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WHAT IS THERE TO DO IN THE HAGUE AREA AT CHRISTMAS

SENIORS PARTY - On Tuesday, December 4, 2001 the Kiwanis Club and Ticonderoga Central School District are sponsoring a holiday party for seniors at the Elementary/Middle School cafeteria at 2PM. A light turkey lunch will be provided and entertainment will be furnished by students. As usual, Santa will make a visit. Reservations should be made by Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2001 by calling Georgina Lindquist at 543-6095 or 543-6161. Snow date is December 5.

HOLIDAY IN HAGUE - The Hague Specialty Shops will be open for Christmas shopping on Saturday, December 1st from 10 am to 5 pm. Old Glory Antiques & Gifts, Hague Creek Antiques & Gifts and Carriage Barn Antiques will be open in their regular locations. Mt. Zion, Graphite Mt. Stoneworks and The Red Garage will be displaying their gifts at Stull Realty. There will be free refreshments at each place and by visiting all four locations, shoppers will be eligible for some fabulous door prizes.

CHRISTMAS FAIR - The First United Methodist Church of Ticonderoga is having its annual Christmas Fair the weekend of Friday, 11/30 and Saturday 12/1.

The fair will open with a dinner at 5:30PM on Friday night followed by the opening of the Christmas Fair and Thrift Shop from 6:30 - 8:30PM. The roast beef dinner will be by reservation only. Call the church office, 585-7995 or Jane Bassett, 585-6178. \$7.00 adults, \$4.00 children.

On Saturday the Fair will be open from 9AM - 12N with the Thrift Shop open from 9AM-2PM. (CONT.)

The Fair will feature sales of baked goods, crafts, nature notes, white elephants and SERV (gifts from the mission field). New this year the fair will feature "do it yourself" projects which will be on sale for your home or to purchase as gifts.

FESTIVAL OF THE TREES - The Hancock House is inviting community organizations to participate in the fun of decorating the Hancock House with a tree, centerpiece, gingerbread house, cookie tree, creche, or any other type of festive decorations. First, second and third prize ribbons as well as three certificates of honorable mention will be

awarded. Only artificial materials will be acceptable. All entries must be registered and completed before 3PM on Dec. 14. Open house Dec. 14 from 6-9PM. Trees will be on view until January.

The Hancock House is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10AM-4PM. Visit the charming gift shop for unusual gifts. Call 585-7868 for info.

COMMUNITY PARTY - The whole community from tots to totterers, is invited to attend the annual Christmas party sponsored by the Hague Chamber of Commerce on Saturday, Dec. 1 at 6:30PM. Entertainment will include the lighting of the BIG community Christmas tree, the Memory Tree and the Community Christmas tree "downtown". Hague Senior Citizen of the year will be announced.

Cathie Burdick is again chairman of refreshment committee. She will be most happy to accept any goodies proffered. Call her at 543-8824 to volunteer cookies, time, or both. Kids - get your picture taken with Santa. PLEASE COME TO THE PARTY AND JOIN IN THE FUN.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT for the benefit of the TINY TIM program will be held on Saturday, Dec. 15 at 3PM at the United Methodist Church in Ticonderoga. This will be an informal concert with musicians from the Middle School, High School and adults from the community. An adult jazz band will be one of the features of the program along with vocal renditions. Pat Cornell, Val Dixon and Nelson Shapiro will direct.

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT WALK *The Hague Chronicle* is pleased to sponsor the third annual Christmas Carol Candlelight Walk, to be held on Thursday, December 20 at 6:30 PM, meeting at the Community Center. Luminaries will light the way to the town park. At the park we will light candles, sing carols and listen to a short Christmas message around the Christmas tree.

PLEASE JOIN US. Those who cannot walk the distance should meet us at the park. Upon return to the community center we will warm ourselves with hot chocolate and cookies.

