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ELECTION - 1992

When you go to the polls to vote on November 3, you would probably be ahead of the game if you were to study the ballot before you go into the voting booth. There are ten presidential candidates, among other offices. Locally we have two candidates for the 4th Judicial District Supreme Court, namely, Dominick Viscardi, incumbent, and John Hall. For U.S. Senator, incumbent D'Amato is being opposed by Bob Abrams, currently the NYS Attorney General. For U.S. Representative, incumbent Gerald Solomon is being opposed by David Roberts.

Closer to home, for NYS Senator, incumbent Stafford is being opposed by Melody Mackenzie and for State Assembly, incumbent Jim King of Ticonderoga is opposed by David Sawyer. There has been a redistricting and Warren County is now in Jim King's district.

Dr. Andrew Garner is running unopposed for Warren County coroner. This is an off year for Hague elections.

REMEMBER - IT IS YOUR PRIVILEGE AND OBLIGATION TO VOTE. VOTING HOURS ARE FROM 6AM - 9PM ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1992 IN THE COMMUNITY BUILDING.

Coffee and donuts will be available from 6AM to 11AM and a soup and sandwich lunch will be served by the Fire Department from 12noon to 2PM in the Community Building.

THE VOTING BOOTH WILL BE SET UP IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR YOUR INSPECTION AND INSTRUCTION ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 29 AND 30 FROM 1 - 3PM.

LARGE RECYCLING INCREASE IN HAGUE

The volume of recyclable items collected in Hague and shipped to recycling markets dramatically increased in 1992. This is a very positive development for Hague's Solid Waste Program.

In 1991 Hague collected a total of 43.5 tons of recyclables. In 1992, to date, the total has increased to 76.5. Both steel cans and glass have been shipped since these totals were calculated which will substantially add to the 1992 total.

Everyone deserves congratulations for their efforts.
... John Breitenbach, Recycling Coordinator

MAGAZINE RECYCLING DROP OFF DATES

The town of Hague will be collecting magazines for recycling at the Transfer Station October 22 through October 25, 1992 from noon until 5:00PM daily.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- Magazines and Advertising inserts
- Envelopes
- School & office paper (all colors)
- Non-metallic wrapping
- NCR paper (carbonless forms)
- Catalogues
- Sweepstakes Forms
- Junk mail
- Text Books (covers removed)
- Real estate brochures

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- Newsprint (Use regular Hague recycling program)
- Box board
- Carbon paper
- Foam, padded, or bubble envelopes
- Photographs
- Corrugated Board (Use reg. Hague recy. program)
- Telephone books
- Blue print paper
- Plastics

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Charles Fillare

We're sure many of you like us have wondered what that construction project in the center of town was all about. We have heard a few facts here and there about it. Well, we finally decided to get the full story to satisfy our curiosity and hopefully yours.

Jim Hirsch, the NY State Project Engineer heading up the project, was most gracious and willing to answer all our questions and we kinda got the feeling he was pleased to have an opportunity to give us "the facts."

This project was started back on May 21 and is scheduled for completion sometime in November. Except for some minor delays it is now back on schedule and our beautiful little community should be back to normal in just a few weeks.

A periodic inspection by state engineers some time ago determined that the bridge which had been built in 1930 had seriously deteriorated and needed to be replaced. It was also decided that at the same time it would be advisable to widen Hague Brook/Sucker Creek

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from 15 feet to 30 feet to preclude the recurrence of flooding which had occurred on several occasions.

The project was estimated, budgeted and contracted to the A.P. Reale Co., Ticonderoga, for a total cost of approximately one million dollars - all paid for by the state.

Basically, the bridge has been totally rebuilt, the brook/creek widened and lined with stone for approximately 450 feet from the bridge to the lake. The level of the creek will be returned to its former heights and in addition there will be a fish trough to allow the trout, salmon and smelt to migrate back up stream to spawn.

