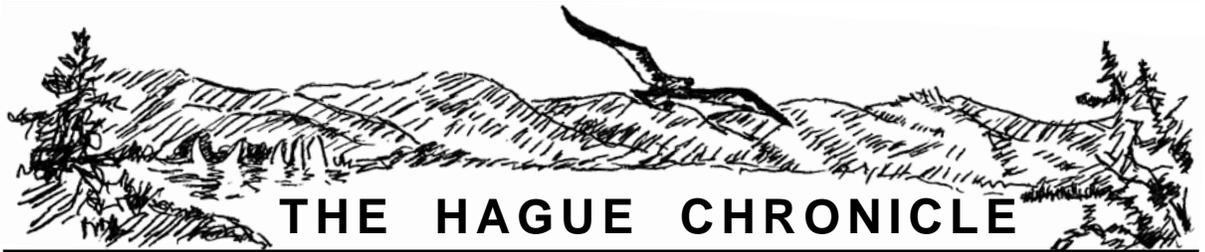


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**TOWN OF HAGUE-ON-LAKE GEORGE
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND FUNFEST**

AND

“WARREN COUNTY 200” BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2013

10 AM TO 4 PM: FUNFEST AT THE HAGUE TOWN PARK –ROUTE 9N

CAMBRIDGE BAND LIVE CONCERT 12:30 PM

K9 SEARCH & RESCUE, ABC CRITTERS, UPYONDA FARMS

STEVE PELKEY, WOKO RADIO PERSONALITY, PENELOPE THE CLOWN

CRAFTERS, JEWELRY, SPICES, WHITE ELEPHANT,

GAMES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY, FACE PAINTING,

FOOD CONCESSIONS BY LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS – HOT DOGS, BURGERS, SOFT DRINKS, BAKED GOODS, AND
MUCH MORE

2 PM: PARADE – ROUTE 8 TO HAGUE TOWN PARK ON 9N

GRAND MARSHALLS:

We are proud to honor five World War II Veterans:

Art Tricka, Frank Koenig, Bruce Craig, Richard Feibush and Betty McGuire

BANDS, FLOATS, CLOWNS, CLASSIC CARS, ETC.

PRIZES FOR: BEST IN PARADE, MOST CREATIVE, MOST PATRIOTIC, BEST ADIRONDACK, MOST HUMOROUS, BEST YOUTH, HONORABLE MENTION ADULT AND YOUTH. WINNERS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE MEMORIAL SERVICE.

HONORING THE U.S. FLAG

During a parade, at the moment the American Flag passed you, all should stand at attention in silence facing the flag with their right hands over their hearts. Military personnel and veterans should stand at attention, face the flag and render the military salute.

3 PM: MEMORIAL DEDICATION SERVICE, TOWN PARK—ROUTE 9N

118th INFANTRY ENACTORS AND JAMES O'TOOLE

honoring the veterans who served in the Civil War from Hague:

George Balcom, Isasc Bristol, Hiram Burt, Orlando Burt, John Calkins, Lyman Hill, Thomas Kelly,
William Newton, Adam Putnam, Solomon Robbins, David H. Roberts, Garrett Smith and Waters W. Wright.

Sponsored by the Hague Senior Citizen Club * Sanctioned by the Hague Town Board

The popular HVFD Chicken BBQ will take place at the HVFD Pavilion off Rt 8 and West Hague Rd
on Saturday afternoon after the services.

SENIOR CLUB NEWS

The Senior Club recently took a trip to the Saratoga Auto Museum. The day of the outing they were showing the BMW cars from the beginning to present. It was interesting and fun to see the old ones. We went to an Italian Restaurant for lunch and all who went seemed to enjoy themselves.

The Memorial Day Funfest and Parade are coming up and we are collecting items (NO clothing) for the White Elephant Sale. If you have anything to donate please contact us. If you want to help set-up at the Town Park, join us on Thursday, May 23rd and Friday, May 24th. The Parade Committee has been hard at work but there are always things to be done during the last two days so we really appreciate any help. Contact Mike or Maureen Cherubini at 543-6463 or Pat Hintze at 543-6502.

The next regular meeting will be May 28, 2013 at 1:30 pm at the Community Center. We will review the Memorial Day activities and have an opportunity to make suggestions for the future.

After a week to rest we will manage our Senior Café during Americade from June 2 – 9, 2013 when we will be selling good food out of the Visitor Center. On the 10th we will be cleaning up and breaking down and you are welcome to come down and help. We will be open the whole week from 11 am to 4 pm so we look forward to seeing you for lunch.

The meeting on June 25th at noon in the Town Park will be a Thank You Luncheon and discussion of Memorial Day activities, the White Elephant Sale and Americade. If it rains it will be in the Community Center. We will also discuss the dates and our activities for July. ... Pat Hintze

FORT TICONDEROGA MEMORIAL DAY EVENT

Join Fort Ticonderoga on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, 2013 to salute the service of the armed forces of the United States on the very grounds where so many American soldiers fought and sacrificed. Parade into Fort Ticonderoga behind the Fife and Drum Corps during a special program at 11 am, and step back in time to meet the soldiers of the American Revolution. Experience all aspects of the life of the Continental Army soldier in 1775, from their weapons to their rations, and learn about what they believed would come from their sacrifice. A 10% general admissions discount will be given to active duty military members with proof of service. For additional information visit <http://www.fortticonderoga.org/learn/re-enactors/memorial_day> or call 518-585-2821.

