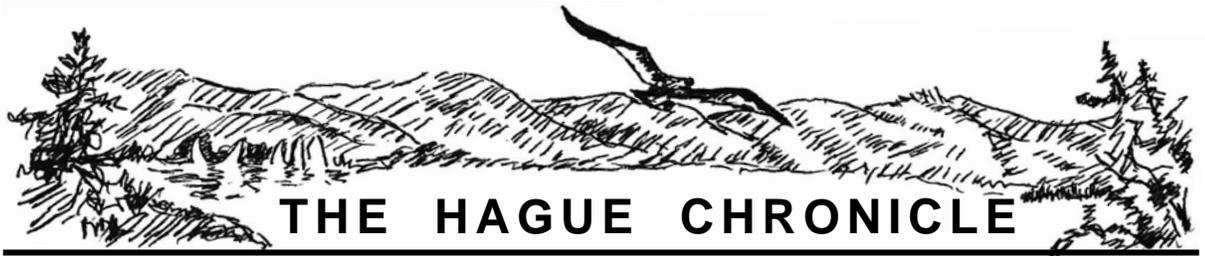


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Celebrating our 40th Year of Publishing

We hope you will join us during the afternoon of Sunday, August 21, 2011 (1 – 4 pm) as we celebrate 40 years of publishing *The Hague Chronicle*. A committee of helping hands has been busily planning this special event to be held at the Hague Community Center.

There will be exhibits reflecting the history of *The Hague Chronicle* and it's place in the life and times of Hague, a special hand-out for youth, announcement of the Photo Contest winners and not to be missed – strawberry shortcake for all! See you there!

LAKE GEORGE OPEN WATER SWIM



Another special event this summer will be sponsored by the Town of Hague and the Adirondack District Masters Swimming. With a history that goes all the way back to 1927 and then revived for the Hague Bicentennial in 2007 by Graham Bailey, the Lake George Open Water Swim returns to Hague on Saturday, August 27 and Sunday, August 28, 2011. Organized this year by Chris Bowcutt, it will feature 2.5K and 5K races on Saturday and a 10K race on Sunday. Swimmers will start at the Hague Town Beach and swim south in Hague Bay and back following a triangular course which will be patrolled by kayakers, motorboats and the HVFD from 8 am to noon each day.

With over 70 swimmers and their families from 8 states, nearly 200 visitors will be here for the weekend. Volunteers are needed to help make this event successful. The greatest need will be water-based support – kayakers, motorboat patrols, life-guards and buoy placement. Help is also needed for registration and medical support. To find out more about this event and to volunteer see < www.lakegeorgeswim.com>.

SCHOOLS PUBLIC FORUM IN HAGUE

Ticonderoga School Superintendent John McDonald will hold a public forum at the Hague Community Center on Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 6 pm. McDonald will provide a brief overview of how and why the Hague School District became part of the Ticonderoga School District. In addition, he will present some innovative ideas that are under consideration for the Ticonderoga School District for the coming years that could help reduce the tax burden for Hague. There will also be plenty of time for questions from the audience and open discussion.

OKTOBERFEST WEEKEND

This year Oktoberfest has been expanded to include activities from Friday, September 23 to Sunday, September 25, 2011. The original plans were just for Saturday but since the venue would be set-up for all three days, the committee decided to include more events which will happen rain or shine.

On Friday night the Oktoberfest Dance will take place under the tent at the Hague Town Park. You can come out and dance to Rock and Roll standards of the popular band, Calamity Rock from 7 – 10 pm. The Oktoberfest truck will be serving beer and there will be plenty of festival food. This is a family-friendly event with non-alcoholic beverages also available for a family dinner at the Park.

On Saturday, October 24, 2011 there will be live German music with Fritz's Polka Band, German Beer under the tent, Harvest Fair vendors and booths and Festival Games for kids and adults from 11 am – 5 pm.

The Town Park provides the perfect setting for a non-denominational service on Sunday morning under the tent led by Bruce Tamlyn, Spiritual Life Director of the Silver Bay YMCA.



MUSIC IN THE PARK

The "Music in the Park" series of concerts will conclude on Wednesday night August 24, 2011 at 7:30 pm at the Hague Town Park. In case of inclement weather the performance will be held in the Hague Community Center.

August 24 MICHAEL VASSALLO & THE HAGUE TRIO
Standard songs and romantic melodies with a light jazz treatment

WITH THE SENIOR CLUB

The Senior Picnic will be held at the HVFD pavilion on August 23, 2011 at noon. Each person is asked to bring a dish to share. A new date for the Mini-golf trip will be discussed at the picnic.