Mr. Hirsch feels the contractor has done an excellent job on pollution control and by the time you read this, final landscaping should have begun, including placement of more than 100 new trees. Unfortunately some lovely old trees had to be removed to facilitate widening of the brook, but Mr. Hirsch assured us that the entire project has been constantly monitored by the DEC and APA to insure the integrity of the area. From all indications, when completed it should look even better than before.

P.S. If any of you have questions about this project, please let us know and we'll try to get answers for you.

HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The next regular meeting of the Hague Senior Citizens Club will be held on Tuesday, October 27th at 1:30PM at the Community Center. We have arranged to have Mr. Robert Tompkins, of United Health Associates, Queensbury to give a seminar on Medicare and Long Term Care. He will be explaining the programs and the options that are available to seniors. His explanations are in an easy to understand format which has been developed by doing over one hundred seminars this past year. This is done on a volunteer basis. This should prove to be a very interesting program and All seniors in Hague are invited to attend.

Prior to the meeting at 1:30PM the group (as many as would like to) will travel to the Bolton Meal Site for lunch. Please call the Town Center, 543-6161 to get your name on the list BEFORE OCTOBER 20 so we can let the meal site know how many to expect. We will meet at the Community Center parking lot at 11:20AM and proceed in cars from there.

FLU SHOTS TO BE GIVEN

Flu shots will be given at the Hague Community Center on November 10 between 1 and 2PM. Please register for these in advance. A charge of \$5 will be made. Those who have MEDICAID (not Medicare) may show their MEDICAID card.

Call Community Center - 543-6161.

MOHICAN HOME BUREAU

Trudy Karmazin

The fall season is off to a good start: the Bunn Coffee Maker we purchased, with a lot of help from local organizations, is installed and working. A plaque is being made in honor of everyone who participated in this community project. We would like to thank at this time the Hague Chamber of Commerce and the Historical Society for their donations. The coffee maker is installed in the main meeting room for all to use.

Our committees for the 92/93 season are: Dot Abare, Veterans Christmas Project - we make lap robes, slippers and collect small items as cards, games, toiletries, socks, etc. for both men and women at the Albany V.A. hospital. Anyone coming to donate some of these small items, please leave them at the Hague Community Center with Bertha - she will see that we get them. Fran Clifton will be in charge of the Stone Soup at the December 1 meeting. Our Christmas party will be chaired by Dolly Barber and Barbara Drinkwine. For Christmas this year we will be working on the TINY TIM project. Eleanor Pearson will be handling this project. Contact her for more information.

Our Nursing Home trip will be in March for St. Patrick's Day - Emma Werschky is chairlady. Our annual crafts fair will be chaired by Betty Van Sleet; Spring luncheon by Mildred Stockholm and Mitzi Fillare; Raffles for 92/93, Ruth Huestis; tea cup auctions, Gloria Hawkins, Marguerite West and Blanche Hanna. As you see we have an active year ahead, so come join us.

We would like to announce nine new members. Welcome Eleanor Pearson, Vivian Den Bleyker, Kitty Zacharenka, Abrena Glennon, Wendy Heritage, Mitzi Fillare, Karen Ward, Melissa Mascarelli and Carol Brown. Welcome to our group, ladies, and we hope more of you will join us in future meetings.

October 20th meeting will be working on Victorian doll, Dolly Barber teacher, and plastic canvas trinket box, taught by Dot Abare. November 3rd meeting will be toilet tissue holder, a duck kit \$4.00, taught by Trudy Karmazin. Also will work on Christmas favors.

November 17th meeting will be broom doll taught by Dolly Barber; roly poly Santa taught by Barbara Drinkwine.

Our meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of the month at the Hague Community Center at 10AM. Bring a sandwich and work with us. We supply the coffee and cake. Come and meet a lot of nice women and find out what Home Bureau is all about.

To Betty Decker and Marian Reath, we miss you and hope you'll both be on the road to recovery real soon.

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

There were no fire calls in September.

There were 15 ambulance runs, requiring 136 1/2 hours, and covering 1103 miles.

