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## HAGUE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SPONSORED BY HUD

The Federal Government has made funds available for certain home repairs. These funds are administered by the Warren County Office of Community Development for the purpose of providing grants to eligible homeowners to correct health and safety problems.

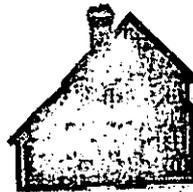
100% grants are available for home repairs if you live in the Town of Hague and your total household income complies with the set standard.

Priority will be given to the elderly. All homes assisted must have been occupied by the same family for at least six months.

The following list identifies those areas of the residence which have priority for repair as they affect an applicant's health and safety.

### Priority Repair

- Well/water line
- Septic system
- Roof
- Structural repairs
- Electrical service
- Furnace/heating system
- Plumbing
- Chimney
- Rodent and vermin infestation



### Secondary Repairs

- Windows/exterior doors
- Storm windows/doors
- Insulation/Floor coverings
- Painting (exterior)
- Siding
- Dry Well
- Interior doors
- Rubbish/trash removal

More information and a confidential application may be obtained at the Community Center or from Hague's Advisory Committee members: Linda Fish, Melita Shattuck, Ann Johns, Kay Barton, John Brown, Bill Bothe, Mike Bailey and Bill Glenn.



### HVFD

Our volunteers have been very busy in the past month: nine fire calls were responded to in July. Ambulance 740 made 22 runs, covered 1295 miles, and Ambulance 741 had 3 runs with 344 miles added to its odometer. Volunteers contributed almost 230 hours to these ambulance

calls. (Yes, our volunteers were among those called to the tragic bus accident at exit 24).

Chief David would like to remind ALL firemen of two drills to be held: Aug 14th and 29th.

Fund raisers are still in progress. As this is being written, we are looking forward to SOUND OF MUSIC presented by the SBA EMPS on the 10th. Also, ahead of us will be the annual Columbus Day dinner at Silver Bay Assoc. on Sat., Oct 7.

The Rummage Sale at the Old Town Hall is still open on Mon, Wed, Fri, and Sat from 9AM to 2PM. Still stacks of lovely clothes, including those sweaters that, if not necessary now, will be soon! There is also a Franklin stove, in excellent condition, priced at \$100. You are invited to come and browse.

The dollar signs from previous fund raisers are now available. The June steak roast rewarded us with \$810.00 and the two breakfasts held on BASS fishermen's weekend earned \$453.00. A successful food sale was held the Sunday of the Arts Fair and netted \$287.00. We thank the folks who gave us food items, and those who sent such generous donations in lieu of food (these donations have not been included in the food funds). We also thank Estelle, Joan, Norma and Ethel who tended the food tables and kept the items moving.

We realize that all of this sounds like a LOT of money, but money is what it takes to buy, equip and maintain our updated equipment (required by state law).

And a reminder that our volunteers are busy even when not rushing off to the scene of an accident; Susan Dera-gon and Gerry Boyd are currently taking a course that will enable them to become CPR instructors.

AND get-well wishes to Lu Megow - we hope (as does he!) that he will soon be off those crutches! . . . ewa

### MEET THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

A pasta dinner will be held on Sun, Aug 27 at the Northern Lake George Resort beginning at 5:30PM with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, followed by a pasta dinner at 6PM. Price - \$8.00

The following candidates will be there to meet members of the Republican Party:

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dan Belden - for Town Supervisor | Dave DeLarm - High-way Supervisor  |
| Robert Patchett - for Councilman | Dick Dunklee - High-way Supervisor |
| Mark Martucci - for Councilman   |                                    |
| Debbie Manning - for Town Clerk  |                                    |

Republican Primary will be held at the Community Center on September 12 from 12 noon - 9PM. Every Republican should exercise his right to vote at this time.



### CONCERT AT SILVER BAY

Long time Silver Bay summer resident Sandy Coffin, daughter of Carol Babinsky, will present a trumpet recital at the Silver Bay Association Chapel on Wed, Aug, 16 at 8PM. Sandy has recently been chosen as one of six Americans invited to perform at the Moscow International Trumpet Competition, to be held this Aug. 26 - Sep 5. The Competition will consist of three rounds of performances with piano accompaniment before an international panel of judges, made up of several of the foremost trumpet soloists in the world. The 3 top place winners will perform with leading Russian orchestras. This recital will consist of her program for the Competition, with works of Haydn, Hummel, Honegger, Goedicke, and Agafonnikov.

