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NEW HAGUE DIRECTORIES READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

The 1996 Hague Directory is printed and ready for distribution. At the Feb. meeting, members of the Chamber of Commerce made plans for wider distribution of this listing of area businesses. Categories include Accommodations, Camping, Dining, Automotive, Marinas, Recreation, Shopping, Banking, Services and Real Estate and Insurance. The center spread lists special events, organizations, historical sites and hiking trails. The back cover lists services provided in the community of Hague.

Brochures are already available at several area businesses. Anyone wishing to have them available for visitors to the area may call the Hague Chamber of Commerce at 543-6353, or the Silver Bay General Store at 543-6441. Brochures may be picked up at the Silver Bay Store as well.

In other business, the Hague Chamber of Commerce members are making plans for the Arts Fair, the Summer Entertainment Program and for a new logo for the Chamber itself. Since moving to breakfast meetings at Ody's on the first Wed. of each month, attendance is up and participation has increased. . . cb

HAGUE COMMUNITY DAY

Plans are rolling for this year's Sat., May 4th event. Do you remember last year when we had Bingo during the pasta buffet, Hague Jeopardy, the town trucks, ambulance and K9 unit, or the sling-shot that Jim Braisted brought. If you would like to volunteer for the Hague Community Day by pulling together an activity or calling to see what has been planned so far, please call Helen Barton at 543-8833.

A REMINDER FOR THOSE WHO HAVE REGISTERED FOR THE 55 ALIVE SAFE DRIVING COURSE to be held in the Community Center on April 8 and 9. The class is from 10AM to 2PM both days. There is an \$8.00 fee and the check should be made out to AARP. It will be collected by the teacher. If there are any other questions, call Georgina Lindquist at 543-6095. There is a class limit of 35.

LAKE GEORGE PARK COMMISSION WILL HOLD AN INFORMATIONAL HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ADDITION OF BUOYS AT ROGERS ROCK

CAMPSITE. HEARING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 13TH AT 10AM IN HAGUE COMMUNITY CENTER.

A WARREN COUNTY SEWER UPDATE

The consultant firm's (Clough Harbour) contract was sent back to E.P.A (Environmental Protection Agency) office in New York City after several revisions had been made. As soon as the E.P.A. approval is forwarded to the county, the engineer will be able to start his job. We understand that verbal approval had been made and written approval is on the way. **A date has been set for a public informational meeting in Hague. It will be held on April 3 at 6:00PM at the Town Hall.**

If there are any questions about the Hague portion of this county project, please bring them to this public meeting. It is imperative that everyone gets the right information and makes judgements accordingly.

WAL-MART BECOMES A REALITY

With a 6-0 vote (one abstention) of the Ticonderoga Planning Board on March 12, Wal-Mart has gotten the green light to go ahead with the building of its store in Ticonderoga. A representative from Wal-Mart stated that building would be started the beginning of April and they hope for completion before Christmas.

The granting of a building permit for this store has raised a big controversy in the Ticonderoga area, with many people objecting on the grounds it would ruin business for the small merchants and destroy Ticonderoga's small town atmosphere, but probably just as many people have voiced their support stating that it would increase business for everybody. Wal-Mart will be located adjacent to MacDonald's

ANTICIPATED VACANCIES ON LOCAL BOARDS

The town board is accepting applications for two anticipated vacancies on the Hague Planning Board and one on the Board of Assessment Review. Applications may be picked up at the Community Center.

For all those residents of Hague who like to express their opinions about the various boards, now is your time to be a volunteer. These board members spend a great deal of time devoting themselves to the business of the future of Hague. The Planning Board is ALL volunteer and meets monthly. The Board of Assessment Review is paid a stipend for their work and meets yearly to evaluate assessments of residents who file complaints.

WOMEN HELPING WOMEN

"Time Management" - "Stress, Positive and Negative - and How to Handle It" are the subjects for our next program on Monday, April 8, 1996 at 7PM at the Hague Community Center. Helen Zurlo, Professor of Nursing at Adirondack Community College, will be our speaker. Ms. Zurlo received her B.S. from the University of Miami and her M.S. in psychology and mental health from Russell Sage College, Troy, NY. She is a clinical nurse specialist and also has a private practice in psychotherapy.

