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A SEWER SYSTEM? WHO NEEDS IT? WE DO!!!

We are getting closer to the day when Hague will have its own sewage disposal plant. However, we still have a long way to go.

On Mar. 23 Warren County forwarded an application to EPA to grant the county an additional \$16.4 million in funding for the sewage project and on June 30 an application was sent for 100% funding. The federal government has already awarded the county a \$20 million grant. We should hear within four to six weeks whether any or all of this additional 16.4 million will be granted. Hague, Bolton, Queensbury, and Lake George are the districts that are included in this funding. Hague has all its engineering work done and is ready to go when we hear about the grant. (Any resident may check out these plans in the town clerk's office during her office hours.)

Mr. Fred Austin, Warren County Superintendent of Dept. of Public Works has stated that the \$20 million dollars is in effect in an escrow account. When a town is ready to go ahead with its project, the amount set aside for that town will be made available.

It is impossible to judge how much an individual will need to pay for a hook-up because so many factors enter into it. It depends a great deal on local contractors, how far it is from the tank to the line, etc. However, it is also expected that the grant we receive will help to pay for some of this expense. Mr. Austin hopes to come to the town board meeting on August 8 and should have more definite figures by that time.

The present plans for the Hague Sewer District I, according to the report from the engineers at Clough, Harbour & Associates, includes 274 users. The district will include the area just north of Ward's Marina through Cape Cod Village on Route 9N. It will also include Lake Shore Terrace; Overbrook Road; Route 8 to the fish weir; Holman Hill Road; Spring Rock Road; Pine Orchard Road; Dodd Hill Road to Hawkins; Shamrock Hill Road and Sherwood Forest. Users will be assessed per EDU's (equivalent domestic units) as follows:

- Single Family Residences including church parsonages and mobile homes . . . 1.0 EDU (if > 1 acre, then add 0.1 EDU per each additional ten acres or fraction thereof)
- Multiple family residences . . . 1.0 EDU per residence
- Seasonal residences 1.0 EDU
- Apartments5 EDU per apartment

- Vacant land adjacent to proposed sewer system

. 0.1 EDU for first acre, then add 0.1 EDU per each additional ten acres or fraction thereof.

- Vacant land not adjacent to proposed sewer system

. 0.05 EDU

- Churches 0.0 EDU
- Motels, Inns, and Cottages 0.5 EDU per unit
- Restaurants 1.0 EDU
- Service stations 1.0 EDU
- Town buildings 1.0 EDU
- Other commercial 1.0 EDU per business

Dan Belden, supervisor, stated that a hearing will be set up for some time the end of July and one at the end of August. IF a referendum is required, rest assured that all residents in the proposed Sewer District will be notified and will be eligible to vote by absentee ballot if they are not in residence at that time.

There have been many rumors flying as to the exorbitant cost for those in the district. Please lay those rumors to rest. Dan assures us that if Warren County does not get the \$16,400,000.00 from the Federal Government (the additional grant discussed above), the user fee will be approximately \$318.00 annually. If 100% funding is forthcoming, it will be \$300 or less. As for the original hookups, the 85 pumps used will be paid for by the grant and part of the hookup fees will also be included. The more users we add as we go along, the less the users' fees. Properties that have questionable septic systems or holding tanks will certainly be at a great advantage with sewage disposal. Property values should go up and the environment will be better protected.

Phase I of the plan is scheduled to go to bids in the fall of 1995. Construction will begin in 1996 and it is planned to have it 100% completed in 1997, in the district outlined above.

In a lengthy interview with Dan Belden, supervisor, he stated "It is the greatest thing to happen to Hague. If we want to clean up the lake and keep it that way for future generations, this sewer system is a MUST."

We have to start somewhere, and though there are many more than the original 274 users who would like to be included, this is just the beginning. We not only need the support of all those included in this district - we need the encouragement of ALL Hague residents. It is an almost sure fact that if we do not use this grant money now, in a few short years, the government will mandate a disposal system and the funding will in all probability not be available.

Dorothy J. Henry, Member Hague Sewer Committee

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB meeting has been cancelled for July. A picnic is scheduled for the August meeting. If you plan to attend the picnic, please sign up at the Community Center.

A trip to Racquette Lake is being planned for Monday, Sept. 18. A sign-up sheet is available at the Community Center and we will take names, first come. There is room for 47 passengers on the bus. Most of the expenses will be paid from the Senior Citizens Fund. Trip is open to **ALL SENIORS (50+)** in Hague (summer or winter residents). Please sign up as soon as possible. The trip includes a luncheon cruise on Racquette Lake and possibly a visit to Sagamore Camp, one of the Adirondack Great Camps. Please sign up as soon as possible. For info, call Dottie Henry, 543-6633. To sign up call 543-6161.

SILVER BAY TO HOLD RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

On August 10, The Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at Bay View on Silver Bay Association campus. Blood is in very short supply at this time and the Red Cross urges the citizens of Hague to contribute blood on this day. The hours are from 12 noon to 6PM.

Bayview is the second right turn past the Inn (coming from the north) and the first left coming from the south. There is parking behind Bayview.

Let's all rally around the Red Cross and show them that Hague residents are truly civic minded!

AUGUST 10 - 12Noon - 6PM - BAYVIEW

SILVER BAY PROPERTY OWNERS TO MEET

The Silver Bay Property Owners Association will meet at the Hague Community Center on Tuesday, July 18 at 7PM. Mark Johnson is expected to talk about the Nature Conservancy; a petition will be circulated to get the speed limit reduced along 9N in Silver Bay; and a date will be set for the next highway cleanup, besides other pertinent matters. All property owners are urged to attend this meeting.

