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Cemetery panel member quits amid controversy

Zimmerman has resigned

BUCKSPORT – A member of the Cemetery Committee has resigned, as the town manager was about to make the rare suggestion the town councilors consider removing Kerry Zimmerman from the committee because of controversial e-mails Zimmerman apparently sent in error to the manager.

In an e-mail yesterday afternoon, Town Manager Susan M. Lessard reported Zimmerman had agreed to resign, effective June 8.

At the bottom of the emails from Zimmerman to Town Manager Susan M. Lessard are e-mails that apparently were left attached in error.

While the Town Council was scheduled to take up the matter tonight (6/10), Lessard said there will be discussion of the subject after all.

In her note to the councilors, Lessard described the e-mail exchanges as, containing “defamatory statements made in regard to the town manager, local newspaper operators, and a property owner related to the private ancient burial ground located at 917 River Road, Bucksport.”

The e-mails – exchanged between Emeric Spooner of Bucksport and Zimmerman of Holden – include crude references referring both to the manager and to the staff of *The Bucksport Enterprise*.

Zimmerman and Spooner long have been at odds with Lessard’s handling of the efforts to get twice-

a-year clean-ups at the old Methodist Burial Ground off River Road, as well as other cemetery issues related to early graves throughout the town. The town is responsible for some of the graveyards, while private associations continue to manage the others.

In her e-mails to the councilors, Lessard related her efforts to get the River Road burial ground surveyed with ground penetrating radar, and then install a marker designating the site’s historical significance. The town then will maintain the cemetery twice a year.

The effort has taken several years, upsetting Zimmerman, a member of the Brewer chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and Spooner, a local writer with an interest in history, and especially early cemeteries in this region.

While Zimmerman volunteered to serve on the Bucksport committee and then was appointed to it, it’s been a rocky road on both sides of the various cemetery issues.

The results of the ground penetrating radar study are awaited. The study was needed because some of the gravestones were moved to the nearby Riverview Cemetery several decades ago, while other stones were buried. Those interred were not moved in an operation apparently sanctioned by a former town manager who directed the town crew to do the work.

Down the purple and gold line

The Bucksport High School Class of 2021 makes its way down the path after the traditional visit to delight the youngsters at the nearby Miles Lane School. The class was received like rock stars. The first of two sections about the graduating class is inside this week’s *Bucksport Enterprise*.

In the works . . . Tidbits gleaned from week’s news

DOWN BY THE WATER – When a rejuvenated Waterfront Committee meets tonight (6/10), it will have some suggestions offered by the code enforcement officer. Luke Chiavelli is the one who originally asked the council to take a fresh look at some major maintenance projects needed along the waterfront. His key proposal now is that the panel be made up of people with specific expertise, not just a

willingness to volunteer. He offered a list of special back-grounds needed, including – among others – an engineer and a landscape architect.

Mayor Peter Stewart already has enthusiastically endorsed the idea of doing what it takes to keep the waterfront a true jewel for residents and visitors alike.

PRIDE EVENTS – In addition to its afternoon and evening Pride Celebration downtown on Saturday, Bucksport Pride is sponsoring a hike of the town’s woodland trails.

It also wants to stage some speaking events with designated speakers to lead off and then invite the audience to share their experiences. The dates, times and locations have not been set.

SHORT HOLD-UP – The expected approval of a

large storage warehouse in the town’s industrial park hit a snag after 90 minutes when the Planning Board, earlier this month made its approval conditional on the submission of a more-detailed engineering study of how water runoff will be handled on the site.

If the building inspector is satisfied with the updated material, he can issue the permit. The gift of the property to the developers, who include David L. Milan, of Orland, was unanimously approved earlier by the Bucksport Town Council on a previous vote aimed at encouraging business here.

PATROLPERSON? – She may be a woman, but when she’s working she’s a full-fledged patrolman. The she in this case

is Kayla Brooks, the first full-time female police officer here. Brooks will be sworn in by the town clerk at tonight’s (6/10) Town Council meeting. Brooks already has begun patrolling with other officers to get familiar with the town.

While some note there have long been matrons and other women who have done part-time police duties, nobody in the Public Safety Building can recall a full-time woman on the force.

READY TO ROLL – The budget workshops are over, and the Bucksport’s municipal spending plan and income projections for 2021-2022 will become the working documents on July 1.

A key factor in the council’s decision-making is that the tax rate is projected to

stay unchanged for another year.