On September 15, 2011 members of the Club will be going to Whitehall, NY for lunch and a tour of Skene Manor. The regular meeting at the Community Center on September 27, 2011.

The Senior Club is open to all Hague residents who are 50 years or older. New members are always welcome to enjoy the activities and meet great people. The refreshments and food events are not to be missed!

COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR HVFD

The Hague Volunteer Fire Department (HVFD) very much appreciates the community support for their two major summer fund raisers - the Silver Bay Emps Musical and the Annual Steak Roast. They also extend a big thank you to the cast and support crew of the Emps show which was another big hit.

The winner of the 50/50 at the Steak Roast was our own Bill Wells and a nice pair of water skis and life vest went to Manuel Upton. There were lots of white elephant and raffle prizes as well, and nobody went home hungry, thanks to the kitchen and grill crew.

Training continues even in the summer and recently Todd Fish and Brian Kennedy completed Emergency Vehicle Operators Course and Donna Trudeau and Dave Snow completed Pump Operators Course.

In July there were 28 Fire calls and 16 Ambulance calls for a total of 240.5 man hrs.

There seem to be more jet skis on the water in the north basin this season, so we ask their operators to go by the rules set down for them. ... Joe McCrannels

PUMP STATION ODOR UPDATE

The residents in the area have done extensive research and presented their findings to the Town. See the Town Board report on page 4 for more details.

FORT TI CORN MAZE ADVENTURE



What activity combines solving puzzles and testing your knowledge of history with fresh air, sunshine and over two miles of winding trails? Fort Ticonderoga's *Heroic Maze: A Corn Maze Adventure!* From August 15 - October 20, 2011 you can test your navigational skills among towering stalks of corn in Fort Ticonderoga's new six-acre corn maze located near the

King's Garden. Tickets for the maze are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children 3 - 12 yrs. of age and can be combined with Fort admission for a special package rate. The *Heroic Maze: A Corn Maze Adventure!* is sponsored by Lake George RV and McDonalds of Ticonderoga.

The maze is divided into phases allowing two levels of difficulty and the chance to gain confidence in the smaller maze before tackling the main maze. The average journey will take from 20 minutes for the first phase up to an hour for the main maze.

In late October, the *Heroic Maze* opens after dark for Flashlight Nights. Conquer the maze guided by only your flashlight and question stations found along the pathways. Tickets are available for October 21, 22, 28, and 29 by advance sale only.

Fort Ticonderoga developed the *Heroic Maze* with a professional maze design company from Utah that used computer technology to translate intricate designs onto the landscape, creating a fun and exciting quest.

The agricultural history at Fort Ticonderoga dates to 1756 when the French built the Garrison Gardens below the walls of the Fort. Today the formal display King's Garden, along with educational Discovery Gardens, protected battlefields, sustainable modern farming practices, and the corn maze continue this legacy. All proceeds from the *Heroic Maze* support Fort Ticonderoga's mission to ensure that present and future generations learn from the struggles, sacrifices and victories that shaped the nations of North America and changed world history.

For more information see <www.fortticonderoga.org> or call 585-2821.

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FISH & GAME PIG ROAST AND ATV/HORSE RIDE

The Hague Fish and Game Club's annual Pig Roast and ATV/Horse ride will take place on Saturday, August 27, 2011 at the Club grounds, 488 West Hague Road, Hague.

The ATV/Horse ride will leave the Clubhouse at 9:30 am sharp. This fun event will go up onto the TNT lease and will be a ride for all to remember. Helmets and insurance are needed for ATVs and there is a \$5 ride fee. Another memorable horseshoe tournament will kick off at 2:30 pm and registration will start prior to the ride. The Gary Ryder Band will be playing for your dancing pleasure - bring an instrument and play along. The Club will be selling beer, pop and other treats throughout the day.

This year's Pig Roast dinner is only \$10 and includes the pig, potato, salad, roll and dessert. Serving will start around 4 pm and continue until sold out. You can eat in or take out.

We hope you will come out and have some fun!

... Steve Ramant

NEW BOLTON LANDING RESTAURANT

Steve McCranels and Amy Ullrich have opened a new restaurant in Bolton Landing called Market Place Steakhouse & More. Steve, the chef, is the son of Joe McCranels, who helps out as Dining Room Manager. Steve learned his love of cooking from his father when he followed his father around the dining room at the Silver Bay YMCA Association when Joe was the Food Service Manager there.

