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I GOOFED!!

Last month was just not my month. My computer program was doing crazy things - I had a new copying machine on trial (it wasn't adjusted properly and I never did use it), the labels stuck in the computer printer and I ended up losing some vital information in the computer, which I didn't realize until we were collating it. You all must be wondering why on the bottom of page 1 it said to go to page 4, and it was a completely different article. So it goes with the age of electronics, and particularly when the typist (me) doesn't know what to do unless everything works! I just hope this issue will be a better one. I am starting out with the article that got fouled up last month. My apologies for June. . . D. Henry

DEDICATION OF COMMUNITY CENTER LANDSCAPING

If you haven't seen the Community Center in the past few weeks, be sure to take a tour. Peter Foster and his crew arrived a few days before Memorial Day weekend and in two days they transformed the front of the building into a beautiful landscape design. It is truly a work of art.

The Carillon Garden Club took on the landscaping as its major project this year and contributed \$2,000 to the town. It is actually an on-going project and next year the garden club plans to continue the landscaping. In the meantime a fund drive is under way to help the project along. Contributions have been coming in well. A \$50 contribution to the fund will put a person's name on a plaque which will be displayed in the Community Center. Other contributions are more than welcome and those names will be placed in a Book of Recognition. This will be a living tribute to those who care about Hague.

A dedication ceremony is being planned for the entire community, to be held on July 28 from 3-5PM. This is a community wide celebration. We hope that everyone will come.

Penny Bolton is chairman of the committee which is acting as liaison between the community and the Garden Club. Frances Clifton and Claire Best are serving with her and Linda Coffin in the town representative. This committee is also planning the party for the dedication. They would greatly appreciate cookies and small sandwiches. Call any of the above for more information.

Some of our local clubs have committed to a donation to this fund. Won't you consider a donation either as a memorial, or maybe to someone that you really appreciate. Consider it an investment in the pride of Hague. . . djh

SCHOOL BUDGET DEFEATED

On June 19 the voters of Hague and Ticonderoga voted 520 to 482 to defeat the 8 million + budget which was presented to them. This represented a 1.1% increase in spending for the 1991-1992 school year.

In Ticonderoga the vote was 406 YES, 396 NO, but in Hague, where school taxes have become a very big issue, the vote was 76 YES and 124 NO. Lester Bilow, incumbent, Jay Fortino and Ted Jzyk were all elected to the board for the coming term.

The Board took no immediate action until its annual reorganization meeting held on July 10. At that time a petition with 516 signatures was presented to the Board by Jim Murdock acting in behalf of a committee which had been formed to petition the Board to call for a revote.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the petition and set the date of Wednesday July 31 for a vote (12 noon - 9PM). July 24 (1 - 6PM) will be registration day for the school election. For those who have not registered to vote, you can pick up an application at the School District Office on Amherst Ave. or you could call Mary Johnson, 543-6791 and she will see that you get one. Your application should be filed as soon as possible so that your name will be placed on the County voter registration list, which will entitle you to vote in any election.

NOTE: It is possible to cast an absentee ballot, if you cannot be here on July 31. Stop by the District Office and fill out your application for the absentee ballot and a ballot will be sent to you. It is important that you do this immediately to give the mails time. The returned ballot must be in the office by 5PM on July 31.

The school board spent a lot of time and effort putting the budget together and conducted weekly workshops for the public to inform them of the proceedings. Many suggestions were made by the public and the board listened to every one, and a number were incorporated into the final budget. It was very disappointing to Dr. Collins and the board that the voter turnout was so poor. The Committee petitioning for the revote hopes to get a greater majority of the people in both Ticonderoga and Hague to vote.

It should be noted that the idea to put the same budget up for a revote is coming from the people and not the board. Quite a few people who did not vote before because they either forgot, or didn't think their vote would count, now realize that EVERY vote counts. Remember it's the kids that get the short end of the deal. The budget has been cut across the board in every department. The board is to be commended for their dedication to the task. . . djh

ANNUAL AMISH QUILT SHOW AND BAKE SALE

The Hague Community Center will be the location of the Amish Quilt and Bake Sale this July 16, 1991. The sale will be from 9AM - 5PM. There will be no admission charge to attend.

An extended Amish family from Lancaster County, PA will be present to show the quilts they have made. This annual summer event gives the local public and tourists an opportunity to see or buy the beautiful artistic handiwork of the Amish community. Patterns and quilts of all sizes will be available along with pillows, aprons, wall hangings, placemats and Amish cottage crafts.

Along with the quilts, the Amish bring vast quantities of Amish baked goods, featuring such favorites as Shoo Fly Pie, cookies, dumplings, and breads of various kinds.

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this Amish treat on July 16 from 9:00 - 5:00 at the Hague Community Center in Hague, NY on beautiful Lake George. For further information call (518)585-6860.

CHURCH TO HOLD AUCTION

The Church of the Cross on Champlain Ave. in Ticonderoga will hold its ANNUAL AUCTION AND FLEA MARKET under the tent on Saturday, July 20 starting at 9AM and continuing all day until approximately 4PM. In addition to the auction items there will also be white elephant, crafts, books, jewelry, collectibles, plants, toys and food tables, plus a clothing boutique. Refreshments will be served and there will be raffle drawings throughout the day for a hand-made quilt, filled picnic basket and \$100.00 gas or oil.

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

On Thursday August 8 at 10AM in the Community Center a meeting will be held to inform anyone who might like to be a volunteer or is just interested in our various food programs, surplus, gleaning, food pantry and SHARE. This program will be part of the Community Action Agency's attempt to inform communities of the Agency's efforts to serve the public. From 1-4PM in the afternoon food will be distributed as part of the GLEANING PROGRAM.

