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B.A.S.S. TOURNAMENT

For the fourth year (since 1982) the N.Y. State B.A.S.S. Federation will kick off its 1985 season in Hague on June 15 and 16. The tournament is being sponsored by the Hague Chamber of Commerce and the Warren County Tourism Dept.

Saturday, June 15 will be a practice day for the fishermen with the competition to get underway on Sunday morning about 5:30 A.M.

In connection with the B.A.S.S. Tournament the Chamber of Commerce plans to have activities scheduled. On Saturday there will be a STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Exhibits are being planned in the park during the tournament. Entertainment will be provided during the afternoon at the park.

The Fire Department will hold its very popular STEAK ROAST on Saturday from 4 - 8 PM behind the Beachside Motel. Live entertainment will be provided for your dining pleasure.

The Hague Chamber of Commerce DESPERATELY NEEDS HELP for all phases of this weekend. Please volunteer as soon as possible.

The Chamber is offering a bonus of \$50 to the Tournament winner, if he has stayed in Hague during the Tournament...djh

ARSON ALLEGED IN HAGUE

Robert Lawrence Webber, 17, of Mineville was arrested on May 13 in Elizabethtown. He was charged with burglary and arson in connection with the April 15 fire in Hague. The boat storage facility owned by Ward's Marina was destroyed and fire damage was in excess of \$100,000. The arrest followed an investigation by the Warren County Sheriff's Department and the State Police.

POISON IVY FACTS

1. See a doctor if you have a serious case.
2. Poison ivy does not grow in Europe.
3. Relatively few people can honestly identify it; learn how.
4. Being near the plant can produce the disease.
5. Touching contaminated animals (dog or cat), or articles (garden tools or golf clubs) can cause the rash.
6. Touching afflicted patients cannot transfer poison ivy.
7. Laundry soap or any soap only valuable in the first few minutes of contact, harsh remedies make it worse.
8. Simple cool compresses - water basic ingredient - should be applied intermittently. Soothing lotion - calamine.
9. Go to Europe for the summer!
...From a Dermatology Magazine sent to us by Reader Dr. Hume

CABLE TV FOR SUMMER RESIDENTS

It is possible for summer residents who live in an area now serviced by Cable TV to hook up to Cable for the summer at the established rate. It can be disconnected for the period of time you are not here and will be reconnected for a small service charge when you return. Call Classic Cable at 1-800-828-2211 for further information.

THE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER, ETC.
when you use fertilizer on lawns, and so is the lake bottom! Adding soil nutrients, whether it be from a nice neat bag from a manufacturer or from a pick-up truck in the form of seasoned manure, leach into the lake causing green growth on the lake bottom just as it does on your lawns. GREEN IN LAKE - BIG MISTAKE! ac

NEW YORK STORY

On the upper deck of the Staten Island Ferry, there was no other place to be if you were a Staten Islander and commuted to school in the thirties. It was our campus. It was a study hall. It was a place to dream, to meet friends, or just sit and watch an occasional ocean liner go by. Of course rush hours you hurried for a seat unless you were a hardy soul and walked around the upper deck. Winter and summer I can remember the people one saw daily striding with some purpose in mind of good health to take them through, perhaps, a day in a dull office or difficult classes at a university.

Many would pause as we passed the Statue of Liberty. Others continued reading or walking, ignoring the Old Lady (christened that by returning G.I.'s) - we never called her that. That statue never ceases to thrill me as it had my mother. She was five years old and stood somewhere on the Manhattan shore and watched our gift from France and Bertholdi assembled; at least that is what we were told many times. We learned the inscription at the base of the statue. We knew it was from the poem 'The New Colossus' by Emma Lazarus:

"Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, the
tempest tossed to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door. ...MB

SURPLUS FOOD

A number of callers have asked when surplus food will be distributed in Hague. Diane, Town secretary, has been informed that there will probably be no distribution before September.

