

YESTERDAY

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**10 years ago - June 23, 2006**  
(As reported in the Bangor Daily News)

BANGOR — Step-ball-change may be the mantra of dance teachers around the country. But these days at River City Dance Center, the emphasis is on the final part: change. Earlier this spring, Kelly Holyoke Fitzpatrick, founder, dancer and choreographer, sold River City's Bangor and Ellsworth studios where thousands of students have learned not only step-ball-change, but all aspects of ballet, jazz, modern and contemporary dance.

Morita Tapley of Morita's School of Dance in Hermon purchased the Bangor studio above the Greyhound Bus Station on Main Street in Bangor. Michelle Graves, a chiropractor and former student of Fitzpatrick's, with her business partner Cheryl Fresh, purchased the studio on Main Street in Ellsworth.

"I danced with River City in Bangor since I was 10," said Graves, who also owns Ellsworth Chiropractic. "I want to continue the school the way it was, and I want to dance for the rest of my life. So why not do it this way?"

Fitzpatrick, who studied dance with the late Polly Thomas, a beloved dance instructor in Bangor, opened River City in the 1980s and later expanded to Ellsworth. Five years ago, Fitzpatrick, a prima ballerina with Robinson, stopped dancing and moved to Freeport to work as a realtor. She continued to run the business, commuting one day a week to teach in Bangor.

"It was too hard running it long distance," said Fitzpatrick, who began dancing at age 3. "I wasn't able to keep it up the way it should have been kept. I miss the kids but I don't miss the hassle."

Tapley, who studied dance with Fitzpatrick as a young girl, sees her acquisition as part of a lifelong commitment to teaching dance in the area. Her Hermon school is known for its tap classes and for its performance-based approach. Even though both schools offer traditional ballet, jazz and contemporary dance, such as hip hop, River City's focus has been more on process.

Students from both schools, as well as other schools around the state, perform each year in Robinson Ballet's holiday production of "The Nutcracker." The Bangor ballet company shares second and third floor classrooms with River City, but the two businesses are separate. Robinson Ballet is run by Keith Robinson and Maureen Lynch, longtime teachers at River City. They will continue to teach at River City, according to its new owner.

Tapley, who has run the Hermon school for 38 years and is also a horse breeder, plans to add tap and more large-scale performance opportunity for students at River City. Next year, her two studios will combine to represent Maine at Dance Excellence, an invitational festival for young dancers. In addition to her new role at River City, Tapley is overseeing the construction of Morgan Hill Events Center in Hermon, where her original dance school will soon relocate.

"I have really strong ties to this area," said Tapley. "I enjoy teaching. I think it would have been great to perform in big shows, but because of ties here at home and raising Morgan horses, I chose to stay here and further dance education."

BREWER — Wendy's restaurant on Wilson Street will be transformed into a Tim Hortons fast-food restaurant by fall, the contractor said. "We're shooting for an early September opening," John Hill of Hillson Contractors Inc., based in Rindge, N.H., said Thurs-

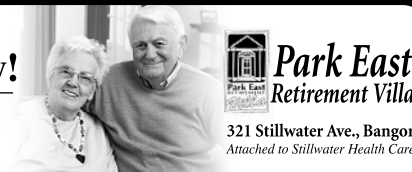
PICTURE FROM THE PAST



BANGOR DAILY NEWS FILE PHOTO BY SPIKE WEBB  
**Hal Westernman, varsity football coach at the University of Maine (left), watches four members of last year's Maine freshman grid team drawing equipment for spring varsity football practice from stock room clerk George Wood (right). The candidates are (from left) Bill Law of Waterford, N.Y.; Robert Sylvain, Winslow; Roland Merrifield, Sanford; and Wes Kilbirth, Rumford.**

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day. "We're hoping to get started in the middle of July." Hillson built the original Wendy's. Plans for the newly remodeled coffee-fast food restaurant show 68 seats and eight employees, Brewer Code Enforcement Officer Dave Russell said. Both Wendy's and Tim Hortons are under the corporate umbrella of Wendy's International Inc., based in Dublin, Ohio.

BANGOR — Members of the City Council's business and economic development committee on Wednesday night considered a series of amendments to lease and development agreements relating to two day care operations and a manufacturing facility.

During the meeting, committee members authorized:  
• A one-year extension of the city's lease agreement with Penguin CAP, which runs a day care and various administrative functions out of a building at 120 Venture Way, a property the city acquired through a property swap with the University of Maine chancellor's office in exchange for the upper levels of the W.T. Grant Building at 6 Central St.

"They do wish to continue there if improvements can be made to the building," Steve Bolduc, a city development officer, said during the meeting.

