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GREAT NEWS FROM THE TRANSFER STATION

For all the Hague residents who have been confused with what is acceptable and what isn't, we now have wonderful news. The Transfer Station now accepts any newspaper inserts along with newspapers. They also accept catalogs!!! You may mix the catalogs and magazines, and you don't have to put them in your Hague trash bag any more. Glass containers (clear and green only - no brown), cans and plastic containers can also be recycled. Small plastic food containers, i.e. margarine, cottage cheese, etc. must be included with the trash (in a Hague bag). Corrugated is accepted, but not plain cardboard. Everything should be taken inside and the person on duty will help you if you have any questions. If this changes in the future, we will let you know.

We've also been promised an easier opening door for weaklings like myself. Use the door on the rear of the building. djh

**TRANSFER STATION HOURS ARE NOW
TUES, FRI., AND SAT., FROM 9AM - 5PM
UNTIL MARCH 31.**

CORRECTION: The Kiwanis Club meets at the Elks Lodge in Ticonderoga during the winter months and at the Ticonderoga Country Club during the summer months. Meetings are held each Thursday at noon.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

A defensive driving course is being offered by the Hague Volunteer Fire Department on **Sat., February 23, 2002 at the Fire Hall on West Hague Road from 9AM - 3:30PM.** The course is open to all active members of the HVFD and Emergency Squad free of charge. The charge for any others who would like to take advantage of this course is \$35.00. For information contact Joanne Trudeau at 543-6940.

ST. PATTY'S DAY DINNER

The Hague Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring a St. Patrick's Day dinner at the Fire Hall on Sunday, March 17 from 3 - 7PM. A full course corned beef and cabbage dinner will be served. The Silver Bay

General Store and the Hague Market are furnishing the food for this event. **COME ON DOWN AND ENJOY THE MEAL.**

MARCH 1ST DEADLINE FAST APPROACHING

David Martucci, Sole Assessor, urges all primary residence homeowners to contact the office (543-6161) to see if they are eligible for the following exemptions:

- Senior Citizens' exemption: over age 65 with household income less than \$17,725. This exemption must be renewed each year.
- Enhanced STAR exemption: over age 65 with household income less than \$60,000. This exemption must be renewed each year.
- Basic STAR exemption: all primary residence homeowners.
- Veterans' exemption: military service during wartime periods.

Details and applications are available Mondays and Wednesdays from 9AM - 3PM. **The filing deadline is March 1, 2002.**

CABIN FEVER NIGHT

The First United Church in Ticonderoga is sponsoring a roast beef dinner, with Chef Jim Whitty and helpers preparing the meal. A variety of vocal and instrumental music groups will be entertaining diners throughout the evening.

Come enjoy the fellowship, food and entertainment on Saturday, March 9, 2002 at 6PM at the church on Wicker St. Cost for the event is \$15.00. Reservations must be made by Monday, Feb. 25. Please contact Jeanne Chesney (585-2560) or Beth Hanley (585-6491) for reservations or tickets.



HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The February meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 26 at NOON at the Community Center. This will be a luncheon to which all participants should bring a covered dish to share. Please phone the Community Center (543-6161) by Feb. 22 to register yourself and your food contribution. Please bring suggestions for programs for future meetings.

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Hague Historical Society will meet on Monday, March 18 at 7:30PM at the Hague Community Center.

Members are asked to bring a Show and Tell object to pass around and talk about, and also bring some edible goody to share. (This program/party is intended to replace our cancelled December meeting.) We hope that weather and road conditions and interest in this program will make a successful evening.

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Besides Pump Drill training, the HVFD responded to two fire calls, for a total of three man hours. Fifteen man hours were required for mutual aid to Ticonderoga.

Ambulance 740 made 5 runs and 54 1/2 man hours were used by our ambulance crew.

Even though there is no ice in Lake George, there seems to be ice everywhere else. We urge everyone to use great care in both walking and driving.

