



# THE HAGUE CHRONICLE

## ELECTION DAY - NOVEMBER 5, 1991

A reminder to all residents of Hague (and elsewhere) that Tuesday, November 5 is Election Day. Polls open at 6AM and close at 9PM.

In Hague the ladies of the Fire Department will be serving donuts and coffee in the Town Center from 6-11AM. At noon, lunch will be served until 2PM. Menu consists of oyster stew, sandwiches and a beverage.

The following local candidates will be listed on the ballot:

### For Supervisor:

Daniel Belden, Republican and Independent  
Richard Frasier, Independent

### For Town Board

Karen Laundree, Democrat  
Linda Coffin, Republican  
Martin Fitzgerald, Republican

### Superintendent of Highways

Richard Dunklee, Republican & Independent

WRITE IN VOTES are a possibility. If you need to know how to take advantage of this procedure, or have any other questions regarding voting or the voting machine, the Voting Machine Custodians will be on hand at the Community Center on October 30 and 31 and November 1 from 1-3PM to answer any questions that you may have.

**REMEMBER** - It is your right and responsibility to vote on November 5 between the hours of 6AM and 9PM.

## HAGUE SR. CITIZEN OF YEAR AWARD

The Hague Chamber of Commerce would like to remind everyone that next month the Senior Citizen of the Year Award Selection Committee will be meeting to review all nominees for this award, which will be presented at the Community Christmas Party in December. Now is the time to send in your nomination to the Chamber, c/o Tom James, Silver Bay, NY 12874

As a refresher, here are the qualification guidelines for nominees:

- Any long-term Hague senior citizen is eligible.
- Any year-round Hague resident may nominate a candidate.
- The written submission shall include nominee name, address, a brief biography and the reasons why the candidate should be considered for the award.
- Nominations should be received no later than November 1, 1991.

The award winner's name will not be made public until the time of the award presentation. The Selection Committee, made up of one representative from the

Chamber, Fire Department, Fish and Game Club, Senior Citizens Club and the Town Supervisor, will meet in November to make their decision.

Please send in your nominations soon!

## SOLID WASTE UPDATE

John Breitenbach, Jr.

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation granted Hague and all other Warren County Towns an additional time extension to remain operational as a Landfill site. This latest extension postpones the closing date until November 29, 1991. At that time, Hague's facility will no longer function as a landfill and will operate entirely as a solid waste transfer station.

Hague's Recycling program continues to be successful. The 1991 summer season showed a reduction in compacted solid waste by approximately 50% compared to the two previous summers. Consequently, the collection of recyclable items has greatly increased. It is evident that further improvements in the quantity of recyclable items can be achieved if everyone carefully participates with Hague's recycling program. This is certainly to everyone's advantage because there is no charge for recyclables and the cost of transferring garbage is approximately \$100.00 per ton.

As everyone gets more used to the changes effecting everyday solid waste disposal, the quality of the recyclable materials improves. There are still occasional times when some items need to be rejected by the attendants to avoid contamination of an entire load. These occasions are less frequent than before and hopefully will be eliminated. Please remember to clean all recyclable items and follow the instructions in our recycling pamphlets.

As a reminder, Hague is now accepting as recyclables brown and green glass, aluminum containers, all colors of #2 HDPE, #1 PETE and corrugated cardboard. These are in addition to the steel cans, natural #2 HDPE, clear glass, and newsprint.

The County MRF (Materials Recovery Facility) is approaching completion and has already operated on a trial basis. Recyclables from Hague were transported to the facility for its trial run. The MRF should be in full operation shortly.

## FEDERAL FEES NOT REQUIRED

The Lake George Association has learned that boaters on Lake George no longer need to be concerned that they may be required to pay a federal fee - in addition to existing state and Lake George Park Commission fees - to operate their boats here.

The question has finally been put to rest as the result of a direct confirmation from the U.S. Coast Guard confirming that boats using Lake George are exempt from the Recreational Vessel Fee (RVF). Although the fee has been required of boaters on some waters - including Lake Champlain and the canal system - the Coast Guard determined that Lake George does not meet

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the official criteria for the fee. Lake George is not considered a tidal zone (nor can vessels over 16 feet navigate Lake George to tidal water) and the lake is not patrolled by active duty Coast Guard personnel (although the Coast Guard Auxiliary maintains a presence here).

The Lake George Association has received, courtesy of the office of Assemblyman Neil Kelleher, a copy of a letter documenting this determination. It is dated Aug. 28, 1991 from E. G. Westerberg, Lt. J.G. of the U.S. Coast Guard Boating Safety Affairs Branch.

