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"FAMILY SPRING TIME"

The Silver Bay Association is hosting a number of activities during April and May for families of Hague on the campus of the Association.

Mon. Apr 5 - "Cookies and Milk" Open House at the New Children's Pavilion from 6 - 5:30PM. Anybody who would like to see the facility is **WELCOMED!**

Wed. Apr 19 - "Taking it to the Table" - Bring your families favorite table game to the children's pavilion to share. For families with children from 2 - 20 years old. The games will begin at 4PM - 5:30PM.

Fri. Apr 28 - "Rollin' on Through" - Come and enjoy your Fri. night with our community's families. We will have a marble tournament and musical games. For families with children from 2 - 10 years old. The first marble rolls at 4PM until 5:30PM.

Sat. May 6 - **HAGUE COMMUNITY DAY FROM 12 NOON UNTIL 9:30 PM** Full schedule will be published in the April issue of The Hague Chronicle.

Wed. May 17 - "Imagination" - Tonight's the night to bring your imagination alive through Art. For families with children from 2 to 10 years old. The exploration will begin at 4PM - 5:30PM.

Wed. May 24 - "Family Fitness" - Fitness ideas for both youngsters and adults. We will play developmentally appropriate games which focus on fitness. For families with children from 2 to 10 years old. We kick off at 4PM - 5:30PM.

Wed. May 31 - "Flying Away" - It's "fly my kite" time in the Lake George winds. Come with your kite or make a kite with your family and friends. For all ages! We will begin at 4PM and end at 5:30PM.

If you have any questions please call Helen Barton at 543-8833. Your out of town guests are always welcome! Ed: This is quite an undertaking on the part of Helen Barton and the Silver Bay Association. Please show your appreciation for their efforts by attending as many of these events as possible. Volunteers are needed for the HAGUE COMMUNITY DAY on May 6. Won't you call Helen and give her your support?

MEALS ON WHEELS

The Meals Program is in need of an every-other-Thursday driver from June through August this summer, and in fact, anyone who might like to fill in with driving at other times too, would be welcome. There are presently

about 10 meals to deliver on our run. Please contact either Ethel Andrus at 543-6098 or Betty Braisted at 543-6102 if you have time to volunteer.

HAGUE TOWN PARK COMMISSION ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

At a Park Commission meeting held on March 10, updated rules and regulations were confirmed and will be presented to the town board at their March 14 meeting. At that time it is expected that a hearing on these regulations will be set for the April meeting at 6PM.

Applications are being accepted by the commission for park attendants and life guards. Application forms may be obtained at the Community Building.

WAL-MART COMING TO T! Lohr McKinstry

TICONDEROGA - Boston developer Andrew Rockett wants to build a 97,000 square foot Wal-Mart department store on land next to McDonald's Restaurant.

Rockett told a town meeting in Ticonderoga the store would employ 150 people and expect 2,000 to 3,000 shoppers a day. Based on the Wal-Mart average of \$300 annual sales for every square foot of space, the store would gross about \$323,000 a year.

The store would require an entrance on Wicker St. near the present Catlin Farm Store and Wal-Mart wants the 40 mph speed there lowered to 30mph. Construction would start in fall 1995.

The plan must be submitted to the Adirondack Park Agency for a letter of non-jurisdiction, since the construction would be in Ticonderoga's hamlet area and under 40 feet in height. The Ticonderoga Town Planning Board and state Department of Environmental Conservation and Department of Transportation must also OK the project.

Residents for Responsible Growth, a Lake Placid-based citizen group, opposes Wal-Mart's plans for a store there and told Ticonderoga residents Wal-Mart eliminates 1.5 local jobs for every one it creates. Montcalm Street businesses in Ticonderoga would suffer as Wal-Mart snares as much of the retail traffic from the region as it can, representatives of the Responsible Growth group said.

Wal-Mart, a Bentonville, Arkansas national discount retailer, has no stores in the Adirondack Park or Vermont but is seeking to build in both areas.

TI FESTIVAL GUILD CONTINUES COFFEE HOUSE SERIES

April 14: Louise Taylor of Vermont, combines "poetic lyrics with her guitar work and fluid smoky vocals."

