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COVID-19 UPDATE

As of June 15, 2022:

The statewide indoor business mask-or-vaccine requirement is now optional for businesses, local governments, and counties.

LOCATION	CASES	DEATHS
Worldwide	537M	6.31M
US	85.7M	1.01M
NYS	5.51M	68,680
Warren County	15,616	130
Essex County	6,461	64

Sources:

— <https://www.statnews.com/2020/03/26/covid-19-tracker>

— Additional source statistics can be found [HERE](#) and [HERE](#)

HAGUE MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION 2022

It was the first Memorial Day Celebration for Hague since the COVID shutdown. Parade Chairwoman Maureen Cherubini, Co-Chairwoman Dawn Withrow, and their committee worked tirelessly from March until right to the day of the parade. They would like to thank the Town of Hague, those who participated in the parade, and everyone who came out to support it. Maureen commented, "Thank you all from the bottom of my heart."

The turnout by the community was terrific in spite of the forecast of rain, which never materialized.

The celebration kicked off with the traditional FunFest in the park, including the Senior Club's White Elephant Sale, which was headed up by Senior Club President Pat Hintze.



Photos courtesy of John Zamrok

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PROCELLACOR BLOCKED IN LAKE GEORGE FOR NOW

As previously reported, the Lake George Park Commission (LGPC) received a permit from the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) to use the herbicide ProcellaCOR at two test sites – one in Glenburnie and the other in Huletts Landing. The herbicide is designed to kill the invasive Eurasian milfoil. For decades, the LGPC has been managing milfoil through hand harvesting, an expensive undertaking funded by the state and partners, including the Lake George Association (LGA).

Public opposition to using ProcellaCOR in Lake George has been exceptionally strong. More than 300 people wrote to the APA to express their opposition. The Towns of Hague and Ticonderoga unanimously passed resolutions against using this herbicide until Lake George-specific studies can be conducted. And a grassroots petition opposing ProcellaCOR's use in Lake George has garnered more than 2,500 signatures to date.

Despite the public outcry and concern about the risks of putting toxins in Lake George, a drinking water source

for many, the LGPC voted to move forward with their plan to apply ProcellaCOR this season. In response, the LGA – joined by the Lake George Waterkeeper, the Town of Hague and Helena Rice of Huletts Landing – filed for a preliminary injunction to stop the action until studies could be conducted on the specific effects of ProcellaCOR on Lake George.

NY State Supreme Court Justice Robert Muller heard arguments from both sides, and on June 13, 2022, he granted a preliminary injunction.

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SENIOR CLUB NEWS

by Pat Hintze

The Hague Senior Club would like to thank the Memorial Day Parade Committee and the vendors for another successful parade and FunFest.

Thank you to the Town of Hague, everyone who helped put up the



tents, and all who worked Memorial Day weekend and June 5th - 12th while we ran the Senior View Café for Americade.

On June 23rd, we'll cruise on the Carillon, then go through the grounds of Fort Ticonderoga, have lunch, and go to Mt. Defiance.

For other upcoming events, check the Hague Seniors Facebook page or contact an officer of the club. ▣

HVFD

by Meg Haskell

For the month of May, we had 22 fire drills and calls totaling 306 volunteer hours and 12 EMS calls using 111.5 volunteer hours. As it gets warmer, our numbers go up.

We had a very busy Memorial Day weekend. We participated in The Hague Memorial Day Parade, put on our annual Chicken Barbecue Dinner, responded to a car accident, and, on Monday, we participated in the Crown Point Memorial Day Parade.

And, this is all done by volunteers! ▣



BEATY FAMILY OFFERS \$325,000 MATCHING CHALLENGE

The Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC) has announced a new matching challenge of \$325,000 in support of its Clark Hollow Bay project, presented by the Beaty Family. The generous challenge will enable the LGLC to make huge strides towards completing the \$5 million project, which is expected to close in June.

The Beaty Family Challenge is being gifted in memory of Jim Beaty by his two brothers, wife, son, and a cousin.

The Beatys' love of Lake George's pristine beauty began in 1914, when Jim's grandfather, Dr. Albert Corscaden, bought land and built a house in Hague.

The family has supported the LGLC and its efforts to preserve Lake George since its inception in 1988. In 2011, the family underwrote the installation of an entry gate to Peggy's Point in Hague in memory of their mother, Julia Beaty. The challenge now offered in memory of Jim Beaty is another testament to their family's dedication to the lake and investment in its future. Once completed, the Clark Hollow Bay project will permanently protect 60 acres in Putnam with 2,530 feet of shoreline and 1,300 feet of streams that feed Lake George, protecting water quality by buffering the lake from its uplands.

LGLC Executive Director Michael Horn said, "We are proud to partner with the Beaty family in honoring Jim Beaty through the lasting impact of permanent land protection. Meeting the incredibly generous Beaty Family Challenge will complete our fundraising for the Clark Hollow Bay Project, a perfect example of protecting land that protects the lake."

