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GRANT AWARDED TO GRACE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

The New York City-based Landmarks Conservancy has awarded its first ever grant in Warren County to Grace Memorial Chapel, located in Sabbath Day Point in Hague. The Conservancy's president, Peg Breen is a former political reporter and is a native of Glens Falls. She is delighted that her organization can give something back to her hometown region.

Grace Memorial Chapel has been awarded \$3500 to be used for repairs to the chapel's slate roof. Built in 1885, The Grace Memorial Chapel was designed by New York City architect William T. Tuthill, who also designed Carnegie Hall in 1894. The chapel's roof surfaces are slate and the gables are decorated with scalloped slate shingles. The decorative and structural wood elements of the chapel were manufactured in New York City and shipped by rail and sled to Lake George for final assembly on site, according to information provided by the Conservancy. The chapel is described as reflecting "the rustic picturesque character of the Adirondack region, with a low angular appearance derived from a steep-pitched roof, cross gables and bell tower with an open belfry.

The grant must be matched by the chapel's congregation. Breen stated that generally this type of grant helps a congregation with its own fund raising.

To qualify for a Sacred Sites grant, a building must be owned by a religious institution and be a designated landmark.

SEMINAR TO BE HELD IN HAGUE

A Therapeutic Touch seminar by Shirley Winch, will be held on Jan. 27th, 9:30AM-3:30PM at the Hague Community Center. For more information call Kay Barton, 543-6057.

JOIN "EXTRA HELPINGS" A COMMUNITY FOOD BUYING CLUB

No Age Limit!..No Income Limit!..Food stamps accepted.
You can purchase nutritious foods at lower-than retail cost!

A wide assortment of foods is available at lower than retail cost! Food is delivered to the town center once a month to those who have signed up previous-

ly for that month and paid their \$13.50. Flyers are available at the town center giving the list of foods available for that month and the date by which the order must be in. It is done on a monthly basis - you are not tied into it for longer than a month at a time. **CHECK IT OUT!**

1996 BIG BAND CHARITY BALL

Mark your calendar now for Saturday, Feb 10 when The Friends of Moses Ludington Hospital will hold its third annual "Big Band Charity Ball" at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Ticonderoga. "Big Band" music and dancing by: "L.C. Jazz" (Vermont's 18 piece band). Late night tunes by "The Rockefellers".

\$25/person --- For tickets please contact - 585-3508 or 585-6728. Hors d'oeuvres * Auctions * Semi-Formal. **ALL** proceeds benefit Moses Ludington Hospital in Ticonderoga

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Let me remind Hague residents that, while we have a fairly regular food distribution to those on the income eligibility list, ANYONE with a food emergency can contact me, Georgina Lindquist, for special assistance. My number is 543-6095. Regular distribution announcements can be found in The Hague Chronicle, Hague Supermarket, Post Office, and Church and Community Center bulletin boards.

NEXT FOOD DISTRIBUTION - Feb. 6 & 20 - 1-2PM

HAGUE COMMUNITY DAY

January 23 at 6:30PM there will be a meeting for the HAGUE COMMUNITY DAY. It will be at the Hague Community Center. All are welcomed and encouraged to bring friends and ideas. SATURDAY, MAY 4 is the date, so save this day on your calendar! If you have questions or cannot make the meeting please call Helen Barton at 543-8833. . . h.b.

POSSIBLE FUNDING FOR CUDDLE CORNER.

On Jan. 11 Mark Johnson, Ex. Dir. Silver Bay Assoc. and Helen Barton went to Albany to meet with the Early Childhood Investment Fund. The possibility for grant funding is still very encouraging but the process will continue for approximately 6 months. The request for \$40,000 towards the Community Childcare Center is still a strong funding possibility. The ECIF office and SBA staff are working hard to bring all collaboration efforts together. An update will be in next month's issue. . . hb

THE KIWANIS CLUB

The local Kiwanis Club, which was founded in the late 1920's and has approximately 55 members (including many members residing in Hague); looks forward to another great year of service in the towns of Hague and Ticonderoga. Among its recent projects for the benefit of the residents of Hague have been (i) the building of the initial ice rink at the Hague Community Center and (ii) encouraging the landscaping to the west of the Community Center building by buying the top soil and seed for the lawn and providing the picnic tables. Annual projects for the benefit of Hague residents include the Christmas luncheon and program for senior citizens (250 guests this past December), the Easter Egg Hunt, the Bicycle Rodeo to teach bicycle safety, Toys-for-Tots program for less privileged children, three \$400 scholarships annually and a special award at Ticonderoga High School, the sponsorship of the Key Club at Ticonderoga High School (with 60 members the largest club in the high school), the placement of "drug free" signs near the local schools and many others.

New members are always welcome. If you are interested in considering membership, contact any of the following Hague members: Helen Barton (543-6001), Bruce Craig (543-6321), Bill Glenn (543-6197), Al Johns (543-6532), Bob Patchett (543-6719) or Dave Swanson (543-6696) or any other member.

The weekly luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis is held at 12:15p.m. each Thursday at Eddie's Restaurant; the first meeting of the month is a business meeting and the other meetings have speakers on a wide range of topics of interest to the local citizens. As a member you will enjoy the camaraderie with the other members (who form a wide cross section of the local community) and the satisfaction of making your local community a better place to live.

... David Swanson

HAGUE FISH AND GAME CLUB

Fish and Game Club winners for Nov. and Dec have been announced. The gun raffle in Nov. was won by Alvin Frasier, Hague. The food and cheer basket raffle in Dec was won by Leroy Frasier, Hague. Betty Van Sleet was the winner of the 50/50 drawing for Dec. Betty gave her winnings back to the Fish and Game Club as a donation. Thanks, Betty, and all who bought tickets on the raffle.

