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## REPUBLICAN PRIMARY RESULTS

Today, September 12 is the day you all must be waiting for - the day of the Republican Primaries.

After a chilly night, the day dawned bright and clear. Polls were open at 12 o'clock and a large turnout of Republicans came to support their candidates.

We want to be the first (or almost, anyway) to let you know the results, so here goes:

The total vote count was 284. The counts for individuals is as follows:

### For Supervisor:

Richard A. Frasier	89
Daniel D. Belden	194

### For Town Board:

Linda I. Coffin	161
Salvatore J. Santaniello	124
Martin H. Fitzgerald	186

### Superintendent of Highways

David K. DeLarm	106
Ronald K. Graser	7
Richard J. Dunklee	119
Nelson Waters	46

### Member of County Committee

Bertha M. Dunsmore	106
Martin H. Fitzgerald	146
James W. Braisted	126
Robert N. Patchett	119

Congratulations to all the winners!!

## SUMMER HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN NEARS \$150,000 MARK

The campaign among summer residents for pledges to help the Moses-Ludington Hospital in Ticonderoga is nearing the \$150,000 mark at the end of its first month.

The Moses-Ludington Summer Committee was organized in late July to try to mobilize the summer community to help save the hospital in its precarious financial condition. Al Johns, David Craig, Rev. David Lawrence, Dollie Kennedy, Phil Mann, Elaine Smith, Bill Glenn and Charlie Parlin are among the Hague people who have been soliciting pledges. Payment of the pledges is conditional upon the Hospital Board of Trustees putting in place a survival plan which offers reasonable assurance that the hospital will continue to function as a financially

viable institution.

Publicity of the Summer Committee was distributed through the Hague Chronicle, by a direct mailing and by personal solicitation. The Committee got a late start, but with the plight of the hospital made known to the summer residents, almost \$150,000 in pledges received to date and more coming in every day, the Summer Committee feels it is off to a good beginning.

The hospital's survival planning will be closely followed by the committee and publicized to the local community including the summer residents. Pledges will continue to be solicited. . . . Charles Parlin, Jr.

## HVFD ANNUAL HAM DINNER

The Hague Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual fall ham dinner on Saturday, October 12 from 5-7PM at the Silver Bay Association Dining Hall. Dinner prices will be \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Everyone is welcome and urged to attend this fund raising event for the fire department.

## NEW LANDFILL HOURS

Effective September 11, 1991, the new hours for the Hague Landfill will be 12:00 noon to 5:00 PM, daily except Wednesday, when the landfill will be closed. These hours are in effect until October 31, after which date it will be closed Mondays and Wednesdays.

## MILFOIL UPDATE

Lake George, NY - A group of eastern lake associations have resolved to go to the Governor and the Legislature to stop milfoil from ruining state lakes.

Representatives of nine lake associations met here on Monday, August 19, to do something about the state's lack of effective action to keep milfoil from choking the state's lakes and from destroying lake economies.

Eurasian watermilfoil, a nuisance weed that is believed to have been imported from Europe, has reportedly spread to over 50 New York lakes, causing a multitude of problems for lake users. Dense beds of milfoil are not conducive to boating, swimming, and fishing, and are poor spawning areas for fish. Milfoil degrades water quality, kills beneficial plants, and it is considered an environmental threat to lake ecosystems.

Represented at the meeting were Brant Lake, Eagle Lake, Glass Lake, Kinderhook Lake, Lake George, Lake Luzerne, Otsego Lake, Paradox Lake, and Schroon Lake.

### MYSTERY IN THE ADIRONDACKS

is a five part book discussion series beginning on September 18 and ending in October. This series will feature mysteries with an Adirondack setting. So all of you mystery lovers plan to attend and enjoy an evening of "whodunit" with our distinguished guest speaker Paul Pines.

9/16/91 - A Lady in the Lake by Ortloff and Dancehall,

by Bernard F. Connors.

9/25/91 - Saratoga Bestiary, by Stephen Dobyns

10/2/91 - Billy Bathgate, by E. L. Doctorow

10/9/91 - Help, I am Being Held Prisoner, by Donald Westlake

10/16/91 - Murder in the Adirondacks, by Craig Brandon and An American Tragedy, by Theodore Dreiser

The Place: Black Watch Memorial Library, Ticonderoga.

The Speaker: Paul Pines, poet and mystery writer, author of The Tin Angel.

The books to be discussed are on loan at the Black Watch Library and should be read before the lecture.