The concert is free. Donations to help defray the expenses of traveling to Russia for this competition will be gratefully received.

### HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Once again we are planning a car-pooling trip - this time to some nearby museums; we have three lined up, and may add a fourth. This trip will be on Wed, Sep 13, will leave the Hague Community Center about 8AM and will include visits to The Chimney Point Historic Site, the John Strong House (DAR Museum) and the Champlain Maritime Museum. We hope to add Rokeby, in N. Ferrisburg, VT. You must plan on Museum fees, and your lunch (at the Red Mill at Basin Harbor) when figuring your costs. Museum fees vary: from \$2 to \$6. Detailed information will be available by Aug 25 to all interested members. There will be a registration sheet at the Community Center. When registering, please indicate whether you need a ride or can offer a ride. **PLEASE REGISTER BY SEP 5.** Riders should remember to contribute to the driver's gasoline!

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### HAMILTON/WARREN COUNTY SENIOR PICNIC

The Hamilton/Warren County picnic will be held on Sep 6 (rain date, Sep 7) at Battlefield Park (off the Beach Rd in Lake George Village) at 12 o'clock noon. Grilled chicken, corn on the cob, chips and watermelon will be served. Coffee and doughnuts will be served to volunteers and early arrivals while supply lasts). The price of the meal is \$3.00, although no one will be denied a meal if unable to pay. **BRING YOUR OWN TABLECLOTH AND PLACE SETTINGS OF TABLEWARE** (paper plates will be provided). Because the Office For the Aging needs to know in order to provide food, please register to attend the picnic by phoning 543-6161. The last day to register is Aug 24..ewa

### PUPPET SHOW ON BEACH

A puppet show and other demonstrations which are designed to teach all ages about Lake George's ecosystem and environmental issues such as Eurasian Milfoil, Zebra Mussels and eutrophication is being held on the Hague Beach at 3:30PM. The program is being run by Karen Eng-

ler, a summer resident of Forest Bay and Brian McGrath.

Take some time to get your kids to the beach on Wednesday's for this very worth-while program.

### WOMEN HELPING WOMEN

"Dealing with Chronic Pain", our own and/or helping others to manage this problem. That's the subject of our next program on Monday, Sep 11 at 7PM at the Hague Community Center. Karen Marks, R.N., a nurse administrator at Glens Falls Hospital, will be our speaker. Karen has additional certification in medical surgical nursing, a B.A. in sociology, psychology and education, and is a published author of a textbook for nursing. Her main interest is pain management since she personally has known severe chronic pain, emotionally and physically. Karen initiated and maintains a Chronic Pain Support Group in the Glens Falls area to assist people who must live with this problem. Come and learn what you can do to help yourself, family and friends.

This program is free and geared for men and women of all ages. We look forward to welcoming residents of Ticonderoga, Putnam and Crown Point, as well as Bolton Landing and Glens Falls.

Women Helping Women is a group of women who meet the second Monday of each month with guest speakers covering topics concerned with women's well being - physical, emotional, social and intellectual.



### TICONDEROGA FESTIVAL GUILD

**FULL CIRCLE DANCE FOR KIDS**, a special workshop for children, which had been tentatively cancelled due to lack of funds, is alive and well, thanks to a donation recently received. It will take place under the tent on Tues, Wed, Thurs, and Fri, Aug. 22 - 25. The fee is \$10 per child, payable at registration at the tent on Wed. Aug. 16 at the Arts Trek performance. Rob Kitsos, recently seen in the performances by KO-MOTION, will conduct the workshop. The workshops will culminate in a lecture demonstration on Fri., Aug. 25, highlighting some of the work created by the children with each other and with Kitsos. The workshops are open to children from 6 - 12 as well as over-12-year-olds who will have the opportunity to "train" as teacher-assistants, learning some of the techniques of movement-dance-theater and how to impart these to others.

The Tl Festival Guild has provided quality live entertainment for the past fifteen years both on Tuesday evenings and on Wed. mornings at its award winning Arts Trek **FREE** programs for children. Funding for the Arts is down by almost 50% and individual and business donations and attendance receipts cannot cover costs.

The Festival Guild has one part-time paid director, occasional "hired hands" who do some of the physical work and a wonderful board of un-paid, dedicated volunteers.

