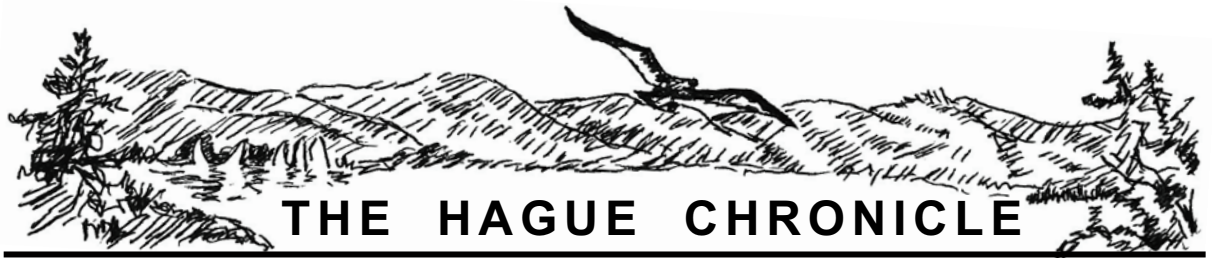


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**TOWN OF HAGUE-ON-LAKE GEORGE  
MEMORIAL DAY  
FUNFEST— PARADE AND SERVICE**



**SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2011**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**10AM TO 4PM: FUNFEST HAGUE TOWN PARK –ROUTE 9N**

- 10:00-1:30 ABC Critters w/Nancy Carlson “Unwanted Pets”
- 11:00-11:45 & 12:45-1:30 “Sylvia and The Magic Trunk”- ventriloquism
- 12:00 Cambridge Band Concert and DJ Music by Steve Pelkey, WOKO Radio
- Up Yonda Farm Program
- Silver Bay Crafts
- Champlain Valley K-9 Search and Rescue
- Westport Humane Pets for adoption
- Fort Ticonderoga Display
- Rotary – Raffle Table
- Hague Historical Society and Chronicle Display
- Kids’ Games and Face Painting
- Memorial Game Booths – test your skill – win prizes
- Adirondack Crafters and White Elephant Sale
- Food Concessions by Local Organizations
- Alex’s Lemonade Stand – Kristen McDonough

**HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.  
ANNUAL CHICKEN & RIBS BBQ  
MAY 28TH, 2011  
3PM - 7PM  
See Details on Page 9**

**2PM: PARADE – ROUTE 8 TO HAGUE TOWN PARK**

- Marching Bands, Floats, Clowns, Classic cars, etc.
- Prizes for Best in Parade, Most Creative, Most Patriotic, Best Adirondack, Most Humorous, Best Youth and Honorable Mention. New this year Pooches in Costume with categories Best Costume, Most Patriotic, Most Humorous and Honorable Mention. Winners announced at Memorial Service.

**3:30PM: MEMORIAL DEDICATION SERVICE – GUEST SPEAKER**

**CORPORAL RAYMOND TOLAR, USMC, 4<sup>TH</sup> MARINE DIVISION**

**HONORING THE U.S. FLAG**

*During a parade, at the moment the American Flag passes you, all should stand at attention in silence facing the flag with their right hands over their hearts. Military personnel and veterans should stand at attention, face the flag and render the military salute.*

## SENIOR CLUB NEWS

Quechee Gorge, Vermont was beautiful! Lunch was fantastic and we found good buys. Lee even bought a "fur!"

Don't forget to celebrate Memorial Day by coming out for the day's festivities on Saturday, May 28, 2011. The action is at the beach before and after the parade. The Club still needs volunteers and donations for the White Elephant table.

Our Senior View Café also needs many helpers during the Americade between June 5-12, 2011. The Senior Club will welcome the cyclists and other visitors with our fresh home-cooked specials each day at the beach from 11 am to 4 pm.

President Pat Hintze says you don't have to be a Club member to help with these events. So please contact Pat at 543-6502 or Emily 543-6325 if you can volunteer an hour or two.

Note the change in time -12 noon - for our upcoming luncheon meeting on Tuesday, May 24, 2011. This meeting is to discuss and finalize the Memorial Day Parade and Memorial Dedication, the Funfest and the 2nd Annual Senior View Café. Pat will also discuss upcoming trips and events that you won't want to miss.  
... Chris Ianson

## HVFD CAUTIONS MOTORCYCLISTS

It is the time of year when many roads have not yet been cleared of the winter accumulation of sand and dirt, making it hazardous on curves and corners, especially for motorcycles. The Hague Volunteer Fire Department (HVFD) has already responded to the first motorcycle accident on Tongue Mountain, and it is early in the season.

Assistant Chief James Belden thanks everyone for the great response to all the calls and drills in April. It's a good reflection on all members, old and new. On that note there were 4 fire calls using 37 man hrs. and 1 ambulance call using 10 man hrs. in April. All hoses and fire extinguishers have been tested, and working equipment serviced. All in all, it has been a busy spring so far.

Our Fire/Rescue Boat is at Chic's Marine for engine service, and should be back in its moorings by this mailing. Speaking of boating, our Safety Officer Jon Hanna reminds us that there is a lot of debris in the Lake and that the water is still very cold. Those using small craft must wear Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs).

