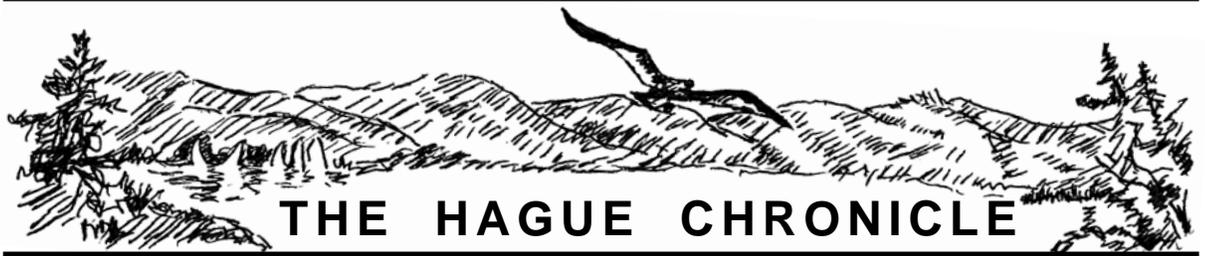


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OKTOBERFEST IS COMING

The Hague Town Park will again be the site of a weekend of festivities from Friday, September 20 through Sunday, September 22, 2013.

On Friday night there will be a dance under the tent from 6 – 11 pm. There will be fun for the entire family with live music by Calamity Rock and food, soft drinks, beer and wine available.

On Saturday the Festival takes place from noon to 7 pm. All day there will be live music from Fritz's Polka Band. Featured will be craft beers by Adirondack Brewery, Adirondack crafts and goods, German and festival foods and a kid's activity tent.

A Sunday Sunrise service and fellowship will take place from 9 – 10 am to close out the weekend. All proceeds from the Oktoberfest will go to programs benefiting local area youth. The entry fee for both Friday evening and Saturday is \$2 per person or \$5 per family. For more information see <www.visithague.com/oktoberfest.htm>.

LGPC TO MEET IN HAGUE

The regular monthly meeting of the Lake George Park Commission (LGPC) will be held on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 at 10 am at the Hague Community Center. At the July meeting, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve mandatory boat inspections and decontamination as presented in alternative four of the Lake George Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Plan and Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement. (See the plan at <<http://www.lgpc.state.ny.us/PDF/LG%20AIS%20Plan.pdf>>.

The 45-day review period began on July 23. During this time, the Commissioners are reviewing and working out details, including finding ways to eliminate a key loophole in the plan – namely, how to prevent boats from launching after hours, when no inspector is on duty. The August 27 meeting in Hague will provide a great opportunity for residents to express their opinions to the Commissioners.

DON'T CLOG OUR SEWER!

The Hague Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) has had to deal with a number of items in the sewer which interfere with the operation of the system.

While this reminder shouldn't be necessary, in fact it is. All sewer users must refrain from placing the following items down their toilets or drains.

- ⇒Cooking oil/Grease - Please dispose of cooking oil /grease in sealed containers with your garbage.
- ⇒Feminine sanitary products - These do not break down - please place in garbage.
- ⇒Also only place in garbage: Personal hygiene wipes (baby wipes, hemorrhoid wipes, wet-ones, etc.), diapers, cigarette butts and any plastic. Do not flush!

Paul Belden, Operator Trainee for the WWTP, urges the cooperation of all sewer users. He notes, "Continued misuse of the system will only lead to more breakdowns and repairs leading to increased cost for all sewer users."

Ed note: Paul sent pictures of some of the massive clogs and goop caused by the improper disposal of items into the sewer. Frankly, they are nauseating to look at so please believe this problem is NOT an exaggeration.



The final "Music in the Park" concert will be held on Wednesday night at 7:30 pm at the Hague Town Park. In case of inclement weather, the performance will be held in the Hague Community Center.

August 28 CALAMITY ROCK
Soft rock Mix and Country



Square Dancing in the Park—July 31, 2013

SENIOR CLUB NEWS

The Senior Club enjoyed a fun outing at the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum followed by a boat ride where we saw an Eagle and an Osprey and their nests. We had a good lunch at The Red Mill Restaurant. On August 22, 2013 we hope to go to miniature golf in Lake George.

On August 27, 2013 we have our annual Senior Picnic at the HVFD Pavilion on West Hague Rd. Bring your favorite dish to share and you may even win a prize for the best dish. The Club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks.

We have a big event planned for September 6, 2013 with a trip to Lake George for a Dinner Cruise aboard the Lac du Saint Sacrement with a Sock Hop with music from the 50's and 60's. This is one you don't want to miss! It would be gratefully appreciated if you give me your non-refundable deposit of \$25 as soon as possible.

