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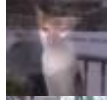









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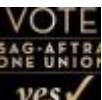









oh, with all the excitement of losing my job after 27 years working in some capacity for some version of the local newspaper. I totally forgot: Mama Popcorn is back on WERU and yours truly is the occasional voice of Mama!

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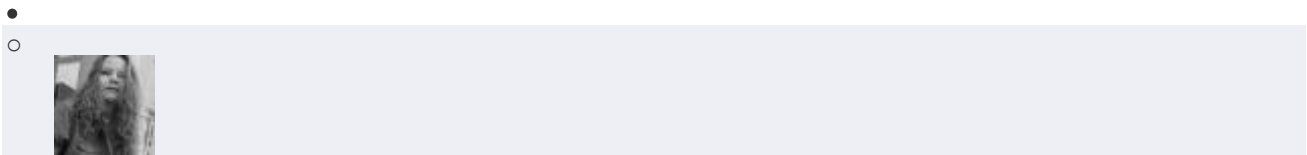
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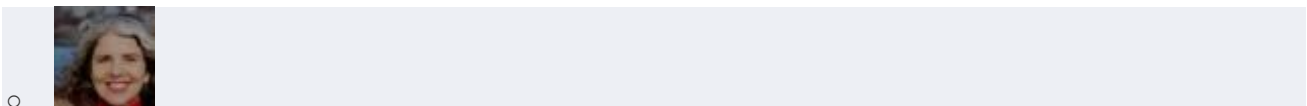
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Discussion



Dara Hurt I'm so sorry about your job Dagney...very sad news indeed...

March 9 at 10:28pm · Like · 1



Joan Proudman Selmer-Larsen I can't believe it Dagney!! : (

March 9 at 10:29pm · Like · 3

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Dagney Ernest Thanks, Dara ... I'm still trying to get the feature story I wrote on some 3D photos taken with an antique camera at Zoot to go live but apparently the site is in lock-down, even to us poor saps who don't know when to quit

March 9 at 10:30pm · Like · 3



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Yvonne Coffman WHAT??

March 9 at 10:31pm · Like



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Dagney Ernest yep, it's true

March 9 at 10:31pm · Like



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Dara Hurt When one door closes, another ALWAYS opens...♥

March 9 at 10:31pm · Like · 4



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Michelle Burlingame Oh Dagney, I'm so sorry. I work on the "other side" of the press, in the newspaper business but it is scary over here too.

March 9 at 10:33pm · Like · 1



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Dagney Ernest Scary times for all, so not alone!

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Ellen Curtis I just read this - the closing of Village Soup. Wow this is a sad news day indeed. Sorry for all of you at VS.

March 9 at 10:41pm · Like · 2



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Sue Ghoreyeb Wow - that is big news, sorry to hear for you and the area!

March 9 at 10:41pm · Like · 2



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Sharon L. Smatusek Harris You have plenty of company -- and a good portfolio. Check out web writing opportunities, too!

March 9 at 10:43pm · Like · 1



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Catinka Knoth Dagney - anyone talking about putting up an emergency website? - nevermind VSoup, but a grassroots local news page?

March 9 at 10:43pm · Like · 1



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Marti Stone I'm not done with you yet, Dagney!

March 9 at 10:44pm · Like · 2



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Dagney Ernest not so far but it HAS only been a few hours

March 9 at 10:45pm · Like · 1

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Beverly Scott Thinking of you all, Dagney, and trusting that your dedication and talents will find their proper niche.

March 9 at 10:45pm · Like · 1



Lisa Daniello-Ginnaty oh, Dagney! I'm so sorry to hear this! thinkin 'bout you...:(

March 9 at 10:49pm · Like · 1



Lisa Diane WHO knows what will manifest with life's funny little twists & turns. Dagney, you're terrific ~ good things to come... Blessings

March 9 at 10:56pm · Like · 3



Charles Laurier Dufour from experience, i applaud you for always being willing to take the heat from what you dared to put out there. the local art community truly will be at a loss without your leadership, dagney. only the patsies are left standing. yet, through all this, yours is the biggest loss as your livelihood is now stunted. try to remember, crisis = opportunity. best of luck to you, dagney.

March 9 at 10:56pm · Like · 2



Lisa Diane ♥ ♥ ♥

March 9 at 10:56pm · Like · 1



Dagney Ernest Thanks everyone for the good energy -- and to **Symphoni Batz**, whose morning foot reflexology I suspect really has helped me get through this day

March 9 at 10:58pm · Like · 1

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John David Adams What a shocker. I'm so sorry to hear your news, Dagney.