This program is presented free of charge. We look forward to welcoming men and women from Ticonderoga, Putnam, Crown Point, Bolton Landing, Lake George 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.

HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our March meeting will disclose a Mystery Woman, Mother Bickardye, also known as the Cyclone in Calico. Come hear Ethel Andrus, known as our local story teller, on Thursday, Mar. 21 at the Hague Community Center tell all about this intriguing gal of the Civil War Era. As usual, the social hour starts at 7:30PM and is followed by the program at 8PM. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The December Show and Tell was finally held on Feb. 8 in spite of cold and snow, with a dozen hardy souls in attendance. The usual interesting items, fifty years old or older, were displayed for identification and then the story behind their family's possession was recounted. Everything from woven baskets to local photos, a set of sheffield steel straight edge razors and an 1850 billfold held center state.

Our April meeting will be held on a FRIDAY, April 19, when we host the Ticonderoga Historical Society, in our sixth joint yearly meeting, at the Hague Community Center. Ticonderoga will present the program on the "History of the Ticonderoga Ferry." The social hour will be at 7:30PM and the program at 8PM as usual. The public is invited to attend all our meetings. . . rmc

WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL OF SENIOR CITIZENS

Once again the Warren County Council of Senior Citizens will hold its annual luncheon at the RAMADA INN in Lake George, NY. May is Senior Citizens month and we gather to honor not only the special seniors from Hamilton and Warren Counties but all seniors from both counties. The luncheon will be held on May 16 at 12 o'clock noon, with registration beginning at 10:30AM. Handicapped seniors will be allowed in the dining room at 11:30AM. We will have special hostesses to help those needing help. Please register for the luncheon by phoning 543-6161 BEFORE April 24. State your preference of entrees: sliced roast beef, chicken breast supreme or broiled fish. All

luncheon choices are priced at \$9, m, which includes tip (no tax). Please register, make out a check payable to Ethel W. Andrus and mail it to Ethel at P.O. Box 2551, Silver Bay, NY 12874-2551. Remember you must register by April 24. We hope that Hague will make a good showing; we have been doing very well in attendance; let's keep up our reputation. . . ewa

HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The regular monthly meeting of the Hague Senior Citizens will be held on Tues, Mar. 26 at 1:30PM. We will have a very special guest, Mrs. Beverly Somerville RN, Certified Diabetic Educator, who will be our speaker. Mrs. Somerville, if we request it, will bring along her sugar testing equipment. All people, seniors or not, Hague resident or not, are invited to this very special interesting program. She was a recent speaker at the Warren County Council of Senior Citizens, and was a great hit; we kept wishing that every diabetic could have heard her; now is your chance. Refreshments will be served following the program; because of the extension of the program, we are asking people to register for this program by phoning 543-6161. Let us know if you want a blood test at the time of Mrs. Somerville's visit. . . ewa

The Senior Citizen Club will be journeying to the Bolton mealsite on April 23 (its regular meeting day). Keep this date in mind. You must sign up for this by April 12. More information will be available at the March meeting.

2-WEEK CAMP AVAILABLE FOR HAGUE CHILDREN

Funding through the Warren County Board of Supervisors is once again available for disadvantaged Warren County youngsters 9 through 12 years of age to attend a one or two week program at 4-H Camp Sacandaga in Speculator, NY.

Selection for this campership program will be based on limited income and/or limited family life. When based on income, the family income must be at a level which makes them eligible for the school lunch program.

In the past these camperships have gone begging, for lack of applicants.

Application forms and Referral forms are available at the Community Center. After completion, they will be handled by Supervisor Belden.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our youngsters to have a camping experience that they may not have the opportunity for otherwise.

Please contact the town office for further information and application forms and a copy of the 1995 4-H Camp Sacandaga brochure.

94th ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE ON CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION

June 24-28 at Silver Bay Conference Center.

Speakers Franklin Woo and Jean Woo; Warren Savage: Charles Lamb. The Ecumenical Conference is a learning experience for people interested in the life and mission of the church throughout the world. Contact: Rev. Kenneth Davis, PO Box 62, Southold, NY 11971 or Mrs. Mary Lee Hoover, PO Box 504, Dudley Hill, MA, 01571

The February 22, 1996 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS meeting was cancelled.

