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### WE REALLY DID IT!!

The Hague Hoax Fest was deemed a success by everybody with whom we talked. It was so wonderful to see so many happy enthusiastic residents and visitors in the park on July 7.

The idea for the fest was conceived five years ago by a small group of Hague residents with the idea of promoting the history of Hague and the monster and with the hope that someday somehow we would welcome his return. For three years we struggled with a small festival, inviting various artisans to participate. We did not have one last year (2000). When I received an e-mail from one of the trustees of the Lake George Historical Society stating that "George" would like to spend a vacation in his home town, I shared it with the other members of the committee and we pounced on the idea of making a big event out of his return.

Working together with the Lake George and Bolton Historical Societies, we decided to make it a three-town event, and many meetings later, we pulled it all together and had a really great time. Tom James, as chairman of our committee did a wonderful job of organizing, Stan Burdick did a super colossal job of publicizing, and the rest of the committee consisting of Judy Foster, Jerry Crammond, Dan Belden and Dottie Henry all worked hard to make it a success.

Somewhere along the way we heard that Rick Belden was going to be in town that week and John Barber got into the act by coordinating with him to put on a demonstration for the benefit of the Fire Department and the Rotary Club. It just proves that when everyone cooperates, everyone wins.

There are so many thank yous to be said - we can't begin to do them all. However, we would like to mention the cooperation of Bill Bothe and his crew, Mike Manning for organizing the kids for the parade and other projects, Claire Best and her committee who did such a great job of organizing the refreshments for the reception and a huge THANK YOU to so many many people who contributed cookies. You know who you are and we want you to know they were certainly appreciated. I can't remember when I have seen such a spirit of togetherness in our town. It was also a wonderful way for the three lake towns to work together.

Of course, the greatest hoax of all was the one Lake George played on Hague. With all the hoopla surrounding George in the courtroom early Saturday morning, his departure from Lake George by steamboat and his arrival in Bolton Landing and then his arrival at the Hague Park by steamboat, everyone was so happy to get him back. After the presentation to our Historical Society at the Community Center, one of the Lake George members brought in another "George" identical to the one we had been honoring. Then we found out that Walt Grishkot and two members of LGHS had secretly had George duplicated by an expert carver in Lake George. It turned out to be a guessing game - which is the real "George"? We finally determined which one and the clone went back to Lake George. And everybody's happy!! George will be at home in his new case in the lobby of the Community Center at least for the rest of the year.

It was such a great day - do you think we can top it? ... djh

The Hague Hoax Fest Committee would like to express its appreciation to the following who sent donations to help with the expenses:

Christopher, Elizabeth, and Matthew Alexander, Ethel Andrus, John & Ann Barber, Elizabeth Barton, Dan and Janice Belden, Don and Claire Best, Dick and Penny Bolton, John and Elizabeth Brown, Stan and Cathie Burdick, Michelle Canestrino, Mike and Maureen Cherubini, Adolph and Ella Contreni, Elizabeth Decker, The Fay Family, Peter and Judy Foster, Beatrice Frasier, Frisberg & Gladding family, Roddy Geer, John and Virginia Geils, Gladys Grasier, Jack and Nancy Harrigan, Helen and Water Hartl, Stuart and Mary Ann Harmon, Ron and Pat Hintze, Hague Creek Antiques & Gifts, Dottie Henry, Tom James, King Boatworks, Ginger Kuenzel, Philip and Norma Mann, John and Ann McDonald, Laura Meade, Rosemarie Meeker, Joseph and Linda Murphy, Charles Parlin, Jr., Wally Peterson, Eleanor and Laurie Sapakoff, Helen Schoder, Mr & Mrs. Jerry Shelton, Marion Shoemaker/JoAnne Gore/Richard Dunklee, J. William Smith Family, Thomas and Maria Thompson, Charles and Barbara Zeese.

Thanks a million for your support! ... djh

## HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Dept. reported three calls during June, with 24 man hours expended. Ambulance calls numbered 12 with 84 1/2 hours expended.

The firehall was all abuzz on July 14 for the open house. There was a goodly crowd of people there to take a tour of the facilities and partake of the wonderful buffet which the firemen and ladies served. Now that we have seen it, we can get on the ball and send in our contributions to pay for it!

The HVFD will hold its annual Steak Roast on Saturday, August 4 on the lawn of the new fire house. Serving starts at 1PM. The menu includes corn on the cob, baked potato, cole slaw and steak. Steamed clams will be on hand all afternoon. Musical entertainment will be provided beginning at 3PM.

## GRACE MEMORIAL CHAPEL SERVICES

The services scheduled for the chapel at Sabbath Day Point are as follows:

- July 22 The Rev. Tom Waltz, Minister: Salem Presbyterian Church, Studley, VA
- July 29 The Rev. Bruce Penn Ret: Reformed Church in America, Hendersonville, NC
- Aug 5 The Rev. David Mangiante Ret: United Lutheran Church, Mount Holly, NJ
- Aug. 12: The Rev. Nickolas Miles, Minister, United Reformed Church of Rosendale
- Aug. 19: The Rev. Robert B. Marr Ret., United Church of Christ, Suffolk, VA Celebration of Holy Communion to be held at this service
- Aug 26: The Rev. Lee R. Van Sickle, Ret; United Methodist Church Penny Farms, FL
- Sep. 2: Rev. Gerard J. Van Heest, Chaplain Emeritus, Hope College, Holland, MI

## TI FESTIVAL GUILD

"Let's Do Lunch and Theater"

The Ticonderoga Festival Guild is sponsoring a trip by bus to Dorset, VT on Sep. 15. They will feast on a delicious lunch at The Barn in Pawlet and continue on to a 4PM matinee of *Redwood Curtain* at the Dorsett Playhouse. Bus leaves Ticonderoga at 12:30PM with lunch at 2PM. Cost is \$65 for trip including lunch and theater. Call 585-6716 (Fest. Guild office) or Louise Davidson, Coordinator at 499-2427. Reservations are limited to one bus.

The High Road, a brand new group dedicated to traveling the road of discovery in the musical sense and finding the music from Gaelic lands, will perform under the tent in Ticonderoga on July 24 at 8PM. Instruments featured are the banjo, hammered dulcimer, guitar, bagpipes, pipes, flute, whistle, bodhran, electric stand-up bass, concertina, and vocals from each of the mem-

bers of the trio. *La Chic ' N Bones*, a perennial favorite with the audiences will perform on July 31. Susan Hamlin and Neil Anderson present an eclectic blend of Celtic, folk, swing and Adirondack music on August 7. An 18th Century View of the Champlain Valley with Stephen Gratto will be the last Tuesday night concert of the season. Stephen opens the program with his juggling specialty as done in the 18th century. After intermission, the Do-It-Yourself History Players will present a look at the historical significance of the Champlain Valley in which we live and vacation. Willing members of the audience will be recruited into the Players; the rest will enjoy the show.