### GARDEN CLUB BAZAAR

The Carillon Garden Club's annual bazaar will be held at the United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 12 from 10AM-2PM. Offered for sale will be plants, crafts, white elephants and of course a baked goods table. The Petunias' quilt will be raffled at the close of the bazaar. Hope you are lucky!

### HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

There is still time to register for the Hague Historical Society's bus trip to the Calvin Coolidge Homestead in Plymouth Notch, VT. The price of the trip (\$15.75) covers the bus trip and the admission to the museum. We will leave the Community Center parking lot in Hague at 8AM and the Grand Union Parking Lot in Ticonderoga at 8:15AM. Please register before September 20th by phoning the Community Center at 543-6161. Checks for full amount of \$15.75 must reach us by September 20th. Make your check payable to the HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY and mail it to P.O. Box 2551, Silver Bay, NY 12874, attention: Ethel. We have a few seats left, so please act promptly.

The Calvin Coolidge Homestead area is administered by the State of Vermont and includes the birthplace, the homestead that was Silent Cal's summer White House, the working cheese factory that was started by the Coolidge family, a barn, a wonderful new visitor's center with many photographs and memorabilia, a small gift show. There is a small restaurant on the premises and although reservations for the restaurant had to be made by August 1st, we will try very hard to twist some arms to get anyone who wishes to eat there in with our original group. Some of us are carrying picnic lunches and picnic facilities are available. Following our visit to Plymouth, we will travel down Route 100 to Weston where those who wish may visit the famous Vermont Country Store (stone ground cereals, lovely soaps, kitchen implements and items you just don't find anywhere else), or just wander around the

pretty village of Weston. Then west to New York State and home! . . . ewa

### HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The regular monthly meeting of the Hague Senior Citizens Club will be held Tuesday, September 24 at 1:30PM at the Hague Community Center. Prior to the meeting we will car pool a trip to the Bolton Landing Meal Site. Riders and drivers should meet at the Community Center by 11:25AM for this trip. Please register for the Meal Site by phoning 543-6161 no later than September 17. (We must let our hostesses know one week in advance of our coming as a group).

By popular demand as demonstrated at our August meeting, it was decided to take a bus trip to Paul Smith's Adirondack Interpretive Center on Wednesday, October 9. Please register for this trip by phoning the Community Center, 543-6161. The bus will leave the Community Center at 10:00AM and will stop at Hotel Saranac for lunch before going to Paul Smith's. We plan to be back in Hague before dinner. There will be no charge for the bus, but each traveler is responsible for his or her lunch. The bug season should be over, walking should be great, so bring your binoculars and cameras and have a fun day.

Please register for this trip by October 1 so that we may make lunch reservations. The trip is open to all Hague seniors, age 50+ . . . ewa

The seniors are also planning a trip on The Carillon, a 1-1/2 hour trip by launch on Lake Champlain on Monday, September 16. If this paper is received in time (and hope it is) it still isn't too late to call the Community Center and see if you can still get on the boat. We are carpooling from the Community Center at 10:15AM, so you can call by 9:00 to see if there are still openings. Bring a picnic lunch and 50¢ to "walk" across on the ferry to Shoreham Vt. We can take up to 49 people, so it is quite conceivable that you can still make it. . . dh

Ed: And you all want to know what we do with ourselves during the off-season!

### HUNTER CERTIFICATION COURSES OFFERED

Sportsmen's Education Hunter Certification Courses will be conducted within Warren County during September. Participants must pre-register by contacting the Cornell Cooperative Extension Office, Warrensburg at 623-3291 or 668-4881.

A four-session course is scheduled Sept. 16, 18, 23 and 25, 6:30-9PM each evening at the Queensbury Jr. High School. Participants must attend all four sessions for certification.

A two-session course is scheduled in the Lake George Town Hall on September 25, 6:00PM - 10PM and September 28, from 9:00AM - 4PM. Both sessions must be attended for certification. Sportsmen's Education Courses stress hunter responsibility, gun safety, wildlife management and identification, game care and survival in the woods. The courses are conducted by certified, volunteer instructors in cooperation with NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation and the Cornell Coop Ext. 4-H Program.

