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HAGUE BAY BOATING ACCIDENT

According to several local media reports, three men were fishing in Hague Bay in a 17-foot open bow vessel on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 when the down riggers snagged and the boat ultimately capsized. Two men remained with the boat and were rescued, but the third man, William B. Scott, 59, of Westerlo, NY apparently drifted away from the area. His body was recovered after three days of intense searching by many area rescue teams.



In a post on Facebook on July 4th, Hague Town Board member Ginger Kuenzel expressed the feelings of local residents. She wrote, "The boating accident in Hague this past Tuesday was tragic and my thoughts are with the family of William Scott, whose body was recovered today. But everyone should also know about the tireless work of the volunteers from our Hague Volunteer Fire Department who were at the Hague Beach all day every day since getting the first call on Tuesday - offering their support and assistance to the Sheriff's Department, State Police and other area fire departments and dive teams. Having spent many hours at the Beach over the past several days, I was privileged to witness the amazing team effort, the extremely well-organized operation and the support that all these individuals provided to each other. Kudos to all the professionals, and most importantly to all our Hague volunteers who donated so many hours to this rescue and recovery operation. Their selflessness and the compassion they showed to the family members make me very proud to live in Hague. These are certainly the people I would want to have around me in case of an emergency."

A REMINDER— THE HAGUE CHRONICLE

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The "Music in the Park" series of concerts will be held on Wednesday nights at 7:30 pm at the Hague Town Park. In case of inclement weather, performances will be held in the Hague Community Center. Bring your lawn chair!

JULY 16 RUNNING THE RIVER

Classic and Country, folk, Irish, fiddle and original tunes

JULY 23 HAGUE JAZZ QUARTET PLUS ONE

A local favorite of standard songs, romantic melodies with a light jazz treatment

JULY 30 STAN BURDICK SQUARE DANCING

Square and Folk dancing in the park

AUGUST 6 TBA

AUGUST 13 BOB STUMP & THE BLUE MT BAND

Original Bluegrass, American Country & Folk Music

AUGUST 20 BEN ROUNDS BAND

Classic & Country Rock

AUGUST 27 CALAMITY ROCK

Soft rock Mix and Country

MOVIE NIGHTS AT THE TOWN PARK

The Hague Boy Scouts are sponsoring two free movie nights at the Hague Town Beach. On July 22, 2014 they will show "The Sand Lot" and on August 26, 2014 they will show "The Lego Movie." Both movies will start around 8 pm and the Scouts will be selling popcorn, soft drinks and penny candy! Please bring your own chair or blanket. In case of rain the movies will be held at the Hague Community Center.

LGPC TO MEET IN HAGUE



The next regular meeting of the Lake George Park Commission (LGPC) will meet on July 22, 2014 at 10 am at the Hague Community Center.

THE HAGUE CHRONICLE IS ON FACEBOOK



... And we have posted LOTS of pictures! Check it out.

HAGUE SENIOR NEWS

Weather cancelled the Floating Classroom trip but that didn't stop the Seniors from having a good time. We headed over the mountain and through the woods and landed at the Algonquin Restaurant for lunch. We were honored to have Hague's two oldest residents with us to share the day which made it very special. These wonderful ladies inspire many of us.



Julia Middleton and Dolly Kennedy

We meet at 9:30 am on August 14, 2014 at the Community Center for our next scheduled trip to play miniature golf and have lunch. Future events include the annual picnic at the HVFD Pavilion at 12 noon on August 26, 2014 and our big trip of the year on September 5, 2014 on the Lac du Saint Sacrement Sock Hop Dinner Cruise on beautiful Lake George.

Please call Pat at 543-6502 if you are going to attend these events so we have a good headcount – especially the cruise as the club has 30 seats reserved. ... Pat Hintze

ALERT ABOUT BEACH PARKING

The row of parking closest to the Town Park is reserved for Town residents with Hague permits (stickers) only. Tickets are being issued for those without these stickers. These permits allow for this special parking and for use of the boat launch without fees. Any residents who do not have the Town permit may get one at the Community Center from Bertha Dunsmore.

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Hague Fire personnel had 16 calls/drills for a total of 331 man hours and the Hague EMS had 9 calls for a total of 427.5 man hours. The HVFD would like to thank all the volunteers that helped with the HITS North Country Triathlon. A special thanks to all the fire police who blocked traffic to keep all the bikers and runners safe!

The Hague Volunteer Fire Department (HVFD) will be hosting its annual Steak Roast on August 2, 2014 beginning at 3 pm. Come out and enjoy some delicious steak along with corn on the cob, a baked potato, salad, and a wonderful dessert! Hot dogs and hamburgers will also be available along with soda, water and beer. There will be basket raffles and 50/50 drawings throughout the event.

The HVFD welcomes new member Mike Nyisalosky! We are very excited to have him become part of our volunteer family! The Department also congratulates Jon Hanna and Oliver (Bill) Gourley on continuing their education by completing another fire course!

Hague Volunteer Fire Department encourages everyone to stay safe for a wonderful summer!! ... Mara Haskell

LGA CELEBRATES LAKE PROTECTION NEWS

The LGA, along with many other organizations working to protect NYS lakes, is extremely pleased that a statewide aquatic invasive species transport bill has been passed. "We have been advocating for such a bill for a number of years now since 2011 when I testified in front of the Assembly's Environmental Committee as to the extent of the problems and associated costs that AIS are causing for Lake George," said Walt Lender, the LGA's Executive Director.