The following HVFD members have completed Essential Fire Fighting Course: Charles Chase, Ernie Trudeau, Joel Wright, Jason Laundree. ewa

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Christians in over 170 countries around the world will observe World Day of Prayer 2002 on Friday, March 1. In the Greater Ticonderoga Area the service will take place in the Putnam Presbyterian Church, Putnam Station. (518-547-8378) Snow date March 8.

"Challenged to Reconcile" was chosen by the women of Romania as the theme of this year's celebration. Catherine Gosselink of Putnam Station, born in Romania, will enable participants to become informed about the realities in Romania, as she knew it. There will also be information on today's Romania, as the three major ethnic groups work together.

Catherine Charron Manuel, a Quebecois tradition bearer and NY State Master Artist of folklore, will speak to us about reconciliation taken from the legends of her North Country and Canadian family.

Refreshments will be served at 10AM followed by a short business meeting before the program. All

women and men in the area are invited. Please phone Donna in the evening at 585-6233 for further info. Donations for the women's shelter and your contribution of your least coins are appreciated.

WORKING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

The Hague Town Board consists of five members, all elected officials. They are: Supervisor Dan Belden, Councilmen Skip Hourigan, Lu Megow, Rudy Meola and Art Steitz. Councilmen serve for a 4-year term and the supervisor for a 2-year term.

The Hague Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals are both volunteer boards. Members serve for a term of seven years. The Board of Assessment Review members serve for a 5-year term.

The Planning Board consists of the following: Chairman, David Swanson, John Brown, Ralph Denno, Chuck Fillare, Peter Foster, Dick Gladu, and Nancy Harrigan. All volunteers.

The Zoning Board of Appeals consists of the following: Chairman Robert Goetsch, Bruce Clark, Charles Chase, Mary Lou Doulin, Cris Ginn, Tina King, Nelson Waters. All are volunteers.

The Board of Assessment Review consists of the following members: Barbara Belden, Ron Grasier, Mary Jo Keeler, Frank Koenig, Georgina Lindquist. The chairman is appointed each year. These members are compensated for their work.

The Comprehensive Plan Committee consists of the following members: Chairman David Darrin, Paul Barone, Alison Craig, Dick Frasier, Michele Gautreau, Tom LaPointe, Rudy Meola, Bob Patchett, Art Steitz, David Swanson, Nelson Waters. All volunteers.

Park Committee: Chairman Art Steitz, Joan Belden, Marty Brown, Dottie Henry, Rudy Meola. All volunteers.

Enhancement Committee: Chairman, Rudy Meola, Kay Barton, Dan Belden, John Brown, Diane Farinick, Art Hatfield, Dottie Henry, Jim O'Toole, Art Steitz. All volunteers.

Except for the Board of Assessment Review, all the above Hague residents are volunteers. They all devote a great amount of time to their duties. They are all working for you to make a better Hague. Make sure they know they are appreciated.

ADIRONDACK COUNCIL

According to a newsletter from the Adirondack Council, the Adirondack cell tower policy has been vastly improved by the Park Agency to protect the Park's scenic landscapes and historic sites by the following:

- Elimination of the idea that the APA should "encourage" tower development in the Adirondacks.
- New criteria for the term "substantially invisible," which places the burden on the applicant to demonstrate that a tower proposal is as hidden as it practically can be.
- Recognition that local governments may enact stricter regulations than the APA.

There was no Zoning Board of Appeals meeting during January due to lack of agenda items.

PLANNING BOARD - 2/7/02

The Planning Board did not convene due to the lack of a quorum. Paul Barone, Administrator and Joyce Serdinsky, Secretary were in attendance along with Planning Board members John Brown, Peter Foster and Nancy Harrigan. Absent members were Dick Gladu, Dave Swanson, Ralph Denno, and Chuck Fillare.

Although no business could take place, Mr. Barone did present current requests for planning board site reviews as follows:

A) Rypkema, on Rt 9n, south of Werner Marine. The Rypkemas would like to build a home 52 feet from the lake (on the site where the current home will be knocked down). A site review is needed since it is within 100 feet of the lake.

