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HOLIDAY IN HAGUE

On Saturday, December 7th, from 10 am to 4 pm, the Hague Specialty Shops will again sponsor the festive Holiday in Hague. Sandy Rust's Old Glory Antiques on 9N and Art Steitz's Carriage Barn Antiques on Route 8 will be open at their regular locations. Diane Farinick and Carol Pittman will have Hague Creek Antiques and Gifts open in their shop behind the Post Office. They are also opening the lower level of the Hoyt House building for other Specialty shops. Karen Laundree's Graphite Mountain Stoneworks, Judy Stock's Red Garage and Rose Serdinsky's Florals will locate their merchandise in that area. Other local residents will have their hand-crafts available at various sites. Participants can park at any of the locations and walk to all the shops. Choirs of several area groups will provide caroling throughout the hamlet and the Hague Market will be open for selected culinary specialties. The Champlain Valley Chorale will sing a few of the pieces from their concert which will be presented on December 8 in Ticonderoga. The Chorale will sing at 1PM in the Baptist Church parking lot.

The shops will continue the popular door prize feature they began last year. People can get a ticket at any one of the shops and then have it validated at each of the others. The winners will be randomly picked from these validated tickets. Free refreshments will be served at each shop.

At the end of the day festivities will continue with the traditional Town Christmas Party at the Community Center.

TOWN CHRISTMAS PARTY

The community of Hague, from tots to totterers is invited to participate in this year's Christmas Party to be held at the Community Center on Saturday, December 7 at 6PM. Entertainment will be provided by any musicians who would like to participate. Call Sal Santaniello at 543-6441 or Diane at 543-6161 to volunteer your talents. The community Christmas tree in the Community Center will be lit during the party as will the tree in the park. The children may have pictures taken with Santa and will receive a gift to take home.

Cathie Burdick, from the Chamber of Commerce which sponsors the event, is the "Cookie Chairman".

She will be very happy to hear from you if you would like to share some Christmas cookies with the guests that night. Call her at 543-8824 if you have cookies, time or both.

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY COMMUNITY BAND

The "Tiny Tim" Champlain Valley Community Band has begun its rehearsals for its Christmas concert. Rehearsals are held on Monday nights at 8PM at the Ticonderoga Middle School. New members are welcome. The band concert, which benefits the Tiny Tim program in the area, will be held on Friday, December 13, 2002 at the First United Methodist Church in Ticonderoga at 8:00 PM. For further information call Pat Cornell at 543-6081.

ARE YOU ALONE FOR THANKSGIVING?

The Hot Biscuit Diner, on Montcalm St. in Ticonderoga, is serving a turkey dinner with all the trimmings from 11AM - 2PM. Craig and Val Dixon have been hosting this free dinner for the past four years. Anyone who feels they would like company for dinner please join the Dixons and others on Thanksgiving. This is a free dinner for the community. If anyone would like to make a contribution, all money received will go toward the Tiny Tim program in the Ticonderoga area. For those who find it difficult to come to the restaurant, dinners will be delivered to your home (including Hague and other outlying areas). A wonderful group of volunteers, including a great group of teenagers, is helping the Dixons with this project. A big thank-you from the community to the Dixons for their time and effort.

MEMORY TREE - 2002

Each year a felt tree is placed in the lobby of the Community Center on which the names of deceased loved ones, or those you would like to remember and honor, are placed. A tree will be lighted in the center of town park during the Christmas party on Dec. 7. Checks of \$1.00 per name may be made payable to Hague Chamber of Commerce and sent to Imogene Frasier, Cemetery Rd., Hague, 12836. All funds are donated to the Hague Emergency Squad. A list of honorees will be published in this newspaper.

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHERN LAKE GEORGE

The Rotary Club was privileged to hear a talk by Cathie Burdick, executive director of the Ticonderoga Festival Guild on Oct. 21. The Guild thanked the club for its annual gift to the Guild's Arts Trek programs, a free program for children each week in the summer, and also for the many volunteer services to the Guild that the club provides.

Cathie pointed out that the Syracuse Symphony will perform at Ticonderoga High School on the evening of May 16, 2003, for students as well as adults. (Mark your calendars now).

The Rotary Club meets for breakfast each Tuesday at 7:30AM at Watson Arts Center, Silver Bay Association. Visitors are warmly welcomed.

