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SCHOOL BUDGET IN HANDS OF VOTERS

On Wednesday, June 5, the Ticonderoga School Board voted to adopt the proposed budget for the school year 1991-92, after cutting an additoinal \$17,000. This reflects the eliminating of all department chairmen, with the exception of Special Education and Computer Science.

The UNOFFICIAL PROJECTED figure (a ball park figure only) will increase by 4.56% in Ticondoeroga and 6.76% in Hague. The true tax rate overall shows a decrease of 2.03%.

This translates into dollars as follows: In Ticonderoga the rate increases from \$7.60 to \$7.95 per thousand. In Hague the rate increases from \$59.70 to \$63.74 per thousand.

Again, let us point out that the reason for the apparent discrepancy in Ti and Hague taxes is because of the true tax rate. Now Ti is finished their revaluation and is now assessing at 184% of value. Hague's rate is only 21.52%. It was only a couple years ago that these figures were completely reversed. Hague is working on its revaluation now and hopes to have it in place next year.

For a quick summary of where your tax dollars are going as far as the school system is concerned: The budget represents a 1.1% increase in spending. This includes \$254,000 for initial principal and interest payments on the reconstruction project. Percent increase due to reconstruction project is 3.1%; percent decrease total of all other expenditures is 2.0%, leaving a net increase in spending of 1.1%.

Proposed savings include: retirement of superintendent's secretary - \$5,000; Elimination of EMAP service - BOCES - \$2700; Reduction in recruitment costs - \$900; Reduction in printing costs - \$1,000; Elimination of 2 custodial positions, elimination of summer help, reduction in service contracts, reduction in asbestos work, reduction in furnace repair costs, energy savings - management system, energy savings - new walls, etc. at Elementary School, reduction of fire and property insurance premium - total of \$101,000; Reduction of liability insurance premium - \$8,000; Reduction of administrative charge - BOCES - \$1,800; Reorganization of Staff (Reduce Administrative Assistant's duties from full time to half time. Reduce Home Economics staffing by one-half) - \$1,200; Reduction of principals' budgets - \$13,000; Reduction of principals' budgets - \$13,000; Reduction of certain BOCES services - \$1,800; Reduction in d. Students attending BOCES - \$17,600; Program Expansion- Marine Technology - \$4,600; Substance Abuse Pgm- 00; Redcions in interscholastic athletics - \$21,000; Transportation reductions include elimination of 2 buses, a suburban and radios - \$26,000, reduction in field trips - \$10,000; reduction in auto insurance premiums - \$1,200;

reduction in workers' comp. premiums - \$400; Reduction in lunch subsidy - \$10,000; Reduction in Worers Cop. premiums - \$6,000.

INCREASES include: Refund of real property taxes (settlement on Hague State Lands, first year of a 3-year settlement) - \$28,000; Programs for handicapped children (due to new residential placement) - \$17,500. TOTAL POSSIBLE INCREASES \$45,000.

SUMMARY: Decreases \$288,500; Increases, \$45,000. NET OVERALL DECREASES - \$243,500.

The adopted school budget totals \$8,258,900, a 1.1% increase in spending.

At the same time the budget comes up for a vote, three men will be running for a position on the Board. Jay Fortino, Ted Jzyk and Incumbent Lester Bilow are running for the three open seats.

ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19 the voters of Hague will be asked to vote on the school budget. A polling place is being set up in the Hague Community Center between the hours of 12 noon and 9PM. IT IS A PRIVILEGE (and a civic duty) to vote!

The administration and the School Board have put in many many hours working on this budget. There has been a lot of thought that has gone into the weekly budget sessions. They have taken many suggestions from various members of the community and have been completely open in their meetings. Show your support and vote on August 19 FROM 12 noon to 9PM.

FIREMAN'S STEAK ROAST - TOWN PARK - SATURDAY, JUNE 15 - 5PM. BREAKFAST IN COMMUNITY CENTER ON SATURDAY, JUNE 15 FROM 6AM AND SUNDAY JUNE 16 FROM 4AM. SUPPORT YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND ATTEND ANY OR ALL OF THESE EVENTS.

COMMUNITY BUILDING TAKES ON NEW LOOK

If you haven't seen the Community Building in the past few weeks, be sure to take a tour. Peter Foster and his crew arrived a few days before Memorial Day weekend and in two days they transformed the front of the building into a beautiful landscape design. It is truly a work of art.