CHRONICLE GOES MODERN

The staff of THE HAGUE CHRONICLE is proud to announce that a computer has been purchased for the purpose of publishing the paper more efficiently. After spending many months investigating the pros and cons of a number of computers we have purchased an Apple - Macintosh with printer. Unfortunately your publisher has not quite mastered the machine so you will note that this issue is being published via the good old IBM Selectric. However, the masthead of this issue has been done on the computer. (I was practicing!)

I hope that by next month I will be proficient enough to do the whole issue on the computer. It is a challenge, to say the least!

We now have an office set up in my home. I would be pleased to have you stop by. I have no established office hours, so better call first!

And speaking of mastheads - we have not forgotten our masthead contest. We had a number of entries but they have still not been judged. Hang in there - we should be able to announce the winner next month...D. Henry, Publisher

FIRE DEPARTMENT

A group of ten men from the Hague Fire Dept. will attend the Fire School at Colonie Fire Tower as guests of Chief Clancy and Mayor Frank Reale of Green Island on 5/19.

Recent Fires

January	3 fires	56	man	hours
February	1	24	"	"
March	6	170	"	"
April	7	199	"	"
Total	17	449	"	"

Ambulance

4 runs
190 miles
50 man hours

Next meeting - June 3 - 8:00 PM!!!

STEAK ROAST - June 15 - LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ...Joanne Stormer

TOWN BOARD MEETING

On 5/14/85 a screened gravel bid for \$2.50 per yd. was awarded to Larry Huestis. The high bidder for the 2 pistons was Elmer Patnode. Necessary pistol permit will be carefully checked before sale.

A request for \$119.50 (incorporation fee) was made by the newly formed Senior Citizen Club. Motion to allot this sum was passed unanimously.

Additional letters included three from APA. The correction of an error in the regional map that lists a parcel just off Rt. 21 that should read state owned - not private land. Town had no objection to the change. A reply from R. Glennon, APA lawyer, to one from Supervisor Bolton re: APA involvement with any future Art. 78 problems. Bolton will pursue this issue. Application has been forwarded to APA for a share of the State Financial Assistance appropriation for Land Use Plan changes.

A request for use of the Hague landfill as a depository for chemicals used in the Ti School District was rejected unanimously.

Gerald Solomon reiterated his opposition to the freezing of this next year's Social Security COLA's. Will introduce his own bill concerning same.

Pastor Bruce Stetser has resigned from the Warren County Youth Board.

Niagara-Mohawk employees are instituting a radio-watch program to benefit our communities. It will cover emergencies: street crime, accidents, etc.

A water problem caused by ditch runoff at Donald Ward's in Forest Bay will be checked by Dan Belden and Dick Bolton.

All owners of property adjacent to the Hague brook are to be notified that they are eligible for flood insurance.

First Quarter report by Harvey Yaw, Town Justice, was as follows:

M.V. cases	16
Transcript for Atty.	\$3.50
Money to Audit & Control	\$193.50

Supervisor Bolton announced the following receipts from Cable TV

10/1 - 12/31	\$158.08
1st qtr. '85	185.25

Committee reports tell us that the park is ready for summer, the trees at the public park have been cut and dead ones

removed; that a .6 mile of Split Rock Rd. has been resurfaced.

Town appointments have been made: MICHELLE BRUNET has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals MARTIN FITZGERALD, SR. has been appointed to fill the vacancy of Councilman on the Hague Town Board. His term will run until Jan. 1, 1986.

Our insurance rates have almost doubled. Consultant to check more beneficial proposals for the town.

Special Town Board meeting on Friday, May 24 at 6:30 PM to discuss Waltonian Island Ordinance and Employee's Guide...GL

BEAR WITH US

The Town Hall has a new telephone system. Apparently a number of people have called the Town Hall recently and have been getting constant ringing. Diane Frasier, secretary, informs us that this does not necessarily mean there is no one in the office. In fact most of the time it means that the only line into the office is currently tied up. There is a beep on the line that is being used to tell the user that someone is waiting. However, if the original caller is put on hold to answer the waiting call, it is usually very difficult to get back to him. They are trying to get this straightened out. In the meantime, please be patient. Best advice is to call back in a couple minutes...djh

QUILT SHOW

The Wings Falls Quilter's Guild of Glens Falls is sponsoring its second bi-annual Adirondack Spring Quilt Festival Saturday and Sunday, June 1 and 2 at Adirondack Community College.