PLANNING BOARD - March 7, 1996

Despite the inclement weather, the Planning Board held its March 7 meeting and took action on:

- 1. Ronning (13.1-26.1) Tannery Lane. Would like a 2-lot sub-division. There is need for interpretation because of a past request. A site review has been scheduled.
- 2. Grazer (13.1-11) West Hague Rd. Applicant wishes to place a 70' x 14' mobile home on property. A site review scheduled.

Board member Chuck Fillare was concerned with getting all the information possible concerning the upcoming sewer project to the residents of Hague.

The Fire Department is planning for the future. It informed the board that it is contemplating the purchase of the Blair campsite at the junction of Rt. 8 and West Hague Rd. near the old cemetery. There were questions about permitted use and the fact that two parcels were involved and were undersized. This possible project is in the infant stage. We will hear more about this later. . . gl

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

With no real maintenance in place for highway trucks, a special town board meeting was held on March 1 to discuss and decide which of two proposals for the truck maintenance best suited Hague's needs.

A preventive maintenance proposal from Lake George Garage (Dick Frasier) would charge \$40 an hour for work done. This could be done at the highway garage. When the trucks are properly repaired and working, naturally the time necessary to keep them in tip-top condition will be drastically reduced, saving Hague money in the long run.

R&B Motors of T1 gave Councilman M. Fitzgerald a verbal contract at the same \$40 per hour. However the trucks would have to be delivered to the R&B Shop in Ticonderoga. This would mean additional time and money for the town. The board agreed to accept the Lake Shore Garage proposal as the one most advantageous to Hague.

At the same meeting we were informed that there was an emergency with the bridge at Yaw Road where it was badly damaged during the high waters of the spring thaw. It must be repaired. Albany Bridge Co. responded with a bid of \$10,000 but stipulated that the Highway Dept. would be required to supply trucks and crew to help.

Walt's Excavating came in with a bid of \$6,250 and requires NO help from the Highway Dept.

Walt's proposal was accepted and work will start as soon as Supervisor Belden contacts the phone company. They must be notified and be available to service the telephone lines while repairs are made. . . gl

Mr. Lareno of CVI took a few minutes at the Town Board meeting to explain the status of Hague Cable. We are temporarily at a halt until the service changes.

Councilman Meola in his planning, assessing and youth report stated the following:

- That the procurement policy is being adhered to as requested at a former meeting.
- The assessor's 6th month provisional period will be up in April and he recommended going ahead with arrangements necessary for a permanent appointment.
- A stormwater meeting has been arranged for March 21 at 4:30PM.
- The youth program would like to include sewing and the making of birdhouses, if there is interest. They are looking for a usable sewing machine or two. If you have one to donate, please contact Mr. Meola, 543-6347.

Though the youth committee has no money the committee hopes to come up with alternate cultural events.

Mr. Meola would also like an accounting of how the Chamber of Commerce spends the \$2,600 given to their organization by the town.

- Carol and Marty Brown have again agreed to do the boating instruction course that was so successful last year. Ages 10-14 years.
- Mr. Meola also supplied a report on his attendance at the Assoc. of Towns meeting in New York, which he felt was very productive.

Bill Bothe, Zoning Administrator, is setting up a workshop for a review of Zoning codes by the Review Committee. This is especially important so that an amendment can be made allowing for the installation of sewer project on Decker Hill Road when approved.

A problem that arose with a project at the Trout House Village Resort has been resolved to everyone's satisfaction by the Zoning Administrator and building construction has resumed.

Another meeting is scheduled for public information on sewer project on April 3 at 6PM in the Community Center. (See p. 1) If interested at the county level, one will be held at 9:30AM on March 22 at the Municipal Center in Lake George.