The Carillon Garden Club took on the landscaping as their major project this year and contributed \$2,000 to the town. It is actually an on-going project and next year the garden club plans to continue the landscaping. In the meantime a fund drive is underway to help the project along. About \$600 has been contributed by friends of the town, mostly in memorials. A \$50 contribution to the

(Cont. on page 4) NEW LOOK

HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The next regular meeting of The Hague Senior Citizens Club will be held on Tuesday, June 25 at 1:30PM at the Community Center. Al Van Sleet will show his video on the 1991 bird banding expedition. This is always educational and often amusing, so do plan to attend.

Prior to the meeting we will car pool a trip to the Bolton Landing Meal Site. Please register by JUNE 19TH by calling Bertha or Diane at 543-6161. Meet at the Community Center parking lot at 11:25AM.

We want to thank all of the Seniors who answered the plea to attend the Site luncheon on June 6. There is considerable consideration being given by governmental powers to the closing of these meal sites. The folks at Bolton Landing have always been most gracious in welcoming us, and they dish up a better-than-average meal of this type. We strongly urge you to continue to support the Bolton Meal Site by attending even when we don't have trips planned for it. One or two may drop in at the Site without prior notification, but more than that should call a few days in advance. The phone number is 1-644-2368. (Jot this number down beside your phone for future reference.)

Plans for the July 23 picnic are being made. Give thought as to what you'd like to contribute in the way of food when the sign-up sheet is being passed around.

Items for the Seniors' Newsletter IN PRAISE OF AGE, currently edited by Mildred Stockholm and Ethel Andrus, are being solicited. . . ewa

CUB SCOUT PACK 21 NEWS

Karen Costello

On Saturday June 1 five brave Webelos journeyed into Springhill Pond with their courageous leaders, two dads and two friends. Since food is number one on most 10-year olds' camping lists, the load was mighty heavy going in. Accounts of the bug status (a popular topic in the Adirondacks) varied from "not too bad" to "gruesome". At the end of the long hike, camp was pitched and the fun commenced. The fellows swam, fished (no bites), ate, roasted marshmallows, explored, ate some more. Wildlife was scarce but some early risers spotted a loon, a Scout and his dad viewed a school of fish jumping, and a nice big doe ushered the troops from the forest. Thor Gautreau exclaimed, "I could have stayed a lot longer just sitting on the big rock watching the view of the pond." Good planning and direction by Shelley and Tim Gautreau led to a very memorable experience for the Scouts of Den #2.

An end of the year pack picnic is being planned and advancements will be awarded to those who have progressed in ranks and achievements.

Bottles and cans continue to be collected at the landfill. Den #3 is in charge through July 13. Thanks for your support!

*PEACE FLOURISHES WHEN REASON
RULES.*

HAGUE SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT
PROGRAM

Kathy Santaniello

Hague residents and visitors should save their Thursday nights in July and August for weekly square dances at the Community Center with the ever-popular Stan Burdick, who has been calling for many years worldwide, and also during the summers at Silver Bay Association. Last year's dances drew wonderful crowds of folks who seemed to enjoy it all immensely, whether they were veterans or novices, young or old, so we hope this year's turnout will be as encouraging. Stan is an outstanding and patient teacher, so don't hesitate to come even if you have never square danced before.

The dances will run from 7:30PM to 9:30PM on the following Thursdays: July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8 and 15. There is a possibility that one of the August dances will be re-scheduled if it falls on the opening night of the Emps' show at Silver Bay, but otherwise, the schedule is fairly firm.

On Wednesday, July 24 at 7:30PM, the Silver Bay Association String Quartet will hold a recital at the Community Center. This year we decided to change settings, largely due to the inconvenience of pesky bugs, uncertain weather and annoying road noise at the Park, although the outdoors atmosphere has been quite inspirational.

The Entertainment Program is made possible in part by the Hague Chamber of Commerce, the Town of Hague, and public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts and Warren County, NY.

We hope you will enjoy this summer's offerings.

HAGUE MUSEUM

Clifton West, Town Historian

The Hague Museum, located in the Hague Community Center received the following artifacts from its friends:

Ice creepers, butter skimmer (Marian Shoemaker); old farm tools (Dayton Dunkley family); album of pictures taken on the West Farm before 1907 (Betty Densmore); book TALES OF WITT COOK by Arthur Carr (Alfred Stanley); picture of an ancient log house in Hague, dated 1854 (William Houck of Horicon); picture of Col. W. D. Mann and Mrs. Harry Watrous at the dedication of the Hague bridge (Betty Decker).