March 9 at 11:03pm · Like · 1



Eric Leppanen So sorry to hear. Company's have no heart any more. In the long run, you'll be better off, you're a top draft pick.

March 9 at 11:07pm · Like · 1



Bethany Thivierge I'm so sorry to hear the news. Best of luck to you. With your talent, I'm sure you'll get through this. Onward and upward!

March 9 at 11:08pm · Like · 2



Jennifer True I'm sorry to hear the news, Dagney. I know you will land on your feet - have have such talent, grace, and style. Love to you.

March 9 at 11:10pm · Like · 3



Trisha Rose Dagney, so sorry to hear about you, ans the vsoup, how about the FREE PRESS?

March 9 at 11:15pm · Like



Dagney Ernest I know a lotta people there, that's for sure ;)

March 9 at 11:20pm · Like

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Carla Sanders Lockdown, lockout. Holy crap. I am so sorry Dagney, and stunned.

March 9 at 11:29pm · Like · 1



Terry Goodhue 1 acts today

March 9 at 11:32pm · Like · 1



Terri Monthony Mackenzie Oh, Dagney, better yet, a lot of people know you!

March 9 at 11:34pm · Like · 1



Nancy Durgin Sending love and hugs. How awful for it to hit you and others. You are the very best! I know you will once again soar! XXOO

March 9 at 11:37pm · Like · 2



Tim Sully Sullivan is the printing press still at the industrial park? let's go occupy it and print it ourselves!

March 10 at 12:00am · Like · 2



Dagney Ernest lol! I think it's been cannibalized

March 10 at 12:00am · Like

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Tim Sully Sullivan we can fix it :) but seriously, maybe a good time for an employee-owned cooperative paper?

March 10 at 12:02am · Like



Dagney Ernest Only if the employees can come up with the funds and believe me, we don't have em

March 10 at 12:04am · Like



Janel Spencer-Hagy Dagney, so sorry, it's like getting hit by a truck. Been there... done that... no fun... but you will come through it wiser and stronger!

March 10 at 12:11am · Like · 1



Ben Fowlie midcoast needs you Dagney. Start a blog, your following would be massive! thinking of you.

March 10 at 12:17am · Like · 3



Dwight Collins Dagney...I was speechless when I heard...good thing ur multitalented Im sure you'll land on your feet :)

March 10 at 12:23am · Like · 2



Tracy Rescigno Hugs dagney...as you know one door closes..others will open...bring people together and brainstorm...xoxo

March 10 at 12:30am · Like · 1

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Trish Callahan Demasky wow....sorry about your job....let me know if I can help in any way

March 10 at 12:48am · Like



Catinka Knoth More than the printing press was cannibalized!

Businesses seem to still be able to post to the VS website.
Comments maybe too.

March 10 at 12:55am · Like



Rick Ash You're down but not out! Sending my thoughts your way.

March 10 at 1:54am · Like · 1



Patricia Shea So sorry to hear this Dagney - you know you can count on me for a fantastic reference.

March 10 at 1:55am · Like



Jane Velz Kurko That's a real bummer! I'm sure your new adventures will be rewarding.

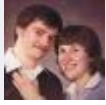
March 10 at 2:39am · Like



Shirin Stave-Matias Hopefully you'll step into something better

March 10 at 4:04am · Like

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Steven Powell You're a strong determined woman, you'll land on your feet.

March 10 at 6:11am · Like



Kathleen Christie So sorry Dagney. You were on my mind this morning before I even saw your post. Had a dream you painted the outside of your house multiple colors of purple. Was just logging into FB to message you when I saw your post. I am so sorry. Your presence in the paper will be GREATLY missed.

March 10 at 6:11am · Like · 1



Patricia Jackson Just saw your post: I am so, so sorry. It is their greatest loss ever.

March 10 at 6:15am · Like



Tom Farkas Dagney let me know if there's anything I can do to help.

March 10 at 6:18am · Like



Jen Oldham Thinking of you, Dagney. If there's anyone in this crazy world who can land on their feet no matter what, it's you.

March 10 at 6:35am · Like



Hanna DeHoff Thought of you last night when we heard the news. I see you have a fan club who is also on your side. I know that you will recover from the shock and start over but this is truly a blow. Keep on dancin'!

March 10 at 7:04am · Like · 2

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Carl Little This is wretched news, Dagney. Hoping someone steps in...

March 10 at 7:06am · Like



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Daphne Lehava Stern Unbelievable -- and crazy. Their loss and you are destined for greater things, Dagney.

March 10 at 7:18am · Like



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Geary Smith Oh...My...GOD!!! How horrible! I'm at a loss for words about the local fish wrapper (at least the clean words I would feel comfortable putting on FB.). I know something amazing will come along for you. When a door is closed, a window will open.