Gerry Boyd is now an instructor in Hazard Awareness, having completed the course in connection with International Paper Co. Four firemen are taking the course in Essentials of Firemanship at Lake George. We are grateful beyond words for those who dedicate their time and energy to serve us all in emergencies. . . ewa

The best gifts are always tied with heartstrings.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The ZBA meeting of September 24 began at 7PM with a public hearing for Spencer (11-1-10) for an area variance for side lot setback for a residential addition. No one spoke for or against. When the regular meeting opened the variance was approved.

In the case of Howard (20-1-13.1) a public hearing was set for 7PM on October 22nd. The request is for an area variance for front and rear setback for a concession stand at the intersection of Rt 8 and W. Hague Rd. . gl

PLANNING BOARD

J. Young's (65-3-9.1; 10) request for a minor subdivision was presented at a public hearing on Oct. 1, 1922. Noone spoke for or against this request. Approval was given at the regular meeting.

Waters (20-1-13.1) returned with yet another request for a Type II Site Plan Review for his mobile home park. Following a lengthy discussion which included septic system proposed, aesthetics, etc. the board has requested a sketch or photo that would show what Mr. Nelson has in mind for the finished project. A public hearing requires a 5-day notice and if Mr. Waters has his drawings in by Oct. 23rd a public hearing can be set for the Nov. meeting.

Ward (1-9-1-4) requests a Type II Site Plan Review. This project also requires a review by SEQA and the LGPC. Application has been made to the Park Commission for a Class A Marina permit. Other uses, Rt. 8 entrance, etc. were included in discussion of this project. The board tabled pending response from LGPC.

Howard (200-1-13.1) concession stand. A public hearing has been set for Nov. 5 at 7:15PM.

In other business: John Breitenbach spoke of the possibility of the Steitz request for a private marine storage becoming a commercial establishment.

Possible sale of two upper lots owned by Kneuppel will cancel their request for a minor subdivision at Lake Shore Hills.

Mr. Breitenbach also spoke of plans for board training workshops for the Hague ZBA and Planning Boards by Dan Kane of Warren County Planning. . . gl

TOWN BOARD

Supervisor Dan Belden opened the October 13 Town Board meeting with a moment of silence for Wally Conlon and Herman Fish who died recently. In communications and petitions: • A letter was read from Ethel Andrus which proposed a plan for the Meals on Wheels program to be introduced in Hague for the eligible elderly. • James King, Assemblyman, wrote pledging his support for the School Tax Committee and assuring us he is willing to introduce legislation if necessary. • A thank-you letter with a donation included was received

from the Patchetts. They had borrowed tables and chairs. • William Lambert complained about the density at Werner's Marine and Prop and Sail. He also included a complaint about the seasonal concession stand. The Chamber of Commerce Selection Committee for Volunteer Senior Citizen of the Year asked Supervisor Belden to act as Co-chair of the event. • Sal Santaniello also wrote thanking Supervisor Belden for getting the Chamber extra funding for next summer's program and made a hundred dollar donation to the Community Center for the Chamber's use during their summer program.

Reports of Special Committees include: • For sewer planning, a pre application has been sent to the state for job bond money, IF the bond issue passes on Nov. 3. • The basketball court is still unfinished but Supervisor Belden is discussing the black-top needed with the various groups involved. • A petition has been received from Terrace Road residents requesting Cable TV. • Our Youth program is in full swing with planned special events for each month. Work has begun for an activity approved grant for the Youth Committee. • In Finance, budget workshops are planned, with the first one on October 15.

In Regular Committee Reports: • Work will be completed on Rt. 8-9N construction in about a month. Trees removed will be replaced by the construction company. • Complaints about Docksider are being investigated • In our ongoing school tax investigation the Warren County supervisors have agreed to help. A meeting is to be held soon in Albany with Dick Grant, chairman of the Warren County supervisors, Michael Swan, chairman of Real Property Tax Services and several others present. Landfill finds cement work for the compactor almost complete.