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The two public hearings scheduled for August 22 were postponed and the only other business was an area variance request by Jeffrey and Mary Keefer (34-2-14) for front yard setback reduction. A September 26 public hearing was set for 7PM. . . g]

## PLANNING BOARD - 9/5/91

The Planning Board scheduled site visits for the following proposals:

1. Harvey Noordsy presented his application for a minor subdivision of his vacant Sabbath Day Point lot located between his home and the Huott home. 1/3 of the lot would be conveyed to Huott and 2/3 would be retained by Noordsy. A building lot would be eliminated and the Huott and Noordsy properties would then conform in size to our zoning regulations. Public Hearing scheduled for 7PM 10/3/91.

2. Jack Carney 4-lot subdivision of 122 acres and a lot line change. Proposed subdivision is located on west side of 9N at Sabbath Day Point. Class A Project needs APA review.

3. Proposed addition to Bill and Judy Doran's Silver Bay cottage with less than the minimum 10' setback from the north lot line.

J. Graham Michael presented his proposed subdivision of his Friends Point property under Section 8.020 Gifts and Devises.

Karen Laundree has asked the Town Board to call a meeting with insurance carriers so that appointed members of the Planning and Zoning Boards can discuss the liability insurance coverage that the Town provides these volunteer board members.

Representatives from the Town, Planning and Zoning Boards met on 9/3/91 to review the Lake George Park Commission's regulations for stormwater management to determine whether to keep management of stormwater at the local level, or allow LGPC to manage it for Hague. This committee will continue to meet in an effort to adopt appropriate portions of the LGPC rules and regulations into Hague's existing Land Use regulations. . . ac

## TOWN BOARD MEETING - 9/10/91

Henry Karmazin asked the board's help in solving the problem of storm water runoff from Dodd Hill Road flowing into a pond on his property. Supervisor Bolton asked Dan Belden, Highway Supervisor to investigate and possibly request a visit by a DOT engineer.

At last month's board meeting (August) both David Martucci and Blanche Yaw had expressed concern over both the job requirements and the salary of the Dog Control officer in Hague. At this month's meeting (September) Supervisor Bolton informed the audience he had investigated salaries and job requirements for the Dog Control Officer in the ten towns in Warren County and found the requirements of the job to be similar and the salary paid in Hague (\$2,525) in the middle of salaries that range from \$950 in Thurman to \$8,100 in Lake George. Supervisor Bolton suggested \$2,525 was not excessive, even for a part-time job. He also outlined the complaint

procedures and said it involves the dog warden and town justice working together.

In Communications and Petitions:

A letter from Clough, Harbour Associates informed the board that a copy of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on "Hamlet of Hague Wastewater Facilities", Warren County Sewer Project to the U.S. EPA Region II. A letter from NY State Revolving Fund for water pollution control included a project schedule for this sewer project. These dates are very important as Hague could be bypassed for the SPF funding we have requested this year.

In New Business:

A motion was passed to approve payment of two capital "installments and one interest payment on the Bond Anticipation note for the Community Center. This leaves Hague with only two more principal and one interest payments to be made on the Community Center.

A budget meeting will be held on October 2 at 6:30PM.

On September 3 the first meeting of the Stormwater Management Committee was held and it was decided that Hague would create its own plan. Accordingly, a motion was passed to allow Supervisor Bolton to so inform LGPC.

The committee members are Dick Frasier, Linda Coffin (Town board), John Breitenbach, Jr. (Zoning and Storm water Administrator), Evert Lindquist, Karen Laundree (Planing Board), Ron Pote, Chris Ginn (ZBA). Alison Craig is an alternate.

A motion to allow Dan Belden, Highway supervisor, to attend a conference in September was passed unanimously. . . g]

## SILVER BAY PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOC.

The Silver Bay Property Owners Assoc. held its August meeting on the 21st at the Hague Community Center. President Paula Hartz made some announcements including the fact that The Hague Chronicle is the chief means of communication for the Property Owners throughout the year and suggested that all members should be subscribers and readers.

The P.O. Executive Committee reviewed and eliminated a previously existing geographical boundary limitation on eligibility for membership in this organization. It was felt that henceforth any owners who received their mail through the Silver Bay Post Office could join.

Officers for the coming year are: Steward Parlin, Pres., Hildegard Wikoff, 1st VP, Nick Bolton, 2nd VP, Ethel Andrus, Treas., Martha Van Patten, Rec. Sec, Cathie Burdick, Corresp. Sec., and Jacqui Badger, Social Chair.

