

HAGUE, NEW YORK
On Lake George
OKTOBERFEST
 2009

HAGUE OKTOBERFEST – FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

Oktoberfest is coming on Saturday, September 26, 2009. Hosted by the Town of Hague with support from the Chamber of Commerce, this celebration will be held from 12 noon to 6 pm in the Town Park. Oktoberfest 2009 will feature beer from several local microbreweries, live music, German food and other festival food, a children's activity tent, and festival games for the adults.



There will be live music on the main stage throughout the festivities featuring German Oom-Pah bands, polka music and dancing, and good old-fashioned North Country bluegrass. The well-known 12-piece Inseldudler band from Champlain Valley will anchor the music program. Also on the program are Fire in the Kitchen, a Vermont bluegrass and clogging band, and local favorites Calamity Rock and Loose Connection.



The Silver Bay YMCA of the Adirondacks will be providing counselors and activities in the Kids' Activity Tent with games and fall favorites including face painting, pumpkin crafts, sack races, obstacle course, and a brand new Hague Coloring Book created by the Gallery at Hague Creek and featuring artwork by many well-known North Country artists. The main stage will include a special children's performance by Fire in the Kitchen at 3:30 pm featuring limberjack, clogging, and whistles, and participation by the children.



For the adults, the woman who can carry the most full beer steins for 50 yards will be crowned Miss Oktoberfest! She will lead one of the teams in a massive tug-of-war. The opposing team will be led by the winner of the Keg Tossing Contest (empty, of course). Everyone is welcome to join in.



Food vendors will provide great home-cooked German fare and festival foods. When was the last time you had great German brats, sauerkraut, German potato salad, or fantastic Belgian frites (French fries in a cone)? Those foods and other great festival fare will satisfy every taste and make perfect partners for the great beers you'll find in the huge beer tent.



Hague Restaurants will feature Oktoberfest themed dinner specials on September 26th. The Juniper Store and Gallery at Hague Creek will stay open late for shoppers wishing to take advantage of the discount coupons - available on the "Specials" page at the Oktoberfest website. The Locust Inn and Hague Motel are featuring weekend specials - three nights for the price of two - so that people can come for a mini-vacation in Hague that weekend.

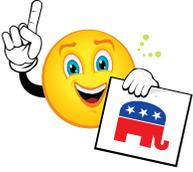
The festivities will happen rain or shine under tents in the Park. There will be plenty of free parking and everything is in walking distance.

Visit the Oktoberfest website for details or the special discount coupons at <www.visithague.com/Oktoberfest.htm>.

CANDIDATES NIGHT

The Hague Chronicle will sponsor a Candidates Night on Thursday, October 15, 2009 at 7:15 pm at the Community Center. Running for Supervisor are Dan Belden and Rudy Meola. Running for Town Board are Edna Frasier, Mark Martucci and Mary Ann Eaton. The public is invited to attend and refreshments will be served.

ANOTHER OKTOBERFEST EVENT



The Republican Party of Hague continues its tradition with their 13th annual Oktoberfest and Meet the Candidates Night. The event will take place on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at the Northern Lake George Resort. Festivities will begin at 5:30 pm and at 6:30

there will be a traditional German buffet along with German music.

Everyone is invited to attend and meet the local and area Republican candidates. For further information contact Mark Martucci at 543-6528.

SENIOR CLUB NEWS

Over 40 Seniors have signed up for the Club's Outing to Lake George for the Luncheon Cruise on the Lac du Sacrament on September 18th. A great time is anticipated by all.

The regular monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at the Community Center starting at 1:30 pm. Guest Speaker, Vicky Bueno, of MVP Health Care in Schenectady, NY, will present her program, POWER OF POSITIVE THINKING. Non-member guests are welcome to join us that day. Vicky will be sharing with us many helpful tips on this topic which should be very interesting. Refreshments will be served.

On Friday, October 9th, the Club is planning a FALL FOLIAGE OUTING via car pool to Schroon Lake. First we will do some browsing at an Adirondack Style Country Shop called, THE TOWN STORE, located on the main street in the village, after which lunch has been arranged for us at DRAKE'S RESTAURANT on Rt 9. On our return trip, we will stop in Crown Point at Gunnison's Orchards to check out their new gift shop and perhaps treat ourselves to freshly picked apples, cider, doughnuts, etc. Signup for this trip will be available at the September Meeting. Cost to members will be \$5.