In Unfinished Business: • The supervisor will ask George Wilson of Honeywell to come to Hague and discuss the 1993 contract. • HUD negotiations continue about Moses-Ludington Hospital with the latest possibility being a restructuring of the mortgage debt. October 19 sees many political figures or their representatives visiting Moses Ludington.

In New Business: • Spear Johnson has been reappointed to the Board of Assessment Review until 9/30/97. • Resolution #24 to approve retaining the Warren County Recycling Coordinator, was passed. Warren County reports: (1) water works of Hague trying for a small cities grant to expand their system.(2) Meals on Wheels (3) Rabies shots and (4) Tourism to keep money under control of the Warren County supervisors rather than turn it over to a private group.

October 29 at 6:30PM is the date set for a public hearing on the 1993 budget. GL

A special Town Board meeting was called to pass several resolutions on Sept. 29 at 6:30PM. Resolution #21 1992 - submission of project application for division of matching funds. Resolution #22 1992 to pursue NY State Jobs' Bond Act dollars. Resolution #23 . (Cont. on page 4 TOWN BOARD) 10/92

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1992, to pursue grant dollars for storm water management.

Presentation of the 1993 tentative budget was made at the special town board meeting held on Oct 5, 1992.

MOSES-LUDINGTON HOSPITAL GETS GRANT

Moses-Ludington has received a check for \$200,000 from the state of New York, an item originally approved in the state budget two years ago. Senator Stafford managed to get the grant which was included as a "member item". He is also working to get further funding approved for the 1992-93 fiscal year.

This money has come at a very crucial time for the hospital. Orley Dixon, president of the hospital board said about half of it will be used to recruit at least one doctor. Three doctors have recently resigned from the staff of the hospital.

The towns of Ticonderoga, Hague and Putnam have agreed to contract with the hospital annually for services, providing \$800,000 a year for four years.

Grassroots fundraising efforts by citizens groups are picking up speed. The Friends of Moses-Ludington Hospital has begun accepting donations and separate efforts are continuing in Crown Point. Crown Point Board voted against taking part in a contract with the hospital but residents there are working to raise money for the facility.

LAKE GEORGE PARK COMMISSION HEARING

The Lake George Park Commission will conduct a public meeting to accept oral comments on the application of Robert and Diane Condit dba Headwaters Marine (Blackpoint Road, Ticonderoga) on Tuesday, October 27, 1992 at 7PM at the Ticonderoga Civic Center. The proposed project is for the removal of all existing wharfs and moorings and the construction of a new wharf complex for use as a commercial full service marina.

This meeting is different from a public hearing. Its purpose is to let parties have an opportunity to present unsworn oral statements. No decision will be made at this meeting. Written public comments are given equal weight to oral statements and can be submitted to the Commission Office, P.O. Box 749, Fort George Road, Lake George, NY 12845, prior to Oct. 30.

A site visit will precede the meeting. Anyone wishing to attend the site visit should contact the above.

SHAPE UP!

A class in aerobics, taught by Marie Collins is going strong at the Community Center on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11-12AM. Never too late to join! There will also be a class from 12-1 on

Mondays and Fridays for those of us who can't take the more strenuous exercises. This is basically a stretch and moderate exercise class. We haven't been able to get enough members for that class as yet, so if you think you are interested, call Dottie Henry, 543-6633. I guarantee you'll have fun and feel better about yourself... djh

Ticonderoga Elementary and Middle Schools will be opened from 3:30 to 5:30PM every school day for Senior Citizens who want to exercise by walking. Please enter the building through the Middle School entrance. If you are interested in this program, please register at the Ticonderoga Middle School office at 585-7442.

AMERICAN LEGION

The November meeting of Hague Post 1538 American Legion, will be held at the Hague Community Center on Wednesday, November 4 at 7:30PM. The change of location is due to the plan to invite all wives of members plus all veterans of the Hague area who served in the military during any war period from 1918 to the present time. The spouses of these veterans are also welcome and are urged to attend.

