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from hospital*  
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## Battin' the ball around!

ORLAND – The softball field of dreams may have shifted to Orland and the season may be starting - and ending - months earlier than usual, but you can't stop an avid softball player from pounding out hits in some impromptu games being played each Saturday.

## Lack of progress on Central Street cited

BUCKSPORT – The replacement of a culvert under Central Street, work that has snarled traffic patterns to schools, the recycling center and downtown continues to run about a month behind schedule.

Town Manager Susan M. Lessard said the months-long state project was to have been completed by the end of last month, but will probably take at least the rest of this

month to complete.

Lessard told the Town Council last week she realizes the inconvenience the delay is causing, especially now that the main routes to the four RSU 25 schools along Broadway all require many motorists to seek out detours.

The project still has some extensive work to be done before new guardrails are installed on the short,

narrow bridge and the replacement of the damaged ones at Central Street and Broadway, and the winter snowplowing season looms.

Lessard promised the councilors she plans to, "shake the trees a little" to see if anything can be done to get the rest of the work done faster. There have been excellent work days during which no work was done on the bridge or the dug-up pavement.

## Yes, there will be fall sports!

### Players to compete amid tough new rules

BUCKSPORT – The coaches got the blessing of the RSU 25 School Board this week to begin a very limited sports schedule as soon as enough competitors can be signed up.

The rules also have resulted in Bucksport's traditionally powerhouse in-your-face football program being reduced to seven-on-seven flag football.

Unanimously endorsing the pandemic guidelines set by the state Department of Health & Human Services, the Department of Education, the Maine Principals' Association, the local school board unanimously backed a start-up of football, soccer, golf and cross country programs, and authorized volleyball games, but only if they are played outdoors.

The Maine Superintendents' Association also had endorsed the new policy which sets up scheduling of games between schools in a single county. If sufficient competitors cannot be fielded, a school may seek out games with schools in adjoining counties.

Some teams, including football and soccer, have begun their practices, focusing on developing their teams' drills and their players' skills.

Attendance at any game will be limited to 100 people, and that includes players, coaches, officials, fans and press photographers and reporters.

The new lights for the soccer field will be installed next week.

**RSU 25 gets money  
for Middle School program**  
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## Police review fatality at bridge span site

BUCKSPORT – A very popular 80-year-old Bucksport man succumbed in a single-vehicle accident on Central Street when he struck a barrier blocking the road for a bridge reconstruction project.

Clayton ("Bubbah") Burgess Sr. died at the scene late Friday (9/11) morning.

Described as a "super, super nice guy" by one of the many who knew him, Burgess contributed to the town in many ways, from maintaining the athletic fields to serving as a volunteer firefighter to encouraging several generations of youth to do their best.

Burgess was headed toward downtown on Central Street when he failed to make a left turn onto Broadway and struck the construction barrier. The police are continuing to investigate the accident.

**A detailed obituary  
is on Page 5, and a tribute  
is on Page 4.**

An accident reconstructionist was called in from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department to assist. The accident may have resulted from a medical situation or speed or both, according to a police spokesman.

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

**NEW OFFICER** – On Monday Christopher McCillis will begin his new duties as the RSU 25 resource police officer. McCillis, who now holds a similar post in Searsport, has some 20 years of law enforcement experience. He attended courses at the Vermont Police Academy when he worked for the Vermont State Police.

*His employment requires a waiver from the public safety director because he resides outside the area immediately contiguous to Bucksport.*

**LAST SPLASH** of summer – Sunday was everyone-out-of-the-pool day at the Tim Emery Municipal Pool here. The

plan is to reopen the pool in June.

**PLAYIN' BALL!** – The town is appointing a committee to settle on both a temporary and a permanent solution for the crumbling outfield wall at the baseball field off McDonald Street. The problems became severe last winter when portions of the wall began toppling, leaving a steep drop-off from the street and the potential for the heavy wall to collapse, endangering those nearby. Bids for the initial repairs are due by Wednesday, for action by the council on Sept. 22.

*The review panel for the longer term solution consists of the councilors who volunteered last month Supt. of Schools James Boothby; Rich Rotella, the economic and community development Director, former Mayor David Keene; Jay Lanpher, the public works director; and the town manager.*

**VISTA VOLUNTEER** – Lilly

McCoy, a native of Colorado, has joined the Bucksport Bay Healthy Community Coalition as the AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer. She's coordinating the regional group, working on the AARP Age and Ability Action Plan, a potential housing project to convert housing for the former forest products offices at the paper mill into moderate income housing. She also is working on the Thriving in Place program and other projects.