Donations may be made in the form of pledges, cash, or through gifts of stock, IRA, or Donor Advised Funds at any time online at LGLC.org/clarkhollowbay. Questions and comments should be directed to LGLC's Development Manager Helen Barton Benedict at 518-644-9673 or hbartonbenedict@lgc.org. ▣



MUSIC IN THE PARK IN HAGUE 2022

July 3rd: Tom Denno's Barkeater
Dusk: **FIREWORKS IN HAGUE!**

July 6th: Rick Bolton

July 13th: Running the River

July 20th: Lazy Suns

July 27th: Stoney Creek Band

August 3rd: Willie Playmore Band

August 10th: Ben Rounds Band

August 17th: Scotty Mack Rock Show

August 24th: Bob Stump American
Roots Show

August 31st: Rich Ortiz

This year, delicious meals and snacks will be served from the following food trucks: Red Wagon BBQ; Larry's Funnel Cakes and Fried Oreos; Wind Chill Pizza; Alaturco Gyros; Czechs Burgers and more beginning at 5:30 pm at the Hague Beach parking lot.

The inclement weather site is the Hague Community Center. ▣

CARILLON GARDEN CLUB BEAUTIFIES HAGUE

A group of ladies from the Carillon Garden Club spent a May day planting annuals in the planters in Hague's downtown area.

Thanks, ladies! ▣



Claire Best and Peggy Kowalsky were among the volunteer planters.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AS REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS FOR THE HAGUE CHRONICLE. PLEASE CONTACT Editor Bobbi Bryant Taylor at editor@thehaguechronicle.org.

MEMORIAL DAY, CONTINUED

The parade included several marching units composed of bag pipers, The Cambridge Marching Band from Cambridge, NY, the Fort Ticonderoga Pipe band, and more. There were emergency vehicles, trucks, a man and a woman on stilts, and more.

There were floats from numerous community organizations. The judging of the floats was done by Joyce Cooper, Tom Thatcher, and Matt Courtright. The winners were announced during ceremonies following the parade. They were:

- BEST IN PARADE: REXHULDA, KELLY KRAUSS
- MOST CREATIVE: SILVER BAY YMCA RESORT
- BEST ADIRONDACK: 1934 GREEN FORD ROLAND ALLEN
- MOST HUMOROUS: CATHY CLARK
- MOST PATRIOTIC: HAGUE SENIORS "STARS AND STRIPES"
- BEST YOUTH: GIRL SCOUT TROOP 3776
- HONORABLE MENTION: ADULT THE YA-DA-YA-DA BIBLE STUDY
- HONORABLE MENTION: YOUTH 1938 CHEVY PICKUP - TWO BUCK DENNO

Maureen Cherubini, who, along with her husband, Mike (who passed away in 2018), has devoted many years to making this parade possible. She needs someone to take over the chairmanship next year and is willing to train that person. If you are interested, please call her at 518-543-6463.

After the parade, there was a moving ceremony at the park. Speakers included: Town of Hague Supervisor Edna Frasier; Deputy Town Supervisor Steve Ramant, who led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Fire Department President Linda Mury, who represented the first responders. Both Frasier and Mury emphasized the real meaning of Memorial Day.

The keynote speaker was Jim O'Toole. He commented on the banners that have been placed along the highway honoring our veterans, saying, "It's one small way of recognizing those men and women who served in our armed forces in peace and war. Each represents a young life set selflessly aside to serve their nation's call."

He stated, "Let us not lose sight of the true reason the day has been set aside each year and why we are here...we are paying tribute to and reflect on the service and sacrifices of men and women whose names are etched in the stone walls of the monument and the duty they performed for their country."

He asked the audience to also remember the over 80 thousand men and women declared as POWs or MIAs. He said that their families can only wait and wonder where their loved ones are and what happened to them.



Photos courtesy of John Zamrok

He added that those assembled were also honoring Gold Star Families, who have paid a terrible price, including Hague's own Belden and Jordan families.

O'Toole urged all to, "Take a moment to reflect on why did these young Americans give up their future to serve their country. No questions asked. Regardless of their politics, religion, race, or sexual orientation. They served and they died and we owe it to them to take one day out of our busy schedules to think about them."

The last event of the day was at 4 pm when the HVFD held its annual Chicken Barbecue Dinner. There was a great turnout and they sold out in only 45 minutes! They thank everyone who came and apologize to anyone who didn't get a dinner. They definitely plan to cook more next year!

What a wonderful and long-awaited celebration the day was for Hague! Lots of memories made! ▣

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 5/26/2022

Chairman Robert Goetsch and Board Members Jon Hanna, Linda Mury, Cathy Clark, and Ray Snyder were present. Chris Navitsky was absent. Planning Board members Dick Frasier, Pam Peterson, and Judy Gourley were also present.

ENGLER (43.5-1-26) 9077 Lake Shore Drive (HP) Previously listed as LUKEVENTURES LLC)

The applicant requested a sketch plan review of a previously-denied application to replace an existing legal-nonconforming commercial structure with a mixed-use commercial/residential structure. In May 2021, the ZBA reviewed the Considerations for Variance Determinations for the expansion and sideline setback and unanimously denied the application. (See *The Hague Chronicle*, June 2021 for details.) Changes from the previous application include replacing the garage with a storage-only space to address concerns about danger pulling out onto 9N and shifting the structure footprint five feet to the north to address concerns about visibility at the Overbrook Road intersection. Discussions included stormwater remediation, driveway visibility (located behind the building), driveway snow removal, water well location, impact on values of surrounding properties, parking for the first floor commercial space, apartment to be used solely by the owner (not as a rental), and removal/remediation for underground gas tanks from a gas station that was previously on the property. A site visit was scheduled. ▣

PLANNING BOARD - 6/2/2022

Due to an outbreak of COVID-19, the June 2, 2022 Planning Board meeting was canceled. The board members will conduct the business scheduled for that meeting at their July 7th meeting.