BACK TO BOOKS – The Buck Memorial Library will reopen toward the end of the month. Check out the calendar of events in this issue for the details.

The interior of the venerable Main Street landmark has been refurbished, and there is a new library director at the counter.

HOLDING THE LINE – No increase is expected in the Bucksport sewer fee for 2021-22.

The sewer fee is expected to be set tonight (6/10) at \$9.29 per one hundred cubic feet of water.

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Orland—A hippy house! This 3 Bedroom 1 Bath home sits on a nice 1.79 acre lot with good sunlight and established gardens. Great location only 5 minutes from the village of Bucksport. Nice walkout basement provides great storage. Come take a look!
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Friends & Family

BEYOND THE CALL – The owner of the **Spring Fountain Motel** refuses to pay the cost for recovering the personal property of a veteran living in squaller in the last room to be emptied at the U.S. Route 1 business.

That didn't stop Luke Chiavelli, the town's code enforcement officer. He got suited up in hazmatt gear, and went into the room to retrieve what he could for the former tenant. Chiavelli found the conditions in the room worse than he ever expected, but he still retrieved about 90 percent of the items the vet treasured.

The items were returned to the man, who now is getting regular support and assistance. Chiavelli spoke with him and said, “I am happy to report that his condition has improved. He is virtually a

different person, and he will continue to get the help he needs going forward.”

MOVING ON! – This month's public safety report notes Police Officer Steven Bishop served his last shift here last month. He left after being active in both the fire and police departments for 15 years. He had extensive fire and police training.

Sean Geagan, the director of public safety, said, “Steve now moves on to new adventures, and we wish him well and thank him for his service to the people of Bucksport.

GOOD MORNIN’ – The **Bucksport Police Department**, in partnership with the **Senior Resource Committee of Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition**, are offering older residents a chance to be part of the Good Morning Program.

Those who sign up will receive a weekly call from a volunteer. These phone conversations can cover anything from a quick check-in to a laugh or an opportunity to learn about local

resources.

Good Morning volunteers also will work with the Bucksport Police Department to ensure the safety of everyone and provide an opportunity for social interactions.

The AARP estimates 135,000 Mainers over 50 live alone, and nearly 200,000 Mainers are older than 70.

A report from the National Academies of Sciences Engineering and Medicine found that 40 percent of adults over 60 experience loneliness. Many older Bucksport-area residents want to stay in their own homes in their retirement.

Sponsors of the program said, “It's time for a local response, and it's never too late to volunteer for a cause you find meaningful.” The sponsors are asking people to consider volunteering for the program. Contact the healthy communities group at 469-6682 or email lilly.mccoy@bucksportbayhealth.org.

MANNA FROM THE GOVERNMENT– The **Bucksport Police Department** got \$7,500 in fed-

eral Covid-19 money, and is using it to update its computers. However, that's not all, the department will be getting \$3,100 more in Covid-19 money for Bucksport.

While mentioning the good news about money, Chief Sean Geagan also said how much he enjoyed stopping by the **Gardner Commons** apartments to sip “Tea at 3” with the residents. They talked about both local and national events.

ROOM AT THE SHELTER – The animal control officer last month handled 220 complaints about animals, and the staff took in five cats and five dogs.

Three dogs were reclaimed and two were adopted. Five cats were released to new homes.

One shelter continues to serve Orland, Orrington and Winterport.

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Every problem, every emotional or psychological issue that may have a bearing on achieving success in life has a name attached to it.

Editorials

It’s been refreshing after the Year of Covid, which brought incalculable strains on everyone, including our children and those we pay to educate them, to hear parents sing their praises.

At a time when some labor leaders have sought to use Covid as a bargaining chip, it’s good to know that our teachers like most of their unionized colleagues across the country have been putting the children first.

While some would turn teachers into salespeople for this or that fleeting social doctrine of the moment, most of those we know truly want to see those they mentored succeed in that weird world that awaits them out there.”

It was telling how many of the graduates who were invited to return to the school to share their thoughts with the current classes could rattle off the names of the teachers that had given the intangible gifts that contribute to make their own lives more complete.

If at first you don’t succeed . . .

High school coaches are either greedy for punishment or the world’s greatest optimists. You work for years trying to put a crew of teenagers together to make magic, and then after you have made incredible gains your athletes scatter hither and yon and you have to start all over again.

