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have to say

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Spring Fountain Inn ordered shut down

*Few residents remain inside,
but lack electricity and water*

BUCKSPORT — The conditions within the Spring Fountain Inn have disintegrated from very bad to worse as officials work to help the few remaining tenants relocate.

After a lengthy public hearing last Thursday (4/8) the Town Council voted unanimously to have the building at 296 U.S. Route 1 shut and secured by Sunday.

Some residents complied, but a half dozen in five units have not, and now are without running water or electricity. Both utilities were shut off late last week on orders of the motel's management. The town is continuing to try to relocate the six people who remain, while municipal employees have closed the entrances to all but emergency vehicles.

The councilors offered 30 days in which to see serious activity started on curing a lengthy list of health, safety, fire and building code violations.

While H.O.M.E. Inc. and town personnel vigorously have helped residents willing to leave, to do so. Others, a few declined, to go to places where strict rules are enforced or because of other issues.

If major progress isn't made soon, the council order authorizes the town manager to take action. Those actions range from physically securing the building to having it demolished.

The council's order has

become a lien against the deed for the property. That assures the town's expenses, including legal fees, can be recouped before other claims against the business are paid. The key lenders - the Machias Savings Bank and the Eastern Maine Development Corp. - provided Small Business Administration financing when a New Jersey man bought the property.

The council acted after the state fire marshal's office declined to intervene despite their own inspection months ago that uncovered serious fire code violations. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHSS) did the same, although it cut off the checks the agency provided those who qualified for rent subsidies.

Last Thursday (4/8) Luke Chiavelli, the code enforcement officer, succinctly detailed the years-long effort to bring the motel into compliance. He began by reporting on the shutoff of the motel's electricity earlier that day and the planned turnoff of the water the next day.

The owner of the property, offered a somewhat rambling list of excuses for the conditions,

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PHOTO BY RICK MCMALE

Working an out!

It's only pre-season, but even that still calls for maximum effort. Here, in a game last week, Bennett Morey, defending second base for the Lady Bucks, makes a diving stop, beating out a Bangor Rams runner trying to slide past her.

LGBTQ+ group asks town's help

BUCKSPORT — A group of residents, Bucksport Pride, plans a month of events, "promoting the affirmation, dignity, equality, security, visibility, participation and community engagement of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and allied adults and youth in our community and region."

They're asking for the town's support, and a meeting is set for this afternoon (4/15) at the Town Offices to discuss what form that might take. A letter signed by David Weeda and Katie Hessler, requested the session. They want a Town Council proclamation or resolution designating June as "LGBTQ+ Pride Month" here. The group offered to draft the document. Town councilors this week got copies of the request.

The group also wants one or more of the town's crosswalks painted with rainbow stripes, and the Pride flag hung just under the American flag at Flag Point and on Main Street, near the historical society's museum. They offered to provide the Pride flags.

'Gerry' Spooner dies suddenly

Retired librarian

BUCKSPORT — Geraldine ("Gerry") Spooner died on Saturday after a medical emergency late Thursday afternoon.

The librarian at the Buck Memorial Library for more than 35 years, Spooner had an impact on the lives and outlooks of most everyone who passed through the doors of what she considered to be the community's "home."

A fount of local historical information that she delighted in sharing, she also introduced two generations to the wonders that lie within the covers of a book.

She valued her daily interactions with everyone from the youngest of tots to the most seasoned among us.

At the end, she asked that there be no lengthy accounts of her life or even a traditional obituary. As always, she remained concerned about others and not herself.

Members of her family offer a personal tribute on Page 6. An Enterprise editorial is on Page 4.

A program to buy new books for young children is being launched in Spooner's name. The details of that project are in a letter to the editor from her daughter on Page 4.

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

IN BUSINESS — Jerry Harriman has completed the sale of his hardware store on U.S. Route 1 to Rob Mushrall. Mushrall previously bought Harriman's store in Belfast.

The store on the Bucksport/Oxford town line will continue with the same staff, but under a new name. Harriman, a resident of Stockton Springs, will continue to work as an independent licensed electrician.

MORE IN BUSINESS . . . William Tymoczko, the lawyer and man in charge at the Fellows, Key, Tymoczko and Lewis law firm, isn't going anywhere — except down the street. Once he completes the renovations, the law office and its staff will move from U.S. Route 1 to Suite 200 on the ground floor at 74 Main Street.

Tymoczko is continuing to market his present building. He began his Bucksport law career in the building next door to his planned new location. That's back when David Kee hired him.