The first speaker of the evening was Mike White, Executive Director of the Lake George Park Commission who explained the history and function of the LGPC. It is now a regulatory board with eight fulltime staff members, and 26 seasonal employees and largely financed from the new Lake George Trust Fund, established in 1987 from user fees. The Commission is primarily concerned with wastewater regulation and stormwater runoff. The wastewater rules went into effect 11 months ago and will eventually require permits of all Lake George property owners to operate on-site wastewater treatment systems. Hague will operate its own inspection process. Because stormwater has been a key contributor to the decline in the

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ROADS GETTING NARROWER?

It was called to our attention last week by a resident who lives in the Indian Kettles area that when the state decided to work on Route 9N, they made a big mistake in painting the white lines to define the edge of the road.

According to state regulations a highway lane should be 12' wide with a 3' shoulder. However, after the road repair on 9N between The Island Harbor and the county line, the white line defining the edge of the road was painted only 10' from the center line. By our calculations, this makes the lanes a total of four feet narrower than they should be and the shoulders four feet wider than necessary. Because of the terrain around the Island Harbor curve, that 10' lane is justified, but from the Island Harbor entrance to the county line, this makes for a rather dangerous situation. According to our source, cars and trucks tend to either weave over the yellow center line or in a case of an approaching car, they tend to weave over the shoulder, which in either case could present a dangerous situation for people walking or biking along the shoulder, or cars approaching from the opposite direction.

The DOT was contacted and the situation explained. They replied in effect that when the white lines wore out they would correct them! We know how long that takes. In the meantime, be careful!!

TAX RATES - 1991-1992

Hague taxpayers have a little more to be thankful for this year when paying their school taxes. The following questions and answers summarize this year's assessments.

Q: What are the 1991-92 tax rates for the school district?  
 A: Ticonderoga residents will pay \$8.09 per \$1,000 (of assessed valuation), an increase of 6.49% over last year's rate of \$7.60.

Hague residents will pay \$62.73 per \$1,000, an increase of 5.08% over last year's rate of \$59.70.

Q: Why is Hague's increase lower than Ticonderoga's? I thought there was a problem with Hague usually paying a larger share of the tax increase each year.

A: It is true that in past years Hague's share of tax increases has been consistently higher than Ticonderoga's. The reason was Hague's property values were increasing at a faster pace than Ticonderoga's (according to the State Dept. of Equalization). However, in 1990-91, Ticonderoga was revalued @ 100% market value which tended to change the relationship between the two towns dramatically. The state imposed a special equalization rate on Ticonderoga to buffer the large increase and, in effect, continue the higher Hague share.

For 1991-92, because of a large increase in Hague's assessment (in excess of 2% of the prior year), the State imposed a special equalization rate on Hague, which reduced their share of the tax increase by almost \$40,000. Ticonderoga received a normal change in its equalization rate. Thus, for the first time in many years, Hague's share of the tax increase is lower than Ticonderoga's.

Q: The School District's 1991-92 budget had a figure of \$4,439,600 as a tax levy. Has that changed now that we have final figures?

A: No. Here are the comparative figures:

	<u>Per Budget</u>	<u>Final</u>
Ticonderoga	\$2,457,817.41	\$2,492,457.52
Hague	1,981,782.59	1,947,142.48
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Total Tax Levy	\$4,439,600.00	\$4,439,600.00

The tax levy does not change and cannot change without taxpayer approval. What changes is each town's share of the total levy.

Q: What does this mean for an average resident in terms of out of pocket costs?

A: A Ticonderoga property owner with a market value of \$40,000 will pay an additional \$33.83 this year.

A Hague property owner with a market value of \$40,000 will pay an additional \$26.00 this year.

A Ticonderoga property owner with a market value of \$100,000 will pay an additional \$84.58 this year.

A Hague property owner with a market value of \$100,000 will pay an additional \$67.35 this year.

CUB SCOUT PACK 21 NEWS

Karen Costello

Three Webelos and a Tiger ventured to Eagle Lake in August with their leaders and folks. It was raining as they embarked on their journey in 3 canoes and a kayak. Thor Gautreau, Tavish and John Costello and Craig Smith (with a broken arm - was that to get out of paddling?) enjoyed the scenery and comradeship on the water and the little rock island that they picnicked on and swam off of. The wind was pretty stiff on the way back making for good arm exercise. The Scouts tested their courage with some jumps from some pretty high ledges to the lake below. (How long did it take to dry that cast out, Craig?) They concluded their fun day with make-your-own sundaes that only a 10-year old boy would eat.