SQUARE DANCES EVERY WEDNESDAY IN HAGUE

The Hague Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring summer square dances each Wednesday from July 5 to Aug. 23 at the Community Center in Hague from 7:30-9:30PM. Dances are open to adults, families, singles and couples. Caller - Stan Burdick. Come and join the fun.

CHAMBER MUSIC AT GRACE CHAPEL

The 1995 season of chamber music at Grace Chapel will continue with a concert on Sat. Aug. 5 at 7:30 at the chapel on Sabbath Day Point. This concert will feature The HautBoys Trio, a woodwind group based in New York City. The concert will feature a wide mix of works, with pieces by Beethoven, Haydn, Gershwin, Hammerstein, and Irving Berlin, including selections from Broadway shows and popular classics.

The ensemble, made up of flute, oboe and bassoon, has played throughout New York. All graduates of the

Manhattan School of Music, the group has appeared in several recitals at the Donnell Public Library, and have played in a variety of museums and public places throughout the five boroughs, as well as providing outreach concerts and children's programs in underserved areas of the city.

Freewill donations (suggested donation: \$5) will be taken at the door to help defray the cost of the concerts. For additional information, call 543-6044.

These concerts are made possible in part with funds from the N.Y. Council on the Arts and Warren County, under the aegis of the Decentralization Program.

TICONDEROGA FESTIVAL GUILD BEGINS CONCERT SERIES

On Tuesday, July 18 at 8PM under the tent in Ticonderoga, The Syracuse Symphony Orchestra Baroque Ensemble will present a concert. The next concert of the season will be held on Tuesday, July 25th and will be The Woods Tea Company. This group was here two years ago and are back by popular demand. Woods Tea Company knows how to balance its repertoire, choosing the poignant and serious along with lighter themes.

On Tuesday, Aug 1, the Ko-Motion Movement Theater, dance, mime, juggling, clowning . . . executed with such warmth that audiences and performers seem at home with each other from the moment they step on stage.

John Rossbach and Chestnut Grove, playing and singing traditional American music, serious or sad. John's puns, tall tales and anecdotes keep audiences light-hearted. He is an established solo artist and also the leader of John Rossbach & Chestnut Grove, the bluegrass ensemble that won the '93 and '94 SAMMY AWARDS and showcased at International World of Bluegrass.

The last concert of the season will be held on Aug 15 and is a return engagement of La Chic 'N Bones. "Bones" - five trombones, plus piano, bass and drums...Chic, their lovely song stylist . . . features our own former Assemblyman, Jim King, now Judge King. The tent will certainly be swinging and singing on that night!

All concerts begin at 8PM. Season tickets are \$30. Individual concert tickets are \$8.00, general admission; \$7.00 for seniors; \$6.00 for students.

And don't forget the ARTS TREK XIII performances on Wednesday mornings at 10:30am under the tent. Geared basically for children, these performances also please their grandparents! On July 19 Jamie Greenberg in Imagine It, including art forms of mime, storytelling, body puppetry and singing. On July 26 Merry Go Round Playhouse, always a popular favorite, will present The Emperor's New Clothes; Aug. 2, the Ko-Motion Theater presents a program for children; Aug 9 Sally Rogers with the Newman Ottman Guitar Duo and on Aug 16 the Hudson Vagabond Puppets present Beatrix Potter's Jamima Puddle-Duck. Don't miss taking your kids to all of these performances! They are free and are made possible in part by the New York State Div. of Youth (through the Essex County Youth Bureau), The IP Foundation, and the NY State Council on the Arts.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, JUNE 22, 1995

With the public hearing still open, (continued from the May public hearing), this meeting resulted in additional time being devoted to the ongoing saga of Ody's Restaurant (61-1-15) on Rt. 9N.

Chairman Ginn read a long letter from Mrs. E. Sapakoff explaining her position and asking how the board could justify any one of the four requirements used in granting a use variance, the four requirements being:

- 1) Hardship
- 2) Preservation of owner's property rights
- 3) Reasonable return on investment
- 4) Location of property (zone).

After listening to many more comments from the floor, several of the board members had questions concerning other options, hours, hardship or self-inflicted hardship, egress, etc. These discussions continued until a decision was made by the board to table the matter until the July meeting.

In other business:

Malaro(20-1-35) Boat Storage on Decker Hill Rd. Project still on hold.

Lazarus (66-1-13) Sabbath Day Point. Review process still with Warren County Planning Board. . . gl

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING, JUNE 23, 1995

The town board met with Hague town attorney John McDonald to consider how to proceed with the problem of Ody's Restaurant. A decision was made that when proper certification from the courts was received, Bill Bothe, Zoning Administrator, would serve the restaurant or Mr. Levy, owner, with a notice of violation and inform them they had 15 days to comply. Mr. Levy can still continue with his application for a use variance from the ZBA. This is his right, according to law. . . gl

Ed: Letter was received from the courts and notification given to Ody's on July 6 that they have 15 days in which to close. . . gl

RECLAMATION WORKSHOP, JUNE 21, 1995

Gene Salerni, SS&B, said a number of times at the reclamation workshop on June 21 that the good news is this project looks as if it will be very close to budget when completed.