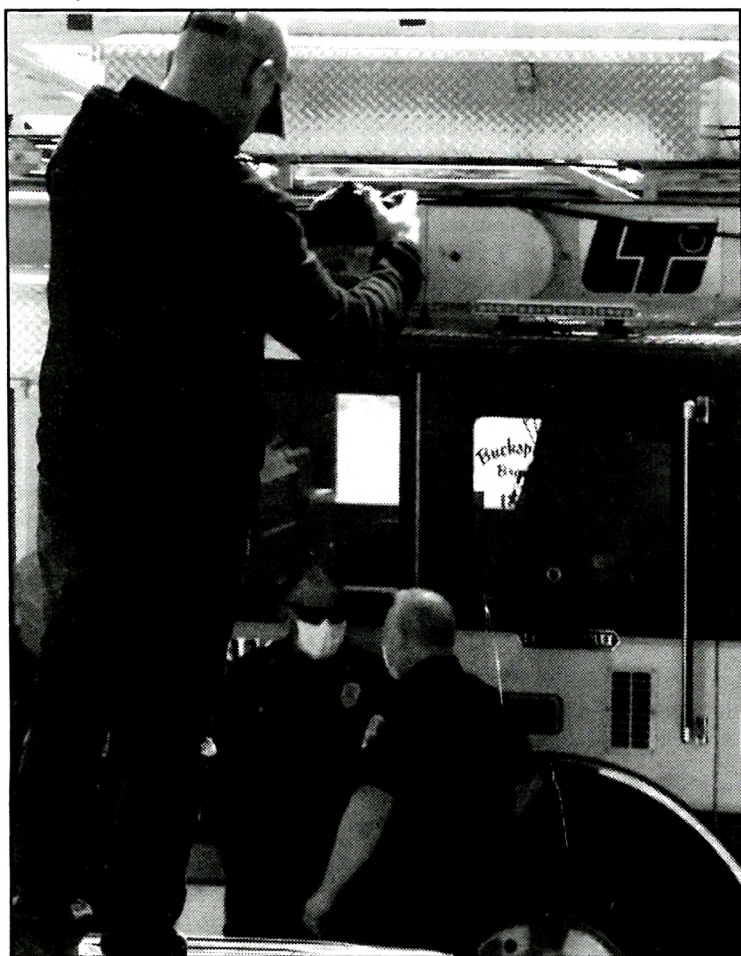
NOW IN CHARGE — Mary E. Powell, a 1982 Bucksport High School graduate has,

returned to Maine, and now is the new executive director of Main Street Bucksport. She has returned after a 30-year career in North Carolina, much of it leading not-for-profit organizations like the one she'll direct here. Powell, the daughter of Joe and Valerie Sulya of Bucksport, attended the Fuqua School of Business and earning a master's degree in healthcare administration at Duke University. She studied public budgeting at North Carolina State University and attended Bates College here in Maine.

Brook Ewing Minner, the first part-time executive director of the otherwise all-volunteer group promoting the community, has opted to pursue other projects.

PAY HIKE — The proposed 2021-2022 Bucksport budget includes a 14.7 percent raise for the town manager to \$103,250-a-year, up from \$90,000. Susan Lessard will be paid for 39 hours a week, up from the .34 in her original contract.

PLEASE SEE IN THE WORKS, PAGE 6.



ENTERPRISE PHOTO BY DON HOUGHTON

A group of masked men and women gather on the waterfront on Tuesday afternoon. However, a cameraman also was there to document the event. See another photo on Page 4 for the details.

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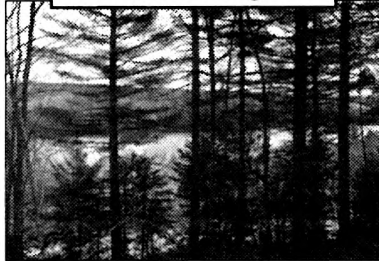


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Stockton Springs—Find your dream Maine retreat at an affordable price. This unique 12 acre parcel sits high on the ledges overlooking the Penobscot River. Seller has applied for DOT approval for Driveway Entrance Permit. With scenic views of the river and the historical Penobscot Narrows Bridge, this is a property that you have to see!