Summer was quite a productive season for some Scouts. Congratulations to Wyatt Wells who made it to the rank of Bear with a gold and 2 silver arrow points besides!

The Webelos den was active! Activity pins earned:  
Thor Gautreau - Cub Scout Sports/Physical Fitness, Athlete, Aquanaut, Handyman, Showman, National Summertime Award.

Tavish Costello - C.S. Sports/Physical Fitness, Athlete, Aquanaut, Artist, Outdoorsman, Fitness, Showman, National Summertime Award.

Nathan Lawrence - Aquanaut, Showman, National Summertime Award.

Craig Smith - Aquanaut, National Summertime Award.

David Fitzgerald - C.S. Sports/Physical Fitness, Athlete, Aquanaut, Showman.

It was also a great season for earnings from the bottle and can recycling barrels. Thank you to all who contributed and helped! Den #2 will be collecting this month (Michele Gautreau 585-9859). We are also planning a fall fundraising activity. Support your local youth!

On Friday, September 27 there will be a pack meeting and new Scout and Leader registration at the Community Center at 7:00PM. First grade boys are eligible for Tiger Cubs and second grade boys for Bobcat and Wolf. A parent must accompany each boy and adult participation will be stressed. If we want to have Scouts we must have leaders! For more information call Karen Costello 543-6590 or Michele Gautreau 585-9859. 9/91

HOME BUREAU

Next meetings of the Mohican Home Bureau will be held on September 17, October 1 and October 15.

We are collecting register tapes from the super markets. There was a memorial for our deceased member, Elizabeth Simpkins.

New members are welcome. There are exciting new crafts for the year. BVS

TOWN OF HAGUE MUSEUM

The following artifacts have been received recently into the Hague Museum collection:

- National Honor Society Charter - donated by Rudolph Meola
- Admission of Hague Central School to the U. of NYS in 1928 - donated by Rudolph Meola
- Old fishing boat anchor found on Pardo Shoal about 1930 - donated by Dr. Hunziker
- Civil War records of William Evans of Hague - donated by Mary Johnson
- A book "Discipline of the Wesleyan Church" once owned by Mary (Rand) Newton dated 1900 (Mrs. Levi) - donated by Henry Leach
- A book "Tales of Witt Cook" - donated by Arthur Stanley
- Old pictures of Silver Bay campus and buildings - donated by Ray Monroe
- An extensive genealogy of the Potters who lived near Battle Hill many years ago. Other families are included in this - donated by Audrey Seitter-Gifford of La Jolla, CA
- Another large genealogy, this of the Balcom family of Hague was donated by Mr. & Mrs. Owen Balcom of Fort Meyers, FL. They have been working on this thirty years. . . . Clifton West, Town Historian

If you haven't paid a visit to the Hague Museum, do drop by sometime. It is located in the Community Center. Our historian, Clifton West, has been working hard on this collection and it makes for a great trip down memory lane in Hague.

SURPLUS FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Surplus food will be distributed at the Community Center in Hague on September 25 between the hours of 1-4PM. There is an income eligibility requirement. Please bring proof of eligibility.

YARD SALE AT HAGUE BAPTIST CHURCH

On September 28, 1991 at 9AM - ? the ladies of the Hague Baptist Church will hold a yard sale in the annex of the church. Anyone with articles to donate for the sale are asked to call Martha Pearson, 585-6202 or Ada Hoyt, 543-6038.

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*A smiling face  
Brings many grace. . . . Old Saying*

GIRL SCOUT REGISTRATION

Girls in grades Kindergarten through 12 are invited to join the Girl Scout program in Ticonderoga. Registration will be held at The United Methodist Church in Ticonderoga on September 22 between 1 and 4PM.

ADIRONDACK COUNCIL

The Adirondack Council released its newest publication, "Managing Growth and Development in Unique, Natural Settings," and is distributing free copies to local governments throughout the Adirondack Park.

The publication is an account of the speeches given by a diverse group of experts at a conference the Adirondack Council and the Underhill Foundation sponsored at the Silver Bay Conference Center on Lake George. "It is a collection of ideas expressed by experts who are neither members of the Adirondack Council nor our staff", said Adirondack Council Executive Director Timothy J. Burke.

Copies of the book will be available upon written request. Inquiries should be directed to the Adirondack Council, P.O. Box D-2, Elizabethtown, NY 12932. Copies will also be made available to libraries in the North Country.