*McCoy graduated from Fort Lewis College in Colorado, in 2018 with a degree in public health and molecular biology. She has worked with community groups, including the Early Childhood Obesity Prevention unit in Colorado's public health department and, recently, as a maternal-child health educator for Peace Corps Rwanda.*

**ONE ISSUE RESOLVED**; another resurfaces. The Town of Bucksport has renewed an agreement with Rob Manner

of Gentle Manner Farm in Frankfort, under which the farmer will continue to hay the former municipal sludge fields off the Long Pond Road in return for the mulch he harvests. However, the latest contract has brought a new request to the town to locate and properly preserve two long-neglected cemeteries under portions of the fields where the sludge was spread.

*The Cemetery Committee will look into the latest burial site claims.*

**5 MT. OLIVE HEIGHTS** – The town manager has contacted the owner of a dilapidated home at 5 Mt. Olive Heights which in recent years has been deemed a public health hazard, and spawned complaints from neighbors. Susan M Lessard reports significant progress has been made with the owner and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which holds a lien on the property.

**PLEASE SEE CEMETERY PAGE 5.**

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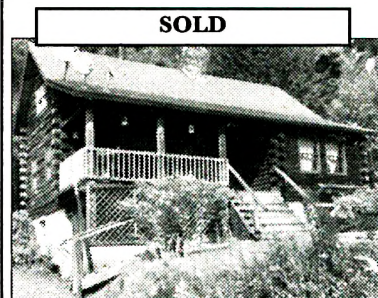
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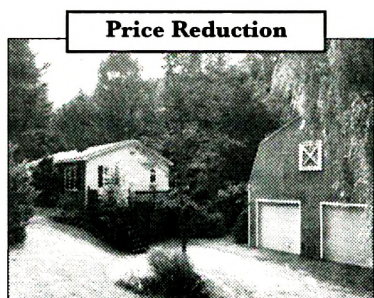
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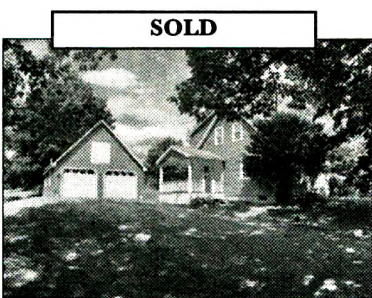
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**Price Reduction**

**Bucksport**—Nestled in on a private 15.5 acre lot, this 3BR/1BA ranch offers many updated features, including windows, flooring, roofing & furnace. Interior features a well appointed eat-in kitchen w/ slider to large wrap-around deck, bright living room w/ gas fireplace & an upgraded bath w/ tile shower. A large yard w/ specialty shrubs, trees & an oversized garage w/ storage above. Home also offers a full basement w/ work area & wood stove. A great location & ready to move in!

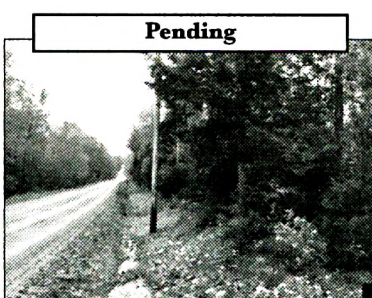
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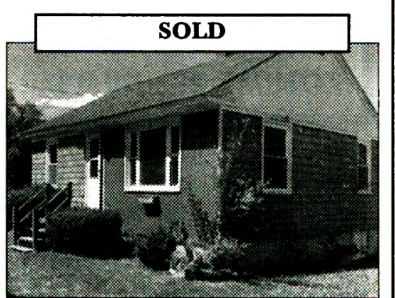
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**Pending**

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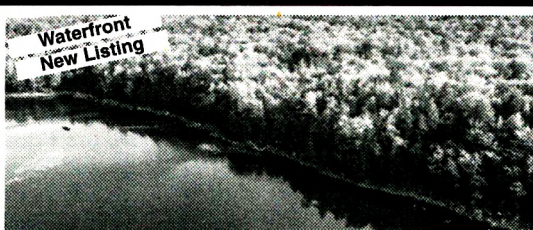
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Mark Eastman, Wendy Carpenter, Daniel See, & Lorrinda Connolly.



**Pending**

**Bucksport**—This lovely split-level home is ready for your family to move in to their forever home. The highlight is the wonderful custom kitchen built by a well-known local craftsman, that you rarely see today. The kitchen opens out to a private deck for family or larger entertainment. The appliances are all new, and there is a large pantry. An open floor plan enters into the living room. The master bedroom is on the first level, as well as a possible 2nd bedroom that can double as a tv room. Downstairs is a 3rd bedroom and office that could be a small bedroom. There are so many possibilities for the wonderful property. Outside, there are trees that have been there for many years, as well as perennials and well established high bush blueberries & strawberries. Situated midway between Bangor/Brewer, you can commute to either city in minutes.  
Listing Agent: Wendy Carpenter \$200,000