Anyone interested in joining the Hague Senior Citizens Club, plan to attend one of our monthly meetings. If you follow our news articles in *The Hague Chronicle* you know we are an active group, and membership is only \$5 per year. New faces are always welcome. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 543-6130.

... Madeline Pelkey

BUSY FALL FOR HVFD FOOD COMMITTEE

Food committee chairs Katy Wells and Linda Mury have a busy Fall schedule ahead starting with Hague's first annual Oktoberfest. We'll be set up in the Park on September 26th from 12 - 6 pm serving mouth watering German wurst, potato salad and red cabbage, dessert and beverage.

On October 10, 2009 our annual Columbus Day Dinner will be a make your own pasta meal complete with salad, garlic bread, dessert and beverage. Serving from 4 - 7 pm at the Fire House. Take out is available at both of the above.

On Election Day, November 3, 2009, we are renewing an old tradition of serving a continental breakfast and lunch at the Community Center. Breakfast is a la carte. Lunch will consist of a soup station and deli bar, dessert and beverages for \$7. For information on any of the above contact Linda Mury at 543-6550 or Joanne Trudeau at 543-8024.

In July and August there were a combined 29 Fire and EMS calls for a total of 866 man hours.

A regional Fire Police Seminar was held at our Department on September 12th and coordinated by our Dave Snow.

Member Rev. Bob Johnson presented the Department with a gift from the Northern Lake George Rotary Club.

Bob Johnson recently completed the National Incident Management System and the Incident Command System Courses, and Doug Sham Completed the Emergency Vehicle Operations Course. Congratulations to both.

School is back in session, so watch out for those big yellow buses when you are on the road. ... Joe McCranels

DO YOU REMEMBER THIS?



First Hague Ambulance in service 1956

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CROP WALK – 2009

The Ticonderoga Area CROP Walk for the Hungry will again be held on the Saturday following Columbus Day weekend. On October 17, 2009 at 1:30 pm, the registration and start of the Walk will be at Bicentennial Park, on the corner of Montcalm St. and Tower Ave. in Ticonderoga. If it rains, then registration and the after-walk shelter will be at the upper room of the Elks Lodge, across Tower Ave. from the park. The walk will be a four mile walk through town with a two or one mile option. People are asked to get donations from others beforehand to sponsor their walk, and/or walkers may sponsor themselves. Walkers are asked to use a Church World Service envelope to record their donations. These are available by contacting Beverly Sann at 543-6299.

The Walk benefits the hungry here and around the world. Twenty-five percent of the funds raised will go to the local pantries including Hague's and the Ticonderoga Clergy Association Indigent Assistance Fund which provides assistance to needy people in this area. The rest of the money will go toward assisting people affected by disasters, droughts, or wars, as well as those hit hard by this economic downturn.

Silver Bay resident Beverly Sann stated, "The Walk will also benefit those walking by giving them exercise, a time to enjoy the fall weather and scenery, as well as a sense of satisfaction for having helped others less fortunate than themselves. We hope you will join us!"

CHORALE TO RESUME REHEARSALS

The Champlain Valley Chorale announces resumption of fall rehearsals for its upcoming Christmas concert. Weekly rehearsals will be held each Tuesday evening at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church, 1045 Wicker Street, Ticonderoga. They begin on September 15, 2009, and continue to the concert presentation scheduled for Ticonderoga in December.

The new Director will be Mrs. Jeris French, and accompanying the Chorale will be Mrs. Beverly Hudak. New singers in all sections are welcomed, and no audition is necessary.

For further information, please contact William Westervelt at 585-6548.

SEMBRICH FILM SERIES

The Sembrich Winter Film Series begins Tuesday, November 10, at 7 pm with the screening of "Saawariya," Sanjay Leela Bhansali's captivating, lavishly filmed musical romance based on Dostoyevsky's short story "White Nights." Admission to the film, which is in Hindi with English subtitles, is free. The free film series continues on Tuesday evenings with "Joyeux Noel" on December 8, "The Terminal" on January 12, "Shakespeare in Love" on February 10, and "This is My Father" on March 9. All films will be shown at the Bolton Free Library with free admission.

For more information or to make a reservation, please call The Sembrich office at (518) 644-2431 or 644-9839.

TWO DELICIOUS RECIPES

At the Senior Picnic in August accolades were given for the Broccoli Salad and the Spinach Balls. Many wanted the recipe so we're sharing them with our readers, too.

