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NOISE AND PARKING IN THE HAMLET

The Town has two parking lots on Graphite Mountain Road (Rte 8) - one between the Wesleyan Church and a private residence and the other between the Baptist Church and a private residence. Both parking lots are across the street from residences. The Town Board created these lots to ease the parking situation in the hamlet area. During the day patrons of the local shops and churches use the parking lots with nighttime parking restricted from 2 am to 5 am. From 4pm on the lots are used mainly by dinner patrons of the Firehouse Restaurant, owned by Chris Ginn & Sheri DeLarm, which is located about midway between the parking lots. Both supporters of the restaurant and residents who have been disturbed by the noise levels in the parking lots were among the large number of people who turned out at the August Town Board meeting for the agenda items "Noise Ordinance - Discussion" and "Town Parking lots - Discussion."

The need for a noise ordinance has been suggested for some time. Two years ago when Cathy Clark was a Planning Board member, she researched a number of the issues and distributed copies of the Bolton noise ordinance. Now as Zoning Enforcement Officer she has noted that when authorities are called to Hague for a disturbance, they can do little without a noise ordinance. At the Board meeting, Councilman LaPointe reported that Ticonderoga looked into establishing a noise ordinance and felt that it would be too difficult to enforce. Councilman Gladu said that he wanted to follow last month's charge from the Town Board to set up a committee to see if there is a problem and to have a public comment process.

Robert Keating, the resident most affected by loud parking lot noise every evening, noted that he and others have spoken to the Board previously and was distressed that they were just now establishing a committee. He stated that he admired the efforts by Chris and Sheri to develop a business but "I bought a house across from a museum and when I came back there was a parking lot. (The Town) should have had the courtesy to let me know that there was going to be a parking lot." He reiterated the difficulty the noise has created for him and warned that he felt like he was being backed into a corner and would fight for his property rights.

Sheri DeLarm made a statement to the Board that they have taken several steps to help alleviate the noise problem. They are having the parking lots patrolled, are getting patrons out by 1 am and asking the workers who leave later to respect the neighbors.

While a few people did speak out, others were upset that an open discussion wasn't held. A motion was made to establish a committee consisting of Councilman Dick Gladu; resident Art Hatfield; a representative from the Chamber of Commerce; Robert Goetsch, Zoning Board of Appeals chairman; David Swanson, Planning Board chairman and Dominick Viscardi, Town Attorney. The motion carried with Gladu, Frasier and Steitz voting yes and Belden and LaPointe voting no. The committee will meet on Monday, August 14th and they will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 17th at 6:30pm.

CHECK YOUR LABELS

Date highlighted? Your renewal date is approaching and your tax-deductible contribution will be appreciated.

Date circled in red? This issue will be the LAST unless we hear from you.

SENIOR CLUB NEWS

The Hague Senior Citizens Club is continuing their raffle throughout the summer months as a fund raiser for Hague's 2007 Memorial Day Parade Celebration which will be held on Saturday, May 26th. This is a wonderfully unique raffle with a total of three prizes available to win.

The first prize is a HANDMADE QUILT in beautiful soft colors perfect for any decor (double bed size) custom made for us by Club Member Shirley Smith and valued at \$300.

The second prize is an ADIRONDACK PACK BASKET donated by The Carriage Barn Antiques and filled with other marvelous donated gifts - a smart TOTE BAG by Hague Creek Antiques - a Box of locally made MAPLE SUGAR CANDY by the Hague Market - a GIFT CERTIFICATE by the Hague Creek Cafe - a very aromatic HANDMADE BALSALM PILLOW by Club Member Gladys Graser - a GIFT CERTIFICATE by The Northern Lake George Resort - a T-SHIRT by Silver Bay YMCA Resort - an ADIRONDACK SWEATSHIRT by the Silver Bay General Store - a GIFT CERTIFICATE by the Trout House Resort - a Soft and Cuddly STUFFED ADIRONDACK BEAR by Old Glory Antiques, & capped off with a Box of HANDMADE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS by the Hague Senior Citizens Club with a total value of \$200.

The third prize is a "A DINNER TREAT" BASKET containing a GIFT CERTIFICATE by The View Restaurant along with CHEESE, CRACKERS & A BOTTLE OF WINE compliments of The Hague Memorial Day Parade Committee with a total value of \$100.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all of you who donated so generously to this Raffle and to the many people who have already purchased tickets. As we have said many times before . . . without your help, there would be NO Memorial Day Celebration in Hague. For those who wish a ticket, look for the raffle table set up in town on weekends or at the Senior Picnic and then our announcement of the big winners on Labor Day Weekend.

The Annual Summer Picnic will be held at the Hague Fire House on Tuesday, August 22nd starting at NOON. The Club will furnish burgers, franks, drinks & dessert, while each of the



members will be performing their 'magic in the kitchen' to supply a picnic fare dish to share. Any of you 55+ readers who wish to join us, please do. Just bring along one of your favorite summer recipes with you.