A LETTER OF THANKS

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me in the past few months, and a special thanks to the Town Board for giving me a chance to prove myself. It was one of the most talked about elections, so I know it was a very difficult choice.

I wish everyone a happy New Year.. /s/ Debble Manning

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

If you would like further information on these two topics please contact Helen Barton at 543-8844.

•1. Child Health Plus - Health Plan for Kids. "Child Health Plus" is a state health insurance plan that of-

fers free or at very low cost health coverage for children under age 15. It can also cover family health care.

•2. Know the facts about HIV and AIDS - guidelines for parents published by American Academy of Pediatrics. It is a brochure with excellent information.

COOKIE TIME!

The Girl Scouts are selling cookies! Please say "Yes" when a Girl Scout calls you for your order. The sale represents 58% of the Adirondack Council's income. After the cookies are paid for, all the remaining money stays within the local council. \$.47 from every box stays with the girl's troop and is used in her community.

To order your box(es), call Monica Johnson, 543-6791, or any other Girl Scout in the area by Jan. 21. They will be VERY happy to hear from you!

WRITER'S VOICE CHILDREN'S LITERATURE AWARD

The Writer's Voice Program of Silver Bay is sponsoring the 4th Annual Silver Bay Children's Literature Award.

An award of \$1,000 will be given to the best manuscript for a children's book set in the Adirondack Mountains. Manuscripts may not be published and cannot exceed 30,000 words. Both illustrated and non-illustrated works will be accepted. They should be written for children 15 years old and younger.

To enter, send three copies of the manuscript with an entry fee of \$25, postmarked no later than Feb. 1; to the Writer's Voice of the Silver Bay Assoc., Silver Bay, NY 12874. Call 543-8833 for more information. For manuscripts to be returned, a self-addressed stamped envelope must be enclosed.

TOUR OF HOMES SLATED

A tour of homes will be scheduled in the Ticonderoga area this June, according to plans made by the Ticonderoga Festival Guild, a performing arts organization, at its Jan. 8 board meeting. Board member Stan Burdick said that a Tour of Homes committee of the Guilds has been formed, composed of Jeanne Creamer, Gale Halm, Judy Foster, Dottie Henry, Penny Carr and Cathie Burdick. At least a half dozen unique and colorful homes will be chosen for invitation in Ticonderoga, Putnam, Hague and Silver Bay.

THE RECENTLY ADDED COFFEEHOUSE SE-RIES has been expanded to spring and fall offerings, beginning on Jan. 19 at 7:30PM in the Ticonderoga High School Cafeteria for an Open Mike. On Feb. 16 Jim Gaudet from Saratoga will perform at the Hague Community Center; the McKrell's, an Irish group will come to the TI Elks on Mar. 16 at 7:30 and on Apr. 12 at the Church of the Cross, the artist will be announced soon.

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CUDDLE CORNER

The Community Child Care Center at Silver Bay Assoc. has started off the New Year with an increase in enrollment. In Jan. we will be doing a lot of x-country skiing, skating, and of course sledding! Our science and letters development program is in full swing with a special theme on presidents this month.

Please feel free to stop by any weekday from 7:30AM - 5:30PM.

The Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet in December due to lack of an agenda. The Planning Board did not have a January meeting for the same reason.

TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING, 1/19/96

At a special Town Board meeting on Dec 19 a motion was passed which stated that the receptionist (Bertha Dunsmore), would be the only employee to receive any town funds from Dec. 20 until a new town clerk was appointed. The rest of the meeting was spent in executive session discussing a personnel problem.

TOWN BOARD MEETING - END OF YEAR

On Dec. 27 the town board met to close the books on 1995 and to pass Resolutions #35 to #43.

Line items were taken from the budget and transferred to contingency fund to the following for 1996.

- #35 Authorizing inter-fund transfers
- #36 Transfer Station holidays
- #37 Holidays for town employees
- #38 Senior Bus - - - - \$165 per trip (once a month)
- #39 Fire Dept. - - - - \$90,000.00
- #40 Dr. Mack, Veterinarian - - - \$125.00
- #41 Fish and Game Club - - - - \$300.00
- #42 Chamber of Commerce - - - \$2,260.00
- #43 American Legion - - - - - \$400.00

Bill Bothe, Zoning Administrator, presented a report comparing funds and figures for 1994-95. He will be happy to explain this report to anyone interested in stopping in his office at the Community Bldg.

A motion was made to amend the Highway budget. There is a need to replace a highway truck.

TOWN BOARD INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Just as the Dec. 27 board meeting closed the books for 1995, the Jan. 2 informational meeting opened them for 1996.

The newly elected board members, Bob Patchett and Rudy Meola, councilmen and Dan Belden, Supervisor, were sworn in by Judge Knott.

Mr. Meola made a statement stressing the importance of the position of Town Clerk and asking the Board to consider this appointment very carefully. He then nominated Barbara Belden to fill this position and this was seconded by Lu Megow, with the vote as follows: Patchett, nay; Meola, aye; Megow, aye; Fitzgerald, nay; Belden, nay. Motion defeated.

Councilman Fitzgerald then nominated his daughter, Debbie Fitzgerald Manning, for the position and it was seconded by Mr. Patchett. The vote was as follows: Patchett, aye; Meola, nay; Megow, aye; Fitzgerald, aye; Belden, aye. The position was filled by Debbie Manning who will serve a one-year term, ending Dec. 31, 1996.

This vote was made necessary since there was a tie vote between the two candidates in the Nov. election. Debbie was also appointed Tax Collector by the

board and she was immediately sworn in by Judge Knott and took her seat at the council table.