BROCCOLI SALAD

- 1 large bunch broccoli, broken up into florets
- 1 bunch scallions, chopped
- 1 cup golden raisins
- 1 cup walnuts, broken
- 1 cup light Miracle Whip
- ¼ cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons cider vinegar

Best done night before

SPINACH BALLS

- 1 10 oz pkg frozen, chopped spinach, cooked, well-drained
- 1 cup Herb stuffing (Pepperidge Farm recommended)
- 1 small onion minced
- 2 eggs well beaten
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 1/2 tsp garlic salt
- 1/4 tsp thyme
- 1/4 cup melted butter or margarine

Mix and chill (to help form balls). Form into balls (about 1 Tbsp each) which can be frozen. Bake on cookie sheet 20 min at 350°. Makes 2 - 3 doz.



Senior Club sends greetings to Shirley Smith, former club member who moved to Florida.

4-H FALL FESTIVAL

The 4-H Fall Festival will be held Saturday, October 17 from 2 to 8:30 pm at the Warren County Fairgrounds in Warrensburg. The event will be open to ALL families with youth ages 18 and under. There is no fee for the event, but there will be pizza and beverages available to purchase. The games and activities during the day will include Doughnuts on a String, Wa-Shoos (come find out what this is!), Fry Pan Toss, Gunny Sack Race, Face Painting, and lots more. Evening activities include a FREE Barn Dance and a movie on a big screen! Come join the fun!

HAGUE TOWN BOARD - 9/8/09

Members present were Dan Belden, Dick Gladu, Mark Martucci and Rudy Meola. Edna Frasier was absent.

A moment of silence was held for Audrey O'Brien, Art Chalmers and Carmela DeFelice.

Councilman Meola reviewed an issue concerning Sewer District #2 from the August meeting. He said that he had voted for the motion to hire a company to remove hazardous material but that it had just been presented to them at that meeting and he did not have sufficient time to review it. He now asked who gave authority for AP Reale to remove the hazardous material from the site and take it up to the landfill area which is Town property. Supervisor Belden said that they dug it up from the original DOT property and removed it to their staging area on the Darrin property. The DEC became involved and said they would have to move it. So AP Reale took it up to the transfer station. Belden said he did not authorize it and did not know who did. Town Attorney Viscardi will contact the Reales and find out the story. Meola also felt that something should be done to make the DOT responsible for part of the cost but Supervisor Belden said that they would not do it when a similar situation occurred with Sewer District #1.

Supervisor Belden thanked Judy Stock for filling in to take minutes.

Committee Reports:

1. Assessor & Justice

Councilman Gladu reported that the Town Justice has submitted her reports on time. As to a revaluation project, he reported that the time frame is not good for 2010 and also should have a bigger data base. The recommendation from Dave Martucci, Sole Assessor, is to put off a revaluation until 2012. Councilman Meola noted that since he had received the report just today that it should be put on hold for next month but the Board accepted the recommendation of the Assessor to put off a revaluation until 2012 with a check point to review the data base on sales to see if there is sufficient data for 2011.

Councilman Gladu also reported that Assessor Martucci is finishing up his credits for certification.

2. Buildings & Grounds/Enhancement

Councilman Martucci reported that he has the specs for the porch and read the proposal. He also reported that Board member Frasier had met with Jerry about the Veterans Memorial. They will do the fence work first and the building later.

Councilman Gladu suggested that in the upcoming budget discussions they consider a building cleaning contract for next year. He also suggested they get all four buildings water quality tested by the same person with one methodology so that it is done in line with what the DOH is requesting. He recommends Tim Costello be that person and that it be addressed in the 2010 budget discussions.

3. Finance & Insurance

Councilman Martucci said they will be meeting with the insurance people. Sewer District #1 continues to have short-

falls which will have to be addressed at budget time. On a question from Councilman Meola, the Supervisor indicated that the cards have gone out for direct deposit for 6 employees involving 4 banks.

Councilman Gladu suggested they consider several policy decisions during this budget cycle and have them quantified. Are we going to ask for copay? Will the town handle it all? What policy will we have to deal with insurance increases?

4. Fire Department

Councilman Gladu said he would like to meet with Councilman Martucci and Ray Mury of the HVFD to discuss the budget and he would like a 2 - 3 year plan.

5. Highway

Superintendent of Highways Don Smith reported that the department is short-handed because Jason Laundree is helping at the Community Center since Mike Manning is ill but they are getting ready for winter.

Rudy Meola made and Mark Martucci seconded a motion to have a water cooler installed in the highway building.