The museum is beginning to have quite a good collection, thanks to the generous donations which we have received. So stop in when you have a few minutes. We think you will enjoy it!

TI FARMERS' MARKET TO BEGIN SOON

The Adirondack Farm Market Coop Inc. in cooperation with the Ti Chamber of Commerce and Ti Business Assoc. will sponsor a Farmers' Market in Ticonderoga from 9AM to 1PM each Saturday in back of Norstar Bank beginning in mid-June. The market will be open to backyard gardeners as well as farmers. Baked goods, maple syrup jams and jelly and eggs will be sold.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS , 5/23/91

The Zoning Board moved to grant the area variance as requested by the Santaniellos to allow for a minor subdivision.

On the Ward's request to allow a variance to construct a 6 foot fence along the property line between his marina storage facility and the Busy Bee Trailer Park, the Board moved to grant a 2-foot height variance for constructing this fence.

The Board discussed the agendas for upcoming NYPF seminars. Mr. Breitenbach requested that anyone interested in attending please notify him as soon as possible.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10PM.

HAGUE PLANNING BOARD - 6/6/91

The public hearing on the Santaniello minor subdivision which had been scheduled for 6/6/91 was re-scheduled for 7/11/91 at 7:00PM. The delay was due to the fact that the required public notice had not been advertised at least 5 days before such hearing.

A statement was read from H. Wayne Judge, Esq. addressing the Board's concern over creating a lot without road frontage as proposed by Dorothy Engler. Attorney Judge confirmed Mrs. Engler's intent to convey the 32+ acre parcel to the state of NY which presently owns contiguous lands in the area known as Roger's Rock State Campsite. A public hearing was scheduled for the proposed 2-lot subdivision on July 11 at 7:10PM.

A site review was scheduled for William Icke's proposal to add a 12'x20' addition to his Pine Cove residence.

A site review was scheduled for Robert Katzman's proposal to subdivide lot 72 (formerly the recreation building) of Arcady Commons into a 1.1 Ac. building lot. The balance of Lot 72 would be added to lands owned by the Arcady Bay Homeowners' Association and would provide a 50' x 240' access to the 30' x 270' lakeshore area where the rental boat docks are located. A public hearing on the proposal was scheduled for July 11 at 7:20PM.

The application of Judith Doran to add a 12' x 20' addition to an existing residence that would encroach on the required 10' side lot set back was tabled because applicant failed to submit sufficient information to the Board.

The Board held a discussion on possible ways to resolve illegally created lots. The New York State Planning Federation is to be contacted for any information or assistance that they may be able to provide concerning these lots.

Alison Craig withdrew her decision to resign from the Planning Board.

The Planning Board held a special meeting of 5/23/91 and went into Executive Session at 7:32PM to discuss personnel matters. The Executive Session closed at 8:25PM. A brief discussion was held concerning upcoming area-wide workshops for Planning & Zoning Board members. The special meeting closed at 8:28PM.

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HAGUE TOWN BOARD , 6/11/91

At the well-attended June 11 town board meeting, Supervisor Bolton announced New York State's intention to start reconstruction on the Rt. 9N-Rt. 8 intersection in Hague. Work is scheduled to start in April 1992. This project had been planned for 1995 but Bolton was able to convince the state engineers to start early. A sketch of the finished project can be viewed in the supervisor's office. Thinking ahead, the supervisor has asked for tubes to be placed at future sewer and water lines and has been assured these are included.

In other business:

1. Staff from Division of Equalization and Assessment will meet with our assessor and the town board on July 16 to discuss the revaluation. On Friday, July 26, 1991 at 7PM a reval. informational meeting for the general public will be held.

2. A report entitled "The Actual Costs of Solid Waste Management: Rising Impact on New York State Towns" was received from Association of Towns. This report was the result of the findings of a questionnaire mailed to 932 N.Y. State supervisors.

3. Letter from N.Y. State Revolving Fund for water pollution control listing three items that must be included in request for inclusion in the 1992 Intended Use Plan. This amounts to about 3 million dollars and we will have the only plant of its kind in the state. Hague residents will pay for operation and maintenance but only if they reside within the designated district.

4. Mary Jenkins of Wheelchair Dancing, wrote about using the community center for disabled dancing this summer. Her proposal was approved for a \$400,000 HUD grant was approved. Resolution #10 to authorize a public hearing on June 20 at 6:30PM to discuss the application.