May 5: Dana Robinson - unique ability to integrate jazz with country rhythm and blues with rock and folk.

Come to the NCCC auditorium for a night out to enjoy some fine acoustical sounds! Time - 7:30PM; Admission \$3.00.

Ed: Those who missed Rick Bolton and Susan Hamlin coffee house concert on March 10 missed a great performance. They presented a wonderful variety of folk songs to a full house at NCCC. Rick, a "Hagueite", is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bolton.

FREE VISION SCREENING AT SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING

Because of the nasty weather on Feb. 28, the Senior Citizens Club was forced to cancel its luncheon. However, we will try to do it again on March 28 and will hope for better weather. Please be sure to sign up again by calling 543-6161. Remember this is a covered dish luncheon and we would like to have you bring a dish to share. Time - 12 Noon.

We will have as our guest Ms. Elizabeth Schreiner from the Glens Falls Association of the Blind who will present a program and eye screening immediately following lunch. Ms Schreiner will tell us about the various services and products available for the visually limited. The seniors welcome other members of the community to participate in this screening and program at 12:45PM.

The Glens Falls Assoc. for the Blind believes that blind and visually limited persons should have access to the same benefits and activities that sighted persons enjoy. To that end, the Association provides support, guidance, and instruction, as well as public education.

WOMEN HELPING WOMEN

"Shape Up for Summer" is the subject of our next program on Mon. Apr. 10, 1995, at 7PM at the Hague Community Center. Gay Congdon, owner of the Fitness Firm in South Glens Falls, hostess for "Food and Fitness" on T.V. 8 and the "KB. Fitness Minute" on radio station KB100.5 will be our speaker. She will give tips on healthy dieting and exercising. Gay is proud of her non-diet weight loss program. "It's gone way beyond what I thought it would," she says.

This program is geared to women of all ages. All our programs are free, and we look forward to welcoming women from Ticonderoga, Putnam and Crown Point as well as Bolton Landing and Glens Falls.

Women Helping Women is a group of women who meet the second Monday of each month with guest speakers covering topics concerned with women's well being - physical, emotional, social and intellectual.

TI SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET WORKSHOPS

4/26/95 - Reg. meeting of School Bd. and brief summary of all budget reports - HAGUE COMMUNITY CTR - 7:30PM All other workshops are at 7:30PM in the H.S. Cafeteria.

5/3 Discussion - Elementary Middle & High School expenditures; General Support; Legal, Central & Business Office;; Insurance; Community, Employee Benefits; Debt Service; Cafeteria Expenditures; Operations & Maintenance; and Transportation. Review of total expenditures & available revenue. Discussion on draft of proposed budget to be presented at Public Hearing.

5/8 Final Date by which petitions are due from candidates for Board of Education, 5PM District Office.

5/10 Public Hearing on budget. Adoption by Board of Ed. of the 1995-96 budget.

5/24 Latest date for copies of the proposed 1995-96 budget to be available for public release.

5/30 Voter registration, 1-6PM - Ticonderoga H.S. and Hague Community Center.

6/7 Vote on proposed 1995-96 school budget and election of members to the Board of Education - Ti High School.

THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 1995 IN THE HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA, AT 7:30PM.

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"The Great Camps of the Adirondacks" will be the program for the Hague Historical Society on Thurs. Mar. 16 at the Hague Community Center. (Note: the date in the Feb. Chronicle was wrong). A social time will start at 7:30PM as usual to be followed by the business meeting and program at 8:00PM.

The story of William Durant, who is considered the originator of the Great Camp design, and the building of Camps Pine Knot, Uncas and Sagamore, is a most interesting episode in the exciting history of the Adirondacks in the late 1800's. Pres. Robert Cole will preside over the program which returns by repeated requests.

April is the month for our joint meeting with the Ticonderoga Historical Society at the Hancock House in Ticonderoga on Friday Apr 21. This year they are the hosts and we supply the program. Mrs. Carol Greenough of Whitehall will bring back the memories of Whitehall as an important center for the busy Hudson River - Lake Champlain Canal route in the last century.