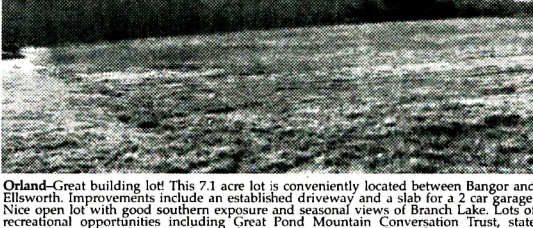


**Waterfront New Listing**

**Bucksport**—Large acreage with waterfront! This 39.2 parcel has over 900' of frontage on Thurston Pond, a quiet pond with limited development on the shore. Great place to get away yet only 15 minutes from the village of Bucksport. Property has been surveyed with 5 lots created and 4 of them on the water. Preliminary soil work has been done. Rare offering!  
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$149,900



**Orland**—Looking for a private site for your new home? This 5ac parcel is located just minutes from the village of Bucksport, but has a private rural feel.  
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$32,900



**Orland**—Great building lot! This 7.1 acre lot is conveniently located between Bangor and Ellsworth. Improvements include an established driveway and a slab for a 2 car garage. Nice open lot with good southern exposure and seasonal views of Branch Lake. Lots of recreational opportunities including Great Pond Mountain Conversation Trust, state owned land on Branch Lake with a beach and an organic farm right up the road. Easy commute to Bangor, Ellsworth, Bucksport or Blue Hill. Bring your building plans!  
Listing Agent: Mark Eastman \$59,000

## PROPERTY TRANSFERS

**BUCKSPORT** — Here the recent local property transfers recorded in the office of Katlyn Howlett, the town's assessor:

- 169 US Route 1, from Paul R Hansen and Kathleen M. Coogan to Burpee Holdings, LLC on June 8 for \$250,000. The 0.9-acre and the Two Rivers Realty office building on it are assessed at \$138,840. The business was sold as well.

- 112 Cross Road, from John W. and Sue Ann Craig to Ross A. and Kathleen F. Ferguson, on June 5 for \$277,000. The 5.25 developed acres are assessed at \$200,770.

- 1673 River Road, from Patrice R. Guimond to Nicole Hutchins, a/k/a Nicole Guimond, on June 10 for \$0. The three-quarter of an acre developed lot is assessed at \$209,100, and was transferred between related parties.

- 693 River Road, from Kimberly Wadleigh to Cameron & Kaylee Wadleigh on June 11 for \$143,000. The nine-tenths of an acre developed parcel is assessed at \$138,660, and was transferred between related parties.

- 817 Millvale Road, from Bruce M. and Hachad Laurie A. Groshong to Gerald F II and Melissa Grant on June 12 for \$230,000. The 5.4 developed acres are assessed at \$214,330.

- 1229 Bucksmills Road, from Brandon A. Atwood to Rebecca P. St. John on June 17 for \$15,500. The 1.4 acres are assessed at \$22,630.

- 727 State Route 46, from Alan C. Guyette and Margaret Quinn to Joseph P. Lenor and Jennifer F. Soucek on June 17 for \$165,000. The 1.6 acre developed lot is assessed at \$146,840.

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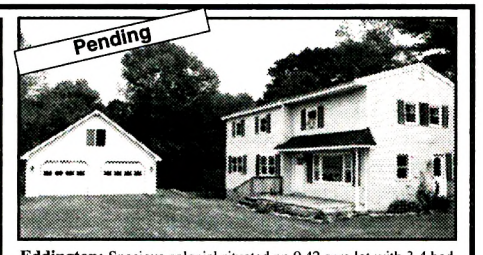
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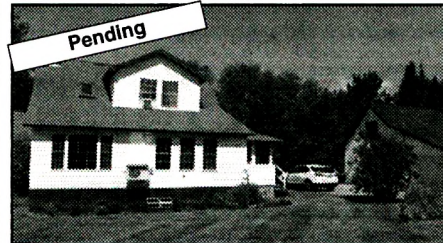
**Pending**

**Bucksport**: Colonial home situated on .39 acre lot, 3 floors of finished space, 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, large living room with wood stove, dining room with corner hutch, mud room, laundry room, potential for bedroom on first floor. 2 car garage. Sale pending at time of listing.  
\$149,900



**Pending**

**Eddington**: Spacious colonial situated on 0.42 acre lot with 3-4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Completely renovated in 2010 to include new roof, updated electrical, plumbing, hardwood floors throughout both floors, tile floors in kitchen and baths. New kitchen in 2010 with granite countertops, brand new stainless steel appliances. Private back yard, 2+ car garage with storage above. Full walk out basement awaiting someone to finish! Come take a look - won't last long! \$214,900



**Pending**

**Eddington**: Bright & Cheery country cape with many updates! Hardwood floors, new windows, granite countertop, newer cabinets, stainless steel appliances, oversized 2-car garage with storage above! 2 bedrooms, 1.5 updated bathrooms, laundry room on the 1st floor and private back yard! Don't overlook this one...it won't last long! 15 minutes to Bangor and choice of schools.  
\$174,900