On July 25 at the Community Center, food will be distributed as part of the Gleaning Program, sponsored by Community Action Agency of Glens Falls. The time will be from 1-4PM. Items are unknown until the day of distribution.

Sal Santaniello and Dan Belden want to thank all those who helped put on a very successful steak roast on June 15. Also thanks to all those who participated in an excellent meal. The Fire Department raised approximately \$1500.00 on this venture. Hope to see you all again next year!

PROPERTY OWNERS OF SILVER BAY

Please plan to join us in the Hague Community Center for the first Property Owners meeting of the 1991 season:

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 1990

Refreshments: 7:00PM

Business Meeting: 7:30PM

We have a full meeting planned. For those of us who are still trying to figure out what's garbage and what's not, John Breitenbach, Jr., Hague's Director of Recycling, will be on hand to answer your questions about the new recycling program. Mark Johnson, Executive Director of the Silver Bay Association, will tell us about SBA programs that benefit property owners. And Mike Carr of the Lake George Basin Land Conservancy will give us an update on what they and the Adirondack Conservancy are working on across the lake.

The August meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21. Our speaker that evening will be Michael White, Executive Director of the Lake George Park Commission, who will tell us how the phase-in of the waste-water regulations is going and about new recreational use regulations on the lake.

Dues for the 1991 summer season, still only \$5.00, are payable now by check to the Property Owners of Silver Bay, Box 2515 or at the meeting. We appreciate your timely support.

We're looking forward to seeing you on July 17. Come and bring your friends... Paula Hartz, President

HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The Hague Senior Citizens Club will hold its annual picnic at Putt's Pond in Chilson on Tuesday, July 23. Those wishing to go should phone Claire Best at 543-6765 or Trudy Karmazin at 543-8838. Please be prepared to offer some sort of picnic fare: cole slaw, salads or whatever Claire and Trudy suggest.

Meet at the Community Center in Hague at 10AM to car pool. BRING YOUR OWN PLACE SETTINGS, PLATE AND BEVERAGE CONTAINER (cup?, glass?) This picnic can be attended by any Hague resident 50+ years of age, seasonal or year round.

The setting is a new one for us; let's investigate its possibilities. There is a covered pavilion, so we will go rain or shine! ... ewa

MEET YOUR CANDIDATES NIGHT

THE HAGUE CHRONICLE is pleased to sponsor a MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT on Wednesday, July 31 at 7PM in the Hague Community Center.

The staff of The Hague Chronicle is dedicated to the task of keeping the Hague community informed of various issues and problems that confront us. This will be an excellent opportunity for residents (whether you are a voter or not) to come and hear what the candidates for the upcoming election have to say. We have issued an invitation to all candidates who have declared their candidacy to date. If others do so, we would be happy to have them placed on the agenda also.

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SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING-6/20/91

At a special town board meeting held on June 20, 1991, Mr. Wayne Le Monthe, Asst. Director of the Warren County Planning and Community Development Office, distributed general information on the \$400,000 Federal Community Development Block Grant Hague is applying for to benefit low and moderate income families. Until this year in order to get HUD grants the town had to designate specific target areas. This will NOT be the case this year. \$330,000 of that money may be used to repair 26 units of the most severely deteriorated homes in town and about \$35,000 for two new wells to service the Hague water system. This application must be in by June 28, 1991 and we should hear whether we are a lucky recipient of said grant by September 1991.

Two resolutions were passed before the conclusion of the special meeting. Both concerned the future work to be done by D.O.T. at the intersection of Rt. 9N and 8 next spring.

Resolution #11 - authorizes the town of Hague to maintain the sidewalks within the designated work zone for project, after they have been constructed.

Resolution #12 - authorizes the town of Hague to maintain the island area within the interesection of Rt. 9N and Rt.8...

ZONING BOARD - 6/27/91

The only item on the agenda for the Zoning Board at their June 27 meeting was the request by Gloria Peters for a use variance to place a mobile home on her property (34-1-12.4) in a TR2 zone. The request was tabled until the July meeting in order for board members to do a site review.

Member Chris Ginn reported to the board on the NY Planning Federation workshop he attended... gl

EMERGENCY SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

With only two days left to make a "Home Rule Request" (request by a local government for enactment of a special law), concerning the Moses-Ludington Hospital, Supervisor Bolton called an emergency special town board meeting on July 1, 1991 at 2PM. A motion was passed by the attending members to permit Hague to hold a referendum which would authorize Hague to provide financial support for the continued operation of the hospital, located in Ticonderoga. Several other towns are included in this request.

Senator Stafford will act upon this request (Bill 6302-A) and more information will be forthcoming as events develop... gl

TOWN BOARD MEETING - 7/9/91

Mark Johnson, Executive Director, Silver Bay Association in privilege of the floor, rescinded a former request for financial help with the summer enrichment program and introduced Anne Crabbs who will be

working with their Community Extension Program this summer. He also introduced Sue Spahr, new full time employee in the program department. Supervisor Bolton will recommend youth money for 1992 budget.

Under the hat of the Hague Volunteer Fire Dept. Mark spoke of the recently signed Advanced Life Support Mutual Aid agreement signed with Adirondack Regional Energy Services and asked the board for funds to offset cost of this arrangement (\$450). He also proposed a public meeting in July to explore the hospital status.

A letter from Housing & Urban Development for the \$400,000 Small Cities Grant, mentioned in last month's issue, has been received and is under consideration. We will know by September 11 whether it has been approved or not.