Debbie has set her office hours as follows: Monday through Saturday, 9AM - 12noon for the month of January. Debbie will confirm the hours for collecting taxes for Feb. and Mar. at a later date.

Newspaper, Bank, Meeting Date, Claims, Mileage Rate and Review Claims dates were all approved. One change in the last item is that the audit meeting to review claims the day before the regular meeting at 4:30PM, has been changed to make it into a regular meeting. This was suggested by Mr. Fitzgerald so the board would have the right to discuss and pass on items that they felt could not wait for the regular meeting the next day.

Other changes are in the highway pay rates. Temp. Lab. is \$5.75; Temp. Op., \$7.25/hr; Reg. Op., with Fam. Health option, \$10.27/hr; P.T. Lab., \$7.90/hr Election Inspectors, Election Custodians and Assess. Bd. of Rev. all remained at the same stipend.

The Planning Board, Assessment Board of Review and Park Committee all have openings at this time. Applications for anyone interested in serving, are available at the Community Center.

The Recycling Co-ordinator position is being eliminated for the time being. It is being handled by the employees at the Recycling Center. Also deleted this year is the hospital committee. The question of Bob Patchett serving on the Planning Board while a Town Board member, was answered by Attorney McDonald, who confirmed that Mr. Patchett could continue his present term but could not be reappointed, if he is still a member of the town board at the time of the PB term expiration. Also being researched will be the legality of his serving on the Board of Assessment Review.

Again, how payments to the town attorney were made was questioned by Councilman Meola and the board learned that this item must be discussed in Executive Session before being brought to the board at a public meeting.

Resolution #1 for 1996 concerned procurement policy and was unanimously approved. Res. #2, was an expression of appreciation to Linda Coffin for her many years of dedicated service to the community as a town board member. Res. #3 thanked Valerie Lawrence for her services as Town Clerk.

Mr. Meola read a list of what he called "housekeeping rules" which he feels "were in the interest of more productive and effective meetings in 1996." These are listed in a separate item in this issue.

TOWN BOARD AUDIT MEETING 1/8/96

Monthly bills were audited. Councilman Megow expressed his concerns over the emergency like situation that exists in the basement of the Community Center due to lack of heat in parts of the basement. It will be addressed at the 1/9 meeting. Supv. Belden suggested that there may be need for additional parttime help in the clerk's office temporarily. The board discussed with the (Cont. on page 4 - Town Board)

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highway superintendent its concerns over the functioning of the highway dept. In the near future the Board will review the staffing at the highway dept. and will make a recommendation for possible changes.

TOWN BOARD - JAN. 9, 1996

At the opening of the meeting when the privilege of the floor was given, Linda Coffin suggested to the board that Ron Graser, whose term on the Board of Assessment Review has expired, be reappointed instead of tabling the appointment for the future.

Dottie Henry also questioned the need for making the Monday 4:30PM audit meeting into a regular meeting, in which business can be transpired. The explanation given was that sometimes something comes up that needs immediate attention.

In the regular meeting, the following items were resolved:

- 1. Ron Graser was reappointed to the Board of Assessment Review.
- 2. Linda Coffin, former councilwoman, was approved by the board to review the books (town and justice). These books must be signed by Jan. 20 and Mrs. Coffin has agreed to work on Mon., Jan. 15, starting at 9AM.

Linda Coffin has been asked to remain on the Zoning Revision Committee and has agreed to do so.

A meeting will be scheduled to discuss hiring people to groom the cross country trail at Rogers Rock Campsite.

Mr. Meola has asked for a detail of services on the monthly report.

The annual winter carnival will be held on Feb 15,16, and 17 with the usual Sat. and Sun. breakfasts.

In unfinished business:

Solid waste is a confusing issue at this time with the county anxious to get out of the business. Hague had awarded a contract to Serkil for the disposal of our waste, which is now null and void, because of changes Serkil made in the contract. At the moment we are staying with the county until a decision is reached by them. (Ed. Since the board meeting, Serkil has come back with the original contract which the board expects to sign at the Feb. meeting. Solid waste will be hauled by them for \$774 a container, which holds roughly 13-15 tons. It now costs us \$69 per ton at the burn plan plus hauling. It should save us approx. \$15,000 a year.)

The drug testing policy initiated by the county was adopted with a small wording change. It was approved unanimously. This testing will be done on a random check basis and is so serious that 2 offenses shall result in dismissal. Mr. Meola will see that this is included in the employees' guide. Testing will be done by Convenient Medical Care in Glens Falls.

Tom James was awarded a \$900 contract to service the town computers.

Resolution #4 was made to amend the Highway Dept. 1996 budget. Dave deLarm, highway superintendent was not in complete accord with certain fig-

ures mentioned.

DEC is interested in buying a portion of the land the town bought recently from Jack Carney. Supv. Belden was authorized to meet with DEC representative Dick Slipperly to discuss this matter further.

For those interested there will be a stormwater informational meeting on Feb. 13 at 6PM. This is before the regular Feb. 13 town board meeting and will identify problem areas, etc.

In New Business:

Dan Belden was named delegate to Assoc. of Towns Meeting in NYC. Councilman Fitzgerald will be the alternate.

Resolution #5 made \$50 in petty cash available to the town clerk. It rescinds last year's Res. #31 of 1995 which allowed \$25.

Resolution #6 to nominate James Neal to the LGPC, to replace the nomination of Jack Carney, who withdrew his name for personal reasons.

The old town hall and the Curly Monroe property, which is town property are to be sold, but must be appraised first. The supervisor was authorized to have both properties appraised. Bids will then be taken on the Monroe property (house + 3.4 acres). The old town hall will be sold at a later date.