MORE INFORMATION FOR MAY 25, 2013

PARKING: Signs will be in all village lots.

1. Darrin Lot across from the Town Park
2. Former Lakeshore Garage property on 9N
3. Between Baptist Church and Junipers Shop
4. East of Wesleyan Church
5. Community Center
6. Some spots in Baptist Church and Catholic Church lots

JUDGING STAND: At the Baptist Church Parking Lot. Closer to that area will offer a greater view of unit activity.

ROAD CLOSINGS: Fire Police will man the road closings during the Parade. Committee Members Mike Cherubini and Ray Snyder will coordinate coverage with them.

1. **West Hague Road** from Fire House to Hague Town Shed will close at 1 to 1:45 pm for Parade Lineup. Parade Motor Units – please be in your lineup no later than 1:30 p.m.
2. **Route 8** will be closed from Decker Hill east to Route 9N at 1:45 p.m. once all units have cleared.
3. **Route 9N** closes at 1:50 p.m. at Dodd Hill and at New Hague Roads.

NOTE TO BOATERS: HAGUE BOAT LAUNCH WILL BE CLOSED FROM 8 AM TO 4 PM.

HVFD UPHOLDS MEMORIAL CELEBRATION

As usual the HVFD will have a presence in the annual Memorial Celebration by participating in the parade and services that follow. We will also aid in providing a safe environment for the community through the weekend. Our Fire/Rescue Boat is now in the water and ready for duty.

Our popular Chicken BBQ at our Pavilion off Rt 8 and West Hague Rd will take place on Saturday afternoon, May 25, 2013 after the services.

We have a new member, S. J. Santaniello, who has already completed his Emergency Vehicle Operation Course. We do still continue to look to recruit new members, especially as drivers. We continue to request that all residences have their house numbers plainly displayed so that they can be seen from both directions. ... Joe McCranels

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NEW CHEF AT THE FIREHOUSE RESTAURANT By Ginger Henry Kuenzel

To the delight of Hague residents and visitors alike, The Firehouse Restaurant on Route 8 in Hague is now open for the season (see opening hours and contact info at end of article).

Diners will notice some changes in the cuisine as the restaurant proudly welcomes new chef Bill Allen. During his nearly 20-year career, Bill has been influenced by a wide range of cuisines, including Japanese, Italian, French, Pacific Rim and down-home comfort food. After working in restaurants on both the east and west coast, he now lives in Vermont, where he has worked at some of the state's finest restaurants, taught at the New England Culinary Institute and is a member of Michelle Obama's "Chefs Move to Schools" initiative, which supports partnerships between chefs and schools, with the mission of collaboratively educating kids about food and healthy eating.

I recently sat down with Bill over a s'more dessert topped with a Guinness marshmallow. "I'm a proponent of comfort food," Bill said. "Do you feel good after you eat it?" Um, yeah! Bill has a passion for regional cooking, using fresh and local ingredients. In addition to soups and several types of salads, The Firehouse offers a variety of appetizers. Entrees include buttermilk-fried chicken, mac and cheese (with lobster, if you want!), pork tenderloin, NY strip steak and market fish (the Ahi tuna was the best I've ever had) as well as nightly specials. Also new to the menu this year are the angus burgers, fish & chips and oyster po' boys. Gluten-free and vegetarian offerings will also be a staple on the menu.

Bill terms the cuisine 'gastro pub' – a pub atmosphere and menu, but with great attention to quality. Everything on the menu is made from scratch, using local ingredients to the extent possible. He said he has relationships with many Vermont farms, and will also stop at farmers markets during his commute to and from Vermont. "Maintaining a high quality level for everything we serve is the most important thing," he said. This applies to the ingredients, their preparation and the presentation. The house-made desserts change regularly, but during opening week included – in addition to the s'more – key lime pie, Brooklyn blackout cake, red velvet cheesecake and upside down apple pie. Yes, I definitely think 'comfort food' is exactly the right term here – that is, if I don't consider how uncomfortable I might feel stepping on the scale the next morning. But it's definitely all very, very worthwhile!

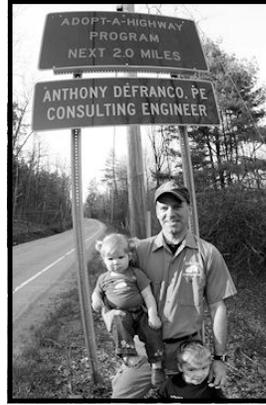
The Firehouse is open Thursday – Sunday, starting at 4:30 pm and serving until 9 pm (sometimes a bit later if you call ahead). Starting June 27, 2013 it will be open seven nights a week from 4:30 pm and serving until 10 pm. Tel: 518-543-6266; <www.haguefirehouse.com>.

BAPTIST LADIES FELLOWSHIP TEA

The 4th Annual Ladies Tea will be held on Saturday, June 22, 2013 from 1-3 pm at the Hague Baptist Fellowship Hall. This fun event for ladies from girls to grandmas will feature a patriotic theme. This free event will have prizes in a variety of categories, such as most patriotic hat. It helps to call Nicola at 543-8899 or 887-2513 to say you plan to come (if last minute, come anyway). We've always had a wonderful time!!

... Wini Conant

DEFRANCOS SUPPORT ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY



Shown is Anthony DeFranco, with Elena and James at their new Adopt-A-Highway sign in Hague. They have recently adopted a 2-mile section of NYS Route 9N from the center of Hague south toward Silver Bay. Tony says, "We collect 5 to 6 bags of garbage during each of the four times that we clean our roadside." This is the second stretch of the highway that the DeFranco family has adopted in Hague. DeFranco Landscaping and Sew & Sow Embroidery have a section near Roger's Rock campground.