A feasibility study anticipated the project would cost \$1,352,450 and at the time Mr. Salerni says that the total project at \$1,357,000.00 in direct outside costs to the town remain close to budget. Even without additional funding which we are eligible for (and have applied for), the project compares favorably with the cost of capping and monitoring (approximately \$500,000), since by reclamation we will be recovering the land for other use. The reclamation should be completed by Thanksgiving of this year. . . gl

PLANNING BOARD - JULY 6, 1995

The Lake George Land Conservancy/Disbrow (40-1-37) Split Rock Rd. has requested a 2-lot minor sub-division that replaces the original request for a 7-lot sub-division. A motion was passed unanimously to approve and the mylar was signed. The conservancy will buy the land into Jabe Pond and Mr. Disbrow will keep the second lot. A contract is already in the works.

Doherty (41-1,2,3 & 2.8), Hollow Rd. with a non-conforming lot improperly recorded in 1973 was solved by retroactively combining and approving the two pieces of property listed above into a single piece. A survey has been made of the property and with a signed mylar will be filed with the Warren County clerk's office.

TOWN BOARD MEETING - JULY 11, 1995

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Al Van Sleet who died on June 26 and Joe Bach who died on July 11.

Helen Barton, Asst. Program Director, Silver Bay Assoc, spoke on the Child Care Facility at Silver Bay. Enrollment procedures will begin on July 19. (See article on p. 4)

A discussion was held on park regulations, in regard to bicycling in the park and how to enforce the two-hour docking rule. A check will be made with the WC Sheriff.

Dave Swanson complimented the board on its action in the improvements on the east and west side of the Community Center. Dan Belden, supervisor, complimented the supervisor of highways, Dave DeLarm, his crew, and Walt Waters for all the work they did on the landscaping and the basketball court, and also the Kiwanis Club for the new picnic tables and top soil which they contributed. A letter will be written to Mr. Pat Ida, president to thank the Kiwanians.

The minutes of the past several meetings were approved with the exception of adding to the 6/21 minutes that a part-time job had been created at the transfer station

A request from the Hague Baptist Church asking for paving of its parking lot (since it is used by town people for a turnaround) was denied.

A letter from DEC grants another 25% refund from the state (\$360,000) for the reclamation of the landfill project.

At Mr. Meola's suggestion, the old law books from the justice's office will be available for use by the public. He also reported from the town justice from Jan. to June 55 vehicle/traffic violations, 13 penal law, 35 EnCon, 5 civil cases and 6 small claims; total 114 cases and 30 still pending.

Mr. Meola reported that the assessor's plans do not include returning to Hague when his contract is up on Sep 30. As soon as the board has this in writing, it will begin process of looking for a new assessor.

We have a CETA employee who will be working three days a week in the Community Ctr. and Fri and Sat. at the landfill to help with the recycling.

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TOWN BOARD (Cont. from page 3)

A discussion was held concerning the recycling. It would be very helpful if the public would be more careful in their recycling by following the guidelines, which are printed on page 10 of this issue and also at the town hall. Please cut and save. Items should be separated according to these Hague guidelines - not according to what you have been doing in other towns. Everything we recycle saves the taxpayers money. Odd items that do not fit into a bag may be left with an attendant and the charge will be according to the item(s). Almost anything except garbage can be recycled. The less tonnage we have to take to the burn plant, the more we save!

The reclamation project is going very well, thanks to the help of the town crew. They are averaging about 1000 yards per day reclaimed.

Finance chairman, Linda Coffin, reports that we are pretty much on target with the budget.

The swimming program for the youth is under way. 14 participated at beach and more at Silver Bay Assoc. Still spaces for more children from 5 & up. Every Wednesday at 3:30 at the park there is a puppet show called "The Case of the Polluted Lake". There is also a Native American Festival on Aug 5 & 6. Mr. Moala, youth chairman, will try to get a field trip together for the youth.

Highway Dept. - Dave DeLarm, superintendent praised his crew for their diligence at the landfill. He explained that some of the roadwork was behind, but they hope to get caught up soon.

An advisory committee for Small Cities Grant was appointed. It includes Linda Fish, Mellita Shattuck, Ann Johns, Kay Barton, John Brown, Bill Bothe, Mike Bailey, Bill Glenn.

Recreation and Promotion: Arts & Crafts Fair will be held on Sat. & Sun., August 5 & 6 from 10AM - 4PM.

Sewer Project: An informational meeting on the sewer project has been set for Tues., Aug 1 at 6:30PM. On July 7 Warren County notified 8 engineers to give proposals for the project. We hope to have another informational meeting at the end of Aug.

Dan Kane, Warren County Planning Coordinator, notified the town that there are some unclaimed funds (that other towns did not need) to use for the reclamation project. The supervisor will apply for some of these extra funds.

Resolution #17 - authorizes adoption of residential anti-displacement plan

Resolution #18 - authorize adoption of fair housing plan for Hague.

Dan Belden will write a letter to Silver Bay Assoc. to assure them that the town would like to continue the good relationship that we now have with them. We hope to continue to work with SBA for the betterment of the entire community.

The county has hired a surveyor to survey Swede Mt. We hope to acquire the tower and put a disk on top of it for the enhancement of the 911 emergency system. The county hopes to buy 8 acres and have a walking trail from North Pond to the fire tower. . . djh

COMMUNITY CHILD CARE CENTER

Yes, it's time!!

Starting Wednesday, July 19th

ENROLLMENT procedures will begin for the Community Child Care Center at Silver Bay Association.

Are you looking for quality care?

A chance for your child(ren) to socialize and develop in a nurturing and healthy environment?

Then sign up for either full day or half day care sessions!

On Wednesday, Aug 16 at 7PM there will be an **Open House** at the Children's Pavilion. If you have any questions or would like an application sent to you please call Helen Barton at 543-8833 any day during the week except Fridays.