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lake's water quality the Commission is developing rules and regulations to inspect any new development projects, to reduce fertilizer runoff, and to look at larger drainage areas in order to treat them before the runoff reaches the lake.

The LGPC has also created regulations guiding the use of jet skis, parasailing, and scuba-diving on Lake George. As the rule-making phase of the Commission's work comes to a close Mr. White expects the enforcement activity to increase.

Other speakers included Bruce Craig, a member of the Moses Ludington Hospital Board of Directors and Charles Parlin, Jr. a member of the SBPO Assoc. who spoke on the needs of the hospital Mr. Parlin explained the fund drive which he is spearheading among the summer residents served by the hospital and urged all the members to make pledges which would only be paid if the Hospital Board's Plan was deemed feasible. (See page 1 for more details)

FROM THE LAKE GEORGE ASSOCIATION

- At LGA's request, New York State has agreed to increase direction and supervision of Consolidated Hydro, the firm that controls the flow of water from Lake George.
- The LGA's new building on the Luzerne Road near Northway Exit 21 marks a new era for the association. It opens up many possibilities for its work on behalf of Lake George.
- The LGA will encourage the Lake George Park Commission to get their enforcement effort up and running, to make it a top priority, and to expand it quickly so as to ensure that enforcement is uniform and consistent throughout the watershed.
- Among new directors elected at the annual meeting in July was Rev. David Lawrence, Hague. 9/91

## DO YOU THINK CAMPING IS BORING?

The following article was written by a group of Girl Scouts upon their return from their annual camping expedition to Rogers Rock Campsite. They were from Paramus, NJ and were under the supervision of their scout leader, Mrs. George Hawkins, who now resides with her husband on Dodd Hill Road. This was written over thirty years ago and we thought our readers would get some pleasure from reading it.

In preparation for our camping trip, the troop sold candy, stuffed caterpillars and toy fish, which we made. The profit from these projects and our dues went towards the purchase of equipment. Every girl was required to give \$10.00 for food, part of which came from the sale of candy. We separated into two patrols, each of which built a food box and planned menus and caper charts. Three troop members completed the Senior Life Saving course at the Ridgewood YWCA.

### The First Departure

Our three-car and one U-Haul trailer caravan left Paramus at . . . YAWN . . . 5:00 AM on Saturday, June 22. Upon arrival, a "brief" seven hours later, we set up camp at Rogers Rock. We got off to a great start . . . by pitching one of the tents backwards so that the front faced a 25 foot hill. Since this presented a slight problem, when in the middle of the night someone had to . . . , we were forced to make adjustments the following day.

On Sunday morning the troop attended church in uniform. After the service we had dinner in a local restaurant. We offered to kidnap the chef, but he didn't like the idea of being alone with ten girls, so we were left to provide for ourselves as best we could.

The townspeople were very friendly. The storekeeper (Bob Hoyt) donated a jar of peanut butter and some marshmallows, two very necessary items on any camping trip.

A lot of time was spent at the beach, where we acquired some swimming skills along with our sunburns. Three of us brave Trailblazers paddled a canoe, which we had rented from the nearest town, four miles distant by car to our campsite. The following day we rented a speedboat and toured many parts of the lake.

We spent our evenings around a friendly campfire with some of the local citizens whom we met while partaking in that great old Girls Scout tradition . . . boy-scouting!! Since one played the guitar and another the banjo we had the perfect accompaniment for our folk singing.

### Fort Ticonderoga

Friday we went to visit Fort Ticonderoga. Scouts in uniform are admitted without charge. We were registered as a troop in their guest log. After a guided tour, we ate lunch, bought souvenirs and wandered around the fort. We were hoping to shoot one of the many cannons during the firing ceremony, but as none of us had earned our Sharpshooter's badge, they insisted we forgo the pleasure until a future date. The fort, located on Lake Champlain near the New York-Vermont border, played an important part in our country's early history. It has been under the

control of French, British, German, and American forces. The fort is now privately owned by a local family who had much to do with the restoration of this historic old landmark.

### The Final Departure

Before leaving, we had to blaze a few trails (since we are Trailblazers), so some of our braver souls climbed Rogers Rock. Much of our time was spent dodging the camera, which seemed to follow us everywhere.

Saturday morning was spent packing. Later that day we tearfully bid our final adieu to the birds, the bugs, the bees and the boys of Rogers Rock and headed for home and civilization once again. But take heart, dear Nature, for next year, with the coming of summer, we shall return!!!