Then on September 13, 2013 at 5 pm we have tentative plans at the Cafe Adk in Pottersville for our Snowbird Dinner.

We hope you can join us to enjoy all these fun things we have planned. The Club membership is open to any residents age 55 or older. For further information or questions please contact me at 543-6502. ... Pat Hintze, President

SCHOOL MERGER MEETINGS CONTINUE

The Crown Point-Ticonderoga Merger Advisory Committee will meet next at Crown Point Central School on August 21, 2013 at 6:30 pm. At this meeting, open to the public, they are expected to review the findings and recommendations and react to the draft final report done by the consultants.

Some of the key statements in the previous meetings include:

Pre-K – 5th grade should exist in both districts; grades 6 – 8 would be sent to a combined middle school in the current TMS; grades 9 – 12 would go to a combined high school in the current THS.

Administrative/supervisory positions could be consolidated in a merger; the financial impact on staffing in a merged district could cost approximately \$178,281.

In the July 23, 2013 meeting the focus was on financial considerations. Projections were: Additional state aid would be received to reduce the local cost of Ticonderoga's capital debt;

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MADE IN HAGUE – NEXT YEAR

The shop for local crafters known as Made In Hague plans to open next year on Memorial Day. Anyone who makes items by hand is invited to stock up on their inventory over the winter and participate in the shop next summer. For more specific information contact Donna Wotton at 543-6782 or Mary Keefer at 543-6108.

While the idea may have germinated several months previously, it wasn't until early this summer that the group of crafters put their ideas together and according to Donna, "In a few days the idea had spread like wildfire!"

Their application to the Planning Board was not for an individual or even a profit-making business, but rather for a community project that would help local crafters as well as another way to promote business in Hague. In order to actually open the shop, it would be necessary to proceed as quickly as possible and although the application was late, ZEO Cathy Clark was able to put it on the June agenda.

The Planning Board did not approve the plan at the June 6, 2013 meeting but did set a date for a site visit and public hearing. At the time Chairman Dick Frasier of the Planning Board said, "If we are satisfied with the site visit we can cancel the public hearing. We will try to help you and move this along as quickly as we can."

In the June issue of *The Hague Chronicle*, we reported that the Board could hold a meeting at the site visit. However, according to ZEO Cathy Clark, the Board could not have made a decision at that time because any decision must be made in a public meeting that is advertised in advance. She stated, "A decision made at a Site Visit would be an illegal action of the Board." As we noted in the July issue, the Board did later approve the application with conditions at their public meeting in July.

2013 PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS

Several wonderful photos were received in this year's quickly organized photo contest. There is a lot of talent in the Hague area! See the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place winners on page 3.

Honorable mention in the Scenery category went to Jim Henderson, Florence Kunnas and Seddon Beaty.

All these images and additional commended entries are on our Facebook page.

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WINNING PHOTO ENTRIES FROM FOUR CATEGORIES

PEOPLE— BOATS



1st Place — Evelyn Lipori

PLANTS



1st Place — Sandy Swanson



2nd Place — Mary Ann Eaton



3rd Place—Tie — Erika Barth



2nd Place — Seddon Beaty



3rd Place — Betsy Linkowski



3rd Place—Tie — Mary Ann Eaton

SCENERY



1st Place — Peter Marshall

ANIMALS



1st Place — Stu Cartwright



2nd Place — Peter Marshall



2nd Place — Margaret McClure



3rd Place — Diane Bauer



3rd Place — Pat McDonough

TOWN BOARD MEETING – 8/13/2013

Lindsay of Monolith Solar presented a proposal to the Town Board about Solar Panels. The company would put up and maintain the panels at no cost and credit the Town with power generated under a 20 year agreement. The Board members asked many questions and will be able to review this information. No decision was made at this time.

A moment of silence was held for Laura Meade and Kathleen Maiaro.

Ginger Kuenzel requested direction from the Board on where to position a plaque in memory of her father near a tree in the Town Park that was planted many years previously. They agreed that it should be put on a rock that was flat on the ground. The Board then decided that no more trees or rocks could be put in the Park.

In the regular committee reports the Board learned in a letter from Linda Mury that people were parking in the emergency access area at the boat launch. Councilman Meola pointed out that parking in that area was against the park regulations which should be enforced.

Councilman Ramant and Supervisor Frasier met with HITS Triathlon. Ramant had surveyed area business owners who felt that the weekend prior to the last weekend in June would be more beneficial to them. The HITS Triathlon has agreed to move the date to June 21 – 22, 2014. The Town has agreed to meet with them after the event to evaluate the impact of the change.