All deadlines will be extended for 30 days. ▣

TOWN BOARD - 6/14/2022

HAGUE TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The all-volunteer board of directors and staff of *The Hague Chronicle* knows how important the reports of the town board are for our readers so they are aware of current issues and decisions.

We would love to have someone volunteer to attend the town board meetings either in person or online and send a draft report to our editor, Bobbi Bryant Taylor, who will write up the final article. Her email is editor@thehaguechronicle.org.

Other options are to receive the draft minutes from the Town Clerk in a timely manner or to be able to refer our readers to the minutes when and if they are posted online. With recent staffing concerns at the Hague Town Hall, these options have not been available in the past few months.

We have been able to obtain the draft minutes of a Special Town Board meeting held on May 23, 2022. All members of the town board were present. The main order of business was to appoint Kim Coffin as Hague Town Clerk. She was also appointed as the Tax Collector, Registrar of Vital Statistics, and Records Management Officer. Kim will serve in these positions through the 2022 year to fill the current vacancies. She plans to run on the ballot in November 2022 for the elected position of Town Clerk as a Republican.

At that same special board meeting, Deputy Highway Superintendent Matt Coffin requested approval for the purchase of equipment for plowing and sanding. The board approved the requests, which totaled \$105,213.20.

Using the agenda for the board meeting of June 14, 2022 as reference, we have pieced the following together:

- A moment of silence was held for Merlin "Slim" Jordon.
- The board passed the wastewater variances for Buck (93.12-1-26) at 7943 Lakeshore Drive and Jeckering (93.8-1-9) at 3 Bass Bay Road.

Further information on this meeting is not available to us. The official minutes should be posted on the Town of Hague website when they have been written. ▣

PROCELLACOR, CONTINUED

In his ruling, Judge Muller noted the high degree of public interest in the issue – as evidenced by the 300 letters to the APA, the towns' resolutions, and the people who filled the courtroom. This interest, along with the uniqueness of Lake George and the possibility that information presented at a public hearing could assist the APA board in reviewing the

application, led Judge Muller to write, "This court firmly believes that everyone should have an opportunity to be heard and – without the issuance of this injunction – petitioners will be denied that opportunity." The injunction is like hitting the pause button, thus allowing time for a public hearing.

We will keep you informed about the research that the LGA, working with the Jefferson Project, plans to conduct

to assess what if any risks ProcellaCOR poses to Lake George's sensitive ecosystem and our drinking water.

Thank you to all who wrote letters, signed the petition and/or attended the court hearing on June 8th.

Clearly this is one case where our voices are being heard. Grassroots activism is alive and well on Lake George. You made a difference! ▣

“SAVE LAKE GEORGE” WEBSITE

Many have asked about the purpose of the new Savelakegeorge.com website. Launched in April of this year by grassroots organizers, it is designed to raise awareness about ProcellaCOR and its potential risks for Lake George.

As a next step, we want to be able to push alerts to you about other priority issues in the future. In the case of ProcellaCOR, we mobilized people through friends’ email lists, Facebook posts, word of mouth, and other channels. But wouldn’t it be great if we could notify you directly if there is a need for a citizen action in the future? Or if a toxic Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) is detected and we can tell you what precautions to take? To receive these alerts, simply register at SaveLakeGeorge.

The website is not intended for fundraising and you can unsubscribe from our email list at any time. But if you want to stay informed about urgent issues and learn about actions you can take to help protect our lake – and yourself – we urge you to register at SaveLakeGeorge.

Last but not least: If you have web skills and want to help, please let us know. We would love to tap into your expertise! Send an email to ginger@utopianstate.com. 📧

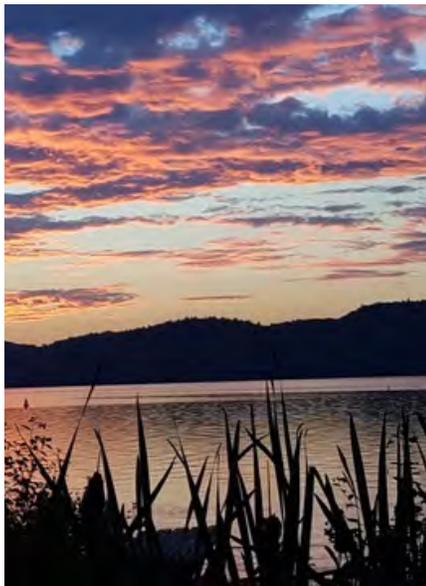


Photo courtesy of Ginger Henry Kuenzel

SILVER BAY GENERAL STORE GRAND OPENING AND RIBBON CUTTING

On May 26, 2022, the Ticonderoga Chamber of Commerce (TACC) hosted a grand opening ribbon cutting ceremony for the Silver Bay General Store. Although the store never actually closed after changing hands from Kathy Santaniello to Paul and Joanne Budd in October 2021, the TACC wanted to officially welcome the Budd family to the Ticonderoga Area Business Community and celebrate the new owners’ hard work, dedication, and commitment.