HAGUE COMMUNITY MEMORY TREE - Each year a felt tree is placed in the lobby of the Community Center on which the names of deceased loved ones or those who you would like to remember and honor, are placed. A tree will be lighted in the center of town along the brook during the Christmas party on Dec. 1. Donations of \$1.00 per name should be sent to Imogene Frasier, Hague, NY 12836. Checks may be made payable to the Hague Chamber of Commerce. All funds raised are donated to the Hague Emergency Squad by the C.C. A list of honorees will be published in this newspaper.

LARAC'S HOLIDAY SHOPPING SHOWCASE
Handmade gifts by more than 50 artists, including pottery, jewelry, quilts, wood carvings, sculpture, cards, furniture and much much more. Beginning November 24 to December 21 and Jan. 2-5, 2002 Located at Lapham Gallery on City Park in Downtown Glens Falls.

HOLIDAY MAGIC - Each year the Carillon Garden Club and the Champlain Valley Chorale join forces to present a gift to the community in the form of a concert by the Chorale and Christmas exhibits by the Garden Club. Holiday Magic will be held on Sunday, December 9 at 4 PM at the First United Methodist Church in Ticonderoga. If you come early, you can see some of the exhibits before the concert. However, after the concert everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for goodies and a lot of holiday spirit. We hope to see you there.

THREE CHOIR CONCERT - On December 8 at 7PM in the Wesleyan Church, the combined choirs of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Hague Baptist Church and the Hague Wesleyan Church will present a concert of Christmas carols. The reading of the Christmas story will be read intermittently. Refreshments will be served after the concert. All are welcome to attend.

GLENS FALLS SYMPHONY CHRISTMAS CONCERT
On Saturday, Dec. 8 at 7:30PM and on Dec. 9 at 4:00PM the Glens Falls Concert will present "Holiday Pops" which will include performance by The Glens Falls Symphony Children's Chorus, with Ned Crislip, Director. Reservations are recommended.

THANKSGIVING "SHARING OF THE LOAVES"

This year the Hague Wesleyan Church will host the community Thanksgiving service on Wed., Nov. 21 at 7PM. The Hague Baptist Church and The Church of the Blessed Sacrament will participate in the service. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the service.

Courage is contagious, when a brave person takes a stand, the spines of others are stiffened.

ELECTION RESULTS IN HAGUE

402 Voters in Hague came to the polls on November 6 to cast their votes as follows:

For Supervisor - Dan Belden - 288
Skip Hourigan - 70
For Councilman - Rudy Meola - 217
Lu Megow - 208
Martin Fitzgerald - 198
For Justice - Heather Knott - 168
Charles Antonelli - 108
Bill Tausinger - 39
For Town Clerk Debbie Manning - 346
For Highway Supervisor - Bill Bothe - 267

This is still an unofficial count as we go to press.

HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The regular meeting of the Hague Senior Citizens Club will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 27 at 1:30PM at the Hague Community Center. All seniors planning to attend the Christmas luncheon (to be held at the Firehouse) should register by Wednesday, Nov. 28. Our caterer needs to know. . . ewa

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The HVFD answered 5 calls in October: One was a brush fire, three were false alarms and one was a response to a propane leak. All told, 22 man hours were involved.

Ambulance 740 travelled 682 miles, made 10 runs and expended 90 man hours.

We would like to thank everyone who attended our Election Day Luncheon, and those who worked so hard to bring this luncheon to the tables of appreciative diners. . . . thank you all so much, EVERYONE! . . . ewa

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The December meeting of the Hague Historical Society will be held on Monday, Dec. 17 at 7:30PM. This is our annual SHOW AND TELL program . . . bring a treasured possession, 50+ years of age, to pass around and talk about. This meeting the members customarily bring a Christmas goody to share. As usual, the meeting will take place at the Community Center; so do come and bring another interested person.