HIRING

Are you interested in a Child Care Teacher position or Teachers' Aide position and have qualifications and experience working with 6-week old babies to 5-year old children? If so, please mail your resume to Helen Barton, Assistant Program Director, Silver Bay Assoc., Silver Bay, NY 12874.

WARREN/HAMILTON COUNTY PICNIC

The annual Warren/Hamilton County Senior Picnic will be held on Wed, Sep 6 (Rain Date: Sep. 7) at Battlefield Park in Lake George. Grilled chicken, corn on the cob, chips and watermelon will be served. Coffee and doughnuts will be offered to volunteers and early arrivals. The price of the meal is \$1.50, altho no one will be denied a meal if unable to pay. Bring your own tablecloth and place setting of tableware (plates are provided). Because the Office for the Aging needs to know in order to provide food, please register to attend the picnic by phoning 543-6161. Last day to register is Aug. 24. . . ewa

HAGUE ARTS FAIR

The annual Hague Arts Fair will be held on Sat. & Sun., Aug 5 & 6, 1995 at the Hague Community Center. According to Fran Clifton, fair organizer, all possible spots are now taken for this year's event (unless there is a cancellation), which means there will be approximately 40 exhibitors jam-packed into the Community Center and grounds, offering overflowing tables of handcrafted goods guaranteed to include something for everyone, including home-baked items. Hours are from 10AM-4PM both days.

Also available will be a concession stand, benefit of the Best Scholarship Fund, manned by "Cindy Coon & Co.", offering hotdogs, plain or with Cindy's outstanding Michigan sauce, sandwiches, beverages and snacks. Cindy is looking for one or two volunteers to help on Sun, so please give her a call if you can give a few hours that day. 543-8858.

Try to stop by and browse through the many treasures offered at this year's fair! . . ks

KIWANIANS DEDICATE PICNIC TABLES

At a recent gathering of some Kiwanians, town board members and representatives of the senior citizens and press, David Iuliano, vice president of the Kiwanis Club dedicated the new picnic tables which they had commissioned Frank Koening to build for the town. He stated that the Kiwanis Club was very happy to be of some assistance to the youth and seniors in Hague and they hoped they would continue a good working relationship with the town. The tables are located on the west side of the building. The Kiwanis Club has also been instrumental in helping the town with the new grassy area on the west side and the basketball court/skating rink on the east side of the building. The town is grateful to the Kiwanis Club for their support in these endeavors.

GRACE MEMORIAL CHAPEL SUMMER SERVICES

Historic Grace Memorial Chapel on Sabbath Day Point in Silver Bay continues its 111th year of summer worship services. Worship is at 10 o'clock each Sunday through Sep. 3. The chapel is interdenominational and worship is led by a different minister each Sunday.

The ministers for the remainder of July are: July 16, Rev. Gerard J. Van Heest, Reformed Church in America, Holland, MI; July 23, Rev. Robert B. Marr, United Church of Christ, Suffolk, VA; July 30, Rev. Gordon Robinson, Reformed Church in America, Whiting, NJ.

The worship leaders for August are: Aug. 6, Rev. Lee VanSickle, U.M. Church, Penney Farms, FL; Aug. 13, Rev. Nickolas Miles, United Reformed Church of Rosendale, Bloomington, NY; Aug. 20, Rev. Winston Saunders, U.M. Church, Saratoga Springs, NY and Aug. 27, Rev. Robert B. Marr. Rev. Charles Holliday, Reformed Presbyterian Church, Silver Bay, NY will complete the summer schedule on Sep 3. The chapel organist is Laura Meade, Hague. Special music is provided each Sunday by musicians from the Silver Bay area.

In addition to the worship services, the chapel offers its second chamber music concert on Sat. Aug 5. (see p2)

The chapel is also available for weddings, baptisms, and memorial services. For more information call Carol Babinsky at 543-6044.

You are invited to come, worship the Lord in this beautiful old chapel. A warm welcome awaits you.

LAKE GEORGE ASSOCIATION NEWS

As part of an on-going effort to provide information to the public and its members, the LGA is hosting weekly talks featuring subjects pertinent to the Lake George watershed. Topics range in scope from casino gambling to hummingbirds.

The public is invited to attend the 7:30PM Tues. gatherings at the LGA Center on Rt. 9N (Luzerne Rd.) just west of Northway Exit 21.

The first talk is July 11, *David Smith: The Sculptor and His Work*, followed by July 18 *Casino Gambling - What*

Does this Mean to Lake George?: July 25, Archeology in Lake George;; Military Sites of the 18th Century; Aug. 1, Lake George: An Historical Perspective - General Knox enabled George Washington to Save Boston; Aug 8, Zebra Mussels: Cradle to Grave - Is this Lake George's Next Problem?; Aug 15, Abraham Jacobi, MD: The Lake George Connection Aug 22, Antique Boats in the Adirondacks and Lake George; and Aug 29, Blue Heron, Hummingbirds and Beaver: Treasures of the Lake George Watershed.

The LGA is dedicated to the preservation and conservation of Lake George and its watershed as a clean and beautiful resource, through education, advocacy and broad-based community involvement. For more info., Please contact the LGA: 668-3558.

THE LGA will celebrate its 110th anniversary with a grand supper buffet and multi-media presentation "Historic Steamboats on Lake George." The event will take place at 6PM, Wed., Jul 26 at the Fort William Henry Motor Inn on Rt 9, Lake George.

Following the supper buffet, Dick Kowell of Syracuse will present a professionally produced and photographed program on Lake George, "Its steamboats and the places that they touched." The theme of the program which incorporates rare old photos, old hand-colored postcards and other materials, will create a steamboat ride in the early 1900's around the shores of Lake George.