Paul Budd originally connected with Matthew Courtright, President and CEO of the TACC, at the North Country Center for Businesses in Transition’s (CBIT) “Small Communities, Big Opportunities” virtual conference in February 2021, coordinated by the Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA). It was then that he and his wife, Joanne, began actively pursuing their interest in purchasing the general store. With further guidance and assistance from area professionals and resources, they completed the purchase in October 2021.

“The conference gave me a lot of useful information about next steps and connected Joanne and me with the services and resources we needed to make this transition happen,” said Budd. “I’m grateful for Matt’s support through the past year and assistance from the SBDC and other local professionals. Their knowledge and guidance made the process of purchasing a lot more manageable.”

“We wanted to wait to officially announce the store was under new management so that we would have time to start carrying locally-made and sourced items. We really want to offer a wider variety of products from local suppliers, artisans and businesses, in order to support the surrounding community, while providing visitors a more authentic North Country experience. The added benefit of buying local is that we all get to enjoy delicious, fresh, locally-made and grown foods.” 📧



Left to right – Donna Wotton (Ti-Alliance), Sally Rypkema, Allison Kaupelis (TACC Board Member/Best Western Ticonderoga Inn and Suites), Elizabeth Cooper (ANCA Center for Businesses in Transition), Matt Courtright (TACC), owners Paul and Joanne Budd, Hague Town Supervisor Edna Frasier, NYS Assemblyman Matt Simpson, and Renee Scuderi (Tromblee’s Greenhouse).

The Hague Chronicle is happy to publish announcements of births, marriages, graduations, anniversaries of 50/55/60/65+, awards, or deaths. We will now include a recent headshot of high quality for publication with obituaries. Please send to editor@thehaguechronicle.org.

SOUNDINGS

DIED: Sandra (Sandy) Haber, 76, of Niskayuna and Hague, on April 29, 2022, in her home, after a long illness.

Sandy was born in Cincinnati, OH. Working as a stenographer clerk for the Department of the Army at the Cincinnati Induction Center, she fell in love with and later married the Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Harold Haber. They moved to Niskayuna in the early 1970s, where she was a devoted mother to their two children, Ali and Marc, serving as Brownie leader, room parent, Cub Scout den mother, Kadima youth group leader, Little League manager, and in many other roles. She was famous for her award-winning apple pie and painstakingly hand-sewn and intricate Halloween costumes.

A shining star in the dog show world, she had many successes in the Breed, Obedience, and Agility rings, and was an avid mentor of youth handlers. Sandy built a top-notch canine breeding program, Medina Kennels, with Golden Retrievers and later, Papillons. Outside of the ring, she trained many of her champions to be therapy dogs, bringing comfort to countless residents of area nursing homes. Sandy was a delegate to

the American Kennel Club and an active member of the Papillon Club of America, as well as a board member of both the Mohawk and Saratoga Kennel Clubs.

In 1980, the Habers became residents of Arcady Bay. When she was not traveling the world with the love of her life, Sandy loved floating with her friends in Lake George, spotting hummingbirds and fireflies, and watching the fairy path stretch across the lake at moon rise. Every night was game night at their home. Sandy was a voracious reader who did the daily crossword puzzle in pen. No matter what was going on in her life, she was always “Johnny-on-the-spot” with her children and grandchildren. She taught them to be responsible dog owners and to embrace life without regard to limitations. Thanks to the warm and welcoming home she created, her grandkids always thought of her lakeside house as their home.

She was a tenaciously positive and thoughtful human being who never demanded, always gave, and made every day a little brighter for those around her. She will be sorely missed by many residents of Hague and Ticonderoga.



Sandy was predeceased by her: grandmother, Charlotte Bastin; mother, Helen (Gerry) Bracher; stepfather, George Bracher; and brother, Michael Hensler.

She is survived by her: husband, Dr. Harold (Hal) Haber; daughter Alexandra Bar-Cohen (Barak); son, Marc Haber (Kate); grandchildren, Gabriel, Gefen, and Luna Bar-Cohen and Murphy, Rowan, Dylan, and Maeve Haber; sister-in-law, Gylvia Hensler; brother, David Bracher; sister, Patricia Morris; and dogs, Frankie, Tonks, and Brooklyn.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation, The Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC.org), or (takethelead.org). ▣

SILVER BAY GOLF TOURNAMENT

There is still time to register to play in and/or be a sponsor for Silver Bay's 22nd Annual Golf Tournament on Wednesday, August 10, 2022.

Featuring 18 holes of golf at the beautiful Ticonderoga Golf Course, the day includes breakfast and lunch, a shotgun start, gift bags for the players, snacks and refreshments, raffle prizes, a 50/50 drawing, and the following awards:

- Low Gross and Low Net Team Score
- Longest Drive (male/female)
- Closest to the Pin
- \$5,000 Long Putt Contest
- \$25,000 Hole-in-One Prize on the 13th Hole

The sponsorship packages provide benefits to the sponsor and create

transformational opportunities for children and families through the Silver Bay's community programs. Click [HERE](#) for sponsorship opportunities or contact Hannah Jay at hjay@silverbay.org.