The Guild needs your support if it is to carry on!

### ZONING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING 7/19/95

A special meeting was called by Chairman Cris Ginn to discuss the ongoing Ody's Restaurant problems. Cris Ginn, chairman, stated that the courts had given a stay of seven days to the Odys to keep the restaurant open. Before this was made known he had called the special meeting because the restaurant was to have closed before the regular meeting was scheduled and he wanted to have a vote on the variance before that happened.

Much discussion was held about whether Mr. Levy (owner of the building and applicant for a variance) met the criteria which is set forth in the zoning ordinance to permit a variance in this case. Some of the reasons for the hardship were • that the applicant relied on representations from the town and federal government • anybody can buy a piece of property with it in the back of his mind that he could apply for use variance. • Federal government did not say it was not residential. • Present use predated zoning ordinance. • It would be easy to show Open Hearth predated ordinance. • Does the ordinance work a hardship on Mr. Levy - yes, according to the chairman.

The chairman also stated that he did not believe the lakefront was suitable for residential use and that the proximity of the building to the road and the noise factor made it undesirable. He stated that the town attorney didn't have too much to say about it, only that the variance had to follow four points in the ordinance. The rights of the neighbors have to be considered.

The unique circumstance of the government seizure kept applicant from commercial use. (Ed. However, the applicant did not buy the property until after the government had put it on the market and advertised it as a residential property.) Chairman Ginn stated that the most reasonable return is for the building to be used as a restaurant/bar. Some members of the board feel that Mr. Levy has imposed a self-inflicted hardship on himself, while other members feel that the hardship is not self-created.

There was a discussion of hours for the restaurant/bar to be open. Since the county has a 4AM law, the chairman felt that 2AM would be reasonable, since, he stated most people in Hague don't go out until late in the evening. No decision was made.

A board member raised a question as to whether or not the building as it is being used meets the NY Bldg. and Fire Codes. No decision was reached pertaining to this question since Warren County enforces the NY codes, and not the town of Hague.

It was a 3-hour meeting - no decisions were made. . djh

### REGULAR ZBA MEETING - JULY 27, 1995

The ZBA was still working on a resolution to the problem of Ody's Restaurant at the July 27 meeting. Prior to the meeting a procedural error was discovered and the board was advised not to make a decision.

The Planning Board MUST see the application package for its input. This did not happen. The Planning Board will undoubtedly take up the matter at its August 3 meeting.

When the ZBA gets the Planning Board's information, Chairman Ginn can call a special meeting to consider Mr. Levy's request (61-1.5) Ody's Restaurant - for a use variance at that time. With the granted stay, Ody's is still in operation. . . gl

### SPECIAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON SEWER

When the sewer project started Hague was only in line for a 35% grant to cover costs. Today we are expecting 100% funding. This is certainly inducement enough for Hague residents to give the project serious thought. As you know, we are in the process of legally forming Sewer District #1.

Questions were raised about extending the system north and south of the boundaries. Petitions were suggested, but we were reminded the funding was for the original plan. There would be probably be additional costs if the plans were changed. Construction costs now are estimated at \$4,502,200. After paying tie-in costs it is assumed property owners would only be responsible for paying the annual operation and maintenance. This is estimated to be a cost of \$350. for an average single family home.

For additional information a complete report can be seen at the Community Center. The next step will be a public hearing to be announced. We hope there will be a bigger turnout of Hague property owners so they may get the correct information, instead of rumors. . . gl

### PLANNING BOARD - 8/3/85

The only item on the Planning Board's agenda for Aug. 3 was to answer a request from the ZBA for their recommendation on the Ody's Restaurant application by Mr. Levy for a use variance.

After a very involved discussion, a site visit to ODY's was made during the meeting, and upon its return the Planning Board concluded they would only suggest conditions to be proposed. ~~IE~~ the ZBA decided to grant the use variance requested. These included noise, hours, parking, egress, vegetative trimming, etc. . . . gl

### TOWN BOARD 8/8/85

The meeting opened with a moment of silence in memory of William Foster, who was a former Zoning administrator in the town. When the meeting was opened to comments from the audience, a very lengthy letter was read by George Hawkins asking many questions and including various statements concerning the proposed sewer district for Hague. One that received some agreement from the audience was, that in his opinion, ALL Hague voters should be allowed to decide on Sewer District #1 and not just those residents who would be involved in the original plan.