HAGUE GALLERY CELEBRATES MILESTONE

This year marks the five-year anniversary of the Gallery at Hague Creek. In just this relatively short period of time the Gallery has brought numerous local and regional artists to Hague to showcase their talent. Friday evening receptions at the gallery to meet the featured artists have also become a regular gathering place for Hague residents and their guests as well as tourists vacationing in the area.

The featured artists this summer will include Anna Parlin, Cris Shakeshaft, Mary Behr, Tavish Costello, India and Spring Carson, Rich Stout, Vicki Stewart, Kristin Baloush, Mary Anne Eaton and Wendy Soliday.

YOGA CLASSES AGAIN IN HAGUE

Donna Levenstien, Vinyasa Flow instructor, will again conduct Yoga classes at her Ananda Yoga center in the Gallery at Hague Creek. You can jump-start your yoga practice for the summer during the pre-summer season which will run from June 12 – June 29, 2013. These classes will be offered on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 9:30 am. Each class will be \$15 and a 3-class package is available for \$35.

All classes will be designed to help beginners understand yoga philosophy, poses, and alignment. Those with previous yoga experience will benefit from these classes, which will focus on the connection of mind, body and spirit.

The summer season begins Monday, July 1 and will end on Saturday, August 31, 2013. Classes will be held daily except for Sundays. Unlimited summer and discount packages will be available again this year. Summer schedules including pricing can be picked up near the front door of the Yoga Center/Gallery.

CHORALE SPRING CONCERTS

The Champlain Valley Chorale will present its spring concert "A Celebration of American Song" on Friday, May 31, 2013 at 7:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Schroon Lake, NY, and on Sunday, June 2, 2013 at 3 pm in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church, Wicker Street, Ticonderoga, NY. The public is cordially invited to attend these admission free concert presentations.

TOWN BOARD – 5/14/2013

Supervisor Frasier and board members Ramant and Meola were present. Martin Fitzgerald II was absent as there was a meeting of the Ticonderoga Board of Education of which he is also a member. There is one vacancy.

A Moment of Silence was held for Mark Hoffay, Fred McKeown, Eleanor Sapakoff, Marion Bailey, Mary Anna Ramant, Alfred Van Wirt and Art Jordon.

The privilege of the floor was extended to several residents who spoke about the use of the Hague Town Boat dock. (See article in column at right.)

Linda Mury spoke about the proposed banners that will be put up around Hague and will have the names of the supporters on the banner.

She noted that “there is an inconsistency on the banners.” Not every business or organization in the Town got a letter about the banners and some are sponsoring three banners when the committee had discussed restricting it to two.

Councilman Meola explained the process and stated that there are 35 banners which may go from Friends Point down to Sabbath Day Point and on Route 8 up to the Fire House. The cost is \$125 for a banner. Anyone who wants one should contact the Town.

From the Committee Reports:

Councilman Meola reported that the Assessor is ready for review of the current assessments and anyone with an issue should talk to him before the end of month so that the case can be brought before the Board of Assessment Review on May 28, 2013.

Councilman Meola reported that the Finance committee has compared the cost and services of their current bank, TD Bank in Bolton, with the Glens Falls National Bank. The committee agreed that there was no advantage to changing banks.

Councilman Meola reported that there is an opening for a Town Historian. There are three applicants and the committee will try to interview all of them and have a recommendation for the June meeting.

Councilman Ramant reported that the ramp at the boat launch will be extended to accommodate larger boats and he has put up a sign at the launch indicating closure for two days while the work is being done.

Councilman Ramant also reported on several events that will be held in Hague. The HITS Triathlon will be held on June 29 – 30th and more information is on their website. The Lake George Open Water Swim will be held at the Hague beach on August 24 - 25. Oktoberfest will be held on September 20 - 21. The Music in the Park is set.

Councilman Ramant noted that Verizon service on New Hague Road has vastly improved. Also you can still contact him for a couple of passes he has left for Fort Ticonderoga.

Supervisor Frasier said they are still looking for an engineer to help correct the sewer problem on Streeter Hill.

Councilman Meola noted a request by Michael Galow to be removed from Sewer District #2 because they did not connect since they were unable to get a necessary easement. They are not within the district boundary but have been paying the sewer fees. Supervisor Frasier is waiting to hear from the Attorney.

The Garden Club was thanked for the plantings they have done in the Town Park.

In Other Business, the Board:

Appointed Janet Hanna as Secretary to the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Board.

Approved the following for 2013 summer employment: Lifeguards - Jamie Patchett, Samantha Sharrow, Karney Manning, Rebecca Diehl; Park Attendants/Boat Launch - Jessie Patchett, Dillon Lafferty, Maranda Wells; Visitor Center Attendants - Evelyn Gravelle, Kathi Ramant, Susan Adair, Bob Gavaletz.

Approved an agreement with the Ticonderoga Black Watch Library for an appropriation of \$2,500 which had been budgeted.

Supervisor Frasier said her newsletter to tell people what is going on at the county level is available in the Community Center. In it she reports that the big issue at the April 19, 2013 County meeting was a proposal to change the closing time of bars in the County from 4 am to 2 am. She voted against this proposal explaining that it was introduced to deal with a problem that Glens Falls was having with a couple of bars and they did not try to resolve it by other means which had been suggested.