The Guild is currently seeking quilts or quilted items for this year's show. It is anxious to hear from anyone who has a quilt or quilted items, either new or heirloom, who would like to display them.

More information is available from Carolyn Accardi, 9 Hoyt Ave., Glens Falls or Nancy Strong, Vaughn Rd., Hudson Falls.

WILLY C's APRIL/MAY WEATHER NOTES

April 18 was a "doozer", 2" of wet snow with wind out of the N.E. at 28 M.P.H. in the A.M., lightning and thunder by 6:30 P.M. The low temperature for the day was 26°F, the high 41°F. It never got lower than the 22° mark set on the 10th. On the brighter side it hit 80° on 4/24 and 84° on 4/30. We also picked up another 1 hr. and 24 min. of daylight during April, 49 of those minutes coming in the morning. Our top wind velocity during April was 35 M.P.H.; it hit 39 M.P.H. on May 1 and has been fairly windy so far this month. Temperatures have been gradually warming up in May, but frost danger is not entirely over. It was 33°F on May 9 at this location, but I am certain it was much colder in many spots. Glens Falls hit the low temperature for the nation the same day, so we fared better than some. Our area is doing better than many in the rainfall department, at least for the first two weeks of May. We have had 2 in. plus of precipitation to date. All in all things are really beginning to look like summer. Trees are greening up the mountainsides. Fruits and flowers are blossoming out and practically all our summer feathered friends are in residence, along with the black flies and mosquitos. The bird population and number of species really does seem to be increasing. The fishermen are back out in great numbers. Observed a small centerboard catboat sailing in a 20 knot breeze the other day and three water skiers cavorting today. The water temperature is 49°F at the two foot level.

A warming thought to leave with you - the heating degree days so far this season through April 30 are 4.2% warmer than last year and 7.3% warmer than normal...Willy C.

ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

The assessment inventory and valuation data for the Town of Hague is available for examination and review pursuant to Section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law.

This information may be reviewed by appointment at the Town of Hague Town Hall on Saturday, May 18 between 1 and 5 PM and on Tuesday, May 21 from 4 - 8 PM. For appointment call 543-6161.

TICONDEROGA FESTIVAL GUILD

The membership drive for the Guild is under way. Last year's members have received letters asking them to renew their memberships. New members are needed and most welcome.

An excellent program of concerts and entertainment has been set up for the 1985 season, opening with The Empire State Brass Quintet on July 16 with a reception for all concert goers following.

Other programs include the Summertime Olde Towne Band, Gregg Smith Singers, Mozart on Fifth and the bluegrass group, The McLain Family Band.

Of particular interest to the children is the Arts Trek III program. This series begins on July 3 with the WIZ KIDS and continues on July 10 with Marshall Izen (Rags, Bags and Dragons); July 17 Empire State Brass Quintet; July 24 Gregg Smith Youth Singers; July 31 The Act Wagon's Alice in Wonderland and Aug. 7 the Merlin Magic Show. All of these programs, approximately one hour in length will be held under the tent on the Ti Community Building lawn. There is no admission charge to the Arts Trek programs and though they are geared especially for children, the public is invited.

Mark these dates on your calendar!! dh

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY CHORALE

The Champlain Valley Chorale will hold a spring concert on Saturday, May 18 in Vergennes, VT at 7:30 PM. They will perform again at the United Methodist Church in Ticonderoga on Sunday, May 19 at 4:00 PM. Special music will be furnished by a harpist, flutist, guitarist and cymbalist. The public is cordially invited to attend either or both of these concerts.

DID YOU KNOW?