There were letters & petitions presented requesting extensions to the north and south. Supervisor Belden felt we must go in the direction we started but will present the petitions to Warren County Sewer Planning Committee to see if there are funds for further study. A new impact statement would be necessary and there would be additional costs.

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**TOWN BOARD (cont. from page 3)**

If for some reason we were to lose funding because we do not proceed as planned we may not see that money again. A public hearing will be scheduled in the near future.

On the national level HUD is considering a restructuring of its present program and is looking for local input. A committee will be formed in town to suggest ideas for reform.

The New York Power Authority has established an energy efficient lighting program (HELP) to identify, finance and install cost effective energy efficiency improvements. Supv. Belden will be meeting with representatives at a future date to discuss consideration of their plan.

Information has been received from the Lake George Park Commission about Marine Patrol Assistance available to Hague for enforcement of any ordinances which pertain to vessels, mooring and docking.

A new service for Hague families has been developed by the Silver Bay Assoc. under the direction of Helen Barton. It is child care and is sorely needed. There will be an Open House at the beautiful new child care center on Aug 16. The center will open officially on Sep 6. Hours are 7:30AM to 4:30PM. Fee structure will be on a sliding scale. Call 543-8833 for detailed information.

A meeting will be held in Albany on Aug. 24 at 10AM on the school tax.

Mike Manning has been chosen by the Republican Party as custodian of the voting machine. Michelle Gautreau has been recommended by the Democrats.

Hague received a good report at each of its water sampling spots.

The county has proposed a new property tax law.

Warren County hopes to have the purchase of Swede Mt. settled by Sep.

Bruce Caza, assessor, tendered his resignation as of Sep. It was accepted and the personnel committee will start the search for a new assessor.

Hague will receive \$756.00 from the \$2,331 in fines collected by our justice, as reported by Councilman Meola.

A concern was expressed that monthly reports, including minutes of meetings, to the supervisor and board, have been slow in coming.

Councilman Meola suggested additional funds for youth programs might be found for next year. There was a most successful field trip to the Whiteface Indian Festival and he would like to plan more for the coming year. He also suggested cultural events in the park. (Do you remember the movies we enjoyed a few years ago?)

Money is available to replace the present wire fence near the brook on the Center property with a split rail fence topped with attractive lighting. The new basketball court is getting lots of use. . . .gl

ED: On Wednesday, Aug 10 Supv. Belden received word from Warren County that the initial sewer grant will cover the additional costs of an engineering study for the extensions requested. This means no extra costs to the taxpayer. Supv. Belden also found out that according to law only the people who are in the sewer district #1 may vote. This answers one of Mr. Hawkions' questions.

**WE GET LETTERS:**

"I am writing to express and explain to the community my views concerning Norman Levy's current application for a use variance to operate his Silver Bay property as a commercial restaurant/bar. First, I am disappointed and dismayed that the Hague Zoning Board of Appeals appears to be inclined toward endorsing this application. Careful scrutiny of this matter shows that Mr. Levy has utterly failed to meet the conditions necessary for approval of a use variance. The most glaring deficiency in his application is that he has not established that it would be a 'hardship' to limit his property to residential usage, and he has certainly not shown that this supposed hardship was not of his own creation.

If the Board approves Mr. Levy's application, it will be flaunting the Town's own Zoning Ordinance. Accordingly, the neighboring residents, including myself, will be forced to challenge the Board's decision by bringing a lawsuit against the Town. If this does come to pass, the expense incurred by the town in defending the Board's decision in such a lawsuit have been the direct by-product of the Town's irresponsible and unlawful actions in this matter. Thus, the Town will have only itself to blame for the expenses associated with this potential litigation. While nobody wishes to prolong the controversy associated with Mr. Levy's property, the Town, itself, makes it impossible to lay this matter to rest. I am confident that the Town's attorney has properly advised the Board that it must be exceedingly stringent in its consideration of Mr. Levy's application, and I would hope that he would further attempt to steer the town toward the right, and lawful decision.

Sincerely, /s/ Eleanor Sapakoff

**THE GLENS FALLS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** is proud to announce that Bruegger's Bagel Bakery will be underwriting a FREE concert in Crandall Park for the North Country Community in celebration of its first anniversary in Queensbury.

The FREE concert will be held on Aug 16 at 7:30PM and will perform music from Mozart, Rossini, Handel and Greig. For further info. call 793-1348, Symphony office.