The Dept. of Transportation will replace a sinking culvert pipe near Sabbath Day Point in September and patch in the meantime.

Carolyn Dykstra has asked the town to repair several large potholes near Silver Bay General Store. This is a state road but the supervisor authorized Dan Belden, Highway Superintendent to make this minor repair.

The schedule for the continuing wastewater project is as follows:

Friday, July 12 - Hague Final Impact Statement to Warren County Board of Supervisors.

August 16 - Resolution to accept FEIS

September 13 - SEQRA application and findings adopted.

Association of Towns in its State Budget update informs us Hague will receive a loss of 62% in Revenue Sharing, which means we will receive \$3,499 this year. The CHIPS program was more fortunate in that it will receive a 6.902% increase or \$11,942. for 1991-92. from the June minutes a "Notice of Intent" passed concerning funding for Revaluation, was approved. Auditor for Equalization and Assessment Board says the intent is unnecessary.

Resolution #13 passed unanimously. Resolution opposes the dismissal of James Hotaling as Chief Council of Local Government Services with the APA.

At the request of several residents, Dan Belden asked the board to consider placing a basketball hoop in the parking lot of the old town hall. The Board agreed to take it under advisement. Karen Laundree requested the board meet with her in executive session to discuss a personnel matter... gl

PLANNING BOARD - JULY 11, 1991

Three public hearings were held before the regular board meeting. They were Santaniello with a minor 2-lot subdivision, Engler with a minor 2-lot subdivision and Icke, which was cancelled due to a proposal change. A fourth had been cancelled earlier because of information that had surfaced at the site review.

When the meeting opened the Santaniello request (48-32.1.33) was approved with receipt of three reasons: no increase in density; upgrading of septic to conform; separation of septic and well. The Braisted's will sign the application since property is in their name.

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The Engler application (8-1-7) was designated a Class A project. A letter of non-jurisdiction will be requested from APA. The Englers plan to give or sell one of the lots in the subdivision to the state, the land being adjacent to Rogers Rock Campsite.

Reports by the Site Committee resulted in: Shatilla (46-1-20) being tabled for lack of information. Icke (46-1-10) tabled - change of plan. Hodorowski and Arcady Commons Ltd. (45-2-72) - a public hearing set for August 1 at 7PM, contingent on obtaining pertinent information and essential application.

New applications presented and the decisions made:
William Icke (46-1-10) - a site plan review
Shatilla (46-1-20) tabled - additional information needed

Doran (60-1-33) Needs additional information.
Kenna (20-1-13.2) Mobile home site plan review
Fisher (26-1-1) Residential addition - site plan review
Carney, J. (67-1-5) 4-lot subdivision. A Class A project.
A letter of non-jurisdiction will be requested from APA.
Peters (34-1-12.4) A use variance recommendation will be forthcoming.

In other business Bruce Robinson brought up the matter of liability insurance covering individual board members. John Breitenbach, Jr. will check with town board to check the coverage. . . gl

HAGUE ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR - 8/3 & 4

The 19th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair will be held August 3rd and 4th, 1991 at the Town of Hague's new COMMUNITY CENTER. Exhibitors' fees are \$20 for one day or \$30 for both days. Doors open at 10AM and close at 4PM. Exhibitors can set up inside or outside on the side porch or side lot. The main room will hold approximately 25 exhibitors, on a first come first serve basis. Setup begins at 7AM on Saturday. There will be no security outdoors, nor will there be any overnight camping. Those exhibiting inside may leave their exhibits set up, since the building is secured.

This year there will be no tarps provided by the Chamber of Commerce, and tables are available for inside exhibits only.

The Arts Fair has been quite successful in the past years. The committee, headed by Diane Frasier hopes it will be bigger and better than ever at its new location.

For our first time visitors to the Community Center a few rules must be observed. NO SMOKING IN THE BUILDING. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE BUILDING OR ON THE GROUNDS. NO PETS OR ANIMALS IN THE BUILDING. Anyone found violating these regulations will be asked to leave the premises.

Hope to see you there!

CUB SCOUT PACK 21 NEWS

Karen Costello

The Scouts said goodbye to another school year and ushered in the summer at a "bang-up" pack picnic at Brookwood Park. Some "large" teams played kickball and volleyball before retiring for 'dogs and s'mores at the

campfire. The second full year of our current Pack 21 brought out the true achievers. As the sun went down, awards for these hard-working Cubs were given by their just-as-hard working leaders.

	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Arrow Pts</u>
Den #1 - Tavish Costello	Bear	1 gold, 1 silver
<u>Bears</u> Peter Hutchinson	Bear	1 gold, 1 silver
Donnie Smith	Bear	
Greg Fitzgerald	Bear	
Adam Williamson		3 silver

	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Activity Badge</u>
Den #2 Thor Gautreau	Webelo	Outdoorsman
<u>Webelos</u> Nate Lawrence	Webelo	Outdoorsman
Dave Fitzgerald	Webelo	Outdoorsman
Craig Smith	Webelo	Outdoorsman
Craig Smith		Fitness
Craig Smith		Family Members
Jim Ward		Outdoorsman

	<u>New Arrow Points</u>
Den #3 <u>Wolf</u> Tyler Wells	5 silver
Kenny Stonitsch	3 silver
Kevin Stonitsch	3 silver
Ryan Lawrence	2 silver
Josh Plass	2 silver
Stephen LeBarron	6 silver

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

The grand finale, after dark, was 20 "sparkling" kids in the park performing a ritual of summer and youth.

The Webelos are continuing their comradery with summer activities, earning badges and keeping in shape. They braved a cool summer evening dip in Lake George to prove their aquanaut skills. A beautiful rainbow perched on Anthony's Nose was a perfect backdrop for the summer scene. They will meet again on July 24th.