USE OF THE HAGUE TOWN BOAT DOCK

The May Town Board meeting drew many interested residents on the issue of the use of the Hague Town boat dock. As we reported in February, Dennis McDonough had written a letter to the Board and appeared at the February meeting to express his concern about the private use of the public dock by Justy Joe Charters. The Board agreed to write a letter to Joe Greco to which he responded and now appeared before the Board to discuss the issue.

Joe Greco, of Justy Joe Sport Fishing Charters, noted that this will be the 22nd year of his professional operation which caters to tourists and families, including the elderly and kids. He and Steve Yaw have also reached out to physically challenged groups. He stated that in 21 years of doing business on the Lake, he had not had any major issues. He noted that this dock was originally built for commercial use to bring tourists to the area. He only uses the dock to pick people up, around 7 am and then let them off at noon. He said that he uses the Town dock because it is the safest place to load and unload whereas other spots in the area are subject to harsh conditions. He noted they have a good rapport with the fishermen who frequently use the dock and he has never had a parking issue. Joe also said that he and Steve arrive early at the dock each morning and pick up the area – removing cans, trash, clothes, etc. He said, “We pride ourselves on doing the best for the Town and are very conscious of Lake quality.”

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Dave DeFranco spoke in support of Justy Joe and said most services on public property are provided by private vendors (such as the sale of wood and ice in the campsite). Councilman Ramant gave examples of the Dock Doctors and commercial divers using the Town Dock. Dennis McDonough replied that the difference is these uses are incidental whereas the dock is an essential for the charter business which uses it on a daily basis.

Justy Joe has also been paying a fee to the Town each year for the use of the dock. Councilman Meola noted that there is no language in the Town code which regulates the Town dock - only the Town launch. Any fee charged should apply only to the boat slip not to the boat dock. There is no regulation which prohibits use of the dock by anyone. He recommended that the Town Board review the situation and decide whether to charge a fee or consider other options.

Other residents spoke in support of Justy Joe. Jeff Keefer noted a precedent has been set by the agreement for the Lake George Steamboat Company which has used the town dock for a hundred years. Gene Moran told the Board he felt that they "had a knee jerk reaction to something that is not a problem." The current codes allow using the dock and there is "no way we should have Joe leave this area." Letters of support were received from Paul Breslin and Peter Foster. Councilman Ramant said, "I see no benefit to restrict Joe - he has supported the Town and brings in business."

The audience of about 40 residents indicated their support for Joe by applause for the speakers. Supervisor Frasier said, "If we are going to represent these people then we should listen to them." No regulation was passed and the dock can continue to be used by Justy Joe Charters.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 4/25/2013

Chairman Robert Goetsch and Board members Maureen Cherubini, Chris Navitsky, Ray Snyder, Lindsay Mydlarz, Linda Mury and Jon Hanna were all present.

MANSOUR (93.16-1-37) 44 Sabbath Day Pt. Rd (TR-IR) VAR 03-13

The applicants would like to replace a wooden retaining wall and deck with a stone retaining wall and deck. They would also like to install a new staircase and small patio within 50' of the lake. A stormwater retention plan is included in the application.

The application was deemed complete and a public hearing will be held at the June meeting.

PLANNING BOARD - 5/2/2013

Chairman Frasier and Board members Martin Fitzgerald, Mike Cherubini, Bruce Clark, Judy Gourley, Bob Whitaker and Pam Peterson were all present. The Chairman welcomed back Pam Peterson.

PATCHETT (26.17-2-44) 9 Overlook Lane (Hamlet) SUB 5-13

The Board approved a lot line change of 1352 sq. ft. to meet a prior condition of approval.

Alice Patchett noted that their home disinfection system with the UV filter passed testing by a certified, independent operator so their water is now in full compliance and is independent of the water quality of the Hague Homeowners system.

MC LAUGHLIN (11-1-17.2) 466 West Hague Road (OCI) SUB 04-13

A public hearing will be held in June for an application for a two lot subdivision of a 13.53 acre parcel.

UMBRELLA HOUSE, LLC (76.8-1-7) 8382 Lakeshore Drive (HSR/OCIR) SUB 05-12

The Board approved a request from John Breitenbach, representing UMBRELLA HOUSE, LLC, that wording of one of the conditions be changed to read: "Any significant and sustained change from the current use of the beach lot reported by owners of neighboring properties shall be grounds for review by the Planning Board of the compliance with the conditions of this approval."

In other business, the Board discussed issues related to water run-off that were presented by Robert and Gail Halde- man, residents of Arcady Bay Estates, in a letter and at the meeting.

HWQAC CONTINUES ITS ACTIVISM

The Hague Water Quality Awareness Committee (HWQAC) continues its grassroots activities to preserve the water quality in the Lake George Basin. Although the group recognizes that many issues are in need of urgent attention - including stormwater runoff, failing septic systems and invasive species in Lake George - it is focusing its initial attention on three specific areas: raising awareness among Hague's population about water quality issues, stopping the use of harmful fertilizers and pesticides near the Lake and other water bodies and establishing shorelines buffers.

The HWQAC supports a town-wide law in Hague banning the use of fertilizers within 50 feet of water bodies in the town. The Town Board has taken the issue under consideration. What you can do: 1) Get in touch with Town Board members to express your opinion on the need for this proposed law and 2) Think twice before applying fertilizers and pesticides.