This will come as welcome news to any boaters on Lake George who have wondered if they need to pay this additional federal charge. . . Mary Arthur-Beebe, Executive Director, The Lake George Association.

**FLU SHOTS WILL BE GIVEN AT COMMUNITY CENTER FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND ANY OTHERS WITH LUNG PROBLEMS ON NOVEMBER 6 FROM 1-2PM. \$5.00 fee.**

### AMERICAN LEGION

The next regular meeting of Hague Post 1538 will be held on Wednesday, November 6 at 7PM.

N. Y. Department Commander Franklin Ward will make his official visitation to Warren County on Saturday, Nov. 2 when he will be honored at a dinner at Lake George Post. Any member interested in attending should contact Bernie Clifton by October 20.

### HAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

October 17, 1991

The Rev. Jack Williams of the St. James Episcopal Church in Lake George Village will present his illustrated researched material on the histories of the various churches along the shores of Lake George. The background of most of these churches was ecumenical in nature with the different denominations of the present day growing from a common start.

The Rev. Williams has been the rector of the St. James Church for the past 25 years.

A social hour will begin at 7:30PM and the program starts at 8PM. The public is cordially invited to attend.

... RMC

### COMMUNITY SILVER TEA

The Hague Baptist Church will hold its annual COMMUNITY SILVER TEA on Saturday, October 26 from 1-4PM in the church annex. On sale will be baked goods, Christmas items, crafts, etc. etc. This is always an anticipated event in Hague. Come and enjoy!

### HARVEST TURKEY DINNER

The annual Harvest Turkey Dinner will be held on Wednesday, October 23 at the Church of the Cross, Champlain Ave., Ticonderoga, NY. Take out dinners at 4:30PM. Serving at 5PM and continue until all are served.

Adult tickets are \$6.00. Under 12 - \$3.00. Under 5 - Free.

A portion of each adult ticket will be set aside for the Clyde Manning transplant fund.

*We cannot learn anything new while speaking, but only while listening. . . Anonymous*

### HAGUE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The regular meeting of the Hague Senior Citizens Club will be held on Tuesday, October 22 at 1:30PM at the Hague Community Center. Prior to the meeting we will carpool to the Bolton Landing Meal Site. Please meet in the parking lot at 11:20AM for this trip. Register for the meal by phoning 543-6161 by October 17, as we must call in our reservations at the meal site one week prior to our coming. Fran Clifton will present a talk on "Hotels of Northern Lake George." This promises to be a very interesting presentation with photos of some of the old hotels in the area. Fran has asked those who have old photographs to please bring them along to share.

Any resident of Hague 50 years of age or over is invited to join us in any of our activities. Try it, you'll like it!

### HAGUE'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The nights are cold, the days are glorious. The leaves just don't want to let go and are giving us an extra few days of amazing beauty. And here we are thinking of Christmas!

We just want to let everyone know that we are planning another Christmas party for the town on Saturday, December 7 (mark your calendar now - no excuses!) from 2-6PM. Under the able chairmanship of Georgina Lindquist we hope to even surpass the success of last year's party. (Remember we had to postpone it because of snow!) Of course that won't happen again!

Fran Clifton is chairman of the refreshment committee. She said that everyone was so generous in their support last year by supplying tons of cookies and finger sandwiches and she hopes that you will do the same again. If you have any questions about what to bring, she will be happy to hear from you at 543-6501.

Of course there will be entertainment and Jolly Old St. Nicholas will be there in all his glory just waiting to have his picture taken with the kiddies.

Be sure to keep the date - DECEMBER 7 - in mind. We will report more on the party in the next issue.

### ELECTION DAY BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

The Hague Volunteer Fire Department will be holding an Election Day breakfast (donuts and coffee) from 6-11AM at The Community Center. Come vote and share a round or two of coffee with your friends.

At noon (same day) a luncheon will be served until 2PM, consisting of sandwiches and oyster stew and a beverage. **BOTH BREAKFAST AND LUNCH ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. BE SURE TO VOTE** and then partake of one or both of these fine meals.

The Fire Department has announced that they are raffling a decorated sweatshirt, winning ticket to be drawn at the close of the Winter Carnival in February. Tickets are \$1.00 from members of the fire department.

### MOHICAN HOME BUREAU Betty Van Sleet

The next meeting will be held on Election Day, November 5. Coming events are: Christmas party, Dec. 17, chaired by Dorothy Abare; Warren County Luncheon, April 1st, chaired by Dolly Barber; our Spring Luncheon, June 2nd, chaired by Wendy Serbent and Visits to the Nursing Homes chaired by Betty McGuire. New members from the area i.e. Hague, Ticonderoga, Crown Point, etc. are most welcome. 10/91

ASSESSOR LA ROSE REPORTS

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 10/3/91

The regular ZBA meeting, postponed from Sept. 26, was held on October 3. Prior to the meeting a public hearing for Jeff and Mary Keefer's (34-2-17) front yard area variance request was held. The board approved their variance.