Their programs for December have been announced and include:

Dec. 3 - Chris Navitsky, Our Waterkeeper, "Here's Your Chance to Ask All Your Questions about the Lake!"

Dec. 10 - Soloist Amy Engelbrecht, "Music for the Holidays".

Dec. 16 - Christmas party at the Burleigh House in Ticonderoga. Cocktails at 6PM. Dinner at 7PM.

TICONDEROGA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The THS proudly presents "Adirondack Works" by Matthew J. Burnett from Nov. 6, 2002 through Jan. 15, 2003 at the Hancock House Museum in the Assembly Room. Since his introduction to oil painting in 1995, Matt has shown his work in numerous regional and state juried exhibitions, including solo and group exhibitions in Blue Mountain Lake, Saranac Lake, Lake Placid, Montreal and Plattsburgh. He has been the recipient of numerous awards for his paintings.

This year the Ticonderoga Historical Society will be selling heritage-style ornaments to be displayed on a "Memory Tree" during the Christmas season at the Hancock House. Original pictures or a scanned image will be made of your chosen photographs. Orders taken Nov. 1 through Dec. 14, Wed. through Sat. 10AM-4PM at the Hancock House. Prices for ornaments are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. For info. call Hancock House at 585-7868.

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

During the month of October your fire department answered two calls, expending 6 man hours.

The Emergency Squad was called five times and used 38 3/4 man hours.

Please let's all be careful at this time of year with our chimneys, fireplaces, wood stoves, etc. Check to make sure they are clean and objects are not too close to them to ignite.

Within the next few weeks a lot of us are going

to be making our homes and businesses look wonderful with Christmas decorations. Please make sure all decorations work properly and that we do not overload any outlet. Make sure all extension cords are in one piece and not taped. Let's all have a safe, happy and healthy holiday! Thank you. . . Joanne Trudeau

The Hague VFD wishes to thank everyone who participated in any way in the Election Day luncheon whether you provided food, waited on tables, or washed dishes, or most importantly, came to eat, we want you to know that your support is deeply appreciated. ...ewa

FOOD PANTRY

To those eligible to use the food pantry, there will be turkeys at the Hague Center on Tuesday, Nov. 26 from 1-2PM. If you can't make it, call me at home and I will make other time arrangements.. 543-6095. Please bring documentation.

...Georgina Lindquist



HOLIDAY PARTY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

The Kiwanis Club and the Ticonderoga Central School District will hold their annual senior citizens holiday luncheon on Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2002 at 2PM at the Ticonderoga Elementary/Middle School Cafetorium. No reservations are required. A light turkey lunch will be provided, as well as student entertainment and a visit from Santa.

LARAC HOSTS HOLIDAY SHOPPING SHOWCASE

The Lower Adirondack Regional Arts Council will once again host its annual six week "Holiday Shopping Showcase" beginning Saturday, November 23 through January 4, 2003 in LARAC's Lapham Gallery in downtown Glens Falls. The showcase attracts nearly fifty artists and artisans offering unique, handcrafted items, and thousands of buyers looking for one-of-a-kind gifts. Hague's own Karen Laundree of Graphite Mt. Stoneworks has been chosen to exhibit during this period.

Note that LARAC will be closed from Dec. 24 - Jan. 2. For info. call 798-1144, Ext. 17 or visit www.larac.org

The real problem is not whether machines think, but whether men do. B.F. Skinner

TOWN BOARD HEARING - 11/7/02

A public hearing was held to continue discussion of the proposed junk yard law. Areas of concern were expressed by the few residents in attendance.

Three Town Board members - Belden, Hourigan and Megow - were present and voted to put the proposal on hold. They plan to meet at a later date with the new zoning enforcement officer and get more input from the public.

There were no actions taken at the Oct. 24 Zoning Board meeting and there was no meeting of the Planning Board in November.

TOWN BOARD SEWER HEARING - 11/14/02

Steve Gurzler, engineer from Clough Harbour and Bill Lamy from DPW were both in attendance to present the sewer use law. This law is based on the state sewer use law and covers the entire town. It supercedes current septic regulations and covers fees, sewer laterals, sewer extensions and waste treatment. Lu Megow made a motion to approve the local law and it was approved unanimously by the board. A map is being drawn to include all underground facilities so that nobody will cut through a line. An 800 number will be available to call in case of an emergency.