Shoreline buffers provide a final defense in blocking pollutants from entering Lake George. What you can do: Educate yourself about the value of a shoreline buffer and how you can plant one on your shoreline or stream bank.

For a wealth of information about fertilizers and pesticides, shoreline buffers and rain gardens as well as native plants that thrive without fertilizers and are resistant to pests, visit the 'Do It Yourself Water Quality' page on The Fund for Lake George website or pick up a free copy of the booklet at the Hague Community Center.

To learn more, contact Al Rider <alsupra@nycap.rr.com>, plan to attend the next HWQAC meeting on Thursday, June 6, 2013 at 7 pm in the Community Center or stop by the HWQAC table in the town park during the Memorial Day activities on Saturday, May 25, 2013.

QUILTING COMPETITION FOR ALL

The Warren County Historical Society is sponsoring an adult quilt competition, organized by sewing and quilting expert and author, Linda Denner. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Warren County is offering the same for a youth division. Both will be judged separately with prizes awarded, and a combined adult and youth exhibition of submitted quilts will be displayed for public enjoyment during the 2nd Annual Rural Heritage Festival and Youth Fair which will be held August 10th at the Warren County Fairgrounds in Warrensburg. The quilt competition is open to all residents of Warren County. The entry deadline is July 25, 2013 and forms are available at < www.warrencountyhistoricalsociety.org>.

TICONDEROGA COMMUNITY FLEA MARKET

A Community Flea Market will be held rain or shine on Saturday, June 1, 2013 from 9 am to 2 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Ticonderoga at 1045 Wicker Street (Route 9N).

Local organizations and individuals are encouraged to participate. Antiques, gifts, jewelry, household items and toys are some of the items that would be appropriate. Display areas are available for a donation of \$10 for a 10' x 10' space. Tables are available for an additional \$5 rental fee. Tailgate set-ups may also be accommodated.

An application with guidelines and rules may be picked up from the Thrift Shop on Wednesday or Saturday when the shop is open from 9 am – 2 pm. Call the church office at 585-7995 or the thrift shop at 585-2242 for more information.

VENDORS WANTED FOR ARTS FAIR AND FARMERS MARKET

Vendors of handcrafted items as well as local produce vendors are being solicited for the annual Hague Arts Fair sponsored by the Hague-On-Lake-George Chamber of Commerce. In addition to inviting crafters to participate, we are extending a special invitation to local vendors who would be interested in selling produce, fresh flowers or artisan bread. Dates for the 2013 event are August 3, from 10 am to 4 pm and August 4, from 10 am to 3 pm.

The show will be held at the Hague Community Center on Graphite Mountain Road (Route 8). Both inside and outside spaces are available. Deadline for registration is June 15, 2013.

For further information about spaces available and costs, please contact Mary Keefer at 518-543-6108 or e-mail <graphitemtn@gmail.com>.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Join the Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC) for a spring cleanup of Peggy's Point and the Friendship Garden in downtown Hague on Saturday, June 1, 10 am – noon. The tasks include cleaning out last year's growth, raking the grounds and perhaps putting in new plantings. Tools and materials will be supplied.

New York State has purchased the 1,882-acre Cat and Thomas Mountains in Bolton from the LGLC which will re-

main the stewards of the Cat and Thomas trails, now part of the Adirondack Forest Preserve, through DEC's Trail Cooperative Agreement program.

The Lake George Park Commission (LGPC) announced that Lake George boat registrations can now be purchased online at its website. You can also still register by mail or in person at the LGPC office at 75 Fort George Road, Lake George or at numerous vendors around the Lake. Visit the LGPC website <www.lgpc.state.ny.us> for further information.

The LGPC is holding a public hearing on Wednesday, June 12 at 6 pm at the Best Western in Ticonderoga during which residents can comment on its recently released LG Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Plan.

The lengthy plan, available at <www.lgpc.state.ny.us>, presents alternatives to control invasive species, including 1) a voluntary program of boat launch stewards and public education, 2) a self-certification program for boaters, and 3) a mandatory inspection program for trailered boats prior to launch into Lake George. The HWQAC supports mandatory inspection as the only viable alternative.

Explore Gull Bay with Nancy Scarzello as she leads a guided hike for the LGLC on Saturday, June 15, 2013 from 9 am – 1 pm. On the hike you can learn about the plants and other natural interests along the trails and witness an active great blue heron rookery. The trails are moderately easy with one steep, rocky section and the round trip is 2.5 miles. This event is for members only (you can join at <lgc.org>) and advance registration is required by calling 644-9673 or email <events@lgc.org>.

PLANTING AN HERB GARDEN

Join Herbalist Nancy Scarzello on June 4, 2013 from 2:30 – 4 pm for a hands-on demonstration as the Herb Garden at Fort Ticonderoga is planned and planted for this year's growing season.

Plant placement and how to choose perennial, biennial and annual herbs will be covered. Learn which plants do best from seed, how to make divisions, retail sources for herb seeds and plants, and everything to do to give the herb garden a fresh start for a new season. Help to revamp this year's King's Garden while getting a jump on your own with extra "volunteers" and divisions to take home.

The cost is \$20 (members \$15) which includes instruction, site admission from 2 pm, handouts and take-home plants. Advance reservation is required by calling 585-2821.

TACC FUNDRAISER AND AUCTION

The Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) will hold its annual fundraiser and silent auction along with dancing on Friday, June 14, 2013 at Silver Bay YMCA in Gul-len Lounge.