Councilman Ramant also reported that the boat launch would be closed only from 6 am to noon for the Open Water Swim on August 24 – 25, 2013. The swimmers will have to be out of the water by noon.

The Board received a report from Paul Belden, Operator Trainee at the Wastewater Treatment Plant relative to letters he had written to two restaurants which have been cited for not having proper grease disposal. They have not responded so he has turned the matter over to the Town Board. Councilman Meola stated that the sewer law has clear language about what needs to be done. He said a letter should go to the violators to remove the problem by a certain date or there will be a fine according to the law. The Town Attorney will be consulted before a letter is sent.

In other business, the Board:

Approved the Snug Harbor South, M.P. Enterprises septic variance.

Appointed Gab Macey and Hunter Spaulding as Life Guards for the remainder of the season.

Received a requested proposal from Eric & Eric builders that would increase space in the back of the Community Center for storage and more space for the museum.

Graciously accepted \$750 from the Kiwanis toward purchase of a new lifeguard chair at the beach.

Discussed possibility of parking boat trailers at the Community Center so they wouldn't be parked on the road across from the Town Park.

Approved the use of a non-toxic weed killer by the Town instead of Roundup. Councilman Ramant noted that it was not only more environmentally friendly but also much less expensive.

FLASHING SPEED SIGN

With the assistance of Hague Town Judge Leslie Midgley, Councilman Steve Ramant was able to contact Sgt. Bartlett of Warren County Sheriff's Dept about the speeding problem by the Town Beach. On Tuesday Ramant requested that the speed sign be placed by the 30 MPH sign just south of the Beach by the northbound lane and it was there on Wednesday.

Councilman Ramant said, "I've noticed that many are reading the sign which states the posted 30 MPH speed limit, then reads and posts their speed. With the brake lights going on, the cars are slowing down and it has created a safer area for all." Ramant plans to request it to be used on other high speed spots in Town.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – 7/25/2013

There were no applications so the meeting was cancelled.

PLANNING BOARD – 8/1/2013

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

KRUGER (11-1-6.1 & 2-1-20) 998 & 982 New Hague Rd (OCI)

The Board approved the application for a minor two-lot subdivision. 1.4 acres of land will be transferred from a 17.82 acre lot and will be merged with a 3.5 acre lot. It was determined that there were no wetlands so it was a Class B subdivision.

STARKER (12.18-1-23) 8 Fowler Lane (TR1)

The Board approved the application to replace an existing house with a new five bedroom house.

HELP THE FOOD PANTRY

Did you know that you can donate your **RETURNABLE** cans and bottles to help the Hague food pantry? Simply place them in or beside the collection box outside the Community Center, at the far east (right) end of the building. To avoid breaking any bottles, please place only cans and plastic bottles in the collection box. Glass bottles should be placed beside the box. The Town takes the cans and bottles to a redemption center and uses the money to support the food pantry, which provides food to Hague residents who are in need.

Note – the collection site at the Community Center is only for cans and bottles with a refundable deposit. Recyclables must be taken to the Transfer Station.

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efficiencies would be realized, incentive operating aid would be received and taxes would go down in a merged district.

A key question that was addressed is: *Would state aid be reduced if the school districts were merged because of the change in the school district demographics and property tax?*

When school districts merge, a new combined wealth ratio is developed based on the demographics and wealth of the new district. Since the new district will combine the data from the two districts, it is likely that the combined wealth ratio will be lower than Ticonderoga's current ratio and higher than Crown Point's. While it is difficult to predict state aid from year to year, it is probable that the amount of state aid will be very similar to what the two districts would get separately if they were not merged.

For additional information see <www.ticonderogak12.org> and click on "Merger Study."

WITH THE NLG ROTARY CLUB

Dr. Mark Johnson, former Executive Director of the Silver Bay YMCA, recently spoke to the Northern Lake George (NLG) Rotary Club at Silver Bay. Mark and his wife Mary were visiting the campus where he served for 13 years. Johnson, now a retired executive director of the Fellowship of Reconciliation (F.O.R.) talked about the purpose of F.O.R., its origins, and its mission of peaceful pursuits throughout the world.

The NLG Rotary Club has set the date of Tuesday, September 10, 2013 to repeat its annual International Dinner, open to the public, at the Silver Bay YMCA in Gullen Lounge.