Last but not least, don't forget our annual Chicken and Ribs Barbecue to be held in conjunction with the Memorial Day festivities on Saturday, May 28, 2011 from 3 - 7 pm at the HVFD Pavilion.  
... Joe McCranels

## LGLC HONORS PEGGY DARRIN

The Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC) is honoring Mrs. Margaret A. Darrin with a dedication ceremony at its shoreline property in Hague, June 12, 2011 at 4 pm. The ceremony will include the unveiling of a new road front sign, brief historical overview of the property and an introduction to the land's new Friendship Garden. Refreshments and a celebratory cake will also be provided.

The 1.9-acre property, to be named "Peggy's Point" after Mrs. Darrin, was donated by Mrs. Darrin to LGLC in 2005. With 315 feet of Lake shoreline, it is a popular destination for anglers, as well as an alternative picnic location to the town's beach, located just south of the Point.

Mrs. Darrin and her family have been long-time residents of Hague and supporters of the Lake George Land Conservancy. Her son, David Darrin, and granddaughter Hannah Darrin will also be at the ceremony, as well as other members of the Darrin family.

LGLC will be installing a Friendship Garden on the property, with a walking path leading to a circular flower bed, the Friendship Garden. The Garden is intended to provide a location for local residents and other Lake George visitors to memorialize or honor a loved family member, friend, memory or event with the planting of a native perennial. Plants may also be marked with small identifying plaques.

Those attending the Dedication Ceremony are invited to bring a plant to add to the Friendship Garden. To limit the possibility of introducing harmful invasive or site-inappropriate plants, LGLC will prepare a do-not-plant list with sources for where to buy some native plants for those interested in participating. All plants must be pre-approved by LGLC prior to planting in the Garden. For more information, please contact Sarah at 518-644-9673 or email [shoffman@lgc.org](mailto:shoffman@lgc.org)

## HOLD OFF ON THAT FERTILIZING!

The LGA is reminding property owners in the Lake George watershed about lake-friendly actions they can take this spring to protect the Lake's water quality. Emily DeBolt, LGA director of education said, "We generally do not recommend fertilizing at all until the fall, and then, we urge people to use only phosphorus-free fertilizer, no matter where a property is located within the watershed."

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## CELL SERVICE PROGRESS

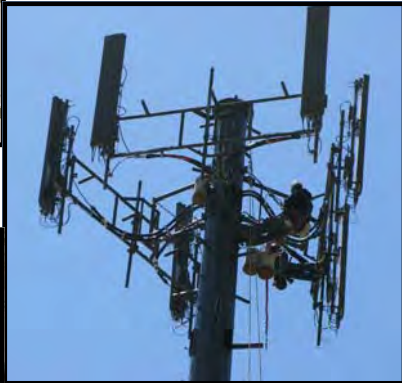
The cell tower has been installed, all the outside connections have been done and the final part is to install the connections inside the building. We should have cell service by the first of June!

Viewing the cell tower up close one realizes that there is a lot more to it than what it seems to be when looking from afar. The cell tower shares space on the Town property where the Wastewater Treatment Plant is located and has its own road going into the area.

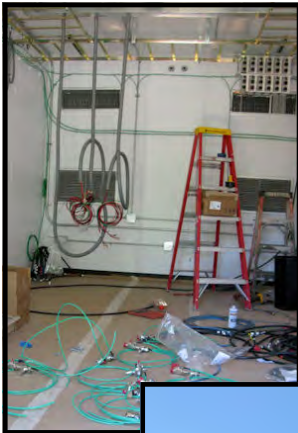
The pictures below were taken as the tower technicians were finishing their work.



*Two technicians work on installation of massive connections to base building.*



*A co-worker attaches connections*



*The inside connections have to be installed by a different crew.*



*It looks ready for use!*

## HAGUE MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

### SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2011

For this year's **FUNFEST, PARADE AND MEMORIAL SERVICE** please refer to page 1 of this issue for the Schedule of Events. You will find that we will have many fun activities for you all to enjoy during the entire day. Plan to come to the beach early where you can enjoy the shows on stage and have lunch. Then browse the park to see all the other attractions and test your skill at the games.

The **GOD BLESS AMERICA PARADE** will begin promptly at 2 pm rain or shine. When you hear all the Baptist, Wesleyan and Catholic Churches ringing their bells simultaneously, that means the march will begin in 5 minutes. The ringing of the bells is reminiscent of the end of World War II. When President Roosevelt announced over the radio "The War is over!", the people of Hague were seen walking up the village street to their churches to give thanks. We are honored this year to have DAN BELDEN as our "GRAND MARSHALL". This gentleman is someone you all know. He was born here in Hague and spent most of his life serving the people of Hague. For the past 20 years he has proudly served as the Town Supervisor and just recently announced that he will retire at the end of this term. During the parade as he passes you by, please give him a "big hand of applause" in thanks for a job well done.

For **VIEWING THE PARADE** it is suggested that you plan to set up your chairs all along the village street. There will be 'no car parking' brookside along Rt 8 so there will be plenty of room. The Judging Trailer is located in the Baptist Church parking lot which is where units often stop momentarily to perform, therefore the closer you are to that area will enable you to observe more.