Supervisor Belden noted that Sawyers in Glens Falls will be stocking all pipes and fittings which will be used in hooking up. He also said the contract is on schedule and we should be ready to go by April 1, 2003.

TOWN BOARD - 11/12/02

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board was preceded by a meeting between the Board and the town attorney to discuss the billing time and policy. The audit meeting followed in which a motion was made to pay the general and highway claims and pay the balance due to John Silvestri.

The regular meeting was opened at 6:30PM.

Dan Belden, Supervisor, presented a plaque to Art Hatfield as a thank you for the contributions of the Kiwanis Club to the town.

Mrs. Dykstra asked the Board about the status of the petitions that have been presented in regard to the developments on New Hague Road. Mr. Meola stated that the issue of the single family residence being rented on New Hague Road is being addressed by the acting Zoning Administrator, working with the A.P.A. Mrs. Dykstra was assured that the petition will be answered once all the data has been gathered.

Mr. & Mrs. Ginn asked if the Board would consider their request to use the parking area at the Old Town Hall if and when their restaurant is in operation at the old fire house. Supervisor Belden said they would

take their request into consideration.

Bids were open for the logging of the Sabbath Day Pt. sand pit. The bid was awarded to R. Charboneau. The logger will not cut a tree smaller than 10". The project upon completion must meet with the Town Board's approval. Megow, Steitz, Belden voted yes; Meola and Hourigan voted nay. Motion carried.

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Department: Lu Megow reported that the Red Cross was here and has set up the fire house as a facility for the use of the residents as a disaster center.

Recreation /Promotion: December 7 from 10AM-4PM will be Holiday in Hague. (See page 1)

Building and Grounds: Lu Megow - The parking lot of the Community Center has been repaved. A light still needs to be fixed.

Museum: Rudy Meola read a report from Ethel Andrus, historian.

Stormwater: Supervisor Belden states that the processing plant is moving right along - he doesn't see that anyone will be hooking up until spring.

Transfer Station: Lu Megow reports income for the month of October as \$2,736.50. The highway superintendent is confirming prices from well drillers for a well at the Transfer Station.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. A letter from John McDonald, Ticonderoga school superintendent, regarding transfer of property from school district to the Town of Hague. (Property is adjacent to the Wesleyan Church.). The district will transfer the property with set stipulations.. The Board decided that because of the gas tank on the property, the Board would like to met with the School Superintendent to try to reach a mutually satisfactory arrangement. The people who originally paid for this land were the taxpayers of Hague. Mr. Meola moved that the Board have the supervisor send a letter to the School Board.

2. Letter from American Legion. The Legion has decided to give the Legion property to the Town of Hague, to be used as a Veteran's Memorial Park. The Board will have the Town Attorney prepare papers for the transfer.

3. It was pointed out that Supervisor Belden is in favor of the sales tax as reported in the *Glens Falls Chronicle*. He feels that sales tax is the most equitable since it will be paid by all and not just one segment of the population. He also feels that it will not be enacted in 2003.

4. Proposed water district. We are still waiting to receive the map, plan and report from the engineers. Once it is received, further discussion will take place.

5. Boiler at the Community Center. Supervisor Belden reported that the boiler is working satisfactorily and it appears that the problem has been fixed.

Mr. Meola stated that the Board was to review the proposed Stony Creek local law on junk and junk yards. The Board met on November 7 to review this law (Cont. on page 4 - Town Board) 11/02

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but decided instead to postpone it and to have the incoming Zoning Enforcement Officer enforce the code as it applies to junk and junk yards.

Question on proposed water district - Diane Martino asked if we have a deadline with Adirondack Engineering on the proposed water system. Report was supposed to be in for the November meeting. Emily Cobb stated that Mr. Cheslik is going on 1995 EDU's and in actuality there are only 136.8 EDU's. Cathy Clark asked if the town has taken into consideration that people on wells are only responsible for the capital costs, not maintenance and water usage. Cathy would like it to be a motion put into the minutes.. Mr. Hourigan will look into that. He went to a conference in NYC about 2 years ago on water districts. NYS law says that if you are on the system but do not use it, you can only be charged for the capital costs. Cathy believes that the number of EDU's is inaccurate, therefore the grant money is being based on a false number of EDU's. Rudy will make the motion the next time the maps, plan and report are discussed