Steve and Amy met as teens working for the Silver Bay Association and reconnected last August. After months of hard work, they bought and converted the building - previously Michael Arthur's Steakhouse. On July 19, 2011 Steve and Amy opened their Market Place Steakhouse & More open year-round. To reserve a table, call (518) 644-FOOD (3663). The restaurant is located at 4957 Lakeshore Drive, Bolton Landing, NY. ... Chris Ianson

MORE SUMMER EVENTS

At the LGLC Macionis Family Center in Bolton Landing, the 2011 Art Talks continue on Wednesdays at 5 pm with Marianne Ganter - *A Watercolorist and Her Expressions* on August 24, 2011 and Bob Veder - *Vintage Posters... the Good, Bad and Ugly!* on August 31, 2011.

Chrissy's Chairs Fund Raiser Auction for artist designed Adirondack Chairs at the Bolton Landing Conservation Park, 56 Edgecomb Pond Road on Saturday, August 20, 2011 from 5 - 8 pm. There will be food and entertainment by the Stony Creek Band.

The Hague Chronicle celebrates 40 years of publishing with an afternoon open house at the Hague Community Center on Sunday, August 21, 2011 from 1 - 4 pm.

Ticonderoga Area Farmer's Market, sponsored by the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce and Inter-Lakes

Health, is located on Route 9N just south of the monument on Saturdays from 10 am to 1 pm weather permitting until October 1, 2011.

SCARZELLO WORKSHOPS AT FORT TICONDEROGA

Herbs are the focus of two upcoming programs in the King's Garden at Fort Ticonderoga led by herbalist Nancy Wotton Scarzello at 1 pm. On September 7, 2011 she will present *Nature's Wild Abundance Discovery Walk* and on September 14, 2011, *Healing Salves and Oils*.

The walk takes place around the Healing Herb Garden, King's Garden grounds and field edges where Scarzello will share her knowledge of wild and medicinal plants. In the second session she will show harvesting and preparation techniques for simple herbal products using fresh herbs harvested from the Fort's gardens.

A hands-on demonstration, handouts and products to take home are included. Fees are \$15 and \$25 respectively and pre-registration is required. Call Fort Ticonderoga at 585-2821 or see <www.fortticonderoga.org/visit/detail/id/24>.

Ed note: Nancy, our Nature News volunteer, has been very busy with her many herbal activities this summer so she has not been able to submit her usual articles. We wish her luck with all her ventures!

You Are Invited
 TMSP extends an invitation to the sponsors, artists, families, friends and the community.

**Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership
 Street Art Project 2011**
 "Relax In The Adirondacks"

AUCTION
Thursday, August 25th
Best Western Plus

**Live Music Featuring
 Nelson Shapiro**

**5:30 PM - Preview of Auction
 6:00 PM - Appetizers & Beverages
 7:00 PM - Auction**

**Professional Auctioneer
 Rick Harker - Mountain Time Furniture**

All auction proceeds will go to the Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership for downtown streetscape improvements. TMSP is a tax deductible, non-profit 501c3 charitable organization.

**Space Is Limited
 RSVP Today!**

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 at 518-585-6619 or at
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Sponsor: TMC. Artist: Eve Grant

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Artist: Mary Lou Greenwood

Artist: Annie D'Rick & Beth Coker

TOWN BOARD MEETING – 8/9/11

Deputy Supervisor Edna Frasier and Councilmen Dick Gladu, Mark Martucci and Rudy Meola were present. Mrs. Frasier noted that Supervisor Belden was out of town for a family wedding. She welcomed Mr. Martucci back.

A moment of silence was held for Matthew Waters, George Edward May, Calvin Jordon and Jake Thibeault, Jr.

Chris Bowcutt again appeared before the Board with an update on the planned Lake George Open Water Swim. A related article appears on page 1.

In June we reported that Lari Dhein asked about the paving of Forest Bay Road and the Supervisor said they were waiting for funding for the catch basins. She inquired again at this meeting about the status of the paving. Highway Superintendent Don Smith said he hasn't heard anything about it from the Supervisor but would pave it if the money is available. The Deputy Supervisor said she will check to find out if the funding has arrived.

Graham Bailey spoke to the Board to elaborate on the discussion from last month about the Oktoberfest. He noted that the total expense budget this year is the same as last year and that it is being continually updated. He said that if the goals are achieved there may even be extra revenue brought in. An updated budget was distributed to the Board members. The original concept was to showcase Hague in a one-day event but this year they will be able to use the same resources to increase the activities to Friday evening and Sunday morning. He noted that a multi-day event will make Hague eligible for County bed tax money.