Cross-country and track and field coaches at the high school level have got it the toughest, for their sports offer little glory and a whole lot of very hard work, often when nobody’s looking.

This year, Matt Morrison saw his dream come true: Some of the most unlikely athletes came together and encouraged one another to be the best they could be.

Morrison was riding high last week, in part because of “his” teams doing well in regional competition. Then, on Saturday, the same young men and women went for it:

The boys’ collective effort brought home the gold as the top Class C high school boys’ track and field squad in the state. The girls did amazing as well, earning the bronze.

What everyone should know is that some of these teens hadn’t a clue about track or field even a year or two ago - or even more recently. Some were talked into joining the effort, and then put in endless hours, competing first against themselves and then against some of the finest teen athletes in Maine.

As the seniors depart, Morrison now is scouting for a few good track-and-fielders. No experience necessary.



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– FROM AWAY – What truly matters

ALAN F. SPEAR,

I recently found a neatly organized list of books that my wife considered valuable, including 47 children’s mystery books by an early 20th century author, Augusta Hueill Seaman.

My wife spent much of her life searching for those books in used book stores, (including the huge one near Bucksport) and, later, on-line. A few years ago, she decided that the search was complete and we sent the books to a dealer in California. Unfortunately, the interest in those old books, which had been considerable, had faded away, and few of them sold. The other books on the list, many early editions by famous authors, are gathering dust on my shelves.

Nobody seems to care. I have to admit, I use a Kindle all of the time, but there is something about holding an actual book . . .

It’s not just books. How about your mother’s sterling silver flatware, or the crystal you got at your wedding, or that nice old piece of furniture your grandmother loved so much?

The kids could care less.

I ended up selling our silver at scrap value, can’t get rid of the crystal, and that furniture piece sits in a corner.

It’s not just things, either. We lost handshakes to the pandemic; we lost truth, honor, and integrity to politics; and our young people are losing communication skills in their obsession with cell phones and iPads.

Bucksport lost a paper mill, as did other towns, cra-

dle to grave careers are mostly gone, and new technologies are ending people-to-people jobs every day.

To some extent, we communicate more, hear more and see more, and yet we feel less, empathize less and care less for other people. Way back in this series of occasional articles I wrote about how nice Bucksport people were to me and Judi when we visited the town. I still see that in the *The Bucksport Enterprise*, and I hope that you value it greatly.

The country and the world are gradually giving up the old values that made us great; not money or power, but love and compassion, and caring about our neighbors.

I’m 75, and I think I’m glad I won’t be around in 50 years if this world keeps going as it is. I worry for the kids who will be – *Is it possible to love an iPad?*

Maine, and especially small town Maine, can keep traditional old values going; by giving a damn about the poor old vet at the broken down hotel, but supporting and caring for our neighbors when they need it, by paying attention and listening to each other, and by keeping Bucksport as Bucksport.

I’ll be by in August to sit on the porch at the *Enterprise* with Don, the editor, and maybe move downtown a bit to have lunch. I need a little Bucksport “fix”, along with an ocean “fix” every year.

The writer of the occasional “From away” column keeps an eye on all things Bucksport from his home in Batavia. He long has subscribed to The Bucksport Enterprise.



Looking toward Verona at low tide, just to the right of the boat landing you see a pile of rocks. What it is are the remnants of a fishing weir used for thousands of years.

Native Americans all the way back to the Red Paint People, 5,000 years ago used Verona and the shores of Bucksport as a giant fishery. They built fishing weirs with root-based twine nets and stakes. They used the boulders in a circular shape to pen in their catch. Each tide filled the weirs with every kind of fish in the river. More than enough to feed an entire large village, they trade the rest with other tribe in-land.

When the first colonist came up the river, they witnessed the weirs still in use, they appeared to be everywhere. When these same colonists took over the same land, they used the same weirs and added their own materials for upkeep.

The British occupied the land, and soon dismantled the weirs, except for those they owned. The natives had to buy what they once caught for free.

After the wars, the colonists again re-built the weir in the proven locations, using new stakes and nets. If one is curious, they can dig in these areas and find stakes just beneath the surface. If they dig deep enough they can find stakes that were sharpened with stone axes hundreds if not thousands of years old.