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

1. Justice Knott requested permission to attend training - granted.
2. Alison Craig letter thanking town for APA meeting
3. Letter from Carillon Garden Club - request of assistance in eradicating the velvet leaf weed. It has been spread from soil brought in by A.P. Reale. The club feels that A.P.Reale should be responsible, not homeowners, to remove this weed by hand. This is the only way the weed could be removed. Mr. Hourigan said that some of the weed is brought in from topsoil purchased in Ticonderoga. Dan says the soil was tested and it is okay.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Rudy Meola was appointed representative to Warren County Youth Committee.
 2. Resolution #72 - Clarification of EDU's.. Approved
 3. Resolution #73 - new employees hired as of Nov. 12, 2002 will be required to pay 25% of health insurance. Approved.
 4. Reappointment of Mary Jo Keeler to Board of Assessment Review.
 - 5 Authorize attendance at Association of Towns Feb. 16-19, 2003.
 7. 2003 Transfer Station schedule approved.
- Meeting adjourned to executive session.
Meeting reopened at 8:30PM. Tim Costello was appointed Zoning Enforcement Officer at a salary of \$28,000. He will also coordinate the Transfer Station.

HE'S DONE IT AGAIN!!

Yes, our own Rick Belden, son of Supervisor Dan and Janice Belden, has broken more records. Remember him at our Hoax Fest in 2001 when he pulled one of Hague's fire trucks at the town park? Now he

has gone much further. Rick broke the record for ripping telephone books in half on Nov. 2 in Charlotte, NC. This was an Official Book of World Records Event. The charity event benefited Special Olympics North Carolina. The old record stood at 9,026 pages, done by tearing 9 - 1007 page books from end to end in 3 minutes. Bell



Guinness World Book Champion Rick Belden

chose the much thicker Charlotte's The Real White Pages from Bell South totaling 1,494 pages per book, ripping 19 of these books in 3 minutes flat, more than tripling the existing record and finishing with an astounding 28,386 total pages ripped end to end. Bell is 6'4" and weighs in at 292 lbs.

The event was held from noon to 5PM. There



Rick with Dwayne from Special Olympics

was also an auto fair exhibiting the fastest high performance Corvettes in the Southeast. Rick, a member of the Race City Corvette Gang showcased

his own special Nitrous Injected C-5 Corvette, built for him by More Performance Inc.

At age 28 Bell competed in and won the overall title at the inaugural contest of the Mack Truck World's Strongest Man in Daytona Beach, FL. He competed in such events as the Tractor Trailer Pull, Beer Keg Sprint and Weighted Wheel Barrow Race. Bell took 7 gold medals in the contests ' 8 events over the three days of competition.

Bell says he enjoys doing events for charity and plans to do two big events every year to benefit Special Olympics North Carolina. On this event he was quoted as saying "I've been practicing now for almost a year for this event. It was cold and the books were slippery; however I knew I could still do it! I'm thrilled that I was able to do this event in my home town around all my friends and that the money raised is going to my favorite charity."

Rick, we are looking forward to another visit from you next summer and some more of your fantastic "strong man" feats.

Go to www.villagephotos.com/pubbrowse.asp?selected=103863 for more great pictures of Rick.

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY CHORALE CONCERT

The Champlain Valley Chorale will present a concert of Christmas music on Sunday, December 8 at 7PM in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church on Wicker St. in Ticonderoga.

Selections will include *White Christmas* arranged by Anita Kerr, *Dance of the Sugar-Plum Fairy*, *Jubilate Deo* by Jay Althouse, *Let There Be Peace on Earth* by Sy Miller and Jill Jackson, *The Hallelujah Chorus* from Handel's *Messiah*, and others.. A small orchestra under the direction of Pat Cornell will accompany the Chorale on some of the numbers.

The concert is free. A voluntary offering will be collected at the door. Please come and enjoy.

HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The Hague Senior Citizens Club will hold a sandwich-to-share luncheon at the Community Center at noon on Monday, November 25. Please bring a sandwich. Soup, salad and dessert will be provided.

Please note that our Christmas party will be held at the Fire Station at 12:30PM on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Please bring a non-perishable food item to contribute to the food pantry. Registrations MUST be made no later than November 25 by calling the Community Center (543-6161) or Janet Hoffay (543-6161). Please specify your choice of entree - roast beef or stuffed chicken. . . ewa

CAN YOU SOLVE THIS MYSTERY?