From minutes of Rochester Town meeting 1808 (changed to Hague that year):

"A vote taken that there should be \$30 raised for town expenses in 1808"

In 1909 Hague Town meeting minutes states: "A vote that \$20 is enough money to be raised for the year 1809.

"A vote that \$20 shall be raised for Poor money....From Historical Soc. records.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 4/25/85

Ray Snyder, newly appointed chairman of the ZBA, and Board members, discussed the procedures which they should follow when making decisions concerning requests for variances. Dan Kane, Assistant Director of the Warren County Department of Planning also attended this meeting to answer questions that the Board had on this matter. The Board is still waiting for the Town Board to make an appointment of a new member to fill the vacancy that has existed since Jan. 1.* As there were no requests for variances, this was basically an informational meeting and one of re-organization under the new chairman. David Martucci is the new secretary of the Board..ac

* Appointment made 5/14. See Town Board news.p.3

AUDUBON BIRDATHON TO AID LOCAL EDUCATION PROJECTS

Saturday, May 18 will be strictly for the birds, according to the High Peaks Audubon Society. On that day volunteer counters will be out in full force in an attempt to spot as many bird species as possible in just 24 hours.

The 1985 BIRDATHON is the climax to the National Audubon Society's bicentennial celebration of the birth of John James Audubon, the great American naturalist and artist and namesake of the half-million-member conservation organization.

Volunteers are signing up area sponsors. A sponsor pledges a nickel, or more, for every bird species spotted by the volunteer. Last year's record was 95 different species.

Proceeds collected from this event will be used to send two children to Camp Colby this summer and to further educational goals of the chapter.

Those interested in participating as either watchers or sponsors should call Laura Meade at 543-6060.

HAGUE PLANNING BOARD 5/2/85

A public hearing was held in regard to the minor subdivision of John and Cristine Pucek's property at the foot of Tongue Mt. There was no opposition expressed concerning the proposed subdivision. At the regular meeting following the hearing, the Board reviewed the application and determined that it met all zoning requirements, approved the subdivision.

The Board set June 6 for the public hearing on the Jay Reynold's proposed minor subdivision. Warren County Planning Board supports this subdivision.

The Planning Board is requesting that the Town Board have Town Attorney, John Silvestri, write Dr. Walter Sperling in regard to his fence that is in violation of the Hague Zoning Ordinance.

Liliana Preaudat of Hollow Road wrote the Town Board that the property across the street from hers had become a junk yard and requested the Town enforce the zoning rules which prohibits junk yards at that location. The Planning Board supports her request.

E.S.T.R.A.

Dick Frasier, owner of Lakeshore Garage, Inc. and President of Empire State Towing & Recovery Assn. has announced that the 2nd annual Tow Show will again be held at the Fort William Henry Hotel in Lake George June 7, 8 and 9. This 3-day event is attracting professionals in the towing & recovery field who want to improve their skills and/or pit their skills and rigs against other operators. 200 to 300 trucks & their operators will be on hand and all those who like to see big equipment in action should be at the Fort William Henry on Sat. between 9 AM & 5 PM to see these men and their machines in action during the day-long.

Respectfully,
Rector

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

David Rutkowski, Chemistry teacher and director of the Planetarium at Ticonderoga High School, will speak at the May 22 meeting of the Hague Historical Society at the Baptist Church at 7:30 PM. His topic will be "Birds of the Adirondacks and Champlain Valley." Mr. Rutkowski is president of the High Peaks Audubon Society, Elizabethtown, NY.

The Hague Historical Society cordially invites all interested residents to hear this very interesting and informative program...LM

BOARD OF EDUCATION

There are three openings on the Board of Education this year. Michael Gallant has chosen not to run. Tony Paniccia and Orly Dixon are both candidates for re-election and Martin Halpert and Michael Diskin will also be candidates. The top three vote getters will be elected to the Board. ELECTION DAY will be June 12.

There is an expected increase of \$430,000 or a 4.5% true tax rate increase over last year; an assessed increase of 6 - 7%. Part of this is due to requiring 3 new teacher positions; a 10% increase in supplies; \$13,000 increase in liability insurance and \$54,000 for track improvements.