During the Picnic, final plans and travel arrangements will be discussed for the Senior Fall Outing. Actually, we have some surprise suggestions to offer for this trip which are different from those considered at the June Meeting. New ideas have come to light!! ...mp

The Bicentennial Committee is hard at work planning the events to celebrate the Hague Bicentennial in 2007. During the weekend of August 10, 11, and 12, the committee is planning a reunion of former students who attended Hague Central School. Can you imagine swapping stories on the school that was so central to our hearts and the community? Lots of activities are in the planning stages. We know that all who have lived in Hague and been touched by the school will want to participate.

The following weekend, August 17, 18, and 19 will be the town celebration. Friday will kick off the celebration with a family fun day. There will be games and rides for the children, historical music, antique cars and a cruise on the Mohican. Local shops and restaurants will offer their food and wares along with vendors in the park.

Saturday we will continue with the street vendors and rides while having an antique boat show at docks close to the town center. There will be a self guided walking tour of Hague as it was in 1807 and today. In the evening there will be a chicken barbecue in the park and fireworks for the whole community. Sunday we plan a community breakfast, convocation and a short recognition ceremony in the park.

Many, many ideas and plans are still in the works. We need your help and ideas. Any questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact any of the Bicentennial Committee members: Dan Belden, Judy Stock, Rolly Allen, John Brown, Peggy Darrin, Holly and Bob de Buys, Kemp Dwenger, Ken Engler, Dick Gladu, Gale Halm, Dottie Henry, Karen Laundree, Debbie Manning, Madeline Pelkey and Kay Santaniello.

Don't forget to mark your calendars and pass this along to your extended family! ... hdeb



BICENTENNIAL LOGO

The Hague Bicentennial Committee has announced its selection for a LOGO. The graphic is from a depiction that is currently on a firetruck of the HVFD. It mirrors the graphics on the highway trucks and the various town identification signs.

The committee thanks all those who helped in the selection especially those who submitted designs - Vinnie Jones, Seddon Beaty, Joanne DeFranco and Nikolay Wilen. Nikolay, a graphic and web designer, helped with several ideas. His work can be seen at <www.2eyeson.com/logo.htm >.

FAMILY COURSE ON MENTAL ILLNESS

A free 12-week course on Mental Illness begins on Tuesday, September 5 at Glens Falls Hospital. This course is designed for those who have a loved one suffering with mental illness. You can find help coping with the ups and downs of their illness by enrolling in this *free* Family-to-family education course conducted in Glens Falls by the North Country Chapter of National Alliance on Mental Illness. This course will help you understand and deal with disturbing or dysfunctional behavior, learn about current treatments and medications, and empower you in dealing with mental health professionals. Topics will include diagnosis and dealing with critical periods of schizophrenia, major depression and mania, diagnoses and causes of panic disorders and OCD, and problem solving, empathy and communications workshops. The course is free but pre-registration is required.

For more information, including a list of all the topics, or to register call Nancy Harrigan at 543-6104 or Kathy at 585-6067.

LGLC HIRES NEW STAFF

The Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC) has announced that Diane Potter has been promoted to the position of donor relations manager, Cornelia Wells has been hired as finance and office manager, and Katie McClanahan and Emma Wilson have been hired as short-term science technicians.

As finance and office manager, Wells assumes responsibilities for the office administration and accounting/bookkeeping duties for the LGLC. Wells has lived in the Lake George area for 18 years and owns Trees, a retail store in Bolton Landing.

McClanahan and Wilson are conducting field and lab work associated with a collaborative study on water quality with the Darrin Fresh Water Institute. McClanahan is a 2006 graduate of Skidmore College with a dual degree in Environmental and Women's Studies. Wilson attended Wells College, completed a year at ACC and plans to continue her education at the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry this fall.

LAKE GEORGE PAINTINGS

The Hancock House in Ticonderoga will host an evening reception on Friday, August 25th at 6:00 PM to celebrate *Paintings & Preservation of Lake George*.

With antique paintings of Lake George by listed American artists as backdrop, the Lake George Association (LGA) will announce the selection of canvases for the 2008 LGA Calendar. Walter Lender, Executive Director of the LGA explained, "When we see the same lake today that famed American artists did 150 years ago, each of us recognizes the vital role of stewardship and care we must bring to using the lake. The LGA is proud to demonstrate the unchanged beauty of Lake George through these works of fine art from another time."

Art curator Stuart Cartwright of Hague and Wayland, MA has put together an exhibition of paintings, "Oil & Water: Paintings of Lake George 1860 - 1945", which features works from famed American artists which depict Dome Island, Sabbath Day Point, Black Mountain, Sugarloaf Mountain, the Narrows and Kattskill Bay. The current show runs through August 26.