6. Re-embursement procedures for reval funding in 1992 was noted.

7. Our main meeting room in Community Center is enhanced by a new flag set donated by The American Legion Post in Hague.

8. The Boy Scouts will have barrels at the Town Park. Please donate your cans and bottles. They will be collected as necessary.

9. When a boater pays \$10 to launch his boat he will get a 50¢ red garbage bag and it can be placed in the park garbage cans on his return.

MARCELLA SEMBRICH MUSEUM

The Marcella Sembrich Opera Museum in Bolton Landing is open to visitors for an extended season June 15 to Sept. 15. A collection of memorabilia of Metropolitan Opera diva Marcella Sembrich spans her career as an internationally acclaimed opera and concert star as well as a vocal teacher 1877-1935. On display are music scores, costumes, gifts and art from her collection.

Composer Richard Wargo, curator, gives tours of the exhibits and plays recordings of Sembrich and other greats of the Golden Age of Opera.

The Opera Museum is open daily 10-12:30 and 2-5:30. Admission is free, but contributions are welcome. 6/91

RECYCLING EXPANDS IN HAGUE

John Breitenbach, Jr., Recycling Coordinator

As of June 15, 1991, the Town will be able to accept #1 PET plastic (clear plastic soda bottles, peanut butter jars, etc.) and colored #2 High Density Polyethylene (PDPE), in addition to the "natural" HDPE (milk jug plastic) that we are now accepting. The only exception is that no "HDPE AUTOMOTIVE OIL BOTTLES" will be accepted. The residual oil presents special problems in recycling so we need to avoid them until further notice.

Please check the recycling stamp on the bottom of plastic containers to identify HDPE and PET plastics. If you are not sure, check with the attendants at the landfill.

It is very important to thoroughly clean all recyclable containers and make sure they are dry. Contaminated loads will be rejected at market and returned at Town expense. This will force us to reject unacceptable recyclables locally. Also, only black and white newspaper is acceptable for recycling. All colored inserts and flyers are contaminants and will be rejected. A cooperative effort by all will make a successful recycling program and reduce solid waste costs for everyone. For further information, contact John Breitenbach at the Community Center, 543-6161.

DEC WILL DECIDE ON SONAR USE

The state Department of Environmental Conservation is expected to make a final decision this week on the registration of a herbicide that could be used to rid Lake George of milfoil.

DowElanco, an Indianapolis-based manufacturer of herbicides and insecticides has tried for four years to have the herbicide, fluridone, known commercially as Sonar, registered by the DEC's Bureau of Pesticides. DowElanco and DEC officials met May 21 to discuss the possibility of registering Sonar in New York state. New York is one of only two states that does not approve Sonar. \$275,000 has been spent on milfoil control on Lake George, including hand harvesting and mechanically harvesting. The director of LGA says we should continue with the mechanical pulling of the weed. She said a variety of mechanical techniques and Sonar must be used to treat the milfoil problem.

LAKE GEORGE PARK COMMISSION

The Lake George Park Commission's Project Review Committee will meet Monday, June 17, 1:00PM at the Lake George Town Center, Old Post Road, Lake George.

The Commission's Law Enforcement Committee will meet Wednesday, June 19, 4:30PM at Canoe Island Lodge, Diamond Point. The Committee will conduct the majority of its business at this meeting in Executive Session. Public wishing to attend the regular session should contact the Commission office for an estimated schedule.

The Commission will conduct a regular meeting on Thursday, June 20, 1:00PM at the Lake George Town Center.

These meetings are open to the public.

TICONDEROGA HERITAGE MUSEUM

In colonial times it typically took two men with a pit saw one day to cut 12 boards by hand. In the late 1750s the French used a water-powered sawmill on the LaChute River near Ticonderoga, NY to up their production to 60 boards a day to build a fort to hold back the British. Today in New York State about 500 sawmills produce more than 1.3 million board feet of lumber daily.

The growth and current importance of the many forest products industries will be explored in "Forest Bounty and Water Power", a new exhibit that will open June 29th at the Ticonderoga Heritage Museum, located on the banks of the same LaChute River that powered that French sawmill.

While the French were ultimately forced to withdraw from the area and had to destroy their sawmill so it would not fall into British hands, over the next 200 years the LaChute River served as the site for numerous sawmills fed by the enormous North Country forests.

Even today, after centuries of logging, New York has the most forestland of the 20 northeastern states: forests cover 18.5 million acres, or about 62 percent of the state.