**New Listing**

**Carmel**: Spacious country cape situated on 2+ acre lot to include farmers porch on front and full deck on the back, 2 full bathrooms, kitchen with granite counters, tile floors, hardwood floor in living room with gas fireplace and cathedral ceilings. 2-car garage. Close to interstate and all amenities.. Call to see today! It won't last long! \$275,000



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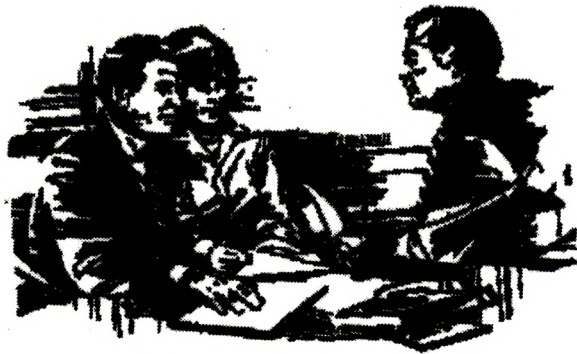
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## Friends & Family

**NEW CHURCH** in town, but the pastor is a now-familiar name. Town Clerk **Jacob Gran**, the former pastor of the Frankfort Congregational Church, and some congregants who have been gathering on the internet are launching the **Starting Point Church**.

Now, they will be meeting in the former Grange hall at 54 Main Street, in space being rented from the Leeman family, the owners of Knox Masonry.

"Whatever your starting point, you're welcome here," is the slogan of the church, which will offer contemporary worship services each Sunday. The first session will be on Oct. 4 at 10 a.m.

Contemporary Worship • Sundays at 10 a.m. [www.startingpointministries.org](http://www.startingpointministries.org) or 323-0050.

**IN THE SCHOOLS** – These personnel changes were endorsed by the **RSU 25 School Board** this week:

• Resignations: Educational

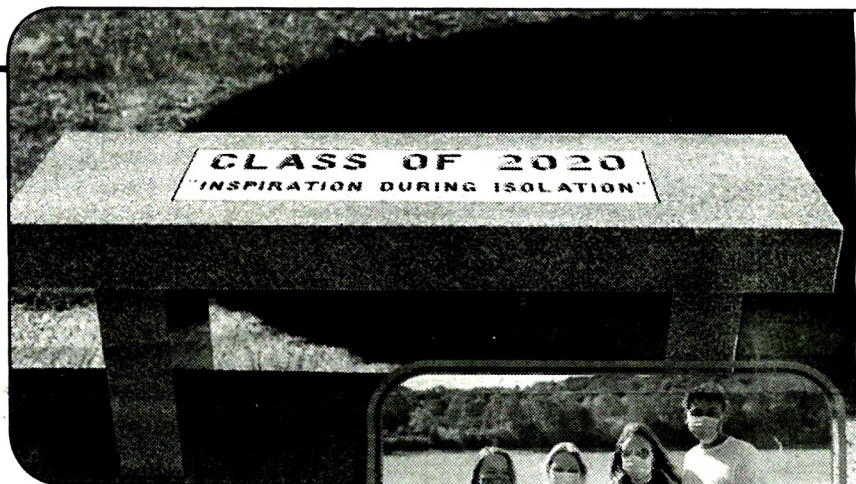
technicians **Breanna Coombs - Alana Boivert** and **Deb Moore** have resigned

• Hired – **Darren Akerman** as a District GT Teacher and **Nicky Yeo, Cassidy Noonan, Jill Harvey and Marjorie McAllian**, educational technicians; and **Scott Gross** and **Michael Hall**, custodians.

**104** and savoring it! – If you come across one of those frilly "Have a Happy 104th Birthday" cards send it to **Ruth Bunt** at 614 River Road in Bucksport, 04416. She's earned it.

Her daughter, **Jeana Tabor**, said she's not in need of any gifts but birthday cards always are appreciated - even after 103 years of receiving them.

**ON VACATION** – Town Manager **Susan M. Lessard** will be on vacation from Sept. 28 to Oct. 1. She will be back in the office on Monday, Oct. 5. Having foregone some vacation time she has "maxed out" the amount of time-off she can carry forward.



**THE OFFICERS** of the Bucksport High School Class of 2020 – **Zoe Hosford**, president; **Kobe Hamby**, vice president; **Rhiannon Swift**, secretary, and **Abby Trojano**, treasurer – present a bench to the Town of Bucksport as a thank you for the support shown during the time the class were students here. Hosford said, "now, it's our turn to give back." On hand to receive the gift were: **Josh Tripp**, the principal of the school; **Rich Rotella**, economic and community development director; Town Manager **Susan M. Lessard**; and **Jen Skala**, the class advisor.



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## A few thoughts . . .

A few random thoughts about the looming election:

- If more candidates spent half of the time they spend on telling us what an evil, stupid imbecile their opponent is and used the time, energy and money to tell us what they are so capable of doing better, we would be much better informed voters.