The legislation requires the state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to develop rules and regulations for boaters to take reasonable precautions to prevent the spread of invasive species, such as removing all visible plants and animals from, or washing, draining and drying both motorized and non-motorized watercraft and related gear when entering and leaving a launch site. "We look forward to working with the DEC to develop the regulations to carry through this legislation, just as we have with the other piece of recent legislation passed in 2012 that focuses on banning the sale of invasives statewide," said Emily DeBolt, the LGA's outreach coordinator. "Now, with these two important pieces of legislation, it's all finally starting to fall into place and a comprehensive, state-wide program to address the sale and transport of invasives is getting underway."

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NEW RAIN GARDEN IN HAGUE



photo courtesy Al Rider

Have you noticed the new plantings in the Town parking lot on the right side of Route 8 as you head toward the Community Center? While new greenery in town is always a welcome sight, this is more than just a beautification project. It is a rain garden, which uses native plants to help filter stormwater and keep nutrients from entering Lake George and its tributaries – in this case Hague Brook. Sponsored by The Town of Hague and The FUND for Lake George, this rain garden was designed by Hague landscape engineer Tony DeFranco and Lake George Waterkeeper Chris Navitsky. Several members of the Hague Water Quality Awareness Committee (HWQAC) were on hand in late June to help with the planting. According to Navitsky, the FUND will place an educational sign at the site to provide information to visitors about the benefits of a rain garden.

The HWQAC will donate the \$100 it won for its float in the Hague Memorial Day Parade to buy plants for the other parking lot in Hague, which is being considered for a similar project. Learn more about rain gardens on The FUND's website: <<http://fundforlakegeorge.org/publications/fact-sheets/rain-gardens>>.

QUILT WORKSHOP

The Ticonderoga Revitalization Alliance has announced that the Cultural Arts Initiative will present a Christmas in July workshop led by Maletta Hourigan, owner of Your Quilt Shoppe, 111 Montcalm Street in Ticonderoga.

On Friday, July 18, 2014 from 9 am to 11 am you can get an early jump on the holidays and begin a beautiful project for yourself or as a gift while you drink some wine and relax. Maletta Hourigan will guide you through selecting a pattern and combining fabrics to create a special work of art. Using Through the Winter Woods book and fabric; Winter's Meadow pattern will be used to create a 30 1/2" x 29 1/4" wall hanging that people will treasure for years to come.

Participants need to bring their own sewing machine, sewing supplies, and tools. The cost of the materials of your choice and pattern book is \$50 and the fee for the class is \$30. Space is limited so sign up by calling 518-570-8055 or by emailing <yourquiltshoppe@gmail.com>.

This event is one of a series co-sponsored by the Ticonderoga Area Cultural Arts Initiative and is made possible, in part, by the Essex County Arts Council CAP Grant supported by the Essex County Board of Supervisors.

KEEP THE QUEEN CLEAN EVENT

The FUND for Lake George and the Lake George Waterkeeper have announced the fourth annual Keep the Queen Clean Event on Saturday, August 2, 2014. This Lake-wide event will be held all day. Participate in the "Keep the Queen Clean" and showcase your commitment to the sustained protection of Lake George's pristine water quality.

This event brings together businesses, organizations, and volunteers to make a difference by cleaning in and around the Queen of American Lakes, Lake George. As a resident/visitor you already know that our economy reflects how clean and healthy the lake is, so form a team and help make a difference.

Participating individuals can help in these ways: snorkel in shallow water, scuba dive in deeper water, assist on land bagging trash for snorkelers or work on land cleanup on beaches, shoreline and streams.

New this year is a photo contest along with the event. For more information and to register please visit <<http://fundforlakegeorge.org>> and click on Events.

LGLC HOLDS LAKE TALK SERIES

The Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC) is holding a series of talks this year focusing on wildlife. The next three Wednesday programs will be Wildlife Habitat in Managed Forests on July 16, 2014, Meet the Raptors of Northern New York on July 23, 2014 and Make Room for Wildlife: Staying Connected on July 30, 2014. These talks are held at 5:30 pm at the Macionis Family Center for Conservation in Bolton Landing.

For more information please see <<http://www.lglc.org/NewsAndEvents/Events.asp>>.

42ND ANNUAL HAGUE ARTS FAIR

This year's Hague Arts Fair will be held on August 2 – 3, 2014 at the Hague Community Center. The fair will offer a wide variety of arts and crafts so whether you're looking for that perfect gift or want to purchase something for yourself or your home, this is just the place to find it. Wooden items, baskets, pottery, baby and doll clothing, photography, jewelry, knitted goods and candles are just some of the items you'll find.

The fair is sponsored by the Hague-On-Lake-George Chamber of Commerce and Mary Keefer serves as the chairperson. The times will be 10 am – 4 pm on Saturday and 10 am – 3 pm on Sunday. For more information contact <hagueartsfair@yahoo.com>.