LGA EFFORTS IN TICONDEROGA

The Lake George Association and the office of Senator Elizabeth O'C. Little have announced a financial boost in the form of a grant for \$105,000 from the Empire State Development Corporation for the project to revitalize the public beach area in Ticonderoga. The site of the improvement project is Ticonderoga's only town-owned public access to Lake George.

Once a valuable community resource that saw extensive use, the 2.5 acre site off Black Point Road has fallen into disrepair. Its recent drop-off in use, having stemmed from the degradation of the facilities and lack of access to potable water and on-site wastewater disposal, would be restored through this capital improvement project. According to LGA Executive Director Walt Lender, an active volunteer group had come together in recent years to revitalize Ticonderoga's town beach. However, with the lack of funds, most of the efforts have been temporary, "band-aid" solutions.

The Lake George Association and the Town of Ticonderoga will design and construct a new, code-compliant beach building complete with modern sanitary facilities, changing rooms, shelter space, and potable water via a drilled well. Stormwater controls will also be put into place through the design and installation of rain gardens and other demonstration projects. Volunteers will be used for the plantings and landscaping.

MORE LGA INITIATIVES

The Lake George Association has been awarded a grant of \$456,300 by the Helen V. Froehlich Foundation to continue progressive lake-saving initiatives. This is the thirteenth consecutive award from the Froehlich Foundation, which commended the LGA for its "significant accomplishments of the past year."

The majority of the grant award will go to support the LGA's Lake-Saving Projects and Programs. Advancement of stormwater management and erosion control projects throughout the Lake George watershed are among the LGA's highest priorities for the coming year. An emphasis has been placed on increasing the LGA's ability to act quickly in the aftermath of strong storm events, such as the June 2005 storms that hit the Bolton Landing area. A significant amount of funds have been allocated to a flexible category that will provide for fast action in the design and implementation of stormwater management, erosion control and other pollution prevention projects. These projects will address any problem areas that may be identified and deemed to be a high pollution risk to the lake.

For more news of the



see www.lakegeorgeassociation.org

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/27/06

Chairman Robert Goetsch, Mary Lou Doulin, Martin Fitzgerald, Jr., George Ianson, Lindsay Mydlarz and Bill Pittman were present and Glen McKee was absent.

Berger. (12.18-1-17) Lakeshore Dr. TR1

The applicants wish to remove a portion of an existing deck/walkway on the northern property line which encroaches on the neighboring property and build a new staircase. They are also seeking retroactive approval for a portion of the pre-existing deck. A public hearing was held and then the ZBA approved the request with the condition that they maintain the 10 ft. sideline setback for the new staircase.

Rebenack. (93.16-1-38) Sabbath Day Point Rd. TR1R

The applicants wish to install a 52 ft long retaining wall to control erosion of the shoreline. Construction will be of natural stone and rock and no concrete will be used. Letters with concerns were read at the public hearing and neighbors Kim Brown and Dick Mathews addressed the Board. The Rebenacks provided additional details about the proposal saying it is only intended to control the erosion situation. There will be no change to the contour of the land and no fill material will be used. The application was approved.

VanVoorhis. (42.12-1-25) Lakeshore Dr. TR1

The variance was not needed since revised plans place the construction beyond the setback from the stream and the application was withdrawn.

ZEO Request for Interpretation

The Board approved, 5-1, an interpretation of wording in the zoning code. In essence, it reduces the categories where the 25% increase limit in square footage of additions would apply. Or conversely, it broadens the possibilities for additions greater than 25% increase. If you have read this far you actually might be interested in the details so perhaps you can call the ZEO for more information or speak to one of the ZBA members - but have the code book in hand when you do!

PLANNING BOARD - 8/3/06

Chairman David Swanson, Rolly Allen, John Brown, Peter Foster and Pam Peterson were present and Tim Costello and Katy Wells were absent. Dominick Viscardi, Town Attorney and Catherine Clark, Zoning Enforcement Officer were also in attendance.

Henry. (10.1-28) 151 New Hague Rd. OC

A public hearing was held and then the Board approved the application for a two-lot subdivision. One lot will be 3 acres and the second lot with the house will be 6.2 acres.

IHH Properties. LL (26.18-1-1.1) Lakeshore Mine Road. OCII

No action was taken on the application for a

two lot subdivision of a 24 acre parcel which is not fully surveyed yet. The proposal is for one lot of two acres and one lot of 22 acres. The proposed two acre lot currently has a single family residence in place with the remaining 22 acres being encumbered by a conservation easement. John Breitenbach made the initial presentation on behalf of IHH properties and Rob Pedlow, who owns the Island Harbor property. He stated that the smaller lot with the residence is currently being rented and is being subdivided out in order for it to be purchased by that individual. He further stated that the conservation easement on the entire parcel allows for this lot to be subdivided out. The easement also allows placement of a septic system if the current septic system of the Pedlow house fails. Mr. Breitenbach will get a copy of the conservation easement for the Board members.