SENIOR CITIZENS WALKING PROGRAM

The Elementary and Middle Schools will be open from 3:30 to 5:30 PM beginning Monday, Oct. 29, 2001 for senior citizens who want to exercise by walking. Enter building through Middle School entrance. Please register at Middle School office at 585-7442 Ext. 218. AVAIL-ABLE ONLY WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION. 11/01

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board held sessions on Oct. 23 and Nov. 8 to review the Goals and Objectives of the Comprehensive Plan. This review will continue in a third session, scheduled for Nov. 29 at 7PM. Following are points the Board has discussed so far:

Dick Gladu said the Plan fails to put in place a vision of Hague for the future. Instead, it leaves unresolved two diametrically opposed visions for Hague. Further, it is unclear whether the vision is for the hamlet or for the whole town. Dave Swanson, who served on the Plan Committee, replied that the Plan is for the town, but it is intended that any new development would be centered in the hamlet. He said the Plan's intent is to liberalize the hamlet rules somewhat.

Nancy Harrigan ranked Protecting Our Natural Environment and Protecting Our Quality of Life as two top priorities. Tourism is a lower priority because, if we fail to attend to the first two priorities, there will be no more Tourism. She noted the Plan puts priorities in the wrong order. It emphasizes Tourism/Economic Development and subordinates Protection of Natural Environment and Quality of Life.

Ms Harrigan also commented that the Plan totally omits any consideration of the needs of children and young people. Mr. Gladu commented that we should strive to make Hague a "family friendly" town. A satellite library, after school study/tutoring center, and an enriched recreation program available to all children were among the Board's suggestions.

Concern was expressed about development on the East shoreline. It is not clear who has jurisdiction over boathouses and other shoreline development. Also, the Plan's tax relief for commercial improvements was questioned. It must be explored how this would play out and how extensive its effect might be. Avoiding light pollution in the hamlet was another expressed concern.

Peter Foster noted that lack of enforcement is a major problem in Hague and the Plan should address this.

Chuck Fillare noted there are over a dozen areas where the Planning Board is given responsibility for particular Objectives described in the Plan. This is an unrealistic expectation and therefore unworkable.

It was noted that most people didn't know about two public hearings on the Plan (which were virtually unattended). Chuck Fillare questioned why the Planning Board is the only town body to thoroughly study the Plan in a systematic way. There was general feeling that the Town needs to make a more active effort to adequately inform the public and to notify them about public hearings.

The Hague Chronicle commends the Planning Board members for their (continuing) thoughtful and careful consideration of the Comprehensive Plan. These people are all volunteers. They are most generous in contributing their time in the interest of the town.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
October 25, 2001

The only project on the agenda was for the Johnson home on Lakeshore Drive (across from Werner's Marina). The Johnsons would like to put a two-story addition on their existing home which is non conforming in side yard setback (7 ft. vs 10 ft). The addition is 754 sq. ft while the existing home is 1008 sq. ft. This is a 74.8% increase and requires relief from Section 160-62. A public hearing is set for the November meeting.

The October meeting was the last one for Art Hatfield, who

has been a very valuable member of this board. A new member will be appointed by the Town Board.

TOWN BOARD - 11/13/01

The Hague Town Board held its regular meeting at 6:20 pm on Nov. 13, 2001. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Jerry Solomon, Sam Olmstead, Paul Ambra and Geraldine Frasier.

The public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan was kept open until 11/13/01 in order to give the public additional time for written comments. Since no written comments were received by the Board the Public Hearing was closed.

The privilege of the floor was extended to the public and Rudy Meola asked for an answer to his request for Board discussion on the nighttime lighting at the Town Park. Mr. Meola said that this request had been put off since April and the Board said they will address the issue after January 1, 2002 since the holiday lights will be put up soon.

During the time that Committee reports were made, Councilman Hourigan asked about the status of determining whether or not Flybrook Road is considered a "qualified abandoned" or an "abandoned" road. Supervisor Belden indicated that research is continuing on this matter. Additional information was given in the reports - the Town's various insurance policies are up for renewal in May and plans are being made to request bids and/or proposals. Applications have been received for the position of Clerk of the Works for the Sewer Project. A job description is being developed for the position at the West Museum; some applications have already been made for Town Historian with additional ones accepted up to the December meeting. Art Steitz reported Charlie Chase had been appointed to the Zoning Board.