The Board decided to change the holiday dates as previously announced. May 24 and May 28 will be holidays, due to the return of snow days.

The high school band played for 1½ hours at the Capitol in Albany on April 22.

It was announced that 170 students are participating in spring sports this year.

SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB

At the April 24th meeting of the club, officers were elected and a ByLaws committee was formed. Meetings are to be held at 1:30 PM on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Next meeting-May 22.

At this time a vote will be taken for our first spring trip. We urge you all to attend. Again, I want to remind all seniors that they can contact the Office of the Aging in the Warren County Municipal Center, 761-6347 (collect, if necessary) for just about any problem.

...Georgina Lindquist, President

'TIS THE SEASON

Are you in need of services? Do you have a service to offer? THE HAGUE CHRONICLE will be happy to print your requests in our June issue if you let us know by June 10. So--if you would like to baby-sit, houseclean, do yard work, etc. etc. (or need someone who will), please let us know. We hope we can be of service to you...djh

ATTENTION - HAGUE CHAMBER MEMBERS

1985 dues statements will be sent out shortly. Your cooperation in paying your dues (\$50) as soon as possible will help greatly to support the Hague Spring Community Weekend (BASS TOURNAMENT, STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL, STEAK ROAST) on June 15 and 16, 1985. An additional donation to defray the expense of the BASS Tournament prize money would also be appreciated. Please make checks payable to "Hague Chamber of Commerce" and send to Linda Coffin, Treasurer. Thank you...KS

There will be an important meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on Monday, May 20 at 7:30 PM.

AMERICAN LEGION

Memorial Day will be observed by Hague Post 1538, American Legion with brief but impressive ceremonies to be conducted on Monday, May 27 at 10 AM at the May Memorial Cemetery, New Hague Road, to be immediately followed at 10:30 by a similar observance at the old Hague Cemetery at Rt. 8 and West Hague Road. All post members plus the general public are urged to attend these ceremonies in remembrance of our honored dead.

Following the ceremonies, all are invited to the Legion Home for coffee and doughnuts, at which time sample American flags will be on display for immediate sale, plus the taking of orders for early delivery of special sizes and grades not in stock.

The next regular meeting of Post 1538 will be held at the Legion Home on Wednesday, June 5 at 7:30 PM...BAC

SOUNDINGS

BORN - A boy, Ross William, to Capt. Robert and Jackie (Fowler) Byers on March 11 in West Germany. Grandparents are Pat Fowler and Frank Fowler, Hague.

BORN - A girl, Jessica Marie, to Michelle (Snyder) and Timothy Gregoire on April 6 in Brockport, NY. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Ray Snyder, New Hague Road.

BORN - A boy, Christopher Edward, to Sally and Jeffrey Engler on April 7 in Albany. Grandparents are Dottie & Howard Engler, Hague.

BORN - A boy, Adam Joseph to Donna (Cameron) and Tommy Charbonneau on April 24 in Manhattan, KS. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Cameron, Hague.

ENGAGED - Lisa Leonard, Friends Pt. to Richard Timm of Cornwall, NY. Lisa is the daughter of Blythe and the late Richard Leonard.

ENGAGED - Deborah Jane Bell, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Bell, Hague, to John Edward Cameron of Poughkeepsie.

MARRIED - Frank Fowler II, son of Mrs. Pat Fowler and Mr. Frank Fowler, Hague, to Lisa Boyle, Port Henry on Feb. 22.

DIED - Ethel (Fitzgerald) DeLarm, life-time resident of Hague, on her 88th birthday, April 22, in Moses Ludington Hospital. She is survived by her husband Rollin, son James, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Her son, Keith, deceased, was a former supervisor of Hague.

DIED - Samuel R. Frasier, 63, Hollow Rd, on April 23 in Moses Ludington Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Helen, four daughters, three sons and eight grandchildren. Four brothers, all of Hague also survive.