The Board also learned that Lake Shore Mine Road is not a Town Road since it has not been serviced by the Town for at least 6 years.

Keating (43.5-1-5) 9823 Graphite Mt. Rd. Hamlet

Mr. Keating is requesting a variance for an 8 foot fence across front and sidelines of his property for health reasons. He stated that he has not been able to sleep because of the noise issues in the Town parking lot which is across the road from his house and used by patrons of the Firehouse Restaurant.

Chairman Swanson asked Councilman Dick Gladu, who was present in the audience, what the current status was for a noise ordinance. Mr. Gladu responded that he was going to request a committee be approved at the next Town Board meeting and a meeting would be set up for public input.

Rolly Allen said that the source of the noise had not been established but it seemed to be a problem with the Town parking lot and felt that an 8 ft fence was not reasonable in terms of aesthetics. Attorney Viscardi said he didn't think it would be permissible under our codes.

Pam Peterson felt that Mr. Keating should be allowed to do something for relief and reminded the Board that when they approved the restaurant they said "if there were issues of noise we would address it - and have Cris and Sheri (owners of the Firehouse Restaurant) come in to talk about it." Chairman Swanson said he would draft a letter to Cris and Sheri citing the previous conditions and asking them to come in to discuss the possible resolution of the complaints. There was additional discussion about areas of noise, disturbances and enforcement in the Town including the possible use of a police officer.

The fence request was tabled for further investigation considering the Town is in the discovery phase of a noise ordinance.

Kruger (12-1-4) 1008 New Hague Road . OC-1

There will be no action on this request until the septic system is installed.

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Con't from page 4 - Planning Board

New Business:

Bruce Clark addressed the Board about his letter concerning the approval given to the Firehouse Restaurant and later to the addition of a deck. He stated, "If there is something which may have a detrimental effect on the Town, it is the Planning Board's responsibility to schedule a public hearing. (In this case they) should have scheduled a public hearing or at least put a noise restriction on it. Actually it should have gone to the ZBA for a change of use."

Other Business

ZEO Clark reported the APA has returned suggested wording of the proposed changes to the "square footage" language for review. Attorney Viscardi and Ms. Clark will put together a proposal for the Planning Board.

In a question about the meaning of "navigable," Attorney Viscardi stated that according to the Army Corps of Engineers "any stream that could be made navigable is a navigable stream."

TOWN BOARD MEETING - 8/8/06

All Board members -Dan Belden, Art Steitz, Dick Gladu, Edna Frasier and Tom LaPointe were present.

A moment of silence was held for Peggy Carney Chamberlain.

The floor was opened for comments. Rudy Meola noted that last month he mentioned the comprehensive plan had called for a committee to look into walkways on 9N and asked if that committee had been set up yet. Supervisor Belden said that it hadn't but that it would be. Mr. Meola volunteered to serve on the committee and it will be organized by Councilman Gladu.

Mr. Meola also noted that it was the recommendation of the comprehensive plan to better promote and expand the hours of the Clifton West Museum. He wondered then why it had been closed at the busiest time of the season and that Ethel Andrus had failed to be notified.

Council member Frasier explained that the museum was closed to organize the materials and properly inventory the entire collection. The museum room is being cleaned, fixed up and painted to make it ready to open with new exhibits in time for the Bicentennial. There are people who are here in the summer who have volunteered to get it organized. Councilman LaPointe said that the proper way to approach working on the museum is to inventory it in order to know "what we have and we want to secure them." He also noted the new display that Michele Gautreau has organized in the Community Center lobby.

Supervisor Belden remarked about the large crowd (nearly 50 people) who were in attendance and acknowledged that most of them were there to discuss the noise ordinance and parking lot issues. He said it would be addressed under unfinished business. (See article on pg 1.)

Committee Reports:

Assessor/Justice - Councilman Gladu reported that the final equalization rate for Hague is 79.5 and for Ticonderoga it is 89.97. The school assessor has the final Hague roll but does not have Ticonderoga's so the final tax rate has not yet been established. The equalization rate is used for distribution of county sales tax money as well as the school taxes. Because of the low rate, the Supervisor reported that Hague will lose nearly \$34,000 from county sales tax income.

Mr. Gladu will arrange for a meeting with Supervisor Belden and Supervisors Bob Dedrick from Ticonderoga and John LaPointe from Putnam along with the assessors from the respective towns to sit down and come up with an agreement for a common assessment strategy.

In July, 46 tickets were given out by the DEC (ENCON) which is doing random checks. The Town will now get paid back from tickets on a monthly basis.

