and staff at the G./H. Jewett School was having some problems as the school year ended. They actually missed the kids!

What to do? Why, stage a mobile, socially distanced motorcade around the school. And that's just what they did last Friday (6/5), with each child, by name, being wished a wonderful summer by the staff, turned cheerleaders, also having a grand time on the curb.