There will also be a question and answer period for the benefit of any veteran who would like additional information about the American Legion.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

PLANETARIUM PROGRAM

The second in a series of Ticonderoga High School Planetarium presentations is entitled "Deep Sky Objects - Telescope Night", to be held on October 22 at the THS Planetarium. This year there will be a \$1.00 donation per person.

On November 10 there will be another presentation, subject to be announced. These are very interesting presentations and the public is welcome.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION (Gleaning) will occur on Tuesday, Oct. 20 at the Community Center from 2-4PM. Please bring documentation.

PANCAKE SUPPER IN HAGUE

The Ticonderoga Festival Guild will hold a pancake supper at the Hague Community Center on Sunday, November 8 from 4:30-6:30PM. Besides sausage and lots of pancakes, homemade applesauce will be featured. Price of the meal is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12. This will benefit the concerts that have become so much a part of our summer entertainment.

Gather leaves and grasses, love, today; for the Autumn; passes Ssoon away. Chilling winds are blowing. It will soon be snowing.

WEATHER NOTES

Mary Lou Doulin

The last half of September was dominated by mostly beautiful fall weather. Daytime temperatures were between 60° and 70°. The air was clear, the sky was blue. Actually the average temperature was 68° - that was 3° cooler than last year. On September 14 and 15 the thermometer reached 80° with perfect conditions. Sunday the 20th had to be one of the ten most perfect days of the year. September 22 brought heavy rain and thunder late at night. Sunday the 27th we had rain and fog and late Friday night, Oct 9 we had one of the heaviest downpours I can remember.

The weather for October has been beautiful and daytime highs have descended into the 50's. Some geese were spotted going south on Oct. 2. However over in Vt at the Dead Creek Wildlife Preserves there are still thousands of birds.

Columbus Day weekend is usually cool and beautiful, but this year it was mixed. Friday was gorgeous, Sat. partial clouds, Sunday gloomy and Monday, a perfect Oct. day, for the most part. The full moon was Oct. 10 and the lake temperature is 58°. Speaking of the lake, the salmon fishermen have been complaining about the poor catch this month. However, I heard the salmon just started running on Sat. Oct 10. So far lakeside we have had no "killing" frost. The flowers are still blooming, roses included and the gardens still have some vegetation. Fall foliage is magnificent this year!

We had an ever so slight snowfall Sept. 30, less than a dusting. There is an old wives' tale that says that whatever day the first snow falls, that is the number of snow storms we will receive the following winter. If this is true, be prepared for thirty storms!

LATEST ACQUISITIONS TO HAGUE MUSEUM

Clifton West, Town Historian

- Lead melting pot from Henry Leach, used by plumbers in sealing sewer pipe joints.
- Clarence Holman's sinker mold, donated by Henry Leach
- 20 oz. lead sinker used in lake trout fishing years ago. Donated by Dr. Hunziker.
- Handmade bamboo surface rod used for trout fishing. Burt West made it for Harry Watrous to use. Donated by Clifton West.
- * Two pictures of the road after the Tongue Mountain flood of 1991. Donated by Spear Johnson
- Washer cutter used by Mildred Stockholm's father. Donated by Mildred Stockholm.

WARREN COUNTY TO HELP HAGUE WITH SCHOOL TAX PROBLEMS

Hague sends about 100 students to Ticonderoga schools, compared to Ticonderoga's approximately

1,000. The cost per Hague pupil is in excess of \$21,000 while a Ticonderoga student's is about 1/10 of that amount. School tax rate for Ticonderoga is \$7.74 per M and Hague's is \$9.12 per M. Ticonderoga's rate went down 4.3% and Hague's went up 9.3%. Does that make you think there is something wrong? The School Tax Committee, headed by David Lawrence has been working diligently on this problem. He and Supervisor Belden met with the county's Real Property Tax Services Committee. The committee agreed to help Hague residents set up a special district, which they hope will ease their burdens.

The tax levy for 1992-93 school year is \$4.5 million. Ticonderoga picks up about 53% and Hague about 47% of this amount. Property values in both towns are roughly equal - about \$200 million in full value assessments for each town. However, Ticonderoga has more than 5,000 people and Hague only 700, not including the summer residents.