The thousands of people employed in the state's forest related industries produce a staggering variety of products that touch every aspect of the average American's daily life, from houses to paper, from bowling pins to baseball bats. Indeed, forest-related products are something most people have come to take them for granted.

The highlight of the "Forest Bounty" exhibit will be a large array of items made from wood or wood products that will demonstrate just how common - and important - forest products are in our lives.

The "Water Power" companion exhibit will show how the LaChute River's falling waters were harnessed to power an amazing variety of mills in Ticonderoga: saw, grist, wool, graphite, pulp and paper from colonial times to the early 1970's, making Ticonderoga a regional industrial center for over 200 years. The present day use of the LaChute to generate electricity will also be featured.

The Museum, located next to Bicentennial Park in the historic 1888 building will be open daily from 10:00AM to 4:00PM beginning June 29 throughout the summer. For information call 585-6366.

CAMPING IS FUN

4-H camping is a great experience, especially at 4-H Camp Sacandaga which is located in the heart of the Adirondacks in Speculator, NY.

Camping season starts on June 30 and goes through August 16 for boys and girls from 8 to 19 years of age. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE ENROLLED AS A 4-H MEMBER TO ATTEND.** The broad and varied camp program includes: swimming, sailing, canoeing, environmental education, wilderness camping, a horse program, and the Creative Renewable Arts Program which this year will feature great ideas for crafts from recycled materials.

For information write to Cornell Cooperative Extension Office, HCR02, Box 23B, Warrensburg, NY 12885. Telephone 623-3291 or 668-4881.

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NATURE NEWS

Laura Meade

During the spring months, 81 species of birds were positively identified, with a few sightings not definitely known. A few hawks, warblers and one unusual duck were difficult to identify and therefore were listed as "mysteries".

Nests of eastern bluebirds, purple finches, grackles, mallards, chipping sparrows, barn swallows, bank swallows, cliff swallows, tree swallows, purple martins, least flycatchers, robins, phoebes, horned grebes, and bobolinks have been seen in the Town of Hague. Some unusual migrants this year were a Canada warbler, a Tennessee warbler, pied-billed grebes and ring-necked ducks. Quite a few Canada geese have been observed flying north during the first week of June, which seems VERY late for their migration. A pair of common loons are at Jabe Pond, but they should NOT be disturbed during their June nesting season.

A new-born fawn (alone and asleep) was seen up the hill behind Trout House Village on June 6. Probably the mother was nearby. A good rule to follow when discovering young chicks or newborn animals is "If you care - leave them there". More often than not a parent will provide essential care and it is possible for humans to interfere with nature's plans.

NEW LAKE LEVEL CONTROLS

Since Consolidated Hydro Inc. began managing the lake level to produce power, lake users have noted that great fluctuations in the lake level have become more frequent and that the resulting problems have been more severe. Last spring and summer the level surpassed the maximum allowable limit for long stretches on several occasions. At other times, some people had difficulty getting their boats away from their docks because the level had been drawn down so far that their boats were literally stuck in the mud.

The new lake level guidelines provide for certain discharge rates to the LaChute River that are dependent upon defined lake levels as measured on the Rogers Rock gauge. Based on years of data, the guidelines are primarily intended to address recreational and environmental needs, while also allowing the lake to be used for power production.

Another welcome improvement is that DEC's supervisory and enforcement powers are now more clearly defined. If the lake gets too high, DEC can force Consolidated Hydro to close the gates in order to sustain the lake level.

Furthermore, Consolidated Hydro has already indicated a willingness to be cooperative when it temporarily restricted its operations in late April to allow the lake level to rise to target levels for the start of the recreational season in May.

Lake users are asked to remember that the lake is a relatively natural system and that fluctuations of several inches will continue. The guidelines are based upon years of data and normal weather patterns. Even though

the lake level can be regulated to some degree by humans, unpredictable and uncontrollable weather events can disrupt the best laid plans.

In a year like this, with an early spring, the lake level may not be as high as early as everyone would like to start the boating season. In an historically wet season, the lake level may be higher than everyone would prefer. And so on.

Give the new guidelines a chance. Remember, different people have different needs and the guidelines are an attempt to do the best for the majority. Keep the LGA and the DEC informed of your assessment of this year's management.

There will be a memorial service for Wallace H. Allison at The Grace Memorial Chapel on Sabbath Day Point on June 30 at 4PM. Reception immediately following the service on the Allison's lawn. Mr. Allison died on December 19, 1990.