Buildings & Grounds/CC - Councilman LaPointe reported that work on the Community Center building has started. Also that tickets related to parking at the beach have been issued. Tom will be speaking to the individuals involved.

Enhancement Committee - Council member Frasier reported that they are talking about possibilities for beautifying and using the former American Legion property. Supervisor Belden has spoken to Jamie Fitzgerald, the owner of the sloped property directly adjacent to it. The Supervisor is having both parcels surveyed in order to see if it would be feasible to come up with a proposal to use the Fitzgerald property. He said that "Marty Fitz will draw up a design through the county."

Highway - Councilman Gladu reported that there is a vacancy in the highway department which will be advertised. The position needs a CDL Class A license and applications can be submitted until August 18th. The Town is still waiting for a bill from Casella about the Clean up Day. The Highway Department has spent 60% of its budget to date. The capital account has almost \$22,000 from sale of trucks. Additional money from the large truck fund will be transferred into the capital account to bring the total to \$51,000. These funds will then be available to purchase two salt spreaders which were approved.

Personnel - It was discussed that the Board needs to make it clear that overtime isn't necessary and the Supervisor needs to exercise oversight of staff members.

Planning/Zoning/Stormwater - The ZEO has filed her report and a request by Ms. Clark to attend a wastewater treatment program conference in October was approved. She is continuing in the efforts to try to get rid of unregistered cars.

Recreation/Promotion - A sedimentation catch will be put on David Darrin's property to collect sand that washes down from the mountain before it gets into the boat launch slip where the Town then has to dredge it.

Con't on page 6 - Town Board

Councilman LaPointe suggested that maybe some signage is needed down at the Town park to indicate where the businesses are and what activities are available to visitors.

Sewer District #1 & #2 - The Supervisor reported that the Town now will not be taking over the ownership of Sewer District #1 until December but the insurance is in place for when the transfer does occur. A public hearing on Sewer District #2 will be held on August 9th (see related article on page 6).

Town Park/Beautification - It was noted there is not enough boat parking, the boats stay there too long and there is no place to park trailers. Councilman Steitz said that people take advantage of the Town boat slip and leave their boats there. Two tickets issued this week were the first all summer and the Board needs to look at it. According to ZEO Clark the boats can be removed under the current ordinance

It was decided that the necessary landscaping at the Visitor Center should be left until May.

Under unfinished business & communications:

1. Approved advertising for bids to construct a new salt shed at the Highway Department. The need for it has been discussed for a number of years and the Board wants to get started on it although there might be grant money available from the Warren County Soil & Water if a proposal is submitted. The funds will come out of unexpended money in the general fund.
2. Approved a committee to discuss a Noise Ordinance and a public hearing on August 17, 2006. (see related article on page 1.)
3. Heard a report on Arcady Bay roads. The roads do meet the town specifications in order to be town roads but vehicles such as golf carts could not be used.
4. Set a date for a public hearing on proposed sewer. (see related article next column)
5. Received a request for additional cable service on Split Rock Road. The cable will be put in before fall and the town pays a third of the cost. Cable service has been installed in Graphite.

Under new business, the Board:

1. Approved a resolution to hold a public hearing on September 5, 2006 at 6:30 pm on a proposed local law to decrease the term of office of the Highway Superintendent from 4 years back to 2 years. Any change would not affect the term of the current highway superintendent.
2. Approved a resolution changing the sewer EDU's at the Firehouse Restaurant from 2 to 5.
3. Approved a resolution to name the new road next to Springdale Manor "Winne Drive."
4. Amended the highway budget by taking from unexpended balance the previously approved \$25,000 to pay for repairs to the Holman Hill wall.
5. Approved a resolution to have the supervisor sign the NYS Snow and Ice Contract for 2007.
6. Approved a resolution to amend the 2006 budget by increasing the occupancy tax.
7. Approved the submitted list of members of the Bicentennial Committee. (see related article p. 2)

SEWER DISTRICT HEARING

The first step in the process for forming a new sewer district is a Public Hearing which was held on August 9th. The environmental review (SEQR) will take 30-45 days after which the Town Board must accept the findings and then may adopt a resolution to form Sewer District #2. From that date residents who wish to petition the Board for a permissive referendum have 30 days to do so. 5% of the owners in the proposed district - which is 12 people according to the most recent figures - would need to sign the petition. A referendum probably will not be necessary since the proposal enjoyed broad support from the residents at the hearing. Among the supporters were Jack Toner, President of the Forest Bay Association and Kathe Allen, Friends Point Association President from the northern end and Art Hatfield, Pine Cove Beach Association President and Ken McPartlin who live in the proposed southern section. Peter Spencer from the Indian Kettles area encouraged extending the northern section all the way to the state campsite.