In the preliminary hearings that followed:

- Carney (67-1-5) Minor subdivision. Public Hearing set for Oct. 24 starting at 7PM
- Noordsy (65-1-4.1) Area variance for minor sub-division. Public hearing Oct. 24.
- Michael (25---1-8.1) Area variance for sub-division. Public hearing October 24.
- Katzman (45-2-72) Minor sub-division. Public hearing October 24.
- Doran (60-1-3.3) Area variance for residential addition. Sent back for additional information.
- Babson (42-1-34) Area variance for residential addition. Sent back for additional information. . . gl

HAGUE TOWN BOARD - 10/8/91

A request by Richard Hathaway, Ti Youth Commission, for Hague's financial participation in his program by contributing \$916.00 opened the Oct. 8 town board meeting. The board was assured that with the proper applications to the state, Hague would be reimbursed by \$458.00. Dick Bolton, Supervisor, will check these details with the Warren County Youth Dept. and bring the information back to the board for a decision.

Town Attorney John Silvestri gave a detailed report on the state funding for our landfill closure and all agreements pertaining to same. It is extremely complicated and requires various agreements because of the need for waste disposal after our landfill closure.

There is conflicting advice from Ticonderoga School and Warren County lawyers on how the ballfield in Hague can be transferred from the Ti School District to Hague for use in our planned sewer system. It was decided to check with the attorney general's office for clarification. Silvestri concurred.

He also commented on the lawsuit Hague has with the state over the assessment of state lands located here. He credits Harold LaRose's (our assessor) proposal to the state (which now has state approval) for saving the town approximately \$300,000 on what the state felt Hague owed, according to state calculations.

The Chamber of Commerce has donated \$100 to the Community Center in appreciation for its use for their summer programs.

The HUD grant we had applied for was NOT granted, with limited funds given as the reason for refusal. Grant requests totalled \$82,156,920.00 and only \$33,453,000.00 was available. Hague ranked 87 out of a total of 191 rated in Hague's competitive category.

Jim Braisted, councilman for buildings and grounds, is obtaining estimates for repairs to town ramp at our park.

In Resolution #14, the board authorized the supervisor to deliver a Lump Sum Municipal Snow and Ice agreement for the town of Hague with NYS Dept. of Transportation.

County Resolutions that affect Hague:

- Res. #462 - Making and filing of a written statement of findings for the town of Hague's portion of the Warren County Wastewater facilities in the Lake George Basin.
- Res. #439 Decreasing contract amounts with various agencies for recreation programs for the elderly due to budget cuts. Note: Hague will get \$40.50 for their senior program. . gl

A recent article which appeared in the International Association of Assessing Officers IAAO Update relative to assessments contains information which I believe should be of interest to all property owners in the Town of Hague.

Excerpts from the article will be carried in the next few issues of The Hague Chronicle.

HOW ASSESSORS VALUE PROPERTY

The first step in valuation is data collection. The assessor's office collects quantities of information about each property in the jurisdiction. The information is recorded on a property record form which may be reviewed for accuracy by the taxpayer at any time.

The assessor's office also collects sales data and data on social, economic, and environmental factors affecting property value, for example, employment, population and income patterns, interest rates, construction costs, regional location factors (such as access to parks, churches, schools, and public transportation), zoning, and rent control. Complete and accurate maps are essential to the assessor's office. Many jurisdictions now have computerized geographic information about zoning, sewage systems, land use, soil types, communication networks, geologic structure, and a host of other data.

In short, the assessor's office has an abundance of data relevant to the value of your property. Incidentally, this information makes the office an important community resource.

To apply this information to valuing property, the assessor constructs a model - a simplified representation of how market factors affect value. Most residential property is valued with a cost model or a sales comparison model.

A cost model says the estimated market value of your property equals the value of the land and the cost of constructing a replacement, less depreciation. Replacement cost is usually found by a cost manual that shows regional construction costs for all building elements. Depreciation depends largely on age, condition, and the current desirability of the property's features and location. Sales comparison models are usually more important. A sales comparison model says the estimated market value of your property equals the sale price of a comparable property, with adjustments to the sale price for differences between your property and the comparable. For example, if your property has a swimming pool and two bathrooms, but the comparable has no pool and three bathrooms, but you would add the value of the pool to the comparable's sale price and subtract the value of a bathroom. The result would be evidence of what you might expect to sell your property for.