The current lease expires June 30. According to Bolduc, Penquis CAP has asked the city to consider some needed maintenance work at the building, formerly used as military housing. The work would be paid for through a future increase in lease payments, which now stand at \$500 a month. In the year ahead, the city will survey the building, determine what needs to be done and come up with a plan and a budget for completing it.

• A six-month extension of the city's lease with Kataddin Precision Components LLC for the use of 1,640 square feet of storage space in a city-owned building at 110 Hildreth St. from July 1 to Dec. 31. The lease rate for the space would be \$410 a month.

Kataddin Precision, which manufactures lead wires for use in lighting and electronic applications, also is leasing a 3,600-square-foot building on a 5-acre lot in Target Industrial Circle, according to city documents related to the deal. The company also makes tooling for its own welding machines and for sale to Osram Sylvania's Monterrey, Mexico, lead wire facility, for which the company also will provide support services including quality inspection, consulting and machine rebuilding.

**25 years ago - June 23, 1991**

ORONO -- Winners of the Orono Festival Day Baby Beauty Contest, held June 15, have been announced.

First place, infant-2 years, Jessica Brooks; First place, 2-3 years, Bruce Nason; First place, 4-5 years, Casey Jenn Dunn; Best Outfit, Overall, Khoury Lynn Holmes; 1991 Festival Queen, Rachel Hannah Kahl.

The SAD 22 board of directors has awarded a Madawaska firm a \$3 million contract to construct a middle school in Winterport.

The board approved earlier this week hiring Ouellet Construction Inc., which was the lowest of 14 bidders for the project. The \$3,083,985 came in \$278,015 below the district's budgeted amount.

The state Board of Education this spring gave its final funding approval to the estimated \$4.4 million project which is expected to be in place in the fall of 1992.

The new Winterport school will be located on Mountain View Drive, off Route 1A in a heavily wooded area beyond the town's recreation fields and overlooking the Penobscot River. The 40,000 square-foot school will house nine classrooms and have facilities for a maximum of about 220 pupils.

Nestled among the stately former homes of Bangor's barons, a few beds have been set aside for adolescents who otherwise might have no roof for the night.

The Shaw House, located in the back of the Penobscot Valley Memorial Health Center on Broadway, will, when it opens early next month, provide about a dozen beds for homeless teens.

Fathered by a large and varied group of contributors, the Shaw House is named for the late Madeline Parks Shaw, a former Bangor school teacher whose endowment was used as seed money for the project. Although the house might eventually seek community funding, it plans to run for a while on its vast list of benefactors.

"If you have enough drops in the bucket, the bucket is full," said Ann Therrien, vice president of the Shaw House.

While the beds can be moved to accommodate needs, the center boasts one room for females, containing four single beds, and two others for males, containing another eight beds and as many lockers. A blackboard left over from the center's tuberculosis treatment room awaits messages.

The house also has a kitchen area, which can be used to cook prepared meals — the center does not have a nutritionist and cannot make their own — and a television and VCR. A room or two full of donated clothes await any guests who might need a change to tide them over.

A joint venture of the PVHA and the Project Atrium, the Shaw House is designed to meet the needs of homeless teens in the Bangor area who might otherwise go without, or worse, trade sex for a roof over their heads, according to Ron Dodson, the project director.

"Now whether they utilize it or not is their own option," he said.

While a task force recently found that between 50 and 200 teens in the Bangor area are homeless each night, Dodson said he usually comes in contact with about five to a dozen on any given night.

"It's a very good idea for youths who have no home," said Crystal Ladd, 16, who serves as a liaison to homeless teens.

**50 years ago - June 23, 1966**

A member of the Governor's Committee To Keep Maine Scenic told members of the Brewer Kiwanis Club Wednesday that lack of advertising controls was "turning the approaches to many of Maine's towns and cities into jungles."

Daniel E. Lambert, executive secretary of the Brewer Chamber of Commerce, said that half of the present road signs should be removed. He called them obsolete and blighted.

Lambert maintained that some advertising stands add confusion and conflict with highway traffic signs.

The Brewer C of C official also called for the elimination of speed and traffic traps; said that Maine should start a statewide clean-up campaign and stop "blaming litter on the tourists."

Orono police reported Wednesday that 16 car radiators had been stolen from Al Gilbert on Kelley Road, Orono, over the weekend. Police officials stated that the radiators had apparently been taken out of automobiles being repaired by Gilbert by someone using a torch. The case is still under investigation by Capt. Harold Read.