BLACK WATCH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Jill Kurtz

The Black Watch Memorial Library is set to celebrate its 90th birthday during Ticonderoga Library Week, July 14-20. Several events have been planned around the theme "90 Years and Going Strong." The majority of the activities will also serve as fund raisers for a planned expansion of the library. "To best serve the community we need more space", explained Librarian Sue Deobold. The town of Ticonderoga has set the stage for expansion by purchasing the small building behind the Black Watch Library. Volunteers are now working on a cost effective way out the structure into usable library space. Among the activities planned for Library Week are:

- A poker and bridge card party on Thursday, July 18.
- A giant book sale at the library on Friday and Saturday, July 19 and 20.
- A 50/50 raffle with the winner chosen on Saturday July 20 at the library.
- T-shirts for sale through local merchants featuring the "90 Years and Going Strong" theme.
- A presentation to the library of a specially inscribed copy of Ronald Reagan's autobiography in dedication to the Ti Mill employees who made the paper for its pages.

The community is invited to participate in all these events. Library supporters are also encouraged to join the Friends of the Black Watch Library. Membership fees begin at \$5.00 per year.

HANCOCK HOUSE GALLERY

The Hancock House Gallery is now showing an exhibit of the paintings of Galen Bigelow. These are oil paintings and will be on exhibit until June 29.

On July 4 Roberta Whitely will have her oil paintings of Lake George Boat Houses on exhibit, until July 25. The public is cordially invited to visit the Hancock House and its gallery. Paintings in both exhibits will also be for sale.

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HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

The Hague Fire Dept. and Emergency Squad are pleased to report that we raised \$865.00 at our spaghetti dinner. We'd like to thank those people who attended the dinner and please know we appreciate the support. A special thank you and note of gratitude is extended to Dottie Henry, Ethel Andrus, Bertha Dunsmore, Julie Leroi, Kevin Leroi, Norma Megow, Marian Shoemaker, Paul Smith and Rick Myers, all of whom volunteered their time and energy to make this dinner a success. They have been singled out because they are not active members of our company but still they were willing to work very hard and made the success of the dinner possible.

At this time it is with regret that we announce the resignation of Marilyn Priore as our Food Chairperson. Marilyn has held this position for three years and has done an outstanding job at organizing and producing our various breakfasts, lunches and dinners. Not only has she been responsible for our various fundraisers but Marilyn also provides repasts for our fire and ambulance crews. It has always been a most welcome sight when Marilyn and her co-chairperson Joyce Monroe show up with hot coffee or cold sodas during long calls, not to mention sandwiches and smiles that always appear at the right time.

In the hardest of times with minimal help, Marilyn has managed to make our fund raisers successful and provided for our members on calls. The weather, the time of day or night, the lack of assistance have all been setbacks she and her committed few have had to face, but they've never given up. Unfortunately, it is the minimal help and the constant headaches it creates that have played an integral part in her decision to resign.

The fire company shall have great difficulty showing our gratitude and will sorely miss Marilyn's hard work and expertise.

The Hague Firemen's Annual Steak Roast will be held at the Hague Town Beach Saturday, June 15 at 5PM. Also, the Hague Firemen's Breakfast will be held Saturday, June 15 at 6AM and Sunday, June 16 at 4AM at the Hague Community Center. With these activities in mind, I would like to challenge our townspeople to give of their valuable time and lend a hand in the weekend's activities. It takes a lot of people to be able to make a breakfast or dinner successful. Help is needed with setting up, cooking, serving, doing dishes, cleaning up and breaking down both mornings, and Saturday afternoon. Even if you can spare no more than an hour you'll find something that needs to be done. We'll keep you busy.

This challenge is not for this weekend alone, neither is it meant for the fire company alone. If you'll take just a moment to stop and think - who do you see doing the work for the fire company, the Hague Fish and Game Club, the Hague Winter Carnival, the Beste Scholarship fund raisers? The same familiar people, the same familiar names. The people of this town need to work together for the good of the community. These same people, working so hard to give our town life, self worth, enjoyment, will eventually become frustrated and burnt out if they aren't

already, and join the onlookers that already exist. Then what? Who will work the committees for the Winter Carnival or the Beste Fund? Will there be another Steak Roast or Ham Dinner? Will you miss the Fish and Game Club's Steak and Lobster Roast? Where will the coffee, donuts, soup and sandwiches come from on election day?