Our meetings are open to the public and visitors are cordially invited. . . rmc

STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Chairman Skip Hourigan has announced there will be a Stormwater Committee workshop in preparation for a public hearing, on Wed. Mar. 29 at 7PM in the Community Center. Herb Steffins from D.O.T. and C. T. Male Assoc. will be represented. It is urgent that all members of the committee be present.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 2/23/95

The Toner (23-1-14) application for a variance to construct a 24' x 27' garage with a storage area (not to be habitable space) was approved with one change from a front lot line of 25' to one of 20'. Written APA approval is awaited.

Maiaro (20-1-35), boat storage on Decker Hill, along with Lazarus (66-1-13) shoreline variance, is still on hold since the board is still awaiting word on the Lazarus project from the Warren County Planning Board.

Mary Lou Doulin has been recommended for a seat on the Stormwater Committee.

The two ZBA members recommended for the Zoning Ordinance Review Committee are Cris Ginn and Dave Marucci. . . . gl

Ed: Still shy two members on the Zoning Board of Appeals. We need volunteers!

PLANNING BOARD - 3/1/95

No one spoke in opposition to either of two public hearings held at the March 2 meeting.

In the request by Steurer-Dix (41-1-31-1) Split Rock Rd., minor 2-lot sub-division approval was given based on all available information.

There are still questions to be answered on the Priore (2 lot sub-division (Class B) Rt. 8 (21-1--3) campsite. Several board members will visit the site, checking to see if the property is separate by OCI and RC designations. Different zones require different acreage.

Dave Swanson and John Brown have been recommended to serve on the Zoning Review Committee will be recommended to serve on the Zoning Review Committee from this board .

Skip Hourigan is now officially a member of the Planning Board and Robert Goetsch has replaced him on the Zoning Board. . . . gl

TOWN BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 14 WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE APRIL ISSUE.

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Once again our department had no fire calls in the month just past. However, the volunteers weren't idle . . . 39 hours of state-mandated training kept them busy!

The ambulances and their crews had nine runs. Ambulance 740 logged 155 miles with 61 man hours used. Ambulance 741 had 72 miles, with 76 man hours. Nearly all of those hours involved attendance at the assorted activities during Winter Carnival Weekend.

Equally dedicated were the volunteers (both men and women) who turned out to work the breakfasts that were served on Sat. and Sun. of the Carnival weekend. Food Chairpersons Joan Belden and Pat Swinton and their helpers worked many hours to produce the breakfasts; these helpers did everything from setting tables to flipping flap-jacks; and no, groceries did not automatically appear in

the kitchen, ready to be used; Joan spent many hours shopping and comparing prices. Many materials had to be transported from storage at the Fire House to the Community Center. One dedicated volunteer was the only waitress on the floor during a rush on Sunday morning (she missed church!) And forget your rank in the Fire Dept. The ambulance captain worked in the kitchen as a cook's helper on both mornings, and the Fire Chief washed and dried dishes and mopped floors! The breakfast netted \$300. We thank those who worked and those who came and ate. As we remarked to each other "Well; that's \$300 we didn't have Sat. morning." And, although exhausted, proud to have had a part in it! . . . ewa

COMMUNITY CENTER GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Rudy Meola and Lu Megow, Town Board members have headed a committee for the past two months to see what can be done to spruce up the grounds of the Community Center. There is much to be done and it was the consensus of opinion of the committee that the following items should take precedence:

On the west side of the building grading to be done in house and five picnic tables will be added.

On the east side grading to be done in house. Combination skating rink and basketball court and blacktop (to be donated by Peckham). Two backboards with poles for the basketball court.

The two entrance pillars on the bridge to be stone veneered and refinish back two and cap all four. Stucco inside walls to be done in house.

The chain link fence along brook to be taken down and replaced with split rail fencing, with a light on every other post. An entry light on each entry post.

Sign outside the entrance - refurbish present sign if possible and inscribe other side.

The Kiwanis Club has indicated that it will help us with some of the expenses incurred on this project.

The Committee is recommending the above plan to the Town Board at the meeting on March 14.

SENIORS DID YOU KNOW?