Tickets are \$50 per person and include appetizers at 6 pm followed at 7 pm by a buffet and beer, wine, dessert and gratuity. Early reservations are suggested. Contact the TACC office at 585-6619 or <chamberinfo@ticonderogacy.com>.



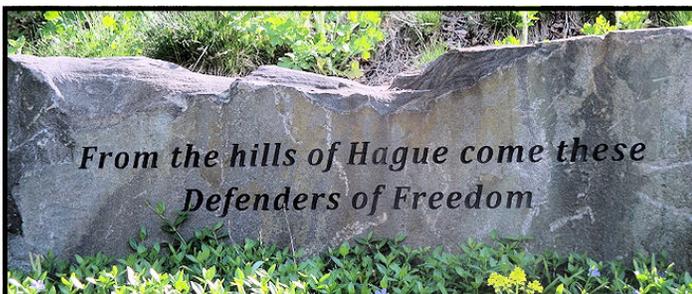
DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM
by Pat McDonough

Memorial Day weekend is fast approaching. Here in Hague it's a really special weekend for numerous reasons; firstly, it's "opening" weekend for lots of folks who've been gone all winter; and secondly, it's the Hague Seniors' special celebration of the national holiday with their festivities at the beach and the traditional Memorial Day Parade.



Sometimes in all the hullabaloo, we forget why this is a national holiday and we fail to pause and reflect on the many men and women we are meant to be honoring. In the Town of Hague we are particularly fortunate to have a special place to remind us of those soldiers of the past as well as those serving in our armed forces today.

On a peaceful morning earlier this month, I found the Veterans Park a very inviting spot to sit and contemplate – you can read the plaques with the names of veterans going back to the Revolutionary War – you can sit on one of the benches provided for your comfort – you can listen to the birds and the brook as it gurgles past the site. Most importantly though you can remember and offer up a thought or two for the Hague "defenders of freedom".



Take a look at this collection of Hague electioneering souvenirs that we were pleased to receive this spring from a long-time resident.



A reminder to folks who have items such as these around the house and would like to find a home for them, we would be very interested to have them. It's easy enough to drop them off at the Community Center and Bertha will see to it that we get them. We hope to put together an exhibit with these and other similar items.

Some 60 people enjoyed the program earlier this month put on by Steve Boyce, Captain and Pilot of the Minne-Ha-Ha. If you ever have a chance to hear him speak, I would recommend you take advantage of it. He filled the evening with humor, recollections of his own piloting experiences, and historical background on the Lake's steamers.

The Historical Society will have a table at the Memorial Day doings at the beach again this year and we invite you to stop by and say hello.

"June 25, 7 pm, Community Center" – that's a date that should go on your calendar. Our Annual Meeting and "Colorful Characters" program will be the fare for the evening and we hope to see you there. ... Pat McDonough



WARREN COUNTY 200 EVENT

On Thursday, June 6, 2013, at 7 pm, Tom Lynch, former Warren County Historian, will present "Behind the Scenes: Intriguing Stories from the Warren County Archives." This event, one of many during the celebration of Warren County's Bicentennial, will be held at the Crandall Public Library Folk-life Center at 251 Glen Street, Glens Falls.

Additional information on the Bicentennial is available at <www.warrenny200.org>.

~SOUNDINGS~

DIED: Arthur "Doc" Jordon, of Argyle, on April 17, 2013, at his home.

Art grew up in Hague, the son of the late Riley and Henrietta Jordon. Besides his parents, Art was predeceased by an infant daughter, who passed away at birth; and his eldest son, Bruce, in 2005.

His is survived by his four sons, Bryan, Barry, Jay and Joel Jordon; 13 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Al, Merlin "Slim" and Charlie Jordon; as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

DIED: Shirley A. Carey, 77, formerly of Ticonderoga, on April 20, 2013 in Plattsburgh, NY of Multiple Myeloma.

She is survived by her husband, Donald Carey; daughters, Linda Benway and Susan Dawes; son, Donald Carey Jr.; grandson, Adam Dawes; brother, Raymond Snyder and his wife Diane; niece, Michelle Gregoire and her husband, Tim; nephew, James Snyder; and multiple great-nieces and nephews.

Shirley and Don were active members of the Hague Senior Citizens Club before they moved to Plattsburgh due to Shirley's declining health.

DIED: Mark C. Hoffay, 52, of Moreau, unexpectedly on April 21, 2013, at Glens Falls Hospital, with his loving family at his side.

Mark grew up in Hague and was the son of Janet Hoffay of Queensbury and the late Harold Hoffay. Besides his father, he was predeceased by three sisters, Barbara Beaver, Mary Morin and Judith Rypkema.

Besides his mother, survivors include his children, Christian, Peter and Joy Hoffay, all of Schroon Lake; his brother, David Hoffay, and his wife, Victoria, of Kingsbury; his sister, Ruth Carson, of Glens Falls; his dear friend, Linda Kasiak of Glens Falls; and a very large extended group of family and friends

DIED: Marion L. Bailey, 86, of Ticonderoga, on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Hague, she was the daughter of the late Walter S. and Calista (Leach) Streeter. Marion was a graduate of Hague Central School and a lifetime member of the Hague Wesleyan Church (now the Lakeside Regional Church).

Marion was pre-deceased by her husband, Irving Bailey and by her daughter, Joan Mein as well as five brothers, Walter, Gordon, Robert, Elmer and Joseph Streeter; and two sisters, Ruth Robbins and Marjorie Eberle.