PADDLE TENNIS IS HERE



Courts are open from 8 am to 10 pm every day. See information at the venue on Route 9N just north of Eddie's Restaurant.

TOWN BOARD MEETING – 7/8/2014

Supervisor Edna Frasier and Board Members Marty Fitzgerald, Ginger Kuenzel, Rudy Meola and Steve Ramant were all present.

A moment of silence was held for Elaine Smith, Carol Pittman and William Scott.

Art Steitz again noted that the downtown flower baskets are not being properly watered except for the ones his wife Joan does across from his house. Supervisor Frasier said she would impress upon the Town employee who is responsible for doing it the need for frequent watering.

A Hague seasonal homeowner appeared before the Board to ask why there had been a cut-off in Town registration for the Silver Bay camp and why the public had not been notified? Supervisor Frasier said she made the decision to cut it off because they were over the amount budgeted. There were several heated exchanges and the Board supported the Supervisor's position because of budget considerations. *[Editorial comment: This concern was the second one raised this year with the youth program. The Board needs to be more diligent when it sets up programs to be fully informed about the various issues, discuss them openly, decide on proper policies and procedures and see that they are in place in advance and properly publicized.]*

Waterkeeper Chris Navitsky thanked the Town and volunteers who worked with DeFranco Landscaping to plant the rain garden in the parking lot next to the Lakeside Regional Church.

During the meeting the Board:

Learned that full certification has been received for the kitchen.

Heard a report that the Trash pickup day was successful and that blacktopping has been completed in Forest Bay.

Learned that there had been several incidents with people being unruly at the Town launch with some Town employees being verbally abused. Board members Ramant and Kuenzel will be meeting with the Warren County Sheriff's Office and the Lake George Park Commission to find out what coverage is available and what support can be given in the northern basin.

Learned that there are several violations relative to the sewer districts and a full inspection report will be issued soon. The Sewer District employees are working to correct as many of the minor issues as possible before the report comes out. They also continue to deal with failures at the Lakeshore pump station due to some person or persons north of Lakeshore Terrace continuing to use "flushable" wipes which should NOT be flushed into the sewer system.

Decided to hold a public information hearing for people in the sewer district to help look at ways to better manage the sewer budget. The financial problems will be outlined on August 5, 2014 at 6 pm for the public and then a final public hearing will be held on August 12, 2014 at 6 pm just before the regular Town Board meeting.

Approved the May Memorial Cemetery By-Laws.

Approved waiving fees for corner markers and gave permission to the Town Clerk to issue a new deed for three plots in May cemetery.

Decided to ask the Town Attorney to get in touch with a neighbor of a person in the sewer district to see if an easement might be granted. It was generally felt that the Town should have seen that this easement had been granted before the setting up of the sewer district.

Learned that Monolith Solar Associates LLC had granted the Town an extension of 30 days to continue to review the contract terms.

Gave permission to use the Town Park on July 25, 2014 for the 11th annual John Costello Memorial Scholarship Coffeehouse.

Approved hiring Judy Gourley for the Town Park staff and to add Park shifts to the work of Doug Wilson.

Heard a reminder from Councilman Fitzgerald that the Board had said they would have phone numbers available at the Town Launch for getting in touch with attendants on days when the launch was closed. A sign will be put up directing them to get information at the Visitor Center.

Learned that the Verizon cell Tower should be going up in Gull Bay at the end of August.

Heard a request by Councilwoman Kuenzel for the data on the HITS survey.

CARILLON GARDEN CLUB



The Carillon Garden Club of Ticonderoga and Hague celebrated its 40th anniversary with a luncheon held in June 2014 at the Hague Community Center. It was forty years ago that the club was founded and became part of the Federated Garden Clubs of New York State and the National Garden Club.

Currently, the Carillon Garden club has over 40 members, some of whom have been members for 30 years or more. Each member is dedicated in one way or another to making our local world a better place through beautification efforts, aiding in the protection and conservation of natural resources, and advancing the fine arts of gardening, landscape design, floral design and horticulture.

Throughout the communities of Hague and Ticonderoga, members can be seen planting and maintaining gardens to brighten key areas for residents' and visitors' enjoyment. In order to finance these projects, two fund raisers are held each year. In November, fresh balsam holiday wreaths and sprays are decorated and sold. In the summer, a card/game party and luncheon is held.

Guests are welcome to attend meetings held on the third Thursday, March through November and hopefully join the Carillon Garden Club. Dues are just \$20 per year. Programs of general interest are announced in the local papers. For more information, call Betty Rettig, co-president at 585-7247 or Joyce Cooper, 1st VP at 585-2640.

ABOUT SILVER BAY YMCA

The Silver Bay YMCA here in Hague is a nationally-known YMCA conference and family retreat center which hosts group conferences, team building and leadership training programs, family reunions, and special events in our community. It features a wide variety of activities including its Silver Camp program in which Hague youth participate, fitness center, craft shop, watercolor classes, lakefront activities, lecture series, and spiritual life activities. Conferees from around the country come to participate in activities and to share in the natural beauty of the campus and the surrounding area. Locally, the YMCA runs the Ticonderoga afterschool and youth programs and participates in local events, especially in providing youth activities at various town-sponsored events.