The current figures from Clough-Harbour Associates indicate a capital cost of \$655,000 at 5.8% for 20 years. This cost of \$55,952 per year for 142 EDUs yields a capital assessment of \$395 per EDU plus a yearly operational fee of \$400 for a total annual fee for most residential customers of \$795. Few residents, however, have looked carefully at the details of the construction costs or the criteria for determining the EDUs. Supervisor Belden has stated that he will try to get additional funding to lower the capital costs.

THE UPTOWN STORE

After a long wait due to renovations of the building, The Uptown Store has finally opened with its popular breakfast and lunch fare. Open daily except Monday, from 8am to 3pm, they plan to keep the store open through Labor Day and possibly beyond.

HAGUE HAPPENINGS *by Stan*



BOY, DO I LOVE TO EAT, AND I'M GOING BACK TO HAGUE, RIGHT THERE IN DOWNTOWN, WHERE...

THERE ARE FOUR - COUNT 'EM - FOUR - BRAND NEW PLACES TO EAT, AS WELL AS OTHERS NEARBY !!

WOW! CAN YOU EVER BEAT THAT?!

NOTE: THIS "GARFIELD" BY JIM DAVIS IS "BORROWED" FROM THE TI CARTOON MUSEUM. (EXCLUSIVE USE)

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~SOUNDINGS~

FROM A NOT-TOO-PATIENT PATIENT By Dottie Henry

DIED: Margaret (Peggy) Carney Chamberlain, 63, on June 22, 2006 in her home in Shreveport, LA. Peg was the daughter of the late Frank and Rosemary Carney of Sabbath Day Point and a 1960 graduate of Hague High School. Survivors include her husband of 44 years, Harold Chamberlain; four children, Kathy Romine, Carney Chamberlain, Shelly Daniel and Brenda Eichelberger all of Louisiana and seven grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters, Patricia Bartlett of Ticonderoga and Pamela Bressett of Silver Bay.

DIED: Barbara Thatcher Bevins, 64, on June 28, 2006 in Melbourne, FL. Barbara was formerly from Hague and was predeceased by her husband Morris Bevins.

DIED: Richard Bliss, of Schenectady, NY, on August 5, 2006. Dick was a former Commodore of the Northern Lake George Yacht Club where a remembrance service will be held on the afternoon of August 20th at 3 pm.

OUR APOLOGIES AND CONGRATULATIONS!

We are always very sorry to have missed names of our Hague students who have achieved academic success.

Congratulations are in order for Akashia Swinton, Grade 11, who received 1st honors and Alanna Swinton, Grade 12, who received 2nd honors - both for the 5th marking period from THS.

And congratulations to Ticonderoga High School graduate, Derek Ross! Derek is the son of Steve and Lori Ross.

HVFD SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Training and certification in all phases of emergency services are primary to the success of any volunteer fire dept. today, and your HVFD stands out in this regard. In addition to weekly practice drills, specialized training occurs frequently. Recently Lu Megow and Bill Cobb completed Critical Care Recertification, requiring over 150 hrs. of class and home study over a six month period.

In July there were 5 fire calls using 65 man hours, and 15 ambulance calls using 87 man hours. All this activity requires your support, and support us you have. Over 250 of you turned out in July for our annual Steak Roast and on August 10 the talented EMPS of Silver Bay put on their annual musical - "Lucky Stiff" played to a near capacity house - as a benefit for the Fire Dept. As an added treat, the HVFD did a car extrication demonstration at the SBA Inn Circle as kids of all ages watched intently. Our thanks go out to the SBA YMCA of the Adirondacks and its employees for their continued generous support.

Our final fund raiser for the summer will be a coin drop on Sunday, Sept. 3. We hope you will stop and say hello, and drive slowly that day. ...jm

My parents taught me many years ago that "Patience is a Virtue". I'm not quite sure I knew what it meant, but I'm beginning to understand.

Four weeks ago when I was almost out the door on my way to help put the July Hague Chronicle together at the Community Center, I got my foot stuck in the carpeting and my upper torso went ahead of the rest of me and suddenly I was on the floor in a fetal position and could not move. My granddaughter came running down the steps, along with all my house guests, (of which there were many), to check out the crash. Jennifer said "I'd better call 911" to which I replied "I'll be o.k.", until I tried to move. I heard her on the phone saying "My grandmother has fallen and can't get up." Where have I heard that before? Within three or four minutes, there was Gerry Boyd standing over me. Then the rest of the Emergency Squad plus the ambulance all appeared. I was loaded very carefully into the ambulance for the trip to Moses Ludington Hospital (my very first trip ever in an ambulance!). The EMT's all waited until an xray was taken and it was determined I had broken my left femur bone and then they prepared me for the trip to The Glens Falls Hospital. Here I must pause to say "What a great Emergency Squad we have." I couldn't have had better care.