6. Museum & Historian

Councilman Meola remarked on the successful program, "Houses in Hague", given on Tuesday by the Hague Historical Society. There was a large crowd and they did a great job.

7. Personnel

Councilman Gladu reported that he and Councilwoman Frasier have to meet to get several issues (evaluation, discipline, harassment, confidentiality) under control for the personnel manual updates.

8. Planning/Zoning/Stormwater

The Board had received the written report of ZEO Cathy Clark. She reported that an extension for the Kent-Podeswa wastewater system has been requested. The Town Board approved a previous extension to September 1, 2009 but the contractor was not able to complete the project by then and they requested another extension to October 3, 2009 which was approved.

ZEO Clark reported that the LGA cruise for Town officials on the Floating Classroom went well. Those attending were Rudy Meola, Dick Gladu, Jon Hanna (ZBA), Pam Peterson (PB), Bruce Clark (PB), Michael Cherubini (PB) and ZEO Clark. Councilman Gladu said, "The quality of water in Lake George is still very, very good. We were able to see down 30 feet into Lake. The LGA put on a nice tutorial."

In the ZEO report it was noted that there were zoning violations for a fence, unregistered vehicle and signs. When asked by Councilman Meola what enforcement measures had been taken, ZEO Clark said that the violations had been noted followed by an appearance ticket for the fence and vehicle. She noted that the sign should have an appearance ticket and wanted clarification by the Board because she "can't enforce one code and not another."

Councilman Gladu requested a moratorium until changes
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could be made in the code. Further discussion ensued about selective enforcement and the comparable strictness of the Town and APA codes. Town Attorney Viscardi stated that (one) "must look at a specific part and address it. Our code could be changed as long as it is no stricter than the APA."

While the Board appeared to have a consensus that the code needed to be looked at for possible changes, they agreed that until a change is made the code should be enforced and the ZEO should have the backing of the Board to do her job.

9. Recreation/Promotion & Youth

Councilman Meola reported that everything is in place for the Oktoberfest on September 26, 2009. The Youth program at Silver Bay was successful.

Councilman Gladu noted that the Town may want to put some money in the budget to hire a professional planner helping to pull together a consolidated promotion plan for town.

Supervisor Belden noted that the County had hired a Special Events person who had visited all the towns. His analysis was that Hague has restrictions as to the size of an event but he could look into small events.

10. Sewer Districts #1 and #2

Supervisor Belden said that they have to take a look at costs in Sewer District #1 to see if they can make it work or they may have to raise the fees. For Sewer District #2, he said the south portion is done and people are anxious to hook up. He spoke to the County engineer Bill Lamy today and he will sign an agreement with the County to let people tie in. The north part will take about another 2 weeks for paving in Forest Bay and to fix the roads where marked. The work has to be completed by December 20, 2009. There is an insurance policy with AP Reale that will cover anything that goes wrong within one year of operation.

11. Town Park

Councilman Meola reported that most of the Park is closed for the season but he will keep the bathrooms open to Columbus Day. He opens them in the morning on weekends and closes them at night.

There were some minor difficulties with the help but there were some very good workers. He stated, "The visitor center staff was great, the geese haven't come back and the place looked beautiful."

12. Transfer Station

Councilman Gladu reminded everyone that we are on a new schedule. The Transfer Station will be open on Wednesdays from 10 am - 4 am and on Saturdays from 9 am - 4 pm. It will be closed on Sundays until July 1, 2010.

Correspondence

The Supervisor read a note from Tyler Coffin thanking him for the chance to work with him and Bertha Dunsmore during the summer.

Unfinished Business

Additional complaints have come in about a previous issue related to dogs. The Board was satisfied with the action taken previously and had removed all legal action. Visits have been made to the site to verify the actions taken. The Town Board will send a letter to the complainant stating that the Board feels the problem is resolved and the case is closed.

A letter was received from Barbara Patchett with a proposal to continue with maintenance of the flowers. The Board approved her continuing through September 30, 2009 for \$150. They will ask Barbara for a proposal to do the fall decorations.

Communications & Petitions

Supervisor Belden said that a letter had been received from Bill Ehlert dated 8/11/2009 relative to his proposal which didn't meet specs. The Town went with standard state bids.

Supervisor Belden said that he and Board member Frasier had a conference call with Time Warner Cable. They are going to come up with a proposal for Summit Drive and West Hague Road to the County line. They said that nothing would be done until spring. They will need easements from Niagara Mohawk and possibly from the phone company. Belden said, "In the first proposal our share was \$132,000 but it included a mile and a half of Essex County road which we aren't going to pay. They're supposed to get back to me and I'll make sure the Board gets a copy of it."