Assessors use more than one comparable, usually three to five. Also, they use more complex models that incorporate many more factors. And rather than considering properties one-at-a-time, assessors use computer software to appraise at one time many properties of the same general type.

HUNTING SEASON OPENS OCTOBER 19

Please be aware that hunting season gets under way on October 19. Make sure you use all precautions when walking in the woods. Better still, don't do it!

Bow and black powder hunting got under way on October 12. Good luck to all you hunters. Hope you get a big one!

### KAREN L. LAUNDREE - Candidate for Councilwoman (4 years)

In our August issue (prior to the Republican primaries) we gave a brief background on the Republican candidates that were running for office and we promised to do the same for the Democratic candidates in the October issue. We have only one Democratic candidate and she has sent us the following:

I have been a resident of the Town of Hague for 11 years and am seeking the opportunity to represent you as a Town Council member.

As a Planning Board member since 1987 and the Chairperson for the past 3 years, I feel I have examined each carefully and fairly. This is the attitude with which every issue that comes before our Town Board should be handled.

Effective government means knowing the issues and being responsive to the taxpayers concerns. Our town faces such challenges as solid waste management, wastewater and sewage treatment, encouragement of community involvement, and proper planning and zoning development in the upcoming years. My ability to conduct an unbiased review of each issue and to consider your thoughts and concerns is a valuable tool in the effort to keep the lines of communication between the taxpayers and town government open.

With drastic budget cuts at the state and county levels, a greater burden is falling upon each town to fend for itself. I feel we must be accountable for each dollar and work as a team to provide the most for our community at the least expense to the taxpayer.

My choice, with my husband, Doug, to reside and raise our family in the Town of Hague gives me the special incentive to put forth a great effort to meet the challenges that face us.

I would appreciate the opportunity to represent you in working toward an open style of town government. Thank you for your support on November 5.

*If you are interested in ordering a wreath for Christmas, call Rena Dykstra, 543-6535.*

### HANCOCK HOUSE EXHIBIT

On October 16 through November 2 Marion Brundige will be displaying varied oil paintings and Jane Hamilton, varied watercolor paintings. Both exhibits are in the Art Gallery of the Hancock House. The public is cordially invited to attend. Winter hours for the Hancock House are 10AM - 4PM Wednesdays through Saturdays.

### CHANGE IN LANDFILL HOURS

Until October 31, the Hague Landfill will be open from 12Noon to 5PM except for WEDNESDAYS, when it will be closed. Beginning November 1 the landfill will be closed Mondays and Wednesdays. Other days open from 12-5PM. These latter hours will be in effect until March 31, 1992.

### NATURE NEWS Laura Meade

Early yesterday morning (Oct. 9) I heard the white-throated sparrow whistle his unique five-sound call. I answered as best I could, mimicking his sounds. He responded with only two sounds, as if to say "Good-bye". I waved farewell and said, "See you next Spring!"

How do migrating birds return to their same nest sites year after year? And today, as I walked along the Old

Mine Road, my boots scuffed easily in the dry leaves. The sounds of the spring birds were only in my mind. Gone were the lilting trills of the wood thrush; the "che-boo" of the least flycatcher, the plaintive, slow drawn-out whistle of the wood pewee; the insistent call of the ovenbird and the whir, whir, whir and whew of the veery. As their food supply disappeared and temperatures became colder, the migrants left for warmer climates. Only the tough winter birds remain in the Town of Hague.

In recent years many people have become interested in feeding the winter birds at yard feeders. Black-capped chickadees, woodpeckers, goldfinches, titmice, and white-breasted or red breasted nuthatches flock to these feeders, especially after a snowfall covers their food source. Sunflower hearts, black oil sunflower seeds, suet and peanut butter mixed with suet are favorites of winter birds. These can be purchased at local feed stores, where a variety of feeders are also available. Preventing squirrels from raiding bird feeders is a major challenge and may require some innovation as to the hanging of the feeders.

According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife study, more than 2 million people feed birds in the United States. For the past few years Cornell University has organized a continent wide study of feeders in the U.S. and Canada. Anyone interested in participating in the 1991-92 Feeder Watch can contact me for details. Some observers in this project have reported predation from hawks or cats, while others noticed window killed birds in rural areas that are close to woods.

Besides being beneficial, watching lively birds at a feeder can brighten a winter day and provide much enjoyment.

Please notify me if you see unusual stocks of migrating birds.