As is true of YMCAs across the country, the Silver Bay YMCA is a non-profit membership organization. It offers a range of membership options to encourage local participation in its programs and activities both during the busy summer months and throughout the year when the program is more limited. Like YMCAs across the country, Silver Bay has a scholarship program called Open Pathways that is available to families with limited resources.

The Annual Basic Membership for the Silver Bay YMCA is available for \$60 an individual or \$120 per family. This membership provides access to the Store, Gift Shop, Silver Bay Library, Fisher Lounge and, perhaps most importantly, a menu of "Program Memberships" for various lengths or seasons of the year. The Basic Membership also provides the member with all the publications to keep informed of the programs that are available (all of which are also available on the website at www.silverbay.org).

Program Memberships provide access to all Silver Bay programs. The full range of summer programming is described in *The Breeze*, which is available online or on campus. It includes an extensive camp program (with additional half-day and full-day rates), a craft shop with everything from basket making, chair caning, silver, and more, the beaches and boathouse, exercise programming and fitness center, lectures and concerts, movies, spiritual life programs, and much, much more. The fee schedule is in *The Breeze* but generally runs from about \$9 to \$18 per day for an individual and \$12.50 to \$27.50 for a family, with the higher rates for single or fewer days. Compare that to Disney World or the Great Escape to see what a bargain it is. Also, there is a very economical 10-month membership for the non-summer months that provides access to the more limited programming, including access to the fitness facilities.

In a new program for Basic Members this year, the Silver Bay YMCA is offering a single-day program rate for all programs after 4 pm of \$6 for an individual or \$9 per family. This provides participation in all programs after 4 pm that day, including swimming, lectures, boathouse, vespers, concerts, as well as those programs, such as the craft shop, and archery, that are open after 4 pm on certain days.

Hague residents should also be aware that the public is always welcome at Sunday worship services and to some special events that are open to all. Again, these are described in *The Breeze* but include a concert of bluegrass music on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 in the Silver Bay YMCA auditorium.

Contact Carolyn Close at 543-8833 extension 211 for further information. [Ed note: Thanks to Jan and Bob Whitaker for the research and writing of this article.]

NORTHERN LAKE GEORGE ROTARY CLUB

The Rotary Club held the annual changeover breakfast on



June 17, 2014 at the boathouse at Silver Bay YMCA of the Adirondacks. Jean Yager was sworn in as the 2014-15 Rotary President by Tammy Heckenberg, District 7190 Foundations Chairperson. Three new members, John and Betty Towey and Marge Mengers were installed and welcomed by Dan Stec, past District Governor.



Chip Devenger received the Rotarian of the Year Award from out-going President Diane Dickson, honoring him for service above self and his outstanding commitment to the values of Rotary.



Jane Crammond received the Rotary Community Service Award for her dedication to Meals on Wheels and many other projects in our community.



Cathie Burdick, wife of member Stan Burdick, received a Special Service Award for her contribution of forty knitted hats for the Rotary Hats for a Purpose project.

Northern Lake George Rotary officers for 2014-15 are Jean Yager, President; Susan McTyier, President-elect; Carolyn Close, Secretary; David Cornell, Treasurer; Bob Whitaker, Assistant Treasurer; Stan Burdick, Public Relations/Historian; Walter Hartl, Sergeant-at-Arms; Chip Devenger, Community Service.

A recent guest speaker at the Rotary Club was Jay Hebert, a 2014 Ticonderoga High School graduate, track star and valedictorian of his class. He spoke about his senior project, during which he mentored underclassman Meg McDonald, who has been a runner of track and hurdles at THS for two years. Jay made an extensive study of the art of coaching and plans to use what he learned in a future career. Presently, he plans to enter Harvard University, majoring in biology. Hebert was introduced to the Rotary Club by member Walter Thorne, his primary coach for seven years.

The group meets every Tuesday morning at 7:30 am at Watson on the Silver Bay campus. Visitors and community members are always welcome.

Ti'COUSTICS FOR AUGUST

Ti'coustics invites everyone to join them for the August evenings of acoustic music on the first and third Wednesdays in the Burleigh House dining room. On August 6, 2014 and again on August 20, 2014 from 7 – 9 pm you will find local friends, some of whom are donating their talents in music and song for your entertainment. There is no cover charge but donations are requested to raise money to help with the efforts of the TRA (Ticonderoga Revitalization Alliance) in making Ticonderoga a more appealing place in which to live and visit.

NEW CCE WEBSITE

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Warren County (CCE) has announced the creation of a new website <<http://warren.cce.cornell.edu>>. CCE has bulletins and information on a variety of programs and events such as 4-H youth opportunities, family and community programs, nutrition and food resources, gardening, landscape, and natural resource information and school enrichment offerings. This new site will be an easy way to access that information and to inform Warren County residents of new educational opportunities or to rediscover established Cooperative Extension programs.

ANCA SUGGESTS BUG SPRAY

ANCA (Adirondack North Country Association) has released a list of locally made, DEET-free, bug repellents. They are Shoo-Fly by Pure Placid based in Lake Placid, No Bite Me by SallyeAnder based in Minetto and Zap! by Adirondack Fragrance and Flavor Farm based in Potsdam. These products along with many other types of Adirondack products, demonstrations and crafts will be featured in ANCA's "Made in the Adirondacks" Fair from 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, July 19, 2014 at the Adirondack Museum in Blue Mountain Lake, NY.