The Rotary Club has a long-time tradition of producing a dinner prepared by the chefs at the YMCA, who select a menu of world-wide flavor choices. Each item on the menu will be labeled as the favorite of a particular country. Epicurean delights are promised to all who attend. Further details will be announced as they are finalized. ... Stan Burdick

SENTINEL GRILLE GIVE BACK



Sharon Cooke (on left), owner of the Sentinel Grille in Ticonderoga, presents a check to Diane Dickson of Sabbath Day Point, President of Northern Lake George Rotary, as part of the Sentinel Grille's "Give Back to the Community" program.

CORN MAZE AT FORT TICONDEROGA



What activity combines solving puzzles and testing your knowledge of history with fresh air, sunshine and over two miles of winding trails? Fort Ticonderoga's *Heroic Maze: A Corn Maze Adventure!* You can test your navigational skills among towering stalks of corn in the new six-acre corn maze located near the King's Garden. The *Heroic Maze* is included in Fort Ti's general admission price and will be open through October 20, 2013.

Call 518-585-2821 for more details or visit <www.fortticonderoga.org/visit/heroic-maze>.

GIRL SCOUT DAY AT FORT TICONDEROGA

The Fort joins forces with the Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York to host Girl Scout Day on Saturday, September 7, 2013, from 9:30 am -5 pm. Girl Scout troops will have an opportunity to take part in a series of programs highlighting Fort Ticonderoga's epic history and natural beauty through interdisciplinary and hands-on programming developed especially for their learning and exploratory goals. For information on registration or to learn more about programs for scout groups at Fort Ticonderoga visit <www.fortticonderoga.org> and select the "Explore and Learn" tab and select "Scouting" on the drop-down menu or call 518-585-2821.

LG OPEN SWIM SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

The Lake George Open Water Swim is back this year and is scheduled for Saturday, August 24 and Sunday, August 25, 2013 at the Hague Public Beach between the hours of 8 am -12 pm each day. The weekend will see up to 200 swimmers representing 20 states and several countries. Saturday's event will see a 2.5k, 5k and 10k swim while Sunday features a 4 mile point-to-point swim starting at Hague Beach and ending at Rogers Rock campground.

Organizers are seeking volunteer kayakers and those with motorboats who are available to provide support to swimmers on the water on one or both days. All volunteers will receive an event t-shirt and refreshments will be available on site. The event serves to highlight the sport of open water swimming and the communities and environment of northern Lake George. The organizers wish to acknowledge the wonderful support of the Town of Hague.

To volunteer or get additional information, visit <www.lakegeorgeswim.com> or contact Chris Bowcutt at 518 290-0457.



Victor Hershaft, LGA President;
Walter Lender, Executive Director;
Robert de Buys, Treasurer

REMAINING 2013 EVENTS AT THE SEMBRICH

- ◆ August 24 – 7:30 pm - Hyperion String Quartet, music of Verdi, Puccini, Mozart and Shostakovich (\$35)
- ◆ August 26 – 7:30 pm - FILM: "Amadeus" (1984). Oscar-winning tale of Mozart and his secret rival Salieri at the Bolton Free Library (free)
- ◆ August 31 – 7:30 pm - Thomas Pandolfi Piano Recital featuring Liszt transcriptions of Verdi and Wagner (\$30)
- ◆ September 1, 2013 – 5 to 7 pm - Lakeside Reception and Talk with the Artistic Director, the Sembrich Passport Event (free)
- ◆ September 5, 2013 – 5:30 to 8:00 pm – “Sembrich in September” Gala

FESTIVAL GUILD TOUR OF HOMES

The Ticonderoga Festival Guild will stage its 10th biennial Tour of Homes on September 8, 2013 from 2 to 5 pm. Started in 1995, these tours have been enjoyed every two years by area residents.

The 2013 event will include six homes in the Ticonderoga area and is entitled "The Flavor of Ticonderoga." Each letter stands for a particular home: Fabulous view, Lakehouse, Adirondack house, Victorian home, Original "mill" house and a Rustic cabin. The event will conclude with a reception under the trees at the Ticonderoga Heritage Museum. Maps to the homes may be picked up at 1:45 pm on the day of the tour at 129 The Portage, Ticonderoga. Actual locations are not released in advance.

The donation to the Guild for the entire event is \$20. Tickets are now on sale from board members or by calling Executive Director Cathie Burdick at 585-7015.

CELEBRATING AN HISTORIC HAGUE HOME

On July 27, 2013, Jill Lambert Stull hosted family and friends for a celebration of the 110th anniversary of her home at 9103 Lakeshore Drive. Guests traveled from California, Texas, Vermont and all over New York State. The home, built in 1903, has an historic past and was featured in the 2009 program, "Houses of Hague" presented by the Hague Historical Society.