Thank you, thank you, thank you - for finding my ring and leaving it at the Hague Post Office. Another friend (and neighbor) saw the "lost and found" sign on the P.O. bulletin board - she inquired, and recognized the ring as mine.

A miracle - because of two special people! The ring has an interesting story. I've worn it since 1941 and can only guess that it came off my finger as I removed my glove in the P.O.

I would like to thank you personally, if you care to get in touch with me at 543-6407. . Ursula Montbriand

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT WALK

On December 19 *The Hague Chronicle* will sponsor its annual Christmas Candlelight walk, beginning at the Community Center at 7PM. We will walk to the town beach, sing carols and have a short inspirational moment around the Christmas tree and head back to the community center where we will be treated to cookies and hot chocolate. For those who cannot walk to the beach, feel free to drive to the parking lot and join us in the caroling. Luminaries will light our way.

FESTIVAL OF TREES

The 20th annual Festival of the Trees is being recreated into a community-wide fund raiser for local charities and non-profit organizations. The ultimate goal is to encourage the entire community to support local charities and non-profit groups by "voting" for the charity or tree they prefer, with their donations and competing for matching dollar-for-dollar donations for the winning top five fund raisers.

Any local charity, non-profit organization, business, group, or individual is invited to decorate a tree and place it in competition. An open house will be held Friday, Dec. 13 from 6-9PM at the Hancock House and winners will be announced that evening.

Several local businesses have donated funds to create dollar-to-dollar matches. First prize, up to \$500 provided by IP; 2nd prize up to \$300 by Trout House Resort, William J. Brennan and staff and Eddie's Restaurant; 3rd prize up to \$200 by Christopher Chevrolet and Adirondack Dental Health; 4th prize, up to \$100 by Ti Paint; 5th prize (2) up to \$75 by Graphite Mt. Stoneworks, Lakeshore Garage, Hague Creek Antiques and Gifts, Alison Craig, Kathe Allen and Wicker Ford. For more information call Robin Trudeau at 585-7868 or Karla Staudt at 585-3653. Staudt at 585-3653

WEATHER NOTES

by Marylou Doulin

This has been a year of records and exceptions. Last winter was warmer than normal. The summer was extremely hot, the fall extra beautiful and warmer than usual. Now, Nov. 17, it is as if we are in the middle of winter. A severe nor'easter with rain, 3" of heavy snow, freezing rain and sleet, and a promise of a 10" accumulation of snow by tomorrow morning is predicted. Generally I love the transitional month of November with its beautiful grays and hard frosts. However, this year we have been denied that time and have been prematurely thrust into winter. Looking back to the last week of October, temperatures were between 15% and 25% colder than normal. Lakeside Oct. 23 was the first killing frost. The 9th through the 11th of November gave us some dazzling Indian Summer as temperatures soared to 69 and 70 degrees. As for winter predictions, I have heard two conflicting possibilities. One is that El Nina will give the northeast a mild winter. Another source forecasts a lengthy, stormy winter.



THINK SNOW!

PRIDE OF TICONDEROGA

PRIDE of Ticonderoga has been successful in the packaging of two grant requests. The awards for funding through the 2002 Adirondack North Country Community Enhancement Program (ANCCEP) were announced by Governor Pataki on Oct. 24, 2002.

PRIDE received \$12,500 in funding for the removal of abandoned vehicles and appliances in Ticonderoga, Putnam, Dresden and the Town of Whitehall. A spring cleanup date is being planned.

The second application in the amount of \$20,880 is for Phase 2 of the LaChute River Walk Signage Plan, to include the creation and installation of 12 interpretive signs to identify particular features in the landscape and explain their place in the history of Ticonderoga. It is intended that the River Walk Signage Plan will create an activity that will draw the public to the commercial area. Fort Ticonderoga was awarded \$25,000 for roadside rehabilitation.