The neighbors of the Dodd Hill Sewer Pumping Station were again in attendance to follow up on their concerns about the odor at the station. They had met with the Board Sewer District Committee (Belden and Frasier) and asked for an update on the concerns they had discussed. Deputy Supervisor Frasier reported meeting with Clough Harbor engineers and had presented all the concerns to them. Vern, the original designer from Clough Harbor, will be getting back to Paul Belden at the Wastewater Treatment Plant with a written report addressing the questions raised. The neighborhood group had made some specific recommendations but the Board Committee is waiting until they have all the information from the engineers. However, some temporary measures have been made as Jim O'Toole reported that the situation is "improving but not fixed." The issue of procedures for dumping from holding tanks into the system is also being researched by the Committee and a report should also be ready about that by the end of the week.

Chris Navitsky, Lake George Waterkeeper, thanked the Town for help with the "Keep the Queen Clean" campaign. A lot of debris was cleaned up including 2 car batteries and a bunch of tires that were pulled out of the Lake. He noted that they were not able at this time to remove the VW car frame that was found near the Overlook.

Chris Navitsky again addressed the issue of Lake George water quality. He stated, "There is an increase in algae growth

which is directly related to an increase in nutrients in the Lake. It is observable in all areas of the Lake and in all towns around the Lake." Although NYS will have a law prohibiting use of phosphorus in lawn fertilizer in 2012, he said that it was a less restrictive law than the ones passed by the Town of Lake George and Town of Queensbury, and will have less ability for enforcement with the understaffing at the DEC. He again urged the "Hague Town Board to adopt a more restrictive fertilizer law for the good of the community and for Lake George."

Highlights from the Committee Reports:

Assessor & Justice (Gladu/Meola):

Councilman Gladu reported that the NYS ORPS (Office of Real Property Services) has given Hague an equalization rate of 75.5 up from 72.8 due to a drop in the fair market value of Hague real estate. In terms of school taxes, although the tax rate will be increased, Gladu said the position for Hague will be about the same as last year or even a little less.

Highway (Martucci/Gladu):

Highway Superintendent Don Smith reported on work being done and noted that they are "short-handed again with Perry (Girard) being off." He said that all dirt roads have been maintained and that he will try to work on the issue on icing at the bottom of Pine Orchard Road before there is a problem again. Councilman Meola noted that he had written letters to the Highway Superintendent since January 2008 about that problem and he reminded the Board that it is their responsibility to see that this work is done. Smith said he was "doing everything in my possibility. I do not want to spend money on engineers when it is the state problem." Meola responded that in correspondence with the DOT, it was judged to be a Town problem. Councilman Gladu remarked "Let's stop pointing fingers and get it fixed."

Planning/Zoning/Stormwater (Gladu/Meola):

Councilman Meola questioned why the Town is still working with Elan planners when three major projects have remained unfinished. They are still working on planning for the Town dock and parking lots, the entrances to the Town and the Veteran's Park. Councilwoman Frasier said that she will try to get them to move these projects along.

In other business the Board:

Appointed Jeff Plass as a Park Attendant for the rest of the summer.

Approved the amount of \$300 for DeFranco Landscaping to mow the Veteran's Memorial Park for the rest of the season. They have offered to donate bushes along the brook for the Park.

Agreed to set a date, when the Supervisor returns, to discuss a staffing plan in advance of the Budget process. Councilman Gladu suggested this meeting so that

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there would be a unified plan on staffing for the sewer district, for Town property maintenance, for subcontracts, etc.

The meeting, adjourned before 7:30 pm.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/28/11

Chairman Robert Goetsch, Jon Hanna, Bill Pittman, Lindsay Mydlarz, Maureen Cherubini and Chris Navitsky were present. There is still one vacancy.

COMMONS (26.10-1-35) 23 Commons Way (TR-1R)

The Board deemed the application complete for replacement of a 64 sq. ft. staircase with a 144 sq. ft. deck with stairs. Recently, an 80 sq. ft shed was removed from the northwest side of the existing house. The deck, if approved, would sit 24' 6" from the Lake. The shoreline setback of the existing house is 7' 9" from the Lake. A site visit was scheduled and a public hearing will be held at the August ZBA meeting.

PLANNING BOARD – 8/4/11

Chairman EJ Siwek, Bruce Clark, Dick Frasier, John Brown, Pam Peterson, and Michael Cherubini were present. Martin Fitzgerald, Sr. was absent.