- If the members of Congress spent half the time they devote to campaigning to actually getting things done in Washington, D.C. the essential business of this nation might actually get done.

- It seems outside the parameters of probability that issue after issue finds virtually every Democrat voting one way and every Republican voting the other. It seems as though Congress people can't agree on whether it is a good day or a bad day without calling for a caucus.

- The same goes for what now passes for national news coverage. Watch the coverage on two cable channels and you'd swear they were reporting on different nations.

- Suppose, just suppose, a Congress person had to say something nice about someone in the opposite party after every ten character assassination statements they made. The brain cramps could prove devastating.



PHOTO BY EMERIC SPOONER



– DUCKS IN A ROW.

## JUST ASK

As the election moves ever closer, what do you want to ask the candidates? Some of those among us who eke out a living as local political junkies have come to forget that our opinions - and questions - often do not matter. Yours do.

As we prepare to host local forums on the state Senate and two House district races, we'd like to know what you would ask those candidates if you could.

Specifically what do you want to ask state Sen. Kimberley Rosen, R-Bucksport) and her challenger, Beverly Uhlenhake, D-Brewer?

The sprawling Senate district covers many communities, including Bucksport and many of those surrounding it.

Those of you who reside in Bucksport or Orrington also are asked for questions for Kathy Downes, the Bucksport town councilor, now seeking the House seat representing the two communities or her Democrat opponent, Nicolas Delli Paoli of Bucksport.

Downes is the retired Bucksport town clerk, while Delli Paoli is a political newcomer in this area.

If you're a resident of Orland, Prospect or Verona Island you may have a question or two for the state House candidates for that area. The contest there is between the incumbent, Republican Sherman Hutchins of Penobscot, and Veronica Magnan, the Democrat from Stockton Springs who once held that seat.

**E-mail questions to:**  
theenterpr@aol.com or mail them to **The Bucksport Enterprise**, Post Office Box 829, Bucksport, ME 04416.

The questions will be reviewed by an impartial moderator: Rev. Dr. Stephen York, the pastor of the Elm Street Congregational Church. York will serve as the moderator and will have sole control over the questions that are asked.

Because of the COVID-19 virus, this year's *Enterprise* forums will not be held before a public audience but will be made available in other venues.

– DON HOUGHTON

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

## LETTERS . . . to the editor

### Remembering a friend

My wife Lisa and I were visiting from Souderton, PA when we heard of the tragic accident that took the life of my classmate, Clayton ("Bubbah") Burgess.

We had plans to have an open-air visit with Alvertie and Donna Patten at the Memorial Park and we included a personal remembrance for "Bubbah".

Alvertie and I tossed purple gladiolus blooms in the river as we said our farewells to him.

Alfred Kettell  
Sounderton, PA

### Different viewpoint

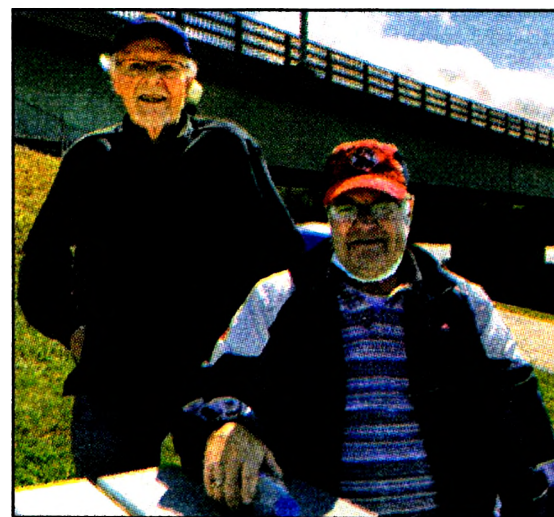
Thank you for your coverage last week of the Trump rally in downtown Bucksport.

You made it all sound so lovely, like an extended family picnic with good folks rallying around the candidate of their choice, all so healthy, and American as apple pie.

I'm sure it looked that way from the porch of the *Enterprise*.

Down in the trenches, things were a bit less benign, although perhaps my vision was clouded by the mask I was wearing. Did anyone else happen to notice that absolutely no one else in the crowd (perhaps 150 strong) was wearing a mask? Or practicing the social distancing recommended, even mandated, by our elected officials?