**FLOWER  
SHOW  
SCHEDULED**

The Carillon Garden Club will present a flower show entitled "Bi, By, Buy" on Sep. 9 (Sat.) in The Hague Community Center from 1 - 4PM.

Design Classes scheduled are: "Say Goodbye to the Single Life"; "By-By Blackbird"; "Bi-Weekly"; "Bi-Sect"; "Never Say Goodbye" and "Bi-Lateral Agreement". There will also be a horticulture division and mums will be on sale.

The public is cordially invited to attend this annual flower show which will be judged in the morning and on display in the afternoon.

## FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Hague is in the fortunate position (at the moment) of having a food distribution twice monthly and anyone who meets the eligibility standards can be supplied. The dates and times are prominently displayed on the Community Center bulletin board, the Post Office, Hague Market, our monthly *Hague Chronicle* various church newsletters and bulletin boards.

In addition we have a food pantry for serious emergencies (loss of job, fire, etc.) Just call Georgina Lindquist at 543-6095. We can help you.

## INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

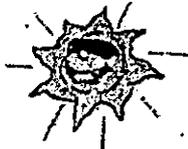
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Next food distribution August 29 from 1-2PM at the Community Center.

## WEATHER NOTES

Mary Lou Doulin



We have had much activity weather wise since the last writing. Fair weather extended to July 14 and then on Sat. morning, July 15 at 6AM, we had a violent storm with winds between 80 and 100 mph. Power lines and trees were down from here to the Mass. line. West Hague was without power for two days but we were fortunate in downtown Hague not to have lost any. The 6AM barometric pressure was the lowest I have ever seen. Humidity was excessively uncomfortable at all times but as the day progressed the sky became blue and the sun returned. The National Weather Bureau termed the violent storm a "microburst". A "microburst" forces 100mph gusts downward to the ground where they are deflected in all directions horizontally.

July 15 is known as St. Swithin's Day in England. It is a day to be carefully observed, as a proverb has it that the weather on that day determines the weather for the following 40 days. Since that day we have had lots of rain and many good days of sunshine.

We had another noteworthy storm on Thurs. Aug 4. We received 3" of rain, more excessive wind and golf ball size hail stones that did much damage to gardens. The tomato, corn and bean crops took a terrible beating.

In spite of the oppressive heat and humidity we only reached 100° once and we have only had 12 other days all summer that have reached 90° or above. We have had an abundance of hornets this summer, the yellow jackets and white-faced hornets are making their nests close to the ground which is an indicator that we will have little snowfall this winter.

The nights have finally cooled off and sleeping is beauti-

ful. The green lawns have reappeared and local vegetation, especially the flowers, look gorgeous. Night skies have been bright. Look for the Perseus meteor showers.

## DOES OUR AREA NEED A WAL-MART

Some area residents say a resounding YES but then others are equally vocal with their NO's. An application has been received and filed with the Ticonderoga Town Clerk and Planning Board. It has been sent to an Environmental Planning Co. that the town has hired to review it and to an environmental attorney in Albany. As it stands now, it is expected to take about four months before the application is approved or disapproved.

A group headed by Dr. Dean Cook calling themselves RIGHT - Responsible, Intelligent, Growth for Historic Ticonderoga, has been formed to oppose the building of a Wal-mart in Ticonderoga. The proposed location of a 97,000 square foot store is south of the 9N-22 intersection.

Inexpensive and plentiful merchandise, new jobs, and increased property and sales tax income are some of the benefits being heralded by supporters. Experience shows there is also a downside - a net loss of jobs, eroding tax base, increased traffic, and the creation of a "one store" town. The RIGHT group is asking residents to educate themselves and insist that town leaders get all the facts and let the public know the true impact of Wal-Mart on Ticonderoga.



## HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS

The annual summer picnic of the Senior Citizens of Hague will be held at the Hague Fish and Game Club on Tuesday, Aug 22 at 12 noon. Hot dogs, hamburgers and rolls will be furnished but it is requested that each senior bring a dish to share (salads, desserts, chips, etc. etc.) Please call the Community Center and have your name added to the list before Friday, Aug. 18 so that we may have some idea how many to expect. This is always a fun event and any senior in the town of Hague is invited to participate.