A major concern of the board and Mr. Meola is the need for parking in the not too distant future, when the Darrin property, across from the boat launch, is no longer available. They are working on a positive plan that would include some of the property next to the Wesleyan Church which belongs to the school district, and some parking at the old town hall. These could provide 30 to 35 spaces.

Nancy Trombley, former town clerk, will be hired, on a temporary basis for a few weeks to help the new town clerk, Debbie Manning, to straighten out any problems remaining in that department.

At this point the board entered into Executive session to discuss heating problems in the center's basement. They came back to award George Wilson the contract for providing space heaters for the area. His bid was lowest at \$2,700.

HOUSEKEEPING RULES

The following is a letter from Councilman Rudy Meola and read to the Town Board on Jan 2, 1996 at the organizational board meeting. (See p.3)

In the interest of more productive and effective meetings in 1996, I am proposing a review of procedures and suggestions which should insure that these goals are met:

- 1. All meetings, regular and special, fall within the meaning of the "Open Meeting Law and therefore notice of time and place of the meeting must be given to the "News Media" and conspicuously posted in one or more designated public locations. (Public Offices Law, Ar.7) This includes the Organizational Meeting.
- 2. "The vote upon every question shall be taken by Ayes and Nays, and the names of the members present and their votes shall be entered in the minutes." (Town Law 63)
- 3. There are no references in the Law to "work sessions" or "workshops", the statute defines only the term meeting. (Cont. on p. 5 - RULES) 1/96

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- 4. Agenda is to be prepared ahead of time. I am suggesting that the agenda be distributed to board members by the Friday preceding the meeting. Items to be included on the agenda should be turned in to the Supervisor by Friday a.m.
- 5. The agenda should not include anything on which all facts and the law have not been obtained in advance. Each item should be turned in to the Supvr. by Fri. a.m.
- 6. Committees of the Town Board should make written reports to the whole Town Board when appropriate. Committees of the Town Board do not have the power to make unilateral decisions with reference to Town business. Town business is conducted by the Town Board in public meetings. (See letter 7/17/95 from the attorney for the Town).
- 7. All bids or quotes should be received prior to the board meeting, the data compiled and given to the board members prior to the meeting at which the item will be acted upon.
- 8. Abide by the Procurement Policy especially guideline #8. "All purchases of the Town must be accompanied by a duly signed and completed purchase order.
- 9. Request should be made to the Office of General Services for all appropriate State Contracts. Equipment and supplies should be purchased from State Contract awards.
- 10. Some form of Management System should be instituted at the Highway Dept. to ensure prudent fiscal controls and that the department is operated effectively. A source of help in this area would be the Assoc. of Towns of the State of New York in Albany.
- 11. The Town Board should institute an inservice training program for itself as well as all Town employees.

NATURE NEWS
 Laura Meade

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently coordinated a 1996 mid-winter bald eagle survey nationwide. New York State DEC Seasonal Wildlife technician, Tom Gliddi of Ray Brook, a bald eagle expert, is the official data collector for this area.

Over the years, starting in 1979, New York's winter bald eagle survey results revealed a total of 41 in 1979, including mature and immature, while a total of 144 were documented in 1995. Rarely a gold eagle is observed, with two seen in 1986, and one seen six different years from 1979 to 1995.

Aerial surveys of major bald eagle wintering areas at the St. Lawrence River Valley, New York City Reservoirs, the Delaware River Gap and Lake Ontario were conducted Jan. 9 and 10 of 1996.

The following habitats are the primary focus of the survey:

- river banks and shorelines where eagles are often found feeding along the edge of the water
- trees along the water where they often perch and preen
- east-facing hillsides, located along waterways with

conifer stands

- open water downstream from hydroelectric facilities
- fast-moving rivers
- large, unfrozen lakes

If you have seen a bald eagle, call me at 543-6060 or 543-6531 with information re: site location, vegetation available, prey available, body of water, county (or counties), date, roost or non-roost, total birds counted, ice conditions, weather, wind and cloud cover. Please respond before Jan. 22, 1996.

WEATHER NOTES
 Marylou Doulin

This 1996 winter is rapidly gaining an infamous reputation. Dec. lacked any timidity. We were inundated with four major storms which left us submerged in snow. The sun was visible for only seven days in Dec. Beginning on the 14th we had a sequence of 21 days that were cloudy and overcast. Dec. temperatures were moderate, generally in the 20's. Jan. has brought with it lots of arctic cold.

Temperatures which have consistently been between 0° and -20° at night only ascend to +10° on most days. On Fri., Jan. 5 it never got above 0 all day. On Wed. Jan. 3 we had a classic nor'easter where we received an additional 16 inches of snow, making it 46" of snow to date. The unique quality of this storm was that it destroyed the old adage that it has to warm up to snow! During the 24 hours that the snow fell, the temperatures were between 0° and +14°.

Gleefully we can report that Hague was not affected by the Blizzard of '96 which caused so much havoc along the northeast coast. D.C. and NYC - just imagine! Calm winds and all these cold temperatures allowed the lake to freeze at Hague by Mon. Jan. 8. Lake freezings vary considerably along Lake George. There can be variations of several weeks between freezes. The earliest ever reported was Dec. 20, 1980.

For the lovers of the night sky, this year promises to display lots of celestial treats. Venus, the evening star, will be the brightest it has been in 8 years. It will peak in April, so look to the western sky at sunset.

Another storm is predicted for the weekend! (Ed. We got it!)

WOMEN HELPING WOMEN

"Wills and Trusts - What Do You Know? What Should You Know?" will be the subject of our next program on Monday, Feb. 12, 1996 at 7PM at the Hague Community Center. Carl T. Baker, head of the Estate Planning and Trust Section of FitzGerald Morris Baker Firth P.C., Glens Falls, will be our speaker. Mr. Baker is a graduate of Cornell U. and Albany Law School of Union University. He is a lecturer and has authored various materials relating to estate planning and settlements for the New York Bar Assoc.