### SENTINELS FOR SUCCESS

... is the center of Ticonderoga High School's Effective Schools work this year. Last spring, both the high school faculty and the student body of Ticonderoga High School, targeted this key idea as an area on which all should concentrate. Students and teachers alike saw the need to stress potential and encourage success rather than focusing on failure and shortcomings. Therefore, in their planning for the upcoming school year, the Building Leadership Team, led by Chairperson Dianne Shapiro, designed an action plan which would help to focus the faculty, provide alternatives in both teaching and evaluation methods, and offer new ideas and definitions of what success means in school and in life.

As part of the 1991-92 action plan, Mark Johnson, Executive Director of Silver Bay Assoc. was invited to address the high school faculty on September 3 at the first meeting of the new school year. Mr. Johnson helped to highlight the issue of success as well as provide some initial definition and discussion as to what success means and how it can be effectively created. The cycle of success, where goals and objectives are used to create a common mission but where each individual's gifts and talents are recognized for their unique and valuable contribution, was the challenge offered. Mr. Johnson stressed that this is what the faculty must recognize, encourage and create in order for Sentinels for Success to become a reality for all of our students and for ourselves.

The Building Leadership Team now is planning for additional speakers, educators and workshops as part of their work. In addition, participation by the Student Cont. on page 5 SENTINELS 10/91

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Leadership Team will be encouraged. If faculty and students work together to create success, it seems both possible and self-fulfilling. While Ticonderoga has always been proud of its school and students, hopefully SENTINELS FOR SUCCESS will encourage us all to do better, strive for more and achieve all we can together.

CORRECTION

In last month's issue we reported an acquisition of the book "Tales of Witt Cook" as having been donated by Arthur Stanley. This should have read Alfred Stanley. Thanks for the book, and we apologize for the error.

LEST YOU FORGET

It has been a long time since we have reminded you about how The Hague Chronicle keeps going. First, we want to thank all of you wonderful people who contribute so generously to this publication. The Hague Chronicle is a non-profit newspaper which relies solely on the support of its readers. We receive no grants nor do we receive any money from the town of Hague. (We also do not receive any salaries!)

We have a very well equipped office on New Hague Road and if you can locate it, you are most welcome to visit. Most of the work is done in this office, but the actual collating and mailing, is done in a room at the Community Center, where anywhere from 8 to 12 people gather around a table, stapling, licking stamps, pasting labels, etc. so that you will receive your paper as soon after the 15th of the month as the post office department can deliver it.

For those of you who are new to our family of readers, you will note a date above your name on the label. This is the date that you last contributed. At the present time we have 100% support (except for a few complimentary copies to schools, library, legislators, etc.) We hope to continue in this tradition. If you have forgotten to send a contribution we circle the date in red. If you still forget, we send a note with your paper. If you still forget, we assume you do not want to receive it any longer and we regretfully remove your name from the mailing list.. It saves (me) a lot of time when I don't have to do this, so I do appreciate your cooperation and support.

... Dorothy J. Henry, Publisher

HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY TEST

The GED Test (High School Equivalency) will be given at Ticonderoga High School on December 4 & 5, 1991.

Changes this year: Applications must be sent directly to: High School Equivalency Testing Program

P.O. Box 7348  
Albany, NY 12224-0348

There is now a \$25.00 fee for the test. A check or money order for that amount must be sent with the application. Local agencies may be willing to pay this fee. Check the new application for guidelines. You must apply well in advance of the test date. The test center in Albany will notify candidates ten (10) days prior to their test date. Applications are now available for area Guidance Offices.

NORTHEAST UNLIMITED QUILTS

The Arts Center/Old Forge is preparing to open its quilt show Northeast Quilts Unlimited, an Annual Celebration, to be on exhibit at the Center from 12-4 daily, October 11 through 30.

From the looks of the entries, 1991 promises to be a year of especially stunning contemporary and traditional quilts and quilted clothing. Already received are over 50 entries from quilters as near as Tupper Lake and Oneida and as far away as Florida, Oklahoma and California.

A special invitational exhibition will be comprised of quilt professionals such as Yvonne Porcella, Josette Urso, Rebekah Clark.

In addition, a special exhibition in the Center's Ruth G. Rosenau Memorial Gallery in 1991 will be comprised of antique crazy quilts from all over the Adirondack region.