On Monday, September 18 the seniors will be bussing to Racquette Lake for a luncheon cruise. We will leave the Community Center promptly at 8:30AM (get there a little ahead of time) and will return at approximately 3PM. We are asking each person who has signed up at the Community Center for this trip, to please send a check for \$10 per person to Marguerite West c/o the Community Center or pay \$10 in cash to one of the secretaries. This should be paid by September 12 to insure your reservation. As of now reservations have been made for 47 people (which is the limit). We have started a standby list, which will be used in order of calls, in case an emergency arises that someone can't make the trip. **REMEMBER: SEND IN YOUR \$10 (WHICH INCLUDES BUS AND CRUISE AND LUNCH!) BEFORE AUGUST 12.**

The seniors appreciate the town board's generous support of the seniors of Hague. djh 8/95

### HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

The Historical Society has lending copies of two books on local history - *The Wilford Ross* book on the graphite industry - *Graphite* - and *Remembering Wardboro* by Kitty Eyerman. Wardboro was a flourishing town community in the valley south of Tongue Mountain, Padenarum Road. These books can be borrowed for a week at a time.

... Clifton West, Town Historian

### NATURE NEWS

Laura Meade

Recently, I attended four excellent informational presentations by experts from the Department of Environmental Conservation. Alan Hicks, using slides and data charts spoke about moose in the Adirondacks and adjoining areas; Lou Berchielli, bear expert, showed remarkable slides of those animals with humorous and informative comments; Tom Gliddi captured a curious audience with his descriptions and slides of bald eagles and Mark Brown displayed fur pelts, mounted specimens and interesting slides of Adirondack mammals.

I became curious as to the responsibilities of these speakers and their connection to DEC, so I telephoned the Wildlife Resources Center at Game Farm Rd. in Delmar and interviewed Eric Fried, coordinator for the duties of the experts there.

He said "There is a Wildlife Management Section which is a branch of the state-wide DEC Headquarters at 50 Wolf Rd. in Albany. That section, which coordinates and provides technical expertise for New York Wildlife Programs is located in a complex here at Delmar, in a building constructed in the late 1930's, plus an addition built in 1969. Peter Nye, a bald eagle expert, is the Endangered Species Unit Section leader, with other responsibilities delegated to Alan Hicks for bats and moose, Alvin Breisch for reptiles and amphibians, Barbara Loucks for captors and Kathy O'Brien for invertebrates. Other units are 1) Deer Management, 2) Bear Unit, 3) Fur Bearer and Small Game, 4) Game Bird Unit (concerning ducks, pheasants and turkeys, 5) Non-game and Habitat Unit (helping people identify birds and concerns for shore birds and mammals; and 6) Communications Unit (works with the public to disseminate information by way of citizen task forces and to address interests by bringing together for discussion those with differing views.)

"The DEC Regional offices also have staff responsibilities for local contacts. For instance, Mark Brown in Warrensburg is a mammal expert and Tom Gliddi at Ray Brook gathers bald eagle data by field trips and personal interviews."

In addition to these wildlife professionals, DEC has a Natural Heritage Program at a facility in Latham where Steve Young and Carol Reschke and others are located. Also, Douglas Schmid, a Senior DEC Forester at 50 Wolf Road, is responsible for the NY State Protected Native Plants Law.

Anyone interested in contacting any of these experts regarding presenting a program or for further information, may call me at 543-6060

The WINNER of the fishing equipment raffled by the Hague Fish and Game Club was **Ethan Snyder** from Mineville. CONGRATULATIONS!

**DID YOU KNOW?** that Hague has a list of drivers who volunteer their time to take Hague residents to appointments, etc. This service is for those who have no other means of transportation or are incapacitated.

We also have Meals on Wheels five days a week, also run by volunteers. Give these people a big pat on the back!

### FREE CONCERTS SCHEDULED AT SILVER BAY

Members of the Toronto Symphony, Royal Conservatory of Music, Manhattan School of Music and other organizations will perform in the first Silver Bay Summer Music Festival at the Silver Bay Association, Silver Bay, NY Aug. 25 to 31. Admission is FREE.

Directed by Brandt Fredriksen, who directs and performs around the world, the festival will feature piano, violin, cello, clarinet and soprano soloists. The first performance, on Aug 25, will be a dual piano recital. Fredriksen and Maria Asteriadou will perform works by Arnesky, Brahms and Rachmaninoff.