B) Rizza, Cape Cod Village. The Rizzas would like to put a 15 ft by 15 ft addition on their home with an 8 ft by 15 ft porch which is within 100 feet of Jenkins Brook.

C) Disbrow, 147 Split Rock Road. Mr. Disbrow would like to construct a 50 ft by 100 ft accessory building and a 40 car parking lot. He currently has a Player Piano & Mechanical Music Instrument Player Museum in Port Henry which he wants to move to his property in Hague.

Any formal decisions, including the need for any public hearings, will take place at the next meeting. js

TOWN BOARD MEETING - 2/12/02

The Hague Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on February 12, 2002. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Thomas Thompson, Henry Yaw, Dorothy Robinson, Barbara Robinson, Gary May, Al Lawrence and Ernest Fullam.

Assessor - David Martucci, assessor, stated that the update work is proceeding on schedule. The annual data will be completed by mid-March. He reminded the audience that the forms for real estate tax exemption are due March 1. (See related article on pg 1)

Justice - Receipts from traffic tickets have been lower because some troopers were reassigned to the New York City area after the 9/11 tragedy. An internet hookup has been requested for the judge's office.

Buildings & Grounds - Councilman Megow reported that the equipment storage shed behind the community center is near completion. A ramp still needs to be built. The highway garage work is 90% complete.

Fire Dept - Councilman Megow reported on the St. Patrick's dinner (see pg 1). Also he had a communication from the Coast Guard with a reminder that even if you can find ice, THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS SAFE ICE.

Insurance - Proposals have been sent to several agencies and are due back by the 2nd week of April.

Town Park and Beautification - Councilman Steitz

has called a meeting of the Town Park Committee for February 27 at 4PM at the Community Center. A meeting of the Enhancement Committee has been scheduled for Feb. 26 at 4PM.

Transfer/Recycling Station - Income for the month of January was \$1,742.00.

Other business:

A proclamation was read honoring the 100th Anniversary of the Silver Bay Association in the town of Hague. The following motions were approved unanimously by the Board:

1) To accept with regrets the resignation of Tom LaPointe from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

2) To appoint the following to the ZBA to fill the vacancies: Bruce Clark to serve until 2008, Mary Lou Doulin to serve until 2006 and Nelson Waters to serve until 2005.

3) To approve the temporary appointment of Ethel Andrus beginning April 1 to serve as Town Historian/Museum Director. The museum is scheduled to be open two afternoons a week during the summer, one of which will be Saturday. Debbie Manning, town clerk, will help with the filing of town records, which will be placed in a secure vault.

4) To approve the use of the Community Center by the Chamber of Commerce for the Antique Show on July 20 & 21.

5) To accept the application to the Town Board of Health (Town Board) for a variance for the septic system on the Andrea's property in Friends Point. A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 12 at 6PM (prior to the regular Town Board meeting).

6) To submit an application for a grant to build a salt dome.

7) To approve the Wesleyan Church request to use Hague Beach for a coffeehouse on June 7 and August 6 at 7PM.

In Supervisor Belden's report he

a) discussed possible plans for downtown development. He will be meeting with Saratoga Associates on February 26th at 2 pm.

b) reported that the Water District Applications have been submitted and the Department of Health will continue to monitor the current water system. Any DOH report will be sent to Lynn Patchett who is the treasurer of the current Hague Homeowners Water Association.

c) would like citizen opinion on the proposed County Sales and Bed Tax. Supervisor Belden is still asking for your opinion on how he should vote regarding the bed tax for the county.

The Board went into Executive Session and when they reconvened the following were approved:

To have the Board of Assessment Review research and explore possible options to settle article 78 presently in litigation.

To appoint John Silvestri as town attorney.

STUDENT AMBASSADOR - KACHEENA TRUDEAU

Kacheena Trudeau, daughter of Diane and Jon Trudeau, Hague, and a 7th grader in the Ticonderoga Middle School, has been invited to be one of 46 students to travel to Australia and New Zealand in the "People to People Student Ambassador" program. This program was founded by Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1963. The students in Kacheena's group have been attending monthly meetings in Albany to prepare for this 22-day trip which will take place in July of this year. Two to four days will be spent with families there and the rest of the tour will be with the group visiting various places of interest in both Australia and New Zealand and learning the culture and history of both places.