Registration is open through July 25th or until all spots are filled. Click [HERE](#) for the online registration form.

All net proceeds from the event support the youth and outreach programs of Silver Bay YMCA, including the Ticonderoga Teen Center, Open Pathways, Military R&R, and more. ▣

SILVER BAY HAPPENINGS

Silver Bay YMCA is 40 staff members short for this summer, which is about one quarter of their

workforce. They are doing all they can to recruit more, but this may mean that they are not as quick to meet all of their guests' needs this summer. Because more than 50% of the unfulfilled positions are associated with food service, guests may see more simple menus and the occasional prepped food.

If you would like to volunteer this year, please email Human Resources Director Kelsey Nobis.

Volunteers can also participate in or help promote the **Workcation** program. In exchange for 30 hours of work per week, participants receive a free room and meals in the William Boyd Center dining room. They may then enjoy all the amenities of Silver Bay. If interested, contact Kelsey Nobis at 518-543-8508 or email her at Nobis. ▣

FAQ'S REGARDING HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS

As Lake George has now experienced more than one Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB), it is important that all residents of the watershed understand what they are and how each of us can help prevent them.

Click **HERE** to see Frequently Asked Questions regarding HABs published in the *Assembly Point Water Quality Coalition Newsletter, Spring/Summer 2022*. ▣

LGA BAY-BY-BAY LAKE PROTECTION EVENTS

With the water quality threats facing Lake George varying in type and intensity at different points along its 32-mile length, the Lake George Association (LGA) is presenting a series of educational programs to help property owners understand what's ailing the water quality in their neighborhood and what they can do to help.

Of special interest to Hague residents will be the walking tour and community presentation on Monday, June 27, 2022 at 4 pm in Oneida (Van Buren) Bay, which will be hosted by Virginia (Ginny) Rowan Smith and Stephanie Wagoner.

Other bay-by-bay tours will be:

- Harris Bay: Walking tours on Wednesday July 13th and boat tours on Tuesday, July 19th
- Pilot Knob: A walking tour and a community meeting on Tuesday, July 26th
- Dunham's Bay: A walking tour on Tuesday, August 23rd and a community meeting on Wednesday, August 24th

For complete details and to register, visit www.lakegeorgeassociation.org/act-now/bay-by-bay. Starting locations for any of the walking tours will be provided upon registration.

Anyone interested in becoming a "Lake Protector" should go to: www.lakegeorgeassociation.org/user/register. ▣

LGA ANNUAL SUMMER GALA

On Saturday, July 23, 2022 at 6:30 pm, the Lake George Association (LGA) will hold its 16th annual Summer Gala at the Festival Commons at Charles R. Wood Park in Lake George.

It will be a memorable evening of cocktails, food tastings, music, and dancing under The Big Tent. There will be a live auction and "Paddle Up" opportunities will be available throughout the evening along with some surprises.

Click **HERE** to register for tickets or to become a sponsor. ▣

LGA RECEIVES GRANT FROM HEARST FOUNDATION

The Lake George Association (LGA) has been awarded a \$300,000 grant from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation to share its model for success with freshwater researchers and communities around the world and make Lake George a global destination for freshwater protection research and solutions.

LGA President Eric Siy said, "The LGA, supported by the world-class science and technology of The Jefferson Project and the highly targeted research and analysis of the Lake George Waterkeeper, has created a culture of commitment among regional public officials, businesses, and property owners toward lake protection that is delivering breakthrough results in water quality.

"With the generous and visionary help of the William Randolph Hearst Foundation, we are now poised to share our success with others and play an even more meaningful role in protecting the world's most important natural resource, our finite fresh water supply."

Over a multi-year period, the LGA will utilize the grant to:

- Expand the research being undertaken by The Jefferson Project environmental research collaboration at Lake George, Chautauqua Lake, and Skaneateles Lake to better understand the causes of harmful algal blooms (HABs), the reasons why some HABs become toxic, the best ways to prevent them, and to share that knowledge world-wide.
- Create world-class educational resources and events for scientists, researchers and freshwater advocates, focused on the world's most significant freshwater threats and how they are being successfully addressed at Lake George.
- Expand a digital personal protection platform now being built for use by Lake George property owners into a global engagement tool, including an online technical forum for anyone in the world to ask questions and learn the latest on freshwater protection work, as well as guidance from practitioners employing the LGA Lake Protection Model.

Over the past decade, the LGA's science-to-solutions approach to freshwater protection has engendered the robust support of state and local government leaders, property owners and the regional business community. Major accomplishments include: the creation of the strongest aquatic invasive species prevention program east of the Mississippi; the nation's leading best practices program for reducing the use of harmful winter road salt; and programs to facilitate improvements in wastewater and stormwater management.

Now in development is perhaps the most meaningful direct protection program in LGA history — calling on property owners, businesses and organizations in the Lake George watershed to become "Lake Protectors" by taking direct protective actions on their properties to better control stormwater and wastewater and accelerate the progress of protection.