The board approved two applications for additions to existing homes, and made a recommendation of approval to the ZBA for a deck within 50' of the lake.

PATCHETT / STULL (26.17-2-43 & 43.5-1-31) Overlook Lane (Hamlet)

The Board reviewed a sketch plan of a proposed lot line change.

COMMONS (26.10-1-35) 23 Commons Way (TR-1R)

The Board recommended approval of this application to the ZBA.

LORENSON (60.5-1-12) 25 Pine Cove Rd. (TR-1)

The Board approved a request by the owner to add a second story to their existing house. No expansion to the footprint of the structure is proposed. The existing house sits 51 ft. from the MHW of Lake George and is located within Sewer District #2.

LEMMA (60.9-1-41) 28 Bobkat Lane (TR-1)

The Board approved a request by the the applicant to build an addition to an existing house. A portion of the proposed addition lies with 50' to 100' ft. from the MHW of Lake George. The proposed new bedroom, if approves, will require upgrades to the septic tank.



I've found another Hague! On a recent trip with my daughter, Elizabeth, to North Dakota – a first for us both, we traveled to a small town southeast of Bismarck called Hague! Even smaller than our town, it has a population under 100. We dropped in to the local café where we learned some of the town history. In 2008, Hague celebrated its Centennial and had an all-class reunion since, like our Hague, their school had long been closed. The town had several working grain elevators in its heyday when farming was a thriving industry. In addition to a stately church, they have a post office, a small general store and "The Quencher" bar.



At the latter we met the owner who had gone to school in Hague, moved out and had come back to run the bar in his retirement. Seemed like a reasonable idea to me!

I hear there is a Hague in Florida. Maybe one day I'll go there, too. . . .Judy Stock

*Hope to see you on Sunday,
August 21, 2011!*

CHAMPLAIN BRIDGE NEARING COMPLETION

The Lake Champlain Bridge is tentatively scheduled to reopen on Sunday, October 9, 2011 according to Vermont and New York transportation officials. In anticipation of this milestone, the Lake Champlain Bridge Community hopes to have community-wide festivities on Saturday and Sunday, October 15 and 16, 2011. They hope to have a parade across the bridge, fireworks, a boat parade, a dance concert, and a Sunday sunrise service as well as musical performances, area vendors, boat rides, story telling and re-enactments. With construction issues always a possibility they are hoping to get a definite date soon.

The opening of the Bridge will be of special significance to the business communities in both New York and Vermont whose revenues have been severely affected which Lorraine Franklin of the LC Bridge Community Committee explained to me when I stopped at her shop in Vermont. I personally love the trips to Burlington now since the ferry ride is a welcome respite on the drive from Hague and the extra time is at most 15 minutes - unless you have to wait for a second ferry!

The trip also provides a fascinating look at an incredible engineering wonder. Watching the building of this bridge has been a unique experience. They have been building it from both sides with a large gap presently in the middle. This middle section is being built on the shore in Port Henry and will be fitted in at the appropriate time – surely that will be an amazing sight!

I'll miss the ferry but I'll celebrate the new bridge.

... Judy Stock



Construction crews on the New York part.



The middle section being built on the Port Henry shore.



View from the ferry of the opposite ends of the new bridge.



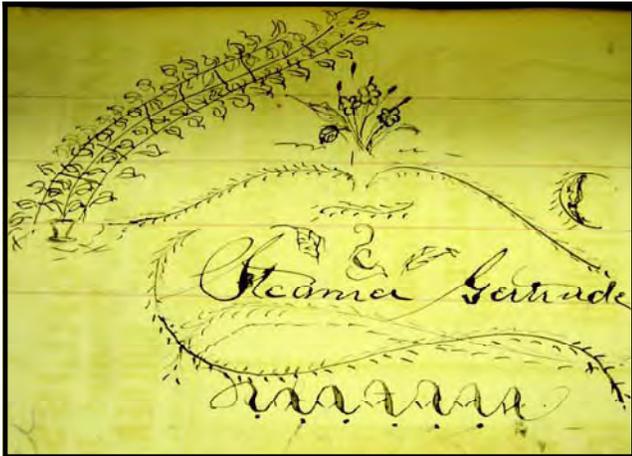
Looking at the middle up close in Port Henry.



PAYING TRIBUTE TO CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS

The Hague Historical Museum is very fortunate to have the guest registers from some of the early local hostelries. They are truly full of valuable little nuggets of our history with their flourished handwriting and notes of interest for today's reader.