We all have our own lives to live; we have jobs and families; we set our priorities. Our lives, jobs, families, priorities all come together to make up this community in which we live. Be part of your town, have pride in your community. Work together for the betterment and enjoyment of your home town. Take the first step this weekend; call Marilyn Priore, Dan Belden or any fire company member and offer a helping hand.

Let's not give up the faith, but stand by your community so we can stand by you.

JUNE IS FOR WEDDINGS

Because a circle is endless, a wedding ring is the symbol of undying love. The third finger left hand was chosen long ago, when it was thought to be connected directly to the heart by the 'vena amoris,' the vein of love.

When bride and groom share a piece of wedding cake, they 'break bread in kinship..' The bride's knife signifies the new wife's readiness to be keeper of her own household.

The bride's garter is a good luck tradition begun in days of chivalry by the knights of the Order of the Garter. 'Fate is sealed for the bachelor gay, when the bride's garter is tossed his way.' The bride's bouquet has the same history.

From earliest times, newlyweds have been showered with the rice of abundance, while the bride's father threw her shoe after the groom, as a token of his surrender of his daughter.

ODE TO THE HAGUE CHRONICLE

Cast me on a desert island,
 Leave me on a lonely reef;
 Though my life be vile and horrid,
 I will not display my grief.
 I'll not, beneath life's heavy load,
 Be shattered, bowed and bent,
 If the Chronicle of Hague
 Is regularly sent.

Not for me the verse of Milton,
 Bible reading soon would irk:
 Happiness could ne'er be built on
 Daily bits of Shakespeare's work.
 That journal of the news of Hague
 I'll take o'er poems and plays;
 Ah, what cake with which to feed
 Your hungry mind thru empty days!
 ... Harry deBuy, 1984

SOUNDINGS

BORN - A daughter, Amber Lynn, to Barbara and Randy Perkins, Hague, on March 3, 1991 at Moses Ludington Hospital. Grandparents are Allen and Anne Perkins, Hague and Floyd and Alberta Scott, Ticonderoga.

MARRIED - Amanda Ann Leonard, daughter of Mrs. Richard M. Leonard, Scotia and Hague, NY. to Mr. Thomas John Vickersen, Jr., son of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Vickersen of Schenectady, NY on June 15, 1991 in Scotia.

RUDY MEOLA, son of Rudy Meola, Hague and Sharon Lamb, Glens Falls, graduated from Albany Law School on June 1. He is now associated with Richard J. Miller Assoc. PC in Albany, NY.

HANK FEIBUSCH, son of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Feibusch, Lake Shore Terrace, Hague, has graduated from R.I.T. with a degree in Civil Engineering Technology.

JOHN T. HENRY, son of Mr. & Mrs. John R. Henry, Fajardo, PR was named valedictorian of his eighth grade class at Fajardo Academy.

DAVID MARTUCCI, Hague was admitted into the Institute of Assessing Officers at a meeting of the board of trustees of the NYS Assessors Association on April 25. The LAO designation also qualifies the recipient as a state certified assessor professional (SCAP). Mr. Martucci was an elected assessor for the town of Hague for seven years.

Ticonderoga High School Senior LISA COBB was among the senior students at THS who were awarded a certificate and pin for being a Presidential Academic Scholar. The awards go to seniors who meet G.P.A., SAT and ACT, and of course load requirements set by the federal government.

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following students from Hague have been listed on the fifth marking period honor roll at Ticonderoga High School:

High Honors: TREVA BRAISTED, ANTHONY DeFRANCO, ELIZABETH DeFRANCO, CAROLYN DYKSTRA, MICHELLE WATERS, VICKIE WATERS

Second Honors: LISA COBB, RICHARD COBB, ALISON LaCOURSE, JENNI OWENS, LEA PORTER, KELLY YAW

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU!!

MIDDLE SCHOOL

The following students from Hague are named to the third quarter achievement roll at Ti Middle School:

ELIZABETH BRUNET, JESSICA FRASIER, JESSICA MARS. CONGRATULATIONS !!

BETH BRUNET, an eighth grader in Ti Middle School has had her artwork selected for the Adirondack Center Museum's "Best of '91 Student Art Show" in Elizabethtown, NY. This is a juried show of students in the Essex County area with prizes and awards given in a variety of categories. She is one of five students from Ti school whose works were accepted. They all entered 3-dimensional works, both figurative sculptures and architectural designs. CONGRATULATIONS!