Each student will receive a high school credit in history. They do a lot of reading and searching the internet to prepare themselves for the trip.

There is a great deal of fund raising to be done. Kacheena has written letters to groups, businesses and individuals asking for support. She is also collecting refundable bottles. If you are interested in helping Kacheena in any fund raising events, have any ideas to pass along, or would like to contribute towards this venture, you may write to her - Kacheena Trudeau - at PO Box 576, Hague, NY 12836-0576. djh

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- A free packet of info. addressing various concerns and issues facing parents is available from Cornell Cooperative Ext. of Warren County. Included are brochures describing Cornell Coop. Ext., 4-H, Eat Smart New York and materials on the following topics: *Helping Children Develop Self-Control, Helping Children Adapt to a New Sibling, Raising Self-Confident Children, Taming the Tube, Allowances are Important, Helping Children with Homework and many more.* Call Cornell Coop. Ext. of WC, 377 Schroon River Rd, Warrensburg, NY 12885 to receive your free packet today at 668-4881 or 623-3291.

- The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 11AM to 4PM on Tuesday, Feb. 26 at North Country Community College annex, 105 Montcalm St. in Ticonderoga. Donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Call 585-4454, Ext. 24. Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are recommended

- The boat launch on Lake Champlain in Ticonderoga, will be getting a \$1 million facelift under a new deal between Fort Ticonderoga and DEC. Parking for boat trailers and vehicles will double to about 100 spaces and other improvements will be made.

- Cornell Cooperative Ext. of Warren County is offering a free copy of a publication on "Food Safety During Emergencies". Contact them at 377 Schroon River Rd., Warrensburg, NY 12885 or call (518)4881 or (518) 623-3291 for further info.

RACE RESULTS - WINTER WEEKEND 2//16/02

On a clear, sunny and warm (for February) day a group of stalwart runners ran the Fred LaPann Memorial Race from the Hague Fire House to the Fish and Game Club entrance (on West Hague Road) and back. The winners were:

Juniors:	1st place -	Scott Weilacher	29.45
	2nd	Meaghan Herbst	37.51
	3rd	Kaitlin Staudt	39.17
Co-Ed Open:	1st place	Steven Engler	34.22
	2nd	Dave Natale	39.32
Masters:	1st place	Tim Malaney	31.30
	2nd	David Burrows	31.50
	3rd	Brian Teague	34.12
Seniors:	1st place	Dave Rutkowski	39.26
	2nd	Jim Cunningham	43.45
	3rd	Dick Johndrow	44.22

Steven Engler came from Brookline, MA and Brian Teague from Glens Falls. All others were from Ticonderoga.

TREE AND SHRUB SEEDLING SALE

The Warren County Soil and Conservation District (SWCD) announces the 21st anniversary of its Annual Tree and Shrub Seedling Sale with bareroot trees and shrubs available at low cost!! New this year are Elderberry and American Chestnut seedlings and "Old Glory" - a red, white, and blue wildflower seed mix.

This year's selection includes balsam fir, blue spruce, Canadian hemlock, Fraser fir, and white cedar transplants; black locust, Chinese chestnut, Norway spruce, Scotch Pine, white pine, white spruce and silky dogwood seedlings; small Burnett, deer plot mix, tall mix and short mix wildlife seed mixes, four varieties of wildflower seed mix; two types of fertilizer tablets; locally grown crown vetch sprigs, tree shelters; and weed control mats.

The District will be accepting orders starting on Feb. 4, 2002. ORDER DEADLINE is March 29, 2002.

Trees, shrubs, wildlife seed mixes, fertilizer, wildflower seed, tree shelters, and tree mats will be distributed on Fri. May 3, 2002 and Sat. May 4, 2002. Crown vetch will be distributed between May 6 and May 17, 2002.