On April 12, 1861, Confederate soldiers fired on Fort Sumter. This was the beginning of the Civil War and when it was over 618,000 men had lost their lives. For the next four years we will pay tribute to the men of Hague who so valiantly took part in a cause they so strongly believed in. Hague which was a community of only seven hundred residents sent over a hundred of their young men to war. Some were killed in battle, others died in POW camps and others died of diseases. Many received wounds that they dealt with the rest of their lives.



For this tribute, there is a display in the lobby of the Hague Community Center with artifacts, works of art and information about the Civil War. After extensive research with the help of Bruce DeLarm we have compiled a list of the veterans and some information about their service.

We encourage you to visit the display and if you have information on a veteran that you would like to share, please let me know <historian@townofhague.org>.

... Gerald Crammond, Town Historian

Doodle from the 1880s in the Island Harbor House Guest Register.

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In particular, the Island Harbor House register from 1883 is full of interesting items such as the fact that Seneca Ray Stoddard, the notable Adirondack photographer, stayed here in 1884 and 1885. Folks traveled to the Island Harbor House from as far away as Virginia, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, as well as from the northeastern states, and even one guest from England!



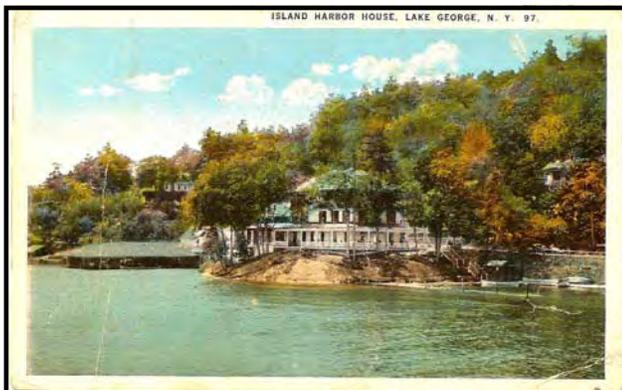
Jim Beaty and Gil Engler share memories with Ginger Henry after Outboard Regatta program.

Many of these guests came for the fishing – and fish they did! The register has entries stating “70 pounds of trout”; in May 1885 two gentlemen from Shoreham, VT pulled in 54 pounds of trout “despite the bad weather”; and five fishermen stayed for 3 1/2 days in May 1887 and caught 50 fish at 176 pounds. Forrest Lee of Ticonderoga wrote in the register “caught today five trout one weighing 12 3/4 pounds. Started at 10 am with Bernard and in less than one hour had four trout, day cloudy and breeze slight.” In 1888 N. T. Colby of New York City wrote “Faint heart never won a big fish – Guess I had a heart trouble this time.” Don't you wish you knew where A. C. Clifton, the Island Harbor proprietor, was guiding them for such great catches? No wonder trout dinners at Hague's hotels were so customary!
... Pat McDonough

Our third program this summer on August 10, 2011 was Ginger Henry Kuenzel's “Outboard Regatta” presentation which drew a record crowd. The audience chipped in with their own remembrances to round out the evening's fun. We want to thank the community for its enthusiastic response to our programs this year and urge you to let us know what other programs you might be interested in seeing.

Mary Ann Eaton is continuing her research on the Indian Kettles and in particular is looking for personal recollections of folks who spent time at the Kettles either working or dining – or perhaps imbibing! If you have any stories for her, you can email her at <menges49@nycap.rr.com> or drop us a line at PO Box 794, Hague, NY 12836.

Our notecards are still available at both Juniper's and the Silver Bay General Store. Sally Rypkema and Sal Santaniello continue to support our efforts and we want to say a big thank you to them.
... Pat McDonough



~SOUNDINGS~

ENGAGED: Katherine Breitenbach to Devin Anderson, a Rochester native who is an Assistant District Attorney in Washington County, NY. Katie, the daughter of Deb and John Breitenbach and granddaughter of John and Jan Breitenbach, of Silver Bay, NY is an attorney at the Fourth Department Court of Appeals. A September 2012 wedding is planned.

DIED: Matthew H. Waters, 71, of Castleton, NY on July 10, 2011 at Albany Memorial Hospital, surrounded by his loving family. Matt was born in Hague, NY to the late Nelson Waters and Edith (Chase) Niles. He graduated from Hague High School and Albany Business College and served in the US Air Force. Matt was a devout Christian who enjoyed gardening, sports and spending time with his family.

In addition to his parents, Matt was predeceased by his brother, Francis Waters. Matt is survived by his wife, Gloria, his children Wendy Fitzgerald, Lori Symanowicz and Matthew Waters Jr. and three grandchildren. Matt was the brother of Janice Dayton, Nelson Waters and Judy Kenna.