We apologize for the lateness of a collection bin at the park for bottles and cans. We are working on that and a new deposit site for the "recycling center". Thank you for your support! Have a safe and relaxing summer.

"ETHAN!" ALLEN TO APPEAR AT FORT

On August 9, 10 and 11 (weather permitting) the people in the Ticonderoga area will be treated to a musical entitled "Ethan!". This production was written for the Vermont Bicentennial celebration and was performed in Burlington the beginning of July. The writer and producer, Yancy D. Stillinger, Essex Junction, VT, who was inspired by the Fort's reenactment celebration in 1975, has been working on the production ever since, finishing it just in time for the Bicentennial. The musical is 2 hours long, with a cast of 45. Elaborate scenery had to be constructed for the performances in Burlington, but they have the "real thing" to work with at Ft. Ticonderoga.

Tickets are on sale at \$10 each. You may pick them up at the Fort, or send your check to the Fort and pick them up the night of the performance.

It should be a very special treat for all the history buffs of this area.

TICONDEROGA FESTIVAL GUILD OPENS SEASON

The Ticonderoga Festival Guild opened its 12th season on Tuesday, July 9 with a concert by Associated Solo Artists, a unique ensemble of world class performers and creative artists presenting a dazzling array of music from the classics to pops. Following the concert, as has been the custom in the past, the Guild hosted a reception for those in attendance. This same group performed for the Hague community at the Community Center on July 8.

On July 16 the Berkshire Ballet will perform both classical and contemporary works. The Berkshire Ballet is the official ballet company of the city of Albany, NY.

The concert series continues on July 23 with the Vermont Jazz Ensemble, a real crowd pleaser.

Trapezoid, an ensemble including Bob Read on flute or clarinet or saxophone; Paul Reisler with hammer dulcimer and guitar; vocalist, guitarist, bassist, Martha Sandefer; and vocalist, violinist Cheryl Hurwitz, will perform on July 30.

The concert series will conclude on August 6 with Through the Opera Glass which takes the drama of opera right into the audience. Innovative props, scenery, costumes, set off well trained voices humor and wit together with the color and texture of the dazzling Epic Brass Quintet. Instruments and voices teasing each other, interchanging parts, collaborate to create a very special entertainment. The Epic Brass performed for the Guild last summer and made a big hit.

ARTS TREK IX, the children's concert series, opened on Wednesday, July 10 with a program entitled "Imaginal Animals". On July 17 the Merry Go Round Playhouse will present Little Red Riding Hood and Cinderella. On July 24 Dan Butterworth and his marionettes will perform and on July 31 Julie Portman and Paul Reisler breathe new life and imagination into the spoken word. "How the Camel Got Its Hump", "The People Could Fly" and "Hawk, I'm Your Brother" are just a few of the stories gathered from southern folklore and from the artists' personal lives. "Through the Opera Glass" will surround the children with sights, sounds and many opportunities to participate in their completely staged and costumed program on August 7. This program will conclude the 1991 series. The Arts Trek programs are free to anyone who is a child or who would like to pretend to be one. Come alone, or better still borrow a child to bring. You won't be sorry!

HAGUE BAPTIST WOMEN HOLD BAKE SALE

Those wonderful cooks of the Hague Baptist Church will hold their second summer bake sale on Friday, July 19 at 9AM beside the Hague Market. White elephants will also be on sale at the same time. Be sure to get there early!

REMINDER - All trash must be placed in red bags to be accepted at the Landfill. Bags may be purchased at the Community Center or at the Hague Market.

TICONDEROGA HERITAGE MUSEUM'S SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Activities which relate to the Museum's exhibits on paper and pencils and to the new "Forest Bounty" and "Water Power" exhibits will be featured in programs each Wednesday beginning July 20 to August 24 from 9-10:30AM and Saturdays from 10-12:00. The series is made possible by the NYS Council on the Arts, the Essex County Board of Supervisors, and International Paper and by a grant from the Essex County Arts Council through the County Initiative Program. Schedule for the first two weeks will be:

July 13 - CHAIN-SAW CARVING with Joe Harvish

July 17 - PINE CONE CREATIONS Using pine cones, glue and imagination, participants will create animals, sculpture and decorations under the guidance of Sue Noyes.

July 24 - NATURE COLLAGE: Participants should bring objects such as acorns, twigs, feathers, pressed flowers and ferns, etc. to the workshop.

Origami and kite-making workshops and woodcarving and basket-weaving demonstrations will be included in August workshops. For further information on these workshops, contact Amy Butler at 585-6366.

For the fourth consecutive year, the Ticonderoga Heritage Museum will host Ticonderoga Heritage Day on Sunday, August 4, from 10AM - 4PM on the museum grounds.

Residents and visitors alike are invited to salute Ticonderoga's history in a celebration of old-fashioned fun. The day will feature sack races, children's games, kite-flying and a chili contest among its activities. Visitors can also browse through a craft fair and a flea market and stop at the refreshment stand for hot dogs and cold drinks. In the afternoon, the winners of the Heritage Day raffle will be announced; first prize is two tickets for a brunch cruise on the Lake George Steamboat Company's Lac du Saint Sacrement.

For further information, contact the museum at 585-2696

LAKE GEORGE PARK COMMISSION

The Lake George Park Commission's Project Review Committee will meet Thursday, July 25, 1991 at 1PM at the Lake George Town Center, Old Post Road, Lake George.