Councilman Meola asked about other country roads. Belden said that for Dodd Hill Road there are only five homes and the catch is if you don't get all five families it will cost more. They will wait to see the new proposal.

Board members received a letter from Joel Jordon who has old boats and junk on his property and wants to clean it up. He would like the Town to pay for a dumpster. Since the Town cannot selectively do that, the Supervisor will write a letter to him letting him know that they can't do it. Other options were discussed.

The HVFD was given approval for use of the main room of the Community Center on November 3, 2009 to resume their Election Day luncheon.

A memo was received from ZEO Clark with information on the need to update the green code book with changes in the dog and cell codes that have already been approved. There have already been \$4,000 - \$5,000 spent on these books so we should continue to update. The cost is \$170 for each book for members of the various boards. The Town Board had already budgeted for updates and approved going ahead with them.

The Fish & Game Club has requested \$3750 for next year for promotion of their events - especially the Ice Fishing Tournament. The request will be considered when the Board is working on the budget.

The Board accepted as complete the application from Boyer (12.14-1-16), 9667 Lakeshore Drive, for a sewer variance and set a public hearing for October 13, 2009 at 6:15 pm. The Board will meet at 5:45 pm that evening to do the audit of the bills.

Supervisor's Report - The County budget is in bad shape. They will probably lay off more people. Councilman Meola suggested that they reduce the supervisors' pay by 10%. Belden said he brought it up but was voted down by the other supervisors. The Sagamore Hotel is the biggest unit for occupancy tax and with it closing down during winter the County will take a big hit.

Privilege of the Floor

Donna Wotton addressed the issue of charging vendors for the Oktoberfest. She said only three vendors were not civic entities (which do not pay anyway) but those three are providing services and intend to provide proceeds to the Town of Hague. The Board did not want to set a precedent and suggested that the Town Clerk will do the paperwork and give it to them and will take the \$50 vendor fee out of the proceeds.

Michael Cherubini, Pat Hintze and Donna Wotton all made suggestions to the Board relative to funding and planning of special events and what part the Chamber of Commerce plays in it.

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm and the Board went into Executive Session for a legal matter.

PLANNING BOARD - 9/3/09

Chairman EJ Siwek and Board members Dick Frasier, Pam Peterson, Mike Cherubini, Martin Fitzgerald and John Brown were present. Bruce Clark was absent.

CLARK (43.5-2-19) 9051 Lakeshore Drive (Hamlet)

The applicant's request for a three-lot subdivision of a 2.82 acre parcel was deemed complete, a site visit was set for 9/24 and the public hearing will be held on October 1, 2009. If approved, Lot 1 would be .66 of an acre, Lot 2 would be 1.38 acres and Lot 3 would be .78 of an acre.

MCGOWAN (25.1-1-1.3) West Hague Road (OC1)

The applicant's request for a two-lot subdivision of a 41.95 acre parcel was deemed complete and a site visit was also set for 9/24 with public hearing on 10/1/09. If approved, Lot 1 would consist of a 6 acre parcel and Lot 2 would consist of 35.95 acres. He plans to sell the smaller parcel to an abutting neighbor.

COMMONS (26.10-1-37) 31 Commons Way (TR-1R)

The applicant is requesting approval for a two-lot subdivision of a 3.48 acre parcel. If approved, Lot 1 would consist of 1.1 acre with 80 feet of shoreline and Lot 2 would consist of a 2.38 acre parcel with 120 feet of shoreline. Both prospective lots currently have a cabin on them and will be connected to the Town Sewer system. Due to the placement of the existing cabins the required 100' of shoreline for lot one is prohibited. The Zoning Board variance will be needed before the Planning Board approves the subdivision request. The Planning Board deemed this application incomplete requiring further information.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 8/27/09

Chairman Robert Goetsch and Board members Jon Hanna, George Ianson, Lindsay Mydlarz and Bill Pittman were present. Board members absent were Glenn McKee and Martin Fitzgerald, II.

CORBO (26.6-1-8) 36 Forest Bay Road (TR-1R)

The applicant is applying for a variance to construct a 5' x 32' walkway/deck to the lake side of an existing cabin, which currently sits 44' from the lake.

A public hearing was held and Mr. and Mrs. Corbo both spoke about their need for the walkway for safety and maintenance reasons. However, the Board indicated that a variance is for a hardship not for maintenance and the variance was denied.