The board approved several items:

1. Purchase of playground equipment.
2. Purchase of lawn tractor from Agway
3. Use of the park for the Board Sailing Club on June 29 and 30, with a charge of \$100 for one day use, \$150 for two days.
4. A June 22 husband and wife BASS tournament was approved with a charge of \$10 for each boat entered.
5. Deposit bottles left at landfill will be returned and money will either go to general fund or added to landfill budget. (Various groups are no longer interested in collecting the bottles and cans.)
6. Bertha Dunsmore has been named Deputy Clerk.

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Debbie Manning, Town Clerk and Diane Frasier, secretary, were approved for a meeting in Saratoga on April 21 - 24. Mrs Manning was also given approval to attend a one-day class at the Municipal Center at Lake George on April 4.

New Business:

An informational meeting will be held at the Community Center on April 13 to bring the public up-to-date on the buoy situation at Rogers Rock. We thought the issue was settled when the state agreed to limit the buoys to 25. Now they are back to promoting the 50 they originally said they were going to place at the campsite.

The Park Committee recommended that a \$10 charge per boat be levied for the BASS fishermen's tournament. A letter will go out to the federation notifying them of this charge.

Supervisor Belden has applied for a grant for Community Development town-wide expenses to help in public safety; a 15-passenger van for use with Silver Bay Day Care Center, bath houses at the beach; update codes, sewer, etc. Though we are eligible for \$900,000, we will be happy with whatever we might get.

At this time the issuing of hunting and fishing licenses has been suspended.

Four insurance proposals were received with the lowest bid being \$14,539.36 and the highest \$26,045. All were accepted and will be discussed by the board before a final decision is made.

Under consideration is the purchase of a battery powered portable radio for use in case of a disaster. This would be located in the town hall. Concern was expressed about its power beyond our immediate area. All aspects of the portable radio will be discussed and investigated before a final decision is made. Cost would be approximately \$500.00.

Supervisor Belden has been approached by Cost Control Association who has proposed auditing our utility records for the past five years to see if they can save money for the community. . . . gl

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

The Fire Department answered 3 fire calls in Feb. Also in Feb. the department responded twice to fill a reservoir. Water supply pipes to this reservoir had frozen due to lack of snow cover in the area. Another way our fire department cares for and helps our community.

Ambulance 740 made 3 runs and 741 made 2 runs, for a total of 311 miles and 67 1/2 man hours.

Certified First Responders will be tested this Sat. (Mar. 9) and will take their Practical Tests on the 16th; another instance of keeping up with state mandates.

The fund raiser breakfasts on Winter Weekend raised over \$300 for us. We wish to thank Tavish Costello and Pat and Ken Andrea for helping out. We thank all the regulars who showed up to scramble eggs, flip pancakes, and run around with plates of food, coffee pots and fresh silverware. And, of course, wash dishes and clean up. Thank you one

and all. . . ewa

COMMUNITY CHILD CARE CENTER

FEES AND HOURS HAVE CHANGED!! Our official hours are now 7:00AM to 6:00PM Monday through Friday. Our program runs until June 14, 1996 and will start again on September 5, 1996. We service infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. The fees are now \$2.50 per hour for over 4 hours and \$2.75 per hour for four hours or less. Meals are available after a family has contacted Emily Barrie from the Department of Social Services at 761-6323 to see if you are eligible for county or state assistance. Please call Helen Barton at 543-8833 for further information.

HAGUE WINTER WEEKEND

All events of this year's Winter Weekend went off as scheduled except for the Snow Sculpture Contest, which had to be cancelled for the first time ever due to lack of snow. Ironically, a storm that hit the southern part of the state on Friday left lots of white stuff where it really was neither wanted nor needed, and actually prevented some of the usual weekend visitors from making the trip to Hague.

Results of some of the other events are as follows:

Ice Fishing Contest: Junior: 1st place: David Fitzgerald

Polar Bear Run: Junior - 1st place: Monica Johnson

Co-Ed Open: 1st place: Dennis Englert, Jr.

Masters - 1st place: Tim Malaney

Senior - 1st place: Fred LaParr

Chain Saw Contest - 1st place: Todd Ross

Ice Auger: Junior - 1st place: Zach Smith

Senior - 1st place: Martin Spelman

Many thanks to all those who sold and bought tickets on all the raffles including the TV raffle. The winner of the TV was Barbara Strife of Glenville, NY. Eb Werschky won the Big Pink Bunny, which was donated by the Dykstra family.