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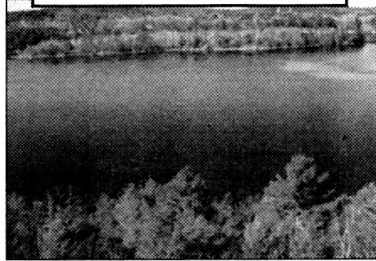
Duplex



Belfast—Charming home built in 1900 with a large lovely yard. Currently two rental units but can be re-adapted to a single residence. Conveniently located close to the Belfast walking bridge for a short walk to Belfast Harbor, shopping, restaurants and paths. Many recent updates including electrical, plumbing, furnace, appliances, flooring and heat pump for efficiency and cooling. Property is on public water & sewer. A special property in an excellent location.

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New Listing



Orland—An Incredible opportunity awaits you with this rare offering of 13.70 acres & 570' of elevated tidal frontage along the Penobscot River. This heavily wooded parcel has been surveyed & also offers the potential for 3 separate lots. The property borders over 1,400' of public road frontage & benefits from an road access easement via a neighboring driveway

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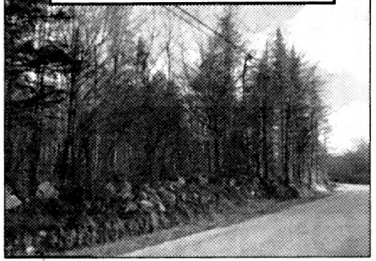
Waterfront Lot



Verona Island—Prime Verona Island waterfront lot with 2.32 acres and 308' of frontage on the Penobscot River. This newly divided lot features a rolling field with trees & northerly facing water views. Property is pending survey completion & will have frontage on Maple Street. This a great location with privacy & is centrally located between Belfast, Bangor & Ellsworth.

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Building Lot



Stockton Springs—This 2.0 acre wooded lot offers a private location yet convenient to Belfast & Bangor not far off Route 1A. Lot is fairly level with rock wall along road side. Neighboring driveway/right of way runs alongside the north boundary. 2020 taxes are less than \$300 per year!

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Orland—Room for everyone! This 5 Bedroom/2 Bath Gambrel has over 2000 square feet of living space with some desirable amenities including two garages, a pool for summer fun and a lawn that big enough for any game in any season! Great location, just minutes to Bucksport Ellsworth, Castine or Blue Hill. Come take a look! Great location within an hour of Acadia National Park or Camden Hills. Motivated seller!

Listing Agent: Mark Eastman

\$235,000

New Listing



Bucksport—Looking for an affordable parcel with a rural feel? This 2.7ac plot is an easy commute to Bangor and minutes from the village of Bucksport reaches down to Bayview Avenue. This parcel has just been removed from tree growth.

Listing Agent: Mark Eastman

\$16,900

SOLD



Bucksport—Looking for a building lot within walking distance to Main Street? This lot is just under an acre and is cleared with public water available at the street. Bring your building plans and ideas. This is a rare lot located in the village of Bucksport. Walk to the movies, diner or take a stroll on the waterfront.

Listing Agent: Mark Eastman

\$41,000

Acreage



Bucksport—Looking for a large tract of land within 20 minutes of Bangor? This 147 acre tract has a woods road in place and has harvestable pulpwood available. Great area for recreation pursuits or a kingdom lot for your new home. Come take a look!

Listing Agent: Mark Eastman

\$175,000

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

BUCKSPORT—Here is the latest honor roll to be posted at the Bucksport Middle School:

Seventh grade

Highest honors -Charlee Bivins, Lydia Carter, Addison Goss, Allison Hanscom, Cadence Hills, Alexia Raymond, Brianna Rotella, and Layken Varnum

High honors- Lindsey Carrier, Bela Gatcomb, Trent Goss, Zachary Havey-Chambers, Jack Morrison, Haley Rose, and Alivia Shute
Honors- Ryann Allen, Trinity Allen, Makenzie Bernard, Evangeline Burgess, Cole Casey, Iris Danforth, Victoria Foster, Zachary Hanscom, Sophie Jackson, Madison Rose, Alyssa Sanborn

Eighth grade

Highest honors- Julianna Atherton, Paige Bowden, Chloe Bratcher, Abigail Farricker, Brianna Grass, Ruby Pereira, Makenzie Rodriguez, Jacson Saunders, Lily Therrien, Rylee VanScoy, Emily West, and Dylan Wombacher

High honors- Nicholas Clair, Dylan Courtney, Christina Degiso, Brooke Elden, Nina Emery, Alex Jameson, Halle Orcutt, Maeve Palazzo, Cole Ray, Aislyn Reardon, Matthew Reedy, Natalie Simpson, Laycee Tweedie, and Derak Whitmore