It was noted that temporary staging for maintenance might not need a variance.

BURKLE (76.12-1-11) 41 Tower Point Rd. (Hamlet S-R)

The applicant would like to place a 10' x 18' storage shed 15' from the front line setback. At their August meeting, the Planning Board approved the shed placement within 100 feet of the lake.

No one spoke at the public hearing and the variance was granted.

COMMONS (26.10-1-37) 31 Commons Way (TR-1R)

The applicant has applied for a two-lot subdivision of a 3.48 acre parcel. If approved, one lot would have 80 feet of shoreline and the other would have 120 feet of shoreline. A variance to allow the one lot to have less than 100 feet of shoreline is requested.

The application was deemed complete and the Planning Board will be invited for a joint hearing on September 24, 2009.



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FINAL SCHOOL TAX RATES

According to the Ticonderoga School District, the actual school tax rate for 2009 - 2010 is 10.93 for Ticonderoga and 10.77 for Hague. The net change in tax rate is up 1.7% for Ticonderoga and 4.1% for Hague. The tax totals are \$4,468,731 for Ticonderoga and \$4,676,473 for Hague.

Looking Back



Researched by the Hague Historical Society

Happily for us history buffs Mrs. Hoyt Johnson (nee Rebecca Bevins) wrote a three-piece series in the Ticonderoga Sentinel in August 1892. It was titled "Early Incidents of Hague" and the following is an excerpt:

There are many incidents connected with the town's early history that would fill columns. Some sad, some romantic, some mirthful. One came near being a tragedy. Mr. Briggs, who lived where Sam Miller does, ran short of food and started by marked trees over the mountains to Vermont to bring home a bag of provisions. A severe storm came on and he could not return.

Mrs. Briggs and three children had not a particle of food. They had fasted for three days when the storm abated, but she knew her husband could not reach her. Mr. Rising and family only occupied their home through the summer, going to Vermont to work in the winter. Mrs. Briggs thought that some food might have been left, and resolved to go and search. She fastened her children in the house and started early in the morning.

She succeeded in reaching the house and after searching every part she found some dried pumpkin which she took, and started for home. Darkness had come, but love lent wings to her return, which was easier as the way was down hill. She reached home and hastily boiled some to feed her famished children, and on this they subsisted until the half distracted father reached home fearing starvation had done its work.

Another man came to Mr. Kenny the miller, saying his children and wife only tasted milk once a day for three days and he could not find a peck of grain for sale as no one had any. Mr. Kenny had just one peck for his own use, which had been tolled from the scanty grists that had come to his mill. He divided and gave the man half. But better harvests brought relief and more land came under cultivation as years passed by.

Want to know more? The entire six-page article can be read in the Museum in a binder called "Stories of Hague". Stop in and enjoy!

LGLC ANNOUNCES FALL EVENTS

The Lake George Land Conservancy invites the public to explore Lake George by participating in these free hikes. Pre-registration is required

Saturday, September 27, Fall Tour of the Last Great Shoreline - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Last Great Shoreline, Putnam. This 2 1/2 mile round-trip hike will wind through forest and field, past wetlands and out to the property's viewpoint over Lake George.

Sunday, October 11, Fall Foliage Hike 9 a.m.; Cat & Thomas Mts. Preserve, Bolton. Participants will be led by guide John Crist on this annual 7-mile challenging hike through the autumn woods and to the mountain summits and ridgeline.

For more information contact Sarah Hoffman at <shoffman@lglc.org> or 644-9763.

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Another very successful event was sponsored by the Historical Society on September 1st. More than 125 people came to this event "Houses in Hague." Society President Pat McDonough put together a wonderful slide program featuring 12 homes in Hague. More residents have indicated an interest in chronicling the stories of their homes and we hope to have a follow-up program.



We are very happy to report that Enid Engler has agreed to join our board to fill out the term vacated by Holly de Buys. Enid and her husband are year-round residents of Hague and she brings a love of history to her new role. We're excited to have her join us.

There will be a small reception for Ethel Andrus at the Community Center on Friday, October 2, at 10 am. We're honoring Ethel for her long involvement with the Hague Heritage Cemetery where we have recently placed a stone bench and are soon to add a plaque bearing her name. Friends and acquaintances of Ethel's are encouraged to join us.