A most delicious buffet was served by Silver Bay Assoc. on Sat. night, and the families of Elizabeth Brunet and Jessica Mars accepted Beste scholarship awards in their absence.

All in all, from profits on the raffle, buffet and direct donations, \$1,281.70 was raised over the weekend, and the Beste Fund presently totals \$15,103. Many thanks to all those who supported the weekend activities in any way.

Special thanks to the following people who made direct donations to the Beste Scholarship Fund this year to date: Dan and Nancy McGowen, Lu and Norma Megow, Margaret DelSignore, Katie Hunter, Bill & Joyce Bothe, George and Marlon Shoemaker, Tom James, John and Virginia Geils, Ida Moore, Trout House Village, Ernest Fullam, Dorothy Bevins, Jay Parmley, Frank Fowler, Sal and Kathy Santaniello.

Donations to the fund may be sent to the Beste Scholarship Fund, c/o Dan Belden, Chairman, Hague Community Center, Hague, NY 12836.

NATURE NEWS
Laura Meade

As this issue of The Hague Chronicle is being printed Eastern Bluebird males are searching for suitable living quarters to establish a comfortable nest with their mate. Ornithologists tell us that in early March bluebird nest box houses are being evaluated by males for proper location and features. Someone interested in attracting bluebirds to his or her yard should place a "house" preferably on a pole in an open area, a short distance from trees or shrubs. In order to be "acceptable" the nest box should have no perch, have a hole no larger than an inch and a half and be unpainted on the inside. There are many shapes and designs from which to choose.

Part of the success of encouraging bluebirds to nest is the need to have the house clean before it is inspected by a male, so there must be a way to open one side. Usually a hinged side can be fastened by a hook in order to do that. The bird watcher then regularly checks about once a week to see if a nest has been built and when (or if) eggs have been laid and if the eggs have hatched. If nestlings appear leave them alone for ten days. Hopefully only the desired species has moved.

Other cavity nesters who might "invade" a bluebird nest box are House Sparrows, Black-Capped Chickadees, Tufted Titmice, Tree Swallows or House Wrens. Each of these has a clever way of nest building which bluebirds find unacceptable. So keep your binoculars handy! Look for what feathered creature might be fetching material and stashing it in the house. Chickadees fashion a small nest of moss and birch bark, lined neatly with fine hair or down. One of these was discovered last summer in a bluebird house in the town of Hague by a puzzled birder. A messy coarse grass nest indicates a Tree Swallow's efforts. Bluebirds, in comparison, make a cup-shaped nest of soft, thin grasses.

Bluebirds and Tree Swallows tolerate each other and may even occupy nest boxes that are 10 to 12 yards apart. Other cavity nesters cause trouble, however, so keep an eye open for them and discourage their intrusion.

Re: Bald Eagles, only two mature ones were reported to me as seen in the Town of Hague in Jan. during the mid-winter DEC survey. David Martucci saw one lakeside at Northern Lake George Resort and Barbara Trainor watched one lift off from a pine near Swede Mt. Although Fred LaPann searched for an eagle Jan. 8 (official survey) as he set foot along the western shores of Northern Lake George, he saw none. Perhaps a factor in his futile search was that the lake officially "iced over" that day.

On March 9 a Semi-Palmated Plover was seen in the hamlet of Hague on its way from its winter habitat, along the southeastern shoreline states of the U.S.A. to a nesting site on the tundra for northern Canada.

WEATHER NOTES
Mary Lou Doulin

February was pleasant, no major storms (which is unusual in itself for February). We had abundant

amounts of sunshine. Temperatures were between 20 and 40 degrees. The third week was foggy and drizzly. Winds on Sun. Feb. 25 cleared the atmosphere and brought back the sun.

March has been active. The Hague area received 4" of snow on the 5th. We had snow, sleet and freezing rain on the 6th and a big nor'easter on Fri. Mar. 8 which brought 14" more snow. Today, Sun. 3/10 we had a full day of bright sunlight. The temperature range was between 0 and 40 degrees.