Survivors include her son, David H. Bailey who resides with John and Nancy Ockrin of Crown Point; four sisters, Eleanor Finkle of Diamond Point, Helen (Bob) Fairlee of Schenectady, Calista Murray and Lillian (Mike) Murray, both of Diamond Point, three grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

DIED: Marilyn MacDowell 80, peacefully on May 2, 2013 in Ridgewood, NJ. She was a long time summer resident of Silver Bay. Marilyn loved playing tennis with her friends at Sabbath Day Point and relished the beauty of Oneida Bay.

Marilyn was predeceased by her husband "Mac". She is survived by her two sons Scott and Richard and their wives Cathy and Astrid, and four grandchildren, Tara, Emily, Andrew and Alex. She will be deeply missed.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: For Laurie Smith who died on December 15, 2012. The service will be Saturday, May 25, 2013 at 10 am at Blessed Sacrament Church (St. Isaac Jogues Parish). Laurie was a resident of Hague for most of her life.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: For Bob Patchett who died on March 27, 2013. The Patchett family will hold a Celebration of Life for Bob on Saturday, June 1, 2013 at 4 pm at the Silver Bay Chapel.

TICONDEROGA MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to these Hague students who were on the Honor Roll for BOTH the Second and Third Marking Periods.

GRADE 6: FIRST HONORS: Michael Fitzgerald,
Antonio Martucci, Skye Mason,

GRADE 7: FIRST HONORS: Kacey Fish, Fallon Kennedy

GRADE 8: FIRST HONORS: Nicholas Fitzgerald, Samantha Holmberg, Connor Lawrie

SECOND HONORS: Kaylee Coon

Also congratulations to these students who were listed for the Second Marking Period.

GRADE 7: SECOND HONORS: Gilbert Cox

GRADE 8: SECOND HONORS: Logan Jordon

KING'S GARDEN TO OPEN FOR THE SEASON

Fort Ticonderoga's King's Garden will open on May 25, 2013 with a stunning display of annuals and perennials! As the largest public garden in the Adirondack-Lake Champlain region and one of the oldest gardens in America, the King's Garden offers daily guided tours and self-guided activities for adults and children throughout the season.



The King's Garden is open from 9:30 am until 5 pm daily, May 25 through October 16, 2013. Admission to the King's Garden is included with a general admission ticket to Fort Ticonderoga. For additional information on the King's Garden and its 2013 programs visit <www.fortticonderoga.org> or call 518-585-2821.

THE HOME MOANER'S MANUAL

By Ginger Henry Kuenzel

Summer is rapidly approaching, and I'm sure that many of you are in a flurry of activity trying to get your house and yard projects done before the season starts. It seems like every year there are more projects than the year before. What we all need is a Home Moaner's Manual.

Now, I should let you know that I am the quintessential tool person. I have so many tools that I don't even know what some of them are supposed to be used for. Many stem from my father, others from my wusband, my son or kindly souls who have offered to help me with a project and then left some tools behind. I do, of course, know what a hammer looks like, as well as a screwdriver – both regular and Phillips head. Once we get into the wrench department, things become a bit dicey. I'm not quite sure why anyone would need as many wrenches as I have acquired over the years. Last summer I bought a really expensive wrench at the request of someone who had offered to help me remove the engine from my wood chipper (yes, I really do have a wood chipper and no, I don't remember why we decided to remove the engine). The project didn't end well, and that friend hasn't been back. Home Moaner's Manual tip #1: Make sure you have lots of friends, since most of them only extend an offer to help once.

And, while we're on the topic of help, here's tip #2: Don't hesitate to ask anyone who drops by for assistance. My theory is that most guys like to play the role of aiding a damsel in distress. Let's say your lawn mower won't start. When the UPS or FedEx guy comes by the next time, just ask him if he knows anything about lawn mowers. Since most guys would never admit that they can't fix something, of course they're going to offer to help. I have to admit, however, that these delivery guys have gotten wise to my ways. They stopped ringing my doorbell. They would sneak up with great stealth, quietly place my package on the porch and be gone again in a flash. I then installed a driveway alarm so that I could hear them drive in. But next thing I knew they had started parking their truck up on the road and walking in.

I was beginning to think that I might need to delete tip #2 from the manual, but then I came up with a backup plan. Call the cable company to report that your television isn't working properly and could they please send someone to check it out. This tactic has served me well when I've needed help with something like moving furniture. After all, there he was, right in the living room when I needed that table moved.

And finally, one more way to get help is to invite a friend over. Break out the single malt scotch and serve a quadruple helping before getting around to the topic at hand. Actually, this tactic is a bit tricky since, although the friend might not be able to refuse to help with the project after you've plied him with your best spirits, he also may not be capable of successfully completing the project.

Now that the UPS and FedEx guys are leaving my packages at the Post Office, now that the cable guy seems to be able to fix everything remotely, and now that my friends all tell me that they've given up drinking when I invite them over for a cocktail, I'm going to have to come up with some new tactics for getting help with my projects.

WITH THE CARILLON GARDEN CLUB

"Like Mother, Like Daughter!" was evidenced recently when Carillon Garden Club member, Pat Wania of Hague pinned the District Director's pin on her daughter, Laurie



Tompkins upon her installation as District IV's new Director at the District's Spring Meeting. Pat had also been District Director of the Federated Garden Clubs of New York State, District IV and just recently

became First Vice President of the State group.