From there on out it was patience, patience, patience. For two days I waited to have the surgical procedure done, all the time without food or water since they kept telling me they were going to do it soon. I survived on a morphine drip. I can't remember too much about what happened those two days, but I know there were a lot of concerned family members around. Their patience was wearing thin!

A week later I was told I could come back to Moses Ludington for rehab. Again, I was treated with dignity and respect. I was so happy to be "home". I had wonderful physical and occupational therapy administered, and tender, loving care by all the nurses there.

I learned a lot from my experience. First, don't be in such a hurry. Don't let your big feet get in the way of each other. It only took a split second to go head over heels, but a long, long time to recuperate. Second - I didn't know I had so many great friends. Your cards, your visits, flowers and phone calls have been an inspiration to me. I keep telling myself how very lucky I am to live in such a great little town with so many caring friends. Third - How very fortunate we all are to have such a great fire department, emergency squad and wonderful hospital. They all need your support!dh

SANTANIELLO PLACES THIRD

Ted Santaniello ran the Men's open 400 meter dash to a 3rd place in the Empire State Games in Rochester, NY on July 28, 2006. His time was 48.74 and the top 3 finishers were 1/2 second apart.

Another article about Hague residents leading up to the 2007 Bicentennial
excerpted from an interview by Judy Stock in August 2005.

A SAILOR REMEMBERS

Julia Corscaden Beaty was born on December 3, 1919 and when she was just six months old she was stuffed into a willow laundry basket to make her first trip to Hague. Julia, her parents - Dr. James and Julia Corscaden and her brother got onto the Albany night boat and then took a train to Lake George Village followed by a boat trip on Lake George. Julia remembers the yearly routine of the long trip down the lake on either the Horicon or the Sagamore.

"We headed northward toward Baldwin. Now this was part of the chain of relays for Canadians to get to Montreal or to get into Canada. So there were a lot of Canadians on the boat with all their baggage. Getting to Baldwin was always going up the East side which I thought was a real dirty gyp because to get to Hague, we had to wait until we stopped at all of the steamboat docks going north. There was one that I don't think exists anymore called "Glenerie" and then there was Hulets and then there was Glenburnie and then the boat turned and came into Baldwin and that was where the train connection was to Canada. There was a long, long layover in Baldwin because they had to take all the baggage and all the stuff off for the Canadians and then we continued down the West side going south and then we had to stop at Rogers Rock. It was very frustrating that we had to stop at this hotel so these fancy people could get off! It really seemed forever to get the luggage off but there was no other way for the luggage getting there except by the boat. And then finally we got to Hague. And in Hague we were always met by George Fitzgerald and we were taken to our camp.

"The original camp (now owned by Nikolay Wilen) that Mom and Dad had, bordered the Thomas property which is now owned by the Englers. Beverly Thomas was my Mother's uncle and so there was a family reason why they chose the property they did. As kids we played on the beach owned by Enid Alden and Mamie Beste. Enid Alden had taken over the Weir cottage now owned by Audrey O'Brien. I believe it was built by Elizabeth Watrous - it was one of THE Watrous houses.

"Cape Cod wasn't there and the whole pasture land was filled with a herd of guernsey cows that Mike Tobin took care of. Mike and Cora lived in the house opposite that field, very close to Jenkins Brook. During the depression the ladies made waffles and stuff in that house which was part of the Cape Cod building that burned.

"Initially the Tobins lived in Dr. Weir's house. It was Enid Alden who was related to Weir. That whole beach was basically ours to play on - all the way to Jenkins Brook. We used to get our milk from the herd in that field. They had thick, wonderful cream that went up to the top. And the bottles were shaped so that there was this little cup molded on to the top where you could put your spoon in and steal all the cream and catch hell for it. It was so good.

"One of the things that we could do was paddle up Jenkins Brook about half-way between the lake and where 9N is today. Dad had a little 13 foot Old Town canoe and it was small enough to go up Jenkins Brook and we would pick the wild iris to bring home to mother. Then the Mannings, Dick and Gordon, had the nerve to come over from Glenburnie and started putting in cottages at Cape Cod!

"My Dad had this idea that somehow he was going to introduce sailing to us (my brother, me and my sister by then) so we were dumped into sailboats before we could walk and into the water. I never really learned how to swim properly - the idea was to survive and get from your mooring to the dock. That was all that was necessary.

"My Dad spotted a sixteen foot Luders design sailboat called a Redwing at the motor boat show that was held yearly in New York City. He said, 'I'll take one of those' and then he talked Jonathan Moore of Heart Bay into buying one and he talked Robert Henry, Sr. into buying two, so the result was we had 4 one-class keel boats. They were beautiful old boats, built in about 1926.