A recent report by the United Nations concluded that the world's climate is indeed warming and that human activities are a likely contributor to the change. In short, the greenhouse effect is real. If the trend continues the earth's temperature will rise, glaciers will shrink, sea levels will rise. The severity of storms and flooding will increase (like the kinds we saw occurring across the country this winter) large scale erosions and the spread of tropical insect born diseases and large shifts in agriculture and species extinction will occur. This devastation can be averted by increasing energy efficiency. A gradual shift away from fossil fuels to renewable energy such as solar and wind power are needed.

DOES HAGUE HAVE A HISTORY - YOU BET IT DOES!

HISTORICAL MARKERS - Sabbath Day Point adjoining James Young's place which reads: "Through this place passed General Henry Know in the winter of 1775-76 to deliver to General Washington at Cambridge the train of artillery from Ft. Ticonderoga used to force the British out of Boston." It was erected during the Sesquicentennial of the American Revolution

Another marker, erected by the Warren County Centennial Commission in 1913 and which can be seen at the town park, reads: "The Town of Hague, known as Rochester until April 6, 1808 formed from the town of Bolton February 28, 1807.

HISTORICAL SITES - Rogers Rock where Major Robert Rogers in the winter of 1757-58, being pursued by Indians, went on snowshoes with his men to the top of the mountain only to be stopped at the precipice leading to the lake. He turned his snowshoes around and retraced his steps down a ravine eventually reaching the lake. He had earlier thrown his supplies over the precipice.

FRIENDS POINT - once an Indian encampment. On a dark night two scouting parties met here during the French and Indian Wars and prepared for combat. They discovered they were friends and not foes - hence the name.

SABBATH DAY POINT - In July 1759 General Amherst landed here with a force of 12,000 men and passed the Sabbath Day in religious services - hence the name.

POINTS OF INTEREST - Calamity Rock about half mile north of Hague where the John Jay burned on July 29, 1856. Six lives were lost. (Cont. on p.6)

NEW COLLECTION OF SHORT STORIES

In his second collection of short stories, *Under-tones*, Philip Duffy continues his exploration of the subtle conflicts and epiphanies that can unexpectedly alter the course of people's lives. A master storyteller, in the tradition of Fitzgerald and O'Henry, Duffy tantalizes the reader with his keen, often wry insights into human nature.

Philip Duffy and his wife Natalie have spent many summers at their home in Silver Bay. They now reside in Connecticut.

Copies of this book are available from Chase Publishing, P.O. Box 1200, Glen, NH @ \$10.95 ea. plus \$1.75 ea. for shipping.

PRIDE SETS UP WORKSHOPS

Ticonderoga's Destination Development Leadership Team is in the process of planning a series of hospitality training workshops for local residents and business people. The workshops are presently scheduled for the first three Wednesdays in June beginning at 2PM, running roughly two hours each. The series is co-sponsored by the Town of Ticonderoga Economic Development Committee and will be held in the Community Building auditorium.

The series of workshops is designed for anyone who has contact with the public; not just for people in the tourist business.

For more information on the workshop series, contact the PRIDE of Ticonderoga office at 585-6366.

HAGUE YOUTH COMMITTEE

The Hague Youth Committee is in the process of arranging for enrichment activities for the youth of Hague. Two activities in the planning stage are a unit on sewing and one on making bluebird houses. We need to know the level of interest that exists and how many children would like to participate.

A letter has been distributed to all Hague students in grades 3-8 asking to return the letter to their homeroom teachers by March 15, 1996. Parents are asked to encourage their children to return these survey forms or to call the Community Center by March 15. Older students wishing to participate are encouraged to do so. . . Rudolph Meola, Chairman

HAGUE HISTORY (Cont. from p. 5)

Graphite Mines - On Route 8 where graphite mines operated from about 1880 to 1924.

Silver Bay Association - where the first Boy Scout training camp for leaders in the United States was held in 1910.

Old Abandoned cemetery - On Route 9N about one-half mile south of town park where five Revolutionary War veterans are buried.

Wardboro - About 12 miles south of town park, three miles off Rt. 9N, was once a thriving settlement named for a number of Ward families who first set-

led there. An old cemetery marks the spot.