The Ti Festival Guild continues its Arts Trek XIX series on July 25 with The Irish Minstrel, features bag-piping, Irish step dancing, traditional tales, lively jigs and reels played on the mandolin and banjo. On August 1, the Poppy Town Puppets combine the excitement of a live band with the enchantment and fun of a magical stage show.. August 8 - see the wall of masks and enjoy the characters who spring to life behind the masks. On August 15 the season is concluded with Ali Baba and the 40 Thieves. You will see 12 characters played by one amazing story teller. All Wed. programs are at 10:30AM. Kids of all ages enjoy these programs. The Ti Festival Guild is presenting two "after season" concerts. On August 16 at 5:30 under the tent a concert by the Community Band - bring a picnic and enjoy and on August 21 at 7:30PM an after-season homecoming concert by Phil Henry, Nelson Shapiro and Brendan Coyle.

The Senior Citizen Club is missing a number of bud vases which had been donated for use on tables for special occasions. Perhaps somebody borrowed them for an event and forgot to return them. We understand - we all have lapses of memory, but would you look around and see if you might have them hidden away somewhere. We would really appreciate their return to the Community Center.

## LAKE GEORGE FUND ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting for the Lake George Fund will be held at the Boat House at Silver Bay on Wednesday, Aug. 8. Coffee, juice, and pastries will be served at 9AM and the meeting will be called to order at 9:30AM. The theme for the meeting is "Who's Watching the Lake?" The key note speaker will be the new commissioner of the DEC, Erin Crotty. Guests are invited to attend this meeting.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIFE

1. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully
2. Memorize your favorite poem.
3. Don't believe all you hear.
4. Don't spend all you have.
5. Don't sleep all you want.
6. When you say, "I love you", mean it.
7. When you say, "Im sorry", look the person in the eye.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 6/28/01

In the absence of Chairman Robert Goetsch, Cris Ginn was appointed to conduct the meeting. A public hearing was held on the O'Toole property on corner of Dodd Hill Rd. and Rt. 9N. One letter in opposition was read. Mr. William Lamy, Project Engineer for the county and John Breitenbach, attorney for the O'Toole's agreed that the recommendations in Mr. Lamy's letter and from Mr. Jarvis, APA be incorporated in the recommendation for a variance.

A second public hearing was held in the matter of the Ingrey dock, which was put in by a contractor a number of years ago without obtaining a permit. Mrs. Ingrey submitted photographs of neighboring properties, which stressed their prudence in not altering their waterfront, as compared with neighbors. Both hearings were closed and regular meeting opened with Cris Ginn presiding.

At the regular meeting - (A) Warren Co. DPW, with the permission of the O'Toole's would like to subdivide a 2.02 ac. lot into two lots of .25 ac. and 1.77 ac. This is to allow for a pump station to be built on the smaller lot for the sewer system. The larger lot will conform to minimum lot dimensions and area. The smaller lot will not meet area requirements of 1.1 ac. IAW Section 160-23 of the Hague Zoning Ordinance. The Hague Planning Board recommended approval requiring stormwater generated must be directed away from the O'Toole's lot to existing roadside water surface drainage. Warren County Planning Board had no objections. Zoning Board moved variance be granted in accordance with the following attachments: 1. W. Lamy's letter of 6/27/01 to J. Breitenbach. 2. Mr. Jarvis' memo of 6/22/01 to Mr. Gurzler. 3. Dodd Hill Pumping Station drawing C-11 with full revision, dated 6-28-01. T. King suggested adding an amendments: That this would be subject to final approval of all involved agencies for proposed use only. Four Board members voted aye, none voted nay. Motion carried unanimously.

(B) Dock Doctors (for Ingrey), Bob Kat Lane in Arcady. Dock Doctors are applying for a variance after the fact for a 16 ft. by 20 ft. deck which is 26 ft. from the lake and requires 24 ft. relief from Section 160-50 B (b) Hague Planning Board recommended approval with a letter of admonishment for construction without the appropriate approvals. Warren County Planning Board approved. Project has no county impact. Variance granted for the deck as it now exists only.

Preliminary Variance (A) Dimond, Pine Cove Rd. Ms. Dimond is requesting relief from the Hague Zoning Ord. for side yard setback (6 ft relief) and Lake Shore setback (46 ft. relief) for a boat rail launch system and a 200 sq. ft. accessory storage building. Public hearing scheduled for July 26.

(B) Turnamian, 9200 Lake Shore Drive (The Quarterdeck) The Turnamians would like to construct a 6 ft high 60 ft. long stockade fence 3 ft from the highway right of way at the top edge of an existing retaining wall

to help shield them from roadside noise and headlights. Public hearing scheduled for July 26.

PLANNING BOARD - 7/5/01

July 19 has been set for a special planning board meeting to discuss the variance request of Warren County DPW re: O'Toole property.

Porter (for Simmick) Grayford Lane, south of Indian Kettles. Existing right of way goes through the proposed portico, which will be used for parking. New road will be moved closer to 9N. House will be within 50 ft of the lake.

Dimon - see Zoning Board. Planning Board recommended approval to Zoning Board.

Turnamian - see Zoning Board - Recommended to Zoning Board to disapprove the six ft. high fence.

Dockside Marina - Requesting site review approval to add commercial auto and truck parking as well as storage for boats and trailers to the Waters property on Decker Hill Rd. This will relieve congestion at his lake-side facility. The project has already been approved for storage of cars, pick up trucks and boat trailers only. LGPC approval is needed for boat storage.

Special meeting of Planning Board will held on July 19 concerning these projects.

TOWN BOARD - 7/10/01

A letter read by Tom James which he got off the web site, stated that the writer had spent time in Hague some time ago and was privileged to talk with Clifton West about genealogy. He was distraught at his death and stated several times how kind Clifton had been to them.

Art Hatfield, from the Kiwanis Club, presented the town with a check for \$750.00. It is the Kiwanis' contribution for the fine work done by the town and the Enhancement Committee for the beautiful flower, bush and rock arrangement at the intersection of Rt. 8 and 9N. In behalf of the town of Hague Dan awarded a certificate of appreciation to the Kiwanis Club for its contribution to the town of Hague.