"It took Dad quite some time to get people serious. But he had this master plan - that it would be the northern basin of Lake George that would all race together. He befriended Fred Wilson of Rogers Rock through Charlie Henderson who was the cellist in the Rock's quartet that they had every week. Fred Wilson agreed to have what was called the Rogers Rock Yacht Club - the original flag is framed and hanging over the fireplace at the Northern Lake George Yacht Club. I don't think that some of the other members of the Rogers Rock Club really appreciated this nonsense (races) that went on every weekend.

"We went up there under tow and when we got there on one fourth of July to start racing there wasn't any activity at all. So we towed to the property (formerly Camp Chipewa and present day Commons property on Friends Point) which belonged to some monsignor because we knew that the Star class had all their racing equipment in his boat house. We waited until mass was over and I can remember being one of the group that was chosen to approach him to borrow the equipment. Monsignor Keegan greeted us with open arms and he ordered his group there to get on the ball. He had this beautiful mahogany utility Chris Craft and they put in all the equipment and he became the race committee chairman. We sailed off there for several years. At that time they had already formed the Northern Lake George Yacht Club but because of the war it did not seem like a good time to start building. So in 1941 it was incorporated but it actually didn't open its doors until 1948. Ralph Craig had been appointed by the Cook estate to mete out the properties of Forest Bay and Friends Point and got them to agree that one of the packages would be reserved for a sailing operation.

"After 1948 my Dad was the Commodore of the Northern Lake George Yacht Club. He hung on to the position for many years and he loved it - especially being over there with the kids. He taught them racing skills and how to splice rope and wire and I think they learned a great deal about being a human being from him as well.

Sorry - No Nature or Weather news this month.

WEBCAM AT THE VIEW

The View Restaurant has installed a live webcam facing the north end of the lake. Brad Whisher, owner of The View, said, "Interested parties will now be able to view the lake 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, year round."

Although we have only had limited success accessing it, you might like to give it a try at indian-kettles.com.

ADIRONDACK LIVING SHOW

The 4th annual Adirondack Living Show will be held in the Lake George Forum, 2200 Canada Street from August 18 - 20, 2006.

The show features an array of rustic furnishings, accessories, services and other Adirondack related products. There is an admission fee of \$8 with children 12 and under free. For more information info@adirondackliving.com.

LARAC ACTIVITIES

LARAC, the Lower Adirondack Arts and Cultural information resource, is seeking artists and craftspeople to sell work in the LARAC shop in their gallery in Glens Falls. Work will be accepted for jurying until August 31. In addition they are receiving applications for their Holiday Showcase.

For further information, and a list of all the area cultural events, see their website at www.LARAC.org or call 518-798-1144.

DO YOU WIFI?

The Town of Hague needs to know if the new wireless internet connection is being used and working properly. If you have had a chance to use it, please let them know by an email to supervisor@townofhague.org. Also use that email if you find it is not working properly or call the Community Center at 543-6161.

Part of the secret of success in life is to eat what you like and let the food fight it out inside.

Mark Twain (1835 - 1910)

RUMNEY EXHIBIT EXTENDED

Ruth Rumney, well-known local artist, has had her artwork on display at Millers Gifts & Antique Shop. The shop has indicated to the Hague Chronicle that they are extending the show for an additional week.

Millers is also the site of Century 21 Real Estate in the hamlet on Graphite Mountain Road.

LG RECREATION STUDY PLAN

Thanks to Pam and Myles Peterson and Dolly Kennedy, who attended the Lake George Park Commission meeting, *The Hague Chronicle* has a copy of the Lake George Recreation Study plan which it will share with anyone interested.

A clean house is a sign of a broken computer



...from the internet

Preach not to others what they should eat, but eat as becomes you, and be silent.
Epictetus (55 AD - 135 AD)

August - September 2006

August

17 6:30pm Noise Ordinance Hearing (p. 1)
22 noon Senior Picnic
23 1pm Extra Helping Distribution
24 7pm Zoning Board of Appeals
25 6pm Hancock House reception (p. 3)

September

4 LABOR DAY
5 6:30pm Public Hearing (p. 6)
7 7pm Planning Board
12 6:30 pm Town Board
21 Next *Hague Chronicle* mailed

ONGOING MONTHLY MEETINGS & EVENTS

2nd Monday: Senior Bus to Glens Falls
1st Monday: Fire Department
1st Tuesday: Mohican Crafters
3rd Monday: Chamber of Commerce
3rd Tuesday: Mohican Crafters
3rd Tuesday: Fish & Game Club
3rd Tuesday: Sno-goers
3rd Thursday: Carillon Garden Club

TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Wednesday & Saturday: 9am - 5pm
Sunday: noon - 4 - only until Labor Day!

FOR YOUR 2007 CALENDARS

August 10-12: Hague Central School Reunion

August 17 - 19: Townwide Bicentennial Celebration

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