West Hague - An area about four miles west of Hague on Rt. 8. This was the most thickly populated part of the town in the 1800's. An abandoned cemetery remains but there are no other markers.

Tannery Site - Located below the bridge on Tannery Brook in West Hague was run by Irish and Wright.

Cooper Shop - Located on West Hague Road, operated by Andrew Bevins in the early 1800's.

Two Millwheels - Can be seen atop stone pillars on either side of the bridge leading to the NYS DEC fish weir.

Lower Falls - Site of a grist mill brushback factory and cider mill which were operated until 1910.

Four Chimneys - Brick house about four miles north of Hague on Rt. 9N. It was built in 1822 by Warner and William Cook. The bricks were made on the premises.

Jabe Pond - named for Jabe Patchen is located a mile west of Rt. 9N in Silver Bay. Jabe Patchen was the son of Samuel, the first supervisor of the Town of Hague and a Revolutionary War hero.

Lake Shore Graphite Mines - Located off Rt. 9N about a quarter mile atop Rising Hill. This unsuccessful mining operation continued from 1898 to 1901. The foundations of boarding houses and store, a waste pile and closed off mine entrances are all that remain.

The above history of Hague was reprinted from the June 1975 *Hague Chronicle* and was written with the assistance of the then town historian, Mrs. Vila Fitzgerald. If you are interested in more history of Hague, stop by the Hague Museum, located in the Community Center. You will find a wealth of information and a well-informed historian, Clifton West. Call first to make sure he is there. . . djh

P.S. If you ever want to peruse the old *Chronicles*, a complete set of them is available at the community center, dating back to Vol. I, No. 1, Jan. 1972.

KEEP THESE DATES IN MIND:

June 23, Tour of Homes sponsored by Ti Festival Guild
July 6, Ti Treasure Tour (TTT), sponsored by the Carillon Garden Club

WE, THE WILLING, LED BY THE UNKNOWING,
ARE DOING THE IMPOSSIBLE
FOR THE UNGRATEFUL.
WE HAVE DONE SO MUCH
WITH SO LITTLE
FOR SO LONG
WE ARE NOW QUALIFIED
TO DO ANYTHING
WITH NOTHING!

HAPPY EASTER



BORN - A son, Sean Campbell, to Lara and Ian Lawrie, Hopatcong, NJ on Feb. 22, 1996. He joins brother William and grandparents Barbara & Bill Smith, Morristown, NJ and Hague, NY, and Olive Lawrie, Mendham, NJ.

DIED - James A. Corscaden, Jr., 78, formerly of Hague, on Feb. 9 in Houston TX. Survivors include his wife, Kathryn, sisters, Judy Beaty, Hague and Helen C. Higgins, N. Palm Beach, Fl. and five children.

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS

The following Hague students attending Ticonderoga Middle school have been recognized for academic excellence:

Class of 2000 - CHRISTINE FRASIER, PETER HUTCHINSON, KATHRYN RUTKOWSKI, EVE TROMBLEY

Class of 2001 - KATIE BREITENBACH, ANNE JOHNSON, JOSH PLASS

Class of 2002 - JOHN COSTELLO, LUCAS FRASIER, PETER MACK, JOEE PLASS, ALISON RUTKOWSKI, THEODORE SANTANIELLO

TICONDEROGA HIGH SCHOOL THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

The following students from Hague have been listed on the third marking period honor roll:

FIRST HONORS:

Grade 12 - ALLISON JOHNSON, MONICA JOHNSON

Grade 11 - JESSICA FRASIER

Grade 10 - MELISSA BRUNET, LINDSAY FRASIER, LAUREN MACK

Grade 9 - MICHELLE DeFRANCO, DAVID FITZGERALD

SECOND HONORS:

Grade 11 - JENNIFER BELDEN, SHANNON KENNA

Grade 10 - PATRICIA CORLISS

Grade 9 - THORAN GAUTREAU, CRISTINA LAWRENCE

The Hague Chronicle staff congratulates all the above students on their achievements.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ticonderoga High School for producing a National Merit Scholarship Finalist this year and of course to NANCY STANCO for being the recipient of this award.

