

MANAGER'S REPORT
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Art Festival – A reminder that the Bucksport Arts Festival is this weekend! I encourage everyone to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity in the community! Amazing artists, vendors, music, food on the waterfront. The festival is Friday August 10th and Saturday August 11th. And while you are downtown – check out all the great businesses that we have here in Bucksport and the mural on the wall next to Camden National bank that leads down to the Marina.

Wall Street Journal – I was contacted by a writer for the Wall Street Journal who is doing a story on more rural communities that have lost major industries and how they are recovering. Bucksport is going to be in the article and as a result of our conversation, he will be making a visit to Bucksport in the next few weeks for more info for the article.

Main Street Bucksport – The organization has received another grant – this one from the Maine Arts Commission. The project it supports is called Fresh Takes and will be launched at the Maritime Film Festival this year and involve local high school students working with a film maker to produce a documentary for debut at the 2019 film festival. They are also busy with the upcoming arts festival this weekend and the final weeks of the very successful Kids on Main program.

AIM – AIM reports that additional demolition will start at the former mill site the week of August 13th. 3 more non-essential buildings will be taken down involving about three weeks of work. Once that is done, they will be re-routing the electrical infrastructure from its existing location to underground conduit. Following that, the larger demolition project of the steam plan and conveyer system will take place. The larger demo project will be near year end.

Wednesday on Main – The Crown Vics were a big hit on the waterfront yesterday evening. Despite the muggy weather, the music and fun was enjoyed by many. Thanks again to Paula Kee and her crew for providing another wonderful event. Next week's offering is another musical group – The Blake Rosso Band – and will be on Main Street. Bring your lawn chair and join the fun!