Honors -Eli Bennett, Andrew Braley, Ahnnaiyah Colon, Alia Cough, Grace Jones, Zoey McGinty, Talina Michaud, Bo Provencher and Xhaiden Tucker

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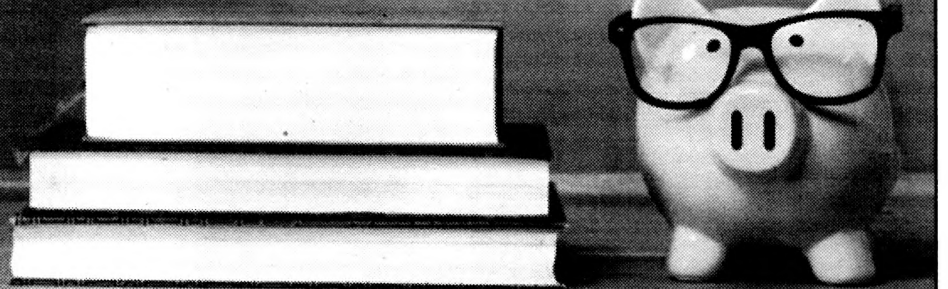
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Friends & Family

MOVIN' ON – Bucksport Police Officer Christopher Woodman now is Brewer Police Officer Christopher Woodman.

Woodman began here as a reserve officer in 2008 and became a full-time officer 10 years later.

In a send-off, Deputy Police Chief **David Winchester** said, "We'd like to thank Officer Woodman for his service to the Bucksport community, and wish him well in his future endeavors."

Meanwhile, Olivia Ford of Bucksport, a long-time volunteer at the local animal shelter, has joined the payroll as the assistant at the shelter.

K-9 – Everything's moving along just fine with the adding of a canine to the local police force, but the K-9 officer probably won't be reporting for duty until sometime next year.

The next training class for new police canines and their handlers will be held next spring.

While still subject to some additional approvals, the local person who will be training with the dog is likely to be Officer **Matt Schmidt**.

Most of the expenses of adding the K-9 unit over the next three years will be underwritten by a \$27,000 grant from the Stanton Foundation in Cambridge, MA. Meanwhile, a local anonymous donor is prepared to kick in an additional \$10,000.

The program is aimed at helping to curb drug trafficking, assist with searches and perform a variety of other community services. The dog also will be used to encourage young children to learn safety tips during classroom visits.

HOW BAD WAS IT? In case you're keeping score the one "icing

event" last month raised the total of storms requiring **Bucksport Highway Department** attention to 21 for the winter. However, the amount of overtime required was less than had been budgeted.

HONORED – The somewhat belated **Town of Bucksport** annual municipal report for the fiscal year which ended June 30, will be dedicated to the local public safety workers for their responses to emergencies throughout the pandemic.

The honor was suggested by Town Manager **Susan M. Lessard**, and the entire Town Council quickly agreed.

DEAN'S LISTS: Here are the latest dean's lists:

University of Maine at Farmington – **Katelyn Cloutier** of Bucksport made the high honors list. Aubrey Merritt earned an honors designation and **Grayson Treece** received high honors. Merritt and Treece reside on Verona Island.

IN THE SCHOOLS – These personnel decisions were recently ratified by the **RSU 25 School Board** earlier this week:

- As previously announced, Gary Moulton, the director of facilities and maintenance, will retire at the end of this school year. He will begin by using his accumulated leave time.

- **Delores Craven**, an educational technician III in the special education program, is leaving. **Sarah Bissonnette is filling that position.**

On the coaching front:

- **Dylan Pointer** is heading up the sports program at Bucksport High School.

- **David Gross** will direct the wrestling program at the Bucksport Middle School, and **Shawn Costigan** is his assistant. **Casey Pelletier** will serve as volunteer with the program.

- **Matthew Sargent** is serving as a volunteer with the robotics program at the high school.

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The only choice

The Town Council last week did what had to be done: they ordered the closing of the Spring Fountain Inn. Luke Chiavelli, the town's code enforcement officer prepared and delivered a detailed case on why the U.S. Route 1 motel had to be shut down. His inspection the day before resulted in a litany of a Third World building and safety conditions in a structure that still had more than 30 EDITORIALS of its 44 units occupied. Chiavelli's opening sentences alone were enough to justify the final decision in an hour-or-so later. In just a few words, Chiavelli reported that on Thursday (4./8) the electricity was ordered shut off by someone representing the owner, and the water company was to do the same the next day.