TMSP TO HOLD STREETFEST



The Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership (TMSP) will host the 6th Annual StreetFest in downtown Ticonderoga on Saturday, July 26, 2014 from 10 am to 3 pm. StreetFest is an annual celebration with shopping, sidewalk sales, non-stop live entertainment, arts and crafts, variety of vendors, food, farmers' market, fun, cars and boat displays, as well as family and youth activities including professional full face art, caricatures, face painting, and a Kids Bike Rally and Rodeo to attract people to Ticonderoga's historic Montcalm Street district. Admission to the event is free and open to the public.

Montcalm Street will close to traffic between Lake George and Champlain Avenue from 6:30 am to 4 pm and be converted into a pedestrian mall open to the public. StreetFest is a "must do" event for area residents and visitors alike. StreetFest continues to grow as the committee works to draw a larger crowd into historic downtown Ticonderoga. A Farmers' Market will offer local produce and products throughout the day.

For more information and the schedule of events see <<http://www.ticonderogany.com/documents/TMSPStreetfestFlyer2014.pdf>> .

GALLERY AT HAGUE CREEK



An amazing array of art has been shown to date at the Gallery with the Plein Air paintings of Susan Cacici and Victoria Stewart, the brightly colored unique style of Richard Stout and the incredible outdoor photography of Glen Marsh. Each Friday, usually from 5 – 8 pm, an opening reception features the work of a new artist. To be added to the Gallery email list or get the latest updates contact <blevenstien@gmail.com>.

HAGUE YOGA

The yoga community in Hague is growing. The studio is in the Gallery at Hague Creek between the Hague Market and the Post Office in the center of Hague.

Donna Levenstien said "it is such a pleasure to see so many people from all different parts of the world, in all different shapes and sizes, ages and genders experiencing yoga in Hague." So many yogis have expressed how much they enjoy being in Hague and practicing in the beautiful yoga studio filled with history, energy and art.

Vinyasa flow yoga classes are available throughout the summer four days each week at 9 am. Schedules along with prices can be found in the plexiglass container alongside of the front doors.

No yoga (asana) experience is necessary. Come meet others in a warm, inviting environment and allow your mind and body to connect for a 75 minute class. Single as well as packaged classes are available. Mats and props are provided. For more information or if you have any questions, please email Donna at <donnajlev@gmail.com>.

KARAOKE IN THE PARK

Limited Light Karaoke in coordination with the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) will host Karaoke on Sundays in July (7/20/14 and 7/27/14) and in August (8/10/14, 8/17/14 and 8/24/14) from 2 – 6 pm in Bicentennial Park in downtown Ticonderoga. Participants and spectators can bring food as well as chairs or blankets to enjoy a relaxing evening of karaoke.

TA'I CHI CLASSES

The Ta'i Chi classes, with Mae Pagan of Hague as instructor, have resumed for the summer at the Black Watch Library in Ticonderoga. They will be held on Wednesdays from 1 – 2 pm and the Library fee is \$10 per class with the first class free for new attendees.



Let the “horning” begin!

Weddings and newlyweds have so many traditions . . . everything from wearing something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue to carrying the bride over that first threshold. But just how many of you have ever been subjected to “horning”? In Hague in the early 20th century, young couples withstood “horning”, sometimes happily, sometimes not!

On Tuesday, October 18, 1938, Marguerite Leach and Clifton F. West were wed at the Hague Baptist Church. The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. N. McCann at 10 o’clock in the morning. Following the wedding, breakfast was served at the Holman farm, home of the bride. Miss Marjorie Streeter, cousin of the bride was bridesmaid. Bernard Clifton, cousin of the groom, was best man. Following the ceremony the couple left on a short trip. Upon their return they resided in Hague. Here’s where the “horning” begins!



According to the *Ticonderoga Sentinel*, November 3, 1938: “It seems to be a custom in Hague to turn out and officially greet newly-weds with a “Horning”. Last week Tuesday five carloads of young people called on Mr. and Mrs. Clifton West, announcing their arrival by blasts of inharmonious melody. After a short visit, during which the couple greeted their visitors with candy and cigars, they withdrew. In a spirit of reckless abandon the caravan set out to spread their noisome cheer throughout the town. En route, they halted at Walter Griffin’s home, loudly announcing their arrival. Emerson Decker, a near neighbor, added chaos to confusion by firing a shotgun. Helder Rising, one of the demoniac mob, was so frightened by the blast that he dove into his car in mortal terror. Charlie Fitzgerald, in trying to make a hasty and undignified retreat, fell into a barrel of rainwater and got a thorough soaking. A good time was had by all, that is, most all.” Sounds like fun to me! Beware, newlyweds!