## LOTS HAPPENING AT PENFIELD MUSEUM

The Penfield Museum at Ironville is always a fun place to visit, but a number of unusual and interesting things are happening there within the next few weeks.

From Sept. 15 - 21, Artist Helen Calloway will be displaying her "Watercolors of Ironville".

From Sept. 19 - Oct. 5 - Quilts and quilting. Exhibit of the many quilts from the Penfield collection; local craftswomen will show representative quilts and demonstrate the art of quilting on Sept. 29 at 1PM.

From Oct. 5 - 12 - Start the Presses! At last the Museum's antique printing press, refurbished, is put into action. Demonstrations, pamphlet printing.

October 6 - AppleFolkFest: Loads of apple desserts (it's the season!) plus craft demonstrations, music, fall colors and fresh autumnal air.

## AND AT THE HANCOCK HOUSE GALLERY

If you missed the wood carving exhibits at the Hancock House, you blew it! It was excellent. Now you have a chance to see an Essex County Arts Council "Essex Artists in Public Spaces". This is a traveling show and will be seen in various public places in Essex County. It will be a show and sale and will feature mixed medium.

Beginning October 16 through November 2, Marion Brundige will exhibit paintings in oil and Jane Hamilton will exhibit paintings in watercolor. These two artists are friends from Schroon Lake and are particularly well known in Schroon Lake and vicinity. For those of you who attended the Ti Festival Guild's Art Show at the Hague Community Center last month, you will remember Marion Brundige's beautiful paintings.

If you've never been to the Hancock House, you are missing a real treat. Located on the circle in Ticonderoga, it is a replica of the Hancock House in Boston, MA. The furnishings are beautiful and it has a small, but excellent library for history buffs. During the past year an art gallery was set up on the second floor, and there have been some very unusual and wonderful exhibits there.

Winter hours are from 10AM - 4PM Wednesday through Saturday. A wonderful treasure for Ticonderoga and area.

Question: What is a trunk?

Answer: Something you use to pack a derm. . . ST

## SOUNDINGS

BORN - A son, Kevin Michael, to Julie and Michael O'Toole, Ballston Spa, NY on August 9, 1991. Grandparents are Martha and Grant Van Patten and Saratoga Springs, NY.

BORN - A son, Adam Christopher, to Wendy (Dunsmore) and Leo Fuller Jr. on August 25 in Moses Ludington Hospital. Grandmother is Bertha Dunsmore, Hague.

BORN - TWIN GIRLS, Jamie Lynn (7 Lbs, 12 oz) and Jessie Ann (7 lbs, 2 oz), to Alice and Scott Patchett on August 26 at the Porter Medical Center, Middlebury, VT. Congratulations to Scott and Alice, brothers Andrew and Joshua, and proud grandparents, Lynn and Bob Patchett.

DIED - Clifford E. Engler, 73, Short Hills, NJ on August 23 in Short Hills. He is survived by his wife Patricia, two sons, two daughters, three brothers and two sisters, including Howard and Kenneth and Elinor Hibberd, Hague, all summer residents of Hague.

Correction: Last month we reported the death of Maude Balcom in Florida. We erroneously reported that she was the widow of Ralph Balcom. Her husband was Owen Balcom. We regret this error.

ROBERT A. GAUTREAU, son of Michele and Timothy Gautreau, New Hague Road, graduated on May 19 from SUNY-Buffalo with a bachelor of science degree in physical therapy. He graduated from Ticonderoga High School in June 1987 and studied at the Rehabilitation Institute of San Antonio, TX, The Buffalo Back and Neck Clinic in Buffalo and Our Lady of Victory Hospital in Lackawanna. Robert is presently employed with Dennis Hens, RPT, Ticonderoga.

RALPH CORBO, Ticonderoga High School principal was named "Administrator of the Year" by the New York State Association for Counseling and Development. NYSACD represents over 1,500 school counselors across the state. The award is given annually to the administrator who shows outstanding leadership in education and counseling related programs. Mr. Corbo will be honored at a special ceremony in Albany on October 28.

SEAN KETHER AMANN, Seattle, WA, grandson of Mr. & Mrs. Ervin DeGraff, Hague, has been listed on the Dean's List for the spring semester at RPI in Troy, NY.

"India Bay", a restored 1920 Fay and Bowen launch owned by Sabbath Day Point residents W. Hinckley Waitt III and Susan Waitt, won top honors with the "peoples choice" award for best of show out of 60 exhibitors at the 18th annual Adirondack Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society Rendezvous at Castaways Marina in Warner's Bay, Lake George, NY.