All those interested in seeing Northeast Quilts are encouraged to visit the Arts Center/Old Forge, Route 28, Old Forge, NY 13420.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS' PROJECT

A SENIOR PROJECT will be a new addition to the studies of all Ticonderoga High School seniors this year as part of their English 12 class. All 12th grade students will have to design and complete a three phase program of study where they research, apply and then present their project before a board of judges. All students will work with both their English teacher and a second teacher or community member in order to plan, collect research, apply what they have learned and then effectively share all that has happened to them. Projects will be as diverse as the students completing them. This "show what you know" experience should enable all students to focus on an area of true interest to them, learn more about it, use the information in some new way and become the expert for others. Hopefully, as the year develops, individual projects can be highlighted for the community to see and for our students to feel proud of what they have chosen to do themselves.

ARTISTS TO EXHIBIT IN 1992  
CENTENNIAL EXHIBIT

The Committee for the 1992 Adirondack Park Centennial is soliciting entries in a juried watercolor exhibit with the theme, "A Park of People and Natural Wonder."

The exhibit is planned for 1992 as part of the diverse celebration of the Adirondack Park Centennial.

"A watercolor show is a particularly fitting event, since the Park has inspired painters from Colonial times," said Mary B. Johnson, coordinator of the exhibit for the Centennial committee. "Also, the Park contains the source of the Hudson River, which was central in the development of the American watercolor tradition."

People are invited to enter up to two works that reflect the theme, "A Park of People and Natural Wonder." Paintings selected to be part of the exhibit will be shown May 8 -29 at the Silver Bay Association, YMCA Conference Center, Lake George. A portion of the show will then travel to various locations throughout the Adirondack Park and upstate New York between June and December 1992.

Cash and other prizes will also be awarded.

Frank Webb, A.W.S. will serve as Jury of Selection; Don Getz, A.W.S. will serve as Jury of Awards. Both are internationally recognized for their watercolor paintings and have extensive background in teaching and commercial art.

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Initial entries must be by slide, and the deadline is Feb. 1, 1992. The entry fee is \$7.50 per slide.

A prospectus and entry form can be obtained by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

Mary Johnson  
Adirondack Park Centennial Watercolor Exhibit  
Silver Bay Association  
Silver Bay, NY 12874

**CARING FOR ELDERS**

The Warren and Washington Counties Elderly Coalition is sponsoring a free program for caregivers of the elderly. Two programs of "Stress Busting Strategies" are scheduled. A day program is scheduled for Tuesday, October 22 from 10AM to noon. The evening program will also be on October 22 from 6-8PM. Both programs will be held at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Offices, Building Annex 1, Lower Main St., Hudson Falls. Pre-registration is necessary. Individuals interested in attending may call one of the following agencies to register: Warren County Office of the Aging at 761-6347; or Cornell Cooperative Extension in Warren County at 668-4881.

Presenters for this program are: Joan Faxon, Ex. Dir. of "Caritas" who will cover personal stress busters and the healing power of humor; Mark Needham, EISEP Coordinator for Wash. County Office for the Aging, who will review stress relieving/relaxation techniques and Mary Ann Assini, Adirondack Samaritan Counseling Center who will discuss counseling needs. During the program, time will be allotted for questions from the audience.

**CONSUMER AWARENESS WEEK**

This year is the 10th anniversary of National Consumers Week, October 20-26, 1991. The theme, "Today's Choice-Tomorrow's Opportunity," emphasizes both the power of the consumer choices we make today and the responsibility we share for protecting our world resources and creating future opportunities.

What are your rights regarding rainchecks when an advertised item is not available at a store? State and federal laws do not require stores to provide rainchecks for goods that are temporarily out of stock. However, a Federal Trade Commission regulation does prohibit retail food stores from advertising a product on sale at a special price, when the product is not in adequate supply to meet reasonable anticipated consumer demand. A store is exempt from this requirement if its advertisements include conspicuous disclosure of the item's limited availability.

If you choose to order by mail, the Federal Trade Commission wants you to know that you have protections under the FIC's Mail Order Merchandise Rule. If you prefer the ease of calling in your order, remember that telephone orders are given the same protection only when you send payment by mail. The Mail Order Rule requires companies to ship orders within the time promised in their advertisements. If no time period is promised, the company must ship your order within 30 days after it receives a properly completed order, unless you are contacted and agree to a specific delay. This rule does not cover photo-finishing, orders, seeds and plants, or credit orders where your account is not charged until after the goods are shipped.

One precaution you can take when shopping by mail is to keep good records. Keep a copy of your order form, along with the company's name, address and telephone

number. Your records should show the price, description, and item numbers of the merchandise you ordered, the total cost of the order and whether you chose to pay by check, credit card, or money order. These will be helpful if you have a problem later.

In NYS retail mercantile establishments are required to conspicuously post their refund policy. The policy must appear on (1) a sign attached to the item itself, (2) on a sign affixed to the cash register or point of sale, (3) on a sign so situated as to be clearly visible to the buyer while standing at the cash register, or (4) on a sign posted at each store entrance used by the public. The signs must state whether or not it is the policy of the store to give refunds and if so, under what conditions the refund will be given.