This program is presented free of charge. We look forward to welcoming men and women to this meeting from the entire area.

NEW APA CHIEF APPOINTED

On Dec 22 Gov. Pataki appointed Daniel Fitts as the new Executive Director of the Adirondack Park Agency and Karyn Richards as APA Deputy Director.

Fitts has been serving as acting director of the APA since Sep when Robert Glennon left the agency. He previously worked as legislative coordinator in Albany for Senator Ronald B. Stafford. He has a degree in Environmental Science from SUNY, Plattsburgh, and a master's in Environmental Science from the College of Environmental Science and Forestry, Syracuse U.

Richards has worked for the DEC since 1981 and has extensive experience as a natural resource planner and public participation specialist, having served as Chief of Policy and Planning for DEC's Division of Lands and Forests.

UPPER HUDSON PRENATAL SERVICES NETWORK

The Upper Hudson Prenatal Services Network is a non-profit organization which developed "Tomorrow's Child", a toll-free referral prenatal and parenting line, with the goal of providing a clearinghouse of pregnancy and parenting related information for health and human services professionals and community members. The referral line is 1-800-640-4558 and is operative Monday through Friday from 9AM to 5PM, and services Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Saratoga, Warren and Washington Counties.

ROTARY COMES TO NORTHERN LAKE GEORGE

Plans are underway for the organization of a Rotary Club in the Northern Lake George area. You are cordially invited to participate and to join in the organizing and planning meetings being held, weekly and temporarily at Ody's Inn, Silver Bay on Tuesdays at 7:30AM for breakfast. The goal is to have a membership representing business and professional people from Ticonderoga, Putnam and Hague.

Rotary is an organization of people united world wide, who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. The new Rotary Club will reflect the spirit of friendship and concern for others which characterizes Rotary everywhere. Rotary's motto is "Service Above Self."

After formal admission to membership in Rotary International, the Northern Lake George Rotary will be presented its charter by the Lake George Rotary and by the Glens Falls Rotary Clubs.

The following speakers have been scheduled for future meetings at 7:30AM at Ody's Restaurant:

Jan. 16, Sal Santanillo, speaking on "The Hague Volunteer Fire Dept.", of which he is president; Jan. 23, Barbara Reid, owner of TI Travel, speaking on "Travel"; Feb. 6, Rudy Wirth, Executive Director Moses Ludington Hospital, speaking on "Health Care"; and on Feb. 13, Cathie Burdick, Grammarian,

Subject "People Hardly Don't Speak English Good Any More." Please join us. . .tj

SENIORS BEWARE!

There may be a new "senior scam" abroad. A telemarketing firm may phone a senior and try to set up a hearing examination with a group called PRO-CARE. The telemarketing firm will possibly imply that this hearing aid company has the backing of the Warren County Health Services and/or the Warren County Office for the Aging. Jim Baker, Director of the WCOFA has advised the sheriff and the district attorney of this implication. Should anyone receive a telemarketing message that implies that its customer is sanctioned by the Warren County services, please let Mr. Baker know. The phone number of the OFA is 761-6347. As far as anyone knows, this gimmick has surfaced only in the Queensbury/Glens Falls area thus far.

Attend your senior club meetings for latest information on seniors. Next meeting is Jan. 23 at 1:30PM at the Community Center. . .ewa

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

At the Jan. 8 meeting of the HVFD, Mrs. Imogene Frasier, Chairperson of the annual Christmas Memory Tree Program presented the HVFD with a check for \$357.00, the amount raised by the contributions to the Memory Tree in 1995. We thank all those who made donations to this fund, and we thank Mrs. Frasier for her long and continued interest in the Memory Tree.

There were no fire calls in Dec. However, the ambulance crew did 14 runs, covering 836 miles which involved 121-1/2 manhours. During the year of 1995 Ambulance 740 made 126 runs, with a total of 4560 miles, and Ambulance 741 covered 2297 miles. A total of 1147 hours were used.

Our community owes much to the men and women who answer these emergency calls, at any hour of the day and night, whether it be fire or a medical emergency. It is a VOLUNTEER service, and not only do the members of the crew spend time answering a call for their services, but they give freely of their time to attend classes and keep their skills at top form. HVFD members, we thank you! . . .ewa

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

The Arts Center/Old Forge is offering two internships during the 1996 summer season for students with training in art or theatre. Each 7-8 week internship offers a stipend of \$100 per week plus housing. The intern will be expected to work approximately 40 hours a week, including daytime, evening and weekend hours. Internships begin in late June or early July and end in late August. Interns will be supervised by the executive director who is an experienced educator.

Interns will receive practical training in arts center management, art education, and the presenting of performing arts. If interested, send resume and letter of application with phone numbers of references to Elizabeth V. McDowell, Executive Director, Arts Center/Old Forge, PO Box 1144, Rt. 28, Old Forge, NY 13420. For more info, call between 10 and 4, Mon-Fri (315) 369-6411. 1/96



DIED - Mary E. Riordan, Maplewood, NJ and Hague, NY, on August 16, 1995 at Moses Ludington Hospital, Ticonderoga, NY. She is survived by 6 children and 9 grandchildren.

DIED - Marlon H. Smith, 74, long-time summer resident of Silver Bay, on Dec. 9 at her residence. She was formerly a member of the board of trustees of the Silver Bay Assoc.. She is survived by her husband, Richard W., two daughters and a son and five grandchildren.