Reservations for the evening are required at \$20 per person, contact the LGA at 668-3558.5

HAGUE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Among our fund raising activities was the Pasta Buffet, which thanks to the Silver Bay Assoc., Michelle and her wonderful staff, was most successful. Over \$900 was raised; we thank the Silver Bay Assoc. and its staff for putting on this event for us.

The breakfasts and steak roast held on Father's Day weekend left us with a lot of weary volunteers. The accounts of this are not available yet, but we thank those who came and worked and those who came and ate. We couldn't do it without either!

On-going fund raiser: The rummage sale at the old Town Hall, presided over by Pat Swinton. We have lots of clothing, a Franklin stove in excellent condition, dishes, shoes, and many boxes of books. The sale hours are from 9AM - 2PM Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, with evening hours on Fri. from 6-8PM. Sat., July 29 will be Bag Day - all you can cram into one of our bags for \$1.00.

However - the sale will be closed on two Saturdays: Jul 15 and Jul 22.

Upcoming Fundraisers: On Sun, Aug. 6 a food sale will be conducted at the Arts and Crafts Fair. Please, won't you help us by contributing a food item that you have made or grown? Remember, this is **Sunday, Aug 6**, and contributions may be brought to the Community from 8AM on. **(SUNDAY ONLY)**

And on Thurs, Aug 10 the Silver Bay Assoc. EMPS will be presenting **SOUND OF MUSIC** as a benefit for the Fire Dept. The EMPS show is always a high point in our summer season. We hope you will attend. 7/95

COMMUNITY STORMWATER MEETING SET

Citizens of Hague will have an opportunity for suggestions and comments when the Hague Stormwater Committee holds its first community meeting on August 30 at 7PM at the Hague Community Center.

The Hague Stormwater Committee (HSC) is a group of volunteer residents, appointed by the Town Board to examine runoff problems and find solutions. The Committee's recommendations will be developed into a community stormwater management plan and presented to the Town Board. Committee members have met regularly since last fall and now want public advice and participation on their work thus far.

The focus of the committee is on community strategies. The committee has conducted walking tours of the Town to report about overall conditions in the Town. Individual properties will not be discussed.

Runoff problems can result when land is changed from its natural condition. Disturbed land and hard surfaces may increase the flow of runoff, sediment and pollutants. These changes can negatively effect downstream property owners, water quality of streams and lakes and other natural resources.

The problems take many forms from highway runoff, flooding, and erosion to deltas and the loss of fish habitat.

Community solutions may include fixing stormsewer systems, stabilizing streambanks and reducing road sand, to name a few.

The goal of the HSC is for the community stormwater management plan to identify and prioritize problems and recommend solutions and strategies. The plan is being written by engineers and planners from C.T. Male Associates. Expenses are being paid by a grant of \$10,000 which the Town of Hague received from the Lake George Park Commission. The Commission's Stormwater Planning Local Assistance Program has received a grant of \$10,000 from the Lake Champlain Management Conference. The Hague initiative is part of larger "whole watershed" approaches to protect water quality.

RUMMAGE AND FOOD SALE will be held at The Hague Baptist Church on Saturday, July 22 from 9 - 2. If you have any items in good condition, please call Kitty Zacharenko, 543-6852.

CUB SCOUT PACK 21 NEWS

The pack wishes to express their gratitude for the friendship of our dear Cubmaster, Al Van Sleet. He will be greatly missed.

A small group of Cubs and families enjoyed an early summer picnic at The Fish and Game Club. Bowlers Jacob Lawrence., Josh Frasier. and Jason Frasier. received their prizes for the Bowl-a-Ree and also their anniversary patches from the Silver Bay Council Ring ceremony. An achievement bead was added to the Progress Toward Ranks awards of Jason Frasier, Joshua Frasier and Jacob

cob Lawrence. Keep it up boys!

Many thanks for all the bottles and cans and monetary donations!

NATURE NEWS

Laura Meade

Have you heard anyone speak of nuisance animals lately? At the mere mention of a pesky raccoon or a mysterious "critter" which squeals and dances in the wall partitions, immediate and emotional responses have been forthcoming. Here are a few of these comments, all from Hague residents!

- "Early one morning, while walking my dog, a red fox came right toward me, acting weird as it danced sideways and lifted its tail. Was it protecting its pups or could it have rabies? Fortunately the dog did not confront the fox, but walked quietly away"

- I saw a big, furry woodchuck in my pea patch, having a feast on new, green plants, some with developing pods. Too bad for him!"

- At night raccoons are digging up my flowers, then running next door to my neighbor's to do the same thing."

- What should we do about a large population of rabbits at Sabbath Day Point? They are nibbling on all kinds of vegetation. I think predators kept the rabbit population down in past years, but not now!"

- There's a beaver in the bay - and you know what they do!"

- One morning I discovered that something had drained all the sugar water from my hummingbird feeder. After filling it, there was the same result the next night. So I moved the feeder in case a raccoon was drinking it down and I watched at the next early dawn while one frantically performed gymnastics trying to get a sip. Now, as that raccoon scrambles up a nearby timber, it brushes against the wind chime and wakes me with a musical alarm before 6AM."

- "Did you hear about the "EMP" at the Silver Bay Assoc. who heard a strange noise while taking a shower? She looked around and saw a raccoon chewing a hole in the wall. The critter managed to get into the shower room where it spent some time before it was forcefully removed."