To place orders or to get more information please contact the Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District at 51 Elm St., Warrensburg, NY 12885; Phone (518) 623-3119. Fax (518) 623-3519; E-mail: john12@nycap.rr.com. Order blanks are available at the Hague town hall.

The SWCD is also offering 3 types of bluebird boxes - a "Rustic" box at \$6.00/box, an "Economy" box at \$10.00 per box, and a "Deluxe" or Peterson bluebird box design, which is the most effective in hatching bluebird chicks, at \$15.00 per box. All prices include tax.

Bat boxes are available for \$12.50. A bat can eat the equivalent of its own body weight in insects in one night. A very good insect controller.

The District also sells wood duck boxes at \$20.00/box. Contact Warren Co. SWCD, address above.

NATURE NEWS

by Laura Meade

Did you ever try to photograph a bird? Perhaps you wanted to positively identify a certain bird so photographing it might help as you looked at the features in a bird guide. Often the National Audubon Society or Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology will host a photography workshop, specializing in shorebirds, warblers, raptors or owls.

Recently a Graphite resident, Irene Ostrander, observed a large owl which seemed to be posing for a camera. She mentally recorded its features so she could confidently identify it as she searched in her Audubon Field Guide. Her memory was excellent and she confidently identified it as a Barred Owl. Her first sighting was Jan. 8, when the yard was not yet frozen. The bird dropped down on the damp lawn as if to capture a mole or mouse. When she saw it again early in Feb. she was confident enough to write me a note for my records.

Other people in the Graphite area also have seen Barred Owls recently and in previous years. So far I have not heard that anyone has photographed an owl there.

Besides offering photo workshops, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology also offers nearly 2000 first-rate full color bird slides for sale. For many years I was privileged to borrow 80 of these slides from the High Peaks Audubon Society, in order to present bird slide programs in this area. Every slide caused me to wonder "How was it possible to do that?" The Cornell Lab also provides a quarterly bird magazine which has excellent bird photos and paintings along with articles written by experts..

The Winter 2002 issue of "Living Bird," published by the Cornell Lab has two incredible full pages featuring a Snowy Owl. One is a portrait by Louis Agassiz Fuertes painted in 1909. This painting hangs in the Museum of Fine Art at Cornell.

The other Snowy Owl page is a photo by Frank K. Schliecher. Because I felt that many others would also enjoy it, I cut it from the Living Bird Winter Issue's back cover. It was taken in the New York City area during a winter season, prior to Sep. 11, 2001. If you notice this photo on display in the Hague Post Office, can you see how the ghostly twin towers loom in the background? That is the most unusual bird photo I have ever seen. How did Mr. Schliecher do it?

In recent years many bird publications have featured a photo of a "Mad Bluebird", probably titled that because a photographer captured a facial expression of extreme anger. As I was walking at the lookout at Sabbath Day Point on Feb. 11th, I was astonished to see a "look alike" mad bluebird scowling at me from a perch on a small tree, probably a strong east wind dislodged him from a warm nook somewhere on Frank Carney's property.

If ignorance is bliss, why aren't more people happy?

WEATHER NOTES

by Mary Lou Doulin

Each day amazes me in that the conditions of bright sunshine and 20% warmer than normal temperatures occur more often than not. January shattered records for warmth all across New York State. The last half of January temperatures were between 20 and 55 degrees. On the 31st and through February 1 we did get an ice storm on top of 6 in. of light fluffy snow. Temperatures dipped to a shocking 10 degrees for a few nights between the 5th and the 7th and Feb. 11th was the coldest day of the winter to date.

With these few exceptions temperatures ascended and resumed their mild pattern once again, which brought us up to the high 40's with lots of sunshine. The average temperature for mid-February was 29 degrees. El Nino is expected to return sooner and predictions are that next winter will be exceedingly mild and dry on the eastern part of the U.S.

There was a major storm in Mexico last week that destroyed millions of Monarch butterflies by freezing. 80% of the population was depleted. This will dramatically affect the east coast population. As a result, a little bit of our spirit and joy in their presence will be diminished by this tragic event.