Supervisor Belden reported sewer system bids awarded as follows: AP Reale - Wastewater Collection System- \$3,422,610; Jett Industries-Wastewater Treatment Plant- \$2,842,000; Bayview Electric Treatment Plant- \$274,000; Gordon Mechanical - (HVAC)- \$172,750, Gordon Mechanical - Plumbing- \$81,500 Contingency - \$147, 485.

The total of all contracts awarded is \$6,940,345. and the total overall expected expenditure for the project is \$7,920,093.

A long discussion followed on the proposed homeowners water district formation. Supervisor Belden asked for authorization to submit a hardship application for a grant and stated that submitting the application did not commit the Board to approving the water district. He further stated that the actual formation of the proposed Water District would be put to a vote by the residents involved. Some of the comments from the floor focused on changes in criteria from the guidelines given out at a

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previous information meeting and questions were raised about whether or not all residents who were in the proposed area would be charged even if they had their own water supply. The motion to submit the hardship application for grant money was passed 3 - 1 with Councilman Hourigan voting nay, citing concern about the changing criteria.

Supervisor Belden reported on a letter from the law firm of Beebe, Grossman & Bergins addressing the fee involved in retaining the firm to provide services in all legal matters related to the negotiations with property owners of lands necessary for the development of a settling pond on Hague Brook. The fee would be paid by the Lake George Association.

Supervisor Belden also reported on a letter he had received from the Senior Citizens which he declined to read but stated that the matter was being addressed.

Under new business, the Board also approved a resolution of appreciation for Art Hatfield to be presented at the next meeting; a contract with Warren County using their appraisal services; an increase in funds from \$3000 up to \$10,000 for the Publicity Fund to promote the Town of Hague; and a snow and ice agreement on Hague Brook. The fee would be paid by The Lake George Association.

The Board gave approval for the Supervisor to attend the Annual Meeting of the Adirondack Towns & Villages to be held in Lake Placid. After the Supervisor reported on the large increase in the County budget, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

ZONING BOARD - 11/15/01

A public hearing was held on the Johnson property (Lakeshore Drive, across from Werner's Marine) The Johnsons would like to put a 2-story addition on their existing home which is non-conforming, inside yard setback (7 ft. vs 10 ft.). The addition is 754 sq. ft. while the existing home is 1008 sq. ft. This is a 74.8% increase and requires relief from section 160-62. There were no letters or comments in opposition. Hearing was closed and meeting opened.

The Johnson property was the only thing on the agenda. The variance was approved by the Zoning Board.

THE FUND FOR LAKE GEORGE
THE UPLAND PROTECTION PLAN

Since its creation in 1977, The FUND has been dedicated to shaping the future of Lake George by supporting organizations, groups, and individuals who promote the responsible use, preservation, and protection of Lake George. This summer, The FUND's trustees recognized a special need in the Basin for protection of the uplands by creating the Uplands Protection Fund. With an initial commitment of \$5,000, the FUND established

this special purpose program to educate the public about the effects of development on water quality, support scientific work on endangered species and wetlands, and work with local governments, agencies, and other lake protection organizations to promote better, more ecologically conscious development. The need is there. For example, we know that most of the development in the Basin is concentrated in the watersheds of several major streams that contribute a significant portion of the total annual flow to the Lake and exert a major impact on water quality. With this new initiative, we continue our mission with special attention to the particular issues raised by use and development in upland areas.

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT AT HANCOCK HOUSE

The Ticonderoga Historical Society has announced that November 7 through Jan. 31 the Harmon Gallery featured artist will be Mrs. Pat Brennan of Ticonderoga.

Pat began her interest in photography as a child when she helped her dad to develop film. She was enchanted by the time spent with her dad and the process of developing photographs. She describes the experience as "magical" and it sparked her interest in becoming a photographer.

Pat has lived most of her adult life in Ticonderoga where the change of seasons experienced by her hometown and the surrounding areas provide an infinite number of opportunities for her to capture the beauty of nature on film.