The home has been in the same family for 56 years, having been purchased from Doris and Jack Bolton in 1957 by Jill's mother, Florence ("Topsy") Lambert. It was once owned by Byron and Anna Marshall who were prominent in Hague in the early 1900's and owned one of the two drug-stores in town. The Historical Society program noted the house



"is typical of the era with porches and dormer windows on the second story."



Rolly and Kathie Allen



Steve Ramant
and Holly de Buys



Barbara Smith
and Marianna Klein

END OF SUMMER YOGA CLASSES

Donna Levenstien will continue to offer Yoga throughout the month of September. Classes will be held on Wednesday and Saturday mornings at 9:30 am at The Gallery next door to the post office. Schedules, including pricing, can be picked up just outside the front door on the building in the plexiglass container.

In addition to these classes, a new class called "Wisdom Warriors" will be offered. You must be 55 or older in order to be eligible for this practice. Slow/gentle vinyasa (flow) classes and the understanding of yoga poses and alignment will be offered and there is no prior yoga experience necessary. A program will be designed for you to use through the non-summer season on your own or in a group.

If you are interested in knowing more about Wisdom Warriors, please contact Donna with any questions at <donnajlev@gmail.com>.



In this column in April 2009 I introduced you to Henry W. Ruth. Henry, an orphan of German heritage, had spent most of his youth in a New York City orphanage and in 1920 had made his way to Lake George. He lived most of his adult life in the Hague environs and his story reflects life as it was in those early years of the 20th century. Henry's daughter Ida May graciously shared his autobiography with us.

"On arriving at Lake George Village, I stood spell-bound, looking at the beautiful scenery, for quite some time. The glistening waters of the lake and the majestic blue mountains were enrapturing, and I vowed then that if circumstances were favorable I would remain here as long as possible. After a trip up the lake, I was met at the Silver Bay Dock by Mr. Donkey, and that trip up from Lake George Village by Steamboat (the Horicon) convinced me even more than ever to remain near Lake George as long as possible.

"My vacation was cut short by Mrs. Mann, the colonel's widow, who was living in her summer home at Hague. She insisted that I come to work for her and she would not take "no" for an answer. . . I finally accepted Mrs. Mann's offer and spent a most delightful summer, during which I met the most beautiful girl, who made me think seriously of settling down.

"Mrs. Mann's house was large enough to accommodate fifty guests. It was my duty to take the guests who wanted to go fishing, to see that there was plenty of live bait and lures on hand, and to assist them in baiting their lines and removing fish as was necessary.

"Our Launch could accommodate ten persons and was usually filled to capacity. The launch would leave Mann's dock at 3:00 A.M. We would fish until 11:00 A.M. and return for lunch. Then I would see to replenishing the live bait and put the fishing gear in order for the evening at 6:00 P.M., when guests who wanted to fish until sundown once again tried their luck. This arrangement gave me plenty of free time to enjoy myself, as a kicker was at my disposal to use whenever I cared to do so, and take some of the local girls for moonlight rides. When I say that I catered to the girl I met earlier, it sure was the truth.

"Besides boating by moonlight, there were other entertainments, such as dances at the various hotels along the lake, as each hotel had its own orchestra. All things considered, I spent a most delightful summer in 1920.

"The winter of 1920-21 was a very good winter for me. I spent several nights a week in the gym at Silver Bay Prep School playing basketball. I organized a team of the work crew there, and we challenged the Hague Town Team. We had weekly games followed by dancing. It was at these games and dances that I made the acquaintance of most of the good people of Hague, including the girl mentioned before, Caroline Scriptor.

"In the Spring of 1921, our work on the farm began in earnest. There was plowing, harrowing and the planting of vegeta-

bles as we intended to sell fresh produce along with our milk, cream and butter for the summer people, most of whom arrived early in June. We also sold to camp Arcady, a children's camp adjoining our land. . .

"That fall we had plenty of cabbage, potatoes, and carrots to sell to the Prep School at Silver Bay. We also tapped maple trees and made syrup, soft sugar and maple candy, which we had very little trouble selling to the boys at the Prep School.

"In the spring of 1922, I was employed by the Silver Bay Association of Christians Organization until midsummer of 1922. I hired out to Mr. Bruce Carney, who was the owner of the Sabbath Day Point Hotel. The hotel accommodated about one-hundred-twenty-five people. The summer season ran from June until Labor Day. I was employed as gardener, herdsman and handyman.

"During the season there were plenty of things of interest going on, but after Labor Day it was very lonely with all of the guests gone and only Mr. Carney's family, two hired men, myself and Lewis Richmond, a teamster. Our job then was to cut the winter's wood supply.