Warren County is one of the many counties in New York State that is currently under a drought watch due to lack of precipitation. So keep your fingers crossed that your wells keep operating, or your springs don't go dry. Use your head when using water!

PET NEWS

Cathy Moore (585-7271) reports that Socks, the cat reported in January's issue, has been adopted and the 10-yr. old Maltese also found a good home. Both animals are doing well and are enjoying their new "leash" on life.

We are still offering the low cost cat spay/neuter program. Please take advantage of this and have your animals spayed/neutered. Call for details.

Thanks to those who have called to help the shelter, North Country SPCA in Westport. They need blankets, cat litter, newspapers and especially food. Currently they have a beagle who gave birth to puppies recently. They are adorable!

Cathy is also looking for someone or ones who would be willing to donate their time to build well insulated dog houses. Please call with your ideas and help.

Cathy states that the following pets are in need of homes:

- (a) White short hair neutered male, 10 months, would be your "shadow".
- (b) Orange white short hair spayed, 10 months, a real family cat.
- (c) "Riggs", handsome neutered 2-yr. old male yellow Lab/Husky mix - loves adult home. Needs to have a home where he gets all the attention.

LOWER ADIRONDACK REGIONAL ARTS COUNCIL (LARAC)

•LARAC will be offering a six-week workshop series on using a 35 mm camera. Professional photographer, Jim Appleyard, will cover the following topics: basic workings of the 35 mm slr camera, camera settings, different kinds of films and their functions, lenses, filters, flash photography, and composition.

The 6-week series will be held at LARAC, 7 Lapham Place, Glens Falls from 7-9PM on Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9. Work shop fees are \$58 for LARAC members and \$65 for non-members. Registration deadline is March 1. Call 798-1144, Ext 16 for info.

•LARAC is accepting proposals from artists and groups of artists for the 2003 exhibition season at its gallery. The gallery features between six and eight exhibitions of art and craft created by artists living or working the lower Adirondack region, or art and craft of interest to the local community.

An application packet, complete with policies, guidelines and an application form, is now available by sending a SASE to LARAC-Gallery Committee, 7 Lapham Place, Glens Falls, NY 12801 or by visiting the website at www.laracarts.org. Deadline for proposals is March 29, 2002.

LARAC's fourth annual Members' Art and Craft Exhibition from March 17-April 12, 2002. LARAC members must bring their artwork to the gallery on March 4 from 10AM-3PM. You must be a member of LARAC to exhibit in this show. Membership is \$25 individual, \$35 for family. No additional fee to exhibit.

LAKE GEORGE ASSOCIATION - ACTION ALERT! (Communication from Virginia Lyons, President LGA)

LGA's extraordinary efforts to resolve environmental challenges in the Lake George Basin continue to produce a broad scope of projects. These address problems of stormwater runoff, delta formation, poorly planned development, stream erosion, point and non-point source pollution, zebra mussels, and rapidly growing milfoil.

MILFOIL has LGA's immediate attention. The LGA and the Lake George Park Commission recently released considerable research-based information concerning the most effective, safe method to reduce this noxious weed utilizing Sonar. Our position as to how Sonar should be used in the Lake is based on many years of successful water treatments across the country. Milfoil poses the greatest risk to native plant life in Lake George. Eurasian Watermilfoil rapidly crowds out native plants, reduces biodiversity, diminishes fish habitat and encroaches and takes over wetland habitats. Milfoil is indiscriminate, spreading easily and growing quickly. Milfoil forms thick, floating mats of vegetation, clogging the water and hindering recreation like boat-

ing, swimming and fishing. Milfoil adversely affects the local tourist-dependent economy by decreasing overall recreational utility, aesthetics, and eventually property values.