Anyone with any compassion regrets the need of those who have been living amid the squalor to relocate. Still, human beings without lights or even the ability to flush a toilet or shower - is unconscionable. (Officials at H.O.M.E. Inc. in Orland have done a terrific job in assisting those residents willing to accept help.)

The owner of the motel, Asad U. Khaqan, apparently speaking from his home in Garden City, NJ, even confirmed many of the conditions. Still, in his often rambling remarks, he repeatedly tried to blame others for the years of problems at the motel. He also admitted he's not set foot on the property in more than a year. There's plenty of blame for the current situation to be apportioned, but the owner certainly is first in line.

Town officials assure the council's belated orders will be firmly enforced. That's in everyone's best interest. Once a showplace, the motel now is a very visible disgrace.

Thinking of 'Gerry'

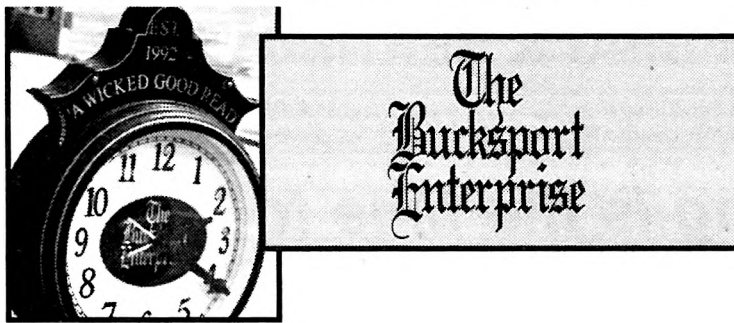
An editorial on this page some months ago honored Geraldine ("Gerry") Spooner on her retirement after over 36 years of preserving the ideals on which the Buck Memorial Library was founded. Gerry was far more than a librarian. She was the eternally upbeat hostess who sincerely wanted each visitor to feel better for having stopped by.

Gerry had an uncanny knack of finding the good in every person she encountered. Where others might consider that an exercise in futility when it came to some people, Gerry's lens on life never worked that way.

We'll not heap on accolades, for Gerry didn't want that. Gerry didn't do what she did for praise or ego enhancement. She did it out of love, not of books, but of people

As for us at the *Enterprise*, today we'll wait for the phone call we know won't come this afternoon. Gerry called us early each Thursday afternoon, right after her initial skim of the latest edition. (She'd re-read the entire paper, line-by-line each weekend.) Each call was encouraging, firing us up as we turned to producing the next edition.

There's no standard obituary for Gerry in this edition, for she told her family she didn't want one. However, her family offers a heart-felt tributes on this page and Page 6.6.



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Still life! Bucksport's public safety personnel on Tuesday pose for a portrait with their cruisers and fire apparatus. It took a while to get everything – and everyone – organized. Then, at the designated command, nobody moved, and a cameraman stood atop the pick-up and triggered the shutter, capturing the scene.

LETTERS . . . to the editor

'We can't lie to one another'

To the Editor
According to the New York Post, the last remaining, independent newspaper published in New York City, "the 37-year-old co-founder of the Black Lives Matter (BLM) movement, Patrisse Khan-Cullors, a self described Marxist, just purchased a \$1.4 million home in an exclusive, 88.8 percent non-black area of Los Angeles.

She and her partner also have purchased at least three more homes throughout the United States for \$3.2 million. Realtors reported the homes were in the Bahamas in a beachfront community where homes are priced at \$5 million to \$20 million each.

Also started by Cullors is the Black Lives Matter Global Network, whose "mission it is to destroy White Supremacy".

If I read this right, \$90 million was donated to these two organizations; with the money being filtered through two non-profit organizations that manage money. The Global Network though is listed as a for profit company, and is not required to disclose how much it spends or pays its executives. So it actually pays to be a Marxist in word but a capitalist at heart.

The leader of the New York branch of BLM has asked for an independent review of all

finances. There apparently has been no response as yet from the organizations' founders.

But it gets better, also from the *Post*, after a review by the FBI, federal authorities have arrested the leader of the Ohio BLM movement, and its not for profit status has been revoked. It seems that of the \$465,000 donated last year, \$200,000 was used by the leader to purchase a home, suits, vacations, entertainment and guns. He since has been charged with money laundering and wire-fraud.