"In those days the roads were plowed by three teams of horses on huge wooden plows with heavy metal plate on the bottom, which rode on the base of the road. It took quite some time to travel the six miles to Sabbath Day Point from Hague. Sometimes it would take two or three days depending on the depth of the snow.

"Sometimes the lake was used as a highway. I remember a garage man by the name of Cubby Scott, who used to travel the lake during [winter] to mark out the places where it was safe to cross and the cracks. At night, Cubbie would lead a cavalcade of cars down the lake to Bolton Landing and then back again after the basketball game and dance.

"The following summer I was still working at Carney's. Caroline Scripture came to work there, too and we soon became engaged. In August of 1923 we decided to get married."

Henry Ruth's full autobiography, a wonderful story, is available for your reading pleasure in the Hague Historical Museum. We are proud to have it as part of our archives.



Another successful program was enjoyed by a full-house audience on August 6th. "Artists in Hague ... Then and Now" offered a slide show that included the artists' images as well as biographical information, but the "piece de resistance" was the exhibition of more than 20 paintings by the featured artists! It was an evening to remember. If you missed it, you will shortly be able to view the slide show on the Museum's computer at the Hague Community Center. Watch for Part II of "Artists" in 2014!

... Pat McDonough

~SOUNDINGS~

2013 THS GRADUATE JORDAN MCKEE

DIED: Jacqueline Fowler Ambra, 83, of Crown Point and formerly of Hague and Irvington, NY, peacefully on June 19, 2013 at the Glens Falls Hospital. She was married for 51 years to the late Paul Ambra. She is survived by many nieces and nephews and grand-nieces and nephews.

Jackie was a longtime member of the Mohican Crafters of Hague.

DIED: Laura S. Meade, 86, of Hague, on July 27, 2013, at Heritage Commons Residential Healthcare of Ticonderoga.

She was a resident of Hague for many years, and was the last music teacher for Hague Central School. She was also employed in the music department for South Glens Falls and Ballston Spa school districts as well as giving private lessons. In 2012, she received a Certificate of Appreciation at the reunion of the Hague Central Alumni Association.

Mrs. Meade was the choir director for the New England Congregational Church, the music director for Hague Baptist Church, and organist for Grace Memorial Church at Sabbath Day Point.

She was well known as a lover of nature and studied and documented wild flowers on Old Mine Road in Hague.

Mrs. Meade was a member of the Carillon Garden Club, former president of High Peaks Audubon Club, and a former Girl Scout Leader in Hague.

She was predeceased by her husband, Robert Meade. She was also predeceased by her friend and longtime companion, Elton Rising.

Survivors include two sons, Marshall Meade of Norwalk, CT, and Michael Meade of Mahopac, NY; one brother, Merton Sarvay of Cortland, NY; four grandchildren, Robert Meade, Philip Meade, Matthew Meade and Elizabeth Meade; and many nieces and nephews.

DIED: Kathleen Maiaro of Tuckahoe, NY and Hague at her home in Hague on August 7, 2013, after a long struggle with cancer.

Kay is survived by her husband of 56 years Robert Maiaro. Together they bought and fixed up their home in Hague which meant so much to them as a place to share with children and grandchildren.

Besides her husband, she is survived by her daughter Kathy Ann and her husband Martin Rego; her daughter Maryann and her husband David Hamel; her son Jim Maiaro and his wife Nancy; her daughter Michele and her husband Gregory Baldwin; and her daughter Arlene and her husband Jose Toscano. She is also survived by her 9 grandchildren, James, Dina, and Rachel Rego; Ben and Rebecca Hamel; Michael and Charlie Baldwin; and Luis and Anna Toscano. In addition, she is survived by her brothers Arthur, Robert, and Donald Medlar; as well as her sister Patricia Barbour.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Steven Jordan and Chelsea Kaufman, who were engaged on July 5, 2013 at the Sagamore in front of their families and will be married on August 9, 2014 at Fort William Henry. Steven is the son of Celeste and Steve Jordan of Hague and Mt. Sinai, NY.



Jordan is the daughter of Glenn and Lori McKee of Hague. She has distinguished herself as an outstanding athlete. She went to the state championships in varsity bowling every year since eighth grade. In the spring she played softball and the Ticonderoga team won the CVAC Section 7 championship all three years she was on the team. As well as being honored at Ticonderoga HS, in 2012 she was named by the New York State Sportswriters Association as a soft-

ball all-star.

Jordan was on the Sophomore Class Executive Board, was in the French Club for three years and was on the Honor Roll several times. Her Senior Project was a study of the techniques and basics of the sport of bowling with her mentor Donna Fleury.