A memorial service for Ruth Nelson, Silver Bay, who died on Aug. 1 (see Aug issue), will be held on June 8, 1996 at 11AM at her home at Bass Bay, Silver Bay.

TAVISH COSTELLO, Hague, is one of three Ticonderoga Middle School students who had their artwork on display at the annual 1995 New York State School Boards Conference at the Rochester Convention Center. The exhibit featured work from students all over the state.

THE SECOND PERIOD HONOR ROLL

The following Hague students have been listed on the honor roll at Ticonderoga High School: 1st Honors: JENNIFER BELDEN, MICHELLE DeFRANCO, DAVID FITZGERALD, LINDSAY FRASIER, ALLISON JOHNSON, MONICA JOHNSON, CRISTINA LAWRENCE.

2nd Honors: MELISSA BRUNET, PATRICIA CORLISS, THORAN GAUTREAU, SHANNON KENNA, SHERRI SMITH. Congratulations!

Mrs. Fahey's third grade class recently helped the Kiwanis Club spread Christmas cheer to senior citizens. The children made evergreen centerpieces for the tables at the annual Christmas luncheon held at school and sponsored by Kiwanis.

Ticonderoga Central Schools will hold a software preview evening for parents at the Middle School computer room on Thur., Jan. 18 at 7PM. Rain date will be Tues, Jan 23. This presentation is a continuation of Enhancing Learning At Home. Community members, parents, and teachers showed a great deal of interest in finding compatible software to increase student achievement. The Middle School Computer Lab will be set up with a number of different software packages for adults to preview. Bill Dodd, TI Computer Coordinator, will lead the program. For info: Call Elementary Principal Jane Planty, 585-7437

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Egbert R. Ferguson, Jr., Indian Kettles, has changed his address to: Maplewood Park Place, Apt. 2506, 9707 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-1727. Telephone - (301) 571-5212

HOME DELIVERED MEALS (MEALS ON WHEELS & SOMETIMES ON HEELS)

Hague, with the cooperation of Essex County, has a home delivered meal system for handicapped and housebound seniors. Meals are delivered by volunteer drivers 5 days a week, at a cost of \$1.50 per meal, although no one is denied a meal for inability to pay that amount. This is a hot meal, delivered about mid-day. A supper meal and a weekend bag, both at additional expense, can also be delivered. If you know of any senior in the Hague area who is unable to cope with providing his or her own nutrition-wise hot meal, have said senior get in touch with Marion Shoemaker at 543-6141, or Ethel Andrus at 543-6098. Let the phone ring many times in both instances.

And now, HELP! HELP! Our volunteers need more help; at present, at least two drivers are driving twice in one week; in another instance a driver is often driving four times a week. Could you spare a couple of hours every other week to help out? Drivers are paid (if they desire) for mileage at 30¢ per mile, with mileage beginning and ending at the Hague Community Center. If you can help, please call Marion or Ethel at the above numbers. They will arrange for a training trip and be glad to welcome you to the group. . .ewa

WILL THERE BE TROUBLES AHEAD?

At a 3-hour session on Tues. Jan. 9 of the Warren County Solid Waste and Recycling Committee, a warning was given by Steve Blakeslee, Warren and Washington Counties' Solid Waste Coordinator.

Blakeslee said the trashplant had a very good year in 1995, but that several negative factors now loom. The debt service rises to \$700,000 in 1996, and the plant is no longer assured of receiving all of Warren and Washington Counties' solid waste in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's striking down flow-control laws.

Blakeslee said the plant is in danger of no longer receiving enough trash to operate at full capacity. According to the existing contracts, if the plant's expenditures are greater than its income, the difference must be made up by Washington and Warren Counties..

The tipping fee at the plant, currently \$69 per ton for trash coming from either Washington or Warren County, is set by the counties' Industrial Development Agency (IDA). The supervisor of Warrensburg said that he has decided to send his town's trash to the Essex County landfill in Lewis which is charging only \$55 a ton. Other towns in W.C. have also issued requests for bids to find out which haulers and/or disposal sites can offer them the best rates.

TOWN OF HAGUE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 1996

	Town Board	Planning Board	Zoning Board	Senior Bus	Seniors Meeting	Fire Dept.	Chamber of Commerce
JAN.	2 & 9	4	25	3	23	8	3
FEB.	13	1	22	7	27	5	7
MAR.	12	7	28	6	26	4	6
APR.	9	4	25	3	23	1	3
MAY	14	2	23	1	28	6	1
JUN.	11	6	27	5	25	3	5
JUL.	9	11	25	3	23	1	X
AUG.	13	1	22	7	27	5	X
SEP.	10	5	26	4	24	9	4
OCT.	8	3	24	2	22	7	2
NOV.	12	7	21	6	26	4	6
DEC.	10	5	26	4	XMAS P.	2	4
DEC.	27	X	X	X	X	XMAS P.	X

Meeting Times: Town Board: 6:30PM Planning Bd: 7PM; Zoning Bd.: 7PM; Sr. Cit. meeting: 1:30PM; Sr. Bus: 8:30AM; Chamber of Commerce: 7:30PM

The Fish and Game Club meets the 3rd Tues of each month at 7:30 at the Clubhouse.

The Fire Dept. meets at 7:30PM at the Firehouse.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE HAGUE CHRONICLE IS THE 10TH OF EACH MONTH.

Planning Bd and Zoning Bd. workshops are currently being scheduled to be held one week prior to the regular meeting. The Zoning Administrator is setting up the schedule.