Dottie Henry thanked the town board for the support for the Hague Hoax Fest. She also brought up the subject of the parking at the town beach. She had been to the Bolton town parking lot to pick up the monster on the 7th, and though the car had four people dressed in costume, we were charged \$4.25 for parking. On discussing this on the way home we came to the conclusion that this was the reason that the town of Hague's launch and parking are overworked. It makes sense for people from other parts of the lake to come to Hague to launch their boats when we have a fee of \$10 in and out and no parking charge. She suggested raising the fees for non-resident boaters and also for

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non resident use of the park. She hopes that the town will take this into consideration before the next season.

Nelson Waters reported on his boat storage on Decker Hill Rd. The congestion on the lake at the Dockside has lessened. He thinks that things are a lot better. He had written a letter to the board asking for a particular disposition with a particular member of that board. Is there any disposition on that letter by the board? Councilman Hourigan stated he thought this should be a matter for Executive Session. Supervisor Belden stated that he was proud of the way Mr. Waters and Mr. Merrill had worked with the town and the Park Commission. Things should work out for all concerned.

**REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

• Assessor & Justice - Steitz. Town Justice has asked permission to attend a conference on Sept 30-Oct 3. \$130.00 per night. Part is coming from state. Cartwright property assessment has been settled out of court.

• Building & Grounds - Megow. Fan system has been installed in attic of Community Ctr.

• Fire Dept. - Hourigan - Steak roast on Aug. 4 (see back page of this paper) Remember that the Firehouse is also used as an emergency center for the Red Cross.

• Personnel - Hourigan - New employee, Rick Myers was hired as a transfer station operator. Will continue to work on personnel manual.

• Planning & Zoning & Stormwater - Steitz. see ZBA and Planning Board on page 3. Storm water workshop will be set up in the next three weeks. We have a grant for Hague Brook for \$366,000, for which we have to come with a plan.

A letter from Art Hatfield with his resignation from the Zoning Board as of Oct. 31, 2001. Mr. Steitz stated that we do have a problem getting good people to serve on these boards. Dan recommended that we do not accept his resignation at this time.

• Recreation & Promotion - Hourigan. Mike Manning is conducting a successful basketball program. Whiffle ball on Thursdays. Swim program is being held at Silver Bay this year. Any children from 6-12 should go to Slim Pt. from 1:30 to 2PM. Call Bertha at town hall or call desk at Silver Bay to apply for entrance into the program. Boat training (see p.8. Antique Show and Arts and Crafts Fair (see p6) Music in the Park (See p.4)

• Sewer #1 - Belden. DEC and APA waived public hearings Public hearing on the Resolution for Sewer on the 26th. at 6:30PM Hope to go for bids soon.

• Parks and recreation - Fitzgerald. Problem with vandalism in the park. Art Steitz has talked with Chuck Merritt about a monitor system, which can be done in any type of light. If the kids mess with it, their picture is already recorded. There would be four cameras, a monitor and receiver and the ball park figure is \$1500.00 - \$2000. Will act on it immediately.

• Transfer Station - Megow - Income for month of June was \$5,600.50. A grant is being written for purchase of a new truck for the Transfer Station. If granted, it would

be 50% funded. The truck will not be purchased unless grant is approved.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

• Contract signed with Herb Trainor to pick up junk cars under grant from state. Has to be finished by Nov. 1.

• Resolution #61 to hold public hearing be held on the 26th of July at 6:30PM, to give people an opportunity to be heard in sewer district increased funding to be increased from \$1,502,200 to \$7,920,093, total amount of expenditure to the district. It is still 100% funded for all the capital costs.

**NEW BUSINESS**

• Wesleyan Church asked for permission to use beach for coffeehouses on 7/13, 8/3 and 9/7/01. Granted

• Set a date for public informational meeting on water system on Aug. 7 at 6:30PM. To be coordinated with govt. officials. Call first to confirm date.

• Town to buy tree in memory of Clifton West (p11 for further info.) . . . jb & djh

**HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The Hague Historical Society's annual trip this year will be to Saranac to a museum discovered by Betty Van Sleet. The date is Sept. 22 and we will car pool from the Community Center, and we must have at least ten (10) registrants for the expedition. Please register for this by phoning 543-6161 no later than Wednesday, Sept. 12. We will have lunch at the Saranac Hotel, and we need to let both the hotel and the museum know many of us we can expect to have in our party. . . ewa

**WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL OF SR. CITIZENS**

All Warren County seniors are invited to participate in the annual Senior picnic, to be held at the Lake George Battleground Park in Lake George. The date is Sept. 5, with a rain date of Sept. 6. Serving will begin at noon (grilled chicken, chips and watermelon are on the menu) but bring your lawn chair and come early. There's always somebody to visit with, and it's a splendid chance for us to meet seniors from other clubs in both Hamilton and Warren Counties. . . ewa

**MUSIC IN THE PARK**

On July 25, 2001 at 7PM the Silver Bay String Quartet will perform in the park. Stan Burdick will be calling for square dancing in the park on August 1 at 7PM, the LaPointe Brothers on Aug. 8 at 7PM, Rick Bolton and the Dwyer Sisters on Aug. 15 and Mary Jo Von Tury & Dwinal Smith on Aug. 22, all at 7PM Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy a pleasant evening under the stars.

These programs are sponsored in part by Warren County Youth Bureau and the Town of Hague. 7/01

## NATURE NEWS by Laura Meade

Do you realize how many beautiful wildflowers are hiding, just waiting to be discovered, in the Town of Hague along the roadsides, near the woodland paths, in swamps, ponds, and fields? There are more wildflowers than I will ever see. Over 20 years ago I set out on a mission of discovering, photographing and documenting wildflower species, bloom dates and habitats with my friend Elton Rising. Sometimes we argued, sometimes we agreed, but we always came to a final decision.

After several years, one spring we contrived a map of wildflowers on the Lakeshore Mine Road, walking every day in all kinds of weather, documenting species, bloom dates and dates when blooms had "gone by". Because I knew we were privileged to walk at that time on that trail, I gave a copy of the map to David Lawrence. Five years later (after no comment to us) David gave me two handwritten booklets one Sunday morning at the Hague Baptist Church Sunday service. I was speechless! He had walked that trail with botanical books and contrived 50 Haiku poems, featuring comical, serious, spiritual and botanically correct poems, as he imagined how Elton and I learned the flowers during our conversations in the woods. How could I ever thank him? I was overwhelmed!

Over the years (unfortunately after David's death) I was finally able to contrive a wildflower poster as a small token of appreciation when Jerry Shelton prepared a poster of ten protected native plants of Hague from the photos that were taken by Elton and me. This poster has been donated to the Town of Hague and now hangs in the lobby of the Community Center.