If you are buying a major appliance or furniture be aware of this NYS Law. A furniture or major household appliance dealer must disclose, in writing, an estimated delivery date or an estimated range of delivery dates at the time the order is taken. The customer must be advised that, if delivery is not made within 30 days following the original estimated delivery date, the customer can (1) cancel the contract and receive a full refund or credit, (2) negotiate a new delivery time, or (3) make a new selection. When the merchandise is not delivered within the 30-day period, a refund must be made available within two weeks of the customer's request. If the delay or failure to deliver is caused solely by the consumer, the dealer failure is not unlawful, if he shows that at least 3 good faith attempts have been made, and after each unsuccessful attempt at delivery, a written notice was sent to the consumer.

**SURPLUS FOOD**

On October 17 Surplus and Gleaning food will be distributed at the Community Center from 1 - 4PM. Please bring documentation.

**A LITTLE HAGUE HISTORY**

As excerpted from a very old Glens Falls Post Star newspaper, date unknown:

Sabbath Day Point, six miles south of Hague intersection on Route 9N. In 1756 a party of Provincials under Generals Putnam and Rogers defeated a force of French and Indians here. On July 5, 1758, General Abercrombie landed at Sabbath Day Point with an army of 15,000 men, rested until midnight and moved north to Ticonderoga, leaving their campfires burning to delude the enemy. In July 1759, General Amherst landed here with a force of 12,000 men, and passed the Sabbath Day. The name is believed to come from General Amherst's order for religious services when he made a Sabbath Day halt here on his way to capture Fort Ticonderoga and Crown Point.

**POINTS OF INTEREST**

1. Calamity Rock. One-half mile north of Hague intersection, off shore, was the site of the accidental burning of the steamboat "John Jay" on July 29, 1856. The captain at the time was J. Gale and the pilot was E. S. Harris. Six lives were lost. The timbers may still be seen on a clear day on the lake bottom.

2. Graphite Mines. Four miles west of Hague intersection on Route 8 is the site of the graphite mines operated from about 1830 to 1923-24. A settlement with a post office, store, boarding house and several dwellings were located here. All that remain are a few dwellings on Route 8. The mines were controlled by the Mason-Dixon Co. On May 25, 1958 the Dixon Co. established and

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### SOUNDINGS

**BORN** - A son, Stephen Glenn, to Glenn and Helen Ostapeck, Sacramento, CA on September 9. Proud grandparents are Kay and Oz Ostapeck, Sabbath Day Point.

**BORN** - A son, Nathan Douglas, to Doug and Karen Laundree on September 24, 1991 at the Porter Medical Center, Middlebury, VT. Happy grandparents are Ray and Mary Laundree, Hague and Gene and Louise Schram, Whitehouse, Ohio.

**BORN** - A son, Michael Allan, Jr. to Vicki Johndrow and Michael Fish, Sr., Hague on October 1 in Moses Ludington Hospital. Proud grandparents are Linda and Herman Fish, Hague.

**MARRIED** - Tracey Leonard, daughter of Mrs. Blythe Leonard, Scotia and Hague and John Barth, son of Mr. & Mrs. John E. Barth, Oak Ridge, NJ and Hague at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Hague on September 28. Reception was held at the Sagamore Hotel, Bolton Landing, followed by a cruise on The Morgan.

**MARRIED** - Donna Denton, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. George P. Denton, Hague, and Randy Clarke, son of Allen and the late Jeannette Clark, Crown Point in the Grace Memorial Chapel, Sabbath Day Point on September 28, 1991. Rev. Elliott, former pastor of the Wesleyan Church performed the ceremony. Reception was held at the EMA Club in Ticonderoga.

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**DIED** - Mrs. Eleanor Goddard, Round Lake and Silver Bay, NY in March 1991. She is survived by one son and one daughter and several grandchildren.

**DIED** - Paul J. Rickett, Ballston Spa and Silver Bay, NY, in August 1991.

**DIED** - Florence Hamilton, widow of Dr. J. Wallace Hamilton, formerly long time residents of Silver Bay in September 1991. She is survived by two sons and a daughter.

**DIED** - Barbara (Hoffay) Beaver, 43, Milwaukee, WI, formerly of Hague, on October 2 in Milwaukee. She is survived by her husband, Bernard, father, Harold, mother, Janet, four sons, two brothers and three sisters.