- "When I was on the phone the other day, a mouse ran around the living room and tried to scamper up the leg of a friend who was visiting. We screamed! That was right in the middle of the day!"

- What are we going to do about the two raccoons which got on our back porch at night through a hole they made in the screen? They "trashed" the place one night, knocking over a lot of things. It took us time and effort to clean up and then they did the same thing the next night."

- Take a look at those barn swallows building a nest against the side of my house above a fixture. Do you think a nest will stay there? What a mess!"

- Perhaps "havahart" traps are having some impact on the "nuisance wildlife, but maybe the animals are getting clever at their survival games (especially in this very dry season). If you have a serious problem with animals, you may contact Lonnie Swinton, Hague's Animal Control Officer, 543-6939.

WEATHER NOTES

Mary Lou Doulin

The big story about the weather is the drought-like conditions that have persisted throughout this spring and summer. We have had beautiful days, quite warm in the 80's, very few clouds, maximum sunshine and generally it has been breezy.

A big heat wave is predicted to come on July 13. The TV and radio have been warning us about what to do to avoid heat exhaustion.

While studying about water in school we learned that the supply of water on our planet is constant. That means that the same amount of water we have today is the same amount that was present when the dinosaurs roamed the earth. However, at this time we are not getting our fair share. No burning is allowed in the town, because of such a high fire risk. The robins have been devastated due to the lack of rain.

NATURE WALKS

Every Sat. morning during July and August at 7AM and on Monday evenings at 7PM, Laura Meade will lead a nature walk in the Hague area from the Town Park. The trail and the distance will be decided by the group from the options offered.

ANOTHER MOOSE SIGHTING

Recently Mrs. Lazarus, Sabbath Day Point (at the foot of Tongue Mt.) was sitting on her porch at 6AM minding her own business, when she spotted a large moose swimming toward her cottage, apparently having crossed the lake from Hulett's Landing area. He tried to climb up on the shore but lost his footing and was last seen swimming toward the lookout. As my grandson said, "Now you not only have to be careful to avoid deer with your car, you certainly don't want to hit a moose with your boat!" . . . djh

READINGS BY THE BAY

Louise Meriwether will read from her work on Thurs, Jul 20 as part of an eight-week series of readings by nationally renowned authors. All readings are at 7:45p.m. at the Silver Bay Assoc. in Silver Bay. Admission is \$3.00. A reception follows each reading. Other upcoming readings will be offered by Richard Tillinghast, The Snickering Witches, Gwendolyn Parker, Mark Nepo, Judith Johnson and Sandra Benitez.

To register or for more info. about this and other Writer's Voice programs, including writing workshops, please call Sharon Ofner or David Bergh at 543-8833.

RAMBLINGS FROM OUR HISTORIAN

"I often remember when Hague was a thriving town and a resort community, like back in the 1920's. We had five hotels in and around the village, several summer camps

along the lake and a 9-hole golf course at Arcady and two general stores, plus movies at least once weekly. Every hotel had its tennis court and they had plenty of players. Basketball was a sport related to winter. Our only court was in the school gym and the janitor wasn't letting anyone in to play any time. My neighbor, up from New Jersey, said she takes her kids to Silver Bay to get onto a tennis court. I'd love to see Monica Seles smash out a few on a Hague court. I wouldn't be thrilled to see O.J. Simpson slam dunking a few out there or chasing another poor female victim of his rage. Remember, Monica took a knife in her neck a couple years ago. She's back again."

"In those days no one was concerned with finding amusement for kids. There were lots of farms here then and farm boys had their work cut out for them. Planting, hoeing, weeding, milking, churning, haying. You name it, we probably did it. There were never enough girls or boys to help at hotels. Girls were glad to come up here from the city for a job at \$5.00 a week and board, good food and pleasant surroundings. Tips were good in those days too. About 20 boys were needed as caddies at Arcady. Some came up from Ti. I think they got \$1.50 a round plus tips. That was good money and no taxes. Golf carts hadn't appeared by then to take the players around the course. They needed a boy to carry the hardware."

"I never heard a lawn mower until Father McCarthy bought one to use on the church property. Once it got away from him and cut a swath through the barberry hedge. I cut these lawns many times with a pusher. It took me 4 hours but they were smaller than now."

"As late as 1930 every family in town had a garden, either on the home lot or rented outside. Lawns were not beautiful, gardens were. For \$5.00 each I rented the present Fire House site and the present Steitz lawn and had wonderful gardens two summers or until I had a full time job. Art Rand's garden was the Catholic parking lot when Art owned it. As a kid about 1918 I rolled the Rock & Rye tennis court. Try and find it now. That place was a summer estate until the house burned in 19278. Mother kept boarders there two summers during WWI."

"Even the hotels had gardens but away from the hotels. My Uncle B./A. Clifton owned the Dodd Hill property and hired a man to care for the gardens up there. He also had a sawmill and hired a miller from Whitehall. R.J. Bolton owned a lot of land up where the Town Reservoir is now. The Trout House gardens were up there. Smith Sexton owned what is not the Traller Park by Green Acres. That was the garden for the Mohican House located where Ody's Restaurant stands. The Risings owned a hotel near the lake. They had an electric incubator in their chicken house up the hill. They raised their own broilers, thousands of them, for the hotel. I suppose fresh meat came in on the steamboats. We had a meat market where the Town Bridge is now but that couldn't have supplied much. Refrigeration was Lake George ice piled into the many ice houses by the hotels and private homes."

Historian Clifton West invites you to come to the Town Center to visit the Hague museum. **MOST INTERESTING Clifton will be 87 years young on Aug 26. HAPPY BIRTHDAY** and thanks for a good job, well done.