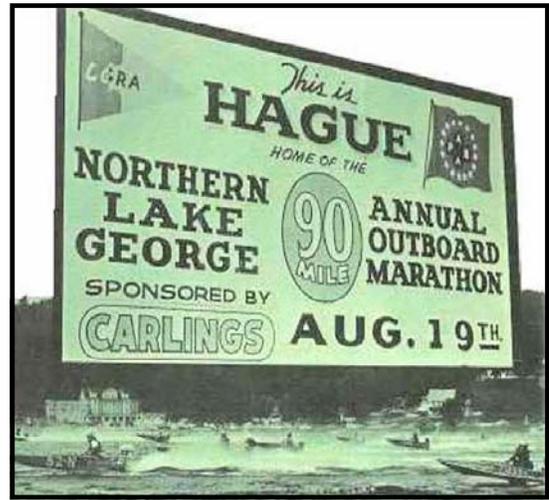
“DEFIANCE & INDEPENDENCE”

Join Fort Ticonderoga for a two-day battle re-enactment highlighting the climactic summer of 1777 as the Fort’s American garrison was outflanked by a British invasion force descending from Canada. The event takes place Saturday and Sunday, July 19 and 20, 9:30 am to 5 pm. Admission to this reenactment event is included in a general admission ticket.

For details about the event please visit the web at <www.fortticonderoga.org/learn/re-enactors/defiance-independence> or call 518-585-2821.



In 2011 Ginger Kuenzel did a program for us on the Hague Outboard Marathons. In June we placed on exhibit in the lobby of the Community Center a number of photos from that program depicting the 1950s and 60s boating events. When you’re next at the Community Center, be sure to take a minute to study this wonderful collection and to read Ginger’s description of the events.



You can find in the Museum biographies on each of the artists we presented on June 24, 2014, together with a print-out of the slide show, all in a binder on the bookshelf. These biographical essays cover lots of details so we hope you’ll stop in to take a look. If you missed the program, a narrated version will soon be available on our PC Viewing Station.

Another recent addition to the Museum’s offerings is a binder on Dorothy Watts Goodfellow; it’s a sampling of her writings, both essays and poems, and many of her delightful drawings as a young person. Born in Silver Bay in 1905, she was a talented young person who went to college in Albany and went on to a teaching career at Carnegie Mellon University. She was the eldest sister of Ethel Watts Andrus, one of the founders of the Hague Historical Society and former Town Historian.

A note for your calendar: Tuesday, August 26, 2014, at 7 pm we will present a program showcasing some of the wonderful photos and mementos in our archives. Kathi Ramant has been pulling together a photographic essay on “Looking at Hague: Past and Present”. The thought was to show how things looked *then* in conjunction with photos taken of how they look *now*. We have many ideas of what we will share but thought that *Hague Chronicle* readers might have some personal photos of their homes or places around Hague from another era that we can include. These can be serious or whimsical. We would be happy to scan these photos and come to photograph these spots or items as they currently look. Please contact Kathi at 543-6542 to make arrangements. This will be a fun evening and we look forward to seeing you there.

... Pat McDonough

~SOUNDINGS~

CONGRATULATIONS: To Ian Lawrie, of Hague, a senior at Ticonderoga HS who recently attended his second CONA (Conference on National Affairs) in North Carolina. CONA is a Youth & Government Conference at the national level. Delegates from 35 different states prepare proposals for action that pertains to national or international issues. When finished, they report their experiences to high school classes and community organizations.

DIED: Raymond Joseph Bankert Jr., 87, peacefully at home in Scotia, NY on December 30, 2013.

He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Patricia Kauth Bankert. He leaves six children; James (Karen) of Alexandria, VA, Raymond (Eve) of Greenville, SC, Stephen (Susan) of Cuttingsville, VT, Elizabeth of Enfield, NH, Susan (Scott) of Sadsburyville, PA and Patricia (Bob) of Queensbury, NY as well as 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Ray was a family man who loved skiing, camping and boating. He fulfilled his dream of owning a home on beautiful Lake George where he and Pat resided in Arcady Bay for 34 years.

DIED: Elaine Showalter Smith, 99, of Sarasota, FL, Boca Grande, FL, and Hague, NY on June 15, 2014 peacefully at her home at the Glenridge in Sarasota.

In 1948, Elaine and her late husband, J. Stanford Smith purchased their Friends Point property and their entire family was active in the Northern Lake George Yacht Club. Stan served as Commodore and Elaine was well known for her passion and skill on the tennis courts.

Elaine won a piano scholarship to DePauw University and music was important to her throughout her life as a church organist, choir director and piano teacher.

She was predeceased by her husband, a former President of International Paper Company, in 1983. She is survived by her children, Barbara E. Smith, Carol Smith Witherell, Stephen L. Smith, and Douglas A. Smith along with seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Smith donated a custom-made concert hall organ, four music student scholarships, and a faculty chair to DePauw University; a major gift to the Lake George Land Conservancy's "Last Great Shoreline" project; and has made major gifts to the James Cancer Center at Ohio State University. In 2006 she began to live much of the year as a resident at her home at The Glenridge Retirement Community in Sarasota, while still spending time at Lake George and Boca Grande with her family.

There will be a memorial service at the Silver Bay YMCA Helen Hughes Chapel on Lake George in Silver Bay, NY on August 9, 2014 at 2 pm with a reception following at the Silver Bay Boathouse.

DIED: Carol A. Pittman, 74, of Hague, peacefully on June 27, 2014, with family by her side, following a long illness.