The State Board of Equalization and Assessment seems to be the culprit in this case. They set the equalization rates which are the factors used to derive equitable tax rates in cases where a district boundary crosses lines of municipalities. Part of the problem is with the property surveys which E&A conducts to establish the town's "full value" property assessment. Both towns would have to do an assessment update during the same year to achieve the goal of equal assessments.

HAGUE SENIOR CITIZEN OF YEAR AWARD

It is now time to send in your written nomination for the Third Annual Hague Senior Citizen of the Year Award. This most prestigious annual award, recognizing outstanding community participation and contributions of the Town's older citizens, is sponsored by the members of Hague-on-Lake George Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber hopes to continue enthusiastic Community support for this recognition program and that many deserving Senior Citizens are nominated for the 1992 award.

The award is presented during the annual Christmas party at the Hague Community Center, held in early December. Previously honored and recognized for their contributions to our community are Dottie Henry in 1990 and Georgina Lindquist in 1991.

Any long term Hague senior citizen is eligible for the Annual Hague Chamber of Commerce Senior Citizen of the Year Award. Any Hague resident may submit a written nomination of a candidate to a Selection Committee made up of representatives from:

- The Hague Chamber of Commerce
- The Hague Senior Citizens Club
- The Hague Fish and Game Club
- The Hague Fire Department

The selection committee is chaired by the Chamber
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of Commerce and co-chaired by the Town Supervisor.
 Written submissions to the committee must include the nominee/candidate's name, address, a brief biography, and the reasons why the candidate should be considered as the recipient of the Hague Senior Citizen of the Year Award. Nominations must be postmarked no later than November 15, signed by the originator and mailed or deliver to:
 Hague Chamber of Commerce
 Attn: Selection Committee
 Hague, NY 12836

Please everyone - send in your nomination on behalf of your favorite and most deserving Senior Citizen as soon as possible.

CUB SCOUT PACK #21 NEWS
 Karen Costello

Our Wolf den is empty this year, but we have 7 active Bears in Den #4. They're concentrating on safety (biking, fire prevention, law enforcement) this month.

Den #3 has stepped up to Webelos and welcomes Wyatt Wells and Greg Fitzgerald from Den #1 to join them. They began their scout season with a fall camp-out at Brookwood. It was a good weather weekend and activity pins were worked on while much fun was had.

Has Den #2 lost their marbles? No, but they're learning to play that good ol' game. They welcome Peter Hutchinson from Den #1 and plan to make the best of their last season as Webelos.

The pack wishes to thank Ralph Denno for the time he spent with us as Webelo leader of Den #1. His Scouts had a great time and his contributions to their experience is much appreciated.

A fundraiser is planned for the near future and again we thank you for your refundable contributions of bottles and cans at the landfill and Community Center.

We are also planning community service projects and helping our neighbors! If you have any suggestions, call Karen Costello at 543-6590.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS
 Kathy Santaniello

With the change of season, things have quieted down considerably for the Chamber, but already we are planning for next year, working on format and content for a proposed weekly newsletter we hope to be able to circulate in the area during next July and August. If anyone has any ideas about information that should be included, please contact Kathy Santaniello.

Our Warren County Council of Chambers dinner at Northern Lake George Resort was very well attended, both by other chamber representatives, and by our local chamber members. Doris Herwig was honored with a plaque and gift from the Hague Chamber, and many other remembrances from other county chambers.

The Senior Citizen of the Year Award will be pre-

sented at the Community Christmas party in December -please read details of this project in a separate article in this paper (page 5)

The Memory Tree program will be started in November, but since the next Chronicle won't be available until the 15th of that month, details are included here. Anyone who would like to honor someone during the Holiday Season, either one who has passed away or one who is still living, send \$1 to the Hague Chamber of Commerce, c/o Frances Clifton, Hague, NY 12836. Your \$1 will buy a bulb on the Memory tree that will be put up in the lobby at the Community Center and lit just after Thanksgiving. The name will also be included on a felt tree that is also put up in the lobby at the Center. If more than one person would like to remember someone, additional colored stars will be placed next to the person's name on the felt tree. All proceeds of the program will be presented to the Hague Ambulance Squad in January. Money for bulbs will be accepted until January 1, 1993. Please print names clearly. Now is a good time to start making your list of who you might like to honor this season.