The Commission will conduct a regular meeting on Monday, July 29, 1991, 10AM at the Bolton Town Center, Rt. 9, Bolton Landing, NY., when among other things they will be discussing proposed amendments to Special Navigational Rules, wastewater and stormwater management, and will hold an election of officers.

These meetings are open to the public and all interested parties are invited to attend.

You don't prevent litter on the landscape by teaching ecology in college. You prevent it by teaching manners at home, or, lacking a home, in the kindergarden.

ONE THOUSANDTH CUSTOMER

John Breitenbach, Jr.

The Town of Hague is proud to announce that on Monday, July 1, 1991 the one thousandth solid waste transaction took place at the Community Center.

The honor of this event came to Dan and Estelle Anderson of Forest Bay. The Andersons have been active and willing participants in the recycling and solid waste program since its early, voluntary days.

This event indicates that Hague residents are participating in the program with a good degree of success. The Town recognizes that the changes in Hague's solid waste program have been disruptive and thanks everyone for their efforts.

TI LIBRARY CELEBRATES 90TH ANNIVERSARY

The following special events have been planned at the Black Watch Library to celebrate Ticonderoga Library Week, July 14-20:

- a poker and bridge card party on Thursday, July 18.
- a book sale at the library on July 19 and 20.
- a 50-50 drawing with the winner chosen on Saturday, July 20 at the library.
- T-shirts for sale through local merchants featuring the "90 years and going strong" theme.
- a presentation to the library of a specially-inscribed copy of Ronald Reagan's autobiography in dedication to the Ticonderoga mill employees who made the paper for its pages.

The community is invited to participate in all these events. Library supporters are also encouraged to join the Friends of the Black Watch Library. Membership fees begin at \$5 a year.

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM IN HAGUE

With the help of the Silver Bay Association Outreach Program, with Anne Crabbs directing activities in Hague, a program has been outlined for the youth this summer. On Monday July 8 and every Monday, Anne will conduct a story hour for children at the Town Park from 6:30-7:30PM. A drawing will be held each week for a \$5.00 gift certificate to a book store.

Beginning Tuesday, July 23, and every Tuesday until August 27, movies will be shown to youth 12 and under at the Hague Town Center from 7-9PM. Movies for teens will be shown from 9-11PM the same night. A sincere thank you goes to Cindy Coon and others for the use of their video tapes.

On Monday, July 15 at 7:30PM in the Community Center, Laura Meade, Town Naturalist, will hold a program for adults and children on "Sights and Sounds of Adirondack Birds." Beginning Monday, July 22 at 9AM and each Monday until August 19, Mrs. Meade will meet with young people at the Community Center at 9AM.. They will take nature walks, to learn about the birds and their habitats, wild flowers and trees of the area. Mrs. Meade would be happy to welcome any adults who might like to help with this project.

A donation box will be available at each activity for those who would like to contribute to funding these programs for our young people. Donations can also be left at the Community Center.

Thanks to the Highway Department, the ball field on Decker Hill Road has been cleared. Anne hopes to get some interest in playing on the field. She desperately needs volunteers to help with and chaperone the various projects she has in mind.

EXHIBITS AT HANCOCK GALLERY

From July 4 - 25th: Roberta Whitely will be displaying "Paintings of Lake George Boat Houses". Show & Sale.

August 1-17: Delores Gould, Sumi-e like art work. Helen Potter, Floral Watercolors. Show and Sale

August 21 - Sept. 14: Keith Dolbeck, realistic bird and decoy wood carver. Luman Pendell - Folk Art wood carver. Show and Sale.

ALTERNATIVE TRASH DISPOSAL

John Breitenbach, Jr.

As awareness develops about handling the disposal of solid waste, many people are seeking alternative methods of trash disposal. One of the simplest and most popular methods is to use a burning barrel. Approximately two hundred Hague residents have received burning barrel permits since mid April.

Use of a burning barrel requires a permit issued by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. These permits limit the types of materials that can be burned. Generally, only small brush, leaves and clean paper materials can be burned.

Anyone obtaining a burning permit should be very cautious about what materials are burned. Many burnable materials generated by the average household contain toxins that are released when burned. For example, colored newsprint and magazines have a high lead content in the inks used for printing. This is released and can be breathed directly or form deposits in the area. Vegetable gardens, lawns, flower beds and children's toys can become contaminated.

As always, care should be taken to purchase items that are in containers that have the least impact when disposed. Items that are recyclable are the best. These can be deposited at the recycling center free of charge and are regenerated into usable products. This reduces the total amount of solid waste generated. If a burning barrel is used, select products in "clean" packages that don't cause health risks when burned. Careful consideration about the impacts of our daily waste will help reduce the effects of solid waste disposal.

THE HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT will be sponsoring a food sale at the Hague Arts Fair on August 3 and 4. Donations of baked goods, garden vegetables, etc. will be gratefully accepted.

Impossible is a word only to be found in the dictionary of fools. . . . Napoleon Bonaparte

CANDIDATES (Cont. from page 2)

All candidates that are currently circulating petitions for their candidacies have been invited to attend and all have accepted. Any others who have not yet declared their intentions are invited also. Please call the Chronicle Office at 543-6633 if you wish to be put on the agenda.

The following are the candidates who are expected to be in attendance:

- For Supervisor - Republicans - Dan Belden, Dick Frasier
- For Town Board - Republicans - Linda Coffin, Martin Fitzgerald, Sal Santaniello, and Democrat Karen Laundree.
- For Highway Supervisor - Republicans David DeLarm, Dick Dunklee, Ron Graser, Nelson Waters.
- For Town Clerk - Republican - Nancy Trombley
- For Republican County Committeeman - Jim Braisted, Bertha Dunsmore, Martin Fitzgerald, Bob Patchett

Each candidate will be given a few minutes to speak and then questions from the floor may be addressed to any specific candidates.