RECYCLING CHECKLIST:

CLEAR GLASS

- *Colorless glass bottles & jars only.
- *Rinse out, discard caps & lids.
- *Labels & rings are OK.
- *No ceramics, pottery, kitchen glassware, pyrex, window glass, mirror glass, lightbulbs, or glass with wicker or mesh covering.



GREEN & BROWN GLASS

- *Bottles & jars only.
- *Rinse out & remove caps; labels are OK.

HDPE, PET AND VINYL PLASTIC

- *Prepare *only* bottles and jugs—containers with a neck. *No* pails or tubs (no yogurt, margarine, or cottage cheese containers, motor oil bottles etc.)
- *Prepare *only* bottle & jugs with one of these symbols on the bottom (*clear V* only)
- *Remove and *throw away caps* and pumps. This is important to the quality of the plastics.



STEEL CANS

- *Tin-coated steel cans like soup & dog food cans only (*attracted to a magnet.*)
- *Wash out cans.
- *Remove paper labels.



NEWSPAPER

- *Throw away all glossy advertising inserts.
- *Place in neat stacks.
- *Do *not* tie in bundles or place in plastic bags.
- *Keep dry & clean.
- **NO* magazines, glossy inserts, telephone books, junk mail, or household paper.



ALUMINUM CANS

- *Wash out and crush cans.
- *Remove paper labels if present.

CARDBOARD

- *Brown "corrugated cardboard" boxes and brown kraft paper bags are OK.
- *Empty, flatten and keep clean & dry.
- **NO* boxboard or paperboard (no cereal boxes, milk cartons, etc.)
- **NO* pizza boxes.
- **NO* wax or plastic-coated cardboard.

MAGAZINES, GLOSSY INSERTS, JUNK MAIL & HOUSEHOLD PAPER

- *Call for location and times for recycling.

TELEPHONE BOOKS

- *Recycle with your magazines.
- *Call for location and times for recycling.

SCRAP METAL, CARS & APPLIANCES

- *Call your local town office to get information on delivering to your town collection site.
- *There may be fees for certain items.

YARD WASTE

- *Start a home composting bin in your yard for *food and yard waste* (contact our office for information on how to get started), *or*
- *Call your town office to find out about bringing your *yard waste only* to be composted near your recycling drop-off center. (A fee may be charged.)

TIRES

- *Remove from rims.
- *Bring to the recycling drop-off center at the town transfer station for disposal (a fee may be charged.)



OFFICE PAPER

- *Businesses & institutions may contact the Warren-Washington County ARC at 793-4204.

PLASTIC BAGS

- *Most plastic bags are low density polyethylene (LDPE.)
- *Some supermarkets are accepting plastic bags for recycling.

HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

- *Recycle at a local transfer station. Please do not put in trash that will be sent to waste-to-energy facility.

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- *Should be disposed of at the local transfer station as non-processible waste. Please do not put in trash that will be sent to waste-to-energy facility.



WHERE TO RECYCLE:

Each town in Warren County has a *recycling drop-off center* at its transfer station. In addition, Queensbury & Glens Falls have a transfer station on Luzerne Road that accepts recyclables. *Curbside collection* may also be available in your community. Call your local government office to find out whether the community or private haulers, have curbside collection services.

WARREN COUNTY TRANSFER STATIONS

Bolton	644-2973	Lake Luzerne	696-2105
Chester	494-3952	Queensbury—Ridge Rd.	745-4479
Hague	543-6673	—Luzerne Rd.	745-4478
Horicon	494-7906	Stony Creek	696-5602
Johnsburg	251-2742	Thurman	623-9614
Lake George	668-2963	Warrensburg	623-3096



MARRIED: Drake Darrin, son of Margaret A. Darrin, Hague and the late David M. Darrin to Laura Jean Ferone, daughter of Mr & Mrs. Joseph J. Ferone, Bronxville, NY. on June 17 at St. Augustine Church, Ossining NY. Reception was held at Lyndhurst Castle in Tarrytown, NY.

DIED - Robert J. Rising, 30, Brant Lake on June 13, 1995 in the Glens Falls Hospital. Survivors include his parents, maternal grandparents, Ray and Evelyn Monroe, Hague, paternal grandfather, and two brothers.

DIED - Alfred F. Van Sleet, 71, Hague, on June 26 at Moses Ludington Hospital, Ticonderoga. He is survived by his wife, Betty, a son, a daughter, seven grandsons and a granddaughter.

DIED: Joseph P. Bach, 70, New Hague Rd, Hague, on July 11. A veteran of the U.S. Navy, Joe was a seaman in the Merchant Marines until 1980. He had been a resident of Hague since 1948. Two sisters survive him.

During the graduation exercises of the Ticonderoga High School, the following awards were made to Hague students: Knights of Columbus Prize, ELIZABETH BRUNET; Mary Beste Memorial Scholarship Award, ELIZABETH BRUNET and JESSICA MARS; Delano prizes for Excellence in Scholarship, ELIZABETH BRUNET; Stephen J. Potter Education Award, ELIZABETH BRUNET, JESSICA MARS; Hague Winter Carnival Award, ELIZABETH BRUNET

As we wrote in last month's issue ELIZABETH BRUNET was the valedictorian of her class. We commend both of these girls in their pursuit of excellence.

JASON PLASS, son of Mr. & Mrs. Peter Plass, Silver Bay, was awarded his Master's of Business Administration, magna cum laude at the College of St. Rose recently. Jason was recommended for admission in the 1995 graduate addition of the national publication "Who's Who in Colleges and Universities" and was awarded a National Collegiate Student Government Award for his participation in student government.