HAGUE WINTER WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Sat., Feb. 17, 1996

7:00AM - 11:00 AM
 9:00AM - 3:00 PM
 10:00AM - 11:00AM
 11:00AM - 2:00PM
 2:00PM - 3:00PM
 5:00PM - 7:00 PM
 7:00PM

Firemen's Breakfast, Hague Community Center
 Snow Sculpture Contest, Town Park
 Polar Bear Run, Town Park
 Rifle Shoot, Hague Fish and Game Club
 Pinewood Derby, Hague Fish and Game Club
 BESTE BENEFIT BUFFET, Silver Bay Association
 BESTE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS, Silver Bay Association

Sun., Feb. 18, 1996

7:00AM - 11:00AM
 11:00AM - 4:00PM

Firemen's Breakfast, Hague Community Center
 FAMILY FUN DAY - Kids' games, chain saw contest, Penelope the Clown, PoKeNo, Raffles, Fun & Follies, National Ice Auger Contest - all at the Hague Fish and Game Club
 FOOD, BREW, SODA, SNACKS & RAFFLEMANIA

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Several supervisors at the meeting said they would find it difficult to defend to their constituents a decision to continue sending trash to the burn plant at \$69 a ton when they could dispose of it elsewhere more cheaply.

Chairman of the Board Tessier of Lake George said it would be only a short-term solution to bring the trash elsewhere. "The landfills will probably all go down the tubes in the future", he said, and intimated they would all eventually be closed by the state. But, he added, "the towns will only bring their trash to the burn plant if it offers competitive rates. The burn plant operators have an obligation to bring the costs down, just as the counties have an obligation to fulfill their agreements. If the IDA lowers the tipping fee for Warren and Washington Counties, but the break-even point for the plant remains at \$67, the two counties will end up footing the bill for

the loss.

"It's time to sit down with the plant and see what we can do to make the plant competitive," Tessier said. "They can do it." He suggested that it might be possible to reduce the costs for ash disposal - a major operating cost - or for ARRA to reduce its profit margin.

The session was attended by Foster Wheeler Vice President as well as their Senior Litigation Counsel. Foster-Wheeler is the general partner in ARRA operating the burnplant.

Tessier said the ideal solution would be privatization of the plant. "But until that happens, the plant must remain competitive," he said. . . gh

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Appearance tickets issued to boaters sank to 112 in 1995, 21% less than the previous year, according to the LGPC. The plunge was attributed to the loss of 2.5% enforcement positions.

The following is the list of those whose names appear on the Chamber of Commerce Memory Tree through Dec. 31, 1995:

JAMIE ACHEY, MERLE ANDERSON, WILLIAM ANDRUS, DOROTHY ANISANSEL, JOSEPH BACH, BALCOM-SMITH-FITZGERALD FAMILIES, RALPH BALCOM, BARNABY FAMILY, JOSEPH BARNETT, RUTH BARNETT, HOWARD BARNETT, BOBBY BEEKLEY, JAMES BELDEN, ESTHER BELDEN, MAUD BELDEN, MARY BESTE, STEVEN BEVINS, CHARLES BILLING, MARY BILLING, JAMES N. BLY, FREDERICK & LAURA BOHNET, BOB BOLTON, JODY BRAISTED, JAMES BRAISTED, HELEN BRAISTED, JAMES BRODERICK, MARGARET BRODERICK, CHRISTOPHER BROWN, GEORGE BYRNES, JOAN CALDERA, LENA CALDERA, TONY CALDERA, DAVID A. CARPENTER, HAROLD CARPENTER, LAURA M. CARPENTER, MASON W. CARPENTER, THOMAS M. CARPENTER, WILLIAM D. CARPENTER, ZELLA CARPENTER, GEORGE CARTER, ROLAND CARTER, EDSAL CASE, RUTH CARTER, EDWARD F. CASSIDY, LEVON CEDERSTROM, AUGUSTA CLIFTON, FRANCES CLIFTON, MATTIE CLIFTON, JIM CORSCADEN, CATHERINE COSTA, FOTIOS COSTIDIS, IRENE COVENEY, E. HAMILTON CRABBS, RALPH CRAIG, ALISON CRAIG, BRUCE CRAIG, STEVE DAVIS, EMERSON DECKER, MARY J. DECKER, GRAY DENSMORE, LOUISE DENSMORE, WESTILL DENSMORE, GRACE DICIO, FRANCIS A. DONLON, MARIE R. DONLON, SAMUEL EANNACE, EARL ELTHORPE, GLADYS ELTHORPE, DOROTHY ENGLER, RITA FERGUSON, CHARLES FISH, FLOYD FISH, SR., HERMAN FISH, VILA FITZGERALD, DOROTHY K. FOOTE, J. HOWARD FOOTE, LELA FOOTE, EMILY FRANK, TAMMY FRANK, KATHERINE FRANK, WILLIAM FRANK, FRASIER FAMILY, CARL FRASIER, CLIFTON FRASIER, DALE FRASIER, DONALD FRASIER, MARY FRASIER, MITCHEL FRASIER, SAMUEL R. FRASIER, STANLEY FRASIER, VERIL FRASIER, THOMAS E. GIRARD, GLENNON-DONOHUE FAMILIES, DONALD GOODFELLOW, ANDREW T. HALLERAN, FRANCES HEBERT, ERNIE HEIDINGSFELD, LOUISE HEIDINGSFELD, EDWARD A. HENRY, JOHN T. HENRY, DOROTHY HENRY, HENRY GRANDCHILDREN, BOB & HAPPY HENRY, WREN HENRY, ARCHIE HERRICK, GERT HERRICK, JIM HERRICK, ED & PEG HINCK, ADA HOYT, BOB HOYT, JOSEPH HOWARD, LISA HOWARD, GEORGE HUESTIS, CURTIS JORDON, F. WILSON KELLER, ROB ERT W. KELLER, JACK KENNEDY, ELIZABETH KOSTIDES, ANNETTE LAMANNA, BOB LAMANNA, RAY LAUNDREE, MARGE LAUNDREE, REV. DAVID LAWRENCE, OTTO LUNGSTRAS, ROSE LUNGSTRAS, BESSIE MASTEN, EBER MASTEN, REV. & MRS. FRANK McCAULEY, ELAINE McKEE, ROBERT S. MEADE, LUDOLF J. MEGOW, MARGARET MEGOW, WILLIAM MEGOW, DEBORAH MICHELA, JOSEPH MICHELA, MICHAEL MICHELA, ALVIE MIDDLETON, BETTY MONROE, EVA MONROE, CURLY MONROE, LEONA MONROE, TERESA E. MONROE, ALFRED MONROE, BYRON MONROE, HARRY MOORE, ALFRED OSTRANDER, NELSON PATCHETT, LAURIE PANNELL, ALLEN PERKINS, GERTRUDE PERSONS,