So if I have gotten this right; in America, the right to destroy homes and property and families and not be arrested or charged with terrorism is okay, as long as the victims are white families. That seems to be the case in Seattle and other cities on the West Coast.

But God help you if you protest and give back to the political machines in Washington, D.C. what they have been giving out to the rest of America.

This is not a condemnation or racist rant, especially since I grew up in a black neighborhood and do have a multi-racial family tree. Best of all, we all get along as family, especially since we can't lie to one another.

Joseph Davanzo
Bucksport

Celebrating a generous life

To the Editor
Geraldine Mavis Deroche Spooner came into this world smiling and left the same way on April 10, 2021. Her love and kindness reached so many over the years. This was sudden and gentle, her heart had lived a full life and was ready to rest. For those who would like to celebrate her life, Andrew (Andy) Lacher of BookStacks in Bucksport

has generously offered to take book orders and walk in purchases in mom's name.

These books will be donated to Bucksport Community Concerns Food Pantry, again in her name.

She loved her family, Bucksport and her many years (37) at the library. She will be missed forever.

Rebecca Berry
Bucksport

Fighting 'residential decay'

This letter was sent last Thursday (4/8) to the Bucksport Town Council and the town manager:

As the Town Council debates the future of the Spring Fountain Inn this evening, I think it is important that you keep in mind this didn't happen overnight.

In fact, if you drive around town you find numerous properties falling into disrepair and accumulating trash, old non-working vehicles, ATVs, boats, trailers and other rusting and decaying items (Residential decay).

In the four years I have lived here in Bucksport I have seen the number of properties in this condition continue to grow and decay. If Bucksport has any chance of survival as a town it needs, not only basic services and a friendly, appealing downtown, it must have clean and well-managed neighborhoods, something I am sad to say is slowly disappearing.

Some of this is preventable by enforcement of existing codes; trash should never be allowed to accumulate in yards and driveways!

Other residents may need help, as the residents grow older, property maintenance can become a challenge, either financially or physically.

I commend the town for trying to work with the owner and management of the Spring Fountain, just as they do with property owners to resolve tax issues, but "working with" requires progress, as the town extends the time you should expect good faith payments, or in the case of the motel, repairs and improvements.

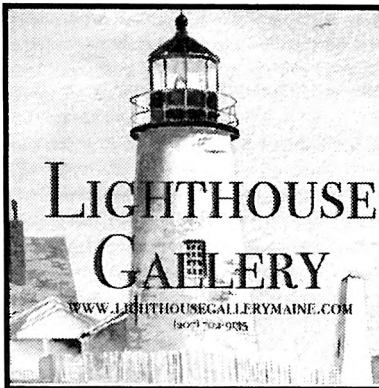
I think we all know and believe an abandoned property does no one any good, but property that is a blight is just as bad.

The point of my e-mail is we need to do more as a community and a town to preserve, not only our downtown, but also neighborhoods.

Whether we like it or not the success of Bucksport will not come from business and industry but from a strong, vibrant community that will attract new residents to replace those that relocate or pass away.

I propose that a committee be established of community leaders, employees and residents be developed, not to study or evaluate the problem, but to begin to resolve the problem of residential decay, by identifying resources financial and physical, engagement of community groups and enforcement of existing codes.

Sincerely, David Doane
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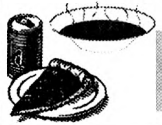
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Senior Center

WATCHING OUT FOR ONE ANOTHER

BUCKSPORT – There's a neat program designed especially for those who live alone. As part of the Elder Watch effort, volunteers check in with those who'd like to either call or be called.

The emphasis of the program, being coordinated by Lilly McCoy and Deputy Police Chief David Winchester, is to offer friendly "Good Morning" calls starting later this month. Based on some initial contacts made last month, a number of people are very enthusiastic about participating, Winchester said.

Nobody is seeking to intrude. The callers just want to offer a friendly greeting and confirm that everything's OK.

GOOD TIMES

BUCKSPORT – The dining room at the Bucksport Senior Center remains closed, and all of the three-times a week luncheons are only available via pick-up or delivery. The building is open to those wearing facial coverings and practicing safe distancing.

The center has launched Bingo sessions on Fridays at 9:30 am. There are plenty of prizes.

There also are informal get togethers, with free coffee, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 to 10 a.m..

MENUS

BUCKSPORT – Here are the \$6 take-out and delivered meal menus offered to all, regardless of age or income, by the Bucksport Senior Center. Call 469-3632 before 9 a.m. on the day of the meal to order one or more meals..