## WEATHER NOTES by Mary Lou Doulin

Surprisingly this has been such a cool Adirondack summer. July is normally the warmest month of the year but this year the temperatures rarely hit 80 degrees. Temperatures are about 10 to 15 degrees less than normal.

Showers and thunder storms occur frequently but generally don't linger. Clouds appear out of nowhere and storms spring up where blue skies have just been. We are about 2 1/2 inches less in rainfall to date but it has really been just beautiful. The flowers, gardens and lawns are gorgeous. It has been wonderful sleeping weather and the night sky has been beautiful. The full moon was July 5.

## HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The Hague Senior Citizens Club will have its annual picnic at the Hague Fish and Game Club on Tuesday, Aug. 28 at 12 noon. All participants are asked to bring food to share, but do NOT bring a dessert. Desserts will

be furnished by the club. PLEASE register for the picnic by phoning 543-6161 no later than Aug. 23.

A special thanks to the Hague Fish and Game Club for allowing the seniors to use its facilities again this year. . . ewa

## BAKE SALE

The Hague Baptist Church is holding a bake sale on Friday, August 3 from 9AM-12Noon on the parsonage lawn. Those Baptist ladies really know how to bake!

## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHERN LAKE GEORGE

The Rotary Club had a banner day on July 7. While some Rotarians were in Ticonderoga sponsoring a coin drop, others were at the park in Hague working for the auction. Both fund raisers were very successful. Special thanks to Art Andrea, auctioneer and his helpers, George Garrison and Barry Squier, who did a yeoman's job collecting all the "stuff" to sell and helping the auctioneer. Also a thank you to Kay Barton and Ronni Garrison for being the "bankers". While they were all working so hard at the park a crew of Rotarians and friends was collecting money for the coin drop. They included Dan Belden, Joanne Brown, Walter Thorne, Walter Hartl, Bill Knauss, Pam Thorne, Ted Santaniello, Marty Brown, Chuck Fillare, Lee Keeler, Art Andrea, Melissa Brown, and Jessica Brown. All in all a very successful effort on the part of the Rotarians!

The Rotary Club meets each Tuesday morning at 7:30AM for breakfast at Watson Arts Center, Silver Bay Assoc. Visitors are always welcome. On July 24 the District governor will visit and on the 31st we will have a club assembly. Plan to attend the August 7 meeting when Carol Gregso, (the Erma Bombeck of the Adirondacks) will speak on "The Pottersville Complainer". Should be fun!

The Rotary Club of Northern Lake George each year presents the Dr. Robert & Mrs. Helen Cole scholarship to a graduating high school student. This year the winner of the award was Jennifer Marie LaBounty of Ticonderoga.

## WESLEYAN CHURCH PLANS EVENTS

On August 3 the Wesleyan Church will hold a Coffee House at the Town Beach from 7-9PM. It is open mike night and everyone is welcome. In case of rain the event will be held at the Wesleyan Church on Rt. 8.

Another coffee house is planned for September 7.

The church is planning its annual PIG ROAST on the church lawn on August 11. The entire town is invited to this annual fun event. It would be appreciated if you would bring a dish to pass. Otherwise, it is free to anyone who would like to participate.

## OBSERVATIONS

by Anonymous

- A lady carrying a plastic bag picking up trash as she takes her daily walk. Wish others would do the same.
- Beautiful wildflowers growing along Rt. 9N near the Skahans.
- Hanging town flower basket in the south end of town on Rt 9N gone! Maybe the person who borrowed it will return it.
- Simple elegance of the Darrin Park - boulders and lilies.
- Nice conformity of flower colors by the local gardeners and the Town Enhancement Committee.
- Empty banks across the brook by the Hague Market and across from the Lakeshore Garage. Wildflowers would look wonderful on these banks.
- Old vacant garage on south end of town on Rt 9N. It would help if curtains could be hung in the store window to hide the mattress and old furniture.
- The new shops, and old as well, along Rt. 8 look delightful.
- The flags around town are looking worn - need to be replaced.
- Water faucets in the bathrooms at the Visitor Center spray the unsuspecting bystander.
- How attractive the outside of the Hague Market looks.
- A stockade fence behind the trees at the sandpit at Sabbath Day Point would improve the appearance.
- The LaPann house on Rt. 9N has had a lovely facelift. It looks charming.

## ANTIQUES SHOW

The Hague Chamber of Commerce will host its 4th Annual Antiques Show on Saturday and Sunday, July 21 and 22 at the Hague Community Center from 10AM to 4PM

There will be American country furniture, vintage clothing, linens, china, glassware, memorabilia, estate jewelry, porcelain, old post cards, Adirondack and military items. The Wurst Haus and Kettle Corn will provide refreshments. Dealer inquiries are welcomed. For more info. call Mitzi Fillare at 543-6344.

## HAGUE ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR

The 30th annual Hague Arts & Crafts Fair will be held on Aug 4 and 5 at the Hague Community Center from 10AM - 4PM. Approximately 45 exhibitors will participate, coming from as far away as Susquehanna, PA.

Over the 30 years this show has been held the quality of the items has continually been refined and improved to the point that this fair is now a great cross section of local talent and Adirondack folk art artisan. Some of the items to be displayed are handmade jewelry, baskets, teddy bears, hand carved song birds and

shore birds, folk art Santas, American Girl doll clothes, Barbie doll clothes, stuffed animals, dried floral arrangements, hand painted wooden items, oak furniture, etc.

There also will be home baked goods, jams, jellies, herbs, spices, and honey products. Special luncheon items will be available from The Wurst House. For further information, call Mitzi Fillare at 543-6344.

## TICONDEROGA HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS CHRIS SHAW IN CONCERT

Chris Shaw, singer, songwriter, storyteller will perform under the Ticonderoga Festival Guild Tent in Ticonderoga on Sunday July 22, 2001 at 3PM. Chris is steeped in the lore of the American Northeast. Members of his family have been steamboat pilots and lumbermen in the Adirondack region since the French and Indian War. These roots run deep in the songs and stories Chris performs today in concert halls, Grange halls, coffee houses and festivals all over the world.

Tickets are available at the Hancock House Wed-Sat. from 10AM to 4PM, or come to the tent and enjoy the afternoon in Ticonderoga as we celebrate our north country heritage through the music of Chris Shaw. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults, and \$5.00 for children. All proceeds of the concert have been generously donated by Chris Shaw to the Ticonderoga Historical Society.