If you want to know what these candidates can do for you, be sure to attend this informational meeting. . .djh

NATURE NEWS

Laura Meade

Recently Diane Frasier saw an olive-sided flycatcher viciously attack a wasp's nest, tearing it apart until it was able to seize the center with its beak and fly away. This is the first sighting of this species (to my knowledge) in the Town of Hague, but it has been documented in Essex County along meandering mountain streams on a few occasions.

At this time of year, a pair of birds may be hatching their second brood of the season. However, some "take a vacation" and have only one family. If that's the case, it is likely to see female warblers, finches, grosbeaks, cardinals, hummingbirds or bluebirds that you seldom see when they are on the nest. Plumage of these female birds is different from the males of these species. Some field guides do not adequately indicate this so an observer might think a rare species has been seen, whereas it could be a female of one of these species. A well-documented guide to birds, showing clearly male and female differences is any one of the Peterson Guide Series that has been published since 1980.

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On Friday September 27, the Hague Historical Society will have a bus trip to the Coolidge Homestead in Plymouth, VT. The area has grown into quite a complex of buildings associated with the Coolidge Family. In addition to the Homestead itself, there is now a visitors center with pictures and memorabilia, the birthplace of the President which was attached to his father's general store, the Plymouth Cheese Factory, a gift shop and a small restaurant.

Because of the date chosen for the trip (height of foliage season - we hope) the restaurant is asking us for EARLY reservations - and seating capacity is very limited. So, if you wish to eat there, please register by August 1st and indicate that you wish to eat at the restaurant.

Reservations for the trip are being handled by our good friends at the Hague Community Center. The phone number is 543-6161. If you wish to brown bag it, there are picnic tables.

Following the visit to Plymouth, we will travel down Route 100 to the village of Weston. We are hoping that Route 100 will be flaunting its fall foliage. When we reach Weston we will have time to visit the famous Vermont Country Store, or just to prowl around the attractive village. If you would like a brochure on Weston, Ethel has a limited number and you can reach her, with any luck, at 543-6098 or via P.O. Box 2551, Silver Bay, NY 12874.

The bus trip will cost each individual \$13.00. The price of admission to the Coolidge Homestead is \$2.75, group rate.

This trip is open to ANYONE from ANYWHERE who would like to go. Please remember the date: September 17. The bus will leave the Hague Community Center at 8AM. Bus fares must be paid to The Hague Historical Society by September 10. The money for the museum fee will be collected before departure from the Community Center on September 27. . . ewa

SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM

Kathy Santaniello

The first FREE FAMILY SQUARE DANCING of the season took place on Thursday, July 11 at 7:30PM at the Community Center. They will continue for the next five weeks with Stan Burdick, as host and caller. .

On Wednesday, July 24 at 7:30PM the Silver Bay Association String Quartet will present a recital at the Community Center, directed by Martin Meade. We are very happy to host this fine group of musicians again this year, and we thank Silver Bay Association for their generosity in "sharing" them with the Town.

The Summer Entertainment Program is sponsored in part by the Hague Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Hague, with public funding from the NYS Council on the Arts and Warren County, NY. ENJOY!

BARTH GENERALS HONORED

On June 13 at Ft. Leavenworth, KS, a building was dedicated to three generals of the Barth family to honor 100 years of collective service to their country. They are General George Bittman Barth and brother General Charles Barth, both long-time summer residents of Hague, and their father General Charles Barth Sr.. Representing the Barth family at the dedication of Barth Hall were Bittman's widow, Mary, son Jack and his wife Betty and his granddaughters Cindy and Stacy Shearer. Mary is still living at Ft. Leavenworth and enjoys hearing from her old friends in Hague.

EMPS TO STAGE PLAY

Silver Bay EMPS will present "Li'l Abner" this year as their production for the benefit of The Hague Volunteer Fire Department at the Silver Bay Auditorium.

The play will be given on Friday night, August 9 at 8:15PM. Tickets are priced at \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12 years of age.

OUR HOSPITAL A STATUS REPORT FROM A BOARD MEMBER

Most Chronicle readers are aware that Moses Ludington Hospital, MLH our hospital, is in the midst of a serious financial crises, one that if not resolved will result in the closing of this much needed and oft taken for granted facility. I am a hospital board member and your editor has asked that I write about our current dilemma. Space does not permit a detailed explanation of the complex factors that have lead up to this situation. It can be said that the problems fall into two broad categories. First the payment system, and third party payors: Medicare, Medicaid, Blue Cross, Blue Shield, the insurance payors and the rules and regulations they have established, over which neither the Administration nor the Hospital Board has any control. Second, the utilization of the hospital by the citizens of the geographic area that the hospital services. These problems are not unique to our hospital; they apply to hospitals throughout the country. That is why, between the years 1980 and 1987, 519 hospitals were closed nation wide. What is unique about our situation is that in the areas where most of these hospitals closed there was another hospital in place to continue providing health care services to the communities. This is not the case with our hospital. We have not been competing with other hospitals in our area; there are none. The next nearest facility is a minimum of one hour away by ambulance and that's with optimum travel conditions, which never seem to exist in times of emergencies.

What now? Quite frankly no one exactly knows. Our hospital has defaulted on its mortgage which is held by HUD. Following this, HUD and the NYS Dept. of Health directed the board and the administration to follow certain very specific steps in preparing a business plan which would show the viability of the hospital. These steps have been followed to the letter and a plan has been formulated. The first key element of this plan is an affiliation with the Moses Ludington Nursing Home and the creation of a parent board to oversee both the hospital and the nursing home boards. This is already well underway. A second key element of the plan is that HUD has agreed to forego all mortgage payments for a period of 2 years from the time of the acceptance of a work out plan.