• **Friday, April 16** – Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, and coffee cake.

• **Monday, April 19** – No Meal - Patriots Day

• **Wednesday, April 21** – Haddock casserole, peas and a cookie.

• **Friday, April 23** – Salisbury steaks, mashed potato, corn and a brownie.

• **Monday, April 26** – Ham and scalloped potato casserole, dinner roll and ice cream.

• **Wednesday, April 29** – Stuffed shells, salad, dinner roll and strawberry Jello.

• **Friday, April 30** – Chicken pot pie, stuffing and a whoopie pie.

– Spring

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Asad U. Khaqan again sought more time to fix the problems. The New Jersey man also confirmed he hasn't visited Bucksport in more than a year.

Last week he repeatedly blamed others for the problems. This week, he contacted local officials, still seeking more time.

He told them he'd have contractors at the site immediately, after the last occupant left the 44-unit motel.

Meanwhile, Chiavelli and a police officer placed "order to vacate" notices on every door. Follow-up visits were made to ease the relocation plight of the six still there. Town Manager Susan M. Lessard said the town is ready to do whatever it takes to resolve the situation.

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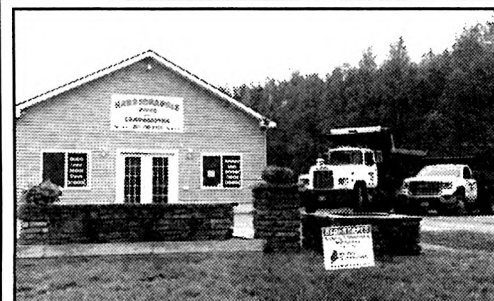
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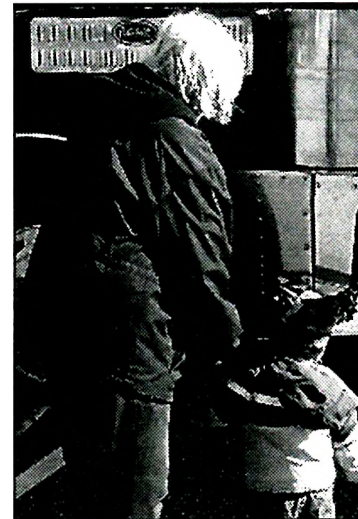
BUCKSPORT — Geraldine "Gerry" Spooner passed away on Saturday, April 10, 2021. She lived her life the way she wanted, and she also died the way she preferred after a very short illness.

Gerry spent three decades of her life doing what she loved, helping visitors from all over the country with genealogy and the history of the town at the Buck Memorial Library. The library was the place she called home, and where she served faithfully for over 35 years.

No one in town could compete with her knowledge of the historic families of Bucksport, especially the Bucks and the Darlings. Her sudden passing is a great loss to those interested in the history of the town.

She will be missed by those who came to her with questions or concerns. They knew her special way of lighting up a room with her smile and a twinkle in her eye as she either answered

each query immediately or did the research to find any answer that initially eluded here. Responding to each inquiry brought her great joy.



'GERRY' SPOONER and her granddaughter, "Gwennie" Berry in this photo, taken more than a decade ago.

Two generations of little ones grew up listening to her cherished stories at "story time" and especially, at the annual "Teddy Bear's Picnic" and the annual reading of "Santa Mouse" in the holiday season.

Her older patrons each got personalized service to the point she would deliver a book should one of them be unable to come to the library.

Her wish was to be buried in the Silver Lake Cemetery, near where the loons that she loved so much reside and sound their haunting calls.

Through her life, she looked out for her loved ones, as well as all who knew her, scattering kindness, thoughtfulness and generosity.

The world is a sadder place without her.

— IN THE WORKS . . . Continued

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BUILDING CODE ISSUES

— In the wake of the continuing concerns about code violations at the Spring Fountain motel, a resident has called on the town manager and the Town Council to get more aggressive in responding to deteriorating property conditions at sites throughout Bucksport. David R. Doane of Silver Lake Road, wants a committee of community leaders, town employees, and residents aggressive in responding to deteriorating property conditions at sites throughout Bucksport. David R. Doane of Silver Lake Road wants, a committee of community leaders, town employees, and residents to guide a systematic clean-up of distressed properties.

Doane wrote, "Whether we like it or not, the success of Bucksport will not come from businesses and industry, but from a strong, vibrant community that will attract new residents to replace those who relocate or pass away." The council last week mentioned the letter, but, citing a full agenda, postponed discussion of it to a future meeting.