## CHAPMAN GARDEN TOUR

• Six outstanding private gardens in the Glens Falls area. • Guided tours of ACC Arboretum by Prof. Dave Hodgson. • Heirloom birdhouse auction. Now on view at the Chapman Museum. Some designed by prominent architects and other artists and artisans who have created one-of-a-kind designs. Place your bids at the museum and update bids by phone. Ticket Info: \$10 for tour; \$15 for tour and picnic pack to be picked up at museum. Date: Sun. July 22, 2001 from 11AM - 4PM. Call 793-2826 for more info.

## COFFEE HOUR FOR KATE HOGAN

Ms Hogan is a Republican candidate for District Attorney and will be at the Northern Lake George Resort on Wednesday, Aug. 1 at 10AM. Come enjoy a cup of coffee with Kate and learn more about her experience and why she wants to be D.A.

Winners in the 14th annual poetry contest at Ti Middle School included James Howard, Stephanie Nast and John Breitenbach, all sixth graders. from Hague. Congratulations!

Winners in the Hague Hoax Fest 50/50 were: Ron Prisco, LaGrangeville, NY, J. Monkofsky, Syracuse, NY and Lisa Trudeau, Ticonderoga. 7/01

## SOUNDINGS

**DIED:** George Cary Turner, 63 on June 15 . He was a summer resident for most of his youth and had many friends in Hague. He is survived by his wife Kathleen, a son, a daughter, a step-daughter, four grandchildren and sister Joan Derrenbacker.

**DIED:** Eva Connell Geskey, 85, On June 18, 2001 in Cocoa Beach, FL. She is survived by her husband, Michael and daughters Elise Geary, Hendon, VA and Mary Jo Keeler, Hague. She is also survived by 7 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

**DIED:** Deleno T. Chesky, 67, of Troy and a lifelong summer resident of Hague, in Albany on June 19, 2001. Mr. Chesky was the son of the late Louis & Sadie Chesky and was retired from G.E. International. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Anne (Brewster) and two daughters, Julieanne Tebsherany, Arlington, VA and Martha Kearns, Duxbury, MA. Memorial donations may be made to the Hague Volunteer Fire Department.

**DIED:** Dorothy Charlton Van Leeuwen, 92, on June 23 in Schenectady, NY. She was a long time summer resident of Silver Bay. She is survived by her husband, the Rev. Cornelius Van Leeuwen, two daughters, Jean Gavril, Chappaqua, NY and Barbara Kossuth, Tinley Park, IL and one son, John, Saratoga Springs, NY. Also surviving are 8 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

**DIED:** Jack Hodecker, 80, on June 26 and Erma Hodecker, 80, his wife, on July 8 in Florida. They have been summer residents of Cape Cod Village since 1986. They are survived by one son, Ted, and a daughter Carol Calcagni and four grandchildren.

**DIED:** Mary (Hoffay) Morin, 47, Raymond, ME on July 4. She was the daughter of Janet Hoffay, Hague and Harold Hoffay, Chestertown. She is survived by one sister, Ruth Carson, Mineville and 2 brothers, David, Hague and Mark, Pottersville.

**DIED:** Hazel J. Butcher, 84, Hagerstown, MD and Silver Bay, NY on July 6 in Hagerstown. Mrs. Butcher was a long time summer resident of Silver Bay. She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Rev. J. Russell Butcher, three daughters, a son, a brother, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**DIED:** Clifton F. West, 92, a lifetime resident of Hague, on July 6 at Vermont Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Marguerite, daughter and son-in-law , Betsy and the Rev. Robert Jensen, Wilton and four grandchildren. See related article on page 8.

**BORN:** Jack Anthony Cherubini to Karen and Michael Cherubini, Philadelphia PA, on April 26, 2001. Proud grandparents are Michael and Maureen Cherubini S. Hackensack, NJ and W. Hague Rd., Hague.

**BORN:** A son, Connor James, to Randy and Traci Dickerson, Black Lick, Ohio on June 29, 2001. He has a sister, Caitlin May and his grandparents are James and Donna Aloï of Peru, NY. Proud great grandparents are Jack and Doris Bolton, Hague.

**A HAPPY 90TH** birthday to Harry White on Aug. 10, a long time resident and former zoning administrator in Hague. His address is 3868 Western Turnpike, Hillcrest Commons, Lot #118, Duanesburg, NY 12056.

### SIXTH MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

The following students are listed on the honor roll for Grade 12 First Honors: William Bothe, Katie Breitenbach, Anne Johnson.

Second Honors: Tasha Braisted, Joanna Jordon, Dawn McCoy, Joshua Ross

Grade 11 First Honors: Heather Hassett, Joe Plass, Alison Rutkowski

Second Honors: Lucas Frasier, Angela Mascarelli, Theodore Santaniello, Brandon Trudeau, Tyler Wells

Grade 10 First Honors: Jessi Frasier,

Second Honors: Katie Belden, Daniel Cain, Adam Charboneau, Kelly Frasier, Matthew Russell

Grade 9 First Honors: Matthew Frasier, Monica Sitts

Second Honors: Thomas Haskell

Congratulations to Alison Rutkowski who received a perfect 100 on her History Regents this year. Alison will be a senior at Ti High School this coming year.

Lauren Mack, Hague, was named to the dean's list at Fairfield Univ. Lauren is a graduate of Ti Hi School.

Kathryn Rutkowski, daughter of Mark and Gail Rutkowski, Silver Bay, was named to the dean's list for the spring 2001 semester at St. Michael's College in Colchester.

Four grandchildren of Friends Point families entered the Ticonderoga 4th of July Montcalm Mile Run. Petey & Graham Michael's grandsons finished as follows: Jesse Rogers, 1st in the under 8 age group with 6:29, Peter Rogers, 1st in the 9-11 age group with 5:53 and Luke Rogers 3rd in the 12-14 age group with 5:48. Alison & Bruce Craig's granddaughter, Kerry Craig Fugett, 1st in the 12-14 age group (girls) with 6:09 and fifth overall in the female section. The overall female winner had a time of 5:09. Kerry's great grandfather is the late Ralph C. Craig, Olympic double gold medal track winner in 1912.