We are already planning our next major exhibit and program for the late spring of 2010. Hague's many hotels will be featured and our research is beginning to take shape. We'd like to personalize this exhibit with people's recollections of these hotels - the Phoenix, Rising House, early Trout House, Iroquois, Mohican, Uncas, Hillside and others. Did you ever work there? Did you ever stay there? If not you, did your parents or grandparents? Do you have old photos of any of them? Please help us to enrich this research and the new exhibit by contacting us at Hague Historical Society, PO Box 794, Hague, NY 12836 or <haguehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com>.

CHAMPLAIN LEGACY CELEBRATION

The signature event of the Champlain Quadricentennial Celebration will take place on Saturday, September 19, 2009 at the Crown Point State Historic Site in Crown Point, NY. This 400th anniversary event will celebrate the unique role of Samuel de Champlain in the history of our region and the country. This all-day festival from 9 am to 9 pm will focus on the cultural heritage, natural beauty and historical significance of Crown Point and the Lake Champlain region. Featured in the festival will be musical performances, history lectures, nature and archaeological tours, vendors and exhibits.

An international group of dignitaries and government officials have been invited to take part in the rededication ceremony of the Crown Point Memorial Lighthouse at 4:30 pm. The Memorial Lighthouse, constructed in honor of the Champlain Tercentenary in 1909, features a bas-relief sculpture by Auguste Rodin donated by the French to honor Champlain. Following the ceremony, there will be a performance by the United States Merchant Marine Corps Band and a fireworks show over Lake Champlain.

~SOUNDINGS~

BORN: A son, Maxwell Daymon Voige, on August 7, 2009 to Jennifer and Tim Voige of Fulton, Maryland. The delighted grandparents are Joyce and Tom Fritz of Eatontown, NJ, and long-time Hague visitors. Max joins his big brother, Toby, age 14 months.

BORN: A daughter, Kylie Mia Cherubini on August 10, 2009, to Tricia and JJ Cherubini of Ramsey, NJ. She joins her brother TJ and is the fifth grandchild for Michael and Maureen Cherubini of Hague, NY.

MARRIED: Happy Elizabeth McPartlin, daughter of Ken and Julie McPartlin of Lake George and Hague to Bradley Matthew Nacht, son of Stephen & Jerilyn Nacht of Damascus, MD on Saturday, September 5, 2009 at Dunham's Bay Resort in Lake George.

DIED: Arthur A. Chalmers, 92, on August 12, 2009 in Columbus, NC. Formerly of Friends Point, Hague, he is survived by his wife Virginia of Columbus, son Harvey Chalmers of Rockville, MD, daughter Virginia Lee Chalmers of Bluffton, SC and grandsons Thomas and Douglas.

DIED: Audrey Dennett Bullock O'Brien, 85, on August 29, 2009 in Brattleboro, VT. When her father, Tyler Dennett, retired from the Presidency at Williams College, the family took up fulltime residence in Hague where her grandparents had summered. Upon her own retirement from teaching, in 1986, she fulfilled her dream and returned to live fulltime in the family home, Chipwick, in Hague where she lead an independent and active retirement for 18 years. She was an active participant in the Northern Lake George Yacht Club where her parents were among the founding members. She leaves three daughters, Pam, Emily, and Kate Bullock of the Brattleboro area, three grandchildren, Tyler and Guthrie Hatton-Bullock and Delaney Bullock, devoted sons-in-law, Timothy Hayes, Ra van Dyk, and John Hatton, many loving nieces and nephews and numerous dear friends.

DIED: Carmela A. DeFelice, 93, of Ticonderoga, on September 8, 2009. Mrs. DeFelice and her husband Joseph, who predeceased her, moved to Ticonderoga in 1996. She is survived by her son Joseph DeFelice and wife, Lorraine of Camano, WA and her daughter, Judith Foster and husband, Peter of Hague. Also surviving her are a sister, Rose Sansevera of Clifton Park, NY, 5 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

LGPC ACTION ON STREAM REGS

The Lake George Park Commission met in Hague for the August 25th session. They postponed action on the proposed Stream Corridor Protection regulations to the September 22, 2009 meeting "to finalize supporting documents including a Regulatory Impact Statement which will provide an evaluation of the economic impact of the regulations on regulatory entities and local government." Although they were not discussing the stream regulations, they did allow several members of the audience to present their opinions. The next meeting is scheduled for 10 am at the Canoe Island Lodge in Diamond Point. According to their website <www.lgpc.state.ny.us>, the agenda will be available one week before the meeting.