A final key element is an infusion of \$4,320,000 over a 4-year period to allow the hospital to reach a level of revenue that will be self sustaining as per the business plan.

During this entire process many people have been involved - Bill Phillion, who is volunteering his time and expertise as our acting CEO, the seven supervisors of the towns in our service area, (Hague, Ticonderoga, Moriah, Putnam, Crown Point, North Hudson and Schroon Lake), State Senator Ronald Stafford, Assemblyman Jim King and Neil Kelleher, plus people in HUD and DOH and many others.

It has been determined that the only likely source of funding for the four million plus dollars needed is from the actual area that our hospital services. All other possibilities have been explored and eliminated. Examples: HUD, NYS, International Paper Co., etc. The possible ways to legally form a district and allow the citizens of this area to have a referendum vote on whether or not they are willing to support our hospital, through

this interim four year period, has been the subject of much debate over the past six weeks. NO solution has yet been found to form such a district or to supply figures as to the exact amount that would have to come from each property owner. These specifics must be addressed.

In the current (July 22) issue of the Times of Ti there will be an insert that will begin to explain, in more detail, the issues and background of our hospital's present status. Then as new approaches are finalized each household will receive letters updating and explaining exactly what is and will be taking place. We are indebted to International Paper Company who will be supplying the paper and the postage for these mailings.

In conclusion, HUD has stated that unless a satisfactory work-out plan is reached they will shut down our hospital permanently. I firmly believe that a mechanism will be created to give all those involved an opportunity to vote on whether or not we want to temporarily subsidize our hospital for four years. When this occurs there will be informational meetings in each town to explain, in detail, the situation and to answer questions that you may have. I believe it is essential that we have an acute care hospital in our area. I hope I will never have to use it, but if I do I want it to be there. The thought of its not being there is frightening. Each of you will have ample opportunity to reflect on your own feelings and willingness to commit to this institution. Our hospital is a critical component in the fabric of our communities. Let us not lose sight of that fact. . . . Bruce C. Craig

COMMUNITY WELCOMES NEW MINISTER

The Hague Wesleyan Church welcomes to its pulpit Michael Bailey, who preached his first sermon on July . . . Mr. Bailey, a native of Plattsburgh, is a graduate of Bethany Bible School in Canada. He has been principal/director of private Christian schools in Hadley and Kingsbury prior to accepting his first pastorate in Hague.

The Hague Wesleyan Church is having a WELCOMING RECEPTION for Pastor Bailey on Saturday, July 27 from 7-9PM in the Hague Community Center. They cordially invite the entire community to come meet Pastor Bailey and let him know what a friendly town Hague really is. Refreshments will be served.

RESOURCE GUIDE FOR CAREGIVERS

The Elderly Coalition of Warren and Washington Counties has compiled a Resource Guide for Caregivers of the Elderly, which is now available. The booklet contains names and addresses of numerous agencies which provide both direct and support services to the elderly and those who care for them. Copies of the booklet are available to the elderly and caregivers of the elderly, free of charge, by contacting one of the following agencies:

Cornell Cooperative Extension, Warren or Washington County; Washington or Warren/Hamilton Counties Office for the Aging; Warren or Washington County Dept. of Social Services; Voluntary Action Center; Warren Washington County Public Health Nursing Services. The guide contains information on services such as health care, home care and placement, support groups, safety, transportation, educational and informational services, etc.

SOUNDINGS

BORN - A girl, Christine Marie, to Wendy and Paul Serbent, Lakeshore Terrace, Hague on June 17 in Moses Ludington Hospital.

DIED - Anne Spreeman, 81, a resident of Graphite for the past 18 years, on May 23 at the Moses-Ludington Hospital in Ticonderoga. She was a sister of Fred Spreeman, Hague, who died in 1983. She is survived by a sister and two nephews and a niece.

DIED - Catherine W. Brock, 80 of Hague and White Plains, NY, on January 24 at the home of her daughter Judith Stock, after a lengthy illness. She and her husband, Louis, who predeceased her moved to Hague in 1954 where they built a home on property they had purchased as newlyweds in 1938. For many years she volunteered her services to the town of Hague as director of the Hague Public Library. She is survived by her daughter, Judy, son-in-law Ted and two granddaughters, Catherine and Elizabeth. A memorial service was held at Grace Memorial Chapel on July 13.

DIED - Evangeline Velte, 64, wife of John D. Velte, Osprey, FL, on June 12 in Osprey. Surviving besides her husband are four children and four grandchildren.

Congratulations to BILL AND JEANNETTE FOSTER on the occasion of their FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY on June 28.

FOUR HAGUE STUDENTS AMONG TI HI GRADUATES

LISA MARIE COBB, RACHEL-ANN MARTINO, JENNI MELISSA OWENS AND KELLY L. YAW were among the 81 graduating seniors to receive their diplomas at the commencement program at Ticonderoga High School on Saturday, June 22.

Awards were presented by Dr. Collins, Superintendent of Schools to the following:

Ticonderoga Federal Credit Union Prize in Accounting - Kelly L. Yaw

The Harvey H. Moses Educational Awards - Lisa Marie Cobb

James McHugh Memorial Award given to the student who, in the opinion of their peers, exhibits kindness and consideration for fellow classmates and service to school and community - Lisa Cobb

Mary C. Beste Scholarship Award - Lisa Cobb, Rachel-Ann Martino, Jenni Owens, Kelly Yaw

Moses Ludington Hospital Auxiliary Award offered to a student pursuing further education in the Nursing Profession or in related Health Services - Rachel-Ann Martino

Crary Scholarships awarded to deserving students residing in Essex and Warren Counties - Rachel-Ann Martino, Jenni Owens, Kelly Yaw

Hague Winter Carnival Award - Lisa Cobb

We congratulate these students on their fine achievements and wish them well in whatever the future holds for them.