Delta Airlines offers "Young at Heart" coupon books to seniors 62 years and older and traveling companion (if applicable). A book of four coupons is currently \$596.00 and can be used anywhere in the continental U.S., P.R. and U.S. Virgin Islands. Use two coupons each way for Alaska and Hawaii. This is quite a savings over the regular fare or even the 10% senior discount.

Before traveling, it is advisable to call various airlines to get the best price on your trip. You might even call more than once for the same information because it seems to vary from time to time.

Rare coin: one you have left after paying taxes.

CONSERVANCY AWARDED GRANT

The Lake George Basin Land Conservancy has announced receipt of a \$57,000 grant and a pledge of up to an additional \$10,000 to help support the conservancy's land conservation work on Lake George, the largest lake in the six million acre Adirondack Park.

The gift was provided by the trustees of the FUND for Lake George, a private, not-for-profit foundation that underwrites environmental programs around the lake.

Entirely supported through individual contributions and foundation grants, the not-for-profit land conservancy works to preserve the water quality of Lake George and the rare plants and animals living within the 150,000 acre watershed by protecting open space through conservation easement and fee acquisition.

Though Lake George water is among the purest in the world, scientists report that deteriorating water quality has been brought about by overdevelopment of the steep-sided watershed.

Conservancy Board President Mark Johnson, Exec. Dir. Silver Bay Assoc. said, "The economy of the Lake George region's two largest industries - tourism and timber - rely on the conservation of natural resources. Open space preservation is one of the most cost-effective means of protecting the region's economy. We're hopeful that more and more government officials will come to appreciate the economic benefits of open space protection and champion land conservation efforts in their own communities."

The Lake George Basin Land Conservancy is one of more than 1,000 land trusts across the U.S. Nationally, land trusts represent 900,000 members and have protected 4 million acres of land.

NATURE NEWS
Laura Meade

If you live in the "heavenly hills of Hague" it is possible that a black bear may appear in your yard during spring, summer or fall. About a year ago Jerry Frasier, who works on the Town Highway crew, stopped to tell me that he had seen a 400-lb. bear in my driveway earlier that day. He wondered if I was "alright". That prompted me to ask more about bears!

Recently I spoke with Lou Berchielli, the black bear expert at the DEC Big Game Unit in Delmar. He said that there have been almost no reports of bears attacking people in the Adirondacks lately. However, bears are "opportunists" and will eat garbage at dumps or near homes, they will open coolers at campsites to get food and they should NOT be fed by people because their natural diet of nuts, berries and grasses is much better for their health. The only recent bear attack occurred when tuna fish was offered to a bear so a man would take a video of the animal, but things did not go as planned.

If you are camping in a wilderness area, food and garbage should be hoisted on a rope between two trees, at least as high as 10 feet. Some campsites have metal storage containers or two metal poles from which food can be

hung.

Most dump sites where bears used to provide "entertainment" have now been closed. The infamous one at Long Lake is now a transfer station, as is the landfill at Hague where trash is enclosed in a container.

Berchielli estimates that there may be as many as 4,000 black bears in the Adirondacks. There are three Bear Management Units in New York, with specific hunting regulations for each. DEC keeps records of the annual harvest of bears during hunting season. Records show that approximately 700 were killed last year. In our area, there is an early bear season which begins when deer or bear may be taken until early December.

It is illegal for people to keep bear cubs (or any wildlife). If a mother bear is killed accidentally one should contact the DEC so that the cubs can receive proper care. For some years the Pennsylvania Game Commission has done extensive research on how to get an orphaned cub to be accepted in a den by a mother which has other cubs. New York State DEC has recently attached seven radios on black bears to monitor their activities.

After mating season in mid-summer, pregnancy occurs by delayed implantation in the female's uterus in late October or early November. Very tiny bear cubs are born in the den in late January or early February. The mothers will emerge with the new-born in late March or April. That is the most important time to avoid females with cubs! If one should encounter cubs separated from the mother, be VERY CAREFUL - otherwise "not to worry", according to Berchielli.

If anyone knows of an active bear den please contact me at 543-6060 or Lou Berchielli at 439-0098.