Outside of school, Jordan has worked at Snug Harbor Marina and Adirondack Lanes.

Jordan will attend the Maria College of Albany to study nursing.

PETER NEAL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The winners of the Peter Neal Memorial Scholarship were announced on August 12, 2013 at the Silver Bay YMCA. Scholarships went to Sarah Bryant of the University of Buffalo, Abby Halm of Rice University, Brad Hicks of Michigan State University and Dustin Scott of SUNY Plattsburgh and resident of Ticonderoga. These scholarships are presented annually to employees of the Silver Bay YMCA based on high standards of work performance and financial requirements for a college education.

Family and friends established the Scholarship in 1992, as a memorial to Peter Neal, son of Sally and James Neal of Venice, FL and Sabbath Day Point. Peter was a summer employee at the Silver Bay YMCA during the summers of 1983, 1984 and 1985. He died of colon cancer in 1992 at age 30. Anyone wishing to contribute to this memorial, may do so by sending a check to the Peter Neal Memorial Scholarship, Silver Bay YMCA Association, Silver Bay, NY 12874.

COFFEE HOUSE AT THE BURLEIGH HOUSE

Join your friends and neighbors at the Burleigh House in Ticonderoga to hear live, local performers in a coffee house setting – every Wednesday night in August, and every second Wednesday thereafter. Performers donate their time and talent; the proceeds benefit the Ticonderoga Alliance, which is working to revitalize Ticonderoga and create a new prosperity for the town. The first coffee house, held on August 14, 2013, drew a large crowd, with performers representing a wide variety of music genres as well as poetry. The music starts at 7 pm, but organizers recommend coming early to get a table. Anyone who would like to perform should contact Roberta Whiteley at 585-6837.

LISTEN TO THIS by Ginger Henry Kuenzel

Who remembers their first transistor radio? At this point, younger readers may be asking: Transistor radio? What's that? Perhaps you can find one in your parents' basement, in that box of old stuff they can't bear to part with – a typewriter, a dial phone, a Walkman, a couple of old music tapes and maybe some albums. Recently, I was at my friend Mary Ann's house and she brought out a small transistor radio in a black leather case, with a carrying strap. She tried to dial in a radio station, but all we heard was static. The mere sight of this historic artifact and the sounds of static brought back a flood of memories.

That Christmas when I got my first transistor radio I thought I had really hit the big time. It meant that I could actually listen to music in my own room. The radio was AM only, and WIPS in Ticonderoga was the only station on the air. Or, more accurately, it was the only station that would come in on my new little device. Although I don't remember the exact call numbers – was it 1250? – their tagline is permanently etched in my mind: WIPS, in the shadow of the great stone fortress. Did I mention that the station was only on the air during daylight hours? In winter, that meant that they stopped broadcasting around 4 pm. Maybe it was because there was only one person working there, and he wanted to get home before dark. I mean, after all, we're talking about the dark ages here – though cars of that era did already have headlights. As spring approached, and the days started getting longer, I was delighted to discover that WIPS started broadcasting longer hours. Maybe they had hired a second announcer to work the second shift? Or did their radio waves really only work during daylight hours? No matter. I was just happy that I could listen to my radio later into the evening.

Although I don't believe the WIPS announcer ever actually said, "Don't touch that dial!" it didn't occur to me to try to tune in another station. Way back in December, when I had gotten the radio, the only station I could find was WIPS. Thus, I simply resigned myself to the fact that my radio wasn't capable of receiving signals from any place further away than Ti. That is, until one evening in early summer, when I was bored and started fiddling with the dial. Imagine my surprise when I came across a station that was playing 'cool' music, the kind I actually wanted to listen to. There it was, coming in loud and clear – assuming I could get the little line just in exactly the right place on the dial: WABC New York, with Cousin Brucie playing everything from Motown to Elvis to Bobby Darrin and Chubby Checker. There were songs about gruesome car crashes: Dead Man's Curve, Teen Angel, Last Kiss, Tell Laura I Love Her. Or about bad relationships: It's My Party, He's a Rebel, Leader of the Pack. And so much more. Overnight, my horizons had exploded, suddenly extending far beyond Ticonderoga, Tongue Mountain and even Glens Falls. All the way to New York City. I was connected! Admittedly, 'connected' has an entirely different meaning today, when we can talk to people in Europe, China, Africa or anywhere else via Skype or online chats, and when – thanks to the Internet – we can listen to any radio station in the world. Gone are the days of fiddling with that tiny dial to find something other than static. Today we can hear any genre we want by simply typing the term into our search engine. But believe me, for those of us growing up here in Hague back in the day, getting connected to Cousin Brucie in New York was huge progress. It was all the connectivity we needed.