DIED: George Edward May, 86, of Hague, NY on July 29, 2011, at his residence, surrounded by his loving family. George was a lifelong resident of Hague, the son of the late Francis and Nellie (Maloney) May. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served during World War II, aboard the Choctaw Naval Tug.

George was employed by International Paper Company of Ticonderoga for many years, retiring as Head Mill Wright. He was a skilled auto mechanic, employed by the Trout House Garage in his earlier years, and by Dick Frasier's Lakeshore Garage, after his retirement from International Paper.

George was a member of the Hague Volunteer Fire Department, the Hague American Legion and a life member of the Hague Fish & Game Club. He also served for many years on the Hague Central School Board of Education, the BOCES Board of Education, and as Caretaker of the May Memorial Cemetery of Hague.

He was predeceased by two sons, George May Jr. and infant son, Patrick Charles May. He was also predeceased by three sisters, Bessie Smith, LuLu Corlew and Laura May, and two brothers, Harry May and William May.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Ida (Ruth) May; six children: David (Nancy) May, Judy (Walt) Porter, Mary Sherman, Tim May, Valerie (Peter) Lawrence and Patrick Henry May; and one sister, Frances Brannock Newhall. He is also survived by 18 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, six brothers and sisters-in-law and their families, and numerous

CONGRATULATIONS: To Anthony DeFranco, PE, CNLP of DeFranco Landscaping Inc and Anthony W. DeFranco, PE-Consulting Engineer, who is one of the "2011 20 under 40" honorees by The Post Star. The nominees were chosen based on their dedication and success in their vocation, being a role model in their profession, demonstration of leadership in their business/community and active community involvement and volunteer participation. The awards luncheon will be held on September 20, 2011 at The Fort William Henry Resort and reservation forms appear in The Post Star.

CONGRATULATIONS: To John C. Breitenbach III, who graduated Magna Cum Laude from the State University at Albany on May 15, 2011 with a major in history and minor in Education. He is the son of Deb and John Breitenbach and grandson of John and Jan Breitenbach, of Silver Bay, NY.

John is currently working for the Institute of Reading Development teaching students grades 1-12 at Siena College, Union College, Lemoyne College and other spots in the greater Capital region. He has been a Ticonderoga Summer Program children's leader for 5 years prior to his summer teaching position as well as a SBA Children and Silver Camp leader. He will attend the College of St. Rose in the fall to pursue a Masters in Elementary Education.

TICONDEROGA HONOR ROLL



Congratulations to these Hague residents who earned Honor Roll status for the final marking period at Ticonderoga High School.

Grade 12

Second Honors – Francis Barnes

Grade 11

First Honors – Corey King, William Lawrie

Second Honors – Jacob Demarais, Abigail Gurney, Harley Trudeau

Grade 10

Second Honors – Grace Ginn, Jordan McKee

Grade 9

First Honors – David Busick, Sean Lawrie

ONGOING EVENTS

1st Monday: **Fire Department** (7 pm)

2nd Monday: **Senior Bus to Glens Falls** (8:30 am)

3rd Monday: **Chamber of Commerce** (7 pm)

1st & 3rd Tuesday: **Mohican Crafters** (10 am)

3rd Tuesday: **Ticonderoga School Board** (7 pm)

3rd Tuesday: **Fish & Game Club** (7:30 pm)

4th Wednesday: **Extra Helpings Distribution** (noon)

3rd Thursday: **Carillon Garden Club** (10 am)

1st Friday: **Men's Prayer Breakfast** (7:30 am)

Every Tuesday: **Rotary Club** (7:30 am)

Every Thursday: **Kiwanis** (12 pm)

2011 THS GRADUATE JENNELL COFFIN



Jennell Coffin, daughter of Matt and Kim Coffin of Hague, graduated from Ticonderoga High School in June.

With longtime experience in both soccer and basketball, Jennell played both sports through her high school years. She also participated in the Junior Miss pageant. Jennell has a love for art and as part of her Senior project she helped to coordinate the art show in July at Fort Ticonderoga, showcasing her art as well as the artwork of her peers.

Jennell will be attending Adirondack Community College with plans to transfer to SUNY Oneonta to pursue an education in Fashion Merchandising and Design.

2011 THS GRADUATE DILLON LAFFERTY



Dillon Lafferty, son of Karen Lafferty of Hague and nephew of Alice and Scott Patchett, graduated from Ticonderoga High School in June. He was the recipient of a Beste Scholarship award.