**TRAFFIC CONTROL** is under the direction of the Hague Volunteer Fire Department who will be assisted by volunteers from other Fire Departments (Ticonderoga, Bolton Landing and Warrensburg). Please give them your full cooperation. **ROAD CLOSINGS** will be as follows: West Hague Rd. from Fire House to Hague Town Shed at 1 to 1:45 pm for Parade lineup. The units will then be moved down Rt 8 to be at the March Point by 1:45 pm. Parade motor units are requested to be at the lineup as early as possible. Rt 8 will be closed from Decker Hill to Rt 9N at 1:45 pm once all units have cleared. Rt 9N at Dodd Hill and at New Hague Road will close at 1:50 pm.

**PARKING** areas are available at 1) the Darrin lot across from the beach, 2) the former Lakeshore Garage lot on Rt 9N, 3) between the Baptist Church and Juniper Gift Shop, 4) East of the Wesleyan Church, 5) the Community Center and 6) the Catholic Church. There will be Parade Parking signs at these areas. If you are coming for the parade, please take note of road closing times and plan to come early.

**BOATERS TAKE NOTICE** that the Hague Boat Launch will be closed from 12 noon to 4 pm as a safety measure during the Memorial Day Celebration.

Let's all make this another wonderful **DAY TO REMEMBER IN THE TOWN OF HAGUE!**

... Madeline Pelkey

## **TOWN BOARD MEETING – 5/10/2011**

Supervisor Dan Belden and Board members Dick Gladu, Rudy Meola and Edna Frasier were present. Mark Martucci was out of town for medical reasons.

A moment of silence was held for Mrs. Johnson.

Chris Bowcutt, Event Manager for the Lake George Open Water Swim gave the Board an update on plans and requested \$2,500 for promotion of the event. The Board approved the request from \$10,000 still unallocated in bed tax revenue.

A public hearing was set for June 14, 2011 at 6:15 pm on the request by Hagg [12.18-1-50] for a wastewater variance.

Al Rider asked the Board, “What is your position on banning phosphorus based fertilizers?” The Board wants individual neighborhoods to monitor it and Supervisor Belden will get information from the LG Waterkeeper to give to the associations.

Councilman Gladu reported that he has worked with the HVFD to track their progress on the issues of recruiting, training time and response time.

Supervisor Belden asked Highway Superintendent Smith to check on the condition of the road to Jabes Pond. The DEC wants the Town to keep it cleaned if the area is opened to the public. The Supervisor will set up a meeting with the DEC.

Don Smith, Superintendent of Highways, reported that they had completed the sweeping of the roads and collected 75 yards of sand which will not get into the Lake.

ZEO Cathy Clark reported that the Low Impact Development Seminar in Lake George was exceptionally good and was attended by Clark, Mike Cherubini, Maureen Cherubini, EJ Siwek and Pam Peterson.

Supervisor Belden suggested that the Hague Commons homeowners, who are most affected by the accumulating sand in the Hague Brook delta, should get a letter to him about the situation. The buildup has prevented normal use of their docks.

Supervisor Belden reported that they are still waiting for the figures on funding Sewer District #2 from the State. The information will probably be available in early July.

Councilman Meola noted that the new playground equipment will be installed around June 1. He also reported that the Town has a new permit to trap geese from April 20 – August 31.

Councilman Gladu reported that he will meet with the management of the Transfer Station since the contract expires on June 1. He noted that if you purchase a new TV, the deliverer is required to take the old equipment and dispose of it properly. He also wants to address the issue of electronic waste.

The Board accepted a bid from Simplex Grinnell for Kitchen Suppression System inspection, required by NYSDOH, twice a year at \$175.44 each time.

After repetitive discussion, the Board approved a motion made by Councilman Meola, to give the Supervisor the authority to act for the Board to approve additional hours for the part-time employee during May, June, July and August if needed to complete required work. Mr. Meola made the point that the decision should be made by the Board unless the responsibility was delegated.

The Board approved a proposal from Swift maintenance for cleaning of the Community Center. They will clean the windows once per year for \$300 and do inside cleaning of the building twice a week for a total of \$4,800 annually.

The Board rescinded a motion regarding payment to the Hague Chamber of Commerce for material for a video box and are requesting the money be returned. The Board made a mistake in giving the money to them since they are not allowed to pay for a project until the work is done.

The NYSDEC conducted a SPDES Comprehensive Evaluation Inspection at the Hague Wastewater Treatment Plant on March 18, 2011 and the facility received a satisfactory rating. The inspection cited “ good operating conditions and productivity and a visually good quality effluent.” The Board agreed that Paul Belden is doing a good job running this facility.

The Board authorized payments totaling \$5,700 to the contractor for work done on the new Veterans Memorial Park. A dedication of the new Park will take place on June 18, 2011 at 11 am. The Supervisor generously said that he, personally, will host a reception afterward at noon for sandwiches and soda.

Permission was given to the Cub Scouts for a fundraiser at the Town Beach on May 21, 2011 from 9 am to 12 pm.

The Supervisor reported that the County cannot make its budget due to health insurance if the 2% tax cap is put into effect. He also noted that employee retirement contributions from Hague will increase by over \$30,000. A reduction in mandates is needed. Supervisor Belden is chairman of the County DPW and noted that they are paying \$1 more per gallon for fuel this year than last.

## **VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED**

Volunteers are still being sought for positions on both the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. Anyone interested should contact the Town at 543-6161.

## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – 4/28/11**

Chairman Robert Goetsch, Jon Hanna, Bill Pittman, Chris Navitsky, Lyndsay Mydlarz and Maureen Cherubini were all present. The Board approved a two year extension on the Rizza 2009 variance approval.

## **LARAC MEMBERS SHOW**

From May 20 - June 23, 2011, the Lower Adirondack Regional Arts Council (LARAC) at 7 Lapham Place, Glens Falls, NY, will hold its popular annual show featuring works of art by LARAC Members.

## PLANNING BOARD – 5/ 5/11

Present were Chairman EJ Siwek and Board members John Brown, Pam Peterson, Mike Cherubini, Richard Frasier, Bruce Clark. Martin Fitzgerald, Sr., was absent.

During the course of the meeting, ZEO Clark clarified that we have given control over stormwater regulations to the LGPC but the Town has responsibility for wastewater treatment regulations.

### WILSON/FLOOR (25.1-1-17 and 18) Summit Drive and Route 8 (OCI)

The Board reopened a public hearing on the application for a Major Subdivision of two parcels equaling 148.8 acres. If approved 10 new residential lots will be created. Lot lines have been reestablished so that no lot line crosses into or through a wetland and will maintain a 200 ft. setback from the wetland. The project is a Class B regional project.

After discussion of a letter from the Lake George Waterkeeper, the Board voted to require a site plan review for lots if there are any significant modifications from the approved plan with regard to septic, stormwater, location of driveway and percentage of clearing. Voting aye were Brown, Frasier, Peterson, Siwek and nay were Clark and Cherubini. The LGPC permit is still needed and the public hearing will be continued at the June meeting.

### LTP HOLDING, LLC – UPTOWN STORE (43.5-1-5) 9819 Graphite Mt. Rd.

The Board approved an extension to a 2009 approval, for use of this property as a restaurant with wine service, requested by owner Lauren Parlin to allow for time, if necessary, to complete work needed for the Warren County CO.

### BRAUNER (60.13-1-7) 39 Red Fox Lane (TR-1)

In a clarification of our report last month, ZEO Clark said, "No Town of Hague permit was issued for the current two bay garage built by the previous owners." The Town of Hague permit to the previous owners was for a 10'x10' tool shed with an attached one bay garage. The design was changed to a two bay garage before submission to Warren County which issued a permit.

## ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Assessor David Martucci will be available, by appointment only (call 518-543-6161), on Monday, May 23, 2011 from 10 am to 2 pm. The Board of Assessment Review will meet on Tuesday, May 24, 2011 from 4 to 8 pm at the Hague Community Center to hear complaints. Complaint forms (RP 524) are available at the Community Center or online at <orps.state.ny.us>.

## MOOSE IN HAGUE

During the afternoon of May 6, 2011, Maureen and Mike Cherubini were returning from Brant Lake and were quite surprised when they sighted two moose in the meadows along Route 8. Has anyone else seen them locally? If there are two now, will there be more later? Does that mean there are fewer deer around? Please let us know.

## 40TH ANNIVERSARY PHOTO CONTEST

*The Hague Chronicle* is sponsoring a photo contest to celebrate its 40th year of publication. All photos should be taken in, or about, the Town of Hague, New York or immediate environs, during the period from January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011.

All entries must be accompanied by specific information and submitted on or before June 30, 2011. Before submitting any images, please request a copy of the guidelines and requirements by email at <haguechronicle.nycap.rr.com> or a stamped, self-addressed envelope to The Hague Chronicle Photo Contest, PO Box 748, Hague, NY 12836. Guidelines are also available at the Community Center.

## ANNUAL FREE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CLEANUP WEEKEND

Town residents may bring one standard size pickup truck load for free to the Town of Hague Highway Department on West Hague Road on June 17 or 18, 2011 from 7 am to 3 pm. Acceptable items must be sorted and include white goods (stove, washer, dryer, etc), furniture (chairs, TV, sofa, rugs, etc.) and metal. **Not** acceptable are recyclables, garbage, brush/leaves, construction material, tires, propane tanks, refrigerators or similar.

For those residents age 60 or older or those who are physically disabled/handicapped, the Highway Department will pick up the approved items for those who **register** by 4 pm on Thursday, June 16, 2011 by calling the Community Center at 543-6161. The pick-up items **must** be acceptable, sorted and placed at the roadside before 6 am on Friday, June 17, 2011.

## MEMORIAL FLOWER BASKETS

A reminder that the hanging baskets will be put up again in the downtown area of Hague. Donations for the baskets are appreciated and can be sent to the Town of Hague, PO Box 509, Hague, NY, 12836.

## SUMMER RENTALS

As a service to our readers, we again will publish information on homes that are available locally for rent during the summer. We will print these again in June and add any new listings that are sent to us at <haguechronicle@nycap.rr.com>.

➤ Large home for rent - sleeps 12 – includes dish washer, micro wave, large kitchen, large living room, cable TV, Internet, washing machine, dryer, outside grill, large yard, 2 1/2 baths, 1/2 block to private sandy beach, room for a 20' boat. – for more information please call – 551-265-5352.

➤ 5-Bedroom lakefront house for rent. Includes a dock for up to a 20' boat and a level lawn to sandy beach 25' from front steps. Located immediately north of Hague Town Beach and Park. Walk to store and shops. Available week of July 16 - 23, 2011. To see pictures and additional details go to <LakeGeorgeRentalHouse.com> or call 802-425-2600.