CLUB SCOUT PACK 21 NEWS

For some time now Pack 21 has been collecting bottles and cans at the Hague "Recycling Center" for redemption. We greatly appreciate your donations, as this is the pack's main source of income. The money is used for the Cubs' awards and activities. A special thanks to the Hague Highway crew for their many B's & C's that keep the Cubs going!

Wolf dens #1 and #2 have "re-uped", but we say goodbye to Webelos John Costello, Luke Frasier and Peter Mack. The Pack also extends a fond farewell to our long-term Cubmaster Tim Gautreau and Committee member Michele Gautrea. They have donated much time and great talents in making this Scout Pack a success. Thank you for all you've done!

Some new blood is being "injected" into Pack 21 and we welcome our new Cubmaster Alfred Van Sleet and Committee members Val Lawrence and Nancy Trombley. They're sure to keep the ball rolling!

Our second annual Pinewood Derby was held during Winter Carnival weekend and it was a blast. Eleven cars ran (including guest Jason Laundree, third place winner from Ti Pack 72, and there were some pretty close calls. Judges Doug Laundree and Dan Belden (thank you!) called the winners of many heats before third place went

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to Josh Frasier, second to Josh Patchett and first place to John Costello. John went on to represent Pack 21 at the Akwesanne District Derby at the Aviation Mall. He stayed in the running for six races! Congratulations boys and good work to all of you!

Our next pack meeting will be held Thursday, Apr 13 at 7PM at the Hague Fish and Game Club. The theme will be "What is Scouting?" All Cub families are urged to attend - it's your boy's life! . . . KC

WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL OF SENIOR CITIZENS

The Warren County Council of Senior Citizens is hosting its 22nd luncheon honoring ALL Senior Citizens on Thurs, May 18, at the RAMADA INN at Lake George, NY (Exit 21). (May IS Senior Citizens Month). In the past four years, Hague has had three honorees for their services as Senior Volunteers. This year, the Town of Queensbury has Senior for Greatest Community Contribution and Thurman has the Senior of the Year Honoree. Hague has been well represented at these luncheons in the years that our town has had honorees of the year. We are urging all seniors to turn out and show that we care about all senior volunteers and honorees, regardless of town of origin!

The RAMADA is offering a choice of three entrees: carved roast beef, broiled breast of Chicken Supreme and a mild broiled fish. We are assured that the RAMADA is holding the line at \$9 per entree, with the price including tax and tip.

To register for this luncheon phone the Community Center (543-6161) and have your name and choice of entree registered. To pay, make out a check to Ethel W. Andrus, and mail it to her at PO Box 2551, Silver Bay, NY 12874-2551; Ethel will then make out one big check to the Warren County Council. (Individual checks are not accepted by the Council).

So come, enjoy the Ramada's good food, meeting other seniors from other communities, and the great social time.

THE LAST DAY FOR REGISTRATION IS APRIL 27.

PLANETARIUM SHOW

"Cosmic Catastrophes" will be the title of the show presented by the Ticonderoga High School Astronomy class on March 28, 1995 at 7:30PM at the Ti High School Planetarium.

"Cosmic Catastrophes," written by Dr. Gerritt L. Verschuur, deals with deep space events such as an exploding star or asteroid collisions occurring closer to Earth, accompanied with a live situation and informative dialogue. In conclusion, the show looks at ever-increasing technological problems here on Earth such as the diminishing ozone layer and the possibility of nuclear disasters. This popular show has entertained audiences across the country after gaining accreditation at its home in the Hansen Planetarium in Salt Lake City, UT.

If you have any questions, please call Planetarium Director, David Rutkowski at 585-6661.

THE WARREN COUNTY DECENTRALIZATION PROGRAM has announced that Hague has been awarded \$300 for a cartoon exhibit at the town center in May. Exhibit will be held on May 26, 27 and 28. More on this exhibit next month. The Union Chapel Assoc. of Sabbath Day Point has also been awarded a grant of \$350 for two chamber concerts for 1995 summer season.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

will be held on March 21 from 1-2PM. REMINDER THAT IN A FOOD EMERGENCY YOU CAN REACH GEORGINA LINDQUIST AT 543-6095.