BLYTHE LEONARD, Friends Pt. graduates on May 19 from Johnson State College. She has been selected to Who's Who in Amer. Universities and Colleges. Blythe was on the President's list her senior year and received the school's highest education honor, the Excellence in Teaching award. She has accepted a teaching position in Vermont.

Robert Patchett, former Hague councilman, at a court session in Albany on May 10, was fined and ordered to make restitution of unpaid taxes, plus accrued interest.

CLEAN-UP DAY

The Highway Department will hold a CLEAN-UP DAY on May 17 from 8 AM until 2 PM. The landfill is closed that day, but will be open for anyone interested in helping us spruce up our town. Anyone having trash and no way of getting it to the landfill, please contact the Highway Garage for pickup. Anyone wishing to volunteer their time, we would appreciate it. You can contact 543-6500 for more details...DB

NOTICE TO ALL HAULERS

Any trucks carrying loose materials - e.g. sand, garbage, leaves, brush - shall keep a cover over it while transporting.

Supervisor, Richard Bolton

Brother Gregory Hunt, Manhattan College writes "...Congratulations on the April issue of The Hague Chronicle. I was very impressed with the article on the V.E.S. Program also the Viewpoint article on Nicaragua..."

Ed. And speaking of the V.E.S. Program, for those of you who asked - V.E.S. stands for Youth Established Service.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MAY and JUNE

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| <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> |
| *17 Cleanup Day for town - see p. 7 | 5 American Legion - 7:30 PM |
| 20 Special Chamber of Commerce - 7:30 PM
Town Hall | 6 Sr. Citizens Bus to Glens Falls |
| 21 Fish and Game Club - 7:30 PM | 6 Planning Board - 7:30; Hearing 7:00 p5 |
| 21 School Board - 7:30 PM | 8 E.S.T.R.A. - Lake George p. 5 |
| 22 Sr. Citizens Club - 1:30 Town H. p. 6 | 10 CHRONICLE DEADLINE |
| 22 Hague Historical Soc. - 7:30 PM p. 6 | 11 Town Board - 6:30 PM |
| 22 El. - Middle Sch. Spring Concert - 7:30 | 12 School Board election. Vote on budget
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| 23 Garden Club - spring planting | 15 BASS TOURNAMENT and STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL |
| 23 Zoning Board - 7:30 PM | 16 BASS TOURNAMENT p. 11 STEAK ROAST |
| 24 Special Town Board - 6:30 PM p. 3 | 18 Fish and Game Club - 7:30 PM |
| 27 Offices Closed - Memorial Day | 18 School Board Meeting - 7:30 PM |
| *18 Assessors in Town Hall 1 - 5 p. 4 | Representative from Veterans' Adm. in Town
Hall every Thursday at 11:30 AM |
| 21 " " " " 4 - 8 p. 4 | |

YUM YUM!!

On the evening of May 15 it was my privilege and pleasure to be a guest of the Middle School eighth grade class at a pancake supper given for their parents. Under the able direction of Teachers Dolbeck, Dedrick and Wilson, the science classes of the 8th grade operated a sugar house this spring. A video tape recording giving all the details of the operation was shown. Mr. Dolbeck informed me that it was really a cooperative effort of the whole Middle School. The elementary students were given guided tours and the student council under the guidance of Kathy Winiecki, Home Ec. teacher helped put on the supper, with assistance from Industrial Arts Teacher "Flipper" Le Mieux, who tosses a mean flapjack! Of course the piece de resistance was the syrup, a product of the 8th graders' efforts. The following students from Hague participated in the project: John Hayes, Eddie May, Kyle May, Tim Dunsmore, Pete Belden, Todd Fish, Chris Swinton, Tanya Goetsch, Jason Plass, Alison Porter, Shannon Olcott, Ricky Myers and Donald McCoy. Thanks kids. It was super!..djh

BIG HOLIDAY WEEKEND COMING UP. PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY. WE WANT YOU BACK.

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