➤ 3 bedroom/2 bath house with dock for rent weekly, Saturday to Saturday. Sleeps up to 8. Check the website <adkbyowner.com/listings/VR6979> or call 543-6089.

## SEEKING EXHIBITORS FOR HAGUE ARTS FAIR

Calling all craftspeople and artists! Reserve your booth space – either inside or out – at the Hague Arts Fair, which is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year. This event is always very popular, attracting visitors from near and far. It will be held August 6 – 7, 2011 at the Community Center. We are also extending a special invitation to local vendors who might be interested in selling produce, fresh flowers or artisan bread. Deadline for registration is June 15, 2011. For further information about registering, please contact Mary Keefer at 518-543-3028 or by e-mail at <hagueartsfair@yahoo.com>.

## ANOTHER SEASON AT THE SEMBRICH

The Sembrich Museum, open from Wednesday, June 15, 2011 to September 15, 2011 has announced its summer season of concerts, lectures, performances, and films. In addition to serving as a concert hall throughout the season, the museum also houses memorabilia from Madame Sembrich's stage career, as well as antique furniture and fine art collected from her travels throughout Europe. The museum, located at 4800 Lake Shore Drive, Bolton Landing, is open daily from 10 am to 12:30 pm and from 2 pm to 5:30 pm with admission by donation.

The first live performance of the season is the annual Young Performers Showcase which takes place at 2 pm on Saturday, June 11, 2011. The free event features musicians and singers from regional high schools. On Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 1:30 pm there will be a Lakeside Tea-tasting and Talk: "Tea & the Arts" with Donnalynn Milford of SensibiliTeas with admission at \$20. On Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at 1:30 pm there will be a Seagle Colony Preview with \$10 admission.

In addition to its usual line-up of world-class musicians and distinguished speakers, the museum's director, Beth Barton Navitsky of Sabbath Day Point, said there will be new exhibits on hand for visitors to enjoy, including displays related to some of their performers.

For more information about The Sembrich Museum or for a calendar of the 2011 summer performances visit <www.thesembrich.org> or contact the office at (518) 644-2431 or the museum at (518) 644-9839.

## NC TRIATHLON VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

"The North Country Triathlon, on June 25, 2011, is going to be bigger and better than ever," says Volunteer Coordinator Donna Levenstien of Hague. "It's our 5th year and we're expecting about 500 racers. Because of the growth of the NCT, we need more volunteers than ever before."

Levenstien added, "If you're not swimming, biking or running, the way to have the most fun is to help on race day! Become a part of this event! Your help is really important to the racers. We have always had amazing volunteers. Please sign up today." See:

< [http://www.northcountrytri.com/Want\\_to\\_Volunteer\\_.htm](http://www.northcountrytri.com/Want_to_Volunteer_.htm) >.

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DINNER

The Northern Lake George Rotary will sponsor its annual International Dinner on Thursday, June 16, 2011 at 6 pm in Gullen Lounge at Silver Bay YMCA of the Adirondacks.

The meal will start off with ginger butter potstickers, fresh crudite platter with hummus and beverages. Featured entree selections will include corn and bacon muffins from Kenya, Asian salad (back by popular demand), Cantik Turkish beef pies, Portuguese chicken, rice pilaf, tumeric roasted cauliflower and Thai noodle stir fry. Dessert specialties are baklava and canoli dipped in chocolate.

The all inclusive cost for the dinner is \$30 per person. Tickets are available from Rotary members or you may contact Merribeth Elling at 585-2173. All are invited and encouraged to attend this community event.

## LAKE FRIENDLY LIVING OPEN HOUSE

Want to go green in your home and garden? Join the Lake George Association (LGA), on Saturday, June 4, 2011 from 10 am – 2 pm at 2392 State Rt. 9N, Lake George (just off Northway exit 21) for a free open house. This event provides a unique opportunity to meet local experts who work with exciting new green landscaping technologies in one place at one time.

Among the exhibitors will be representatives from DeFranco Landscaping, Inc. in Hague who can answer any questions property owners may have about how to protect the Lake including native plantings, shoreline buffers, rain gardens, permeable pavers and other green infrastructure techniques related to stormwater and erosion control.

For more information about how to create lake-friendly landscapes, or to receive on-site technical support, the public can contact the LGA at 518-668-3558. The LGA's new website also has extensive information on the topic. Visit <www.lakegeorgeassociation.org> and search "lake-friendly living."

## CHAMPLAIN VALLEY CHORALE TO PRESENT CONCERT

The Champlain Valley Chorale will present its concert "Salute the Flag with Song" on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 3 pm in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church, Wicker Street, Ticonderoga, N.Y.

In keeping with Flag Day, this year's concert will be an all American program featuring the music of Aaron Copland, Randall Thompson, Frank Sinatra, Rogers and Hammerstein, and other favorites performed under the direction of Jeris French and accompanied by Pat Cornell. Interlude music will be performed by the Champlain Valley String Ensemble.

The public is cordially invited to attend these concert presentations. Although an admission fee is not required, donations to further the work of the Chorale are always cheerfully appreciated and accepted.