**DIED** - Charles Voss, 74, Sabbath Day Point and Boynton Beach, FL, on October 5 in the Medical Center at Burlington, VT. He is survived by his wife, Ida, a son and a daughter and two grandchildren.

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officially dedicated the Joseph Dixon Memorial Forest as a living memorial to the mining industry. A marker may be seen on Route 8.

3. Silver Bay Association has been a family conference center since 1902. Slim Point at Silver Bay was the setting for the dedication of the American Boy Scout Council Ring on August 9, 1947. It commemorates the first Boy Scout training camp for leaders in the United States in 1910. Accommodations are available for 600 for conferences of religious, business and family groups.

4. West Hague - An area four miles west of Hague intersection on Route 8 was the most thickly populated part of the town in the early 1800s. An abandoned

cemetery remains but there are no markers.

5. Old abandoned cemetery - Five Revolutionary War veterans are buried in this cemetery on Route 9N, one-half mile south of the town park at Hague.

6. Wardboro - Once a thriving settlement, Wardboro is located about 12 miles south of Hague intersection on Route 9N. Only an old cemetery marks the spot. It was named for the number of Ward families who first settled there.

7. Tannery site - Located below the bridge on Tannery Brook in West Hague, this tannery was run by Irish and Wright.

8. Cooper Shop site - A cooper shop was operated here in the early 1800s by Andrew Bevins. It was on West Hague Road, opposite the former town shed by the Hague Cemetery.

9. Two millwheels. - These millwheels can be seen atop stone pillars either side of the bridge leading to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation fish weir below the falls.

10. Lower Falls - This is the site of the first grist mill built in the early 1800s. It was owned by a Mr. Kenny and later by Rufus Rising and operated by H. H. Harrison.

11. Upper Falls - This was the site of a grist mill, brushback factory and cider mill. All were operated until approximately 1910. The flume and water mill were recently visible.

12. Four Chimneys - Four miles north of Hague intersection on Route 9N is a brick house built in 1822 by Warner and William Cook, son of Samuel Cook one of Hague's earliest settlers. The house is built of brick made upon the premises. The house is presently owned by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stanley. They have renovated the interior to duplicate the original. The four fireplaces upstairs and the two downstairs are all workable. (Ed. This has exchanged hands several times since the Stanleys and is now owned by Dr. Mack, veterinarian.)

13. Jabe Pond - The pond is named for Jabe Patchen, who lived in a log cabin nearby. He was the son of Samuel Patchen, first recorded supervisor of Hague in 1808, and Revolutionary War veteran.

14. Lake Shore Graphite Mines - Located about one-fourth mile at the top of Rising Hill, this unsuccessful operation ran about three years, 1898 to 1901. The foundation of boarding house and store, a waste pile and closed off mine entrances are all that remain.



**Have a  
Safe & Happy  
Halloween**

October

16 Senior Citizens Bus Trip to Glens Falls  
 16 School Board meeting - 7:30PM - H.S. Cafeteria  
 17 Surplus and Gleaning food - 1-4PM - Town Center  
 17 Hague Historical Society meeting - 7:30PM (see p 2)  
 22 Senior Citizens Club 1:30PM, Meal site 11:20AM (p2)  
 24 Zoning Board of Appeals - Hearings 7PM (see p3)  
 26 Silver Tea, Hague Baptist Church, 1-4PM (see p2)  
 31 Halloween

November

4 Fire Dept. meeting - 7:30PM, Fire Hall  
 5 ELECTION DAY - Polls open 6AM-9PM (see p1)  
 5 Donuts & coffee 6-11AM. Lunch 12-2PM (see p1)  
 5 Mohican Home Bureau, 10AM, Community Ctr. (p2)  
 6 Flu shots; 1-2PM at Community Ctr. (see p1)  
 6 American Legion meeting - 7PM, Legion Home  
 7 Planning Board meeting, 7:30PM  
 11 VETERANS DAY  
 12 Town Board meeting - 6:30PM

ADIRONDACK RIGHTS

Early every day recently, bold crows "caw" to each other near my woodland cabin.  
 Such a ruckus!  
 What are they saying?  
 Are they speaking up for their Adirondack "rights"?  
 They rouse me from apathy and I walk to a lookout where I see forested mountains and  
 valleys and open fields, glistening from an overnight rain.  
 Blue jays "chime in" to speak their point of view,  
 A persistent chickadee quietly says, "Listen to me, listen to me."  
 A timid bird feebly chirps a weak call and can hardly be heard.  
 And one bird makes no sound.  
 Who is in charge? Who will prevail?  
 The year-round birds or the migrants?  
 The "loud-mouths" or the soft-spoken species?

... Laura Meade  
 9/17/91

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