In 1938, Henry Buxton recalled this encounter with a weir operator:

On beautiful Verona Island, located near the mouth of the Penobscot River, I met an 82-year-old fisherman. The fellow was a former selectman and town treasurer. He was known for the way he has sung his way through life. At the time he still sung as he sat an invalid in his rocking chair by a window which commands a view of the old fishing grounds he loves so well. For years this man sang as he pulled

salmon, alewives, porgies, cod and pollock from his weir; he sang with full joyous heart as he peddled his salmon from a cart through the streets of Bangor; he sang on the long trek back home to Verona late at night, his heavy baritone awakening the echoes among the rocks and the spruce along the highway.

‘If the wind was right,’ his wife told me, ‘I knew he was coming when he was miles away, for I could hear him singing his way up the lonely road in the dead of night.’

This man is Stephen Decatur Bridges, who lives in the house where he was born on Verona Island. He told me that singing had been a great comfort to him during his invalidism of the past few years.

“Since I was a boy,’ he said, ‘I have sung to drive the blues away. Every time I feel the blues coming on I sing the old songs and I am happy again... I began fishing with my father 71 years ago. I was eleven years old then and sang all the time as I helped father on his two weirs. These waters were swarming with fish then, including salmon and lobsters.

Fifty years ago on May 30 I took 132 salmon to Bangor in my cart, and I caught all of them in my weir.

I ran a fish yard for the curing of cod caught by Capt. T. M. Nicholson’s vessels off the Grand Banks, and I have had cod stacked up in my yard equal in measurement to sixty cords of wood.”

– EMERIC SPOONER

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The dining room once again is open for the three-times-a-week luncheons. 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, June 11** – Haddock casserole, rice pilaf, peas and carrots, and a chocolate tart.
- **Monday, June 14** – Chicken pot pie, stuffing, roll and fruit.
- **Wednesday, June 16** – Meatball subs, french fries, and a whoopie pie.
- **Friday, June 18** – Chicken cordon bleu, mashed potato, green beans and a brownie.
- **Monday, June 21** – Salisbury steak, baked potato, carrots and cookie.
- **Wednesday, June 23** – Turkey casserole, dinner roll and lemon tart.
- **Friday, June 25** – Oven baked chicken, potato salad, peas & ice cream.
- **Monday, June 28** – Pork tenderloin, mashed potato, corn, and blueberry crisp.
- **Wednesday, June 30** – Chicken noodle casserole, dinner roll and cupcakes.

Wily raccoons test local officer

BUCKSPORT – Two baby raccoons were spotted cavorting in a ditch behind the Gold Star Cleaner shop on Main Street earlier this week.

That generated a phone call to local crime-stoppers, who have been known to wrangle animals on occasion.

The responding officer sized up the situation, and immediately knew exactly what to do . . .

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– A THOUGHT –

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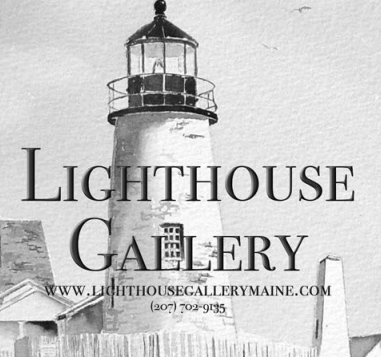
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MEADE SERVICE
VERONA ISLAND – A graveside service for Durward A. Meade who passed away on Dec. 17, 2020 will be held on Wed., June 16, 2021 at 10 a.m. at the Silver Lake Cemetery in Bucksport.

McLAUGHLIN RITES
Bucksport – A graveside service with military honors for Berkeley James McLaughlin who passed away on March 10, 2021 will be held at 1 p.m. on Sat., June 12, 2021 at the Riverview Cemetery in Bucksport.

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*Most voters
stayed home!*

BUCKSPORT – There was a referendum vote in four area towns Tuesday, but a single chirping cicada probably could make more noise.

The tally showed 255 people voted throughout the area, with 202 backing the proposed RSU 25 budget for 2021-2022 and 49 opposing it.

Curiously, four souls in Prospect left their ballots blank after taking the time to stop by and chat with the poll workers.

The tally in Orland was 72 for and 17 against. In Prospect it was 59 for and 24 against. Bucksport contributed 52 ayes and 6 nays. And on Verona Island it was 19 for and two against.

Orland had a local election with no contested slots.