Of great concern to the LGA is the re-emergence of the Adirondack Council as an obstructionist group. Recently the Adirondack Council stepped in to influence the use of reduced-dose application of Sonar into Lake George. In addition the group has worked to have onerous stipulations placed on the Sonar Demonstration Project and forced the elimination of Sawmill Bay from the treatment plan. The Adirondack Council should be ashamed of its role in the recent negotiations with the LGPC. They are not offering positive solutions to the significant environmental problems in the Lake George Basin. The group has an annoying history of selectively appearing with money for a carefully structured public relations campaign to do battle with LGA and others who successfully improve and protect the lake.

The Adirondack Council has done nothing to substantially remedy any environmental problem facing Lake George and has offered neither financial assistance nor volunteer help for any project including the Sonar Demonstration Project.

LGA is now in the position of having to expend time and limited financial resources not only to fight the environmental battle to save Lake George from milfoil, but also to fight the Adirondack Council which is a here today, gone tomorrow antagonist in the Lake George war against milfoil. . . .

LGA, individually and in concert with others, has studied the most effective and safe ways to destroy milfoil for almost a decade, and has come to the conclusion that Sonar is the answer.

If you would like more detailed information on Eurasian Watermilfoil, or want to help LGA make a difference for our beloved lake, check out LGA's website (www.lakegeorgeassociation.org) or contact Mary-Arthur Beebe, LGA Executive Director.

As reported on Jan. 23 in *The Post Star*, the LGPC voted to scrap a modified version of its plan to use the chemical fluridone (Sonar) to kill dense beds of milfoil in Lake George. Instead, the commission will forge ahead with the original treatment plan it put forth more than a year ago. The commission made its decision after APA voted this month to reject a scaled-back version of the Sonar plan, citing a lack of scientific documentation to support the treatment plan. LGPC said that it would be easier to support their original application with scientific evidence and documentation than to find evidence to support the compromise plan the commission and other interested parties put forth last month.

Because the public hearing process likely will take months to complete, the APA's decision will result in the plan being shelved until sometime after this spring when the Park Commission had hoped to begin the demonstration project.

Ed: Looks like we are back to Square 1!

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BORN: A boy, Callon Gay, to Allison (Cameron) and Jack Pfeiffer in Guerne, IL on December 22, 2001. Proud grandparents are Ann and Don Cameron, Hague and Palm Coast, FL.

BORN - A boy, Terrence Wayne Jr., to Helen (Barton) and Terry Benedict in Great Barrington, MA on January 22, 2002. Proud grandmother for the second time in two weeks is Kay Barton, Sabbath Day Point.

DIED: Thomas Bolan Thompson, on January 11, 2002 in Cedar Key, FL. He is survived by his wife, Maria and three children, and sister-in-law, Katie (Mrs. Frank) Koenig, Hague. The Thompsons built a summer home in Hague in 1995.

DIED: Henry (Hank)) M. Yaw, 75, Woodlake Village, South Carolina, on Jan. 16, 2002. He was a Navy veteran, serving in World War II. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth (Betty), Woodlake Village and brother Ed, Hague. He was born in Hague and attended Hague Central School. Two brothers, Ken and Lawrence predeceased him.

DIED: Dorothy G. Robinson, 98, on January 19, 2002 at the Wesley Nursing Home in Saratoga Springs, NY. She was the mother of Martha Van Patten, Saratoga Springs and Silver Bay. Dorothy was a long-time member of The Silver Bay Association and has been a frequent visitor of the Van Pattens in Silver Bay.

DIED: Barbara Lyon Robinson, 84, The Cypress, SC, on Jan. 23, 2002. She is survived by two sons, Douglas S. and David Lyon, a granddaughter and a great-grandson. She and her late husband Bruce were summer residents of Pine Cove, Hague for many years.

DIED: Gary Patrick May, 64, on January 26, 2002 in Baltimore, MD. He was the son of the late Harry and Ada May, Hague. He is survived by his wife Catherine, daughters, Arlene, April, Robin and son Edward, 10 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, five sisters, Geneva Denno, Grace May, Gwendolyn Cuomo, Georgianna May and Gail Bennett and one brother Frank May. Services were held in Baltimore.