F. Y. I.

- An osteoporosis exercise class is being held each Tuesday from 1:30-2:30PM at the hospital cafeteria in Ticonderoga. There is no fee involved - just a note of permission to take the class from your doctor. Nancy Tierney directs the class and take it from one who is involved - it is very stimulating (and fun!). . . djh
- The Ticonderoga Elementary and Middle Schools are open from 3:30-5:30PM for senior citizens who want to exercise by walking. Enter building through Middle School entrance. If interested, register at the Ticonderoga Middle School office at 585-7442 Ex. 218. Program is only available during days when school is in session.
- The Church of the Blessed Sacrament is hosting the annual "Sharing of the Loaves" at 7PM on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 7PM. All three churches are participating.
- The Hague Wesleyan Church is holding a Couples Ministry Night with dinner at 6PM at the fellowship hall of the church. \$8.00 per couple. For more information call 543-6545.
- A "Happy Birthday Jesus" party is being held at the Hague Wesleyan Church for children under 11, on Dec. 11 from 1-3PM. Please bring a baby gift to be given to Birthright.
- The Hague Wesleyan Church is sponsoring its annual outreach program in NYC on November 28. Call 543-6545 for information.
- Christmas Concert will be presented by students of the Middle School on December 5 at 7PM in the cafetorium.

• The Elementary School Holiday Concert will be held in the cafetorium on December 10 at 7PM

• The High School Holiday Concert will be held on December 12 in the high school auditorium at 7:30PM.

• The Economic Development Committee of the Town of Ticonderoga has developed a plan to provide year-round music in the downtown-shopping district during shopping hours. The equipment, to be installed free of charge, will cost approximately \$1,600. Donations toward this venture are needed and will be gratefully accepted. Please send contribution to: PRIDE of Ticonderoga, Inc. 111 Montcalm St., Suite 2.

• Beginning the day after Thanksgiving, the Dykstras will open their Coldwater Canyon Christmas Tree Farm. It will be open every day until Christmas. You may go and pick out a tree and have it marked to pick up later. Fun for the whole family! Cold Water Canyon is on the road just opposite the end of West Hague Road Call 543-6535 for more info.

• "Christmas in the Country", an annual "tour" sponsored by the businesses in the West Fort Ann to Kingsbury area will be held on Fri., Sat., and Sun., Dec. 6, 7, and 8, from 10AM-5pm. For brochure and map, call 792-3278, or just begin the tour at Flying Trout Emporium, Route 149 in West Fort Ann and follow the Christmas tree signs to find handcrafted specialties at these local countryside artists studios. Door prizes and refreshments at each location.

• Cornell Cooperative Extension, Warren County, is offering a free packet of newsletters for grandparents, other kin and neighbors who are informally caring for children in thier homes. Each newsletter is written in an easy to read format using scenarios that reflect common issues for providers and include seven practical tips and community resources on each topic. Series is free of charge. Contact Cornell Cooperative Extension at 668-4881 to request the series of "Children in My Care" newsletters.

TRANSFER STATION SCHEDULE

From now Up to Nov. 30, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat
Dec 1 to Mar 31 - Tues, Fri, Sat
Hours - 9AM - 5PM

Why?

*I wonder why it takes a war
For us to ever learn
That simple joys are those for which
Our deep hearts really yearn
Agnes Post*

SOUNDINGS

BORN: A boy, Per William Taylor, on Nov. 4, 2002 to Dina (Ianson) and Gary Taylor, Washington, NJ. Per is the grandson of George and Christine Ianson and great-grandson of Gertrude Raczkowski, Hague, NY.

BORN: A boy, Malcolm Millett, to Victoria Morin and Larry Millett, Windham, ME in April 2002. Malcolm is the grandson of the late Mary Hoffay and great grandson of Janet Hoffay, Hague and Harold Hoffay, Chestertown.

BORN: A boy, Christian Demarco Hoffay, to Nanci Dee and Mark Hoffay, Pottersville on October 30. He is the grandson of Janet Hoffay, Hague and Harold Hoffay, Chestertown.

MARRIED: Nathan LaCourse, son of Craig and Diane LaCourse, Hague, to Lacey Boyea on October 12, 2002 at The Blessed Sacrament Church in Hague. The reception was held in the VFW Hall in Mineville.

DIED: J. M. (Jack) Reynolds, 70, Ticonderoga, on Oct. 22, 2002 at Moses Ludington Hospital. Jack was the owner/operator of Indian Kettles Restaurant for many years. Survivors include his wife, Beverly, son, Craig, Lake Havasu, AZ, and two daughters, Paige Reynolds and Kara Reynolds, both of Orlando, FL, and three grandchildren.

DIED: Cheryl (Ginny) A. Plass, 58, Silver Bay, on Nov. 2, 2002 at the Columbia-Green Medical Center of Hudson, NY. Ginny was a teacher in the Hague and Ticonderoga School Districts. Surviving are her parents, her husband, Peter, three sons, Jeffrey, Jason, and Josh, one daughter, Joey, four sisters and one grandson.