Have a happy Halloween, and don't forget the Hague Youth Committee's party on Friday, October 30.

NATURE NEWS
 Laura Meade

Have you seen Hague's "resident" osprey? He (or she) has been spotted by at least eight people in various locations in the township. Twice the bird was seen trying to catch a fish at Jabe Pond (didn't use a worm!) in the month of September. Recently several Route 8 residents observed the osprey as it sat on a rooftop then flew up and down the road from the bridge near the Community Center to where Hague Brook crosses at Green Acres By-the-Brook Campsite. Another person watched as the bird tried to catch a fish in Hague Bay.

Could this osprey be an off-spring of birds that have nested the last few years near Pharaoh Lake? Three osprey nests were reported in that vicinity.

Niagara Mohawk donated (and placed) a pole with attached platform near the bird banding site at the Crown Point Historic Site, but so far no osprey have nested there, although a few "checked it out" this past summer.

For those unfamiliar with the characteristics of an osprey, the bird can be described as a 21" to 25" raptor, with a 4 1/2 ft. to 6 ft. wingspan, blackish above, white below with head largely white with a broad black cheek patch. It hovers on beating wings, then plunges feet first to catch a fish. Plumage of the sexes is similar. Amazingly, the osprey occurs on all continents except Antarctica.

A teacher is one who takes many live wires and sees that they are all grounded. 10/92

SOUNDINGS

DIED - Wallace W. Conlon, 81, New Hague Road, on September 19 in Glens Falls Hospital. Survivors include three sisters, Katie Hunter, Hannah Cameron and Margaret DeISignore, all of Hague.

DIED - Dorothy M. Anisansel of Friends Point, Hague and Jupiter, FL, on September 24 at Moses-Ludington Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Arthur A., daughter Cynthia M. Rosbrook and son, David A. Anisansel, one sister and seven grandchildren.

At the Fall Conference of the Federated Garden Clubs of New York State, Laura Meade received the State Conservation Award for her efforts in nature education. For ten years she has presented slide programs on birds and wildflowers of the Adirondacks, with emphasis on the habitats of Hague. She has served as president, secretary, program director and education chairman of the High Peaks Audubon Society as well as District IV and State Board Wild Flower Chairman, representing The Carillon Garden Club.

Charles B. Salmon, Jr. has recently been made ambassador to Laos. He is a son of Charles Salmon Sr. and a nephew of Margaret Burgey, a long-time resident of Hague.

A BIT OF HISTORY - REPRINTED

The Ticonderoga Historical Society has recently reprinted a limited edition of a small but charming book originally published in 1858 entitled, SKETCHES OF ESSEX COUNTY - TICONDEROGA, by Flavious J. Cook. Mr. Cook, a relative of some of the founding fathers of Ticonderoga, and whose relatives still reside there, set out to chronicle life in a small, growing town, and has succeeded in painting "... an in-depth written picture of the earliest development of historic Ticonderoga. . . " (Foreword) It is interesting to note that Mr. Cook's homestead was the once-elegant house on the way to Ticonderoga, just south of the golf course, that recently burned. In its time that must have been a beautiful mansion.

Copies of the book are now available at the Hancock House in Ticonderoga and the Silver Bay General Store. . . .ks

ANOTHER BIT OF HISTORY - REVISITED

Just a note to remind everyone that Hague Raider sweatshirts in sizes medium to 3XL are still available at the Silver Bay General Store. To date \$117.00 has been donated to the Beste Scholarship Fund through sales of these shirts, and, you don't have to have been a "Hague Raider" to wear one! . . .ks

HAGUE YOUTH PROGRAM

There was an encouraging turnout for the organizational meeting in September. Many good ideas were brought up and it was decided that monthly activities for youth would be planned.