All performances begin at 8PM. For further info. call Silver Bay Assoc. at 543-8833.

### LATE AUGUST LAMENT

The seasons come, the seasons go  
Some race by, some pass slow  
I reason why, would love to know,  
Is it the sun which sends its heat  
That warms our bodies and minds to greet  
The summer days that can't be beat.  
Not only man but boasts as well  
Roast to sun as it casts its spell  
Makes nature bloom puts all in tune.

Now winter with its cold and snow  
Makes for tales of times of woe  
A telling fact that men feel low.  
In truth it is a time for play  
To eat and sleep can make the day  
And fill the air with laughter gay  
A fireside seat and meal that's warm  
Can set a scene that's filled with charm  
So cold alone does not man harm.

What is it then that makes them go  
Some fast and then another slow?  
Is it the fact that winter confines  
Much more than summer's warmer climes?  
Indeed we wrap ourselves up tight  
To keep out winter's frosty bite,  
While summer makes us cast off clothes  
And go outside to smell a rose.

You see that I can only pose  
And finally say, God only knows. . . Robert M. Cole, 8/93





# SOUNDINGS

BORN - A daughter, Grace Tamer, to Sheri (DeLarm) and Cris Ginn, Hague on June 13 in Glens Falls Hospital. Proud grandparents are Nancy and Dick Fogwell.

BORN - A boy, Andrew Hamilton, to Leslie and Tom Crabbs, Virginia Beach, VA on July 23. Grandparents are Mary and Ed Crabbs, Hague & Fredericksburg, VA. and great-grandmother is Mrs. E. Hamilton Crabbs, Hague. Andrew will be the fifth generation of Crabbs to enjoy visiting in Hague.

BORN - A daughter, Morgan Lee, to David Price and Becky Wolf, Jacksonville, FL on July 25. She is the grand-daughter of Bonnie (Bly) Price and great-granddaughter of Shirley Smith, Hague.

DIED - Louise C. Green, 77, Loveland, CO on May 22, 1995. Mrs. Green and her family resided during the summers for many years in Friends Point. She is survived by her husband "Bill" four daughters and a son and five grandchildren.

DIED - Herbert A. Belknap, 88, Overbrook Rd, Hague on July 14, 1995 in Holmes, Putnam County. A police officer for the village of Scarsdale for 30 years, he retired to Hague in 1967. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Raymond White, Salt Point, two granddaughters and four great-grandchildren.

DIED - William D. Foster, 81, Naples, FL, formerly of Sabbath Day Point, NY at Manor Care Nursing Home. Mr. Foster was a former Zoning Administrator for the town of Hague. He is survived by his wife, Jeannette, two sons, Peter, Hague, and David, Aspen, CO. and one sister, two grandchildren and a niece. Memorial service will be held on Wed, Oct 11 at 11AM at Grace Chapel, Sabbath Day Pt

DIED - Ruth Esther Baker Nelson (nee Garlick), 85, Manassas, VA and Silver Bay, NY, on Aug 1 in Manassas. She is survived by a daughter, Ruth Ann Barone, Manassas and two grandchildren. A memorial service is planned on June 8, 1996 at 11AM in this area.

Univ. of Sakatchewan professor Douglas Knott, also of Silver Bay, has been named to the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy (NRTEE). NRTEE is an independent federal agency reporting directly to the Prime Minister and is comprised of 25 distinguished Canadians from different sectors of society.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO LU MEGOW**, for the tribute paid him for his dedication to the Hague Fire Dept. and Ambulance Squad in his retirement.

On August 10, 1995 during the intermission of the performance of "Sound of Music" at the Silver Bay Association, Lu was presented with a resolution citing all of the services he had performed with the Fire Department and Ambulance Squad.

Lu retired to Hague in June 1987 and joined the ambulance squad in 1988 when he became an EMT. Since that time he has been certified in the Intermediate Level and most recently in Pre-hospital Critical Care (Level III). He is currently the Captain of the Emergency Squad.

In presenting Michael Bailey, who in turn read the resolution to the audience (and to Lu and his wife who were on stage), Mark Johnson asked for a show of hands of those who had benefitted at least once from one of these services. (There was a very large show of hands!) He also recognized members of the HVFD and rescue squad. It was a very moving tribute to Lu and brought a standing ovation and applause from the audience.