My question in the aftermath is this: Since absolutely nothing in your story even hints at this flaunting of protocol, are we safe to assume that your paper supports that very same flaunting of protocol? Not to mention the science underlying the protocol? I would welcome clarification from you of



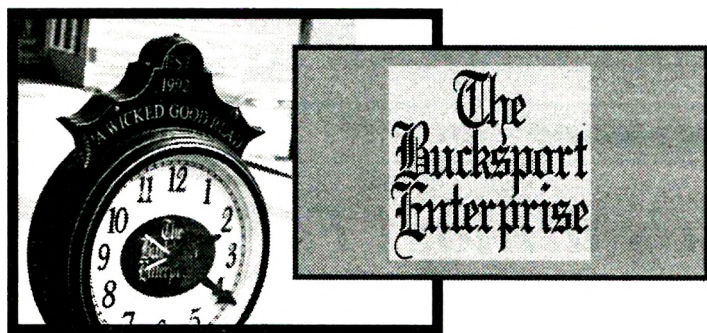
**SEATED is Alvertie Patten, the former Bucksport police officer from Verona Island. With him is Alfred Kettell of Souderton, PA**

these points.

Hans Krichels  
Bucksport

P.S. As an indication of a few of the less-benign aspects of the rally, I will attach a picture of a truck parked in the shadow of your porch during the event.

*Editor's note: Attached was a photo of a pick-up truck bearing a Trump sign, an American flag, a small anti-Pelosi sticker and a legally issued Maine license plate bearing a combination of letters including a four-letter obscenity that many would find offensive. The truck also had a small Marvel Comics sticker, one the letter-writer said he considers the mark of a white supremacist.*



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# OBITUARY

## Clayton T. Burgess Sr., 1939 - 2020

BUCKSPORT – Clayton T. "Bubbah" Burgess Sr., 80, died from injuries sustained in a car accident on Friday, Sept. 11, 2020.

He was born a son of James and Lea (Shirley) Burgess on Sept. 24, 1939, on Verona Island.

Bubbah graduated from high school, and entered the U. S. Navy and served on the U.S.S. Wasp. Bubbah was a proud

United States veteran. He worked as an ironworker for the Town of

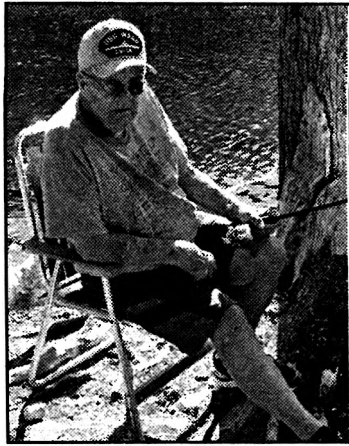


Bucksport, and worked for and retired from the papermill in Bucksport.

Bubbah also was a member of the Bucksport Volunteer Fire Department for many years.

Bubbah was an avid outdoorsman, and enjoyed fishing for trout on Simmons Pond. He loved to watch school sporting events, and was a founding member of the Pop Warner football program here. He served as an umpire for baseball and softball. Bubbah had a very dry sense of humor and loved to tease people.

Bubbah is survived by three children: Clayton Burgess Jr. and wife Brenda and their children



Clayton T. Burgess

Clayton III, Caleb, Casey and Cullen Burgess; Cindy Pye and husband Dan and Cindy's daughter Amanda Thibodeau; Leslie Corbin husband Todd and their children Kyle Burgess and triplets Carson, Carley and Chloe Corbin; eight great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews; a lifelong friend, Frank Dunbar, and many other friends.

In addition to his parents Bubbah was predeceased by his beloved wife Michele A. Burgess; his siblings: Sisah Mashaw and Pudgy Burgess and a grandson, Leamen Allen.

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

Contributions in Bubbah's memory may be made to The Wounded Warrior Project, online at woundedwarriorproject.org or by mail to Wounded Warrior Project, Post Office Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675-8516

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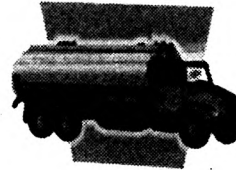
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**TRAIN TO NOWHERE** – The PanAm rail cars - scores of them - parked on the tracks in North Bucksport, just off the River Road, are continuing to draw neighborhood complaints but town officials appear power-

less to do anything to get them moved. A photo of the cars, all of them empty, and most of them unlocked, was published in *The Bucksport Enterprise* months ago.

Last week Town Manager Susan M. Lessard said she talked with a vice president of the Pan Am but he offered

no indication the cars would be going anywhere anytime soon. He said the boxcars simply are being stored on the tracks until there's a need for them. In the meantime, abutments are "not happy," the town manager said. They continue to object to the graffiti-covered freight cars besmirching their view of the Penobscot River, lowering property values and, perhaps, serving as shelter to vagrants.

**U.S. CENSUS** – We are drawing close to the deadline for participating in the US Census. To get as much participation as possible, the **Town of Bucksport** last week sent out a flyer to every mailing address in the town, urging people to complete the census. An accurate census count performed every ten years, assures the area gets the money to which it is entitled when federal and state money is distributed.

**UNDER SAIL** – The Castine Historical Society has published an illustrated book to accompany its 2021 exhibit, *Risky Business: Square-Rigged Ships and Salted Fish* Written by Richard M. Ames after five years of research, the book records stories of 19th century maritime trade when 18 Castine-based square riggers traveled the world. The book is for sale on the group's website. 326-4118.