NEXT BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC will be held at the Community Center on March 15 from 1-2PM



WEATHER NOTES

Mary Lou Doulin

From Feb 10 to Mar 10 we had moderate temperatures, warmer than normal; daytimes were generally between 30 and 40 degrees. The most interesting event was the 1.5 earthquake of Feb. 16 which originated from Port Henry. Geologists believe there is a fault there that is more extensive than the infamous St. Andreas fault in California.

As this was the first earthquake I personally experienced, it was quite exciting. As minimal as it was it gave a powerful glimpse into the forces of nature. There was a sound of a sonic boom and the fierce movement of the ground. It is easy to understand how primitive people had developed such mythological explanations for the forces of nature.

The other interesting event was the brevity of the ice freeze on our beautiful Lake Goerge in Hague Bay. The lake froze Feb. 13 and four days later it disappeared. As of March 11 at Hague the ice has not returned. The brevity of the freeze might be a record for the century!

March had begun with mostly pleasant weather which lasted until Mar 8 and 9 at which time rain, freezing rain and 6 1/2 in. of snow brought winter back. Despite the brilliant sunshine on Fri. the 10th, the temperature never rose above 22 degrees. Take heart! 50 degrees is predicted for the Ides of March.

Also, I saw my first robin in the backyard on Mar 10. At the feeder there have been lots of varied flocks of birds arriving from the south.

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

ON TO SPRING!

WINTER WEEKEND NOTES

With favorable weather and many helping hands, the Hague Winter Weekend went well, with many successes, bonuses for the Beste Scholarship Fund, and a little less work than has been expended in years past. It's not exactly the "Hague Winter Carnival," but a streamlined version of the same that busy organizers can live with, with less wear and tear than before.

Thanks to Dennis Englert and crew, the Polar Bear Run has returned, with a respectable field of runners for this traditional chilly Sat. Morning jaunt up and down 9N. Local winners included Monica Johnson, 1st place, Jr. Div. and Fred LaPann, 3rd place, Master's Div.

First place in the SnowSculpture Contest were Hague Motel entrants with "Iguana Tears." First place in the Chainsaw Contest went to John Frasier for large saw, and John Frasier again for first and second place for small saw competition. "Jo Jo Stormer and the Stormettes" trounced "The Wild West" to take 1st place in the Tug-of-War competition. Even though ice was harder to find this year, the National Ice Auger Championships did go on, and Marty Spelman was a winner in the over 3" stock auger class in a very close set of heats, with Todd Porter coming in 2nd and Tim May 3rd. Juniors: Tyler Wells came in first, and Thomas Decker was 2nd in the Over 3" competition. AND we understand that there was an unofficial Polar Bear Swim by Tom Robbins and Junior Bear Nicole at Trout House Village Dock at high noon on Sat.

Additional thanks go to: The Hague Chronicle for including the HWW flyer. To date, we have received nearly \$600 from this mailing for the Beste Scholarship Fund. Thank you to all donors who have responded thus far. We are very grateful to our major sponsors, Christopher Chevrolet and International Paper, who helped with prizes, plaques, and operating expenses, and for Ron Pote and Sal Santaniello, who helped arrange for this assistance. The Town of Hague's promotional funding was greatly appreciated, as was the Town Highway Crew and Mike Manning's assistance with set up. Thanks to the Hague Vol. Fire Dept. for putting on their breakfasts, and for standing by with the ambulance for many of the events.

Our Rafflemania Crew also deserves much credit. The Boom Box was won by Angela Sammis of Ticonderoga. \$300 was made on the raffle, which goes directly to the Beste Scholarship Fund, and the following ticket salespeople must be acknowledged: Chuck Fillare, Bob Caldera, Al Van Sleet, Marilyn Priore, and the team of Doris Bolton and Marion Shoemaker. These folks braved some chilly weather and long hours to "sit" with the Box. It's not easy to find good raffle people these days. Thank you.