**ART OF WAR EXHIBIT AT FORT TICONDEROGA**

Fort Ticonderoga's newest exhibit, *The Art of War: Ticonderoga as Experienced through the eyes of America's Great Artists* brings together for the first time in one highlighted exhibition fifty of the museum's most important artworks. Fort Ticonderoga helped give birth to the Hudson River school of American Art with Thomas Cole's pivotal 1826 work, *Gelyna, or a View Near Ticonderoga*, the museum's most important 19th century masterpiece to be featured in the exhibit. The *Art of War* exhibit will be on view through October 20, 2011 in the Deborah Clarke Mars Education Center exhibition gallery.

**KING'S GARDEN AT FORT TICONDEROGA OPENS**

The King's Garden opens for the season on June 1, 2011 awash in the colors of the classic bearded iris and other early blooming perennials and annuals. The garden celebrates the history of agriculture on the Fort Ticonderoga peninsula with tours, programs and special events throughout the season. Opportunities abound for all, including hands-on family programs, adult learning, daily guided tours and quiet strolls with outstanding scenery, volunteer initiatives, and the festive garden party. The King's Garden is open until Columbus Day from 9:30 am to 5 pm.

The first program in the King's Garden Workshop Series on herbs takes place on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at 1 pm – *Nature's Wild Herbs Discovery Walk* with local herbalist Nancy Wotton Scarzello. Participants in this 90-minute walk and talk will tour the Healing Herb Garden and the garden grounds and field edges to learn about the traditional and folkloric uses of herbs and wild plants, identification, and ways they are used today. Pre-registration is required and the cost is \$15. The rain date is June 9. For more information or to register, call (518) 585-2821 or email <garden@fort-ticonderoga.org>. For a complete listing of programs in the Fort and King's Garden, see <www.FortTiconderoga.org>.



*Oriental poppies and bearded irises accent the King's Garden teahouse located at Fort Ticonderoga.*

There's nothing like a good fishing story and here's one from a March 1935 Ticonderoga Sentinel: "Here's the latest fish story and it does not deal with the big one that got away. It seems that Dan Davis, one of the most patient and skillful fisherman around these parts, was doing a bit of angling for perch on that famous fishing place called the middleground. Leaving his fish box for a time unnoticed, he moved off to prospect for another school of fish. On returning to the box he was astonished to find a large sea gull busily engaged in pulling a free meal of perch from the hard-won results of a fishing trip. During the summer it is customary for fishermen to throw small fish to the gulls, but this is the first time the writer has ever known one of these birds to help himself in this manner. In fact, gulls are seldom seen around here until the ice has left the lake." Chances are pretty good that Danny Davis was ice fishing when he was visited by a gull.

Speaking of "middleground", a journal written by Jack Henry years ago, about good fishing spots, gives these hints for finding middleground: "Get the third window of the Rising House, from the North, on a line with the chimney. Get the west side of Waltonian Island on the divide in the mountain behind it."

"There is a good rock reef off the little island in back of Col. Mann's Island close to its rocky outer edge and just off it, about 20 feet deep."

I'm not a fisherman, and of course the Rising House is long gone, but it gives me pause to wonder if the middleground is still a good fishing site for local anglers. ... Pat McDonough

**HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS**

Stop by the Historical Society's table at the Town Park during the Memorial Day festivities where there will be interesting reading materials from the Museum. There will be post card images from the collection that are well suited for framing, Decker note cards and an interesting book on Seneca Ray Stoddard all for sale. Raffle tickets for the "Adirondack Ice" book will also be available, with the winner to be drawn at the August program on the Hague Outboard Marathon.

Don't miss a chance to see (and buy!) the coasters/tiles that Ginger Kuenzel has created using images from the Museum's collection. They are charming mementos of Hague and can be fun gifts for family and friends.

Mark your calendars for our Annual Meeting on Tuesday, June 28, at 7 pm when we'll be presenting "Tourism in Hague".

We had such a nice response to our Looking Back column on Frank Marr's barber shop that we'll be doing a follow-up. Watch for it in the upcoming months! If you have memories of your own to share, you can always drop us a line at PO Box 794, Hague, NY 12836 or send an email to us at <haguehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com>. ... Pat McDonough

## ~SOUNDINGS~

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To Joyce Mouradian, of Ticonderoga, on receiving the Award of Honor, the top honor given by the Federated Garden Clubs of New York State, Inc. Joyce is a long-time member of the Carillon Garden Club and was cited for her outstanding volunteer contributions to her Club and community. A nomination has been sent on for national recognition.

### YOUTH SEWING LESSONS

JoAnne DeFranco will be giving sewing lessons to children age 8-13 at her Sew and Sow shop (on Route 9N) this summer during July and August. To find out more about this summer enrichment opportunity, call JoAnne at 543-6089 or stop in the shop for information.

### GARDEN CLUB UPCOMING AWARDS

Once again the Carillon Garden Club's Enhancement Awards Committee will be recognizing plantings in Hague and Ticonderoga that help add to the quality of life in our communities. Should you notice any garden or even a spot of color that draws your attention, email Vivian Den Bleyker at <vivianjdb@juno.com>. One must be able to view these gardens from the street.