Carillon Garden Club Annual Fundraiser Luncheon and Card Party



*Betty Rettig,
Club President*



*Susan Johnson,
Event Chairperson*



TFCU SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

For the fourth consecutive year, the Ticonderoga Federal Credit Union (TFCU) will host its Back to School Supply Drive for area students. From August 5 through September 3, 2013, the credit union will collect school supply donations at each of their three branches and two ATM locations. Supplies left at the Ticonderoga office at 1178 NYS Route 9N and at the ATM at the International Paper Mill will go to Putnam, St. Mary's and Ticonderoga schools.

Collected supplies will be given to the area schools to distribute to students as they see fit. Suggested items include; #2 pencils, crayons, spiral notebooks, pocket folders, pens, washable glue sticks, boxes of tissue, anti-bacterial wipes or hand-sanitizers. Items such as backpacks, binders, highlighters and calculators are also greatly appreciated.

Donations of cash or gift cards to office supply stores or retail vendors are also welcomed and will be used by the Credit Union to purchase supplies from school-issued lists. Visit TFCU's website, <www.tfcunow.com> or contact any branch at (518) 585-6725 with questions.

HAGUE CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 22 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 24 – 25 Lake George Open Water Swim – Hague Beach
- 27 10 am LGPC regular meeting – Hague
- 27 noon Senior Club picnic at HVFD
- 28 7:30 pm Last concert in the Park

SEPTEMBER

- 2 LABOR DAY – Town Offices Closed
- 5 First day of classes at Ticonderoga schools
- 5 7 pm Planning Board
- 8 2 – 5 pm Festival Guild Tour of Homes
- 10 Rotary International Dinner at Silver Bay
- 10 6 pm Town Board
- 12 News Deadline for the September issue
- 18 *The Hague Chronicle* is mailed out and on website
- 20 – 21 Oktoberfest Weekend

TRANSFER STATION HOURS
July 1 thru September 1
 Wednesday: 9 am to 5 pm
 Saturday: 8 am to 4 pm
 Sunday: 12 noon to 3 pm
AFTER SEPTEMBER 1
 Wednesday: 10 am to 4 pm
 Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm

HELP SURVEY ASIAN CLAMS IN LAKE GEORGE



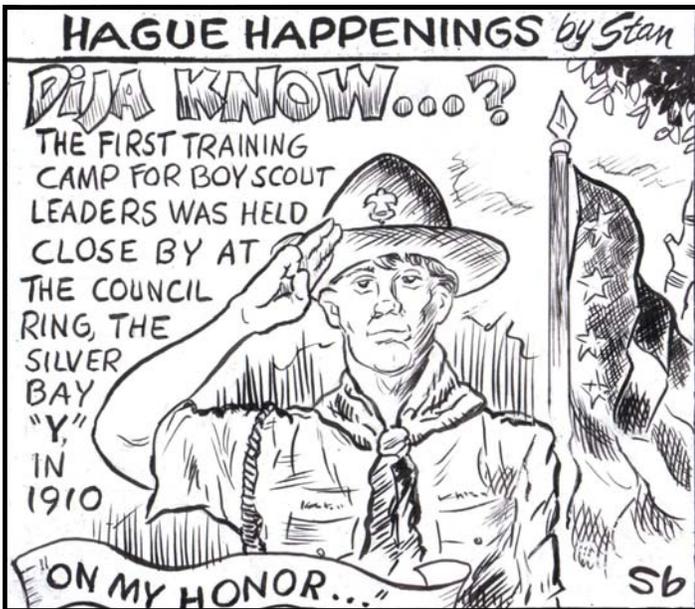
The Lake George Asian Clam Task Force will conduct a lake-wide survey to determine any new locations of invasive Asian clams. Boats will cruise the entire shoreline of Lake George in early September, visiting about 200-300 locations to determine if clams are present. Volunteers are needed to wade

in the water and sieve the sands to check for clams. This is the only means to determine potential new locations of this invasive species in the Lake. No experience needed, just an interest in spending a day or two on Lake George! The water will still be warm, but wetsuits should be available for those less hardy souls. Spend a day on the Lake with others who love and are working to protect this treasure. To find out the dates, and to sign up, visit <www.doodle.com/s8bhxmmb7k6dnh7>.



ECO-FRIENDLY WEED KILLER RECIPE

- Mix together:
- 1 gallon of vinegar,
 - 1 cup of salt
 - 1 tablespoon dishwashing detergent.
- Spray on plants.



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