A very good crowd turned out for our 3rd annual Beste Benefit Buffet at Silver Bay Assoc. where Alison LaCourse (N.Y. Univ.) and Eric Coon (Delhi) and/or parents received their Beste Scholarship Awards, presented by Dan Belden, Chairman of the Beste Steering Committee. The dinner was outstanding, and Silver Bay Assoc., Mark Johnson, Dave Kisselback, Michele Brunet and staff receives our deepest thanks for hosting this wonderful community

event. All proceeds from the dinner went directly to the Beste Scholarship Fund.

Thanks also to the Fish and Game Club members who put on the Rifle Shoot and Family Fun Day at the Clubhouse. Much work went into the planning and setup for these events. It was also great to have the Cub Scout Pinewood Derby there on Sat., which provided an indoor spectator sport for folks to watch.

In summary, the Winter Carnival Committee is happy to report, that after all expenses, included 2 scholarship awards, the Best Scholarship Fund now totals \$13,500. Thanks to all, and suggestions, ideas, etc. for 1996 can be sent to Sal Santaniello, Hague Winter Carnival Committee. . . . Kathy Santaniello

CATCH THE CATS

A bus trip to New York City is planned for Sat. May 6, leaving Ticonderoga at 7AM and returning at approximately 11:30PM. The bus will arrive in NYC at 11:30AM and passengers will be on their own until 2:00 when they will attend matinee performances of either CATS or LES MISERABLES. Coach fare and CATS admission will be \$89 per person and LES MISERABLES will be \$99.00. For reservations, call Lisa King, 547-8987.

HAGUE SEWER PROSPECTS PROGRESSING

The Lake George Sewer Basin Project involves communities in Hague, Bolton, Lake George and Queensbury and addresses the critical areas of concern along the lake in each community. Lake George, a national pristine treasure, has shown signs of water quality deterioration over the past several decades. Failing sanitary sewer systems at homes and business are adding to the degradation of the Lake. In the majority of the areas serviced by this project, it is not physically possible to comply with local regulation governing the disposal of sanitary waste water with individual sewer systems. The project is unaffordable except by a grant. A grant in the amount of \$20 million was authorized by Congress. Additional local funding will be required.

The planning and design phase for each location will include any additional environmental impact statements that are necessary, legal, land acquisition if required, all agreements between the county and the government/district for operation and maintenance; and all design, estimates, and approvals for construction projects to be let. The construction phases will include the construction, supervision and transfer of the completed projects to the accepting agency.

In Hague the project will develop an innovative and alternative treatment technique using aerobic biological treatment and a nutrient film technique for effluent polishing. District formation and construction of waste water collection and treatment facilities complete the project in Hague.

The County will hire and oversee consultants to provide the planning and design services for the various projects. The County will coordinate and specify the grant allocation among the several phases recognizing a substantial shortfall exists between the total estimate of costs and the grant amount.

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SOUNDINGS

BORN: A girl, Leeandra, to Anthony Ernest Waters and Nicole Hurlley in Pittsfield, MA. Great grandparents are Barb and Tink Snow, Hague.

DIED: E. Russell Babcock, 82, Palm Harbor, FL and Silver Bay, NY on February 25 at Sunset Point Nursing Center, Clearwater, FL. He was executive director for the YMCA throughout the northeastern states for 40 years. Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Dorothy Gray; daughters Harriett Ann Marsden, Jeannette G. King and Carolyn M. Dunn; and four grandchildren. Donations may go to the Silver Bay Association, Silver Bay, NY 12874.

JAMES GIRARD, son of Mr. & Mrs. Perry Girard, Hague was one of two Middle School students from Hague who participated in the Fall Stock Market Game sponsored by the Glens Falls Post Star. They placed second in the Middle School category.

We regret that we omitted James' name from the Feb. issue of The Hague Chronicle.

TICONDEROGA MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS

PATRICK ANDREA, Grade 8 was listed on the Merit Roll. Students are selected by teacher recommendation for shown improvement in academics.

The following Hague students were listed on the Middle School Honor Roll for the 2nd grading period.