Participating property owners will soon be able to request Personal Protection Plans identifying the greatest water quality threats in their area of the lake and property-specific guidance for addressing them. ▣

NATURALLY SPEAKING

by *Connie Smith*



Home Security has met its match. No video cameras will be able to record their entrance. No dead bolts or multiple locks will keep them out. No barking dog will sense their arrival. They are carpenter ants and their goal is to invade and conquer.

Many pest control experts label them as the “number one pest” in the Adirondack Park. The main colonies live in trees, usually pine trees. Carpenter ants are always looking for new territory, so they establish satellite colonies in trees or houses. Not happy with just one satellite colony in the house, carpenter ants will create several satellite colonies, usually three to five feet apart.

If you think of carpenter ants as simple insects, think again. The main colony, which is outside, communicates with the satellite colonies inside the structure. The ants leave pheromone scents as they travel between the colonies.

Carpenter ants do not eat wood. They tunnel into its wet and rotten places to build galleries to rear their young. They build intricate tunnels so that the colony has room for as many as 10,000 to 15,000 ants at any one time.

These ants “bulk up” for winter by acquiring up to 50 percent body fat and sealing themselves into the satellite colonies. Their natural antifreeze protects them down to temperatures of approximately five degrees Fahrenheit.

Carpenter ants are usually large and black, brown, or red in color. If you find them in your house, capture some and call in a pest control specialist.

Prevention is best. They need a water source to survive, so eliminate sources of moisture or standing water. Keep tree branches from overhanging or touching your house. Cut back shrub branches as well, as the ants like to use those branches to enter your home. Make sure there are no cracks or little openings around the bottom of doors or around windows. Seal all openings with a silicone-based caulk.

Keep firewood and building materials stored away from the house.



If crawling carpenter ants aren't bad enough, they become flying ants from May to August. The males and females will fly to expand the number of colonies. They mate. The males die off and the females crawl into crevices and deposit eggs and care for the emerging ants. Once the worker ants are born, the queen will concentrate on laying eggs. If a colony feels threatened, the ants will grab all of the eggs, larva, and pupa and start relocating to a new nest.

It seems as if Mother Nature has thought of everything. ▣

MADE IN HAGUE LIVES!

Please don't despair when you approach the windows of what used to be the Made in Hague shop. As the sign says, it's moved!

When it became evident that its lease was not to be renewed by their landlord, the Made in Hague team started looking locally, but were having no luck.

As Donna Wotton reports, a chance conversation with the owner of the Silver Bay Post Office building revealed that there was space next to the post office that he used for storage. Donna and Sandy Swanson went to take a look and, voilà! Made in Hague had found its new home!

All the usual artists/artisans will be returning this summer as well as a few new ones.

Made in Hague opened on Memorial Day weekend and will be open on weekends through June.

Beginning in July through Labor Day, it will be open Thursday - Sunday from 10 am - 4 pm.

The Made in Hague crew hopes you'll take the short ride to Silver Bay and visit them in their new digs! ▣



LOCAL AUTHORS HOLD BOOK SIGNING

On Friday, July 15, 2022 from 5 - 8 pm, the Hague Historical Society will once again host its local authors book signing event, which will be bigger and better than ever. More than 15 authors will be on hand to talk with interested members of the public about their work as well as to sign and sell their books. The authors represent a wide range of genres, including fiction and non-fiction, books for children and ones for young adults, regional and military history, humor and more. Children can spend time in our story-time corner, where authors will read from their books. Or they can join Kristen Balouch, one of our award-winning authors, in making simple crafts. In addition, we are pleased to welcome, for the first time, representatives from nearby historical societies, who will bring a selection of books from their bookstores.

With the growing popularity of the event, we have moved it this year to the lovely and spacious Gullen Hall at the north end of the historic Silver Bay Inn. The Hague Historical Society wishes to thank the Silver Bay Association for making this beautiful space available, enabling us to accommodate more authors and attendees. We hope to see you there. If you have questions, please contact [Mary Behr](#), president of the Hague Historical Society. ▣

STEWARDS OF THE WATER BOOK LAUNCH IN HAGUE

The recently published book, *Stewards of the Water* (See p. 8 of the May 2022 *The Hague Chronicle*) will be the focus of the Hague Historical Association's annual meeting on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at 7 pm in the community center.

Ginger Henry Kuenzel, editor and one of the authors of the book, will speak about the individuals and historical events covered in the book. Learn about the Ticonderoga dam, which generated not only hydropower, but also considerable controversy as it caused significant fluctuation in lake levels, often either

TERRACE WATER COMPANY CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY

The Terrace Water Company is a small, private, residential water distribution company in Silver Bay that was incorporated on November 27, 1922. Its purpose is to distribute water during the summer months to approximately 30 cottages on Terrace Road, 9N and on the north end of Silver Bay Road near Oneida Bay.

It is celebrating its 100-Year Anniversary this year by presenting an historic walking tour of ten of its cottages. On Sunday afternoon, August 7, 2022, from 1 to 4:30 pm, ten historical cottages surrounding Silver Bay YMCA will open their doors to provide an inside look and an oral history of this tiny water company, its unique partnership with Silver Bay YMCA, and the stories behind some of the multi-generational family cottages that have been part of the Silver Bay community for decades and beyond.