## HAGUE GRADUATES MAKE US PROUD

CLIFTON F. WEST  
August 26, 1908 - July 6, 2001

Ticonderoga High School, which includes eleven students in the graduating class, celebrated its commencement exercises on June 23. Katie Breitenbach, daughter of Debbie and John Breitenbach, Jr., Silver Bay was the valedictorian of the class. Not only was she the top student, she was also awarded 17 top prizes, including Harvey Moses Educational Award; Mary Beste Scholarship; Ticonderoga Elks Youth Leadership award; Knights of Columbus Award for excellence in Spanish; Richard J. Moore Memorial Award in Math; Kiwanis Club Scholarship for leadership and service; James McHugh Memorial Award; Delano Prize for excellence in scholarship; Marc Barber Memorial Award; James M. Lonergan Scholarship award; Stephen H. P. Pell Memorial Award; Robert F. Cunningham Key Club Award; The Soroptimist Club Award; the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship; The Deo Colburn Scholarship; The American Legion Auxiliary Award for excellence in English; the Directors Award for Excellence in Choral Music. Katie is planning to attend Bucknell Univ. To get a good look at this phenom, check her out at The Island View Cafe, where she greets everyone with a smile. Other Hague students that are to be congratulated also are: Harvey H. Moses Educational Award to Anne Johnson; Mary Beste Scholarship to William Bothe, Tasha Braisted, Anne Johnson, Dawn McCoy, Josh Plass; Emma S. Ferguson Award sponsored by Fort Ticonderoga Chapter #332 Order of Easter Star for outstanding achievement at Yandon Dillon Education Center, Donald Smith, Jr.; Mary Keogh Paniccia Memorial Prize for Excellence in Vocational Education to Ryan Lawrence; Crary Scholarships to deserving students residing in Essex and Warren Counties to Dawn McCoy; John C. Dreimiller Award for Excellence in Participation in Government, Josh Plass; Gunning Agency Improvement awards, Joanna Jordon; Craig Laslow Art award, William Bothe; Ticonderoga Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Award and the the Gwendolyn Phelan integrity Award to Tasha Braisted; Stephen J. Potter Education award to Josh Plass.

Other members of the graduating class not listed above include Paul Barber, Amy Crawford, Gregory Fitzgerald, Jason Mott.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU AND OUR BEST WISHES FOR A WONDERFUL FUTURE.

### NEW YORK STATE SAFE BOATING COURSE

Carol and Marty Brown will be teaching the NYS Safe Boating Course beginning Aug. 6 through the 10th. Classes will be held at the Community Center from 10AM-12 noon each day.

By the year 2004 every person, no matter the age will be required to be certified in order to drive a PWC. As of now all those from 10 through 18 must be certified to drive any motorized boat. For info. call 543-6403.

Clifton West was one of those people who was known by everyone and yet we know very little about him. We know he was born in Hague on Aug. 26, 1908 to Burton and Elizabeth (Clifton) West. His grandfather was the first proprietor of The Island Harbor House which was operated by the Clifton family through the third generation.

Clifton was an only child and was raised on the West farm on West Hague Road (now the Robinson property). His mother ran the farm as a boarding house, taking in many tourists.

Clifton was a story teller. Fortunately for us, he took great pains to write these stories for future generations. We now know about gathering maple syrup, logging, early plowing, early "likker" runs, farming, early settlers, noted people who vacationed in Hague, and the stories go on and on.

Clifton was a devoted father and grandfather. He told me many stories about his grandchildren, all of whom filled him with pride with their accomplishments. He told me once that everyone in his family had been a valedictorian of his/her high school class. Clifton was the first valedictorian from the Hague High School. His wife Marguerite, son Clifton Jr. and daughter, Betsy, all graduated first in their classes from Hague High School and he said with a twinkle in his eye that all his grandchildren were valedictorians also. They were all home-taught and graduated in a class of one!!

For the past several years Clifton had a great deal of trouble walking. This, however, did not keep him from walking from his home next door to the Community Center to spend countless hours in the museum, researching, organizing and talking to visitors. He was appointed town historian in 1978 and took great pride in his position. Most of his hours were volunteer. He had a severe hearing disability, but he really enjoyed people and seemed quite willing to communicate, in spite of his hardship.

Clifton was looking forward with great eagerness to the return of the Lake George monster to Hague. He had many stories to tell about the monster, since he knew its originator. The Hague Hoax Fest Committee was devastated when we got the news that he had died just a day before the big event. We had plans for him to be an honored guest in the parade. The day was so successful that we know he must have been looking down on us and smiling.

The town of Hague has lost a truly dedicated man and we will all miss him. . . djh

*An angel wrote: Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart.*

*To handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart.*

## TOWN OF HAGUE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Town of Hague is nearing completion of a new Comprehensive Plan, its first in more than 25 years. The Hague Comprehensive Plan was prepared over a one year period beginning in August 2000. The Plan was prepared by a committee appointed by the Town Board consisting of a cross-section of residents, including members of the town, planning and zoning boards. The Committee was assisted by a planning consultant, The Chazen Companies of Glens Falls.

The purpose of the Comprehensive Plan is to set forth a vision for the future of Hague. It addresses the questions, "What do we want Hague to be like in 20 years and how do we achieve that vision?" In order to understand what the residents of Hague, both seasonal and year-round, want the Town to be like, the Committee held several well attended public meetings at the outset of the planning process. The dialogue from these meetings was supplemented by comments and input from Town residents throughout the course of Plan preparation.

In considering these questions the Committee was faced with two differing visions of Hague's future. One vision can be summarized as "Hague is perfect right now, leave things as they are." This opinion was most frequently expressed by seasonal residents who spend the summer months in Town and value the quiet lifestyle and unspoiled natural beauty of the area. The second vision favored some level of new development in the Town, either oriented towards tourists or towards other forms of new business. This opinion was most frequently expressed by year round residents who either earn a living in Town, or desire to do so.

It should be emphasized that there is a broad overlap between these points of view, both in terms of the nature of the person holding the opinion and in the degree of development considered acceptable. However, on several points nearly everyone agreed, in particular that Hague should not become a tourist destination on the scale of Lake George, or even Bolton Landing. Those that favored growth were nearly unanimous in their desire to allow only limited small scale and compatible development. Also, every agreed that protection of Lake George water quality was of paramount importance.

As well as considering these competing visions in formulating the Plan, the Committee collected and analyzed a great deal of information about the Town. Highlights of these data, which influenced the direction of the Plan, include the following:

- Hague has historically been a tourist destination. Many years ago the hamlet functioned as a complete downtown, with stores and even a bowling alley. Changing vacation and work patterns led to the downsizing of the downtown. However, the Town is still a major tourist resort, and there appears to be an unmet demand for lodging facilities.
- With the exception of logging, other forms of industry (such as graphite mining) have departed from Hague. Most jobs for residents are found outside of the Town, for example in Ticonderoga or Glens Falls. Similarly there are few services in the Town. The number of young people in Hague has declined dramatically in the last twenty years; at the same time, Hague is the fastest growing town in Warren County.
- The Town's population about doubles in the summer months. The trend towards seasonal ownership has driven up lakefront land values, making it harder for year-round residents to afford such property. Land values off the lakefront have remained more affordable.
- The pending construction of a sewage treatment plant in the

hamlet will address environmental issues and provide opportunities for new development.