### Weather Report by JoAnne DeFranco

#### Mid April 2011— May13, 2011

Mother Nature is once again telling us that she has control over all aspects of natural activity. Melting snow pack and heavy rains have caused Lake Champlain, Schroon Lake, the Hudson and Schroon Rivers, and numerous small streams to overflow their banks. Although water levels have receded from earlier high levels many roads in Port Henry/Moriah remain closed. There have been flooded conditions at the following local sites:

1. Fort Ticonderoga Ferry landing and boat launch.  
On Sunday, May 8, most of the parking lots for the boat launch was under water. Lake Champlain is at the highest level since the 1930's.
2. Bicentennial Falls and Park in downtown Ticonderoga.  
The LaChute River has flooded the park but the falls are a beautiful sight.
3. Follow the LaChute River from the Lake George outlet down Lord Howe Street.
4. Hudson River at Riparius.
5. Schroon Lake and Schroon River.

We received 4 inches of rain from April 26th to May 4th. A beautiful rainbow was observed over Wal-Mart on April 28th at 5 pm. The week of May 8 – 13th was perfectly delightful; sunny days, at last, with temperatures in the upper 60's to 70 degrees. Tulips, daffodils and forsythia have quickly opened. The tree leaves are budding out along with the black flies. Shadblow trees are in full bloom.

Snow was reported on April 23 and a frost occurred on May 6 at 6 am. Sunrise is 5:33 am. Sunset is at 8:08 pm. The next full moon is May 17.

## TICONDEROGA HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following students from Hague are on the honor roll for the third marking period at Ticonderoga High School.

### Grade 12

Second Honors – Francis Barnes

### Grade 11

First Honors – Corey King, William Lawrie

Second Honors – Jacob Demarais, Abigail Gurney, Harley Trudeau

### Grade 10

Second Honors – Grace Ginn, Jordan McKee, Joseph Rafferty

### Grade 9

First Honors – David Busick, Sean Lawrie

Second Honors – Ty Denno

## TICONDEROGA AREA CHAMBER FUNDRAISER

The Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) will hold its 9th Annual Fundraiser Dinner and Auction on Friday, June 17, 2011 in Gullen Lounge at Silver Bay YMCA of the Adirondacks. The event will start with appetizers at 6 pm followed by dinner at 7 pm. The goal for this year is to have the event be the TACC premier fundraiser supporting the ongoing marketing and promotion of the area and Chamber members.

“We extend an invitation for you to join us for the 2011 TACC fundraiser event which includes a silent auction, live auction, music, a beautiful Italian night and a fantastic menu created by Silver Bay and the committee. Just UsEntertainment will provide ambiance during the dinner hour which will be followed by the live auction and dancing,” stated Matthew Courtright, TACC Executive Director.

Tickets are \$40 per person and include appetizers, buffet, beer, wine, dessert, and gratuity. TACC serves, markets, and promotes Ticonderoga, Crown Point, Hague, Moriah, Putnam and surrounding areas. Contact the TACC office at 518-585-6619 or <chamberinfo@ticonderogany.com> for early reservations as seating is limited.

## INTERIM CHIEF AT TICONDEROGA HOSPITAL

An agreement between Fletcher Allen Executive Services, LLC, a subsidiary of Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington, VT., and Moses Ludington Hospital, in Ticonderoga, NY, will allow Moses Ludington to take advantage of Fletcher Allen management services to help oversee its operations. Under the agreement, approved by New York's Health Department, Fletcher Allen will arrange for Charles Miceli, C.P.M., vice president of Supply Chain and Pharmacy Services at Fletcher Allen to serve as the Moses Ludington Hospital interim chief executive officer, while a search for a permanent CEO takes place.



## HVFD ANNUAL CHICKEN AND RIBS BARBECUE



The Hague Volunteer Fire Department (HVFD) will hold its annual barbecue at the Fire Station on Saturday, May 28, 2011 from 3 to 7 pm. The menu includes 1/2 chicken, 3 ribs or just ribs with baked potato, baked beans, coleslaw and strawberry

shortcake. The cost is \$12 for chicken and ribs, \$10 for just ribs and \$8 for children under 12. Hamburgers and hot dogs will also be available along with beer, soda and water. Music will be provided by Hague DJ Service and there will be raffles and more.



## TMSP ANNOUNCES NEW PROGRAM

The Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership (TMSP) has announced a “Dollars for Downtown – Change for Change” program. The idea, generated by Anne McDonald, is to put big mayonnaise jars around town “for people to make donations to improve downtown Ti. It would be sort of like a coin drop, without getting in the way of traffic.”

Shoppers will have the opportunity to release their spare change into mayonnaise jars in various Ti stores. The money will be collected and used to attract more business for downtown and the community. Along the way the TMSP Board of Directors has weighed in with their advice in the lengthy process from idea to program. “We were on our way to reinventing the wheel,” says Rolly Allen, and finally someone said, “OK, let’s just do it.” “Anne saved us from making this really difficult,” says John Bartlett the Chairman of TMSP.

The TMSP seeks to create meaningful, long-term change in Ticonderoga’s traditional business district and to promote economic revitalization and consequent historic preservation by employing precepts of the National Trust Main Street Center of the National Trust for Historic Preservations.

## WARRENSBURGH FARMERS’ MARKET

The opening Day of the Warrensburgh Riverfront Farmers’ Market is Friday, May 27, 2011 from 3 - 6 pm. Gardening information, recipes using local products, music, samplings, refreshments and locally grown and prepared foods and locally made crafts will be part of the opening day festivities.