KATIE BREITENBACH, TAVISH COSTELLO, MICHELLE DEFRANCO, DAVID FITZGERALD, ANNE JOHNSON, CRISTINA LAWRENCE, RYAN LAWRENCE, ANDREW MACK, JOSH PLASS, KATHRYN RUTKOWSKI, EVE TROMBLEY

DR. ROBERT L. COLLINS, JR. has been appointed to the Faculty of the N.Y. State Council of School Superintendents Academy. Dr. Collins will be serving a two year term with twelve other superintendents. The Superintendents' Academy offers professional growth opportunities for the more than 700 superintendents throughout the State of New York.

"WHEN I GROW UP"

Over 115 third, fourth, and fifth graders are busily rehearsing for their upcoming musical revue, "When I Grow UP", a kid's eye view of the world of work. This lively and energetic show, directed by Mrs. Linda Azer, will be performed on Friday, March 24, 1995 at 7:00PM in the Elementary-Middle School cafetorium. Be sure to mark the date on your calendar. Come and relive the days when you said, "When I grow up I wanna be a _____".

KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

Open house for parents and children of kindergarten age will be held on Wed. morning, Mar 22 from 8:15-11:15AM. The important Kindergarten Information Night for parents will be held Thurs., Mar 23 at 7PM. The kindergarten program will be described, screening procedures will be explained and the screening packet will be distributed with an appointment time set for your child's screening.

Kindergarten registration and screenings will take place during the week of Mon. May 8 through Fri. May 12. Bring your completed information packets to the screening on the date that was set for your child.

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As various projects, design, permitting, and legal requirements are completed, separate construction grants will be assigned.

Additional Capital Costs Required: The requirements approximate \$31 million while the grant request is for \$20 million, an obvious shortfall of \$11 million. The County, as grant recipient, in conjunction with the municipalities involved, will have to arrive at an equitable disbursement of the funds that best serves the goal of basin improvement. While some phases may be delayed or reduced, it is entirely possible that some individual municipalities may wish to extend their phase beyond the amount of the grant made available to them. While subject to obvious legal and financial constraints, any such local expense would constitute an additional "local share" towards the fulfillment of the overall project.

"Non-grant" Local Shares to the Project: It has been the perception that "local shares" would be required by and handled outside the grant process. This would keep them unencumbered of the numerous administrative and other requirements associated with any grant procedure. It is the perception of the County that Senator D. Patrick Moynihan, Senator Alphonse D'Amato, and Congressman Gerald Solomon, all of whom have met personally with the county's representatives, concurred.

SAFE AT HOME

As a gathering place for friends and family, your home is at the center of your life. Surrounded by your family and most treasured possessions, home is where you feel secure.

An important part of that secure feeling is the knowledge that you have done everything you can to make sure your home is protected.

Fire stalks its victims quietly until suddenly, it strikes. Once started, fire moves swiftly, not stopping until it has melted, singed or disintegrated most everything in its path.

The good news is that just a little planning can make a great deal of difference between controlling a fire or surrendering to it.

One should have smoke detectors in strategic locations and change the batteries in them once a year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MARCH/APRIL 1995

March

- 16 Hague Historical Society, 7:30PM - p.2
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 21 Home Bureau - 10AM
- 21 Fish & Game Club - 7:30PM in the Clubhouse
- 23 Zoning Board of Appeals - 7PM
- 28 Senior Citizens Lunch - 12Noon - p2
- 28 Eye Screening & Program - 12:45; see p. 2
- 28 Planetarium program - THS - p.5
- 29 Board of Education meeting - 7:30PM HS Cafeteria

April

- 3 HVFD - 7:30PM
- 4 Home Bureau - 10AM
- 5 Senior Citizens Bus to Glens Falls
- 5 Chamber of Commerce meeting
- 5 American Legion meeting
- 6 Planning Board meeting - 7PM
- 10 HAGUE CHRONICLE DEADLINE
- 10 Women Helping Women - p. 2
- 11 Town Board meeting - 6:30PM
- 16 EASTER SUNDAY
- 18 Home Bureau - 10AM
- 18 Fish and Game Club - 7:30PM

DO SOMETHING - ANYTHING

I woke up feeling good this A.
 What caused the blues to go away?
 I wish I knew because I may
 well need the same another day.

The answer is, the wisemen say,
 try someting new on every day
 and right or wrong you then can say,
 "I've learned a thing or two today."

... Gini S.

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