The Hancock House is open Wednesdays through Saturdays from 10AM to 4PM. The public is invited to attend this exhibit from Nov. 7 - Jan. 31. Contact Steve Blanchard, 585- 7868 or ths@capital.net for additional information.

Ed. Note: In last month's letter to the editor, Nelson Waters inaccurately reported that Mary Lou Doulin had made statements against the people of the Comprehensive Plan Committee. In fact, her comments were about the conclusions of the committee.

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHERN LAKE GEORGE

There is still time to purchase your 20 week club tickets from any member of the Rotary Club. A drawing for \$20.00 is held each week and the name returned to the pot. On the 20th week, three drawings are held. One is for \$100.00, \$75.00 and \$50.00. All proceeds benefit the lighting for the Ticonderoga Little League. Since the weekly winners' names go back in the pot, you could conceivably win \$480.00!!

I cannot give you the formula for success, but I can give you the formula for failure -- try to please everybody.
... H. B. Swope
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NATURE NEWS

by Laura Meade

Many years ago I had heard there were such things as Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO's), but I had never seen a UFO and had never spoken to anyone who had. However, I had read enough science magazines or newspaper articles and seen TV programs about them to have an idea how a UFO might appear to a human

I feel very sure that I saw one in mid-Nov. of 1975 at dusk.

As I was walking alone with my dog at the beach at Rogers Rock Campsite, I observed an orange-glowing disk hovering over the bay near Island Harbor House in the vicinity of the islands. As I looked south from the campsite shoreline it was very noticeable. I was frightened! How did "it" get there and where was "it" going? Immediately I called the dog in a frenzy and we ran up the hill to the entrance of the campsite's North Loop where I had parked my car. As we ran, I noticed the UFO moving silently up over the hillside in the direction of the Trout Brook falls on the New Hague Road, near where our family had owned a cabin in previous years.

The dog and I were breathless, as we arrived at the car. It was then that I heard a furious rustling of leaves ahead of the vehicle, and to the right near one of the campsites. There was no wind and no light was visible. As I urged the dog into the car, he panicked and refused to move! He usually jumped in with little urging. It was then I realized that he was trembling from fright! Somehow, although I was shaking too, I managed to lift him in and quickly started the engine. We went carefully south on 9N and to my home on Rt. 9N.

Apparently I was the only person to observe that phenomenon. I have hesitated to mention it to folks in Hague because I didn't want to frighten anyone, but I decided to write this article about the incident as I have become very curious as to whether anyone else at Northern Lake George ever observed a UFO. That was the only time during my outdoor adventures that I had such an experience.

Needless to say, I never again walked at Rogers Rock Campsite beach during mid-November, when no one was camping there.

Did anyone else see that UFO in Nov. 1975 or at any other time?

WEATHER NOTES

by Mary Lou Doulin

It has been years, maybe back as far as 1957 or 1966 since we have enjoyed such a beautiful autumn. So many days, instead of being cloudy and cold, were unusually sunny with temperate conditions. Despite the diminishing hours of daylight, what we have had

has been delightful. To sum things up, happily I can report the colors of this fall were beautiful. However, mild temperatures delayed the color peaking and leaves stayed on the trees longer. The only exception was the locust tree. Bird migration was normal. Continually we see large flocks of Canada geese heading south.

On the down side dry conditions prevail. Water tables are low as well as stream beds and lakes. I noticed Lake Champlain in particular. The shoreline is farther out and so much of what is normally the lake floor is visible. If you are curious about what's on the immediate lake bottom, now is a good time to take a stroll. Lakeside, we had our first dusting of snow and the first killing frost Sunday, Nov. 11. Previously we have had a few earlier frosts but many flowers continued blooming. A warming trend is predicted for the next five days and temperatures will be back in the 60's. Sounds great to me.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This letter is in response to Mr. Hourigan's campaign letter published last month in this publication concerning his statement that he would "stop selective enforcement of the zoning ordinance."