The suggested donation is \$15 per person and all proceeds will support the mission and work of the Silver Bay YMCA.

Visitors can pick up maps at the store on the Silver Bay campus. ▣



flooding islands and the shoreline or causing boats to be stuck on the bed of the lake. Or learn about the Loines family, who donated a large tract of land so the state would construct Route 9N over Tongue Mountain rather than along the shoreline.

In addition to the stories about individual stewards of the past, Ginger will talk about the importance of present-day stewards, such as non-profits, town governments, and grassroots activists. We owe a debt of gratitude to all these stewards. Now it's up to us to be the stewards of today and tomorrow. Learn about specific actions each of us can take to protect Lake George for the generations to come.

Stewards of the Water will be available for sale for \$20 (cash or check). Proceeds go toward protecting the lake. Signed, matted prints of Tom Ryan's original watercolor painted for the book's cover will be on sale (\$60), as will sets of eight notecards of the watercolors he painted for inside the book (\$15).

Ginger will speak about the book at Watson Hall in Silver Bay **July 19th** at 8 pm. Other book launch events are:

- **July 16th** -11 am - Warren County Historical Society and The Book Warehouse in the LG Outlets
- **July 25th** - [Darrin Fresh Water Institute Virtual Lecture Series](#)
- **August 4th** - 6 pm - Bolton Historical Museum ▣

2022 BEST 4TH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 1, 2022

- 4 – 10 pm - Food Vendors and Rides
- 7 – 9 pm - Live music with Tinyus Smallus (90s cover band)

Saturday, July 2nd

- 4 – 10 pm - Food Vendors and Rides
- 6 – 9 pm - Live music with Studio Two (Early Beatles tribute band)

Sunday, July 3rd

- 4 – 10 pm - Food Vendors and Rides
- 6 – 9 pm - Live music (Johnny Cash cover band)

Monday, July 4th

- 1 pm - (On the Steps of the Town of Ticonderoga Community Building) Reading of the Declaration of Independence by Town of Ticonderoga Supervisor Mark Wright
- 1:30 pm - Parade route closes (From the light at WalMart along Wicker Street and Montcalm Street to Tower Avenue).
- 1:45 pm - Annual running of the Montcalm Mile/advanced registration required at www.lachuterunner.wordpress.com .
- 2 pm - Fourth of July Parade - bandstand next to the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC)
- 3 – 10 pm - Food vendors and rides
- 6:30 - 9:30 pm - *Superstars and Legends* live with tributes to Elvis, Michael Jackson, Roy Orbison, and Johnny and June Carter Cash
- 9:30/9:45 pm (dusk) GRAND FIREWORKS DISPLAY



All events are located at Bicentennial Park unless otherwise noted. All times and information are subject to change. Donations are appreciated to defray the cost of the fireworks. For information, visit www.timainstreet.org, www.ticonderogany.com, or contact the TACC at 518-585-6619. ❏

REGISTER NOW FOR STREETFEST

The 13th Annual StreetFest will be held on Saturday, July 30, 2022 on Montcalm Street in Downtown Ticonderoga from 10 am to 3 pm. It is a day-long celebration with sidewalk sales, shopping, a variety of food, live entertainment, arts and crafts, kids' activities, and more. Admission is free and it is open to the public.

The StreetFest Committee is in the process of registering merchants and vendors. Applications have been mailed or emailed to all 2021 participants. All applications must follow all StreetFest guidelines and be approved. Applications are available at www.timainstreet.org, www.ticonderogany.com, at the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) office, or at 518-585-6619.

There is no fee for Montcalm Street merchants/businesses, partners, and sponsors but they still must fill out a registration form to participate and be included on StreetFest materials. The deadline to register is July 15, 2022. Space is limited and is on a first-come, first-served basis. The vendor fee for non-Montcalm Street vendors/merchants is now \$50. No refunds.

Vendors including downtown merchants, area businesses, retail stores, restaurants, food vendors, non-profits, artisans, farmers, arts and craft vendors, and vendors with local hand-crafted products are encouraged to participate. Vendors, non-profits, and organizations must offer something that will enhance the event (item for sale, kids' activity, etc.).

Information only, raffles, and political vendors are not allowed. ❏

BEST 4TH IN THE NORTH GRAND MARSHAL

Tom Dedrick, the owner and operator of Dedrick's Tree Service, is the 2022 Grand Marshal for the Best 4th in the North Parade.

Tom and his tree service support numerous local non-profits, the Ticonderoga Hometown Hero's Banner Committee, and provide hours of volunteer service.



(Left to right) Tom's wife, Ruth Dedrick, Tom Dedrick, and Best 4th in the North Committee Chair Debbie Barber

The committee is encouraging the community to participate in the parade in a variety of ways.

It would like to see floats from attractions, businesses, sports teams, clubs, organizations, etc. and encourages everyone to use the theme, "Christmas in July."

There is no charge to participate in the parade, but all entries must be family friendly and follow all parade guidelines.

Parade applications can be found at www.timainstreet.org, www.ticonderogany.com, or picked up at the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) office.