## HAGUE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS PROGRAM AT THS

The following students from Hague are actively

participating in the sports program at Ti High School.  
Cross Country - Boys - Tony DeFranco;  
Girls - Alison LaCourse  
Gymnastics - Liz DeFranco  
Girls Soccer - Lea Porter

## WANTED

Handicapped Lift - Stair Rail Chair, used, in good condition. Call (518) 543-6176 from 8-9AM or 7-8PM.

## WEATHER NOTES

Mary Lou Doulin

This August was the eighth warmest on record. It began on a Thursday with temperatures at 90° and by the 30th the temperature had climbed to 97°. The 2nd of August was a hot 92° and breezy which aggravated the forest fires around Ti. From the 11th to the 17th temperatures were constantly 90° or more. It was very hot and humid on the 17th and 18th but the 19th brought rain. Hurricane Bob impacted on our neighboring state Massachusetts, but all we had was a good downpour on the 19th.

The absence of lightning storms this summer was notable. Considering all the heat we really did have very few storms. We had severe lightning on August 30th in the evening, but that was about all.

In spite of the heat Lake George itself was always refreshing. Other summers it has been warmer but this year water temperature was consistently cool and the temperature in the water was about 71° most of August. If you were fortunate enough to be outside on the warm evenings of late August and early September, you were most likely serenaded by the melodious music of nature. Sounds of crickets and katy-dids were singing with all their hearts making us aware of all the various life that teems in these hills.

The first ten days of September have been warm. By Wednesday, temperatures had cooled to the 60's and we had our first day of early fall weather.

RECYCLING, INCINERATION, WASTE REDUCTION WILL HELP, BUT WARREN COUNTY WILL STILL NEED A LANDFILL. Along with other environmentally conscious communities across the country, Warren County is working to drastically reduce the amount of trash it throws away.

Earlier this year, recycling became mandatory throughout the county. An effort to increase the use of returnable and recyclable packaging is ongoing, as is promotion of home composting. Soon the county expects to begin trucking its burnable waste to the Adirondack Resource Recovery plant in Hudson Falls.

Even with these efforts, however, the need for a landfill remains. A significant number of items, simply can't be burned, recycled or composted - either because of size or composition. A landfill is also needed as a back-up when the Resource Recovery facility is shut down for routine maintenance or repairs. A booklet entitled The New Warren County Landfill. An overview of the siting process and your chance to comment. is available at the Community Center. Pick one up and read it!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1991

### September

- 16 - 10/14 - Exhibit in Hancock House - see p 6
- 18 Yom Kippur
- 18 Senior Citizens Bus to Glens Falls
- 18 First in mystery book series - see p2
- 18 School Board meeting - THS cafeteria, 7:30PM
- 22 Girl Scout registration at United Meth. Church - p5
- 23 Autumn Begins
- 24 Senior Citizens Club meeting - 1:30PM - Commun. Ctr.
- 25 Second in mystery book series - see p2
- 26 Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30PM
- 27 Hague Historical Soc. bus trip to Coolidge birthplace p2
- 28 Yard Sale - Hague Baptist Church - p5

### October

- 1 Home Bureau - 10AM - Comm. Ctr.
- 2 Senior Citizens Bus to Glens Falls
- 2 American Legion - 7:30PM Legion Home
- 2 Chamber of Commerce
- 2 Third in mystery book series - see p2
- 3 Planning Board - 7:30PM
- 7 Fire Department - 7:30PM - Fire Hall
- 8 Town Board meeting - 6:30PM - Commun. Ctr.
- 9 Fourth in mystery book series - see p 2
- 11 Rummage Sale - Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga
- 12 Carillon Garden Club Bazaar - see p 2
- 12 Columbus Day - HAM DINNER AT SILVER BAY  
sponsored by HVFD - see p1
- 14 Columbus Day observed
- 15 Home Bureau- 10AM - Community Center

### YOUR PLACE OR MINE?

They sing the fame of Paris in the spring  
And say it's there that beauty reigns supreme.  
The British cry that England's flowers bring  
The grandest pageant known in Nature's scheme.  
Some give the Alps' stark winters top acclaim,  
But you will find the loveliest of all  
In crisp October's gold and crimson flame—  
Hague's sanitary landfill in the fall. . . Harry Duggan deBuys, 1981

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