I would like to respond that it is my responsibility as Zoning Administrator to fairly interpret the town's zoning ordinance and encourage its property owners to develop their property within the guidelines of our zoning ordinance and if necessary thru the process involving the Planning and/or Zoning Board review. I believe that I have carried out my duties in a respectable manner, and I'm proud of the job I've done.

I don't believe that any actions during my tenure as the Zoning Administrator could be considered as selective enforcement. The only selective enforcement is in Mr. Hourigan's mind and that small group of his supporters that believe that they should be the only property owners with rights to develop their own properties (I got mine you can't have yours). The Zoning Administrator's position should not be used to harass other property owners for the use of their properties in ways that are allowed by the Zoning Ordinance.

Thank you, /s/ Paul V. Barone, Zoning Administrator

To the Volunteers of Hague Emergency Services

In the past few months we have had the unfortunate need of two ambulance calls for a member of our family. (Both of these calls happened to be on weekends.) We also have had other calls several years ago. Our entire family is very impressed with the quick response and proficiency and expert care of the emergency personnel.

Hague is richly blessed by the dedication of these often unsung heroes who unselfishly give of their time and skills to meet the needs of one community. We wish to thank all of you for your dedication and service. With our gratitude /s/ The Klingler and Olmstead families

Letters Cont.

When Nelson Waters can prove to me tht water flows uphill I will be willing to continue the discourse on steep slopedevelopment. . . Mary Lou Doulin
Ed: Refer to Mr. Waters letter in Oct. issue.

THE HAGUE CHRONICLE MAILING LIST

It's been a long time since I have written about the way we handle the mailing list for this paper. Perhaps some of you never knew and others may have forgotten. In the lower right hand corner of your mailing label you will note there is a date. This date tells you when we "hope" to receive another contribution from you. You may note that sometimes it isn't just the next year. This is because some of you prefer to send contributions for two or three years in advance. We have no way of knowing whether your contribution is for one year or more, so we give you the benefit of the doubt. Of course, it doesn't mean we aren't happy to receive another contribution the next year!! It would be good if you would indicate for how many years you wish the contribution to cover. For those of you who ask what amount of contribution would be appropriate, we can tell you that the paper each month costs us approximately \$1.00 a copy to send out, sometimes a bit more, sometimes less. Therefore you can judge from that what your contribution could be. In other words if you are living out of town, a \$12 contribution would be appropriate. We save somewhat on those in the 128 zip code area, since they go out the same day bulk mail.

One other teeny weeny favor. To save me (your editor) a lot of time and effort, it would be wonderful if I didn't have to send out notices when your "subscription" has gone by the designated time. In other words if the date says Nov 01, you should have a red circle around the date this month, it means it is due is Nov. It is serving as just a gentle reminder. If your date is Dec. 01, it would save me doing the circles if your check is received by December 15. (Clear?) It would save an incredible amount of time if I didn't have to send notices when it is overdue!!

For those of you who change your address twice a year, we would really appreciate a card, e-mail, fax, telephone call, (whatever) to let us know when you are leaving and when you have returned. For instance when we send the paper to your summer address, if we don't know you haven't left, it costs us another 34¢ on top of the bulk mailing of 23¢, and causes our postmaster extra work. So please, please, try to remember to keep us informed of your whereabouts.

Since the publication is strictly volunteer, we all appreciate your efforts to make our job less time consuming than it already is.

On a final note, we do want to thank everyone who has so generously contributed to the production of this newspaper, whether by sending us money, items for publication, or time involved putting it together. . . djh

Success is just a matter of lluck. Ask any failure.
... Earl Wilson

F.Y.I.

• Two local men have been arrested for having committed a spree of home and business burglaries in the region over the past 18 months, one of whom has estimated he had committed 300-400 burglaries in his lifetime. Police have identified at least a dozen burglaries in which the men were strong suspects. Some of the jewelry stolen from the Hague Motel in Feb. was sold to a Glens Falls area jeweler Other items were sold to pawn shops out of the area. The case of D. J. Rockwell Case was heard on 11/15 in the Hague court. He waived preliminary hearing and the case was moved to county court and he was sent back to jail. On the Hayes/Morgan case, the same disposition was made.