Laurie, a resident of Ballston Spa is a member of the Ballston Spa House and Garden Club and has also been a member of the Carillon Garden Club. Her theme for the next two years will be "Nurture Nature...and each other." Laurie adds, "Together we will grow and strive to make positive changes in our lives and in the world in which we live."

For more information about the Carillon Garden Club, please call President, Betty Rettig at 585-7247.

SEMBRICH SUMMER SERIES

The Sembrich, located at 4800 Lakeshore Drive in Bolton Landing, has announced its 2013 summer series running from June 8 through September 5. This season's theme is "Titans of Opera." Additionally, special this summer season, costumes of Madame Sembrich's will be on display during museum hours which are 10 am - 12:30 pm and 2 - 5 pm daily from June 15 to September 15.

The first few events include a free Young Performers Showcase on Saturday, June 8, 2013 at 2 pm featuring high school and college musicians.

"Opera Saratoga, A Warren County Bicentennial Celebration" will take place on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at 7:30 pm. This event will be a tribute to Lakeshore divas Marcella Sembrich and Louise Homer and to the birth of Lake George Opera on Diamond Point. The fee is \$25.

A free film "Callas Forever" (2002), featuring scenes from Bizet's *Carmen* and music of Puccini, Verdi and Bellini, will be shown at the Bolton Free Library on Monday, June 24, 2013 at 7:30 pm. See <www.thesembrich.org> or call 518 644-2431.

RECORD FOOD COLLECTION

Postmaster Jackie Fort extends a thank you to all who participated in the Post Office Rural Carrier's "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive. She said, "The support of the people of Hague is truly amazing. As of today the total was 309 pounds of food and paper goods donated by YOU."

This was 3 times the amount ever collected before and all of the items donated will stay at the Hague Food Bank. Thanks also to Steve Ramant who helped get the word out.

In the entire Albany district over one million pounds of food was collected — an increase of 82.7%.

HAGUE CALENDAR

MAY

- 23 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 24 – 28 Ticonderoga Schools Vacation
- 25 MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION
- 28 1:30 pm Senior Club meets
- 28 4pm - 8 pm BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW
- 29 6:30 pm Ti School Merger Committee

TRANSFER STATION HOURS
 Wednesday: 10 am to 4 pm
 Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm

REMINDER

Hague Clean-Up Weekend by the Highway Department
 June 14 – 15, 2013

Details on page 3 of the April issue of *The Hague Chronicle* or call the Community Center at 543-6161.

JUNE

- 1 10 am – noon Spring clean-up at Peggy’s Point
- 2 3 pm Champlain Valley Chorale Concert
- 2 – 9 Americade Week
- 11 am – 4 pm Senior View Café open
- 4 2:30 – 4 pm Herb Garden Workshop
- 6 7 pm Planning Board
- 6 7 pm HWQAC meeting
- 11 6:15 pm Town Board and Public Hearing on Wastewater variance
- 12 6 pm LGPC hearing on AIS plan
- 13 Thursday News Deadline for June issue
- 14 6 pm TACC Fundraiser dinner
- 15 9 am – 1 pm Hike at Gull Bay Preserve
- 19 *The Hague Chronicle* is mailed and on website
- 19 6:30 pm Ti School Merger Mtg – CP
- 22 1 – 3 pm Baptist Ladies Tea
- 22 Ticonderoga High School Graduation

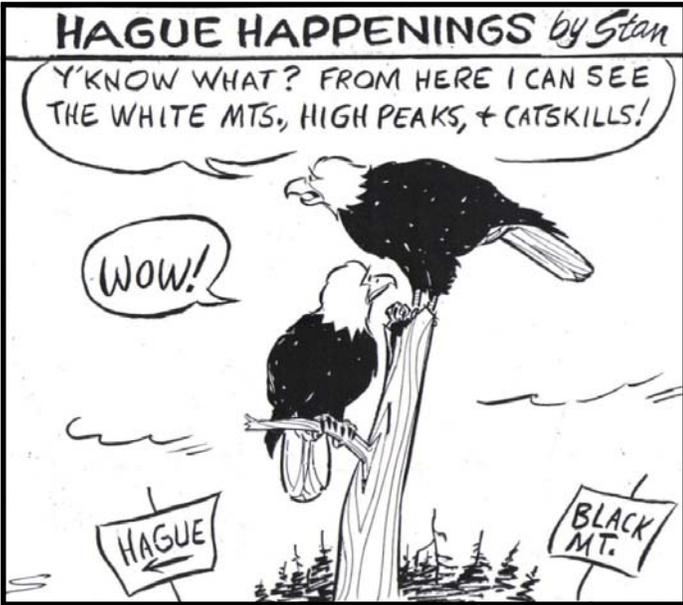
DO YOU KNOW?

Do you know why artificial red flowers (poppies) are sold by our veterans, particularly around Memorial Day? They symbolize the red poppies that grew on a battlefield in Belgium during World War I, which were immortalized by Canadian Lt. Colonel John McCrae’s poem, *In Flanders Fields*. Moina Michaels, an American Professor, was inspired to write her own poem in 1918, which included the lines:

We cherish too, the poppy red
 That grows on fields where valor led.
 It seems to signal to the skies
 That blood of heroes never dies.



She then conceived of an idea to wear red poppies on Memorial Day in honor of those who died serving the nation during war. She was the first to wear one, and sold poppies to her friends and co-workers with the money benefiting servicemen in need. Four years later, the VFW became the first veterans’ organization to nationally sell poppies.



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