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bucksportrhc.org

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HELP WANTED

Mitchell-Tweedie Funeral Home is looking for Funeral Attendants at both of our locations in Bucksport and Searsport. This is on an at need basis. Applicant must be dependable and flexible. Must be a people person and be compassionate. Must be available nights, weekends, and holidays. You must have a reliable vehicle and hold a valid and clean driver’s license. Applicant must pass a background check that is required to receive a Maine State Attendants License. Must work well with others. Job descriptions may include:

- Assisting in removals
- Assisting in Visitations or Funeral Services
- Transporting of remains throughout Maine and Massachusetts.
- Clean vehicles
- Be able to lift.
- Any other tasks set forth.

If interested, please e-mail, or call Al Levesque or Amy Kneeland at mtfh@myfairpoint.net or 207-469-3177.

04/15/21

– YARD SALES –

Friday & Saturday, June 12

• 291 E Side Drive, Verona Island. – 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Adult women’s & men’s clothing; baby little girl & baby boy clothing. Household items. Lawn mower weed whacker & much more! Rain or shine.

Saturday, June 12

• WE STORE – Wardwell Road, Orland. – 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rain date: June 19. Furniture and miscellaneous.

– LEGAL NOTICES –

INVITATION TO BID
MAIN STREET RETAINING WALLS REPLACEMENT
TOWN OF BUCKSPORT, MAINE

1. RECEIPT OF BIDS

The Town of Bucksport, Maine will receive sealed bids at the Bucksport Town Office, 50 Main Street, Bucksport, Maine 04416 until 11:30 AM, Wednesday, June 30, 2021, where they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

2. PROJECT

Work under this project consists of replacement of four retaining walls along Main Street, including removal of the existing segmental block wall, and installation of replacement walls including excavation, installation of new segmental wall system, repaving and restoration of lawns in impacted areas, including erosion control, traffic control, providing all materials, equipment, and labor to provide a complete project.

The project must be substantially completed within 75 consecutive calendar days and complete within 90 calendar days after the execution of Notice to Proceed.

3. PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Plans and Specifications are on file and may be examined at the following locations:

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| Olver Associates Inc. 290 Main Street Winterport, Maine 04496 | Town of Bucksport 50 Main Street Bucksport, Maine 04416 |
| Associated Contractors of Maine 188 Whitten Road Augusta, Maine 04330 | Construction Summary of Maine 734 Chestnut Street Manchester, New Hampshire 03104 |

Copies may be obtained at Olver Associates Inc., Environmental Engineers, 290 Main Street, P.O. Box 679, Winterport, Maine 04496 upon receipt of \$100.00 for each set, non-refundable, if mailing is required, a \$35.00 mailing fee shall apply. Only registered plan holders who have obtained plans from the engineering firm may submit a bid on the project.

4. PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference shall be held at, Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 3:00 P.M. at the Bucksport Town Office

5. PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BOND

The successful Contractor shall be required to provide Performance and Payment Bonds, each equal to 100% of the Contractor’s bid price at the time of contract execution.

6. AWARD OF CONTRACT

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept any bid that it deems to be in its best interests and to waive any irregularities in bidding.

Susan Lessard
Town Manager
June 1, 2021
06/10/21

– PUBLIC NOTICES –

**Riverview Cemetery Association
Annual Meeting
June 24, 2021
6:00 PM
All lot owners welcome
Edward K. Arey Community Center
1160 River Road
North Bucksport**

– LEGAL NOTICES –

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE

Please take notice that Name: Robert N. Brooks and Jessika Brooks-Brewer Address: 239 and 246 Hersey retreat Road, Stockton Springs, Maine 04981 Phone:914 672-4532 are intending to file a Natural Resources Protection Act permit application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S.A. Section 480 -Y on or about (anticipated filing date) 8 March 2021

The application is to mitigate the rapidity of the erosion and improve the stabilization of the bluffs to make the pedestrian use of the properties above and below the bluffs safer by placing RIP-RAP at the base of the bluffs.

The Rip-Rap placement is for lots 120-4 and 120-5 on town map 115 at 246 Hersey Retreat Road.

A request for a public hearing or a request that the Board of Environmental Protection assume jurisdiction over this application must be received by the Department, in writing, no later than 20 days after the application is found by the Department to be complete and is accepted for processing. A public hearing may or may not be held at the discretion of the Commissioner or Board of Environmental Protection. Public comment on the application will be accepted throughout the processing of the application. The application will be filed for public inspection at the Department of Environmental Protection's office in (Portland, Augusta, Bangor) during normal working hours. A copy of the application may also be seen at the municipal offices in the Town of Stockton Springs, Maine.