Carol's zest for life was shown in everything she did, including generously donating her time and talents to the communities of Arcady and Hague with her love and flowers. She was

co-owner of the Hague Creek Antique and Gift Shop and a familiar face at Junipers and the Hague Market.

She is survived by her loving husband, Bill, to whom she was married for more than 50 years. She is also survived by her brother, John Gordon; her son, Tom and his wife, Tricia; her daughter Linda; one niece and two nephews.

A celebration of Carol's life will be held at the Silver Bay Chapel on Saturday, July 26, 2014 at 3 pm.

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TICONDEROGA HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to these Hague students who are on the High School Honor Roll for the fourth marking period. They comprise nearly half of all the Hague students in the High School.

GRADE 12:

SECOND HONORS: Taylor Coffin, Sean Lawrie, Kimberly Porter

GRADE 11:

FIRST HONORS: Ian Lawrie, Tia Lynn Stark

GRADE 10:

FIRST HONORS: Jamie Cox, Cassandra Martucci
SECOND HONORS : Curt Fenimore

GRADE 9:

FIRST HONORS: Nicholas Fitzgerald, Connor Lawrie
SECOND HONORS: Samantha Holmberg

Congratulations to these Hague students who are on the Middle School Honor Roll for the fourth marking period. Our records indicate twelve Hague students in these grades and nine of them are on the honor roll!

GRADE 6:

FIRST HONORS: Mckenzie Harrington,
SECOND HONORS: Haileigh Rivard,

GRADE 7:

FIRST HONORS: Michael Fitzgerald,
Antonio Martucci, Skye Mason,
SECOND HONORS: Caitlin Myers,

GRADE 8:

FIRST HONORS: Kacey Fish, Fallon Kennedy,
SECOND HONORS: Gilbert Cox

YOU JUST GOTTA LOVE HAGUE!

By Ginger Kuenzel

There's a lot to like about living in a small town. For one thing, I believe it would be entirely possible to get through your entire life without ever having to learn how to parallel park. Having lived in cities for a major portion of my adult life, I actually do know how to squeeze into a parking space that is only inches longer than my vehicle. But in downtown Hague, there are no such challenges. You can pretty much just pull into a space without ever having to go into reverse.

Of course there are lots of other things that make small town life so enjoyable. So, here are a few, in no particular order.

Regardless of what address people put on the envelope, you're pretty sure to get your mail. Jackie knows everyone, and probably even their nicknames. I also love the fact that when I'm retrieving something from my P.O. Box, I might hear her voice on the other side saying, "Oh, wait! I have something for you!" Once I even got a call at home saying that I had a very large package that probably wouldn't fit into my car. How many postmasters in cities would even know what kind of car you drive? Or would call to give you this kind of heads up? It turns out that it was a rain barrel that had been shipped to the Post Office instead of to my house. When I got to the Post Office, I saw that she was right. It wouldn't fit in my Rav4. But no matter. A kind patron with a pickup truck offered to drive the barrel to my house.

A few weeks ago, I had to make a quick trip to the Moses Ludington Hospital Emergency Room when I sliced my finger instead of the loaf of bread. The receptionist doing the ER intake asked me if I had been there before. I thought for a moment and then responded, "I was born here. Does that count?" For some reason, she didn't actually check the computer to see if I was in there. But the point is, only in a small town are you likely to go back to the same hospital you were born in, decades later. And, in fact, since they've now replaced the original hospital building with a senior living center, I guess it's possible for me to start and end my life at the same place.

It was very wise of my parents to give me a name that nobody else in Hague has – or at least nobody that I know of. Last summer, I was at the Hague Market checkout talking to Jim. In the course of the conversation, he mentioned my name. "Ginger?" another customer in line asked. "I think we used to rent your house back in the 90s!" We had only ever had phone and mail contact back then, and had never met. What a pleasant surprise to finally meet her.

There are a million other reasons to love living in a small town. When my well pump broke last week, lots of people offered to help out – either by letting me use their shower or by filling containers with water and dropping them off. And although having no water might seem serious at the moment it's happening, it's obviously a small inconvenience compared to those who experience much more serious issues, such as a fire or medical emergency, or the death of a loved one. In those cases, too, I love how people in Hague pull together and selflessly offer the kind of comfort and support that can only come from those who know you so well.

But in closing, I do have to admit that there is one big disadvantage to living in a small town. I can't simply dash over

to Walmart looking like a wreck – because I'm bound to run into at least five people I know. But on the up side, they probably don't care nearly as much as I do that I'm having a bad hair day, I've spilled coffee all over my ragged T-shirt, and there's a rip in the knee of my pants. That's just not the kind of thing that counts here. Have I mentioned how much I LOVE living in Hague?

ANNUAL TICONDEROGA CAR SHOW

The 22nd Annual Ticonderoga Area Car Show will be held Sunday, August 3, 2014 in Ticonderoga's Bicentennial Park from 9 am – 4 pm. There will be a variety of awards given out at this judged show among them Best of Show Car, Best of Show Truck, Best of Show Motorcycle and Best of Show Display.

To enter as a car show participant, there is a \$15 pre-registration fee for those who enter before August 1, 2014. Those who wish to register at the gate the day of the show will be charged a \$20 registration fee. Participants who pre-register will be entered to win a variety of giveaways. Admission for spectators for all car show events is free.