MOLLY GINN THS '09



Molly Ginn, daughter of Sheri DeLarm and Cris Ginn, was one of the 2009 graduates of Ticonderoga High School from Hague. She worked at her parents restaurant, The Hague Firehouse, during the year as well as the summer.

During all four years, Molly was a member of Student Voice which organized school related events, planned college trips and conducted community service activities around town. She was president of the

French Club during her Senior year.

For her Senior project, Molly studied how to analyze a public company through financial statements with Hague resident Ken Parlin as her mentor.

Molly is now a freshman at New York University where she plans to major in Environmental Studies and is enjoying living in the heart of Manhattan.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH



Many people give their volunteer time to contribute to the success of events in Hague. We will devote a column to recognizing these people in the next few issues. We start this month with Judy Schultz.

When Judy and Ken Schultz retired to Hague, the Town greatly benefitted. Judy was the Chairman of the Hague Arts Fair, sponsored by the Hague Chamber of Commerce, and took care of the myriad details herself. She received hundreds of calls and letters during the year as well as sending out monthly press releases. She collected the monies, set up the booth areas and gave information to the vendors along with policing traffic.

Judy also is a volunteer on the mailing team for *The Hague Chronicle*.

We thank Judy for her hard work and devotion to our Town.

FLOATING CLASSROOM



This season the Floating Classroom was back on the water with the LGA's purchase of a new 40' Corinthian Catamaran. Over 1,000 area students benefit from the LGA Education and Outreach programs, which are provided free of charge through grants like the one provided by the Froehlich Foundation.

HAGUE ART SCENE

Labor Day weekend in downtown Hague saw two art venues attract a great deal of interest.

The more traditional venue, The Gallery at Hague Creek, held a wine reception and featured works from the Upper Hudson Valley Watercolor Society and introduced Andrew Thompson.

At the headquarters of the North Country Triathlon, Mary Behr created a "See & Ski Museum" with an artistic arrangement from her collection of vintage water-skis and water ski memorabilia. Family, friends and those who happened by were treated to the eclectic originality that is evident in Mary's work.



Donna and Bob Levenstien of The Gallery at Hague Creek



Jordan, Jenny and Maggie Wilson



Mary Behr



Artist Jim O'Toole and wife Maddie



Betsey Barton



Ann Shakeshaft



Jud, Karen, Kellan and Julia Barton



Heidi Spencer, Enid Engler, Ken Engler, Peter Spencer



Karen and Tavish Costello

Weather Report by JoAnne DeFranco

Hague Weather Report 8/15/09—9/11/09

The weather in this period has remained mostly sunny and warm. There was a little rain, but nothing like July. The average temperature for the last 29 days was 76 degrees. There were 4 days when the temperature reached 90 and the humidity was very high. The full moon occurred on September 5. The next full moon is October 4.

There were thunderstorms on August 21 as a cold front moved in. We escaped the severe downpours that occurred in Vermont and Albany. On August 28-29 we had 1.5" rain, mostly overnight. Showers did continue on Saturday for a muddy run at the 'Travers' race in Saratoga.

Labor Day weekend was beautiful with sunny days and relatively warm nights in the upper 50's. A few days and nights there has been a distinct chill in the air- just a reminder that fall will arrive on September 22. In just one month's time, the trees will be in full golden splendor and begin to drop their leaves. Get out and enjoy this great month of September. Daylight is dwindling. Sunrise is now at 6:28 am and sunset at 7:14 pm.



Steve and Kathi Ramant



Carol Pittman The Gallery at Hague Creek



Jack DeGraff

HAGUE CALENDAR

September 2009

- 19 9 am - 9 pm Quadricentennial Celebration in Crown Point
- 22 10 am LGPC meets at Canoe Island Lodge, Diamond Point
- 22 1:30 pm Senior Club meeting
- 22 5:18 am Fall Begins (Autumnal Equinox)
- 24 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 26 noon to 6 pm Oktoberfest at Hague Town Park
- 26 5:30 on Oktoberfest at Northern Lake George Resort

October 2009

- 1 7 pm Planning Board
- 9 Senior Club Fall Outing
- 10 4 - 7 pm HVFD Columbus Day Dinner
- 13 6:30 pm Town Board
- 15 7:15 pm Candidates Night
- 16 News Deadline for *The Hague Chronicle*
- 17 1:30 pm Crop Walk
- 17 2-8:30 pm 4-H Fall Festival
- 22 October issue of *The Hague Chronicle* is mailed
- 22 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals



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Saturday 9 am to 4 pm

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