Written public comments may be sent to:
Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Land and Water Quality
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

06/10/21

– CALENDAR OF EVENTS –

NOW OPEN

• The Maine Maritime Museum and store in Searsport have reopened for the season. The Store is open and guided walking tours are available seven days a week. Pre-registration is encouraged. Same-day reservations and walk-ins are handled subject to guide availability. Tours are \$25 per household, or up to 10 people.

• The Blue Hill Public Library is looking more like old times. The staff is still wearing masks inside the library and ask everyone else to do so. The tables, chairs and public computers are back and available, all entrances are open, newspapers and magazines are out for browsing; also no more having to take a ticket to come in, or worrying about which staircase you can use to enter.

SOON TO OPEN

• The Castine Historical Society will open tomorrow, Friday, June 11. The featured exhibit will be Risky Business: Square-Rigged Ships and Salted Fish. Back for a second and final year. Visitors step back in time to the 1800s when Castine’s working waterfront thrived on a global market. Risky Business and all other exhibits are free through Oct. 11. Open on Friday, Saturday and Monday from 10 to 4 and Sunday from 1 to 4. Face coverings requested inside building. Free tour schedules at castinehistoricalsociety.org.

• IT’LL SOON BE BACK – On June 22, the Buck Memorial Library will resume its operations at 10 am. Closed for more than a year because of Covid-19, the library now has been renovated inside and a new director has been hired. Those who are not vaccinated are required to wear masks or face coverings and remain masked while using the library.

The new hours are: Tuesday 10 to 6; Wednesday 10 to 3; Thursday noon to 7; Friday noon to 4; and Saturday 10 to 3.



PUBLIC MEALS

SATURDAY, June 19

• **FISH FRY** – Saturday, June 19, the Knights of Columbus will offer a “To-Go” only fish fry. \$10. per meal. Pick up at 5 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Church, corner of Franklin and Central Streets.

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HOT DOGS & BEANS – The Elm Street Congregational Church is serving up a take-out only \$8 per meal hot dogs and beans, roll, coleslaw and a slice of pie supper. Meals will be available for pick-up from 5 p.m. Meals must be reserved by calling 469-3333 Friday, June 18 before 2 p.m. or 949-4072 by Saturday at 11 a.m.

If the Covid-19 rules permit the church will begin offering the option of eat-in or take-out meals later this summer. Meals are scheduled July 17, Aug. 21 and Sept. 18.

EVENTS

SATURDAY, June 12

• **PRIDE** – The Bucksport Pride Organization will kick off a series of events to celebrate those who support the LGBTQ+ community. the activities will run from 4 p.m. and will be centered at the Town gazebo. There will be ice cream and pizza at 5 p.m. and an open mic and live music a little later in the early evening.

WEDNESDAY, June 23

• The Stockton Springs Community Library will present a talk by Bob Hendrickson, author of “Crossing” at 6 PM. Because of limited seating and social distancing, pre-registration is required. Call 567-4147 to reserve a seat. An extraordinary successful Air Force pilot, airline captain, and FAA accident investigator, Hendrickson explores his fascinating life of adventure and accomplishment in “Crossing.” He describes applying the lessons he learned from the aircraft accidents he investigated for the FAA, and his struggle with the heavy emotional burden that comes with great expectations. He also talks



PHOTO BY DON HOUGHTON

The view from the top

On a clear day you can see a whole lot of Maine from atop the Penobscot River Observatory, which rises 420 feet from the Penobscot River shore on the grounds of historic Fort Knox in Prospect. On a not-so-clear day, well the view is not so much. Some mornings you can’t see the ground.

about his inspiring battle with Parkinson’s Disease and his refusal to let it conquer his lifelong dreams.

TUESDAY, June 29

• “TAILS AND TALES,”– The Stockton Springs Community Library’s summer reading program will run from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and will continue on Tuesdays at the same time until July 27. The children will explore the habitats of animals small and large, wild and domestic, through stories, crafts, adventures, and snacks. There will be a safari, a stuffed animal sleepover (animals only, no kids!), and much more.

The program is open to all ages. No pre-registration necessary. Come one week or come all five weeks.


SSCL is located at 6 Station St in the

center of Stockton Springs. 567-4147.