- Natural resources significantly constrain opportunities for new development, especially outside of the hamlet and along main roads.

Considering these factors, the Committee has developed a Plan that emphasizes improving the appearance of an concentrating new development in the hamlet, while leaving most of the remainder of the Town "as is". This strategy recognizes the need to provide opportunities for new development for those who live and work in Hague while protecting the natural beauty and resources that make Hague so special. The plan sets forth a vision for a hamlet that is upgraded in appearance and infrastructure and that will attract new development. At the same time the Plan contains recommendations to enhance protection of the Town's natural resources. The Plan also contains recommendations addressing housing and service issues and encouraging compatible hoe-based businesses.

The Plan contains more than 50 specific recommendations. The major recommendations of the Plan are as follows

- Engage in a program to upgrade the appearance and infrastructure of the primary hamlet. This will include acquiring additional land for parking, installing a sewer, and improving sidewalks, signage and building facades.
- Encourage tourism by participating in regional tourism initiatives. Allow a higher density of tourist accommodations within the primary hamlet.
- Assist the creation of new business within the primary hamlet through loans and other mechanisms.
- Amend the zoning ordinance to allow a broader array of carefully regulated home businesses.
- Amend the zoning ordinance to provide additional review and regulation of development on steep slopes, along streams and the Lake George waterfront.
- Amend the zoning ordinance to provide opportunities for affordable and senior citizen housing.
- Expand walking and snowmobile trails in the Town.
- Hold a Town-wide clean-up day and engage in other efforts to improve the appearance of the Town.

For each recommendation, the plan details the entity responsible for implementation, a priority and a first "to do" step to accomplish the objective. The adoption of the plan by the Town Board and the Planning Board will provide policy direction and a large slate of opportunities for townspeople to become involved in improving Hague for years to come.

### **The Town of Hague Comprehensive Plan Committee will hold a public informational meeting on the draft Hague Comprehensive Plan on Tuesday, Aug. 21 at 7PM in the Community Center.**

The plan replaces the Town's current plan, which dates from the 1970's. It contains a number of recommendations for improving the appearance and economic vitality of the primary hamlet, while protecting the natural resources and beauty for which Hague is known.

A copy of the Plan's Executive Summary may be obtained from the Town Clerk. A limited number of copies of the Plan will also be available from the Town Clerk beginning August 1. Persons with questions may contact the Chair of the Plan Committee, David Darrin, at 782-1320, or planning consultant Stuart Mesinger at 812-0513.

### HANGING BASKETS & FLOWER BOX DESIGNATIONS

The Enhancement Committee of Hague has put the name plates on the baskets and boxes and we are posting the locations so that you may be able to find "your" basket. This list will be posted at the Community Center and the Visitors' Center also.

Going south from the triangle on the east side of 9N

- #1 In Memory of John T. Henry
- # In Memory of John Warren
- #3 In Memory of Charles R. Barton Jr.

Going south from the triangle on west side of 9N

- #1 In honor of Maureen Garrison
- #2 In Memory of Robert Rypkema

Going north from the triangle on east side of 9N

- Southeast flower box In Memory of Bob Hoyt  
In Memory of Curt Jordon
- Northeast flower box In Memory of Bill Foster  
In Memory of Esther & Jim Belden
- Darrin Park In Memory of Betty Burford

Going north from the triangle on west side of 9N

- Northwest flower box In honor of Janice Belden  
In memory of Ann Denise Ward
- Southwest flower box In honor of Ursula Montbriand  
In memory of Ann Denise Ward
- South big planter Green Acres Camp Site
- North big planter In memory of Helen Cole

Baskets - going north from triangle on west side of 9N

- #1 In honor of Joan Belden
- #2 In Memory of Al Van Sleet
- #3 In Memory of Ray and Marge Laundree

Route 8 from the triangle

- #1 In Memory of Joan Lusk
- #2 In Memory of Erlo Schoder
- #3 In Memory of H. F. Jorgensen
- #4 In Memory of Ann Denise Ward
- #5 In Memory of Deek and Roy
- #6 In Memory of Marie Barbara Ticknor
- #7 In Memory of Irene Coveney
- #8 In Memory of John Muehleisen
- #9 In Memory of Edna and Joseph Malloy
- #10 In Memory of Bertha Crabbs
- #11 In Memory of Harold Brown
- #12 In Memory of Sunny Jack Bambach
- #13 In Memory of Ann Denise Ward
- #14 In Memory of Chuck Jessup
- #15 In Memory of Ed & Rae Heins
- #16 In Memory of Howard and Dorothy Engler
- #17 In Memory of Joseph DeFelice
- #18 In honor of Steve Davis

### EARLY LIFE ON THE WEST FARM A COUNTRY BOARDING HOUSE

By Clifton West

The following is excerpted from papers written by the late Clifton West. We thought you might find some of the early history of Hague interesting.

"On the Farm we had several guests who merit special attention so I will devote space to tell about them.

"Miss Ida E. Winne first came to the farm in 1892. By 1925 she had spent 25 years teaching math in Albany High School. She started me reading at an early age, so by the time I was eight I could read and understand the daily papers. Her efforts to teach me the rudiments of geometry in later years were not too successful. She and a companion, Miss Russ, always came up after school closed in June and stayed until Labor Day. They spent much of their time reading, rocking on the porch, playing cribbage and swinging in their hammocks. I still have their hammocks which were Navy surplus from World War I.

"Professor Christopher Webb came to the farm in 1911, but his name was Wiberzahl at that time. During World War I many people of German lineage changed their names to Americanize them. He chose to become Webb as it did not sound Teutonic. He taught ancient history in Columbia University. He could make history interesting. He spent hours telling the story of the Odyssey by installments to an audience of two, his son and me. He was a Physical Culturist and liked to bathe in the cold swimming hole. One time the two old maid teachers were walking near the brook when he was enjoying a dip au natural. They did not recover from the shock for several days.

"Mrs. Jesse Meyroitz came to the farm first in 1892, 15 years before dad and mother went there. She continued to return until 1920. She seemed to be quite affluent and could afford to pay for extras, like a box stove well supplied with fuel in her room and paying Mother to read books to her and having her meals brought to her room. In later years she seldom left her room but always wanted a fire in the stove regardless of the outside temperature. I was paid to replenish the fuel supply daily. She was a good pianist and played classical music. We never knew where she spent the winter but one annual job mother had was exterminating the bed bugs from the mattress and room after she left. I still have her spoon which she always used on the farm. It is engraved "Lake Placid Club".