March 10 at 7:21am · Like



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Geary Smith Kim writes: am on way out of town for face gig...when we discovered this! Am just aching for you in a unique way that a fellow newswoman can...Oh...wow...give me a couple of days...got a few ideas..heartfelt affection for you!

March 10 at 7:25am · Like



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Daphne Lehava Stern Yikes! Just read the news of the total shutdown - the disadvantage of just my iPod, and being sick in bed. It' certainly the end of an era...unbelievably sad.

March 10 at 7:28am · Like



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Jonathan Potter Dagney-- this is ridiculously terrible. You're the heart of the arts in this area: a fine writer, a perceptive observer, and exceptionally thoughtful. What the hell????

March 10 at 7:38am · Like · 4

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Marie Merrifield I'm sorry to hear this. Sending good thoughts your way!

March 10 at 7:44am · Like



Gretchen Piston Ogden Damn. I have no doubt you'll go on and prosper Dagney! Thanks for all the ink over the years.

March 10 at 7:50am · Like · 1



Jill Beth Lang What Jon Potter said: The heart of the arts.

March 10 at 7:53am · Like



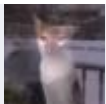
J.P. Fecteau This is terrible news Dagney but I have no doubt that you will prevail.

March 10 at 8:10am · Like · 2



Bridget Kelly Conway Awful news Dagney. Your erudite observations have been cultural balm. This leaves such a void in our community. Hope...?

March 10 at 8:27am · Like · 2



Kriste Ernest I love you big sis and know that you are one of the most intelligent, charismatic people around. Maybe this is an hidden opportunity for you to reach deep and be truly appreciated and rewarded for your multiple talents finally as VS never did. I KNOW you are going to shine like the bright star you are!

March 10 at 8:29am · Like · 4

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Dave Morrison So sorry to hear this Dagney. You have been almost singlehandedly the engine for the arts in the Midcoast. I look forward to seeing what your next new adventure is - we are all rooting for you. Thank you for everything.

March 10 at 8:35am · Like



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Kerry Hadley You could go anywhere and do anything...write a book about the arts, teach act....work at the New York Times...the list is endless. My hope is that something is created though that keeps you right here with us being our arts muse to infinity and beyond...

March 10 at 8:38am · Like



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Jay Sawyer Sending you a big hug, Dagney. Best to you and Bill as you deal with the situation. Guess the handwriting has been on the wall but the reality must be hard to swallow. I want to thank you for all your help over the last few years. It has been a pleasure to get to know you and I will always be grateful for the positive exposure you offered for this emerging artist. You are the best, now go get 'em.....

March 10 at 8:50am · Like



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Tom Cardea No forewarning? What a punch in the gut. Well you're a terrific, talented writer, and you sure got a lot of support on here! Good luck, Dag.

March 10 at 8:52am · Like · 1



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Bob Holtzman Dag, I am so sorry to hear this. Best wishes finding a new position, and speedily.

March 10 at 8:54am · Like · 1



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Kimberly Murphy Dagney,

March 10 at 8:59am · Like

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Kimberly Murphy I am shocked by the news - I can't even seem to send an FB message correctly (see above). We at the HS are so appreciative of the many many years of support and excellent writing that you have provided for us over the years. I certainly hope that you will continue to write - in some capacity - as your expertise is a boon to our community. My thoughts are with you.

March 10 at 9:03am · Like



Ruth Gelsing We are so sorry to hear about this Dageny! Our love and best wishes to you. Thank you for all you've done for the theater at VS for the past 5 years!!!XXOO Ruth and John and the Casts and Crews of NMT

March 10 at 9:09am · Like · 1



Dagny Ernest Wow, what a wonderful boatload of support to wake up to, thank you all!

March 10 at 9:11am · Like · 1



Susan Marckoon Jones WHAT!?! No way! This is a travesty! But I can't wait to see where the next chapter of your life will take you!

March 10 at 9:20am · Like



John G. Eberle So sorry Dagny - they are losing the best. Thinking about you all and wishing we were 5 minutes away.

March 10 at 9:44am · Like

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Joyce Vogely Each of my talented friends and colleagues who have contributed, been used up and spit out are now doing something they enjoy MORE. Can't wait to see where putting one foot in front of the other leads you!

March 10 at 9:46am · Like



Paul E Benjamin Thank you for all the great work you have done over the years. I know that you will land on your feet. And you are still on my guest list.

March 10 at 10:20am · Like · 1



Dagney Ernest I'm waiting to see if site just rolls for awhile - if it does, there's a Mayall/Musselwhite story set to post later this weekend!