WEDNESDAY, June 30

• **HIKING BOOK CLUB** – Tweens and teens are invited to join Teen Services Librarian Kendall Chapman and a guest from the Blue Hill Heritage Trust for a hiking book experience. During June, July and August participants will read a book before meeting for a hike on a Blue Hill trail. On June 30

There will be a discussion of the book *Echo Mountain* by Lauren Wolk. Copies of this book are available at the library. Register on the online calendar at www.bhpl.com or call 374-5515.



BATTER UP!

Men’s batting practice!
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ALLIE PICKERING and Sam Cyr ripped into the ball, each scoring inside-the park home runs, bolstering the Lady Bucks’ tally.



Alyssa Maguire hits one over the fence.

Lady Bucks squash Mt. View

BUCKSPORT – The Lady Bucks downed Mt. View (16-4), keeping their hopes alive as they prepare to play another game today (6/10). It was the Lady Bucks shutting out Mt. View, and the boys edging out the opposing team 1-0.

Photos by Rick McHale

AT LEFT: Alyssa Maguire drove the ball over the left field fence during the home game against Mt. View. The game was played on the Lady Bucks’ home turf: Wardwell Field.

GOLDEN BUCKS SPORTS

The coach’s corner

Track and field: truly a fine TEAM effort

“This year, more than any other, I saw a group of individuals coalescing around team goals in what can only be described as the very essence of what a team is.”

Head coach
Matt Morrison

MATT MORRISON

To an outsider, track and field is an individual - not a team - sport. After all, other than the relays, all events pit individual athletes against one another. There is no team strategy, no set play, no working together as there is in basketball or football.

But this year, more than any other, I saw a group of individuals coalescing around team goals in what can only be described as the very essence of what a team is.

Anyone who attended our meets could see the support and encouragement each athlete had for their teammates.

At the Penobscot Valley Conference Championship, when Sara Bos, Bucksport High School’s new record holder in the girls’ race walk, was rounding the turn into the final stretch, her teammates were there cheering her on.

When Will Hileman, the winner of the 1600 meter race was pushing toward a personal best time of 4:35.18, his teammates were there, fists pumping the air as they cheered him to victory.

When the girls 4x100 meter relay team of Addie Morrison, Angelina Cotoni, Britney Bussey, and Johanna Stiles broke a 37-year-old record, their fel-

low sprinters were there, crowding around them with congratulations.

When Ava Knowles and Gavin Billings hit monster throws in the shot put to claim individual state titles, the cheers from their teammates echoed through the stadium.

At the Class C State Championships at Brewer Community School last Saturday, both the boys’ and girls’ teams turned in championship performances.

At the end of the day, the girls finished third in Class C, edging out the perennial powerhouse Orono by three points.

The boys’ team finished the year with a resounding victory, besting second place Traip Academy of Kittery 75-56.

Individual state champions were Nathan Paulauskas in the high jump, Gavin Billings in the shot put, Will Hileman in the 1600 meters, and Ava Knowles in the shot put.

In a year defined by social distance, this team and this season was defined by social cohesion, social support and social celebration.

As pandemic fears lessened and restrictions were relaxed, we saw each other smile again, laugh again, and when this magical season finally came to an end, cry again.

For those who participated in high school sports, its magic is well known to you. For most members of the Golden Bucks track team, this was the first full season of sports for them in a year. And what a season it was, one full of breaking records, capturing titles, and rediscovering the joy of working together for a goal, and achieving it.

‘As pandemic fears lessened and restrictions were relaxed, we saw each other smile again, laugh again and when this magical season finally came to an end, cry again.’



**William Hileman –
1600 meter State Champion**



**Johanna Stiles took 2nd in the
100 & 200 meter races.**



2nd place winners in 4x100 meter relay: Hanna Stiles, Addie Morrison, Britney Bussey and Angie Cotoni

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**Gavin Billings
– 2021 shot put Champion.**



**Nate Paulauskas
– State High Jump Champion**



100 meter relay team: Colin Simpson, Kia Brown, Jade Smith and Hugh Jack took 5th place.



**Kia Brown took 6th place
in the 300 meter hurdles.**



**Ava Knowles -
2021 State Champion in shot put.**



Tori Watkins took 4th place in the high jump.



Colin Simpson took 3rd in long and triple jump high jumps.



Hugh Jack took 4th place in the 100 meter


How
sweet
it
was!



A triumphant boys' track team rose to the top this season.



Girls
earn
way to
bronze



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