All parade participants must read and sign off on the rules as well as submit an application by the stated deadline of June 24, 2022. No exceptions will be made.

Stay up to date by liking and following the Best 4th in the North, and the TACC on Facebook or visit www.timainstreet.org or www.ticonderogany.com. ❏

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE

Ticonderoga is planning to apply for a New York State Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) Grant. The committee needs community members, businesses, and organizations to be engaged in this process.

The DRI typically provides ten million dollars to an individual community and its downtown to continue efforts to create vibrant centers for community members and visitors alike. This is an amazing opportunity for Ticonderoga and our surrounding communities, including Hague.

Here's how you can help get this grant for Ticonderoga!

For the Ticonderoga DRI application, the committee needs to showcase the many public and private investments that have been made within the community throughout the past decade and identify shovel-ready and future projects that would ignite additional growth and be a catalyst for future investments. The committee also needs ideas for priorities and what you envision for your Downtown Ticonderoga.

Community Survey - On Your Own Open House

A Community Survey "On Your Own Virtual Open House" will be available through June 21, 2022. **HERE** is a link to it.

Visit the Ticonderoga DRI website for more information. 

TI ARTS DOWNTOWN GALLERY UPCOMING SHOWS

JENNY HUTCHINSON: FLUX & FLOW - Wednesday, June 22 – Saturday, July 9, 2022; Opening Reception is Friday, June 24th from 5 - 7 pm.

WENDY SOLIDAY:
SAVOR THE DAY, LAKE GEORGE & BEYOND - Wednesday, July 13th – Saturday, July 30th; Opening Reception is Friday, July 15th from 5 - 7 pm. 



"Leaf Harmony" by Hutchinson



"Awakening" by Soliday

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TICONDEROGA SUMMER OF BEAUTIFICATION

The third Annual Summer of Beautification will take place this summer, making Ticonderoga better and more beautiful. The theme is "Show Your Community Pride."

Volunteers will be picking up trash, sweeping, and weeding.

On Thursday, June 30, 2022, Thursday, July 28th, and Thursday, August 25th from 6 - 7:30 pm, volunteers will meet at the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) office on Montcalm Street. Bags, disposable gloves, and tools needed will be provided. Volunteers should bring work gloves.

For more information or to volunteer, call 518-585-6619 or visit www.ticonderogany.com , www.timainstreet.org ,or www.townofticonderoga.org . 

FARMERS' MARKET

The Ticonderoga Area Farmers' Market is on Saturdays from 10 am to 1 pm at a **NEW location** in Downtown Ticonderoga - behind Glens Falls National Bank, just off Montcalm Street. 

TI FESTIVAL GUILD SUMMER CONCERTS

The Ticonderoga Festival Guild has scheduled seven concerts to be held at the Knights of Columbus Pavilion this summer. The first two are the ADK Jazz Repertoire Ensemble on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 and The Ruta Beggars on July 19th.

This season includes a variety of genres including Blue Grass, Irish, Rock, Folk, and Jazz.

Ti's own Ashley Sophia will travel here from Nashville, to perform on August 16th.

The Ti Festival Guild brings a variety of high-quality performances to our area each year.

The Ti Festival Guild is grateful to the Essex County Arts Council for its continued support and funding.

For more information, go to <http://www.tifestivalguild.org/contact/>. 

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CALENDAR

June 2022

JUNE

19	FATHER'S DAY
20	JUNETEENTH OBSERVED
21	Deadline for the Ti Revitalization survey
22 – July 9	Jenny Hutchinson Exhibit at Ti Arts
23	Senior Club trip to the Carillon & Fort Ti
24 5 – 7 pm	Hutchinson Opening Reception at Ti Arts
25 10 am – 1 pm	Ti Farmers' Market
27 4 pm	LGA Oneida Bay Tour
30 6 – 7:30 pm	Ti Beautification

JULY

1 – 4	Best 4th in the North in Ticonderoga
2 10 am – 1 pm	Ti Farmers' Market
3 5:30 pm	Music in the Park in Hague – Barkeater
3 Dusk	FIREWORKS IN HAGUE
4	INDEPENDENCE DAY/Town offices closed
Dusk	FIREWORKS IN TI
6 5:30 pm	Music in the Park in Hague – Rick Bolton

7	7 pm	Planning Board
9	10 am – 1 pm	Ti Farmers' Market
11		Deadline for the July issue of <i>The Hague Chronicle</i>
12	6 pm	Town Board
	7 pm	Ti Festival Guild ADK Jazz Repertoire
13 – July 30		Wendy Soliday at Ti Arts
13		Walking tour of Harris Bay
	5:30 pm	Music in the Park in Hague – Running the River
15		Deadline to register for StreetFest
	5 – 7 pm	Opening Reception for Wendy Soliday at Ti Arts
16	10 am – 1 pm	Ti Farmers' Market
19		LGA boat tour of Harris Bay
	7 pm	Ti Festival Guild – The Ruta Beggars
20	5:30 pm	Music in the Park in Hague – Lazy Suns
22	10 am – 1 pm	Ti Farmers' Market
23	6:30 pm	LGA Gala

TRANSFER STATION HOURS: Wednesdays 10 am to 2 pm & Saturdays 10 am to 4 pm