Our first activity will be a Halloween party for all ages to be held at the Community Center on Friday, October 30 from 7:00 - 8:30PM. Be creative with your costume (kids and grownups)! There will be games, a haunted house and treats. If you wish to help in any way or donate refreshments, please call Val Lawrence at 543-6120.

Plans are under way for a craft day in November and an ice skating party in December. Stay tuned! . . . KC_

THE WRITER'S VOICE

As a part of The Writer's Voice of the Silver Bay Association, which seeks to create a permanent literary arts center in the Adirondack region of New York State, a fiction writing adult workshop will be held from November 13-15 at Silver Bay. Conquer your fear of writing with this fiction writing workshop. Writing exercises will help you incorporate voice, setting plot, characters, and endings to create short stories and novels from your story ideas and short writings.

Instructor Robert Olmstead is a short story writer and novelist besides being an accomplished workshop presenter. Tuition for this workshop is \$115.00. For information, call Silver Bay Association, 543-8833.

BPW HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Ft. Carillon Business & Professional Women will be hosting a Halloween Murder Mystery Party on Saturday, October 17 at 7PM at the Elks Lodge, Ticonderoga. Join the fictional "Class of 54" for a reunion. Superstar classmate "Rock N. Roley" has been murdered and the suspects are your fellow classmates. See the plot unfold and test your ability to catch the murderer. The evening includes a buffet dinner and oldies dance. Costumes are optional. Prizes. Tickets are \$10.00 and proceeds will benefit the BPW Scholarship Fund. For more information, contact Chris Shields at 585-2215.

WE GET QUESTIONS

People still are confused about the date that appears above your name on the mailing sticker. It is the date you last contributed to our paper. Since it is an entirely voluntary contribution we can't tell you when to contribute. On the other hand, if we don't hear from you for an unusual length of time, then we try to gently remind you that we need your support.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 1992

October

- 20 Home Bureau, 10AM
- 20 Gleaning Program - 2-4PM
- 21 Senior Citizen Bus to Glens Falls
- 21 Board of Education meeting - THS cafeteria - 7:30PM
- 22 ZBA - Pub. hearing 7PM; meeting 7:30PM (p3)
- 22 Planetarium program in Ti High School - 7:39PM
- 22-25 - Magazine Recycling in Hague - see p 1
- 27 Senior Citizens meeting - see p2
- 30 Halloween Party - 7-8:30PM - see p6
- 31 HALLOWEEN

November

- 2 HVFD meeting - 7:30PM in Fire Hall
- 3 ELECTION DAY - lunch (See p1)
- 3 Home Bureau - 10AM
- 3 Gleaning
- 4 Senior Citizens Bus to G.F.
- 4 Chamber of Commerce meeting - 7:30 Comm. Ctr.
- 4 American Legion - 7:30 Comm. Ctr - see p
- 5 Planning Board - Possible pub. hearing 9P3)
- 8 Pancake Supper - Ti Festival Guild - Comm. Ctr.
- 10 Flu Shots - 1-2PM Comm. Ctr (p2)
- 11 Town Hall Closed - VETERANS DAY
- 17 Home Bureau
- 18 Senior Citizens Bus to Glens Falls

OCTOBER'S PARTY

*October gave a party
 The leaves by hundreds came--
 The Chestnuts, Oaks, and Maples,
 And leaves of every name.
 The Sunshine spread a carpet,
 And everything was grand,
 Miss Weather led the dancing,
 Professor Wind the band.*

*The Chestnuts came in yellow,
 The Oaks in crimson dressed;
 The lovely Misses Maple
 In scarlet looked their best;
 All balanced to their partners,
 And gaily fluttered by;
 The sight was like a rainbow
 New fallen from the sky.*

*Then, in the rustic hollow,
 At hide-and-seek they played,
 The party closed at sundown,
 And everybody stayed.
 Professor Wind played louder;
 They flew along the ground
 And then the party ended
 In jolly "hands around."*

... George Cooper

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