BRITTANY STULL, Hague was one of thirteen TI Chorus members to perform in the NYS Sectional All state Chorus.

KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

The TI Elementary School Kindergarten Open House for parents of next year's kindergarten students will take place on Wed., Mar. 20. You and your child are invited to visit our kindergarten wing anytime between the ours of 9 and 11AM. Classes will continue as usual, and you are welcome to inspect our facility, watch the children at lessons, activities, and playtime, and see what your child's day will be like. Depending upon the activity in each class, your child can just watch, or perhaps join in, if appropriate, for a short period of time. If you are interested, Mrs. Planty, Elementary School Principal, will be available to answer questions and give you a tour of the building during the morning. Mrs. Planty and her associates forward to meeting you and your child.

Kindergarten Information Night will take place on Thurs, Mar. 21 at 7PM in Room #111 in the Elementary School.

NATIONAL PRINCIPALS HOTLINE

(Reprinted from "Hints from Heloise")

Do you know there is going to be a great phone hotline available to answer your questions about your children's education, their schools, etc?

The National Principals Hotline promotes family involvement in schools. Parents may speak directly and confidentially with a volunteer principal about anything concerning children's education.

Call toll-free 1-800-944-1601 on the days listed below:

- Sunday, March 24, 2-8PM
- Monday, March 25, 8AM - 8PM
- Tuesday, March 26, 8AM - 2PM

You can also request a free copy of "Now We're Talking," a booklet in English or Spanish that helps parents know how, when and why to get - and stay - in touch with their child's school.

You only get one chance for your child's education, so take a few minutes to call and get the advice of input that may make the difference. . . Heloise

This may be the last year that I will be reseating chairs. Material is so expensive that I have to charge more than the chairs are worth.

I have lots of cane, splint and rush. When it is gone, I do not plan on buying any more. I have been weaving chair seats for over 60 years.. . Clifton West

Snowdrops opened on the Wests' flower bed on the twenty-seventh of Feb. Never before have they opened before March. Maybe the earth is warming, but these March snowfalls are no indication of it. They are just bringing the season back to normal.

...CW

A silent woman is a gift of God. . . Ecclesiastes
A restless woman in a house adds ache to pain. Prov.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MARCH/APRIL 1996

- March
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
 - 19 Home Bureau, 10AM, Community Center
 - 19 Food Distribution
 - 19 Fish and Game Club - Clubhouse, 7:30PM
 - 20 SPRING, GLORIOUS SPRING
 - 20 Blood Pressure Clinic, 1-2PM, Community Center
 - 21 Carillon Garden Club - 11AM, Comm. Ctr.
 - 21 Kindergarten parents' meeting - 7PM Cafetorium
 - 21 Planetarium Show - H.S. Planetarium - 7:30PM
 - 22 Elementary School Play - Cafetorium, 7PM
 - 26 Senior Citizens Club go to Bolton for lunch, followed by meeting in town hall.
 - 27 Senior Citizens spring luncheon, sponsored by Ti Mar ket and school - El.Sch. cafetorium - 2PM
 - 27 Pops Concert, H.S. Auditorium - 7:30PM
 - 27 School budget workshop - Hague Com. Ctr, 7:30PM

- 28 Zoning Board of Appeals, 7:00PM
 - 31 Palm Sunday
- April
- 2 Home Bureau - 10AM - Community Center
 - 2 Food Distribution
 - 3 Informational meeting on sewer, 6PM (P1)
 - 4 Planning Board - 7PM
 - 4 First Day of Passover
 - 5 Good Friday
 - 7 Easter - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS Set clock ahead one hour.
 - 8&9 55 Alive Course, 10-2PM. (p1)
 - 9 Town Board meeting - 6:30PM
 - 13 Hearing on Rogers Rock buoys, 10:30AM - (p1)
 - 14 Glens Falls Symphony
 - 16 Home Bureau - 10AM

HUG O'WAR

*I will not play at tug o'war
 I'd rather play at hug o'war
 Where everyone hugs
 Instead of tugs
 Where everyone giggles*

*And rolls in the rug
 Where everyone kisses
 And everyone grins
 And everyone cuddles
 And everyone wins. . Anonymous
 . . . Anonymous*

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