The market is held Friday afternoons from 3 - 6 pm, June thru October, on the banks of the scenic Schroon River in the Warrensburgh Mills Historic District, on River Street near Curtis Lumber. The market is a “producer-only” market, limiting sales to locally grown produce, wine, baked goods, preserves, maple syrup, honey, dairy, poultry, meats, plants, soaps and lotions, and more. All prepared foods are made “from scratch”, utilizing locally grown ingredients whenever possible.

For further information or interest in reserving a space for this year’s season, please call Teresa Whalen, at 518-466-5497 or by e-mail at <taawhalen@yahoo.com>.

## LGLC EVENTS

The Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC) has planned a number of special events for this summer in addition to the “Peggy’s Point” Dedication on Sunday, June 12, 2011. Saturday, June 4, 2011 is National Trails Day and the trails at the Gull Bay Preserve in Putnam will be opened up. Volunteers will get this preserve ready for the season from 10 am to 3 pm just as the returning great blue herons are readying their nests. Tools and equipment are provided and registration is required at 518-644-9673.

On Saturday, June 18, 2011 the LGLC will hold a Forest Pest ID and Survey Workshop from 10 – 11:30 am in the LGLC office in Bolton Landing. This free workshop is for landowners, gardeners, hikers, and anyone who is interested in learning more about invasive forests pests, such as the emerald ash borer. Experts will lead an indoor discussion followed by outdoor training.

Also on Saturday, June 18, 2011 from 9 am to 5 pm a benefit will be held at Sweet Pea Farm Perennials and Art Gallery, 121 Federal Hill Rd., Bolton Landing. Owners Mark and Linda Perry have generously offered to give LGLC a percentage of their sales proceeds for the entire day! Mark will also lead a free gardening workshop and nursery tour at 2 pm. Visit <www.sweetpeafarmperennials.com> for details or call 518-644-3020.

Another Dine for the Lake activity will be held on Tuesday, June 21, 2011 from 5 to 9 pm at the Lakeside Lodge and Grille, 4934 Lake Shore Drive, Bolton Landing. Owners Art and Nicole Baker have generously offered to donate 30% of all dinner proceeds to LGLC. Please call for reservations (518-644-5253) and be sure to say you are with LGLC!

On Saturday, June 25, 2011 from 9 am to 1 pm you can join the LGLC staff for a paddle on the Northwest Bay Marsh, Bolton (NY State launch site). Paddlers will leisurely wind their way through these protected waters and learn about native wetland plants and creatures in this unique habitat. Bring your own canoe or kayak and a lunch. Call to register at 518-644-9673.

## ONGOING EVENTS

- 1st Monday: **Fire Department** (7 pm)
- 2nd Monday: **Senior Bus to Glens Falls** (8:30 am)
- 3rd Monday: **Chamber of Commerce** (7 pm)
- 1st & 3rd Tuesday: **Mohican Crafters** (10 am)
- 3rd Tuesday: **Ticonderoga School Board** (7 pm)
- 3rd Tuesday: **Fish & Game Club** (7:30 pm)
- 4th Wednesday: **Extra Helpings Distribution** (noon)
- 3rd Thursday: **Carillon Garden Club** (10 am)
- 1st Friday: **Men’s Prayer Breakfast** (7:30 am)
- Every Tuesday: **Rotary Club** (7:30 am)
- Every Thursday: **Kiwanis** (12 pm)

### HAGUE CALENDAR

#### MAY

- 24 noon Senior Club luncheon and meeting
- 24 4 – 8 pm Board of Assessment Review meets
- 26 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 28 all day Hague celebrates Memorial Day

#### JUNE

- 1 9:30 am Fort Ticonderoga King's Garden opens
- 2 7 pm Planning Board
- 4 10 am—2 pm LGA Lake Friendly Open House
- 5 – 12 11 am—4 pm Senior View Café for Americade
- 8 1 pm Scarzello workshop on herbs at Fort Ti
- 12 4 pm LGA Dedication of "Peggy's Point"
- 12 3 pm Champlain Valley Chorale concert
- 14 6:15 pm Public hearing on wastewater variance and Town Board meeting
- 15 Deadline — Vendor registration for Hague Arts Fair
- 16 6 pm Rotary International Dinner
- 17 News **deadline** for June issue
- 17 6 pm Ticonderoga Chamber Dinner & Auction
- 17 – 18 Annual Highway Department Cleanup Weekend
- 18 11 am Dedication of Hague Veterans' Memorial Park
- 22 *The Hague Chronicle* is mailed out
- 23 7 pm Zoning Board of Appeals
- 25 North Country Triathlon

**TRANSFER STATION HOURS**  
 Wednesday: 10 am to 4 pm  
 Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm

**HAGUE HAPPENINGS** *by Stan*

Memorial Day is when Hague comes alive  
 With bands 'n clowns 'n music 'n jive.  
 Surprises 'n prizes 'n food by the ton –  
 A really fine festive fete, bar none.  
 There'll be K-9's 'n critters, a ventriloquist there  
 Who can throw her voice to a boat or a bear.  
 You can fully expect to ogle, indeed,  
 Madeline straddlin' a Clydesdale steed.  
 And once again, yearly, little Hague comes forth  
 As staging the very best "Parade in the North!"

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 Celebrating our 40th Year of Publishing  
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