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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

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As the Spring and Summer days have passed, leading us to these beautiful days of Fall, much has transpired at The South Buxton Cemetery. John Myers, who has worn many hats at SBC over the last twenty years, most recently as our SBCA secretary, has assumed the role of Superintendent. Thank you, John for your generous spirit and dedication.

John and his staff have maintained and upgraded the grounds and roads, as well as keeping sales and burials current. This Spring, their first task was addressing the massive grub infestation. This required treatment, thatching and reseeding. These steps resulted in new healthy grass. Well done! The largest project was the installation of irrigation in the Woodman section. This complete system was installed by The Irrigation Doctor, LLC and financed by a donation from SBCA Vice President, Burton Pease. I extend an enthusiastic thank you to Burton and Barb. Fall maintenance and enhancements continue. We are currently dealing with old trees that need to be removed or trimmed. Colonial Tree Co. has provided excellent advice and service for these issues. In addition, Bev and I donated and planted another 2,000 daffodil bulbs. This week, we completed planting them throughout the cemetery. The enduring beauty of South Buxton Cemetery is greatly attributed to the contributions of SBCA members. (Note that all lot owners are members.)

Currently, the beauty and safety of our cemetery's entrances are diminished by the condition of the ditches and culverts along Route 112. Their present state cannot be properly maintained. An evaluation to remedy these issues of safety, drainage, maintenance and appearance will be in the \$60,000 range. This is obviously a large project that will require

significant contributions. Consideration of the project scope and cost is now under evaluation by the Board.

The SPCA is especially fortunate to have assistance from the staff of RHR Smith and Company. Their contributions of payroll, tax service and financial expertise is essential to the success for The South Buxton Cemetery Association. As President, I am extremely grateful to Ron Smith and his company for their dedication and generosity.

I conclude with a hope that many of you join community members at the annual Wreaths Across America event, December 17th in the Woodman Section of the cemetery.

> Sincerely, Richard "Sandy" Atkinson



Join us for Wreaths Across America December 17



WREATH SPONSORSHIP FORM



Wreath Orders must be received by November 30, 2022 • Wreath laying December 17, 10:00am

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FRIENDS OF SOUTH BUXTON CEMETERY

We are thankful for each of you who think of us as part of your gift-giving. The Friends of South Buxton Cemetery Association Account is used to beautify and improve the cemetery, also to bring our endowment fund to a healthy level. Gifts are offered in memory of a loved one, as thanks for helping with genealogical research, or just because you care.



In 2021, because of join efforts by volunteers and individuals like you, we came together to place 2.4 million veterans' wreaths on the final resting places of American Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen and their family members, at 3,137 locations around the world. What an incredible show of patriotism.

With gratitude, Karen Worcester Executive Director, Wreaths Across America

NEVER TOO EARLY TO CONSIDER...

Please note that anyone who is interested in having a stone cleaned may contact the SBCA office at 207-929-4773.

Burial lots are still available, as are Columbarium niches. Our Columarium sales continue to increase. Of the original 40 niches, 28 have been sold, leaving 12 still available. One niche accommodates two cremation urns. A purchase offers two separate interments plus the decorative brass plaque.

- Cremation urns, Veteran and Fireman flag holders available at SBC office.
- Monument Cleaning now offered call or email for a quote & schedule.
- Please call 207-929-4773 or email sales@southbuxtoncemetery for more information.



SOUTHBUXTONCEMETERY.COM

(Official web site)

How many of you have researched our website for correct names and location of deceased family, relations, veterans, fireman? Take the time to review the entries of your families and notify SBC cemetery of errors and omissions.

Thank you (sales@southbuxtoncemetery.com)

There'll be two dates on your tombstone and all your friends will read 'em, but all that really matters is that little dash between 'em.

Live the "dash" my friends.

CAROL NOONAN - STONE MOUNTAIN ARTS CENTER

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Saturday, December 17, 2022
South Buxton Cemetery
1187 River Road, Buxton ME 04093
Placement of wreaths throughout cemetery 10:00 AM
Memorial Wreath Ceremony 11:45 AM (Woodman Section, Woodman Rd)

On December 17, 2022 South Buxton Cemetery will participate in Wreaths Across America. We will once again join more than 3,137 participating locations around the world to simultaneously hold a wreath laying ceremony in support of the mission to Remember, Honor and Teach of the ultimate sacrifice made by United States veterans. Our goal this year is to place 600 wreaths for veterans resting at the South Buxton Cemetery Beginning at 10:00 AM, volunteers are invited to gather at the office on Rte 112 to pick up wreaths and then place them on veterans' stones throught the cemetery. At 11:45 AM participants will gather at the Woodman section for the Memorial Wreath Ceremony. This simultaneous ceremony will connence at 12:00 PM. Please check the web page - southbuxtoncemetery.com for updates and join Buxton community members at this unifying event.

Please help keep this tradition and spirit alive by donating to this years' Wreaths Across America event. You may designate where your donated wreaths are placed or wreaths will be randomly placed. Thank you again for participating in this truly unifying community event!

Sincerely, Richard "Sandy" Atkinson

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The following obituary was printed in the *London Times*. It is not only interesting but sadly rather true...

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as: knowing when to come in out of the rain; why the early bird gets the worm; Life isn't always fair; and maybe it was my fault. Common sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in discipling their unruly children. It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband; churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims. Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot, spilled a little in her lap, and promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust; his wife, Discretion; his daughter, Responsibility; and his son, Reason. He is survived by his 4 stepbrothers; I Know My Rights, I Want It Now, Someone Else Is To Blame, and I'm A Victim.

Not many attended this funeral because so few realized he was gone. If you still remember him, pass this on.

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