**IN THE WILDLANDS** – The hills have been alive with the sound of machinery, but the place has returned to the prevailing quiet solitude of the woods this week. The Hillside Trail has had a major face lift, the mountain bike trail Upper Capstone has been finished, and the south end of the Connector has been tripled in length, changing from a steep, eroding fall-line trail to lazy switchbacks. The finishing touches were done by hand last Saturday.

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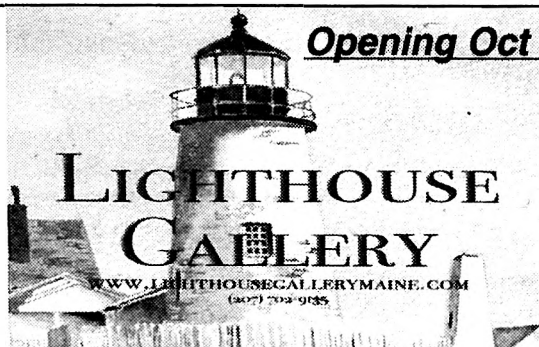
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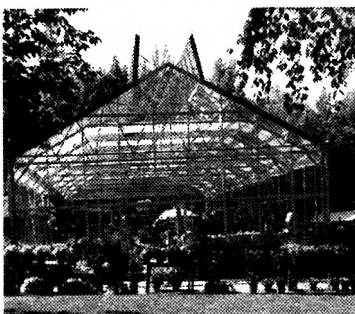
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## Senior Center Menus

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However, the center seeks to serve all older persons, including those who might find the small fee beyond their needs as they cope with other expenses.

Anyone who would like to help with a donation can contact the center and talk with William Foster, the director of senior services.

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### Public suppers

**Saturday, Sept. 19**

• **BEAN SUPPER** – A takeout only bean supper will be offered by the Elm Street Congregational Church. The \$8 meal will be available for pick up from 4 to 5 pm to those who order by calling 469-3333 or 949-4072 by 2 pm, Friday, 9/18.

• **FISH DINNER** – A takeout only haddock supper will be offered for pick up by the Knights of Columbus at the St. Vincent de Paul Church at 5 p.m. Sorry no pre-orders.

**Saturday, Sept. 19**

• **TURKEY SUPPER** – The Frankfort Congregational Church on the main road in Frankfort will offer a takeout turkey supper for those reserving meals through 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26. The meals will be available at the church between 4:30 and 5 p.m.

### Director elected

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# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Booked at jail

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

- David Warren Craig, 39, of 160 Cross Road, Bucksport just before 10 p.m. on Friday (9/11) violating the conditions of his release in an earlier case.

- John Avel Harvey, 34, of 515 Jacob Buck Pond Road, Bucksport was arrested by a Bucksport police officer on Thursday (9/10) night and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. He later posted bail.

- James Craig, 39, of Bucksport was arrested after his vehicle was stopped on the Silver Lake Road about 9 p.m. on Friday (9/11). He was charged with reportedly violating the terms of his bail in an earlier case, and then was taken to jail.

- Nathaniel Sargent, 32, of 1588 Acadia Highway in Orland was arrested on Friday (9/11) afternoon after a traffic stop by a sheriff's deputy on Acadia Highway in Orland. Charged with driving after his license allegedly had been revoked and after he reportedly had been judged an habitual offender, he was taken to the Hancock County Jail in Ellsworth.

- Justin Adaqm Dexter, 33, of 16 Sumnopson Road, Castine was arrested in Ellsworth for allegedly failing to be in court in an earlier case. He was booked at the county jail about 6 p.m. on Tuesday. He later put up bail, and was released.

## Summonses

BUCKSPORT — These court papers were issued:

- A U.S. Route 1 traffic stop about 9 p.m. last Thursday (9/10) resulted in two people being issued court summonses. The driver, John Harvey, 34, was cited for allegedly driving while under the influence of alcohol. A passenger, Zachary Gellerson, 30, of Orland was ticketed for reportedly violating the terms of his bail set in an earlier case.

- Felicia M. Boudreau, 14, of Orland was charged about 12 p.m. on Friday (9/11) with allegedly possessing controlled drugs. She at first was stopped on Main Street for an alleged cellphone violation, but the officer later found the drugs and charged her with that offense.

- Becky Irwin, 60, of Gouldsboro was stopped on U.S. Route 1 about 2:45 p.m. on Sept. 7 and issued a ticket for an alleged cellphone violation.



Compiled from  
official reports and interviews  
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## Accidents — Deer

ORLAND — About 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Courtney Banner, 36, was driving south on the Surry Road in Orland when her SUV struck a deer. The damage to her vehicle was sufficient to require the filing of a report, but the deer ran off into a nearby blueberry field and her passenger Jared Benner, 36, were not injured.