SCOTT GLENN, son of Mr. & Mrs. William Glenn, Hague, graduated with honors from Fordham Univ, earning his degree in Media Studies. Following high school in the Republic of China, Mr. Glenn attended the U. of Ct. Then moving to NYC he has had a successful career for 23 years in Theatre Management. Three years ago he returned to college and at 42 is currently writing and directing for major corporations.

If you tell the truth you never have to remember what you said.

ACHIEVEMENT ROLL FOR TI MIDDLE SCHOOL, 4TH GRADING PERIOD (Hague students)

Grade 8: MICHELLE DeFRANCO, DAVID FITZGERALD,

Grade 7: TAVISH COSTELLO, CHRISTINE FRASIER, PETER HUTCHINSON, KATHRYN RUTKOWSKI, EVE TROMBLEY,

Grade 6: KATIE BREITENBACH, ANNE JOHNSON, RYAN LAWRENCE, JOSH PLASS. CONGRATS!

MIDDLE SCHOOL HOLDS PROMOTION EXERCISES

On June 23, 1995 eighty-nine eighth graders were promoted to high school status. Among the "graduates" were Hague students KENNETH ANDREA, PATRICK ANDREA, VICTORIA BELDEN, * MICHELLE DeFRANCO, *DAVID FITZGERALD, THORHAN GAUTREAU, JAMES GIRARD, *CHRISTINA LAWRENCE, NATHAN LAWRENCE. * Indicates honor students.

DAVID FITZGERALD was the recipient of the NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, for outstanding achievement in SOCIAL STUDIES.

MICHELLE DEFRANCO, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. David DeFranco, Hague, will be returning to Clarkson University for the second summer for a one week program, HORIZONS, designed to encourage girls at the middle school level in the pursuit of science and math.

The Hartis in Cape Cod Village have a 1991 16' Sawyer canoe in excellent condition for \$250. Call 543-8850

FOOD DISTRIBUTION will take place at the Community Center on July 25 and Aug 8 from 1-2PM.

CPR COURSE SCHEDULED

Tuesday, Aug 8 from 10AM-2PM at the Community Ctr. There are still 4 openings as of July 12. A CPR course on children and infants follows from 2:30-5:30PM. For info. and to register call Kay Barton, 543-6057. Sponsored by Women Helping Women.

WOMEN HELPING WOMEN

The Schuylerville Community Theater will present a program "Theater to Go" on Monday, August 14 at 7:30PM in the auditorium at Silver Bay Association, sponsored by WHW. The group includes 15 performers in a show that will last one hour and 40 minutes.

The show will be narrated and include Broadway show tunes. One segment will be dedicated to Cole Porter and one to Rock and Roll. Donations will be accepted to help defray the expenses of the theater group.

There will be 50 reserved seats for WHW, front row center. Come, bring a friend, your spouse, or whatever. It promises to be a great evening of entertainment.

THE CHURCH OF THE CROSS, Ticonderoga will hold its annual auction and bazaar on Sat., Jul 15 beginning at

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JULY/AUGUST 1995

July

- 17 Democratic party meeting - 7PM, Town Center
- 18 Silver Bay Property Owners meeting (p2)
- 18 Ti Festival Guild Concert (p2)
- 18 Fish & Game Club - 7:30PM, Clubhouse
- 19 Arts Trek for children (p2)
- 19 Free Blood Pressure clinic - 1-2PM, Community Ctr.
- 19 Puppet show in park - 3:30PM
- 19 Square dancing at Community Ctr. 7:30-9:30PM
- 19 School Board meeting - 7:30PM, HS Cafeteria
- 20 Carillon Garden Club trip to herb farm
- 25 Ti Festival Concert (p2)
- 26 Arts Trek for children (p2)
- 26 Puppet show in park, 3:30PM
- 26 Square dancing at Community Ctr. 7:30-9:30PM
- 27 ZBA meeting - 7PM

August

- 1 Sewer Informational meeting - 6:30PM, Town Ctr.
- 1 Ti Festival Guild Concert (p2)
- 2 Senior Citizens bus to Glens Falls
- 2 Arts Trek for children (p2)
- 2 Puppet show in park, 3:30PM

- 2 Square dancing at Community Ctr. 7:30-9:30PM
- 3 Planning Board meeting
- 5 & 6 Hague Arts Fair
- 5 Chamber music at Grace Chapel (p2)
- 7 Hague Fire Dept. meeting
- 8 CPR course - 10AM--2PM and 2:30-5:30PM (p7)
- 8 Town Board meeting - 6:30PM
- 8 Ti Festival Guild Concert (p2)
- 9 Arts Trek for children (p2)
- 9 Puppet show in park, 3:30PM
- 9 Square dancing at Community Ctr. 7:30-9:30PM
- 10 **HAGUE CHRONICLE DEADLINE**
- 10 Red Cross blood drive at Silver Bay, 12-6PM
- 10 "Sound of Music", staged by EMPS at Silver Bay aud. (benefit HVFD)
- 14 Women Helping Women at Silver Bay
- 15 Ti Festival Guild Concert (p2)
- 16 Open House at Child Care Ctr. at Silver Bay. (p4)
- 16 Arts Trek for children (p2)
- 16 Puppet show in park, 3:30PM
- 16 Square dancing at Community Ctr. 7:30-9:30PM

The heat and drought have gotten to me. You will notice you have two colors of paper this month. At least we are partially environmentally concerned - half the paper is recycled! . . . djh

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