... "Prohibition was in force then and the doctor had to make his own booze. He could buy alcohol and I gathered berries from the pasture juniper bushes so he made up his own version of "bathtub gin". He paid ten dollars a gallon when it was for medicinal uses. He treated the other men so it became somewhat of an expensive hobby. Then he conceived the idea of making alcohol. That meant buying a still, so spent \$22.00 and had a small glass one sent up from New York City. The cooking retort were of Pyrex glass and all tubing of rubber. Set up in a back room, it was an object of interest when it was working. I can still see the alcohol drip, drip, dripping from the "worm", like sap from a maple tree. Preliminary to the distilling operation the mash had to ferment in a 20 gallon crock. I cannot remember just what composed this vile smelling mixture, but we had to keep the windows open and the door closed to keep the odor from permeating the whole house. The cooking fuel was "canned heat". ...

**OSTEOPOROSIS EXERCISE CLASS** is held weekly on Tuesdays from 1:30-2:30PM in the Moses Ludington Hospital Cafeteria. No fee.

**FIBROMYALGIA Support Group** meets in the hospital cafeteria at 1:30-3:30 the first Monday of every month. Mark your calendar for August 6.

- Fort Ticonderoga will present an exhibition of the most important document in U.S. history, the first printing of the Declaration of Independence. Exhibition to be held on July 20, 21 and 22, 2001. Area residents are admitted to the fort free.

- *Daniel Way: Hometown USA Revisited* explores the 1944 Look Magazine designation of Glens Falls as "Hometown, USA" with 21st Century eyes from July 13 - Sept. 8, 2001 At the Lapham Gallery in Glens Falls. Joining this exhibition is a photo essay *Celebrate Life*, a hooked rug exhibit. Showing concurrently with these two exhibits is *Antique Banks from the Collection of Glens Falls National Bank and Trust Company*, featuring three dozen antique mechanical and static banks. This exhibit is free and open to the public. Gallery open Mon - Sat. from 10AM-3PM. Call 798-1144 for info.

- Warren County Fair is scheduled for Aug 9-12, 2001 in Warrensburg. Exhibits are needed for "Adult Creations" section. Open to any resident of Warren County 20 years of age or older, exhibit will include food preservation, photography, painting, folk art, needlework, ceramics, woodworking, handiwork and quilting. There is also a potpourri category. Prices to be awarded by area businesses. No charge to exhibit. Call 623-3291 or 668-4881 for info.

- The Lake George Park Commission's Law Enforcement Comm. will meet on July 31 at 9AM in the Hague Community Center. The Committee will conduct a regular meeting which will include the Commission's Project Review Committee meeting on Tues, July 31, 2001 at 10AM at the Hague Community Center.

- Noontime "Arts Sandwiched In", free concerts in City Park, Glens Falls each Wed. at noon through Aug. 15 Sponsored by LARAC.

- King's Garden at Fort Ticonderoga is open for season. Hours are 9AM-6PM in July and Aug. Friends of Fort Ticonderoga, residents of Putnam, Hague, Crown Point, NY and Orwell and Shoreham VT receive free admission. For info. call 685--2821.

- The Ticonderoga Historical Society will be hosting the work of June Borho entitled "Adirondack Scenes" in the Harmon Art Gallery July 5 through Sept. 1, 2001. June has lived in the Adirondacks for thirty years. The Harmon Gallery in the Hancock House is open to the public Wed. through Sat. from 10AM to 4PM. Information concerning the art of June Borho can be obtained by calling Steve Blanchard at 585-7868 or e-mail at ths@capital.net

- The Johnsbury Historical Society presents the 100th Anniversary Commemoration of The Adirondacks Great Stagecoach Robbery at the North Creek Railroad Depot, Sat. Aug 11, 2001 from 10AM to noon.

## AIRPORT GALLERY FEATURES LAKE GEORGE "QUEEN OF AMERICAN LAKES"

*GUIDEBOAT TO LAKE GEORGE* an exhibition of the history and legacy of Lake George will feature regional art, historic photographs and other materials chronicling Lake George leisure activities during the late 1900's and offer individuals a closer look at the environmental concerns faced by the lake and its inhabitants both today and in the future. Included in the exhibit is a 1895 Rushton "Iowa Pleasure" rowboat once used on Lake George. The exhibit is a collaboration between the Chapman Historical Museum and the Lake George Association.

Albany International Airport invites you to take part in the following exhibit-related programs: *Roughing it" at Lake George*. July 28, 2PM at the Chapman Historical Museum, Glens Falls. It features photos of Seneca Ray Stoddard. For info. call 793-2826 (Chapman).

*The Lake George Assoc. Floating Classroom*, Aug. 25, 9:30AM (rain date Aug. 26) This 2-hour boat ride will explore the ecology of Lake George, the geology of the region and the quality of the lake's water. Space is limited. For reservations, please contact the Lake George Assoc. at 668-3558. For additional info. contact Sharon Bates at 242-2243.

Allow yourself some extra time the next time you take a flight out of Albany or are meeting someone there. Should be very worth your while.

## ISN'T THIS A GREAT IDEA?

It was brought to my attention the other day that perhaps we could do something for the town in memory of Clifton West. Clifton lived all his life in Hague and spent many many hours, particularly after his retirement to help make Hague a better place to live. Bertha Dunsmore has suggested that a tree could be planted in his memory in the grassy area of the parking lot, near the flagpole. Since he spent so much of his time in the Community Center and walking back and forth to his house, we feel that this would be a lasting tribute to him. We could develop a small garden around the tree with a boulder and a plaque commemorating his many years of service to the community.

Here's the proposition! For all those Hague Chronicle supporters, and even those who are not, would you be willing to contribute to this project? The town agreed at its last meeting to buy a tree in his honor. It would be up to the rest of us to make a small garden around it. If you like this idea, please let Bertha (at the Community Center) know. Contributions may be sent to Clifton West Memorial Garden, c/o Bertha Dunsmore, Community Center, Hague, NY 12836.

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**HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT STEAK ROAST**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, SERVING FROM 1 PM TO 8PM ?**

**ADULTS - \$11.50  
CHILDREN UNDER 12 - \$6.50**

**RAIN OR SHINE AT THE NEW FIREHOUSE ON WEST HAGUE ROAD**

**Large Fresh Steak  
Baked Potato and Rolls  
Corn on Cob & Cole Slaw  
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**HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS  
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