## Accidents - Bucksport

VERONA ISLAND — About 7:30 p.m. on Friday (9/11), Samantha Parker was driving southwest across the Dr. Edward Thegin Memorial Bridge from Bucksport to Verona Island when Damien Gordon, 19, came up behind her at a high rate of speed. Parker pulled to the right but failed to avoid being struck from behind by Gordon's vehicle. Both vehicles were damaged.

In other accidents: • Taylor Hamm, 20, of Ellsworth lost control of a vehicle while driving on the River Road about 3 p.m. on Sunday. The vehicle left the roadway, but rolled over. Hamm was able to get himself out of the vehicle, and then declined additional medical attention, police said.

- Vehicles being driven by Jeffrey Thibodeau, 55, of Dedham and George Watkins, 39, of Bucksport collided on Miles Lane in Bucksport.

- Vehicles being operated by Rebecca Taylor, 39, of South Portland and Joseph French, 33, of Portland collided on Miles Lane about noon last Thursday (9/10). An estimated \$3,000 worth of damage resulted.

## Needles found

BUCKSPORT — A passerby reported finding two hypodermic needles thrown to the side of the road late Friday (9/11) afternoon.

## Computer for remote learners

### RSU rents Arey Center for new program

BUCKSPORT — The RSU 25 is launching a program specifically for those 10 to 14 years of age whose parents or guardians have enrolled them in the remote learning program.

The program will run from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, and be supervised by the Down East Family YMCA at the Arey Center on River Road in North Bucksport.

Preference will be given to those who are supervised by parents or guardians who have been deemed as "essential workers" under the pandemic guidelines. It also will give preference to those who qualify for free or reduced price school meals. There also will be some other slots available, but there will be a maximum enrollment of 30.

The center, which is being wired this week to provide access to the RSU 25 computer system and the internet, will run on week days through the end of the year.

While the cost of the schooling is \$40 per day per child, deep discounts are available from the state subsidy and the YMCA that could lower the cost to many parents to but \$2-a-day, less than the cost many students pay for school meals.

Other fees also may be reduced depending on each student's circumstances.

Daily transportation of each student will be the responsibility of each student's parent or guardian.

The program, being underwritten with \$70,000 in COVID-19 in educational relief, was approved by the School Board on Tuesday night.

The money from the state also includes covering the cost of renting and operating the lower level of the Arey Center. Some of the newly purchased desks have been delivered to the center to make it easier for the students to socially distance on the lower floor.

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## Battered tot leaves hospital

BUCKSPORT — A 2-year-old girl who was severely beaten in Orrington in May finally was released from the hospital on Friday (9/11).

Abbie now is recuperating at a home on Central Street here.

A mini-parade of police and fire vehicles greeted her as she entered Bucksport, and escorted her to her grandparents' home.

Jason Brown, 23, of Holden has been arraigned on two Penobscot County charges of domestic violence aggravated assault. Abbie is the daughter of Brown's former girlfriend.

The child was taken to the hospital on May 14, but Brown was not arrested until September.



The child sustained damage to her brain and body, including a fractured arm.

The doctors had to reduce the swelling on the child's brain, requiring the removal of the left side of her skull during the emergency surgery.

The child was in the pediatric intensive care unit for three weeks, and on a ventilator for two weeks. More recently, she began physical therapy.

The AbbieStrong movement has been set up to aid her mother with basic expenses while she cares for her daughter.

The family said the past month has been difficult as they waited for the legal process to play out.

A member of the child's family told a reporter, "Now that he (Brown) has been arrested, we feel that now is the time that everybody can know what's going on. We can breathe a little bit of a sigh of relief, and say that justice is finally looking good for Abbie."

## Places to go, things to do

### Saturday, September 19

**FESTIVE EVENT** — The Maine Coast Mall here will be the site of the "Ellsworth Hometown Festival" with a petting zoo, a talent show, a "doggy dress-up parade", and a free concert with Rockin Ron and the New Society Band. The event is being sponsored by the Hancock County Republicans, who say there'll be no speeches. <https://www.facebook.com/ygrindie/events>

### Thursday, September 24

**LGBT GROUP** — The LETTER Community, a local LGBT support group, will hold its monthly meeting at

4:30 p.m. at the REACH School at 14 First Street in Bucksport. For more See the group's Facebook site.

**CELLO CONCERT** — Aija Kante-Cahn, Noreen Silver and Marisa Solomon of the Fabulous Faculty Cellists will play a Midday Concert at 1 p.m. at the Woodlawn Museum, 19 Black House Drive, Ellsworth. The concert is being hosted by Ellsworth Community Music Institute. Those attending are being asked to bring a blanket or folding chair where outdoor safely-distanced spaces will be marked on the grounds. Masks are encouraged. If it rains, the event will be rescheduled. Admission is free. 664-9258 or [ellsworthcommunitymusic.org](http://ellsworthcommunitymusic.org)