• The Ticonderoga elementary and middle schools will be open from 3:30-5:30PM for senior citizens who want to exercise by walking. Enter through the middle school entrance Those interested in registering should call the school at 585-7442 ext. 218. Available only during days when school is in session.

• The Adirondack Ensemble will present its next program on Dec. 8 at the United Methodist Church in Wevertown. "Argentinean Tangos" will be featured. Admission is a suggested donation of \$15.00. Call 251-5484 for information.

• Beginning the day after Thanksgiving, the Christmas Tree Farm at Cold Water Canyon will be open. You may go pick out a tree at any time and go back later and cut it down. Cold Water Canyon is on the road just opposite the end of West Hague Road.

• Jo Denno, New Hague Road, dba Tiers will bake cakes for weddings, birthdays, and special occasions. She has a supply of cake toppers and other wedding accessories. Jo is also making wreaths, centerpieces garlands, and hanging baskets for Christmas plus flags for the holiday season. Her number is 585-6105. Check it out!

• "Christmas in the Country" - beginning Fri. Nov 30, Sat, Dec. 1 and Sun, Dec. 2 from 10AM-5PM. Ten businesses in the Fort Ann and Hudson Falls area are opening their shops for your pleasure. A map and brochure is available at the Community Center. For info. call 792-0438.

• Thanks to the Pumpkin Patrol, all the pumpkins used for decorations around the town were still intact. The kids were put in charge of seeing that they remained as decorations and they did a great job!

TRANSFER STATION SCHEDULE UNTIL DEC.
31: TUES., THURS., FRI., SAT., 9AM - 5PM 11/01

SOUNDINGS

BORN: A girl, Abbey Elizabeth, to Sean and Amy McFeely in Lake Hughes, CA. Abbey is the granddaughter of Anne and Bill McFeely, long time summer residents of Silver Bay. Sean and Amy are also summer residents of Silver Bay.

BORN: A son, Joseph William Fleming IV, to Joseph and Julie Fleming, Hillsdale, NJ on Oct. 23, 2001. Proud grandparents are Mitzi and Chuck Fillare, Hague.

BORN: A daughter, Isabelle Grace, to Matthew and Tara Dunham of Valley Falls, NY on Oct. 26, 2001. Happy grandparents are Lee and Mary Jo Keeler.

BORN: A girl, Victoria Hope, to Cathy and David Den Bleyker of Loch Harbour, NJ. on November 14, 2001 in Long Branch, NJ. Happy grandparents are Vivian and Tom Den Bleyker, Hague.

DIED: Carl S. (Sam) Olmstead, 81, Silver Bay and Staten Island, NY on Nov. 1 at Moses Ludington Hospital. Survivors include his wife, Judith (Heins), two sons, Carl B. of Whitesboro and Keith E. of Somerset, NJ, and one granddaughter.

MARRIED: Jennifer Keeler and Peter McMillan in Croton Falls, NY on Sept. 22, 2001. Jennifer's parents are Lee and Mary Jo Keeler of Hague.

DIED: Paul J. Ambra, 75, Fowler Lane, Hague and Irvington, NY, on Nov. 4 at Glens Falls Hospital. He retired to Hague in 1987. Survivors include his wife Jacqueline (Fowler), one sister, Pauline Beaudreault, one brother-in-law, Frank R. Fowler and wife Anne, Hague and Green Valley, AZ.

DIED: Geraldine L. (Denno) Frasier, 80, Hollow Road, Hague, on Nov. 7 in the Glens Falls Hospital. She is survived by a son, Lee E. Frasier, and two daughters, Janice M. Frasier and June A. Frasier, one step-daughter, Elaine Werner, PA, and two grandchildren

12 STEPS FOR LIVING

A number of weeks ago a few of our senior citizens attended a lecture in Colonie. The speaker, Dr. Paul David Nussbaum, renowned psychologist and author, gave a marvelous presentation which included 12 steps to increase our longevity and improve our quality of life. Some of these steps may be obvious to you and if nothing else, warrant a reminder or a thought of "I do that" or "I should do that", but all of them combined are really a good set of "ground rules" as to how we should go about our daily living.