ROBERT E. PETERS, JASON POLAND, CAMILLE POMPONIO, LOUISE PRENTISS, CONNIE RAMAGLI, LUCIO RAMAGLI, PAT REATH JOHN ROOS, ELEANOR ROOS, WESLEY ROSS, THEODOR SANTANIELLO, GEORGE SAVAGE, MARION SHATTUCK, FORREST SHATTUCK, MARY SHATTUCK, HARRY SMITH, J. STANFORD SMITH, MABEL SMITH, SHIRLEY SMITH, THOMAS G. SMITH, LOUIS SPELMAN, SR., FREDERIC SPREEMAN, MARSHALL STARK, ART STEITZ, JOAN STEITZ, JOHN SULLIVAN, CLARENCE SWINYER, DOLLIE SWINYER, TRUDEAU FAMILY, JAY A. URICE, SR., MARGUERITE URICE, JEANE URICE, GEORGE URICE, CLAIRE VAN ALSTYNE, WILLIAM VAN ALSTYNE, JOHN WARREN, FRANCIS WATERS, NELSON F. WATERS, ALICE WATTS, ETHEL M. WATTS, JOHN J. WATTS, WALTER G. WATTS, WALTER L. WATTS, RUTH M. WATTS, CRYSTAL A. WELLS, BESSIE WEST, BURTON WEST, C. FRANK J. WEST, LUCINDA WEST, ANDREW C. WILL, ANNE WINNE, BETTY WOTTON, ROBERT WOTTON, VAL H. WILSON, BLANCHE YAW, MARY YAW, ALBERT YAW, LAWRENCE YAW.

This program raised \$357 in 1995. See related article on page 6.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

At its Jan. meeting, the Hague Chamber members decided to hold monthly meetings (1st Wed. of the month) at Ody's Inn at 8AM until further notice. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Newly revised color brochures and service directories are being printed and will be available within a month for members' use and for mailing to those who inquire about our area. The service directories also include much general information and telephone numbers that all area residents may find helpful. The Chamber will be distributing these brochures locally in the near future.

WINTER WEEKEND SCHEDULED

The tentative winter weekend schedule of events is included in this issue of *The Hague Chronicle*. Help is always needed to carry out this project, and if you would like to become involved, please call Bill Montgomery 585-6418 or Marg DelSignore 585-6222 to volunteer. Especially needed is help with kids' activities and raffle items.

Fundraising activities planned for the Beste Scholarship Fund include the ever-delicious Beste Benefit Buffet to be hosted by the Silver Bay Association on Sat., Feb. 17, at 5PM, followed by the awarding of the Beste scholarship awards at 7PM. This year a 13" Sharp color TV with remote is being raffled, and tickets are available at the Silver Bay General Store and from ticket sales agents at local businesses, including the Grand Union and Ames.

Denton Publications will be doing an ad package for us to be included in *The Times of Ti* issue coming out the week of the Winter Weekend. We encourage local businesses to take out an ad if they can to help promote this weekend of activities.

This year we certainly don't have to wish for snow, so let's look forward to a nice weekend.. ks 1/96

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1996

Jan.

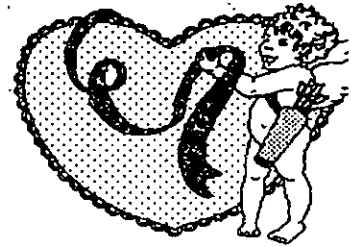
- 17 Board of Education - 7:30PM - THS cafeteria
- 18 Carillon Garden Club, 11AM - Community Center
- 19 Ti Festival Guild Coffee House - THS cafet. (p2)
- 22 Line dancing - Community Center - 7PM
- 23 Home Bureau - 10AM Community Center
- 25 Zoning Board of Appeals - 7PM
- 27 Therapeutic Touch seminar - 9:30-3:30PM (p.1)
- 29 Line Dancing - 7PM - Community Center

February 15-18 Hague Winter Weekend

Feb.

- 1 Planning Board - 7PM
- 5 Line Dancing - 7PM - Community Center
- 6 Home Bureau, 10AM - Community Center
- 6 Food Distribution - 1-2PM - Community Center
- 7 Chamber of Commerce - 8AM - Ody's Inn
- 10 Friends of Moses Ludington ball - p1
- 10 HAGUE CHRONICLE DEADLINE
- 12 Women Helping Women, 7PM - Comm. Center (p5)
- 12 Town Board Audit meeting - 4:30PM
- 13 Town Board - 6:30PM
- 16 Ti Fest. Guild Coffee House - Comm. Ctr 7:30PM (p2)
- 20 Food Distribution - 1-2PM - Community Center

*He who for love hath undergone
 The worst that can befall,
 Is happier thousandfold than one
 Who never loved at all.
 ... Richard Monckton Milnes*



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

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