**100 years ago - June 23, 1916**

Bangor's demonstrations of appreciation of the soldier boys who left for service on Thursday morning was one which has never been equalled in the history of the

city. Many thousands lined the streets from the armory of Co. G, National Guard, in Court Street, to the Maine Central station, the yard of which was packed with humanity. In addition, at the foot of Broad Street, along Front Street and on the Maine Central Railroad drawbridge throngs gathered to bid a last farewell as the special train pulled out of the station.

The procession, although arranged in a great hurry because of the late hour Wednesday night when news was received that the troops would leave in the morning, was a great success, and the work of Mayor Woodman in ordering such a demonstration met with much approval.

No one recalls a time when so many have been in the streets at such an early hour in the morning, and at no time within the memory of the present generation, at least, has there been such enthusiasm and evidences of loyalty, the soldiers, the bands and the members of the city council being applauded and cheered all along the line. Information travels quickly at times, as was evidenced by the vast number in the streets, when the only notice

was that contained in the News Thursday morning, announcing the plans made hastily the night before.

A fund was started on Thursday for the protection of the wives, children and families of soldiers who have responded to the call of duty and have left behind those dependent upon their earning capacity.

Mayor Woodman assured the men of Co. G and the machine gun company that the families which needed assistance would be looked after by the city government and by every loyal citizen of Bangor, as reported in the News. On Thursday a citizen slipped \$50 into the mayor's pocket, with the request that the sum be used for the relief of families needing assistance and asking that his name should not be mentioned.

This is the nucleus from which will undoubtedly grow a large fund, as the mayor has asked the cashiers of the city banks to act as receivers for money which citizens desire to subscribe, and they have accepted.

*Compiled by Ardeana Hamlin & Aimee Thibodeau*

Death Notices

**ALLEY, Clifton Hartley**, 80, Brewer; at Ormond Beach, Fla., June 11, 2016.

**APPLEBEE, Harriet**, 96, Hermon; at Hermon, June 14, 2016.

**BLAISDELL, John Douglas**, 61, Bangor; at Bangor, Jan. 26, 2015.

**BRUSGULIS, Ann E. (Perry)**, Bangor and Moody; at Kittery, June 10, 2016.

**CIVIELLO SR., Charles A.**, 89, Bangor; at Bangor, June 12, 2016.

**CLARK, Edward A.**, Orrington, April 20, 2016.

**CLARK, Ruby E.**, Orrington, June 7, 2016.

**CLEMENTS, Richard 'Dick' Paul**, 85, Newburgh; at Bangor, June 11, 2016.

**COMBER JR., Edward Randall**, 89, Bangor; at Bangor, June 12, 2016.

**DAY, Lucas Arthur**, 3 days, St. Agatha and Bangor, Jan. 3, 2016.

**DELONG, Beulah G. (Ireland)**, 99, Brewer and Fort Myers, FL; at Fort Myers, FL, Nov. 5, 2015.

**DUNLAVEY, Helena Ann**, Bangor; at Bangor, June 13, 2016.

**DUNTON, Robert E.**, 61, Hermon; at Hermon, May 3, 2016.

**ESLIN, Steven L.**, 68, Tonopah, Nev. and Bangor; at Tonopah, May 29, 2016.

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**FERGUSON, Paulette Lee**, 66, Bangor & St. Petersburg, FL, Jun. 10, 2016.

**HIGGINS II, Leon F.**, Bangor, April 22, 2016.

**HOPKINS, Galen S.**, 89, Bangor, March 31, 2016.

**LANDRY, Erma M.**, Bangor & Brewer, May 31, 2016.

**LORD, Beth E.**, 56, Brewer; at Brewer, June 8, 2016.

**MOORE, Elizabeth "Libby" (Campbell)**, 84, Brewer, Jun. 12, 2016.

**MURPHY, Joseph Jeffery**, 23, Orrington; at Orrington, June 11, 2016.

**OAKES, Ruth A. (Paine)** 78, Hermon, January 15, 2016.

**PAUL, Martha Lillian**, 90, Old Town, June 14, 2016.

**PERKINS, Rev. Dana R.**, Dedham; at Bangor, June 13, 2016.

**PLAISTED, Mary Marjorie**, 88, Brewer; at Bangor, June 12, 2016.

**RAMBO, Lois G.**, 93, Bangor; at Bangor, June 16, 2016.

**SHEPPARD, Edmund M.**, 82, Orono, Jun. 5, 2016.

**SMALL, Ruth K.**, 96, Brewer; at Brewer, June 15, 2016.

**ST. LOUIS, Norman E.**, 90, Bangor; at Bangor, June 13, 2016.

**STOVER, Janice A.**, 70, Kittery and Orono, June 11, 2016.

**WELDON, Mary Ellen (Chalmers)**, Bangor.

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