March 10 at 10:26am · Like · 2



Noreen Mullaney Dagney, So Sorry for you and all the people I have meet over my years at the paper! I wish you all well. Hope you can make this an opportunity to inspire great change.

March 10 at 10:28am · Like



Elisabeth Goodridge Add me to the list of mourners, both for you and the paper. We have really lost on both accounts.

March 10 at 10:30am · Like



Yvonne Coffman Your talent and your incredible personality will be your ticket to ride, Dagney....no doubt in my mind!!! I know this is all a shock to your system right now and I'm SO SORRY for that. As I post this, there are 78 comments in front of me....think about it! :-)
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Kristen Burkholder Amen and hallelujah to all the encouraging comments listed above. Dagney you have been so amazing, without you connecting all of us (esp in the A&E world) we'll be lost without you. Thank you for all you've done...

March 10 at 11:05am · Like · 1



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Yvonne Coffman Gee, Dagney....now there are 80 COMMENTS.....have you thought about running for office???? :-)

March 10 at 11:10am · Like · 3



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Karen Damrau Hall So sorry to hear Dagney... that's awful...

March 10 at 11:45am · Like



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Kris Ferrazza the fact that you're still trying to post that story speaks volumes about you, Dagney, and that 'never say die' attitude is how I know you'll not only survive, but thrive, my friend. Now go sit in the sun, xox

March 10 at 12:51pm · Like · 1



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Kate Fox What about a Facebook based newspaper THE DAGNEY ERNEST NEWS - then we can sell spots on the site to pay our publisher/editor Ms Dagney?

March 10 at 1:11pm · Like



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Mehuman Jonson wow! I would like to interview you on WRFR, call me or email me!

March 10 at 2:15pm · Like · 1

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Joan Vargas just heard that is a real stunner! wow!

March 10 at 3:27pm · Like



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Dagney Ernest Finally starting to hit me a bit, I want to tell dramafest stories but can only do so here

March 10 at 4:10pm · Like



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Mehuman Jonson well, even the B version would be fun... really I want to interview you anyways, because YOU are amazing so lets make it happen..

March 10 at 4:27pm · Like



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Dagney Ernest Sounds good ... not like I won't have the time ;)

March 10 at 4:51pm · Like



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Terry Sea Wench Oh darlin', such news. Sending big xoxoxo.....

March 10 at 5:21pm · Like · 1



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Annadeene Konesni Fowler Just heard the news and thought of you first- as has been said you have been a critical part of Midcoast arts for so long- and I doubt that will change. Something's gonna give. As I read your WERU mention I remembered requesting a song from you on Coast 102.5 ~1989/90 by singing to you over the phone "stop children what's that sound. Everybody look what's going down" You played it!

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Amy Lea Sending good thoughts your way Dagney :(

March 10 at 8:21pm · Like · 1



Dagney Ernest lol, Annadeene!! thanks. I sure know who to pick them dying industries

March 10 at 9:41pm · Like



Dan Kirchoff Hey Dagney, I hope you and Bill are going to be okay . . . Jen joins me in keeping you guys in our thoughts.

March 10 at 10:04pm · Like · 1



Nohora Estes Wow! You are incredible, smart, and strong woman. I'm pretty sure many doors will be open for you. Hugs!!

March 10 at 11:28pm · Like



Alan Leo Hey Dagney, how about starting your OWN Arts and Entertainment paper!!!

March 11 at 7:42am · Like · 2



Anna Witholt Abaldo Wow, Dagney - how come you lost your job? The paper is losing a fantastic art/event reporter!!!

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Chris Goosman Unbelievable! No local news at all - scary. Always great theater coverage. What's next for you?

March 11 at 8:57am · Like



Dagney Ernest Not just me, Anna, paper and website has folded - a brave new world

March 11 at 9:18am · Like



Pete McDonald Already told you how I feel, Dag, but I wanted to be the hundredth comment.

March 11 at 10:28am · Like · 1



Bill Eberle Anna, to paraphrase the skateboarder who snatched the Koran from the crazy pastor who was going to fry it on a park picnic grill, "Dude, you have no paper!"

March 11 at 11:04am · Like · 2



Jane A. Liedtke Dagney - i am just shocked by the closing of Village Soup. I had just uploaded all our events to the website looking forward to a good year ahead. The recent modification of the paper actually made for a great model of what a community-based paper could do for a region with so many things going on. I hope someone will take the challenge on to keep the paper and online services going. You and many others deserve your jobs - you have done the community such a great service!!!

March 11 at 12:11pm · Like · 1