JASON PLASS, son of Pete and Ginney Plass, Silver Bay, has been named to the dean's list at Siena College. He is a 1989 graduate of Ticonderoga High School and has received several scholarships.

Congratulations to ELIZABETH BRUNET, Hague, on being valedictorian of her eighth grade class in Ti Middle School.

GINGER HENRY-KUENZEL was awarded a prize recently from the Newsletter Association Foundation for editorial excellence in newsletter "journalism category" - best spot news or exclusive single-news story. The prize was for a report she wrote for The Art Newsletter on the sale of art works out of the Dresden State Collections under the Communist regime. Ginger resides with her husband and two sons in Munich, Germany, but has spent most of her summers in Hague. She attended Hague Central School as an elementary student. She is the daughter of Mrs. Jack Henry, Hague.

There will be a memorial service for Florence Colburn Gelhaar at Grace Memorial Chapel, Sabbath Day Point on July 21, 1991, following the morning worship service. Mrs. Gelhaar died on February 9, 1991 in Montclair, NJ. Her husband, Dr. Harold R. Gelhaar, who died in August 1989, practiced dentistry in Montclair and Sabbath Day Point for many years.

REVAL MEETING SCHEDULED

An informational meeting on the current revaluation project has been scheduled for 7PM on Friday, July 26 at the Hague Community Center.

Property owners are encouraged to attend the meeting and bring forth any questions and concerns they may have.

Assessor Harold LaRose and representatives of the Local Assessment Services, State of NY, Div. of Equalization and Assessment will provide information on procedures, schedules and anticipated results of the revaluation. The supervisor and town board members will be available at the meeting.

STEAK AND LOBSTER BAKE

The Hague Fish and Game Club will hold its annual Steak and Lobster Bake on Sat., Aug. 3, 1991 from 5-9PM at the Fish and Game Clubhouse on the West Hague Road.

Adult tickets are \$25 each and include steak, lobster, 1 dozen steamed clams, baked potato, corn on the cob, tossed salad, rolls, beer/soda. Takeouts are available for \$20 per dinner (no beverages). Children 12 and under - \$8 per ticket, which includes hot dogs/hamburgers, baked potato, corn on the cob, tossed salad, rolls, soda.

Also available-steamed clams, musical entertainment, games, raffles, door prizes. Tickets are available at Hague Market and Silver Bay General Store.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - JULY/AUGUST 1991

JULY

- 15 "Sights & Sounds of Adirondack Birds" -7PM (p5)
- 16 Amish Quilt & Bake Sale - Comm. Bldg - 9 - 5PM
- 16 Berkshire Ballet - Village Green - Ti - 8PM (p5)
- 17 Arts Trek - Ti Village Green - 10:30AM (p5)
- 17 School Board meeting - Ti Middle Sch. - 7:30PM
- 17 Property Owners of Silver Bay - 7:00PM (p2)
- 22 Nature with Laura Meade - Comm. Ctr. 9AM (p5)
- 23 Movies for 12 and under - Comm. Ctr. 6:30PM (p6)
- 23 Vermont Jazz - Village Green - Ti 8PM 9p5)
- 24 Marionette Show - Ti Village Green - 10:30AM (p5)
- 25 Gleaning (food) program -Comm. Ctr. 1-4PM (p2)
- 25 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 26 Assessor's Inform. Meeting - 7PM - Comm. Ctr
- 28 Landscape Dedication - 3-5PM - Comm. Ctr. (p1)
- 29 Nature with Laura Meade - Comm. Ctr. 9AM (p5)
- 30 Movies - Comm. Ctr. - (p6)
- 30 Concert (Ti Festival Guild) 8PM- Ti - (p5)
- 31 Storytelling - under the tent - Ti - 10:30AM (p5)
- 31 School Budget Vote - 1-9PM (p1)

AUGUST

- 1 Planning Board - 7:30PM - Community Ctr.
- 3 & 4 Hague Arts Fair - Comm. Bldg. 10AM-4PM
- 3 Steak & Lobster Bake 5-9PM - (page 9))
- 4 Heritage Day-11AM-4PM - Heritage Museum - Ti
- 5 Nature with Laura Meade-Comm. Ctr.-9AM (p5)
- 5 Fire Department Meeting - 7:30PM - Fire Hall
- 6 Movies for 12 and under- Comm. Ctr.-6:30PM (p6)
- 7 American Legion - 8PM - Legion Home
- 8 Community Action meeting , 10AM-Comm. Ctr.(p2)
- 9 "Li'l Abner" presented by EMPS -8:15 at SB (p6)
- 10 HAGUE CHRONICLE DEADLINE
- 12 Nature with Laura Meade - 9AM-Comm. Ctr. (p5)
- 13 Movies for 12 and under - Comm. Ctr-6:30PM (p6)
- 13 Town Board - 6:30PM - Community Center
- 19 Nature with Laura Meade-Comm. Ctr.-9AM - (p5)
- 22 Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30PM - Comm. Ctr.

COMMUNITY SQUARE DANCING EVERY THURSDAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER AT 7:30 BRING YOUR FAMILY

MEET YOUR CANDIDATES NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 7:00 PM - COMMUNITY CENTER

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