- 1. No smoking.
- 2. Follow your doctor's advice.
- 3. Drink one glass of wine (preferably red) per day.

- 4. Establish financial stability.
- 5. Maintain purpose - resolve.
- 6. Mental stimulation. Read, etc.
- 7. Friends
- 8. Spiritual
- 9. Intimate relationship
- 10. Socialize
- 11. Maintain a good diet
- 12. Exercise

In thinking about what Dr. Nussbaum said, I think we should look at these guidelines from time to time to remind ourselves - are we really doing them and where we are not, make it a point to do so. Books have been written on each of these steps with detailed advice on how to achieve each and the benefits derived there from. Simply, thinking of them individually or "et al" would be a wonderful guide for each day.

Hey, smile and go out and make yourself and someone happy! . . . Chuck Fillare

CARILLON GARDEN CLUB

At a recent District IV Federated Garden Club luncheon the table favors were spring bulbs at each place setting. Those who attended from Carillon Garden Club turned all their bulbs over to Joyce Mouradian and Rosemarie Viscardi, who planted them around the WELCOME sign at the intersection of Rt. 22 and Montcalm St. This is just one of the many beautification projects that the club has done in Ticonderoga and Hague over the years. Thank you!

DECEMBER EVENTS AT FT. TICONDEROGA

December 5, 7PM: Lecture as part of the Friends Program Series: "The Holidays in the 18th and 19th centuries in the Champlain Valley", given by Rich Strum, Director of Interpretation & Education, and Karl Crannell, Coordinator of the Friends Program of Fort Ticonderoga. Lecture is FREE and open to the public. It will be held at the Thompson-Pell Research Center of Ft. Ticonderoga, Rt. 74 West, Ticonderoga. Call 585-2821 for further information.

CHRISTMAS IN WARRENSBURGH

The first weekend of December 2001, the historic hamlet of Warrensburgh, nestled in the wilderness of the Adirondack Mts., will welcome you to the sights and sounds of the 13th annual Christmas in Warrensburgh celebration entitled "Home for the Holidays".

Beginning on Friday, Nov. 30 and continuing through Sunday, Dec. 2, the days and nights will be packed with entertainment, food, crafts, etc. etc.

Ticonderoga High School's Spirit of Sound Show Choir will be performing at 2PM on Sunday. For more information call 623-4243.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

November

- 15 Zoning Board of Appeals - 7PM
- 21 Blood Pressure Clinic - 1PM in Community Center
- 22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING - All town offices closed.
- 27 Senior Citizens Club meeting 1:30PM (p2)
- 24-Dec. 21 LARAC's Holiday Shopping Showcase (p2)
- 30-Dec. 1 Christmas Fair at Methodist Church, Ti (p1)

December

- 1 Christmas shopping at specialty shops (p1)
- 1 Community Christmas party, 6:30PM (p1)

December (Cont.)

- 6t4 Holiday party for seniors at middle school (p2)
- 4 Planning Board - 7PM
- 8 3-Choir Concert in Hague (p2)
- 9 Holiday Magic and Concert (p1)
- 11 Town Board - 6:30PM
- 14 Festival of the Trees at Hancock House (p1)
- 15 Christmas concert at UM Church in Ti (p1)
- 17 Hague Historical Meeting (p2)
- 20 Christmas Candlelight Walk (p1)

*People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered
 Forgive them anyway
 If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;
 Be kind anyway.
 If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies.
 Succeed anyway.
 If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;
 Be honest anyway.
 What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;
 Build anyway
 If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;
 Be happy anyway.,
 The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;
 Do good anyway.
 Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;
 Give the world the best you've got anyway.
 You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God;
 It was never between you and them anyway.*

Written by Mother Theresa



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