CEMETERY CONCERNS

— The Bucksport Cemetery Committee will consider issues recently raised by Kerry Zimmerman, a member of the panel. Zimmerman wants a comprehensive management program for all the cemeteries now under the town's care.

The session will be scheduled after next week's visit by the town

manager and public works director to the Old Methodist Burial Ground in North Bucksport to assess what can and should be done there to restore that long neglected cemetery. She also wants a plan for maintaining the other cemeteries entrusted to the town.

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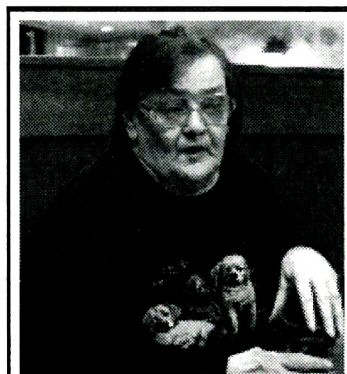
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Arrested

BUCKSPORT – Joshua Michael Smith, 31, of 49 Hatchery Road in East Orland, was arrested early Saturday morning by Hancock County Sheriff's Deputy Daniel Harlan. Smith was charged with violating the conditions of his release in an earlier case.

Accidents

BUCKSPORT – These accidents were reported in the area:

- Richard Rotella, 45, of Bucksport backed into a parked vehicle outside Tozier's Variety Store on Main Street about 4:30 p.m. on Saturday.
- Two dead deer were found on the River Road last Thursday (4/8), but there was no sign of the vehicle that struck them. The deer were removed by state Department of Transportation personnel.
- Michael Larrabee, 59, of Orland struck a deer about 6 p.m. on April 6.

Summonses

BUCKSPORT – These court summonses were issued:

- Andrew Manning, 32, of Ellsworth was pulled over on U.S. Route 1 about 2:45 p.m. on Saturday and issued a summons for driving after a license suspension or revocation.
- Amanda Woods, 33, of Franklin was given a summons for using a cellphone while driving. She was stopped on U.S. Route 1 about 10:15 a.m. on Saturday.
- Samantha Mason, 22, of Lamoine was ticketed for using a cellphone while driving on the River Road. She was stopped about 8:230 a.m. on Saturday.
- Sylvester Roberson, 37, of Bucksport was summoned to court for allegedly violating the conditions of his release in an earlier case and for driving without a license. He was pulled over on Main Street about 6:15 p.m. on Friday (4/9).
- Alexander Hodgins, 18, of Orrington got a ticket for using a cellphone while driving. He was stopped on U.S. Route 1 about 7:45 a.m. on Saturday.
- Miles Rogals, 40, of Belfast got a ticket for improper cellphone use while driving on U.S. Route 1. He was stopped 5 p.m. on April 6.
- Oliver Sheehan, 21, of Orrington was given a court summons for failing to notify the registry of a change of address. He was stopped on the

Walk softly at the Wildlands

EAST ORLAND – The south gate at the Wildlands conservation area will be opened in June on a limited basis.

While the Don Fish Road gate is open, it will be closed as conditions warrant to protect the site during the wet portions of spring.

Those using that gate are asked to park at the national fish hatchery on Hatchery Road, and then walk in. That, too, will safeguard the roads and trails during the "mushy season, a.k/a "mud season".

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

Bucks Mill Road about 7 a.m. on April 6.

- Angelica Madore, 29, of Bucksport was cited for improperly using a cellphone while driving on U.S. Route 1. The ticket was issued shortly after 8 a.m. on April 5.

Shoplifting alleged

BUCKSPORT – Police Officer Eric Marcel is investigating a shoplifting case reported at the Walgreen's drug store on U.S. Route 1 about 5:15 p.m. on April 6.

Substance abuse data

BUCKSPORT – The police reported that last month they encountered 26 incidents that were drug-related, including one that involved an overdose. Three other incidents were related to the use of alcohol.

Animal shelter activity

BUCKSPORT – The animal control officer dealt with 11 complaints about various animals last month.

The town's animal shelter, which continues to serve several communities, took in four cats and three dogs last month, and four kittens were born at the shelter.

One of the dogs was from Bucksport, and two were from Orland, and all three of them were reclaimed by their owners. One cat came from Stockton Springs, two from Bucksport and one from Orland. One cat was reclaimed, and three were placed in new homes.

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