DIED: Ernest F. Fullam, 91 formerly of Schuylerville and Silver Bay on February 3, 2002 at the Schuylerville Ridge Residential Health Care. Mr. Fullam was a graduate of the Silver Bay School circa 1932. Mr. Fullam was a pioneer in the applications of electron microscopy and electron optics. He maintained a home in Silver Bay for more than 50 years. He is survived by three sons, Peter, Timothy and David, two grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

DIED: Leo Wells, 79, formerly of Hague, on February 16, 2002 in the Glens Falls Hospital. He is survived by

three sons, Leonard, Joe, Walter and a daughter Blanche. He is also survived by his sister Inza Jordon and several nieces and nephews.

Lauren Mack, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Mack, Hague, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2001 semester at Fairfield University.

TI HI THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

The following Hague students have been listed on the Ticonderoga High School's honor roll for the third marking period:

Grade 12: First Honors - Nicole Belden, Lucas Frasier, Heather Hassett, Angela Mascarelli, Joe Plass, Alison Rutkowski, Theodore Santaniello.

Second Honors - Becky Ryder, Brandon Trudeau, Tyler Wells.

Grade 11: Second Honors - Katie Belden, Jennifer Clark, Kelly Frasier

Grade 10: First Honors - Monica Sitts

Second Honors - Matthew Frasier, Thomas Haskell, Joshua Ross

Grade 9: First Honors - Danielle Connors, Joshua Frasier
Second Honors - Lindsay Mascarelli

TI MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following Hague students have been named to the Achievement Roll for the Ti Middle School

Grade 8: Sarah Bissell, Bryce Gurney, Jacob Lawrence,
Grade 7: Janine Best, John Breitenbach, Brittany Haran, Kelly McCoy, Stephanie Nast, Kacheena Trudeau,

Merit Roll:

Grade 8: Derek Ross, Andrew Trombley

Grade 7: Jamie Frasier

Grade 6: Hunter Denno, Justin Frasier, Henry Girard, Eric Robinson, Ryan Ryder

LEST YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY/MARCH 2002

February

- 18-22 School vacation
- 21 Carillon Garden Club - 11AM, Community Ctr.
- 23 Defensive Driver Course at HVFD -(p.1)
- 26 Senior Citizens Club - 12Noon (p2)
- 28 Zoning Board of Appeals - 7PM

March

- 1 World Day of Prayer (p2)
- 5 Mohican Crafters - 10AM
- 7 Planning Board - 7PM
- 9 Roast beef dinner at Methodist Church (p1)

- 11 Senior Citizens Bus to Glens Falls
- 12 Town Board - Public hearing 6PM; meeting 6:30PM (p3)
- 13 Parkinson's Support Group - Residential Health Care dining room - 7PM Call 585-2533 for info.
- 17 St. Patrick's Day Dinner, 3-7 at Fire Hall (p1)
- 18 Chamber of Commerce - 7:30PM
- 18 Hague Historical Society (p2)
- 19 Mohican Crafters - 10AM
- 20 Blood Pressure Clinic - 1-2PM, Comm.. Ctr.

WHODUNIT??



This year, a Santa cap appeared on it. We loved it!! Who was so brave as to climb that rock and decorate our favorite mammal? Even better, who did it again and took the hat off after the season passed? Or is this just another mystery of Hague.? This could conceivably rate up there with all the murder mysteries of Hague. Please help us solve this one. Write, telephone or e-mail with your version.

You have heard about the Seven Wonders of the World. We like to think that ELEPHANT ROCK in Hague is the eighth one.

Our elephant is located in Graphite, on the south side of Route 8. As editor of this newspaper I have often wondered about the history of Elephant Rock. I do realize it has been there since the ice age but who was clever enough to decide it looked like an elephant? Somebody in our reading audience must know the history of this rock. When was the first face painted on it and by whom? We know that when Route 8 was being worked on, Ed Crabbs was instrumental in saving the rock from being blasted into oblivion. Was there a face on it before that time, and who has painted the face on it since then?

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