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Sarah Van Patten, granddaughter of Grant and Martha Van Patten, Silver Bay and Saratoga, NY, is a performing artist with the San Francisco Ballet and has recently performed with that company at City Center in NYC. The troupe presented local debuts in "Paquita", among others. According to the New York Times -

"Among the soloists, (in Paquita) Sarah Van Patten did wonders with the harp solo, all the more difficult because it is slow and requires balance and sustained form." And to think that Sarah has just recently celebrated her seventeenth birthday! Congratulations!



HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

The following Hague students have been placed on the first marking period honor roll at the Ticonderoga High School:

Grade 12 - First Honors: Katie Belden, Jessi Frasier, Kelly Frasier,

Second Honors: Jennifer Clark

Grade 11 - First Honors: Monica Sitts

Second Honors: Matthew Frasier, Thomas Haskell

Grade 10 - First Honors: Wyatt Peterson

Second Honors: Danielle Connors, Joshua Frasier, Joshua Patchett,

Grade 9 - Sarah Bissell, Andrew Trombley

Second Honors: Michelle Coffin, Bryce Gurney, Jacob Lawrence

CONGRATULATIONS and keep up the good work!

The Middle School book fair was very successful this year. The profits provided the 3 English Language Arts classrooms with 25 books each, plus several books for the library, in addition to vouchers for instructional materials and money in the PTO treasury. A new program this time was the teacher's wish list. The teachers who took advantage of this program received all of their wishes! Thanks to the PTO for providing this profitable activity.

INTER-LAKES HEALTH

Moses Ludington Hospital is the most remote/unique hospital in NY State. The plan that brought MLH from foreclosure to its current status involved renegotiating the existing debt with the principal creditor (HUD), the sale of the hospital's assets to the Nursing Home and a successful \$13 million construction/renovation project that is establishing a continuum of care services in Ticonderoga. The services offered under the ILH umbrella (from independent housing and long-term care to ER and acute care) are seldom available from one source even in large metropolitan areas. What this means to the public is a more stable health care presence and a wider range of services than was thought possible in rural America.

- Expanded 24 hour Emergency Room
- Emergency Medical Services ("Fly Car")
- Critical Access Hospital Services
- Cardiac Rehabilitation
- Diagnostic Radiology Services
- Out-patient clinical laboratory
- Veteran's/Housing Initiative
- Heritage Commons Residential Healthcare
- Inter-lakes Dental
- Inter-lakes Durable Medical Equipment
- Lord Howe Estates

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2002

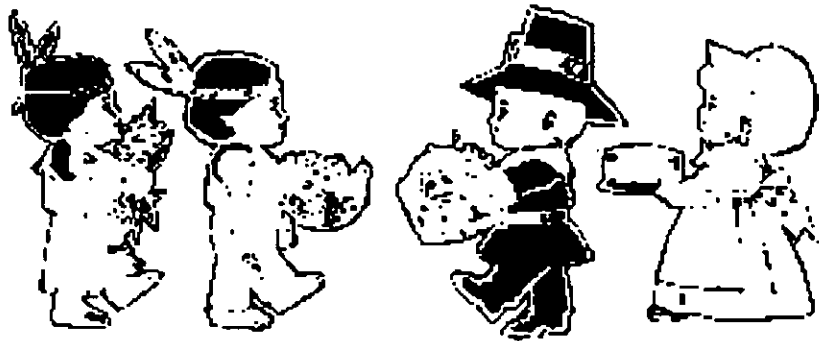
November

- 22 Couples Ministry with dinner, 6PM, Hague Wesleyan Church (p6)
- 27 "Sharing of the Loaves", ecumenical service at Church of the Blessed Sacrament (p6) All 3 churches participating
- 28 **HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY**
(Offices & Transfer station closed)
- 28 Hague Wesleyan Church Outreach program in NYC

- 6 Rotary Club of Northern L.G. Christmas Dinner at Burleigh House at 6:30PM (p6)
- 7 Holiday in Hague (p1)
- 7 Community Christmas party (p1)
- 7 "Happy Birthday Jesus" party at Hague Wesleyan Church (p6)
- 8 Champlain Valley Chorale Concert (p5)
- 10 Elementary School Holiday Concert - 7PM (p6)
- 12 High School Holiday Concert (p6)
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December

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