Dillon was a member of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and the varsity football team. He enjoys basketball, fishing and weight-lifting. Dillon attends the Hague Wesleyan Church and is employed at Trout House Village.

With plans to pursue a two year degree in business, Dillon will attend Tompkins Cortland Community College in the fall.

ASIAN CLAM – A REAL THREAT



With all the environmental groups active in Lake George recognizing the threat of the Asian clam, work continues to eradicate beds on the one hand and find any new infestations on the other. Two additional sites infested with Asian clam have been discovered on the west side of the Lake near Bolton -- one at Norowal Marina, found by Darrin Fresh Water Institute (DFWI) scientists, and the other at Treasure Cove, found by the Lake George Association (LGA) staff.

On their website, Sandra Nierzwicki-Bauer, director of the DFWI, says, “(T)he species — *Corbicula fluminea* — is an invasive clam from Asia, capable of self-fertilization, achieving densities of thousands per square meter, and crowding native species from their typical habitats. Commonly known as the Asian clam, it is a light brown triangular clam that can survive in fresh and brackish waters.

There are many ways for the public to help – by sharing information, surveying the shoreline and supporting the fund raising efforts needed to keep this invasive species at bay. For additional information you can check out the websites of the LGA <www.lakegeorgeassociation.org>, the Fund for Lake George <www.fundforlakegeorge.org>, the Darrin Fresh Water Institute <<http://rpi.edu/dept/DFWI/>> and the LGACRRTF <www.stoptheasianclam.info/>.

Weather Report by JoAnne DeFranco

July 16, 2011—August 12, 2011

The weather for the period July 16 - August 12, 2011 was glorious. Nineteen days of sunshine and 85-90 degree temperatures. Some days were humid but generally speaking, it was great weather for enjoying the Lake. We did receive 5” rain but most storms were late in the day and/or overnight.

Lake George water temperature according to the Post Star is 82 degrees. Sunrise is 5:53 AM; sunset at 8:06 PM. There was a full moon on August 13th as well as the annual display of meteors called the Perseid Meteor Shower.

HAGUE CALENDAR

AUGUST

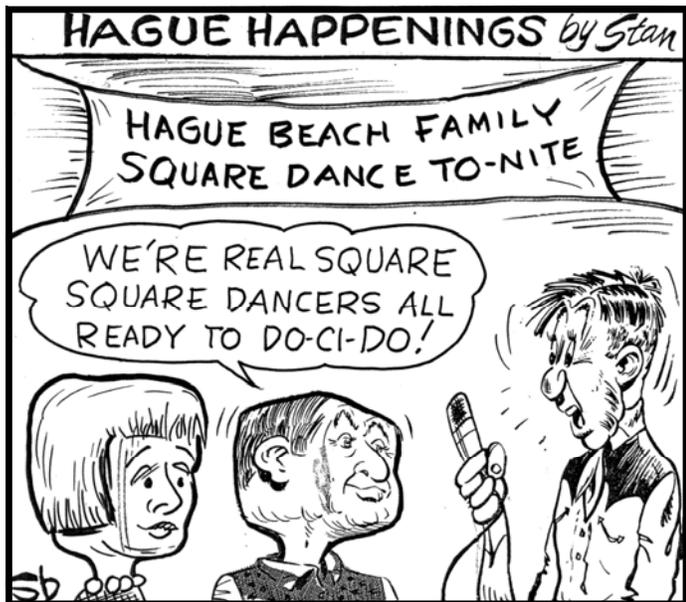
- 21 1 – 4 pm Celebration of 40 years of publishing of *The Hague Chronicle*
- 23 noon Senior Picnic at HVFD pavilion
- 23 6 pm Public Forum with TCSD Superintendent McDonald
- 25 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 27 – 28 8 am to noon Lake George Open Water Swim

SEPTEMBER

- 1 7 pm Planning Board
- 5 LABOR DAY
- 13 6:30 pm Town Board
- 16 News deadline for September issue
- 21 The Hague Chronicle is mailed
- 22 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 23 – 25 Oktoberfest Weekend
 - Friday 7 – 10 pm Dancing and Dinner in the Park
 - Saturday 11 am – 5 pm Beer Garden, Polka Band, Family events
 - Sunday Non-denominational Service under the Tent

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1

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



ATTENDING THE TOUR DE FRANCE

The North County Triathlon Team attended the Tour de France in July. On the trip were Neil and Sandy Rypkema, John and Julie Hartley (North Country Triathlon Race Directors) and friends Eric and Susan Miller.



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