Hague is indeed fortunate to have such a fine volunteer fire department and rescue squad. Sometimes we don't appreciate what we have until we need it. AND we are certainly very fortunate to have a man like LU in charge. In addition to his time volunteered to the Fire Department and Rescue Squad, he is also a dedicated member of the Hague Town Board.

Again CONGRATULATIONS, LU for a job well done! And - to add a little cream to the coffee - one of our ambulances is now named THE LU MEGOW AMBULANCE!

**JUST LEARNED** that *The Sound of Music* production netted the Fire Department over \$2200. Thanks so much to the Silver Bay EMPS and to all of you who came and supported them and The Fire Dept.

**OPEN HOUSE AT SILVER BAY'S CHILDREN'S PAVILION 6PM and MEETING ON CHILD CARE 7PM, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1995.**

The budget for the Community Child Care center at Silver Bay is very basic. The fee structure, if compared to urban and even most rural child care facilities, is very low. Can our community afford these fees?

The feedback from a few parents has been that these fees were not affordable in this area. I understand and agree we need to find ways to raise funds so our children can take full advantage of the new Children's Pavilion and group socialization and developmentally appropriate practices. Our families and single parents need assistance!

I will have printed materials for this center at the Open House so parents and community members can review them. Please come, see the center and quality program that has been designed for children.

... Helen Barton, Asst. Program Director

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 1995

August

- 16 Blood Pressure Clinic - 1-2PM, Town Center
- 16 Sandy Coffin concert at SBA (p2)
- 16 Glens Falls Symphony concert (p4)
- 16 School Board meeting - 7:30PM, THS Cafeteria
- 16 Open House Children's Pavilion SBA - 6PM (p7)
- 17 Carillon Garden Club, 11AM, Hague Town Center
- 22 Sr. Cit. Picnic - Fish & Game Club, 12Noon - p5)
- 24 ZBA meeting - 7PM
- 25-31 Free Concerts at Silver Bay (p6)
- 27 Republican Meet the Candidates - Aug 27 (p1)
- 30 Stormwater community meeting - 7PM (see insert)

September

- 2 Sr. Cit Bus to Glens Falls

- 4 LABOR DAY - Farewell to our summer friends!
- 5 Home Bureau - 10AM
- 6 Senior Citizens Bus to Glens Falls
- 6 American Legion meeting - 7:30PM
- 7 Planning Board - 7PM
- 9 Carillon Garden Club Flower Sho -p4)
- 10 HAGUE CHRONICLE DEADLINE
- 10 Grandparents Day
- 11 HVFD meeting - 7:30PM
- 11 Women Helping Women - 7PM - Community Center
- 12 Town Board - 6:30PM
- 13 Hague Historical Soc. trip (p2)
- 18 Hague Sr. Cit. trip (p5)

The following letter was written by Cathie Burdick, Silver Bay, and so aptly describes how this editor feels about the area that I thought it was worth sharing with all our readers.

*"As one of the 1,100 newcomers to the area in recent years, I will tell anyone who might be mystified about the increase in population why we moved to Warren County, Silver Bay, to be specific.*

*"My husband and I sold the major part of our business and moved here in May 1994. The Lake George area is one of the most beautiful spots on earth, and we have traveled extensively. The stars are not obscured by smog, the mountains are magnificent, the changing seasons are each beautiful in their own way. Winter is a challenge and provides its own brand of fun activities. For many people, southern retirement living does not beckon- it's too hot, too crowded, too alien to the way of life they prefer.*

*"In Glens Falls we have found a city that offers membership in Rotary and Zonta (for business and service contacts), all the movies we like to see (after years of being too busy to see the hits), diverse entertainments that are new to us (hockey games and laser tag), plays and music programs, fine stores for shopping. In surrounding towns, we have gone white water rafting and steam train riding recently. In Ticonderoga we enjoy the offerings of the Ti Festival Guild.*

*"Our trips to church for services and meetings take us on a beautiful drive along Lake Champlain to a colonial church that is small and intimate and very inspirational. In our local area, we have a book discussion group, a bridge group and a group of friends who travel around to enjoy events and restaurants. How could we find time for more?"*

*"What more could we ask of a place to spend our semi-retirement and, finally, our retirement years? Probably some of the other recently moved residents of Hague and Silver Bay could enlarge on our list, but we all agree it's the best of all worlds, right here! So, no mystery about why the population has grown. This area has a lot to offer, year-round."*

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