During the Car Show there will be food, vendors, pin stripping, a 50/50 Raffle, silent auction raffle tent, Car Show Raffle and music by Jerry's Juke Box and other contests. As part of the Car Show, the Kiwanis Club of Ticonderoga Duck Race is scheduled for that Sunday at 11 am and will be held on the LaChute River in Bicentennial Park. Ducks will be available for purchase that morning.

There will be many events during the weekend. To find out more details visit the Ticonderoga Chamber of Commerce website <www.ticonderogany.com> and scroll down to see the car show events.

KING'S GARDEN AT FORT TICONDEROGA

Things are popping at the King's Garden this summer. Families can enjoy everything from birthday parties for 4-10 year olds, to learning opportunities in the Hands-on-Horticulture programs, to guided as well as self-guided daily tours of the gardens. There is much to experience in these beautiful public gardens whose programs will take you back to the mid-1700's. You will find full information on all they have to offer at the Fort Ticonderoga website <www.fort-ticonderoga.org> or by calling 518-585-2821.

TICONDEROGA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Ticonderoga Historical Society is holding its 12th annual Summer A-Fair on Saturday, August 9, 2014 from 10 am to 2 pm on the Hancock House Lawn, 6 Moses Circle, Ticonderoga, NY. They will be offering lots of delicious baked goods, Junk-in-the-Trunk, vendors, gifts, hot dogs, lemonade and more. This annual affair is held to benefit the Hancock House maintenance and preservation of archives.

A REMINDER FROM THE BAPTIST LADIES

A Ladies Tea will be held in the Hague Baptist Fellowship Hall on Saturday, July 19, 2014 from 11:30 am – 2 pm. The event is free and is a good way to visit with friends.

HAGUE CALENDAR

JULY

- 19 11:30 am Baptist Ladies Tea
- 22 10 am LGPC meeting in Hague
- 22 8 pm Movie in the Park
- 24 10 am HAUG
- 24 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 26 10 am - 3 pm Ticonderoga Streetfest

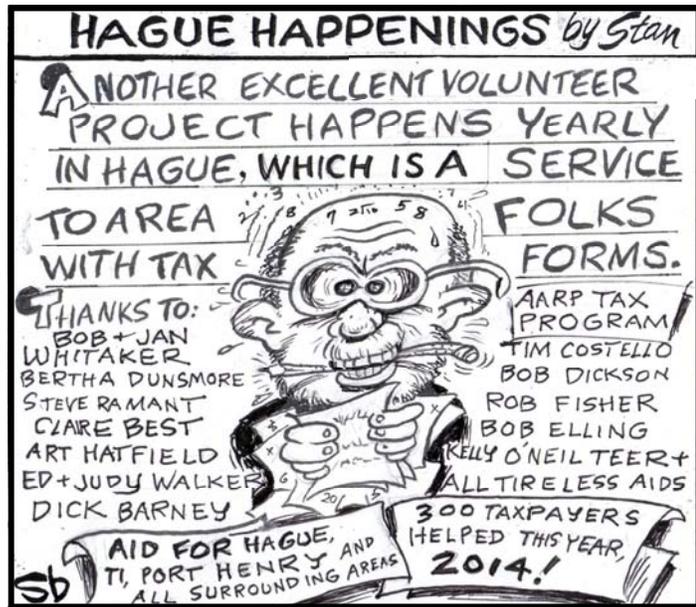
APPLE USERS



The next meeting of the Hague Apple Users Group (HAUG) will be on Thursday, July 24, 2014 at the Hague Community Center. We will work on laptops from 10 - 10:30 am and on iPads from 10:30 to 11 am. For any questions, please contact Judy Stock at 543-6517 or <haguejudy@nycap.rr.com>.

AUGUST

- 2 10 am - 4 pm Hague Arts Fair
- 2 all day Keep the Queen Clean Event
- 2 3 pm HVFD Steak Roast
- 3 9 am - 4 pm Ticonderoga Car Show
- 3 10 am - 3 pm Hague Arts Fair
- 5 6 pm Sewer District Public Meeting
- 7 7 pm Hague Planning Board
- 9 10 am - 2 pm Ti His. Soc. "Summer A-Fair"
- 11 4:30 pm Town Board Audit Meeting
- 12 6 pm Town Board meeting
- 14 Deadline for news for the August issue
- 20 *The Hague Chronicle* is mailed (online 3 days prior)
- 26 noon Senior Picnic
- 26 7 pm Historical Society program
- 26 8 pm Movie in the Park



TRANSFER STATION HOURS
July 1 thru September 1

Wednesday:	9 am to 5 pm
Saturday:	9 am to 5 pm
Sunday:	12 noon to 3 pm

TICONDEROGA FARMERS MARKET

June Curtis, manager of the Ticonderoga Farmers Market, has worked to revitalize this years market with a "larger, more diverse selection of fresh local vegetables, fruits, honey and maple syrup (which) will benefit the consumer and add to the market activity".

The Market will take place from 10 am to 1 pm at their location on 9N just southwest of the Monument on Saturdays through October 11, 2014 (weather permitting) with the exception of July 26, 2014 when the market moves to downtown Ticonderoga for StreetFest.

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