DOTTIE HENRY HONORED

THE DATE: May 16, 1991

THE PLACE: The Inn (on the National Register of Historic Sites) at The Silver Bay Association.

THE OCCASION: The Warren/Hamilton Counties' Senior Luncheon.

It was a beautiful spring day in a beautiful setting when over three hundred Senior Citizens gathered for luncheon and for honoring the Senior Citizens from their respective counties. Hamilton County's Senior Citizens were Irene and Edward Gray of Wells. Warren County's Senior of the Year was Marguerite Reilly from North Creek. Our very own Dorothy Henry ("Dottie" - yes, the publisher of the paper you are now reading!) was the recipient of a special award created this year to honor the citizen for special service to his/her community. The supervisors from Wells, North Creek and Hague presented their respective honorees with their certificates of award. Supervisor Richard Bolton, Hague, Chairman of the Warren County Board of Supervisors was also the guest speaker for the occasion.

Dottie Henry has been volunteering for years, beginning with her stint in the Army in World War II. Wherever she has lived she has given time and talent to her community, but her adopted town (Hague) has certainly been blessed with her generous spirit. When her children were young she founded the Hague Girl Scouts and the Hague Public Library and she was, for ten years a volunteer in the Physical Therapy Department of the Moses Ludington Hospital. She is past president of both The Carillon Garden Club and The Ticonderoga Festival Guild. She has been a deacon in the Hague Baptist Church and is the person who arranges and prints the church bulletin each week, as well as being responsible for the flowers that decorate the church each Sunday. She is a supportive member of the Hague Volunteer Fire Department, a member of the American Legion and of the Champlain Valley Chorale. But her greatest achievement, the one of which she is the proudest, and the one largely responsible for her award is being the publisher (and often reporter, editor, "go-fer" and general factotum - a veritable feminine Figaro) of THE HAGUE CHRONICLE, this monthly newspaper of "All That Fits We Print" items of concern and interest to both the year-round and seasonal residents of Hague.

This year the Warren County Office For the Aging also gave certificates of appreciation to the officers of the Warren County Council of Senior Citizens. Eleanor Jenks, North Creek, Jean Martzinek, Glens Falls and Ethel Andrus, Silver Bay were presented with these certificates.

Jim Baker from the Warren/Hamilton Office for the Aging was master of ceremonies for the occasion.

In addition to her recognition award, Mrs. Henry was presented with a handsome bouquet by Mrs. Eleanor Jenks, President of the Warren County Senior Citizens Council. The Council presented these bouquets to each lady honoree. Frances Clifotn, representing The Carillon Garden Club, gave Dottie a basket floral arrangement.

All in all, it was Dottie's Day and a great day for Hague. .

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS - JUNE/JULY 1991

June

- 15/16 BASS Tournament
 Breakfasts Sat. and Sun., Steak roast Sat. see p. 6
 16 FATHERS' DAY
 18 Home Bureau spring luncheon
 18 Fish and Game Club - 7:30PM
 19 VOTE ON PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET see p1
 19 Senior Citizen Bus to Glens Falls
 19 School Board meeting - 7:30 THS
 21 Baptist Church bake sale
 21 HOORAY FOR SUMMER
 22 Ticonderoga High School commencement.
 25 Senior Citizens Club meeting - 1:30, trip to Bolton meal site at 11:25AM.

Hats off!

Along the street there comes
 A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums,
 A flash of colour beneath the sky:

Hats off!

The flag is passing by!
 Blue and crimson and white it shines
 Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines.

Hats off!

The colours before us fly;
 But more than the flag is passing by
 Sea-fights and land-fights, grim and great
 Fought to make and to save the State:
 Weary marches and sinking ships;
 Cheers of victory on dying lips;

July

- 1 Fire Department meeting - 7:30PM
 3 American Legion meeting - 7:30PM
 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY
 9 Town Board meeting - 6:30PM
 10 CHRONICLE DEADLINE
 11 Planning Board - 7:30PM Public hearings begin at 7PM
 Veterans' Administration representative is in Town Center every Thursday at 11:00AM. Call first

Days of plenty and years of peace;
 March of a strong land's swift increase;
 Equal justice, right, and law,
 Stately honour and reverend awe;

Sign of a nation, great and strong
 Toward her people from foreign wrong:
 Pride and glory and honour, --all
 Live in the colours to stand or fall.

Hats off!

Along the street there comes
 A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums;
 And loyal hearts are beating high:

Hats off!

The flag is passing by! .. Henry Holcomb Bennett

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